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Eight Million Methodists on the March!

(Statement and Appeal to the Church from the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension)

GOD has brought our united Methodism to the kingdom in America for such a time as this! An unparalleled opportunity opens before our great church as we bring the rich resources we have in Christ Jesus to bear on the unmet needs of our country.

Methodism has led the Christian communions of America in successful organic union. Methodism must now go forward in a great spiritual advance and in a mighty moral crusade. Christ wills it!

Through Christ we face this semipagan world in confidence. Large areas of American life have grown progressively selfish, secular, and sinful. Indifference, irreligion, gambling, drunkenness, crime, and lewdness are cruelly debasing youth and undermining the American way of life.

Christ calls again to Methodism to proclaim in word and in life personal redemption, the Christianizing of the social order, and evangelism for all the world.

A new spirit of adventurous faith is stirring the soul of our united Methodism. Eight million Methodists in forty-three thousand churches will answer the challenge of our bishops to more Christ-like personal life and to more sacrificial Christian service in the Great Advance of the coming months.

Every local church must become the dynamic center of this movement to make America Christian. Every minister must aggressively lead his people in bringing Christ to his community and his community to Christ. Every Methodist worthy to be called a good soldier of Jesus Christ must enlist in this Christian Crusade.

Will this cost sacrifice? Yes! Devotion? Of course! Money? Certainly, as each Christian shares according to his ability with his Lord in redeeming the world! And let ministers and laymen everywhere be honest with God, rendering unto World Service that which is World Service's and unto the local budget that which is the local budget's.

Christ and His church are the chiefest, fairest hopes of America. "Now, God be thanked, who has matched us with His hour!"

Will the Methodist Advance Spell Victory?

All forward looking Methodists of the North Carolina conferences are eager for a year of victory. This puts heavy responsibilities upon pastors and laymen in positions of leadership. Of first concern are:

Missions - Education - Evangelism - Benevolences

All who act well their part can come rejoicing in the victory won. A chief agency in this Advance is the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

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Our Agencies for Victory are the Spoken Word and the Printed Page

Definite goals have been fixed by the bishops and by all the boards for the work this year. The minimum goal set for our church paper is so low that many think this positively humiliating. But remember that this is a minimum goal with which many will not be content.

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Our Goal for the North Carolina Christian Advocate is One New Full Year Subscriber for Every Hundred Members of a Charge

This will enable each pastor without exception to make his charge 100 per cent. So no one needs to fail.

Along with this, it is fully expected that all renewals be brought up to date.

Are there a hundred Methodists anywhere in North Carolina among whom \$2.00 cannot be found for the church paper? That question answers itself. In this good state Methodist preachers do not live among a people with no one to help.

**We can win in this present advance
only by all doing their best**

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It is said that a wise old trainer when asked for advice as to how to win the race replied, "Get out in front at the start and improve your position from there on."

"Ring out the old; ring in the new!" is the joyful shout of welcome for the new year. And this song of welcome to a new world should reach a large fruition in the good year of 1940.

The Methodist Advance is getting in full swing. To stress the aim and to set out the deeper need of united Methodism is well worth while. The place of evangelism, the work of the women and the call of youth in many full days will be discussed by the bishops. What a full day will each be!

Herbert Spencer described marriage in the following terms: "A ceremony in which rings are put on the finger of the lady and through the nose of the man." Is this an example of Herbert Spencer's law of the survival of the fittest? If so the female of the specie is unquestionably winning the game.

As we read the lengthening list of meetings to be held in our Methodism all across the land during 1940, the imminent peril of it all crowds in upon us. Too often we become a part of the assembly, assuming the role of a spectator, waiting to see what will happen next. Then we pass out, get in a car or on a train to head for home. It is simply another meeting left behind with no fresh aspirations of soul and enlarged horizons for new ventures of faith. Such expenditure of time and money are little short of a sin in the sight of high heaven. It is worse than being triflingly employed. It is trifling with high honors of opportunity for conquest.

The golden ages of the past are legendary and the golden ages of the future are a matter of dreams. And dreams rarely come true. Yet we will continue to believe in legends and continue to dream. The universe without these would be a drab affair. Indeed it would be an arctic night without the promise of summer days. Hence it is well that we persist to repeat the legends of the golden ages long since past and dream of an ideal civilization in the far off centuries to come, even if they never are more than a dream.

The thousands of bar rooms and night clubs, with their bacchanalian revels in New York and other cities of America, did violence to the declaration of Franklin D. Roosevelt and other outstanding leaders for repeal who insisted that the bar room must never return. The drunken scenes were very similar to those of ancient Babylon when the king, with a thousand of his lords, read the writing of doom on the walls of his palace. America would do well to learn the lesson that the ruins of the ancient city has for our modern cities living in defiance of the God of heaven.

Dr. Clarence E. Poe eliminates himself from the race for governor of the state, choosing rather to devote his full strength to a campaign for "balanced prosperity" in North Carolina. For nearly four decades Clarence Poe has been counted a potent force for the uplift of the rural life of the commonwealth. But his busy days have not been confined to country affairs. He has traveled, written books and promoted efforts in literature as well as run a newspaper devoted especially to the interests of the farmer. Surely nothing could be more pleasing to all who desire prosperity of the real sort than to know that this outstanding citizen of North Carolina expects to continue a life that counts far more in the long run than public office can possibly do.

Our Daring Adventure

FORTY years ago in a lecture at the University of Chicago we heard Graham Taylor say that he had been in every city of America studying the place of the church in them all, and he had found that there was not a city of one hundred thousand or more population north of Baltimore and west of the Mississippi river in which the Christian church was not losing its hold on the mass of the great common people. "The rescue missions have a place in the slums and the well-to-do have their churches in the suburbs," asserted Dr. Taylor, "but the great industrial classes are being lost to the church. This at present is not true of the South," said he, "but these are words of warning for the future of the nation as a whole,"

Those were the decades in which we heard much of evolution and Biblical criticism. Such books as Benjamin Kidd's "Social Evolution" were having a wide reading. Back of and underlying the historic criticism of the Bible and the many efforts for social redemption of that time was the evolutionary process with its gradual advance to ultimate perfection. Progress was then the master word. Much was made of the Bible as a gradual disclosure of marked progress through the centuries. In like manner the race had been passing from protoplasm on to perfection just as the universe has evolved to its present stage. We Americans were especially proud of our attainments. In those years we also gloried in the ultimate perfection awaiting our progression humanity along the road of our educational advance. Germany was then leading the world. To its renowned universities all our young scholars must go to top off. The barbarism of past centuries, we were told, had passed as the race moved on to ultimate perfection in the evolutionary advance. The race was growing wiser, richer, more humane, and more self-sufficient. The gods on which the generations had relied were being relegated to the pagan ages of the crude, bloody world before the glorious days of modern progress in which ease of transportation and communication has made it a neighborhood.

Then the World War broke, with its death and its hell. On the fields of France a thousand years of human progress was swept away. These twenty years since have made known to us something of the moral and physical collapse and the spirit of defeatism which have been

ours. The horror of it all is being witnessed among the nations. Many have quit exalting the god of evolution since the Kaiser and Hitler have put the sword above the university. Some of the nations of the world have been left without a god save the gods of their own hands. Even here in our own land the God and Father of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ has not the place of lordship our fathers gave him. Yes, in this our own Southland the church does not make appeal to the masses as it did four decades ago. It has turned out as Graham Taylor prophesied it would. War, materialism, defeatism, self-indulgence, lack of reverence for holy things have robbed us of holy daring that enabled us to move forward to the conquest. The present call coming to the Methodist Church this new year is eager and most insistent. Only a daring and heroic adventure will count in the conquest.

Jurisdictional Conference to Meet in Asheville

THE committee appointed to select the place of meeting of the Jurisdictional Conference of the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church has chosen Asheville, N. C. This conference will meet May 22, 1940. It will be the first Jurisdictional Conference of American Methodism.

In our judgment the committee has chosen wisely in selecting Asheville. The climate in Asheville the last of May is at its best. The location is easy of access for the entire Jurisdiction and the city of Asheville will leave nothing undone to make the stay of the conference delightful in all particulars. This fact is assured by a letter we have received from Mr. Matthew, president of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce. The letter follows:

On behalf of the Chamber of Commerce and the citizens of Asheville, I want to thank you for your very splendid assistance in helping us obtain the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference of the Methodist Church.

We were very pleased with the editorial printed in the Advocate in July, urging that the conference be held in Asheville. This was really the beginning of our campaign to have this city selected. The fact that the first recommendation came from some other source than Asheville, we know carried great weight with the committee, and we want you to know how deeply we appreciate your friendship and interest.

You know that the people of Asheville will leave nothing undone to make the stay of the delegates and visitors in this city pleasant and enjoyable.

Cordially yours,

Harry G. Matthew, President.

Missionary Council at Charlotte

THE meeting of the General Missionary Council at Charlotte January 9-12 should attract many North Carolina Methodists. None of these gatherings have been in such easy reach as this. Two years ago the Council met in Savannah. There the program gathered about the Aldersgate Celebration. Last year the Council at San Antonio gave especial attention to the coming union of American Methodism. Both of these meetings were largely attended and of unusual interest. The program this first year of Methodist union both in personnel and wide outlook is fully in keeping with the demands crowding upon us.

This Missionary Council has become one of the great assemblies of American Methodism. It will be unfortunate for North Carolina Methodism if the people of this commonwealth should fail to become interested until it is too late, that is after the Council shall have closed. There promises to be a large attendance from Texas and other states west of the River, and most assuredly North Carolinians should be on hand in great numbers. Get to Charlotte in time for the addresses Tuesday morning, January 9, of Bishops W. W. Peele and Edwin H. Hughes and remain till the close Friday, January 12.

Our plea is that both of our conferences profit by the discussions at Charlotte next week. All alert clerical and lay leaders will certainly be eager to profit by a faithful attendance at the Council.

Keep the Church to the Front

TO exalt the place and the message of the Christian church is a first demand at all times in dealing with the heart of man, "which is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked." For the Christian church is the one institution that can speak with assurance of God and his power to save man from his sins. It alone has the effective agencies for bringing men to God. In this present Methodist Advance we are relying on the flaming soul and the printed page as agencies in making our appeal to a generation far gone from God, and so much inclined to put the mechanics of the church above the dynamics of religion. Vast armies and material resources, measured in terms of billions, are counted the strong de-

fenses of this mechanistic age. No wonder we falter where our fathers firmly trod. God in the soul of man as a renewing and cleansing power is the hope of the world. The need of such a Presence and such a Power was never more apparent than at this hour.

The Opinion of an Eminent North Carolinian

ROBERT M. HANES, president of the American Bankers Association and president of the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, has proven himself a man of unusual capacity for successful service in the realm of banking and finance, and his utterances from time to time impress us with his wisdom and breadth of vision.

As a fresh illustration of this fact we submit the following observation on New Year's day:

A prediction regarding the outlook for 1940 must be qualified by the possible effect of wars abroad and the forthcoming political campaign at home. What influence these factors may have is difficult to forecast except in a very general way.

My personal opinion is that the war in Europe will be a long one, continuing at least for the next year and perhaps longer. Its duration and outcome will be largely determined by the economic reserves and powers of endurance of the respective belligerents. Whatever stimulation the war may give to American business will only be temporary, and we must be prepared for the reaction following the war as we face the consequences of the terrific destruction of economic values.

A New Year Resolution

ZIONS HERALD suggests that we make only one new year resolution. In brief it is: Resolve to tell the truth. This if adopted would be a revolutionary resolution for the Soviets of Russia or the Nazi of Germany. But some Americans are coming to have faith in lies. Men seek to get gain by means of falsehoods. Men of pretended piety too frequently hope to build a pedestal for themselves by weaving a set of falsehoods about men of unblemished reputation. It does not permanently harm the intended victim. It only serves as an admonition to be on a lookout for the slanderer and the peddler of falsehoods.

As we stand in the gateway of 1940 it is good to heed the admonition, "Buy the truth and sell it not," to tell the truth, to love the truth, and to live the truth. The universe is founded upon truth, faith and love. These three are eternal.

❖ People and Things ❖

Mrs. Wallace E. Brown, widow of the late Bishop Brown, has taken up residence at 700 University Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.

Mrs. E. L. Hillman has returned to her home in Rocky Mount after a three weeks' stay in Duke hospital, following an operation.

Bishop E. L. Waldorf of the Chicago Area, recently planned a breakfast for 500 Methodist lawyers, who were organized for service to the church.

The Rev. L. H. Estes, secretary of the Uniting Conference at Kansas City, Mo., was recently re-elected for the twenty-sixth consecutive year as secretary of the Memphis annual conference.

The secretary of the W. N. C. conference will be able to supply a few additional conference journals. Several requests have been received and these will be honored as far as possible.—E. H. Nease, Sec.

Bishop Francis J. McConnell was elected by the Council of Bishops at their recent meeting to prepare the episcopal address to be delivered at the General Conference at Atlantic City, N. J., convening on April 24.

The Fayetteville District League of Stewards is called by Dr. M. L. Matthews, district lay leader, to meet at Aberdeen at 2 p. m. Sunday, January 14. The presence of all stewards is desired, and that of all pastors who have no preaching service that afternoon.—W. V. McRae, D. S.

A son, Robert, Jr., was born to the Rev. and Mrs. Robert Cushman of South Meridan, Connecticut, Friday, December 22, 1939. Rev. Mr. Cushman is a son of Bishop and Mrs. Ralph S. Cushman of the St. Paul Area of the Methodist Church.

The pastor of the First Methodist church of China Grove, Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, and Mrs. Weldon used a unique way by which to bring Christmas greetings to the members of the church. They delivered in person a copy of The Upper Room to each family of the church.

The Mount Olive Tribune announced this week that there will be a joint meeting of the stewards, elders, and deacons of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist churches at the Community Building on Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. This has the appearance of the churches coming closer together.

Wanted: One each of the following editions of the Minutes of the North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, South, in order to complete my file: 1900-1905 inclusive, 1915, 1883 and 1893. I will buy them or make suitable exchange. I have the following minutes for exchange: 1917-1938 inclusive.—B. T. Hurley, Red Springs, N. C.

Mrs. J. N. Dayvault of China Grove has been enrolled as a life member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service through the efforts of the circle of which she has been the leader for a number of years. Mrs. Dayvault served at one time as district secretary of the Salisbury district of the women's organization.

Two generous poundings the same night! That's the way Lebanon and New Sharon churches of the Hillsboro charge welcome their pastor for his fourth year of service. Previously the Hillsboro congregation had given us an extraordinary "pounding." Palmer's Grove believes in making the pastor and family comfortable, too. They have just purchased a very beautiful living room suite for the parsonage that any preacher would be proud to boast about. That's not all—the salary has been increased ten per cent over last year. We are expecting to make this the best year of the four.—Joyce V. Early, P. C.

The ministers' wives of the Marion district were entertained with an informal tea December 12 at the home of Mrs. W. A. Jenkins in Marion, with Mrs. J. C. Cornett joint hostess. New officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. W. A. Jenkins; vice president, Mrs. C. M. McKinney; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. W. E. Ruffy.—Mrs. W. E. Ruffy, Sec.

On Wednesday evening, January 10, at 6 o'clock Bishop Charles C. Selecman of Oklahoma City, the chairman of the Commission on Evangelism of the Methodist Church, will speak at a dinner meeting of 250 of the leaders of Wesley Memorial church, at which time the program of evangelism for January, February and March will be launched. Dr. Embree H. Blackard, the pastor of Wesley Memorial, will present the local church's program for the Methodist Advancement.

We have been sent back to the land of the "God blessed Macs" for the fourth year to our great joy. If anybody thinks these descendants of the Highlanders have ice in their blood and a padlock on their pocketbooks they have another thought coming to them. Their reception has been so warm and liberal that we are delighted to "bide a wee bit" longer with them. We have the privilege of preaching to a full house each Sunday morning, especially during the college season. There are more than 50 Methodist girls attending Flora Macdonald College.—B. T. Hurley.

A reception was given at the Methodist parsonage at Er-langer Saturday evening honoring Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Ervin by the women of the church. Mrs. J. C. Childers greeted the guests at the door and presented them to the receiving line composed of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin, Rev. E. C. Roach, pastor of the Baptist church, and Mrs. Roach and officers of the church. Miss Geraldine Lewis and Miss May Blount directed to the dining room, where Mrs. Charles W. Davis presided over the punch bowl. Others serving in the dining room were the girls of Mrs. Childers' church school class. They were Misses Anna Pearl Blount, Thelma Curtis, Thelma Richey, Sylvia Goins, Ruth Cruse, Geneva Leonard, Lena Jenkins, Mary Louise Lumsden, Vivian Pope and Nancy Clayton.

I have today mailed Brother Barnes \$220 on our Orphanage assessment, and that with our Thanksgiving special makes \$389.67 we have sent the orphanage this year. Our church services are well attended, having to throw open the Sunday school doors to take care of the overflow crowd from the main body of the church. Our prayer meeting crowds have been fine also, running as high as 185. We hope to have 200 next Wednesday night. Last night our young people conducted a beautiful, impressive and very spiritual watch night service from 11:30 to 12:05. We are having and expect to continue to have a wonderful year in our church work, and we are wishing for you and the N. C. Advocate the best year yet.—Ruby P. Chandler, Secretary Hay Street Church.

Bishop James H. Straughn has been assigned by the Council of Bishops to the Portland Area, Western Jurisdictional conference. He will arrive in Portland January 6 and preach in First church on the next morning. The appointment is effective immediately and continues until June 18, 1940, opening date of the Northeastern Jurisdictional conference, which will give him his permanent assignment for the 1940 quadrennium. This action was taken by reason of the death of Bishop Wallace E. Brown. The Discipline permits temporary assignments of a bishop from one jurisdiction to another, in the case of an emergency caused by the death or disability of a bishop. The consent is required of a majority of the bishops in the jurisdiction to which the new assignment is made.

Christmas checks totaling \$23,000 have been mailed to 290 retired North Carolina Methodist preachers, or their widows, Duke University distributing them in behalf of the Duke endowment. The amount distributed this year is divided equally between superannuates of the North Carolina and the Western North Carolina conferences of the Methodist Church. In their retirement the aged preachers or their widows live in many parts of the country besides North Carolina, in California, Texas, Virginia and other states. James B. Duke began his custom of sending Christmas checks to aged preachers and widows in 1915 with an original gift of \$10,000. He continued this each year as a separate fund until 1924 when he perpetuated it as a feature of the Duke endowment. This year marks the 24th consecutive year that the superannuates have received Christmas checks through Duke University. With each check President W. P. Few of Duke University sent a personal letter extending greetings to the recipients.

I have read so much in the North Carolina Christian Advocate about the fine receptions the preachers all over the North Carolina conference have received since our meeting in Fayetteville that I cannot refrain any longer from relating our experiences since reaching the Goldsboro circuit. The ball started rolling 15 minutes after we landed in the parsonage. The house was soon filled with a group of our fine ladies, and after they had gone every table in the kitchen and dining room was covered with some of the best tasting food I have ever eaten. Others have had poundings, but it has not ceased here since that first visit by those ladies. They pound us when they visit here and pound us when we visit them. The old men even came over one Saturday morning and pounded the old back yard fence until they had torn it down and erected a new one in its place. Some of the walls and practically every floor in the parsonage now has a new coat of paint. The pastor and his wife have a new set of bed springs on which to rest from every day of labor and a new heater to keep one side of a big parsonage warm and comfortable while we are not in our other homes on the circuit. The official board met soon after conference and voted to increase the benevolence 22 per cent and the salary \$100 over that of last year. We are now at home on the Goldsboro circuit. These people are our people and we have learned to love them.—W. R. Stevens.

DURHAM DISTRICT LEAGUE OF STEWARDS GATHER AT EFLAND

On the last day of 1939 the League of Stewards of the Durham district assembled at Efland. It was an unusual gathering. Representatives from the churches totaled 228, with all but three pastors present. More than 300, all told, were present and nearly 100 cars were parked about the church. It was a full house, with a program that filled the entire afternoon. A large contingent of the former Methodist Protestant stewards were present. So many of these men and women had never met.

District Superintendent A. J. Hobbs presented "Our Objectives" as set out by the Board of Lay Activities of the N. C. Conference. Mr. J. C. Lentz, "The Golden Cross," Rev. Robt. Bradshaw, "Youth's Crusade," Mr. C. E. Jordan, "Our Finances," Dr. W. K. Green, "Christian Stewardship." Dr. G. T. Rowe closed the discussion. M. T. Plyler had a word for our Advocate campaign. Dr. W. P. Few was presented.

District Leader F. S. Aldridge had charge. Not only did he preside but he also rejoiced in the results following his labors in preparing for this meeting. Such an assembly of stewards held in every district would tell mightily for the entire year's work. The ten objectives of the laymen of the conference were presented so as to give a vivid picture of the work. Some had never heard of these objectives.

TO ALL OUR MEMBERS IN THE CHARLOTTE AREA, GREETINGS

These lines are being written on Christmas Day, and are intended to convey to each of you my heartiest good wishes for a very happy New Year! All through this sacred day we have been listening to radio programs alternating between Christmas music and war bulletins. The prospects for the new year are not promising so far as world peace is concerned. This, however, should but cause us all to be more constant in our prayers for peace, and in our determination to keep our own nation at peace with all the world.

United Methodism faces a divided world. Surely we have come to this new epoch in the history of our church at a momentous hour in the history of mankind. God most certainly has a deep purpose in bringing us to this new responsibility. With a profound feeling of the urgency of these days the Council of Bishops is calling upon the church for an advance along all lines of religious endeavor. This movement which promises to become historic in our annals is being officially launched here in our own area at First church, Charlotte, January 9-12. Following this church-wide meeting we are to have area meetings at Winston-Salem February 7 and at Columbia February 8. Much prayer on our part will assure victory in all these days.

Blessings be in every one of your homes this New Year!
Clare Purcell.

SIX COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS TO SPEAK AT WESLEY MEMORIAL, HIGH POINT, SUNDAY EVENINGS AT 7:30

Six college or university presidents will speak at Wesley Memorial church, High Point, on the theme: "If I Had Only One Message to Bring." Each speaker has been given perfect liberty in the choice and treatment of his subject, and will give that message which he considers most vital for our day. The speakers are:

January 7—Dr. William P. Few, president of Duke University.

January 14—Dr. Walter L. Lingle, president of Davidson College.

January 21—Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler, president of Salem College.

January 28—Dr. Frank P. Graham, president of the University of North Carolina.

February 4—Dr. Clyde E. Milner, president of Guilford College.

February 11—Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College.

Dr. Embree H. Blackard is the pastor.

NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES TO MEET IN GREENSBORO JANUARY 16-18

The fourth annual convocation of the North Carolina Council of Churches will meet in the First Presbyterian church, Greensboro, January 16th and close the 18th. "The Witness of the Church in a Perilous World" will be the theme for discussion. Internationally known speakers will have a part in this interdenominational conference.

The convocation must be self-sustaining and therefore it is necessary that every one attending purchase a convocation membership of \$1.00, payable in advance or at the door. For the convenience of all concerned registration booths will be open at the First Presbyterian church all day January 15 and 16.

ALONG THE WAY: AN INTERESTING STORY OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN AND REV. JESSE HEAD

We took a little trip the other day out to Kentucky. When I say "we" I refer to three members of my family who went to visit two other members of the family. In order to have an unhurried chat and tell all we knew; we decided—the five of us—to drive for two solid days, when we could talk and talk along the way without being annoyed by the telephone or other interruptions.

Leaving Corbin one morning we drove through the blue grass section of Lexington and thence to Harrodsburg, our first scheduled stop. We had never heard very much about Harrodsburg, but we were told that we must see the Marriage Temple. The Marriage Temple? A place where folks get married? No one had told us what it is and we did not know what to expect. In a beautiful park we saw a brick building which encased an old log cabin. We went in and discovered that the cabin was formally the residence in which Thomas Lincoln and Nancy Hanks were married. On the wall were some bronze tablets: one to the memory of Thomas Lincoln, another paying tribute to Nancy Hanks, and the third depicting the virtues of the man who performed the ceremony—the Rev. Jesse Head, an itinerant Methodist preacher.

Leaving Harrodsburg we drove to Bardstown for a brief visit to the "Old Kentucky Home" and thence to Abraham Lincoln's birthplace. Again we discovered an old log cabin, somewhat reduced in size, for the ends of the logs had rotted off, enclosed in a beautiful temple in the midst of a lovely park. Although it was early in the morning, visitors had already arrived from many different states and before we left the place was crowded. It was interesting to note the reverence with which everyone approached the old cabin. Men removed their hats, conversation was carried on in a low tone, and even the children seemed unusually quiet. Again we found bronze tablets to the memory of Thomas Lincoln, Nancy Hanks, and Rev. Jesse Head.

"Why are all these people here?" we asked ourselves, "even at the beginning of the day, from so many different states? And why are they so quiet and reverent? Is it because this old cabin is the birthplace of one of the Presidents of the United States, or is it because Mr. Lincoln was President during the Civil War and wrote the Emancipation Proclamation? Why have we passed by the birthplace of some other Presidents, and why are we here?"

"Character," we decided, "is the answer; strong, stalwart, robust character; an ability to achieve success in spite of difficulties; an unflinching good will in the face of opposition; a charitable attitude toward his enemies; an ability to endure ridicule; a firm conviction in the right as he saw the right; a power to see it through; a stabilizing belief in the providence of God. All these and many other attributes of Christian character, one finds in Lincoln. That's why we are here: to pay tribute to his character."

Where did he get those strong essentials of manhood? He never went to school. He grew up in the wilderness where there were no libraries. His reading was limited to the Bible, Pilgrim's Progress, and a few books loaned by friends. Where did he get the inspiration to read these books? And why should he, of all people, hidden away in the wilderness, living in abject poverty—why should he absorb these great teachings which made him immortal, and which, according to H. G. Wells, single him out as one of the greatest men of all time?

With these questions running through our mind, we read, once again, the tablets to the memory of his father and mother. They spoke eloquently of the heroic virtues of Thomas Lincoln, who, with his own hands, built five homes in the wilderness. They told of the splendid ideals that Nancy Hanks imparted to her growing boy. We turned again to the tablet memorializing Rev. Jesse Head, of whom we had never heard until we visited the Marriage Temple. We discovered that this unknown Methodist preacher, whose only bid to fame is the fact that he performed the ceremony joining Lincoln's father and mother in wedlock, was a frequent visitor in the Lincoln home, and was bitterly opposed to slavery. Many times he talked this matter over with Thomas Lincoln while a six-year-old boy played on the floor, taking it all in. It was from Jesse Head that Lincoln got his first impression about the evils of slavery, and in those early plastic years he began to formulate his own conclusions which led him to say, while a youth in his teens, "If I ever have a chance to hit this thing, I will hit it hard."

We can imagine a boy playing around the yard in the late afternoon, looking down the road and then calling his mother, "Ma, the preacher is coming." We can imagine Thomas Lincoln greeting the parson and then saying, "Abe, take this horse to the barn." We imagine Abe hurrying through his chores, in order that he might sit by the fire and hear the great man talk. Lincoln's character is traceable to the church. So is all great character.

As we drove away we passed through a section of Kentucky where several large breweries are located. "Lincoln could never have gotten his ideals from a place like this," I thought. No man who has left his imprint upon America

has ever received his inspiration from a brewery. The church is responsible for our high resolves. All upward movements, all social advances, all efforts for better living conditions, in fact, all progress which society makes has its origin in the church.

J. Wilson Smith.

DINNER PARTY IN ROCKINGHAM

On Thursday evening, December 14, the pastors, their wives, the superannuates and their wives of Rockingham county were dinner guests of the pastors of Leaksville-Spray—Brothers Houts, Rayle and Swofford. A delightful occasion was enjoyed. The dinner was prepared by the ladies of the Leaksville church, and it was certainly one of the best prepared and most attractively served church dinners we have ever eaten.

The program was strictly informal. Brother A. R. Bell, one of our retired ministers, gave a greeting in which he reminisced, telling some interesting experiences that came to him in the years gone by. These anecdotes refreshed the memories and aroused the imagination of the other preachers, and so the next 30 minutes were given to humorous stories.

Brother L. B. Hayes, our district superintendent, expressed his joy over the fine way in which the pastors are endeavoring to advance church union in our district. He also gave a brief account of the programs to be offered at the Missionary Council in Charlotte, the Convocation of Churches in Greensboro, and the Methodist Advance meeting in Centenary church, Winston-Salem.

The ladies contributed much to the enjoyment with their pleasant remarks covering a wide variety of experiences and subjects. The ladies received miniature blankets as favors from a Leaksville blanket factory.

The meeting closed with the group singing several songs.

SOME QUESTIONS ASKED BY A LAYMAN

To the N. C. Christian Advocate:

I want to ask a few questions and would like for some one to answer these questions through the Advocate. First, why is there so much difference in preachers of the gospel of Christ? Is not their mission to feed the flock on the bread of life and make a Christian man or woman to rejoice and feel the power of God? Where is the difficulty when a preacher preaches year after year at the same place and has no converts, and the congregation grows colder all the time? To me such preachers are men with positions given them by our conference, and as long as the Christian people do not let their convictions be known to the D. S. and bishop they go on marking time, taking their salary and think they have done alright because no one has said anything otherwise. I cannot say that many of them do not preach good sermons and give good advice, but the power of God is not manifested.

If the world ever needed powerful preaching it is today. I think the preachers should look about them and see the need of preaching the gospel by the help and power of God and not so much by notes. I think a large per cent of our preachers today need to tarry at Jerusalem until they are empowered by the Holy Ghost. I go to church to worship and to renew my spiritual life, but I am disappointed when my preacher just feeds me on a dry morsel. I do not want to be taken as critical in this article, but I see the need of a more powerful gospel in our church, which is a country church. Our church pays all its claims and is loyal, but we are suffering with a coldness that can be seen and felt even by strangers.

Layman.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

The annual meeting of the Board of Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be held in the chapel of the Board of Church Extension Building, 1115 Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky, beginning Tuesday, April 9, 1940, 9 a. m. All applications to be considered by the board at its annual meeting must be in the hands of the secretary on or before March 1.

T. D. Ellis, Sec.

METHODIST ADVANCE—NOT DISCOVERY BUT RENEWAL

By Bishop W. W. Peele

The Uniting Conference did not discover something new in Methodism and as the result project the Methodist Advance. Rather the movement had its origin in the feeling of obligation and responsibility inherent in what Methodism has stood for throughout its entire history. The forces that have made our Methodism are the forces that will make for our larger Methodism. These are the forces that will be given renewed emphasis by the Methodist Advance. What are some of the things that have enriched Methodism and have contributed to our glorious heritage?

One force that has made for Methodist success is the emphasis that has been placed upon Christian living. Our weakness today is anaemic, uncreative living. Methodism has always given the place of first emphasis to experience rather than to doctrine. It has insisted that right living must precede correct thinking. The relation of daily living to the formulated doctrines of our faith is of great importance. It is out of life that our doctrines have come. Christian living is the only way Christianity can be effectively exported. We must help men into a richer experience of God. The force that has made Methodism is the force to enlarge Methodism and to empower it for leadership and conquest, and one thing is the experience of a genuine quality of life within that gives birth to doctrine and creed.

Another force in the making of Methodism is the zeal and power of a great vital and vitalizing evangelism. Our objective must be the creation of individuals possessing a distinct kind, or quality, of life. The spirit of evangelism should permeate the entire program of the church throughout the entire year. Sustained evangelism is our goal. This is possible only where the spirit of evangelism becomes the natural, normal part of the life of the people. Regular, systematic devotions have a large part in the development of Christian character. Our evangelism must be all-inclusive. Limitations must never be placed upon Christianity. John Wesley said, "The world is my parish."

By the side of this evangelistic force in Methodism and making it more effective and permanent has been the educational emphasis of our church. We have stood for clear thinking along with clean living. Methodism has never seen any conflict between education and evangelism. The objectives are the same. People need to be exhorted to love God with all their minds as much as to love God with all their hearts. It is just as heavenly to save an intellect from stupidity as it is to save a soul from irreverence. Salvation is the realization of the potentiality of every life in its fullness and the use of this power in doing the will of God. Salvation involves the whole man. The fullest experience will come to him who is not afraid to think courageously, to have the emotions stirred by truth in all its powers, and to respond in self-sacrificing service. There is no part of the individual that God does not need in the carrying forward of his kingdom.

John Wesley not only preached Christian stewardship, but he practiced stewardship. He gave not to God, but for God. To him stewardship was not a means of raising money, but a way to invest a life. It was the grace of God expressing itself through personality. It was truth made flesh. As Methodists we have not taken this force

very seriously, yet the doctrine of Christian stewardship has always had a place in the history of Methodism.

These are only a few of the forces that have made Methodism and they are the forces that will enlarge Methodism and will empower her with leadership to march forward to conquest and to victory. The Methodist Advance is not the discovery of something new, but rather a renewed emphasis given to those forces that have been tried and have made the rich history which is ours.

REACHING THE UNINFORMED

The educational leaders of our church have labored hard to "reach the unreached." By this they mean the absentees within the constituency of the church and also those with no church connection.

We would just now adopt the slogan, "Reaching the Uninformed." By this we mean the officers and nominal leaders of the church who know not what the many demands for money and service mean. They do not know what it is all about. So we are stressing the use of the printing press. The printed page counts far more than we know. Like the sunshine its work is so quiet and persistent that a noisy age overlooks all such processes. The informed man is enlightened and enlarged and made acquainted with himself and with others. Nothing is so pitiable, indifferent and helpless as ignorance—especially true is this in the affairs of the church, so dependent upon knowledge and understanding. We plead for a larger use of the church press.

MISS MARY LEE STARLING WEDS RAYMOND O. BROWN

The wedding of Miss Mary Lee Starling and Raymond Odell Brown was solemnized at West Durham Methodist church on Christmas eve at 4 o'clock. The officiating ministers were Dr. Paul Garber and Dr. J. M. Ormond, both of Duke University.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Rev. G. B. Starling.

The bride's only attendant was Miss Carrie Cranford of Trinity. She wore a blue crepe dress with a corsage of pink roses and lilies of the valley.

The bridegroom had as his best man his brother, Coy Brown of High Point. The ushers were Sidney Crumpton and Tommy Hobbs.

Before the ceremony Mrs. Bert Cunningham, organist, and Mrs. Carl Bunting, soloist, gave a program of wedding music. At the close of the ceremony a quartet, composed of Mrs. Carl Bunting, Miss Georgia Stelman, L. C. Thomas and J. C. Dailey, sang "The Lord Bless You and Keep You."

Mrs. Brown is the daughter of Mrs. G. W. Starling and the late Rev. G. W. Starling. She is a graduate of Greensboro College and received her M.A. degree from Duke University. She is a member of the faculty of Trinity high school.

Mr. Brown graduated from High Point College and will receive a B.D. degree from Duke in June. He has served for two years in the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church which he expects to join in the fall.

RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the General Board of Christian Education of the Former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Annual Session, Nashville, Tennessee, December 20, 1939

First, That we hereby record our deep appreciation of the high vision, sacrificial living, tireless labors, and Christian diplomacy of our General Secretary, Dr. Wm. F. Quillian; Dr. C. A. Bowen, Secretary of the Editorial Department; Dr. W. M. Alexander, Secretary of the Department of Schools and Colleges; Dr. J. Q. Schisler, Secretary of the Department of the Local Church; Dr. W. E. Hogan, Treasurer and Manager, and all those who have been associated with them in promoting the Kingdom of God through the agencies of this board.

Second, That we assure them of our deep and abiding interest and love, and that wherever the paths of service may lead them in the days that lie ahead we pray God's richest blessings on each of them that their lives may be more fruitful and effective in the building of the Kingdom of God.

A God in the Making—A Sermon

By F. W. BOREHAM

And the residue thereof he maketh a god, even his graven image.—Isaiah 44:17.

It is good to watch the woodman at his work. The plaintive swish of the swaying boughs, the rhythmic thwack of the swinging ax; the furious hail of the flying chips as the yawning gash grows greater; and then, at last, the creak and the strain and the crash and the roar as the mighty monarch falls! All this rushes back to mind as we read the prophet's story of the Syrian backwoodsman who, having felled his cedar, lolls against the log, wipes the perspiration from his brow, and mentally divides the prostrate timber into three parts. With the first part he will roast his dinner and satisfy his hunger. With the second he will build his evening fire, and, sitting comfortably beside it, will warm his hands at its cheerful blaze. "And with the third part he will make unto himself a god, even his own graven image, and he will worship it and pray unto it and say, Deliver me, for thou art my god!"

And so, at the beginning of the Old Testament, we behold the amazing spectacle of a God at work on the making of a man—making a man in his own image. And, at the end of the Old Testament, a no less arresting sight attracts our gaze; for here is a man at work on the making of a god—making a god in his own image. The one scene is the natural counterpart of the other. Have a good look at this man as, leaning against the fallen cedar, he mentally divides it into three parts! He is wrestling with life's major problem. In the early days of a man's career he takes it for granted that the great thing is to acquire. Later on, a still more baffling question presents itself. How shall he administer his acquisitions? The wealth is amassed; how, precisely, shall he use the money?

This Syrian backwoodsman divides his fallen tree into three parts. With the first part he will roast his meat. A man must eat. He thus pays tribute to the necessities of life. And then he thinks of the chilly evening after the sun has set over the distant sea. He will build a blazing camp fire, and will warm himself, and will laugh and say, "Aha, this is good; I enjoy a fire!" He thus makes his contribution to the luxuries of life. And then, from the remnant of his log, he will carve for himself a god, and he will fall down to it and worship it and pray to it and say, "Save me, for thou art my God!" He thus does homage to the sanctities of life. These three divisions are most fascinating. For, obviously, he is conscious of three great hungers. He feels the hunger of his body for food, the hunger of the senses for comfort, and the hunger of the soul for worship. And so he so divides his log as to gratify, or partly gratify, each of these cravings.

And thus—and this is the most striking thing about him—he makes the log a concrete expression of his life. The devotion of part of the timber to the physical necessities of his being, part of it to sensuous indulgence, and part of it to life's loftiest sanctities reveals the exact place which each of these elements occupies in his secret soul. And the place and proportion that he allots to each demonstrates the authority that each exercises in his own character and experience. Transferred to this psycholog-

ical and even spiritual realm, the forester's log seems to float out of the creek of the material into the river of the ethical, and then out of the river of the ethical into the ocean of the eternal. For the wonder of our humanity is so intricate and so pervasive that it infects inanimate objects with its own virtues and vices, its own merits and defects. A log of wood itself neither moral nor immoral: it is nonmoral. Yet, as soon as it becomes somebody's property, it stands transfused by all the moral forces that mark the personality and character of its owner.

This basic principle governs the disposition of property at every turn. It is very curious and extremely significant that there has crept into our legal phraseology the word "personality" as applied to property. It seems to hint at the underlying and vital truth that our possessions become a mere extension of our personality. Our money becomes good money or bad money in exact proportion to our own goodness or badness; and the purposes to which we devote our wealth reflect precisely the position that certain things hold in our inmost affection and esteem.

In this charming idyl of the Syrian forest there is only one factor to be deplored. We admire the deliberate way in which this man divided his treasure among his necessities, the luxuries, and the sanctities of life. It is especially pleasing that he found room for the sanctities. It is not everybody who does. Our only regret must be that he put the sanctities last. He regarded the cooking of his food as of primary importance. He accorded second place to the cracking fire beside which he laughed and rubbed his hands in cheerful glee. And the residue of his log—the hump left over after the demands of life's necessities and life's luxuries had been met—he made into an idol. He gave his god his leavings! Religion finished a bad last.

Yet we must not be too severe upon this Oriental axman. For, after all, he was only an Eastern idolater. No clear and concise revelation had illumined his mind. He was merely following some blind instinct. We, however, are very differently situated. Upon us the light of the ages has shone. Into our minds the knowledge of the Highest has been poured. We have listened to prophets and apostles and seers; we have heard the angels sing; we have gazed upon the wonders of Bethlehem and Calvary; we have listened to the deathless story of redeeming love; we have been initiated into the mysteries into which, of olden time, the wisest and the holiest and the best of men longed in vain to peer. The darkness of this old Syrian's mind may excuse his behavior in relegating his religion to the attic or the basement of his soul: it is altogether to his credit that he found house-room for it at all; but the same mitigating and extenuating circumstances can never be pleaded on behalf of those upon whose path has blazed the light that never was on sea or shore.

Many a man stands puzzling over the disposition of his life as this old axman stood puzzling over the disposition of his log. Our backwoodsman imparted to that log a certain splendor by bringing to it even such moderate devotion. But surely, knowing all that we know, seeing

all that we see, and feeling all that we feel, we shall manifest a greater spiritual discernment than he was able to display! Instead of giving God our leavings, we shall rather sing Miss Havergal's well known hymn:

Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days;
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasurer-store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee.

And just as money or anything else, whilst capable of the most pitiful degradation, can be made sublime by its dedication to some noble end, so, by its consecration to God and its devotion to a splendid purpose, any life may be made a thing of beauty and a joy forever.—Zions Herald.

"THE FRIENDLY MAN" AND MRS. PARKER'S NEIGHBOR

(An incident of war days in England)

The bus was crowded. I rose to give my seat to a lady. She was a large, shapeless woman, with greyish hair under a jumble-sale black hat. She had a brown-paper parcel under her left arm, and her hands were red and coarse. She did not sit down. She sagged.

"Eh," she said, "I'm nearly beat." She looked it.

"You'll be glad of a cup of tea," said I, availing myself of the curious privacy one always enjoys in a crowded bus when in motion.

"You're right," she agreed. "First thing I'll do when I get home is make myself a cup of tea, and a strong one. If I don't, I'll collapse—and then where should we be?"

I didn't know, so I make no reply—a piece of discretion which some of our diplomats might emulate.

"We'd all be done for, I'm thinking," she declared, sighing again. "Things has come to something, nowadays, and no mistake. With my husband in bed these four years, and our Annie's two kiddies evacuated on me, I don't know how we're going to get through. I just don't."

"Oh, you'll manage somehow," I said. "I'm sure of that."

She looked up. "That's nice of you," she told me, becoming confidential. "And funny, too."

"Funny?"

"Why, yes, you saying that there to me, I mean. You won't think so, but it is, because, don't you see, them's the very words I keep saying to Mrs. Parker, that lives next door, poor soul."

"Your neighbor's in trouble?"

"Well—aren't we all, these days? Only, you see, poor soul, she isn't used it same as I am, in a manner of speaking. I was born poor, and I've been poor all the time; and scrubbing other people's floors has been my job mostly because Henry was never much good at best. But Mrs. Parker—well, she lived in a semi-detached once, and she's come down in the world. I said to her week afore last when I was doing her bit of washing for her—she's dazed just now with her husband being killed in the railway siding—I says, 'Mrs. Parker, you'll manage somehow,' I says, just as you did now. That's what made it seem funny, you know."

"I see."

"And I said it again every night last week—me sleeping at her house, so to speak. She's that down, I'm afraid of her doing away with herself. So I goes in about eleven, and I just mends for her two little ones; and I had to sit up half the night with the poor dear Monday and Tuesday of last week—but she's coming a bit better, I reckon. She says God's forgotten her, and I says to her, 'You'll manage somehow, even if you haven't no husband,' I says. 'God'll take care of you, same as he has me, all along—though it's never been easy.' Only, it's no good me giving her medicine and not taking it myself, so I'll just cheer up a bit—and I'll be all right after a cup of tea."

"Let's see," I murmured, "what's her address?"

"Mrs. Sophie Parker, 17 Blackburn Row, and I live next door—15. I always tell her she's two up on me. And this is where I get off, I'm thinking, and thank you kindly . . . I'll tell her she'll manage somehow."

I raised my hat. Darkness had gathered, but there was light and music in my heart. Thanking God for one of his everyday saints, I hurried along to a grocer friend of mine, and between us we arranged to send a little load of surprise to number fifteen Blackburn Row. On the sugar bag I wrote: "God doesn't forget. You'll manage somehow."—The Methodist Recorder (London).

NOT TOO LATE

By F. W. Boreham

Longfellow lived in the plastic and formative period of American history. He was impressed by the fact that great numbers of men, in contemplating the erection of the fabric of the nation's greatness, saw things that ought to be done, and changes that ought to be made, but pleaded that it was too late in life for them to undertake the work. And, in stinging rebuke, he wrote:

It is too late! Ah, nothing is too late
Till the tired heart shall cease to palpitate.
Cato learned Greek at eighty; Sophocles
Wrote his grand Oedipus, and Simonides
Bore off the prize of verse from his compeers,
When each had numbered more than four-score years;
And Theophrastus at four-score and ten
Had but begun his "Characters of Men."
Chaucer at Woodstock, with the nightingales,
At sixty wrote the "Canterbury Tales."
Goethe at Weimar, toiling to the last,
Completed "Faust" when eighty years were past.

But, as so often happens, the last word on this matter of starting afresh was spoken by Jesus himself. To an old man Jesus once said: "You must start afresh; you must be born again!" The old man was dumbfounded, and who can wonder?

"Ye must be born again!" What does it mean? It means, if it means anything, that the miracle of creation's morning may be re-enacted; a man may be made all over again. He may be changed, root and branch; the very fibre and fabric of his manhood may be transfigured. You ask me to explain this new creation! I will do so when you have explained the earlier one. You ask me to explain this second birth: I merely remind you that the first birth—the physical and intellectual one—is involved in inscrutable mystery.

I cannot explain the creation of the universe, but what does it matter? Here is the universe!

I cannot explain the mystery of birth; but what does it matter? Here is the child!

I cannot explain the wonderful word that Jesus that day uttered; but history confronts me with the shining record of millions who have entered into the radiant experience to which it points.

"O Lord," muttered Alexander Pope one day, "make me a better man!" "It would be easier," replied his spiritually enlightened page, "to make you a new man!" And in that distinction lies the whole doctrine that so startled Nicodemus when the words were first uttered. In starting afresh it is just as well to begin just there. "Ye must be born again."

Christian living and the Christian witness were never intended to be easy. Perhaps the justest indictment which can be brought against us is that we have made too easy a thing of it. If it is easy for us to be Christian, the chances are that we have a low estimate and idea of what it means to be a Christian.—Raymond Calkins, D.D.

The future does not come up from before us, but comes streaming up from behind over our heads.—Unknown.

THE PROMISED LAND LIES BEFORE US THIS YEAR!

Eight million Methodists stand today at the edge of their Promised Land. Behind them lie years of disunion. They possess a priceless heritage. Before them opens a wide door of greater service and more effective evangelism. God wills that they enter.

We call all Methodists loyally to follow their bishops in the coming crusade of the Methodist Advance. Evangelism, the Gospel of Christ, "for every life and for all of life" will be a chief emphasis of this nation-wide movement. Notable days are ahead for all Methodism.

We challenge every Methodist to own afresh the Lordship of Jesus in every area of his life and to order his daily living in the spirit of the Master. Through prayer that empowers, through faith that faces forward, and through love that redeems life we ask each Methodist to seek and find that radiant, victorious way of life that overcomes the world.

We urge every Methodist to share his faith by telling his friends what Christ and his church means to him. The fields are white with opportunity as 45,000 Methodist churches face 60,000,000 unchurched Americans and 20,000,000 youth in no church school. Eight million Methodists can and ought to win their non-Christian friends to Christ and to his church.

We commend the joyful life of stewardship of prayer, of influence, of service and of money to every Methodist as a way of life for this stewardship year. The Christian life is a life of stewardship.

We pray that the hearts of eight million Methodists may be warmed to this holy quest and that they may go forward into their Promised Land under the white banners of the Son of God.

Message to the Church by the Joint Commission on Evangelism.

Bishop Ralph S. Cushman,
Bishop Charles C. Seecman,
Chairmen.

SIDNEY MONROE ASBURY

The death of Sidney Monroe Asbury on December 21, 1939, removed from Burke county Methodism one of its most useful and consecrated laymen. He was converted and joined the Methodist church at Rock Springs camp meeting in Lenoir county in his youth. For more than a half century he was a member of Gilboa and Zion churches of the Morganton circuit, serving a great part of the time as Sunday school superintendent.

He was the son of Rev. Henry Asbury and the grandson of Rev. Daniel Asbury. To mention the name of Daniel Asbury is to recall the name of one of the most effective circuit riders in early North Carolina Methodism. He had no little to do with establishing Methodism west of the Catawba river, having with the help of John McGee formed the Lincoln circuit in 1789.

Sidney M. Asbury was married on October 5, 1871, sixty-eight years ago, to Felicia Swan Woodward of Iredell county. They were the parents of eight children. The death of D. F. Asbury in Maryland three years ago was the first break in the family circle. Mrs. Asbury, who is nearing her 90th birthday, and the following children survive: S. E. Asbury, College Station, Texas; Mrs. John A. Yoder, Linville; Mrs. Wm. F. Ingram, Mt. Gilead; S. W. Asbury, Wallville, Md.; G. P. Asbury, Charlotte; Vera M. Asbury, Morganton, and Mrs. E. O. Bacon, Charlotte.

The funeral service was held at Zion church Sunday afternoon, December 24, by Rev. W. A. Newell and the writer. In his eulogy Brother Newell remarked that a man was great because of his ancestry and his posterity, and recalled

the connection between S. M. Asbury and the Asburys of early American Methodism. He called attention to the fact that the deceased had lived through a great period of American history—that when he was born the Louisiana Purchase was the western boundary of the United States. Burial was in the Morganton cemetery. Garland R. Stafford.

GENERAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL, JANUARY 9-12, 1940, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

The General Missionary Council of 1940 will meet at Charlotte, North Carolina. For many years this has been an outstanding annual gathering of Methodism. The next session of the Council gives promise of exceeding the previous gatherings in interest and attendance. A notable program has been prepared. One entire day will be devoted to the presentation of THE METHODIST ADVANCE now being launched throughout the nation under the direction of the Council of Bishops. On Home Missions Day two unusual features will be presented, a moving picture travelogue on Alaska and a pageant of Church Extension participated in by 200 people. Of timely interest will be addresses on the religious situation and status of Methodism in war-torn Europe, by the bishop in charge of Methodist work in Europe, and others. Fourteen bishops and several other speakers of note will participate in the program. The sessions of the General Missionary Council are open to all people and Methodists from every section of the country are invited and expected to attend.

MISS EVELYN HILL AND REV. GEORGE W. BLOUNT WED

In a wedding of marked dignity and simplicity Miss Evelyn Hill became the bride of Rev. George W. Blount at high noon Thursday, December 28, in Duke University chapel in the presence of immediate members of the families and of a few friends. Rev. L. C. Larkin of Rocky Mount officiated, using the ring ceremony of the Methodist Church.

Tall palms beside the altar and at the chancel entrance, and handsome baskets of white snapdragon blended with the dignity and quiet beauty of the Gothic chapel was the lovely setting for the wedding. Pre-nuptial music, Liszt's Liebestraume and DeKoven's O Promise Me, was furnished by Mr. E. H. Broadhead, chapel organist. Schubert's Serenade was played during the reading of the ritual, and the traditional wedding marches were used.

The bride, a lovely blonde, was beautiful in her wedding ensemble of pastel blue crepe. She wore a matching blue turban and her accessories were black. Her flowers were a tailored bridal bouquet of briarcliff roses and valley lilies. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Ann Hill as maid of honor. She wore an ensemble of dusky rose crepe with matched accessories. Her flowers were yellow roses and violets. The bridegroom was attended by his brother, Mr. James D. Blount of Wilson, as best man.

The bride is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Carlisle Hill of Spartanburg county, South Carolina. She is an A.B. graduate of Winthrop College, and was a member of the faculty of the public schools of Woodruff, S. C. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. C. E. Blount and of the late C. E. Blount of Wilson, N. C. He graduated from Wake Forest College, and from Yale Divinity School of Yale University with high honors. Following the wedding the bridal couple left for Florida and on their return will make their home in Spring Hope, N. C., where Rev. Mr. Blount is pastor of the Methodist church.

THE ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN BEGINS BEFORE WE ANNOUNCED IT

Rev. C. A. Morrison of North Newton charge leads off in our Advocate campaign by sending 28 new subscribers to the Advocate. This is a great start in what we expect to be a great campaign for our church paper, and we give Rev. C. A. Morrison the place of leadership, for he is worthy. We thank you, Brother Morrison, for your good work and we expect great things to follow. Blessings on North Newton and its pastor.

A CORRECTION AND AN EXPLANATION

The attention of the Advocate has been called to the fact that in a statement about the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina and the Association of American Universities an injustice was done to Wake Forest College. We must admit that there was some confusion in the statement which we published and which we took from the daily press. We are glad now to clear up the whole matter.

There is an Association of American Universities consisting of 29 and including the oldest and the most distinguished universities in the United States and two in Canada. The University of North Carolina and Duke University are members of the association. The association maintains a list of approved institutions whose qualified graduates are admitted to graduate schools of the Association of American Universities. Davidson College was put on the approved list in 1922, Wake Forest in 1938, and the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in 1939. The placing of a college on the approved list of the Association of American Universities in no sense makes the college a member of the association, but it is evidence that its "qualified graduates will be admitted to the graduate schools of the Association of American Universities."

"READ YOUR NEWSPAPERS"

Radio bulletins insist that for detailed report of the news read your newspapers. People usually give more credence to what they read than to what they hear. We get our most lasting impressions from what we receive through the eye-gate than through the ear-gate. Then, too, we certainly get fuller detail.

Read your newspapers for news of the day; read your church papers for the news of your church and its undertakings; read religious papers to be informed and enlarged about your religion. The Census Bureau has given out the information that the average American adult spends fifty-one minutes per day reading. How much of this time has the reading had to do with the church and with religion? The entire situation is appalling.

Methodists have ever talked much about circulating the church paper. Many pastors would be appalled at the little time and effort they have employed for the last ten years in distributing the output of the religious press were they to make a careful survey. Why not make this year of Methodist Advance one of real advance in circulating the church paper?

HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

Christmas has come and gone but its merriment continues on in the Home. As usual our friends were mindful of our needs and responded in a very generous way in order that the children would not be forgotten on that greatest of all children's day—Christmas. Gifts came not just from our friends in North Carolina but from many sections of the United States. Again the Rotary Club of High Point made its contribution. Each child of the Home was asked to write a personal letter stating some gift desired. A member of the club took the letter and gave each child the gift stated or some appropriate gift. Again the children were permitted to go on the Christmas shopping tour in High Point. Each child was given a small amount of money as his very own to spend as he liked. It's interesting and almost amusing the purchases that are made, but it affords the children one of their greatest thrills.

Our Christmas pageant this year was a pageant entitled The Star Gleams. More than 50 of the children took part in the pageant under the direction of Mrs. Lamb. After the pageant the Christmas tree was unloaded and the gifts distributed. Our program was held on Sunday afternoon in

order that members of the Rotary Club could be present. We were glad to have several friends present on this occasion.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank every one who contributed in any way toward the comfort and pleasure of the children during the Christmas season. We would also remind you that we are still dependent upon our friends. The cold of winter is upon us, bringing with it the increased expense of keeping well and warm. We trust that your monthly contributions will continue to come in.

May God's blessings richly abide with you all during the New Year.

BLESSINGS THAT MARVIN CHURCH RECEIVED LAST YEAR

Ira G. Shamel writes us a long letter recounting the blessings that Marvin church received last year. To count your blessings one by one makes an extended story. Sorry that there is not room in the Advocate for the entire story. Here are few high lights. Rev. C. W. Kirby added 120 members in the three years of his pastorate. Revs. "Jack" Kirby and W. A. Lambeth, the district superintendent, have furnished superb leadership. Many of the old type saints are in the Marvin church. Every financial obligation has been met and there are no debts. A more intelligent membership is being developed through educational evangelism. The church is girding itself for greater conquests in the new year. They have one of the best pastors in the conference.

These are hints of what is going on at Marvin, where Ira G. Shamel is one of the most alert laymen we know.

THE CART BEFORE THE HORSE

Now and then a pastor writes, "I have been so busy I could not get to the Advocate, but I will try to do something for you before the end of the year." Was there ever a clearer case of getting the cart before the horse? The Advocate is not a load to be carried but an agency to help along in every good cause. It is an agent to secure results during the year rather than a tax to be collected at the end of the year. Every other cause in the church calls for money, but the church paper is different. This asks the privilege to help in every undertaking, expecting, of course, a small tip to keep us going day in and day out.

Please look after the circulation of the Advocate first, ever remembering that the reach of its influence in your church is the extent of its circulation. By all means do not get the cart before the horse.

BOB TUTTLE SENDS NEW YEAR GREETINGS

"Happy New Year! Here it is: The Board of Stewards of Gibsonville 100 per cent for the Advocate!" Well, Bob, we are shouting happy. Think of what the new year has already brought—a check for \$42 to put every member of the board of stewards who did not already receive the Advocate on the mailing list.

Robert G. Tuttle is beginning a great new day for Methodism in Gibsonville. The union of the two Methodist churches is working like a charm and the people are wonderfully pleased with their new pastor. Three cheers for Bob Tuttle and Gibsonville.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET

The executive committee of the Western North Carolina Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension with the members of the Church Extension section will meet in First Methodist church, Charlotte, at 4:30 p. m. Wednesday, January 10. Applications for aid on churches and parsonages will be considered at this meeting.

R. M. Courtney, Secretary.

THE NATION'S INCOME

The Department of Commerce estimates that the total income of the people of the United States for 1939 will be nearly five billion dollars more than for 1938, but will still be nearly three and one-half billions below the income for 1937. The year 1929 showed the largest income in the history of the country. It is estimated by the Department of Commerce to have been 82,691 million dollars. The largest income since that date was in 1937 when it reached 71,853 million dollars. Last year, 1938, it had fallen off to 63,993 millions while this year it is anticipated that it will be approximately 68,500 millions.

These figures, however, do not tell the whole story. Since 1929 it is estimated that there has been an increase of five million in the population so that the income must be distributed among more people, each of them enjoying less than he would have had if the income had been the same ten years ago.

The figures also show that labor has received an increasingly large share of the total if we include in labor's share the increased payments of the government for work relief, social security benefits and other like payments. Such payments were three and one-half billion dollars greater in 1938 than in 1929. If the larger payments by the government are subtracted it is found that the proportion of the national income paid in wages and salaries is about the same as in 1929. The war in Europe has had an effect on agricultural prices and has, therefore, increased the income of the agricultural groups; nevertheless, most of this year's increase is expected to go to non-agricultural groups in the population.

President Roosevelt has spoken of 80 billion dollars as the goal to be reached for complete economic recovery. Ways and means to bring about the required increase are discussed but no very satisfactory conclusions have been reached.—Selected.

APPRECIATION OF J. M. BOONE

J. M. Boone, general superintendent of Andrews church school for years, steward, trustee, League leader, official and leader in various ways in church and community life, was called home on the evening of November 5, 1939. He had railroaded for 41 years. He lived more in 57 years than most people would live in twice the time—it is not how long a man lives, but how well. His life, like that of his Master's, was crowded full of going about doing good. He had the widest and most effective and powerful influence of any man who has ever lived in this section. Young, old, and all races and classes loved and honored this great soldier of the cross. Words are but frail things—only the annals of eternity can reveal the deeds and greatness of his life. We are unworthy to comment on such a life so nobly lived. When Jackson fell in battle, Lee said, "I have lost my right arm." We of Andrews have lost our general. He has earned the rest that awaits the faithful people of God. None greater than J. M. Boone have I known. The local pastors and former pastors and his

pastor had the funeral service in a setting of flowers and friends rarely ever seen assembled here. His tired body was tenderly laid to rest in the Andrews cemetery. He leaves a wife, two daughters, one son, his aged mother, several brothers and sisters and an entire church and community to mourn his going, for we needed him so much. Our loss is his gain.

G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

A NAVAJO CAMP MEETING IN ARIZONA

An enthusiastic camp meeting was recently held in Arizona. The people were the Papagoes, a Navajo Indian tribe. A temporary arbor was covered with thorny ocotillo of the desert. On a raised platform were a half dozen choirs. Piano, loud speakers and other modern equipment were used. The arbor was filled with chairs and benches. Food was furnished for those who came from a distance. Great campfires burned at night. People slept in the canvas covers stretching from the automobiles or wagons, others slept under the trees and among the bushes. Sometimes the choir sang in English and other times hymns were translated into their own language. The evangelist was a young Pima preacher, Esau Joseph. Many young people came forward to accept Christ, and more of the old people to renew their vows of allegiance to Him. Many of the favorite beautiful old hymns were sung with great joy and earnestness. Among their favorite hymns are "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," "Jesus Loves Me," "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." These Navajos love to sing and pray and testify. How much better this is than the rifle and the tomahawk!—The United Presbyterian.

HOMESICK IN HARLEM

Song lak de east wind a-blowin' up de river.
Hunches up mah shoulders but mah bones dey shiver.
Old Man Winter gotta let me be,
Fo' I doan lak him and he doan' lak me.

Take mahself along and I go back home,
Down to Marylan' now de Winter come.
Cold enough dah, de Lawsy Massy know,
'Thout stayin' up hyah war dis east wind blow.

Go back home to mah gun and yaller hound.
Buy back mah fiddle if it can be found.
Sold dat fiddle to a Harlam man,
Need it fo' mahself when I'm down Marylan'.

Eat de rabbit fry, dat yaller hound and I,
And res' ourselves in peace when de night drap nigh.
Res' ourselves and sing when de fiah burn low,
'Thout dese city noises a-bangin' at de do'!

—Agnes Scudder Neeld, in N. Y. Times.



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A NEW YEAR

We have a new year with us today. A number of our family saw it come in last night. Some of the larger boys welcomed it by ringing the dinner bell. Some of the larger girls came out to cheer while the boys whooped a little bit. Last year we saw to it that the boys didn't ring the bell, and following such a decision, we had the feeling that they had been deprived of a legitimate joy and that the year had not been properly welcomed by us. But this time the new year came upon us properly welcomed, not with firecrackers, but with the bell and gladsome voices. The only paradoxical expression was the turning out of the lights on the big spruce tree, called by our children the Christmas tree. It seemed an inopportune time to turn out any light. This morning the bulbs are being taken off the strings and the wiring will be put away for another Christmas. The new year is here, with cheer, right here.

THE OLD YEAR

The old year was right good to us. Our children learned a lot. In the main they behaved well. Our family was happy. We lived on a balanced budget, thanks to our friends and to the good management used. We had some sickness but with the exception of the present influenza epidemic we have come through all the sick spells. We have had no loss of life and no serious physical impairment. The old year gave us much to be thankful for.

THE NEW JOURNAL

The new Conference Journal, edited by Rev. E. H. Nease, conference secretary, contains much valuable information relative to Methodist matters. It lists the official acts of the former Blue Ridge-Atlantic conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as well as those of the North Carolina conference of the former Methodist Protestant Church and the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. A careful appraisal of the acts of the combined Western North Carolina conference of The Methodist Church is also listed. Many of our Methodist leaders will want a copy of this Conference Journal. It can be obtained on the payment of twenty-five cents to your Methodist minister.

SHORT CIRCUITED

There are 126 circuits, charges having three or more congregations, in the Western North Carolina conference of

the former Southern Methodist Church. Of this number only 54 paid their Children's Home quota in full, leaving 72 with arrearages. In some instances the shortage was slight, evidently due to a miscalculation. Doubtless the pastor making the report was misinformed by the local church treasurer as to the amount of money sent in. This situation can continue unless much care is used. However many of the circuits let us way down during the past year. Nineteen stations had arrearages, though it must be said that those over paying over balanced the station losses.

DID AND DIDN'T

Following are listed by districts the total number of circuits that paid their ten per cent apportionment, as well as those that did not. First figures give the number paying in full and second



A few of the four hundred

those having a shortage: Asheville 2-9; Charlotte 7-5; Gastonia 10-2; Greensboro 10-4; Marion 6-12; Salisbury 4-7; Statesville 5-13; Waynesville 2-11; Winston-Salem 8-9.

TO FOLLOW UP

With a continued decrease of endowment income it will be necessary for our supporting friends to share with the Children's Home more liberally or the amount of care and direction given homeless children will necessarily have to be decreased. This is not a matter to be lamenting about but one to be doing something about. Our Methodist constituency has not nearly reached its limit of ability to pay. If the fifth Sunday offering yesterday was small, or even nothing, the church school authorities can supplement it next Sunday, or in some way, if there is sufficient interest. This is no time to let down in our interest and support for children who need a chance to make good in life.

EVERY LITTLE HELPS

Rev. Joe S. Hiatt, superintendent of the Elkin district, in a letter to his pastors, lay leaders and church school superintendents writes as follows: "A man by the name of Little lived in a little town, and he worked for a little salary. The neighbors wondered how Mr. Little and the whole family of Littles got along on such a little salary. He was asked, 'Mr. Little, how do you and Mrs. Little and the seven little Littles get along on such a little salary?' He replied, 'Every Little helps.' Brother Pastor, Superintendent and Lay Leader, may I depend on you to do your little by taking an offering in the church school the fifth Sunday and forwarding the amount, though it be little, to the Children's Home at Winston-Salem? Your little money added to other friends' little money will help to feed and clothe a little orphan boy or girl."

SNUGLY TUCKED IN

The picture this week presents a few of our smallest children. They are a part of the 28 little youngsters in the baby cottage, youngsters ranging from less than two to nearly six years of age. They are well and happy now, though they have just gotten through a rather severe influenza epidemic. What a happy Christmas they have had and what a good time they are still having! The toys in the big play room give them much cause for laughter and excitement. They play and play, and then play come more. The supply of snow suits, secured for the first time this winter, enables them to be out of doors quite a good deal. The youngest members of your Children's Home family join all the others in wishing everybody a happy new year.

OUR FRIENDS

We have lots of friends and we love them a great deal more than we have an opportunity to show. Many of these friends sent Christmas cards. The basket is full of them and we have looked through them several times and enjoyed their messages. A feeling of regret ran through our minds as we recounted the fact that we did not have time to send greetings. We did send 410 cards to our children, every one of them receiving an expression of our interest and affection. Then, too, a large number of the alumni were remembered. We felt that we were passing on through remote control the expression of our friends to us their greetings to the children. We would pass on to all our friends the lines forwarded us by Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Hutchins of Waynesville:

"There is a smile we wish to give—
A word we fain would say—
Abiding peace within our souls
We'd share with you each day.
But through the year we speak them not—
We hold them safe in store
Till Christmas comes and then we must
Repeat them o'er and o'er.
So multiply the sea-washed sands
By stars that fleck the blue,
And then you'll know the many times
Our love encircles you."

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

SPECIAL SPEAKERS—Rev. Leon Russell and M. W. Lawrence brought helpful and inspiring messages to our young people recently. Their addresses were very appropriate and deeply impressed our young people. These two young ministers are doing splendid work in their respective churches in the city of Raleigh.

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM AMBASSADOR DANIELS—"Dear Friends and Neighbors: Among the happiest Christmas hours my wife and I look back to are those spent Christmas afternoons with our beloved nearest neighbors. We not only look back happily to the many Christmas celebrations at the Orphanage, with the lovely songs and bright faces of happy children, but we look forward to future Christmases when we can again be present as of yore. With our dear love and Christmas greetings, we say with Tiny Tim 'God bless us every one.' Faithfully, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Daniels."

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FIFTH SUNDAY SPECIAL—At this writing I have not had time to hear from the Sunday schools throughout the conference as to their fifth Sunday offering to the Orphanage. I sincerely trust that every Sunday school observed the Orphanage day last Sunday. It is the sincere hope of the board of trustees of the Orphanage that every Sunday school in the conference will observe each fifth Sunday, and take a special collection for our three hundred and ten children. Since we have to raise \$25,000 in specials to give us a balanced budget, our friends can see the necessity of making fifth Sunday offerings as liberal as possible for the Orphanage.

OUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

—Christmas is always a joyous time at the Methodist Orphanage. Weeks previous to Christmas the children are happy in their anticipation of a big time. For forty years no child in the Methodist Orphanage has ever been disappointed at Christmas. The circles of Edenton Street church, under the direction of Mrs. I. M. Proctor, see to it that every child gets at least one nice present on Christmas day. We had a beautiful Christmas tree all decorated and lighted in the auditorium, and at 3:30 in the afternoon Santa Claus appeared and distributed the gifts to our three hundred and ten children. Many visitors were present to enjoy the occasion with the youngsters. Friends from all over the conference remembered many of our children with special gifts. On Christmas Eve night several of the cottages had their individual Christmas trees, and the children distributed gifts among themselves. I wish to thank the circles of Edenton Street church and all other friends who contributed to the happiness of our children during the Christmas holidays.

THE VALUE OF INFLUENCE

"More World Stories Told" carries the tale of a man who one day in his travels found a piece of clay. When he picked it up he noted, to his surprise, that it was as fragrant as a rose. He said, "Oh piece of clay, tell me what you are. Are you a costly jewel or gem or are you a disguised magic stone?" The clay said, "No, I am only a poor piece of common clay." The man was still perplexed and asked from whence came the glorious fragrance of the clay. The clay replied, "Friend, I will tell you the secret. I have been living near a rose." We wonder whether it is possible to be such a friend that our lives give off the beautiful fragrance of devotion and understanding. And then someone nearest and dearest to us will some day be asked, "From whence came this wonderful love and faithfulness?" and he will answer, "I have been living near my friend!" What greater tribute could we ask?—Religious Telescope.

WHY?

The story was recently recited of a big army official's conversation on war with a member of a cannibal tribe. The civilized warrior told the cannibal about the World War and the millions killed. The cannibal then wanted to know how they ate all those killed. The army man replied that we did not kill them to eat. "Oh," queried the cannibal, "then why did you kill them?" Yes. why?—Alabama Baptist.

Big Family Man

Denny McCarthy who lives out near the ball park is a believer in large families. He took his out for a walk to Mill Mountain one day. Some distance from home he was stopped by a policeman, who asked: "Whatcha been doin'?" "Nothing," said McCarthy. "Well thin, what's the crowd following ye fer?"—Norfolk and Western Guide (Roanoke, Va.)

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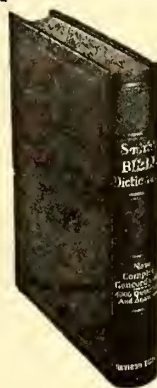
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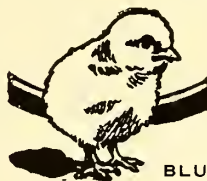


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THE NEW YEAR

Standing with folded wings of mystery,
The New Year waits to greet us—you
and me.

Her arms are full of gifts; her feet are
shod

All fitly for rough roads or velvet sod;
Her eyes are steady with beliefs in God.

Her voice falls sweetly as a vesper
bell

Where trust and hope and all lesser
notes dispel;

Scarce knowing why, we feel that all
is well.

She smiles a little as she turns away
Breathing a promise for each coming
day;

And we—we pause a little while to
pray.

OUR CONFERENCE OFFICERS

In the event that there are women in the Woman's Missionary Society of North Carolina Conference to whom the entire roster of conference officers is not intimate knowledge, perhaps this first week in the New Year is an appropriate time in which to enable them to refresh their memories upon the subject. The complete list includes: President, Mrs. E. L. Hillman, 728 Eastern Ave., Rocky Mount; vice president, Mrs. H. J. Faison, Faison; conference secretary, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Box 567, New Bern; recording secretary, Mrs. J. B. Temple, 701 Rhodes Ave., Kinston; treasurer, Mrs. F. B. McKinne, 307 E. Vine St., Goldsboro; secretary of children's work, Mrs. Frank H. Greene, 313 E. Trinity Ave., Durham; superintendent of study, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon; superintendent of literature, Mrs. R. H. Broom, Ayden; secretary of young women women's groups, Mrs. James H. Overton, Jr., Pikeville; superintendent of publicity and World Outlook, Mrs. B. C. Thompson, Mount Gilead; superintendent of Christian social relations, Mrs. H. L. Rivers, Greenville; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. W. L. Knight, Weldon; secretary of spiritual life group, Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Box 1199, Fayetteville. District secretaries are: Durham, Miss Florine Robertson, Burlington; Elizabeth City, Mrs. J. L. Delaney, Rt. 2, Hertford; Fayetteville, Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Sanford; New Bern, Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern; Raleigh, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh; Rocky Mount, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway; Wilmington, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Whiteville.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mrs. Frank H. Greene, conference superintendent of children's work, has been changed from Washington Duke Hotel to 313 E. Trinity Avenue, Durham, N. C. This announcement is especially important to secretaries of children's work in the local auxiliaries.

A SIGNIFICANT LUNCHEON

An exceedingly large number of members of the general circles of Edenton Street Methodist church gathered in the social room of the Poindexter Memorial building on Monday, December 18, at 1 p. m. for a luncheon meeting.

This being the final meeting of the year much interest was manifested in the annual reports, which were outstanding in their evidences of various and worthy accomplishments. The members of the two very recently organized circles were recognized. One of these circles is composed of young matrons and the other of business women, the latter making the fifth business women's circle of the woman's missionary society of the church. Mrs. H. I. Glass, wife of the new district superintendent of the Raleigh district, was introduced and responded with appropriate remarks. Officers for the coming year were introduced. Mrs. A. C. Jones paid tribute to Mrs. A. Wray White, retiring president. The high light of the meeting was the reading of the new groups which are the result of the reorganization of circles which occurs once every two years.

Officers for 1940 are: President, Mrs. H. O. Lineberger; vice president, Mrs. L. E. Blanchard; recording secretary, Mrs. H. B. Harris; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Graham Poyner; treasurer, Mrs. W. H. Middleton; secretary children's work, Miss Mary Gardner; Supt. study, Mrs. James Allison; Supt. literature and publicity, Mrs. Mattie Gardner; Supt. World Outlook, Mrs. O. L. Bailey; Supt. Christian social relations, Mrs. Eugene Wade; Supt. supplies, Mrs. Paul Grubbs; Supt. baby specials, Mrs. Joe Chambers; chairman local work, Mrs. W. D. McGee. The program committee includes: Mrs. A. C. Jones, chairman; Mrs. T. B. Gunter, Mrs. J. W. Goodman, Mrs. Earl Brian, Mrs. R. J. Pearce and Miss Celeste Allen.

THANK-YOU LETTER FROM CHINA

It will be recalled that gifts which the children of our church gave to the children of China as a result of their units in the spring of 1937 were detained because of the outbreak of war in China. Later several unsuccessful attempts were made to secure passage under the supervision of persons going to China. At last we turned to the American Red Cross for help, and last February gifts were shipped to Dr. Wu, director of the Hongkong Bureau of the National Red Cross Society of China. The following excerpt came to us from a letter written by Dr. Wu:

"With reference to the donation of six cases of notions by the Board of Missions, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Nashville, Tenn., I am already in touch with various associations having to do with Chinese refugee children and shall arrange to distribute

the toys, books, cut-outs, etc., when they arrive in due course. I shall be grateful if you will convey the thanks of the children of China to the donors for their very thoughtful and useful gifts."

So through Dr. Wu for the children of China we say "Thank You" to all the children here who had a part in sending these gifts of good will.—World Friendship Bulletin.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED

On Monday afternoon, December 11, the Sue D. Swindell auxiliary of Queen Street Methodist church, Kinston, celebrated its sixtieth birthday at the regular monthly meeting in the auditorium of the educational building. Following a call to worship by Mrs. R. A. Thompson, a Christmas greeting was given by Mrs. T. W. Heath. New officers for the coming year were announced as follows: Mrs. T. W. Heath, president; Mrs. O. L. Wilson, vice president; Mrs. Stella Ormond, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Ed Scott, recording secretary; Mrs. George Jordan, treasurer; Mrs. A. S. Parker, secretary of the young people's group; Mrs. J. B. Temple, Supt. of study; Mrs. Joe Taylor, Supt. World Outlook; Mrs. W. A. Graham, Supt. Christian social relations; Mrs. A. J. Sutton, Supt. supplies; Mrs. M. R. Pipkin, chairman spiritual life group; Mrs. Ed Stroud, chairman Ways and Means committee. A lovely Christmas program was rendered by students from the Lewis school under the direction of Miss Fannie Sutton, assisted by Mrs. J. H. Mewborn. Miss Clara Lanier gave a Christmas reading. Mrs. R. A. Thompson expressed the auxiliary's regrets at the absence of Mrs. Lam Harvey, only living charter member. A roll call of the following members who have had membership in the circle for 30 or more years was heard: Mesdames E. V. Webb, Frank Hookes, W. A. Graham, Jesse Heath, J. A. Edwards, Stella Ormond, O. L. Wilson, J. H. Alexander, Alice Funchess, Sue Rountree, Lam Harvey, Ed Moseley, S. P. Johnson. Each of these was presented a Christmas corsage. A lovely birthday setting was arranged in the dining room by Mrs. Brooks' group. The table was centered with a tree surrounded with red burning tapers. Mrs. Grantham served birthday cake at one end of the table and Mrs. Frank Hookes poured coffee. Mrs. K. R. Tunstall, Sec.

HAY STREET AUXILIARY

The last meeting for the year of the woman's missionary society of Hay Street Methodist church in Fayetteville was held on December 11, with 86 members and two visitors present. Life membership pins were presented by Miss Elizabeth Lamb from their respective circles to the following members: Mrs. J. T. Ewing, Mrs. T. W. Crowson and Mrs. Dora Huffines. Mrs. C. C. Culbreth, president, was presented a pin from the auxiliary. Miss Ruth Porter was given a pin from the members of the young business women's circle. This makes a total of six life membership pins which have been given this year from this society. Can any other beat that?

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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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Another year of mercies
Of faithfulness and grace;
Another year of guidance
In the shining of Thy face.
Another year of service,
Of witness for Thy love;
Another year of training
For holier work above.
Another year is dawning,
Dear Master, let it be,
On earth, or else, in heaven
Another year for Thee!

—Frances R. Havergal.

The old year has gone. However, the things that gave the old year its worth and made it dear are with us still. The Spirit of the living Christ is with us to guide, comfort and support. The God of all the years remains in charge of his universe.

Why should we grieve for that which belongs to time when we retained that which is timeless? We have God to worship and our fellowmen to serve. We have old ties of friendship to strengthen and new ties to make.

The New Year is filled with promise and expectation. There will be problems to solve, trials to be met and new joys to be experienced. May we face them with resolve, calmness of soul, honesty of mind and steadfastness of purpose. The sunrise of the New Year is in our faces.—From *Charity and Children* in 1937.

HARVEST DAY SERVICE AT CULLOWHEE

Mrs. G. S. Griffin writes of the Harvest Day service at Cullowhee which was held on the afternoon of December 13 at the home of one of the members, Mrs. H. E. Battle, with Mrs. Victor Brown as joint hostess and Mrs. F. H. Brown, president of the auxiliary, presiding.

Opening devotionals were in charge of Rev. W. L. Lanier, pastor, and an interesting program, appropriate to Harvest Day was given by Mrs. D. H. Brown, Mrs. Ernest Bird, Mrs. Lewis Ammons and Mrs. G. A. Griffin, with special music by Miss Frances Brown and Mrs. Doris Brown Abbott. The meeting was well attended and the program was much enjoyed.

BOOKLETS AND ORIGINAL VERSES

Among the remembrances from friends during the Christmas season were two booklets of original verses which came as a great surprise and which are greatly appreciated. The first of these, "Home-Made Poetry," by Martha Mann Wood, 1864-1937, is published in her memory by her daughter, Margaret Van Hoy Wood of Winston-Salem—a beautiful tribute from

a loving daughter to a fond, devoted mother. The poems contained therein are made more attractive to your editor, because they are from the pen of a former Greensboro College friend, of the days of yore, lovingly known some of these poems on our woman's page from time to time.

The second booklet came from a friend in St. Louis, Mrs. Ethel L. Kitchell, former conference secretary of the St. Louis woman's missionary conference. The title of the booklet is "Travel the Jericho Road" and it is dedicated to "Those I hold dearest of family and friends," and carries on the first page the Christmas and New Year wish of the author, for her hosts of friends.

We value these two booklets most highly and are indebted to the donors for their thoughtful remembrance of us.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

We quote from the *Missionary Bulletin*:

"The World Day of Prayer for 1940 is February 9, the first Friday in Lent. The theme this year is 'In quietness and confidence shall be your strength.' A Call to Prayer, which offers an announcing the date, place and hour of meeting, is free upon request. A booklet entitled 'Worship Program for Adults and Young People,' contains six beautiful worship services prepared by Muriel Lester and her sister, Doris Lester. The booklet is pleasing in appearance, made of lavender paper and printed in black ink. Price 2 cents. The handbook which offers suggestions for the planning and observance of the Day of Prayer is 10 cents. The poster, 17x22 inches, is 5 cents. These four pieces of literature may be ordered from Literature Headquarters, 712 Church, Street, Nashville, Tenn. Please send remittance with orders."

ZONE MEETING ON THE CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

By Mrs. E. B. Edwards

The zone meeting of the woman's missionary societies of Anson and Union counties, in the Charlotte district, met at Indian Trail church, December 12, at 2 o'clock with an encouraging attendance.

Miss Kate Crowell, leader in charge, opened the meeting with the hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have," which was followed by prayer by Rev. J. E. B. Houser. The worship service was led by Dr. G. T. Bond, district superintendent. At the beginning of the business session the roll of auxiliaries was called and the president of each reported orally on the work of her organization. There was a definite note of enthusiasm and progress sounded in these reports. Several visitors including ministers and their wives were presented and Mrs. D. L. Morris of Indian Trail

gave a brief, but cordial welcome. The helpful and inspirational talks making up the day's program were as follows: "What of Our Mission Study," Mrs. J. W. Payne; "Sharing What We Have," Mrs. W. W. Hagood; "Going Forward in Our District," Mrs. C. E. Wakefield; "Advancing Together," Mrs. C. C. Weaver. Mrs. Wakefield talked on prayer and Bible reading in the absence of Mrs. E. W. Russell, who was detained at home by illness. Mrs. Hagood made the pleasing announcement that every society had contributed to the special fund for the superannuate minister, and spoke of the joy that would come to this minister and his family at the Christmas time because of the thoughtfulness of the contributors.

We will long remember Mrs. Weaver's banquet at which she served the five P's—Power, Patience, Prayer, Pay, and Presence. An invitation for next meeting at Mineral Springs church was accepted. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. A. B. Bruton.

YEAR BOOK FOR 1940 AND GREAT ADVENTURES

Have you seen these two new books which have been made ready for the use of our auxiliaries for 1940? The Year Book has for its themes: America Goes to the World—The World Comes to America, and interesting programs for the entire year are planned by the department of Education and Promotion. The program carries a cut of Miss Belle H. Bennett, as a young woman, who in after years became one of the great leaders of her church, and "every forward movement in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has had upon it the mark of her vision and prayers." "Great Adventurers" contains the program material for the 12 months of the year, and is a most valuable book in carrying out the program each month. It is edited by Miss Sara Estelle Haskin and is dedicated to Mrs. J. W. Perry, "President of the Woman's Missionary Council, whose ability, good judgment, practical democracy and personal charm, have endeared her to all the women of the (former) Methodist Episcopal Church, South." Secure these two books by all means. Price 10 cents each.

MY TRUST

I trust Him for my daily bread,
The keeping of my precious dead,
The wiping out of all my sin,
My going out, my coming in.

Within the anguish of my mind
His purpose and His love I find,
Nor will He fail to give me strength
Which meets the need of each day's length.

In the day and in the night,
In the darkness and the light,
I trust the guidance of His hand
Through ways I cannot understand.

Until at last, earth's shadows gone,
I shall awake some glorious dawn,
And in the brightness of His face
Begin to understand His grace!

—Martha Snell Nicholson.

Sunday School Lesson

JANUARY 7

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By Rollin H. Walker

A Confession of Faith

Scripture: Matthew 16:13-28

The twelve disciples were as bitterly disappointed in the failure of Jesus to rise to political power as were the rest of the Jews. But although the apostles were progressively disappointed in our Lord's policy they progressively marveled at his spiritual power and majesty. As he failed to fulfill their secular hopes, he obtained a deeper hold on their affection and reverence. Indeed, disappointment focused their minds on his spiritual glory, and acted as a kind of lens to bring out the wonder of that Personality.

And so when Jesus said, "Who say ye that I am?" Simon Peter, voicing the half articulate belief of all the rest, said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

That Peter should thus stand out against the solid opinion of the scholars whom he had been taught to honor warmed the heart of Jesus, and he responded, "Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-Jonah; for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father who is in heaven."

Especially did Peter's confession seem radical in view of the fact that Jesus' life did not seem to correspond to the glorious picture of the Messiah painted by the prophets (Psalms 45, 72, 110; Isaiah 9, 6, 7). Indeed, for Peter to say that Jesus was the Christ was a case of a man trusting deeper intuitions, over against many opposing and plausible arguments. And so it is today. If we bravely declare that Jesus represents the power that reigns at the center of the universe, we must do it in the face of much that could be raised in opposition to our stand. It has always required courage to call Jesus the Christ.

When from the depths of his heart Peter said, "Thou art the Christ," Jesus at once conferred a great dignity upon him. Nothing makes a man so great as to recognize the greatness of Christ. I will call you a rock, said Jesus, and on this rock I will build my church, and all the machinations of evil shall not prevail against it. This assurance that the powers of evil will never prevail against the church seems in our present situation like a special dispatch from heaven.

It was an adventure for Peter to call Jesus the Christ; it was a far greater adventure for Jesus to found his church upon men like Peter. Peter was particularly passionate and volatile. He more resembled a volcano than a solid ledge of rock. Nevertheless Jesus made him a part of the foundation of the church. And indeed the best foundation for any institution is not a cold man, but a man whose fiery feelings

are under control. Needed self-control was to come to Peter after Pentecost (The Acts 4:8-12).

Our Roman Catholic friends claim that Jesus here appointed Peter the first pope, and gave to him and his successors infallible authority. But according to John, this authority was later conferred on all the apostles (John 20:21). Protestant reformers in opposition to Rome said that the foundation of the church was Peter's confession that Jesus was the Christ.

And there is a large element of truth in this contention. Creed is useless until it is incarnated in man. The revelator says that foundations of the Holy City are not the articles of the orthodox creed, but the twelve apostles of the Lamb (Revelation 21:14). Perhaps we had better say that the church is founded on Peter as a representative of all who have caught the vision of the glory of Christ, and yielded to him absolute loyalty. And thereto agree the words of the Scripture that calls the true church the pillar and ground of the truth (1 Timothy 3:14-15).

Jesus accepted joyfully the faith of the apostle that he was the Christ, but at once he sternly commanded the others to tell it to no man. The reason, of course, was that the word Messiah was fraught with meaning and would suggest to the multitude that Jesus was about to raise a revolution and put Jerusalem again on the map as a great political center. That he might more completely stifle any false hopes in the minds of the disciples, Jesus immediately announced that he was going up to Jerusalem to suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, even to the loss of his life, and that the third day he should be raised up.

Peter answered, "Be it far from thee, Lord; this shall never be unto thee." The tender solicitude of this beloved disciple was a real temptation to Jesus; hence he dealt with it surgically in the words, "Get thee behind me, Satan!" We are struck by the fact that this evil suggestion sprang out of the warmest affection. Let us beware of our tenderest and most appreciative friends when they suggest that our lives are too valuable to be sacrificed in a good cause.

The fact that Peter, who had just been given the keys of the kingdom of heaven, is now called Satan, shows that his authority to bind and to loose rested solely on his continued responsiveness to the leadings of the Holy Spirit. It was a glorious possibility and a privilege, rather than an infallible official prerogative, as the church of Rome insists. To say that because Peter was given authority to bind and to loose, therefore all the popes are infallible, is about as logical as to say that because Jesus said to Peter, "Get thee behind me, Satan, all the popes are Satanic.

Jesus is perpetually asking each one of us today, "Who say ye that I am?" If by our lives, and the whole current of our thinking, we say, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God," we receive grace to enter into the glorious secrets of the kingdom of heaven. Nay, even more, we also receive the power to initiate others into these blessed secrets.—Christian Advocate.

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A PULPIT MANY MILES LONG

By C. Dickey

"Daddy" isn't even an ordained preacher. He is one of the crack engineers of the Southern Road, and pulls the throttle of Nos. 37 and 38, known until recently as the Crescent Limited.

"Daddy's" real name is Dave, though you seldom hear a railroad man call him that.

"I've been handling the run between Atlanta and Greenville for 27 years," he said. "I am 66 years old now, and have been with the Southern for 48 of those years. I began as a mere boy, only 18 years old.

"My engine is one of the largest on the road, and mine is a non-stop run of 153 miles. We carry the fast mail, and have established the road's record for speed on our division. I'd rather be at home or in the cab of my engine than anywhere else in this world.

"Let me tell you," he went on, "about the time when they beautified my engine. They asked me what I wanted on the big mogul. I told them I wanted a Bible on the front of it. They put it on there in brass, suspended from the golden eagle above the plate number. It was illuminated like a big watch and bore the inscription, 'Thy Word Is Truth.'"

"How long have you been an ordained minister?" I asked.

"I am not an ordained minister," was his answer. "I'm what you might call a lay-preacher. I never carried on any pulpit ministry until after we had a bad wreck one night. But I'll tell you about that later. Since then there is not a southern city in which I haven't preached.

"Many railroad men have been converted under my ministry. I hold numerous revival meetings and I find that frequently laymen can do more with certain types of men than can the regularly ordained ministers. Many people have a sort of fear of the preacher when he comes in a professional way. They don't feel that way about a lay-preacher. And I believe that one of the greatest needs of the church today is for a large number of laymen to consecrate themselves to the Lord.

"I often preach from the footboard of my engine. The line between Atlanta and Greenville has been my parish. Somebody has kindly said of me that I preach a sermon 153 miles long on every trip with my fast engine.

"And while we're on the subject," he continued, "let me say that it seems to me the great common people who are at all interested in religion—and many of them are—are more concerned about Christ than they are about any of the denominations. Those of us who preach the gospel should always try to exalt him, instead of any mere church organization."

JUST A DOG

Tom has a fine Scotch collie,

Bill has an Airedale pup,

Bob has a big police dog

That tries to eat you up.

They say my puppy isn't

Much bigger than a frog,

And hasn't any pedigree,

And so he's just a dog.

But he's a real smart puppy;

He seems to understand

The things they say about him,

For he comes and licks my hand.

And when I smile and pat him,

They know, and so does he

That though he's just a dog to them,

He's all the world to me.

—Our Dumb Animals.

"By the way," I suggested, "what was it you said a moment ago about your big engine turning over with you one night?"

"I'll be glad to tell you about that," he answered. "I had a friend who lived near the tracks not far from Toccoa, Ga. He was a praying man and we had a sort of covenant together that we'd pray for each other. When I'd be near his home, I always signaled him with my whistle and he'd wave back by a wave of the hand, or lantern if it were night, indicating that he was praying for my safety.

"Well, one night we were coming through on the Crescent at a fast clip of speed. I was playing with the whistle as usual, until I got his signal. The telegraph poles were whizzing by as we rushed along; fire was flying from the tracks as the giant locomotive sped over the rails through the night. Everything was going fine, when all of a sudden the big engine lurched, swerved to one side, leaped from the rails and went down a 30-foot embankment.

It looked as though we were doomed, but we came through without a single person aboard the train being hurt."

"What were your feelings, Mr. Fant," I asked, "while your engine was hurtling down that embankment?"

"I simply felt that God was taking care of me," the engineer said.

"I always pray before I swing up into my cab for the trip out," he continued. "I never leave the Terminal without asking God's blessing. In a very real sense I feel that Christ rides the cab, right by my side."

"But you said there had been two crises in your nearly one-half century of railroading. What was the other?"

"We were going north one night. We had a heavy train which had two

safes filled with money. At that season of the year my train generally had a great deal of money on it being transferred between New Orleans and New York. Somehow a gang learned that we were carrying money, and made their plans to hold us up.

"About three o'clock in the morning we were drifting down grade on the main line. After rounding a stiff curve the panting engine ran out on a straight line. Suddenly a man stepped onto the track with a red lantern and signaled us to stop. My first thought was that somebody had found a broken rail. I stopped the train close to the man with the red light and called down from the cab:

"What's the matter—broken rail?"

"Yep," he answered.

"Want me to pull down nearer, or wait here?" I asked.

"Wait," answered the big man. At that same instant two masked men appeared, one on either side of the engine.

"Stick 'em up—'way up,' one of them commanded. A gun prodded me in the stomach, and I reached for the sky. My fireman did the same thing.

"Entering the car, the bandits went about their business of blowing the two safes there. The larger safe, which contained the bulk of the money, wasn't even dented. But the smaller safe was blown open. The bandits gathered up the cash, leaped from the car, clambered up the side of the cut and quickly disappeared into the woods."

"What became of those men?" I asked Mr. Fant.

"Inside of a week they were all caught and jailed. I was called to identify them. Later they were sent to the chain gang. Two of them died there."

"I've heard that you went to the jail where they were locked up and held a prayer meeting with them. Did you?"

"Yes. I held no malice in my heart toward them," answered Mr. Fant. "I remembered that Christ loved even the chief of sinners. We all got down on our knees and prayed there in the old jail. The prisoners were on one side of the bars and I was on the other."

I knew the time was approaching when Mr. Fant would have to go down for his engine and prepare to head north through the night.

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"I sent my little boy for two pounds of plums and you have sent only a pound and a half." "My scales are all right, madam. Have you weighed your little boy?"—Times-Journal.

Teacher—As we walk outdoors on a cold winter's morning and look about us, what do we see on every hand?

Bright pupil.—Gloves.—Stillwater Arrow.

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Hillsboro, New Sharon, 7:30	7
Trinity, 7:30	9
Calvary, 7:30	10
Duke Memorial, 7:30	11
Hurlington, Davis Street, 11	14
Svepsonville, Svepsonville, 7	14
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 7:30	17
Chapel Hill, 7:30	18
Craham, 11	21
Mount Hermon Ct., Friendship, 3	21
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30	21
Front Street, 7:30	24
Glen Haven Ct., Haw River, 11	28
Durham Ct., Bethany, 7:30	28
West Durham, 7:30	29
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 11	31
Mebane, Central, 7:30	31
February	
Burlington Ct., Shiloh, 11	4
Alamance Ct., Center, 3	4
Mebane, First Church, 7:30	4
Methodist Advance Meeting, Raleigh, 9:30	6
Hahama Ct., Mt. Sylvan, 11	11
Carriora, Carriora, 7	11
ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT	
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.	
FIRST ROUND	
January	
South Mills, McBrides, 11 and 1	6
Stumpy Point-Dare, Stumpy Point, 11	7
Manteo, night	7
Hope, 11	14
Creswell, 3	14
Columbia, night	14
Bath, 11	21
Washington, night	21
City Road, night	24
Behaven, Trinity, 11	28
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3	28
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night	28
First Church, Elizabeth City, night	31
February	
Williamston, 11	4
Plymouth, night	4
Windsor, 11	11
Edenton, night	11
FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT	
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.	
FIRST ROUND	
December	
Laurinburg, 11	24
Laurel Hill, Tabernacle, 3	24
Raeform, 7	24
Hemp-Bascombe, 11	31

Glendon-High Falls, 3	31
Hay Street, 7	31
January	
Siler City, 11	7
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 3	7
Bynum, 7	7
Rockingham, 11	14
Ellerbe, Jones Springs, 3	14
Hamlet, 7	14
Mt. Gilead, 11	21
Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadeville, 3	21
Parkton-Hope Mills, 7	21
Robertdel-Steele's, 11	28
Rockingham Ct., 3	28
Red Springs, 7	28
February	
Stedman, 11	4
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3	4
Pine Bluff, 7	4
Biscoe, 11	11
Troy Ct., 3	11
Troy, 7	11
NEW BERN DISTRICT	
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.	
FIRST ROUND	
January	
Pamlico, Stonewall, 11	7
Oriental, Oriental, 7:30	7
LaGrange, LaGrange, 11	14
Seven Springs, Seven Springs, 3	14
Kinston, 7	14
Snow Hill, Snow Hill, 11	21
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3	21
Newport, Newport, 11	28
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30	28
February	
Jones, Trenton, 11	4
Pink Hill, Pink Hill, 3	4
Mount Olive Ct., Rones, 11	10
Mount Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive, 11	11
Dover, Dover, 7:30	11
Fremont, Black's Creek, 11	17
Goldboro, St. Paul, 11	18
Pikeville-Elm Street, Pikeville, 3	18
Goldboro Ct., Daniels, 7	18
RALEIGH DISTRICT	
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.	
FIRST ROUND	
January	
Newton Grove, 11	6
Tar River, Kittrell, 11	13
Princeton, 11	13
Lillington, night	14
Four Oaks, 11	21
Garner, Ebenezer, night	21
Manners, Spring Hill, 11	27
Millbrook, 11	28
Moncure, Buckhorn, 3	28
February	
Rougemont, 11	4
Mt. Tirzah, Helena, night	4
ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT	
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FIRST ROUND	
January	
Warrenton, 11	6
Middleburg, 11	7
Warren, Providence, 3	7
Norlina, Norlina, 7:30	7
Spring Church, 11	14
Garysburg, Shiloh, 3	14
Weldon, 7:30	14
Whitakers, 11	21
Hallfax, 3	21
Enfield, 7:30	21
Elm City, 11	27
McKendree, Pinetops, 3	27
Marvin, 7:30	27
Kenly, 7:30	31
February	
Farmville, 11	4
Walstonburg, 3	4
Stantonsburg, 7:30	4
Methodist Advance Meeting, Raleigh, 9:30	6
Rosemary, 11	11
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30	11
WILMINGTON DISTRICT	
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.	
FIRST ROUND	
January	
Hallsboro, Wananish, 11	7
Scotts Hill, Hamstead, 3	7
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night	7
Fairmont, Trinity, 11	14
Pembroke Parish (Indian work), 3	14
Rowland (place to be announced), night	14
Shallotte, Concord, 11	21
Town Creek, Piney Grove, 3	21
Southport, night	21
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11	28
Bladen, Bethlehem, 3	28
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night	28
February	
Wilmington, Grace, 11	4
Clinton, night	4
Swansboro, Midway, 11	11
Maysville (place to be announced), 3	11
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night	11
Western North Carolina Conference	
ASHEVILLE DISTRICT	
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.	
FIRST ROUND	
January	
Mills River, Mills River, 11	7
Fletcher, Balfour, night	7
Oteen, Bethel, 11	14
Leicester-Bell, Bell, night	14
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 11	21
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I will carefully prepare to lead my people in public prayer, exercising this priestly function gratefully, humbly, and in the fear of God, yet with the confidence inspired by the fact that we are to come boldly to the throne of grace and find help for every time of need.

I will not attempt to establish a speed record in the reciting of the Apostles' Creed or the Lord's Prayer, but will thoughtfully pronounce those sacred words which have cheered and helped a great multitude that no man can number.

I will never preach a sermon, an old one or a new one, unless it first kindles my own soul.

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"Before you leave, come with me down into my cellar for a moment," he said.

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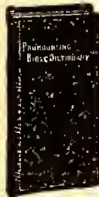
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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

In the evening of October 22, 1939, the gentle soul of Eugene V. Johnson departed his body and quietly and peacefully ended for him a long period of suffering. There was no fear or dread of going, for Eugene had an abiding faith in the eternal, ordered the daily course of his life according to the teachings of Christ Jesus, and in him placed implicit trust for salvation and everlasting life.

Conscious of the fact that Hay Street Methodist church and its board of stewards have lost a loyal and highly respected member in the passing of Eugene Johnson, be it resolved:

That the members of this board of stewards do hereby extend our sincere congratulations for his unselfish life and our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family; and also

Resolved, that we commend to our people as worthy of emulation the loyalty, the faithfulness, and the uncom-

plaining patience of our departed brother; and further be it

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family, a copy for publication, and a copy be spread upon the minutes of this board.

Board of Stewards

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COBURN—Mrs. Annie Renn Coburn of Hendersonville, N. C., daughter of the late Rev. J. J. Renn, passed to her heavenly reward November 26, 1939, and was buried in Hendersonville, her pastor, Rev. D. E. Camak, officiating.

Mrs. Coburn was the wife of the late M. D. Coburn, for a long time treasurer of Hendersonville Methodist church, and was of great assistance to her husband in the clerical work. No two people have left a deeper impression on this congregation than this faithful couple.

D. E. Camak.

BARBEE—Mrs. J. L. Barbee, beloved member of the Methodist church of Spring Hope, passed away Sunday afternoon, December 10, in her 69th year. She leaves behind the memory of a life of faithfulness to home and friends, of high character, and steadfast devotion to her church. She was a life long Methodist and will be greatly missed. Her husband, Mr. J. L. Barbee, preceding her by a number of years, was one of the pillars and builders of the church at Spring Hope. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Eva Lassiter, Mrs. Annie Stallings, Mrs. Lena Pearce, and by five sons, Wayland, John, Allen, Gibson, and Carl, who is minister of the Methodist church of Elizabethton. The funeral service was conducted Tuesday afternoon, December 12, at the Methodist church in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives by Rev. Geo. W. Blount, assisted by Dr. W. R. Cullom, pastor of the Baptist church.

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Our Advance Means Advance of Soul

OUR Methodist Advance proceeds primarily in the realm of spirit. Here in the church becomes effective in turning men to God, notwithstanding this present conquest is to be made in a sordid world dominated by those mechanical and materialistic forces which tend to discount human personality. In this age of material dominance, we prostrate ourselves before the idol of modern materialistic efficiency to the neglect of freedom, fraternity and equality, though we often prate loudly about brotherhood.

The thing that happened to John Wesley of England in Aldersgate, May 24, 1738, did for him what a similar experience on the road to Damascus did for Saul of Tarsus. Following that memorable experience of May 24, on Sunday, June 4, Wesley wrote, "From the time of my rising till past one in the afternoon, I was praying, reading the Scriptures, singing praise, or calling sinners to repentance. All these days I scarce remember to have opened the Testament but upon some great and precious promise. And I saw more than ever that the Gospel is in truth but one great promise, from the beginning to the end." Instead of the oft repeated slogan, "Back to Wesley," would we not do well to catch up with Wesley?

For more than eight decades this Advocate has been set to promote every interest and agency of the church; but above all else, as the files disclose, the chief effort of the paper has been to hold the people of our church true to the Methodist witness—to the witness of the glorious power and sufficiency of an experience with God. More profoundly fixed than ever before is this ancient desire of the North Carolina Advocate. In this present year our one purpose is to give all possible aid in bringing men to God.

The hundreds of churches, the thousands of schools, the tens of thousands of homes in North Carolina, with their pastors and teachers and parents, are the focal centers, yea, the citadels of our state. Sunday school teachers, missionary workers, leaders of youth groups and all such have in their keeping the future years. Pulpits that flame with messages from men of apostolic mold; school rooms with teachers that know God as a living Presence; fathers and mothers about the hearthstone whom God can trust as he did Abraham of old, can command the generations after them. Devoted souls with a craving to help as leaders of youth groups, missionary societies, church schools, etc., can make effective appeal to all since that which comes from the heart goes to the heart.

This Advocate certainly counts it all joy to have a part in the Methodist Advance. For life "lies girt with a golden ring" where Duty and Love and a large Content constrain to action.

M. T. P.

FIRST DAY OF GENERAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL IN CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Snow, sleet, ice, mixed with rain on the southern borders of this county marked weather conditions of Sunday night and Monday. At frequent intervals Sunday night the radio warned autoists to drive carefully, and Monday the papers took up the refrain as on the same pages of the paper they reported numerous accidents on the slippery highways. Such were the conditions that greeted would-be visitors and delegates to the big missionary council that opened in First Methodist church, Charlotte, at 9:30 o'clock Tuesday morning, January 9.

Notwithstanding weather conditions the Council assembled on time. Dr. W. G. Cram, general secretary of the board of missions, presided during the organization, and Dr. J. Manning Potts presided the remainder of the morning session.

Bishop Clare Purcell and Drs. C. C. Weaver and G. T. Bond, joint hosts of the Council, were introduced and extended appropriate words of welcome. The organization which included among other things a roll call of delegates was effected with dispatch.

A findings committee was upon motion appointed.

Dr. Cram announced that this was the fourteenth session of this Council and also the last as now organized. There will continue to be a General Missionary Council, but it will be newly organized in the new Methodist Church.

Dr. Potts made a statement in regard to the nature of the Methodist Advance which is now being launched by the church under the leadership of the bishops.

Bishop W. W. Peele most fittingly was the first speaker on the program, because he was in the church where he served nine years as pastor and where he is greatly loved, and it was a fine tribute to his personal popularity to see the large number of his former parishioners who crowded the church on this inclement morning to hear him.

"The Nature of the Methodist Advance" was Bishop Peele's subject and he spoke with fine effect. It was a most appreciative utterance for the opening of this program that promises so much.

Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, the senior bishop of the Methodist Church, and one of the princes of the American pulpit and platform, was the next speaker. His subject was "The Aims of the Methodist Advance." The address was a great utterance, just such as Bishop Hughes, and no one but he, can deliver.

Bishop Adna W. Leonard's subject was "The Spiritual Element in the Methodist Advance." Bishop Leonard, who is in charge of the Pittsburgh Area, entered a vigorous and impressive plea for the preaching of the great Christian doctrines. Emphasis was placed upon the supernatural Christ and the consequent spiritual power.

The morning session adjourned to meet at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Afternoon Session

Another large assemblage gathered at 2:30 for the afternoon session. Miron A. Morrill of the department of publicity of the Board of Education of the former Methodist Episcopal Church presided at this session.

Bishop Clare Purcell of the Charlotte Area of the Methodist Church was the first speaker. His subject was "The Methodist Advance and the Program of the Church."

"After union what? It is but a new chapter in the history of our Methodism. To formulate a new program of the church. No cause is forlorn with Christ at its head. Can Methodism repeat? Can Methodism be born again? Yes, emphatically yes!

"Our world is about to fall apart. We are to be those who will gather it together. If the church is to be the church it must have a worthy program. We must produce a church that Christ can use. We should combine all good methods of evangelism, personal, mass, and all the rest of them. We must capture the young life on our college campuses. To what does all our programs point? The ultimate goal is the building saintly lives and holy fellowship."

The foregoing are sentences snatched from this informing and inspiring address of Bishop Purcell as he held the vast audience in his grasp and swept it along to a conclusion that some thought came too soon.

The second speaker of the afternoon was Bishop Paul B. Kern of Nashville, Tenn., who discussed "The Methodist Advance and the Future." The bishop's subject gave him an immense territory over which to roam but he did not abuse his privileges. On the contrary he knew just where he expected to go and kept straight ahead in the discussion of matters of great practical value. Totalitarianism cannot dwell with Jesus and democracy cannot reach its highest development without Jesus was an idea that he presented with force. Another truth that he emphasized was this: A theology of the social order is more difficult to provide than a theology for the individual. His plea for love to supplant force was especially impressive when the greater part of the human race is engaged in war.

Both addresses of the afternoon were heard with rapt attention by an immense audience when practically all remained from the beginning to the close of the session.

A. W. P.

DR. ELMER T. CLARK LECTURES ON SECTS

Since the appearance of "The Small Sects in America" (Cokesbury Press), the author, Dr. Elmer T. Clark, editorial secretary of the Board of Missions at Nashville and editor of World Outlook, has been in demand as a speaker on the subject of the multitudinous small religious denominations in this country and their significance. In March he will lecture before the School of Religion at Duke University, and in June he will speak before the American Association of Theological Seminaries. In both cases his subject will be "The Psychology of the Small Sects and Its Significance for Evangelism."

Theological seminaries report that when the graduates take up their ministerial work they immediately encounter "Holy Rollers" and other sects, which often succeed in winning the plain people while the churches fail. The young preachers had received in the seminary no help in meeting the situation. They are asking why the sects can evangelize successfully where their own churches cannot. Because of his long researches in this field, Dr. Clark is regarded as the leading authority on this new problem.

A man ought to be the same to his friend that he would be to himself. For his friend is himself in another person.—Isocrates.

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The big three of America are steam, electricity and gasoline, which mark the three eras of our history—these three, but the greatest of these is gasoline. And the signs of the times are the dollar signs. But all of these together have not begotten greater wisdom.

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Have you ever been turned back in defeat? Probably so. What did you then do? Show the white feather and make an abject surrender? Or did you refuse to surrender and like Napoleon's drummer boy shout, "I do not know how to beat a retreat; I only know how to beat a charge!" If so, well and good.

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"To watch the sun, moon and stars, to listen to the wind, to hear Nature whispering in that still small voice of hers—is a better education than can be had from all the books that ever were written." Such is the extravagant expression of some Nature lover. Yet we feel that he is not so far from the sober truth. For to know rocks and mosses and birds and beetles and flowers and stars brings one in touch with the sources of knowledge as no printed volume can ever do.

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"Beware of nice religious patter. Get good stuff in your mind, and it will come out in its own time and do its work. Where six words will do, never use sixteen. Because people seem poor and ignorant, don't give them milk and water. They want your best." Think of a man who follows this advice of Russell Maltby of the British Wesleyan Church being able to prepare a sermon an hour long or to consume a page for a little newspaper article. To set a guard over abstract nouns, to avoid pious patter, to use the fewest possible words and to do one's best for the poor and unlettered are rules that shine like yellow gold. Brevity is both the soul of wit and the source of power and to do one's best is the highest aim of life.

Any one who thinks that Methodism is a spent force would do well to get in the current of present day Methodist life. The faint-hearted who are fearful would fresh courage take. Nothing is more needed in many places than some of the crusading spirit that enables people to sing as they press against the foe. Such an effort would put enemies to flight and stir to fresh endeavor.

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It was Kipling, we believe, that described the man who had "too much ego in his cosmos." That is bad enough, but what about the man who has the whole cosmos in his ego? We have all met that sort of genus homo. The big "I" reaches beyond the most distant horizon and mounts to the stars overhead. The center of the universe is not in some far off constellation, as astronomers say, but in that hopeless egotist himself. And what a delightful time he has reveling among his own delusions that compass the entire cosmos! What shall we do with a man like that? Laugh and leave him to enjoy the capaciousness of his ego.

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Months and months ago the following paragraph appeared upon this page of the Advocate and since then has been going the rounds of the papers of the country without any evidence of its birthplace. For that reason we are inclined to give it a second start in life. Here is the orphan in question: "Life" tells how the teacher asked, "What is a geyser?" and the pupil answered, "A geyser is a waterfall going up." This suggests another question, what is a pessimist and what is an optimist? A pessimist is a man going down and an optimist is a man going up. Speaking of pessimists and optimists reminds us of the pessimist who said, "I really believe that I could make a better world than this myself." "Sure," replied the optimist, "that is what we are here for. Now let's go to work and do it."

"Protestantism in the News"

THE current number of the Christian Century carries an article by Walter N. Van Kirk, who is so well known by his "Religion in the News" heard over a national network. Much of what Dr. Van Kirk has to say about the failure of Protestantism to get into the papers as does the Roman Catholic Church is true, but this does not apply to the daily press of the South. The newspapers of this section are eager for the news of the churches. Evidently Dr. Van Kirk has reference to the metropolitan press upon which he relies chiefly for the news discussed in "Religion in the News." He says the Roman Catholic Church scores in the public press because its press releases are full of life, action, and the movement of history. Too often the news of Protestantism lacks drama, a thing the press and radio want—a thing the people like and demand. Drama, however, is not all of church news.

But there is little of the dramatic, says Van Kirk, "in the public festivities of the Protestant world." Says he:

Some months ago I went to Kansas City to broadcast the Methodist Uniting Conference. Methodists had gathered in Kansas City from the ends of the earth. Many thousands of people participated in this historic event. The conference was open to the public but little of any effort was made to take the conference to the public. Except for a procession of Methodist dignitaries from the Episcopal cathedral to the Municipal auditorium there was little if anything in the way of a mass demonstration in the open.

One would have supposed that the formal act of uniting these three Methodist churches would have been consummated in the open with tens of thousands of people sharing in this experience, and with loud speakers carrying the story to the assembled multitude. That would have been a big story, both for the press and the camera. But no, this event had to be enacted within the walls of the Municipal auditorium. Maybe Protestants object to public demonstrations. But if they do they can't at the same time object to their seeming neglect by the press and the newsreel camera men.

Similarly, at Oxford, in 1937, I was given a microphone to send the story of that great gathering to the American radio public. Here again there was little if any drama, in the open.

It is very evident that by "Protestantism in the News" as presented by this well known broadcaster is something far different from the news of the churches such as is furnished by the secular press to the great mass of the churches of America. Two suggestions made by Dr. Van Kirk should get the serious consideration of all Protestants:

First, let Protestantism take its religious gatherings to the public. Let us abandon the practice of isolating ourselves behind high walls when we are engaged in acts of religious significance to the whole community.

Second, let the Protestant communions set up an interdenominational press bureau that will serve Protestantism as a whole and without regard to sectarian interests. This will take money, but the dividends will prove substantial. Such a bureau should have as its head the most resourceful newspaper man in American Protestantism. He should have among his assistants persons who are able to maintain close contact with the great press agencies, the motion picture and radio industries, the magazines, the columnists and the more widely known correspondents of our metropolitan newspapers.

Mules Are Afraid of Angels

WITNESS Balaam's mule which shied in the road when he saw an angel, and not only shied but crushed his rider's foot against a rock fence. From that fateful day to this mules have shied at the sight of angels which the rider or driver could not see. The mule has a good eye for angels which with a constant fear explains why a small boy can search the stable for hen eggs without placing his life in jeopardy.

The mule doubtless comes in for a due amount of sympathy because he is without pride of pedigree. In fact, the very name of his old daddy has been through the long ages a "hissing and a byword." The mule is a social outcast, an "untouchable," according to Indian caste. And it is left to him to do the touching.

People pet dogs and cats and horses, but nobody ever feeds a mule sugar. To be overworked and underfed has been his program from the dawn of history. In battle he pulls the heavy guns and the lumbering trucks of ammunition across shell torn fields. But nobody builds a monument to the mule. For years he toils in the mines without a glimpse of daylight or one single privilege of being allowed to wallow in the dust of the barnyard, but no society for the prevention of cruelty to animals has ever come to his rescue.

Good Witnesses Needed

SOMEBODY has said that a speculative philosopher is a man who hunts in a dark cellar for a cat that is not there. The same may be said with a like degree of truth about the speculative theologian who devotes his time to questions about which he knows nothing and that would be of little value if he could learn all about them. The mediaeval theologian de-

bated with ardor the question as to how many angels could dance on the point of a needle and we grow red in the face discussing how much more efficacious is a barrel of water than three drops of the same fluid in securing for a believer entrance into the kingdom of heaven. In this connection we are reminded of the old negro whom the judge asked if he wanted a lawyer appointed to defend him. "No, no, judge; I don't want no lawyer," replied the colored man, "but I suttingly would like a couple of good witnesses if you have got 'em." Just so, it is not ecclesiastical lawyers that the church needs, but good witnesses.

The New Duke Gymnasium

THE formal opening of the new Duke gymnasium Saturday evening, January 6, 1940, in the presence of an admiring throng of 8,000 marks the beginning of new era for basket ball in North Carolina and the entire South. This college game in the South has not kept pace with the Middle West and certain sections of the North and East. But the big new gymnasium will set a pace that will equal any part of the country.

This new gymnasium will be much more than a place for basket ball games; it becomes an assembly hall for all sorts of huge gatherings where the thousands are to be accommodated. It will be perhaps twice as large as any other auditorium in North Carolina, and there are no very large number in the nation of greater dimensions.

Holiness in Beauty

"The Puritan through life's garden goes,
He plucks the thorn and casts away the rose,
And thinks to please by this peculiar whim
The God who fashioned it and gave it him."

Such was too true of that perverted Puritanism which believed austerity to be the father of piety and that virtue is begotten of ugliness. It appears strange that men should ever forget that there is a beauty of holiness and a holiness in beauty.

"All lovely things belong to me.
The sun is shining on the sea,
The wind is whispering to the tree,
The lark is singing to the sky,
The fleecy clouds are sailing by;
I am as rich as can be,
For all these things belong to me.
No one can take these joys away,
For in my heart they ever stay."

Recurring Visions

I WAS not disobedient unto the heavenly vision" is a favorite text with the preachers when they would stress the importance of following the gleam. In warning against the peril of being disobedient to the heavenly vision they fail to recognize the place of the ever recurring visions and the accumulated experiences in every advancing and victorious life. As Jesus sent Paul forth to be a witness to what he had seen he was to be a witness "to the visions you shall have of me." The marvelous experience on the road at mid day, with the blazing splendors about him, was only the beginning of his great missionary career.

The record of those visions he had and the things he suffered on those four great missionary journeys across the Roman world indicate the richness and the fulness of the disclosures made to him. In jail at Phillippi, singing songs at midnight; exalted to the third heavens among the intelligences there; the assurances in the storm on the Mediterranean, indicate the marvelous manifestations of God that made him a witness to turn the people from sin unto God and enabled him to give to us one-third of the New Testament. Not once, but often Paul was not disobedient to the heavenly vision.

The time has come once more for us to jest about "new year resolutions," most of which are trivial and foolish. But not so those which are the outcome of rare experiences and fresh visions of God in the life devoted to our Lord Christ. Each year should register fresh accumulation of spiritual conquests and cherish such visions of new spiritual frontiers that would send us to our knees eager for the Presence that constrains us to go forth with songs of victory continuing through all the year. Where there are no fresh visions the soul falters and life becomes stale and unprofitable. For we can not live on the past though these memories are rich and full—from day to day we must have our daily bread. The resources of past years are encouraging and the testimony of our first meeting with God is valuable, but these must be enlarged and reinforced by up-to-date experiences with God as a living presence here and now. Then there comes the ringing challenge of a power mighty to save and a witness to the presence of God—a living Presence as well as an abiding power. Songs at midnight and confidence in the storm followed the vision on the road. So, the recurring visions were his among the Gentiles.

❖ People and Things ❖

Ninety-six drunken drivers killed persons on North Carolina highways during the first 11 months of this year, as compared with 65 for the same period last year and 71 for the whole year, the State Highway Safety Division reported.

Our church at Sanford sent Rev. A. S. Barnes a check for \$360 as our regular ten per cent assessment this year, immediately following Christmas. With our Thanksgiving special and other special contributions make our total for this conference year to our orphanage \$503.—W. L. Sewell.

The third quarterly meeting of the N. C. Branch of Women's Work of the former M. P. Church will meet at Davis Street Methodist church, Burlington, January 23, at 10:30 a. m. Please notify Mrs. A. M. Wagoner, 403 Grace Ave., Burlington, that you will be there for lunch at 35 cents.—Mrs. R. M. Andrews, President; Mrs. James T. Bowman, Corresponding Secretary.

During the first month on Leasburg charge our people painted and papered the inside of our parsonage and added various furnishings, including a bed room suite. An electric pump has been purchased to supply running water in the house. We had the first quarterly conference Sunday. Benevolences were raised 20 per cent. Brother Hobbs preached a splendid sermon. We love our people and are happy in our work.—F. A. Lupton.

Randolph-Gray's Chapel Charge.—Christmas programs were rendered at all four churches on the charge, the pastor and wife receiving many valuable and useful presents. "Treats" were sent to the invalids and shut-ins. This pastor received a Christmas present in a unique way at Gray's Chapel—a paper bill (not a one or two dollar bill) was tied to the steering wheel of his Ford. All special days will be observed this year. Members of Gray's Chapel are still talking Sunday school rooms. We hope this will result in action. Our plans and prayers are for a good year.—H. L. Isley, Pastor.

Dr. J. A. Gamewell, long a professor at Wofford College and until a few months ago the oldest active college professor in the nation, reached his ninetieth birthday on January 3. Familiarly known to thousands of South Carolinians as "Uncle Gus," Dr. Gamewell has for 65 years taught Latin at Wofford. He retired from active teaching in September because so few students elected Latin that the Wofford authorities deemed it unwise to continue the course. Dr. Gamewell received national mention last year when a weekly magazine carried his picture and a story of his long career as a professor at Wofford. Also, the New York Times recently editorialized on his retirement as a teacher, and the Mutual Broadcasting Company devoted fifteen minutes on a nation-wide hook-up to the elderly professor.

Sunday, December 31, was a great day at Ward Street church. The pastor preached both morning and evening on the subject of prayer to a large congregation. During the morning hour there were 14 new members received into the church, making a total of 21 since last annual conference. Our watch night service was a decided success. Approximately one-half of the church membership attended the regular evening service and then returned at 10 o'clock and remained until 12, singing, praying, reading and testifying. At about five minutes to 12 every one present came to the altar and knelt in a prayer of consecration, and it did seem that just as the bell struck for midnight we were all "of one accord in one place." Our good people here at Ward Street surely know just how to make a pastor and his family feel welcome among them. They have not ceased to make us feel that we shall have their hearty co-operation through the year.—P. C.

"Religion Yesterday and Today" will be the theme of the lecture to be given by Dr. Henry Sloane Coffin, president of Union Theological Seminary, New York City, at Ministers' Week at Emory University January 22-26. Ministers' Week, designed to serve as an opportunity for spiritual refreshment and study will have a full program of lectures by Dr. Coffin and Dr. W. A. Smart, short courses taught by five Emory professors, and daily forums. Dr. Coffin's lecture topics will be: "Evolutionary Science," "The Divine Immanence," "Biblical Criticism," "Religious Experience," "The Social Conscience," "The Church."

The board of directors of Winona Lake School of Theology, an institution which conducts summer sessions at Winona Lake, Indiana, has just announced the unanimous election of Dr. J. A. Huffman to succeed the former president, Dr. William Edward Biederwolf, recently deceased. Dr. Huffman has served as dean of the institution since 1927, and together with the president, Dr. Biederwolf, succeeded in establishing a strong, evangelical school which attracts students from all over the United States, Canada, and from foreign countries. Under his leadership the institution is assured of the same efficiency and loyalty to the Word of God for which it has been known.

The Methodist church held a watch night service and a service of formal union (the two churches having united at the recent annual conference) Sunday evening at 9 o'clock, with the pastor, Rev. Robert G. Tuttle, in charge. Dr. Paul N. Garber, Duke University, Durham, gave the union sermon. The declaration of union service used at the Uniting Conference in May was used. During the period between the sermon and the watch night program, a fellowship hour was held in the church hut with members of the church boards talking on "The Methodist Advance in Our Church." The service closed by the prayer for the new year.—Mrs. T. E. Stough.

Gandhi recently passed his seventieth birthday. Once a rich lawyer, he has given all his wealth for charity. His living expenses are less than \$10 a month. He earns this by running his rude spinning wheel. He has changed his methods. Fasts and civil disobedience have been abandoned. His main interest is the reconstruction of rural India. Physically ugly, personally charming, possessor of an exceptionally attractive personality, with a weak body but a giant soul, of simple habits, a swift walker, rising every morning at 3 o'clock to care for his correspondence; at 4 o'clock he spends a half hour in prayer, at 4:30 he takes a long, vigorous walk for health—so the day passes. Few men have sacrificed so much for his people. If he were only a follower of the lowly Jesus, how much more powerful he would be.—The United Presbyterian.

We have just come through a great Christmas—every one is saying it was the greatest Christmas ever. The parsonage family was finely treated. We received so many nice greetings from far and near and so many nice presents, all of which are sincerely appreciated. We had a splendid chorus of Christmas carols trained and directed by Mrs. I. B. Hudson—a vested choir of some fifty or more voices—that gave one of the most impressive and appreciated programs on Christmas eve. Then following this program of music we observed "student recognition service," with the program dedicated in loving tribute to the late J. M. Boone. The young people all made fine talks that were highly complimented. We observed watch night from 10 to 12 p. m. on New Year's eve, using mainly the program gotten out by our conference board of Christian education. We are off to a happy new year. Happy new year, one and all.—G. N. Dulin.

Vespers each Sunday evening and mid-week devotions on Wednesday are proving to be very helpful to the student body at Brevard College. These two religious programs are carried on under the supervision of the Christian Student Movement at the college and are attended by a great number of the college groups. Through the two programs the movement hopes to aid the church in the advance of religion.

North Carolina men and women over 50 years of age were advised this week by Nathan H. Yelton, director of public assistance, not to spend money in remitting dues to any old age pension association operating throughout the country on a chain-letter plan. "Old age assistance payments in North Carolina cost nothing at all to those who receive them and payment of a fee to any person or organization for proffered aid in obtaining the grants is just money out of somebody's pocket," Yelton said. "It has come to the notice of the State Welfare Department's division of public assistance that circular letters are being distributed in some countries telling "Dear Members" of their acceptance into a pension organization and thanking them for their remittances," the director said. Along with the acceptance notices are sent five "membership registration coupons" for distribution to friends "anywhere in any state" to aid in forwarding "this great renewed surprise movement now sweeping the country with terrific force—while politicians are listening to foreign wars," was the appeal made in the letter according to Yelton.

The annual meeting of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held Wednesday and Thursday, January 31 and February 1, 1940, in the Methodist Book Concern Building at 740 Rush Street, Chicago. As authorized by the Uniting Conference of the new Methodist Church, held in Kansas City, Mo., last April, the Board of Education is continuing the administration of its various enterprises—81 schools, colleges, and universities, 69 Wesley Foundations, a three million dollar student loan fund, and 24,000 local church schools of religion. The general theme of the two-day sessions will be "Advancing While Uniting." Bishop Adna Wright Leonard, head of the Methodist Church in Pittsburgh Area and president of the Board of Education, will preside at the meeting. Among the speakers will be the Rev. Dr. Harry Wright McPherson, executive secretary of the board; Bishop F. T. Keeney of Chicago; Dr. L. H. Bugbee of New York and editor of Church School Publications; Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes of Washington, D. C.; Dr. Orrin W. Ruman, treasurer of the World Service Commission of the church; Bishop H. Lester Smith of Cincinnati, Ohio; Dr. Horace G. Smith, president of Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill.; and Mr. Lester E. Lee of Chicago.

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Before this time you should have received your Journal of the conference. Please turn to the chronological roll, pages 13-16. If there is anything about your name incorrect, send facts of correction. If any information is incomplete, furnish the needed information. Too, if there is any mistake about your address or the spelling of names or charges in the alphabetical roll, please send facts. The editing of the Journal has been a tedious task; and with all the care, likely some errors will be found. Your secretary is anxious to make corrections where necessary and possible. Particular attention should be given to making the rolls correct; and your co-operation NOW will be appreciated. For your patient and co-operative spirit in assisting me in the work of editing your Journal and for your care in the sale and reporting of the sales of Journals, your secretary wishes to thank you.

E. H. Nease, Conference Secretary,
517 Hawthorne Lane,
Charlotte, N. C.

BROTHER READ GOES TO CHURCH

I went to church this morning—worship service some may call it. This first Sunday in 1940, at Duke Memorial, our preacher told us about "The River of Life." His handling of the subject was a classic.

Duke Memorial is a great church. It's a wonderful place to go to worship and for spiritual refreshment and the renewal of spiritual life and outlook.

The building itself, the auditorium, lends itself peculiarly to that sort of thing. It might have been built with that idea in mind. Some churches are not.

And the people we find there! The atmosphere of the place! They have a flavor all its own. What a wholesome and inviting place for people to "come apart" from "The fretful stir unprofitable and fever of the world"; and renew their strength, if any must go against the current in the work ahead!

One leaves its precincts with the feeling that it has been good to be there. Duke Memorial is a sort of superannuate's haven. A Sunday or two ago I counted eight preachers in the congregation besides the pastor, and all of them but two superannuates. Perhaps they were not all out that day.

This church is like a home and the congregation like a family. And they take these "oldsters" into the family circle on a level with the bona fide members of the household. They are neither "shunted" aside nor "high hatted," but are allowed to be at home and are made to feel so. And if they have no stockings to hang up at Christmas, Santa Claus visits them, every one, in the same spirit as the other children, and substantially, too.

The machinery of this church, like the pastor, is so well adapted and the manipulation and lubrication so skillfully directed that the whole thing functions without strain or noise or friction in any of its parts. A wonderful men's class! And, I am told, an equally inspiring women's class in the church school, and a fine young people's division. And for the worship at the preaching hour a choir so gifted and directed that at times one almost seems to be listening to the echoes of "the choir invisible."

And back of it all in front and round about, quietly, skillfully but surely directing and inspiring is Mr. Smith. But speak it softly—I know how sometimes preachers are spirited away.

For my family and myself this line is sent in grateful appreciation. All best wishes to the Advocate and its editors in the new year.

C. L. Read.

A REMARKABLE RECORD

Mrs. Elizabeth Curtis, 92, died at her home in Candler, N. C., January 1, 1940. She was a brother of the late J. C. Curtis, a well known and esteemed citizen and churchman of Buncombe county. E. C. Hiatt, writing of this good woman says: "She was a life long member of Pleasant Hill church, a good mother, a true Christian, and a kind friend to everybody."

Then Mr. Hiatt adds: "Her brother, J. C. Curtis, was superintendent of Pleasant Hill Sunday school 59 years, and the church which this year celebrates its centenary has had only three superintendents—J. C. Smathers, J. C. Curtis and E. C. Hiatt."

Can any other church surpass this record of Pleasant Hill?

MORNING STAR CHURCH BURNED

The midnight chimes of the old year proved to be fire bells for the beautiful new church, Morning Star, near Canton. It is today a pile of gray ashes. Less than a year ago the last dollar of its indebtedness was paid, mortgages were burned and a happier people never assembled to witness the triumph of years of effort. There it stood on a beautiful knoll, in the midst of a rapidly growing population—a Morning Star indeed—to a loving, loyal people who buried their dead in its shadows and who found comfort at its altars. Today it is a pile of gray ashes. Hundreds of people from Canton and nearby towns gathered early Monday morning, January 1, to share their sorrows with the congregation. Tears rained upon the pile of gray ashes.

The loss is estimated at \$25,000, with \$4,000 insurance. Its solid brick walls still stand and can be utilized. O Morning Star, the tongue of flame could not lick thy soul, nor the crackling flames still thy shout of triumph! Out of the ashes of temporary defeat will rise again another Morning Star with a soul resplendent because it has been tried as by fire.

W. L. Hutchins.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COLLEGE PLACE CHURCH

The team work of North Carolina Methodism has been an admirable factor in our church life for a good many years. Recently we have seen a demonstration of this team work in regard to the College Place church situation. Under the leadership of our two bishops, the Inter-conference Commission, the district superintendents of both conferences, the pastor and local committee of the church, and with the favorable support of the Western North Carolina Conference Commission on World Service and Finance, along with a representative from the General Board of Church Extension in Louisville, Kentucky, an exhaustive study of the entire situation was made at a meeting in Greensboro on January 4; and the conclusions arrived at which will take the form of recommendations to our two conferences, seem to be the wisest and most hopeful action we have had up to date.

Some of the considerations developed in the discussion were that since 1940 will be a very busy year, absorbing the time of our bishops and other church officials, and in consideration of Methodist Union which brings into the picture a great group of Methodists who hitherto has not been directly interested in College Place church, and in view of our general desire to avoid extra machinery and campaigns, it was unanimously decided that the bishops and the commission would recommend to the annual conferences a new plan for the payment of the College Place debt. The plan in brief is for the conferences to assume the indebtedness for the local church and pay it out of the regular conference funds over a period of years, and make the local church responsible for the payment of the interest this year; and also carry the financial responsibility for any future building or development in the local church. The entire indebtedness which the commission will ask the conference to assume will be about \$23,000, and it will be divided between the two conferences on a basis which gives the Western North Carolina conference \$15,500 and the North Carolina conference \$7,500. It is the expectation that the conference will adopt the recommendations and that a long standing and sometimes embarrassing situation will be relieved.

HIGHLAND SHEPHERDS

If there is a rural church minister anywhere who would like to read a good book in which the practical problems he has to face are discussed by one who has had wide experience he should get *Highland Shepherds*. This book is written by Dr. Arthur W. Hewitt and published by Willett, Clark and Co., during 1939. The author is a native of Vermont and was ordained as a Methodist minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1904. Although he has filled many important positions in his church—been a member of four General Conferences; served on several educational and missionary boards and committees; written five books and numerous articles—the service he has given in the rural church field, especially at Plainfield, Vt., is perhaps the most significant contribution he has made to society.

The book is just the kind of reading the rural minister who is really interested in his own task will enjoy. The author has not dealt with practical theology in the rural field from a theoretical viewpoint, but he has filled the pages from beginning to the end with common sense, Christian wisdom, and a generous flow of humor. It is easy to read, but it is the sort of word one who is interested in the rural church would himself like to have said.

Dr. Hewitt has arranged his chapters in four parts: The Person, The Priest, The Preacher, and The Pastor. The au-

thor is acquainted with the kind of work the rural minister has to do and he is also appreciative of the opportunity the rural field offers. If the reader has had experience in the rural church ministry he will find himself pictured many times in the various situations set forth in the book. I can heartily recommend this interesting and valuable book for all ministers who are seeking the right way to invest their lives in building the kingdom of God by way of the rural church.

J. M. Ormond.

REV. T. J. ROGERS, SR., DIED IN HIGH POINT JANUARY 6

Rev. Thomas J. Rogers, Sr., 79, retired Methodist minister who resided near Greensboro, and whose active ministry embraced over four decades, died at 4:15 o'clock Saturday afternoon, January 6, in Burrus Memorial hospital, High Point.



T. J. ROGERS
1889-1940

He had been ill for about a month, his condition having been considered critical for the past fortnight. Several years before his last illness his health was precarious.

Funeral service was held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Muir's Chapel Methodist church, Revs. G. A. Stamper, pastor of the church, L. B. Hayes, and S. B. Turrentine officiating, interment following in Forest Lawn cemetery.

Mr. Rogers retired in 1932 after serving forty-three years as an active minister in the Western North Carolina conference, retirement being resultant from ill health. He held charges during his active career at Henrietta, Mountain Island, Marion, Waynesville, Newton, Mooresville, Rutherfordton, Lincolnton, Ramseur-Franklinville, North Wilkesboro, West Greensboro, Madison, Kernersville and Main Street church, High Point.

He was born in Monroe and attended Union county schools and Rutherford College. In 1894 he was married to Miss Lillian Kate Wiseman of Rutherford county, who died in November, 1935.

Mr. Rogers' particular ministry was predominantly evangelistic in character and he was widely known for the large number of conversions made in evangelistic meetings, and at the same time he was considered very effective as a pastor. He was progressive in his labors and for ten years attended the summer school for pastors at Duke University.

Surviving are the following children: Mrs. Hilda Stanbury, Mrs. Helen Sampson and Miss Virginia Rogers, all of Greensboro; Mrs. Kathleen Tate, High Point; Mrs. Marguerite Rossiter, Washington; Mrs. Marion Joyce, Fairfield, Fla.; T. Baxter Rogers, Indianapolis, Ind.; W. Kilgo Rogers, Lincolnton; Thomas J. Rogers, Jr., Greensboro, and John G. Rogers, Winston-Salem.

Also surviving are two brothers, J. P. Rogers, Monroe, and S. A. Rogers, Clarkton; a sister, Mrs. John Carr, Monroe, and eight grandchildren.

Those who have loved longest love best. A friend may be often found and lost, but an old friend can never be found, and nature has provided that he cannot be easily lost.—Johnson.

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The World of Sense and the Real World

A Manifestation of God at Work in the Universe

By ALBERT HALLEN

That the world which our senses reveal to us is the real world is to most people a self-evident truth. We look out on the beautiful landscape and are impressed not only by its configuration but also by its different colors, which contribute so much to the beautiful scenery. There is the vivid green of the grass on the fields and of the trees that adorn the landscape, there is the great variety of colors displayed by the flowers, and there is the silvery white of the stream winding its way through the valley. In the background we notice the mountains with their burdened slopes and their gray tops rising toward the sky. Above is the blue firmament with some fleecy clouds floating below. All impresses us as being equally real, and we are convinced it would be just the same if there were no eye to look at it.

We listen to an inspiring musical performance and feel sure that the music is floating in the air and would be just the same if it were produced automatically by some instrument and there were no ear to listen to it. That tastes and smells really exist apart from our perception of them, we take for granted. Such is the common sense view of things.

Now let us turn to our textbooks in physics and physiology. What a rude shock they give us! They plainly set forth that we are entirely mistaken in our view of things. There is no music or other kind of sound floating in the air. All there is corresponding to our perceptions of sounds is vibrations of the air. When these are slow and the waves long, the pitch of a musical sound is low; when they are rapid and the waves short, the pitch is high. A frequency of 256 vibrations a second corresponds to the middle C of our musical instruments. A doubling of the frequency of vibrations raises the pitch one octave. A good ear has a range of about eleven octaves.

The air vibrations strike our auditory apparatus, and impulses of some kind pass through the auditory nerve into the brain, and then something strange happens. There arise within us perceptions not of vibrations but of sounds, which are no more like the air vibrations that caused them than the pain we feel when struck by a hammer is like the hammer. Sounds are of great importance. They make us aware of many happenings around us, they have made human speech possible and without that man's wonderful progress in intelligence and civilization would have been impossible, and they furnish us with all the pleasures of song and music. It should be clearly understood that sounds exist in our consciousness and not in the outside world.

What about vision? Science tells us that rays of light admitted by an object are refracted on entering the eye and form an inverted image of the object on the retina in the back of the eye. The light rays that produce this image stimulate the optic nerve and an impulse of some kind passes through that nerve into the brain. This impulse has, of course, no similarity to the image that causes it. To suppose that the image sails through the optic nerve into the brain would be an absurdity. When the nervous impulse reaches the brain, a miracle takes place:

there arises within us an image of the object in question. This image exists in our consciousness, but we assume that there is a corresponding external object. Let us see how far this is true.

We found that the physical cause of sound was vibrations of the air; the physical cause of light with its different colors is also vibrations, electro-magnetic vibrations of an inconceivable rapidity. When these have the frequency of about 400 trillion times a second, they produce in us an impression of a deep-red color; a frequency of about 800 trillion times a second gives an impression of violet color; the intervening frequencies give the intervening colors; a blending of all the colors gives white light. It is evident that the colors we perceive are no more like the electro-magnetic vibrations that caused them than sounds are like vibrations of the air.

While the ear has a range of about eleven octaves, the eye is limited to about one octave. There are, of course, electro-magnetic vibrations with a frequency less than 400 trillion times a second. These belong to the invisible region of the infra-red and extend far beyond that. Frequencies greater than the 800 trillion times a second belong to the invisible region of the ultra-violet and extend beyond that into the regions of the X-rays and the Gamma-rays. If the eye could cover as many octaves as the ear, the appearance of the world would, no doubt, be different from what it now is. It should be clearly understood that it is our visual apparatus that gives an appearance to the outside world, and makes it so beautiful and interesting. That world in itself has no more of an appearance than it has to a blind man. Appearances exist in our consciousness, not in the outside world. This may seem strange, but it is true. That tastes and smells do not exist apart from our perception of them but are only our reactions to certain stimuli may be easily understood.

It is evident that the world of sense is very different from the real world. Besides the differences we have here pointed out, there are others of great importance, which recent advances in science have revealed. Since the opening of the century, a revolution in physical science has taken place and has greatly changed the scientific conception of the physical world. The theory of relativity and the theory of quanta, which are too difficult to be explained here, are largely responsible for the collapse of the classic physics, but this was also due to more easily understood important discoveries concerning the atoms. It has been found that these little supposedly hard and indivisible bits of matter, which combine into molecules and form the things of the physical world, are not simple, as was formerly assumed, but complex. The atom is made up of a nucleus with a positive electric charge surrounded by negatively charged electrons. In the hydrogen atom, which is the simplest, the nucleus consists of a proton with a positive electric charge, and around it revolves one electron. Next comes the helium atom, which has a nucleus containing two protons and two neutrons, which have no electric charge, and around the nucleus revolve two electrons. Then as we proceed to chemical elements

of greater atomic weight, there is a corresponding increase in the number of protons and neutrons and electrons contained in their atoms. The uranium atom, which is the heaviest, has a nucleus containing 238 protons and neutrons, and around the nucleus revolve 92 electrons. As the mass of a proton or a neutron is about 1847 times that of an electron, almost the entire mass of the atom is concentrated in the nucleus. It has been said that the atom is as porous as the solar system, that all of it, except an extremely small part, is empty space.

In some stars, the so-called "white dwarfs," the atoms have collapsed so that the electrons are flying about in all directions, and the nuclei are packed so closely together that they form a substance of very great density. The faint comparison of Sirius is about 50,000 times as dense as water, which means that a quart of its material weighs about fifty tons. Not long ago Dr. Kuiper of the McDonald Observatory in Texas reported that the star Wolf 457 is half a billion times as dense as water and that a cubic inch of its substance weighs 9000 tons. The atoms must be very porous to admit of such a tremendous compression. To common sense a block of granite is very hard and compact, to science it consists almost entirely of empty space and could be compressed into an extremely small volume.

What is an electron? Sometimes it is regarded as a particle and sometimes as a vibration. What are the protons and the neutrons? Who can tell? Are they, perhaps, also vibrations, and these, in their turn, symbols of the underlying reality? The atom, which was regarded as substantial, has been resolved into entities that seem ghostly and elusive. It is of such stuff that the real world is composed. How different it is from the world of common sense! It should be noted that we have not here engaged in any metaphysical speculations about the nature of reality but have kept strictly to the teachings of science.

What is the outcome of our investigation? It may be stated as follows: The radiant, colorful world which our senses reveal to us is not the real world but a wonderful transformation thereof. We ought to be thankful that our sense do not let the gray, ghostly reality pass through but give it to us in a transfigured form. And what they give us, after all, to us in our practical life, the real world in which we live and move and have our being. How can we account for the marvelous transformation which has been the object of our inquiry? Can it be that "accidental collocations of atoms," to use Bertrand Russell's expression, have produced the necessary sense organs and have also resulted in the miraculous transitions from nervous impulses to visions of a glorious external world, to perceptions of sounds of various kinds, some of them highly pleasing and inspiring, and to perceptions of tastes and smells? Was there one chance in a trillion that blind atoms, devoid of intelligence, would accomplish anything like this? Let a mathematician answer.

The recent advances in science have made it clearer than ever that there is a purpose and order in nature which cannot be exclusively and ultimately accounted for in terms of matter but must be ascribed to a higher principle, that is, to a Supreme Intelligence at work in the universe. A very impressive manifestation of this great intelligence, which we call God, is its provision for the transformation of the gray, prosaic, real world into the radiant, colorful world of sense with its infinite variety of beauty and light. What would our existence be without this transformation?—Zions Herald.

IT WAS EVER THUS

By Jacob Simpson Payton

New Years to the number of 140 have rolled' round since the federal government established itself on its present site. Washington has come a long way since the year 1801 was ushered in with candles flickering in the windows of the cabin-dwellers along the reaches of the Potomac, and by neighbors with lanterns in their hands seeking their homeward way through the clearings of the new settlement. Now that the age of speed and splendor is here—full blast—and with fond farewells forever said to horse and buggy days, occasional anxiety is expressed about the direction in which America is going.

Of course that is nothing new. The ravens were croaking over the fate of the young Republic when the Federal City, as Washington was then called, greeted the New Year's dawn long, long ago. The outlook for the survival of the American government is inexpressibly more promising than it was when John and Abigail Adams shivered through the first winter in the White House, and her Puritan husband was voted out of office by the politicians on Capitol Hill during a snow storm.

Like other Americans, Washingtonians take their blunderings rather seriously, and with many a sigh. Retribution usually overtakes plain, private transgressors on standard time, but with politicians it is different. They usually blunder collectively on Capitol Hill, and the disastrous results of their foolish legislation are so slow in cropping out, that only time will tell whether they have really been leading America along the straight and narrow path, or have gone star-gazing down the broad way that leads to destruction. More than once in our national history an administration has been weighed in the balance and found wanting, but not until after the chief offenders have been lain away with public honors. Until a statute has stood the test of usage, it is difficult to pronounce upon its wisdom or its folly.

POUNDED AT MIDNIGHT

I have had all sorts of experiences as a minister, but I had never been pounded at midnight until the last night of December, 1939. It was just following the very helpful watch night service we had held in the church at Fuquay Springs, which service began at 11 o'clock and ran until 12. Following that service I was busy talking with some college students who would soon be getting back to their places of preparation for life's work. We were in a Sunday school room, just back of the pulpit. A messenger was sent into that room, who said that a group of people had been looking for me for several minutes. And this messenger carried me to the group at the church entrance, who were much in earnest about getting me into an adjoining room, where a great display of packages of all sizes and descriptions was before my eyes—packages prepared with a great deal of taste by friends who wanted the preacher and his wife to be made especially happy as they entered into the new year. It was one of the biggest surprises of our lives, for we hadn't received so much as a hint that such a thing would take place. After we had looked with joy upon the packages and into the faces of the givers, I turned to Mrs. Durham and said: "I have been making talks and speeches all day and tonight, now it's your turn to make the speech of thanks to these good friends." But she was "too full for utterance"; so was I. But we do thank those good midnight servants of God.

And the same good thing took place for us at the close of the Christmas program at Kipling church two days before Christmas. That was also night, but not midnight. And the abundance of things given us at that place, and the spirit of it all, made us happy indeed, as we were approaching the happy days of Christmas. We appreciate all this, more than we can ever tell. And may God give us all a great year.

E. C. Durham.

I TURN SEVENTY-FIVE: A STORY OF THE ADVENTURE OF LIVING

By A. E. Draper

I turn seventy-five. Millions of one's fellows do the same. Why mention it? But why not? One's life is one's own, however one may be related. In terms of human life, this is a full measure of days—"threescore years and ten," possibly "four-score"; in terms of eternity, less than a "watch in the night." How should one think of one's years? As a measure of duration—"See how old I am"? Or as covering the spread of one's adventure with life? As the years present new experience, in altered circumstance, the individual is challenged to readjustment in thought and in habit. What should follow? Not a lengthened catalogue of events, merely. Rather, wider horizons, fresh measurements, new conventions, growing character.

1864—seventy-five years ago. The people of the United States were in the midst of a "great civil war, testing whether that nation or any nation so conceived and so dedicated can long endure." A national election came in that year. In November, Abraham Lincoln was elected, a second time, to be President of the United States. General Early, leading Confederate forces, was operating in the valley of the Shenandoah, and threatening the Capital, Washington, D. C. In October, General Sheridan made his famous ride from Winchester, and turned the tide of battle at Cedar Creek, Virginia. I was not party to that swift ride. In November, General Sherman led the march "from Atlanta to the sea." I was in the "infantry" in those days. Moreover, I was on hand, and demanding attention, at the time of the "Second Inaugural" and, again, the surrender of General Lee. The Period of Reconstruction brought first hand experience with life. With my parents I saw "hard times" in the 1870's. I came to my majority in the mid-Victorian years. I have shared in interest in the Spanish-American War, the Boer War, the Russo-Japanese War, and the World War. I am concerned at this present for the warring peoples in Asia and in Europe.

But, look! Wars and rumors of wars are not all of life. Within these years transcontinental railways have been builded. Frontiers have been pushed from the Ohio to the Mississippi, from the Mississippi to the Rocky Mountains, and met, on the Western slopes, by the gold-seekers, the hunters, and the trappers from California and the Puget Sound country. "Government land" has been given to veteran soldiers, and to others. Indian reservations have been thrown open to white settlers. Prairie dogs and herds of buffaloes have given place to ranchmen, to farmers, to industrialists, to builders, to bankers, to councils and governments and constitutions of cities and of states. The railways now find complement in transcontinental highways and airways. There was no telephone to call the doctor in November, 1864. And since telephones, there have come Marconi and the wireless, and for many, "We've always had the radio." And, in the meantime, the map of the Eastern Hemisphere has been redrawn again and again.

One intending to expand his years ministering the gospel of God should seek to know his world and human kind. He should study not alone the text of Holy Scripture but also the thoughts of men as touching human life, its circumstance, its objectives, its destiny. The literatures, of

history, of psychology, of philosophy, of theology, of poetry, of art, of the sciences, physical and social, should be made to bear tribute, "that the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work."

A calendar of prevailing opinion and of theories concerning human life and well-being, offset for date, will run behind the chronological record of human adventure and achievement. In telling the life story of Henry D. Thoreau, Henry Seidel Canby remarks concerning the years "1830 to the outbreak of the Civil War": "In that era began an incredible expansion toward material prosperity paralleled by an outburst of spiritual and intellectual fervor. . . . It was an age of conflicts between idealism and materialism, between Abolition and slavery, between zeal and common sense, between the capitalist East and the adventurous West, between religion and the gospel of success."—Zions Herald.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Mr. E. O. Watson, professor of history at Greensboro College, is leaving the school at the end of the first semester to complete his dissertation for the Ph.D. degree in the University of North Carolina, according to Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of the college, who announces that E. Ashby Hammond has been chosen to teach during Mr. Watson's absence.

Professor Watson already holds the A.B. and M.A. degrees from Wofford College, and in addition has done extensive graduate work at George Washington University and University of N. C. He has been teaching in Greensboro College since September, 1924. He also serves as secretary of the faculty and on many important faculty committees, and chairman of the committee of electives.

Mr. Hammond at the present time an instructor in history in the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is a native of Holland. He now holds the A.B. and M.A. degrees from the state university and is a candidate for the Ph.D. degree there in the summer of 1940. He has had teaching experience both in high schools in the state and in the University. He held a teaching fellowship in European history in 1937-38, and a graduate assistantship in European history in 1938-39, and is now an instructor in history in his alma mater. He comes to Greensboro College highly recommended.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, will attend several important meetings and conferences in Philadelphia, New York, and Washington during the month of January.

On January 7 at 3 o'clock, Dr. Gobbel will be present at a meeting of the committee on general conference legislation of the Methodist Church. Legislation perfected will be presented to the General Conference to be held in Atlantic City April 24.

On January 8-9 Dr. Gobbel, as president of the college section of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will preside jointly with Dr. Arlo A. Brown, president of Drew University, and president of the Educational Association of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, at the National Methodist Educational meeting, to be held at the Benjamin Franklin hotel in Philadelphia. Important speakers at the conference, whose theme is "The College in United Methodism," will include: Bishop Francis J. McConnell of the New York area; Dr. Arnaud C. Marts, president of Bucknell University; and Dr. Rufus B. Von Kleinsmid, president of the University of Southern California. Legislation perfected at this meeting will be presented to the General Conference to be held in Atlantic City.

Dr. and Mrs. Gobbel will be guests at a tea given by Mrs. Roger Topps at her home in Brooklyn, N. Y., for the New York Alumnae of Greensboro College, on January 10 at 4 o'clock. There are about thirty alumnae in New York and vicinity.

The twenty-eighth annual meeting of the Association of American Colleges will meet on January 11 and 12 in Philadelphia and Dr. Gobbel will represent the college at that time. President Charles Diehl, Southwestern University, President Fred Corson, Dickinson College, and His Excellency Hu Shih, ambassador of the Chinese Republic, will be outstanding speakers at the meeting. The theme of the conference will be "A Free College in a Free State."

Completing a week of activity Dr. and Mrs. Gobbel will attend a meeting of the Washington, D. C., chapter of the Alumnae Association, where the president will be guest speaker at a luncheon on Saturday, January 13, at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Franz Richey is president of that chapter of which there are about 50 members.

God's New Year—and Ours

It will not be necessary to study the stars or note the tea leaves in your teacup or consult a fortune teller to ascertain what the New Year is going to be like. There is a more dependable way, and what makes it more dependable is that it will be determined by yourself. You can make it lucky or unlucky, good or bad, and that is saying a great deal for yourself.

Of course the new year will be, in many respects, like the old one—like all the years that have gone before for the last two thousand, or four thousand, or six thousand years. It will have fair weather and foul, clouds and sunshine, joy and sorrow. Some people will be called hence and among them may be members of the inner circle of loved ones or of the circle of friendship. Or it may be your own last year among earthly associates, for some year must be the last. But serious as all these things are, they are, after all, only incidental. There are things far more vital.

The New Year will be the heir of the Old Year—of all the years that have gone before. An ugly war—several ugly wars—will pass into it, along with the selfishness and hate and lust that gave rise to them. Indeed the New Year must begin with some heavy burdens for which it will be in no sense responsible. Too bad that we must hand over to it so many unfinished tasks, so many unsolved problems, so many hopes and expectations long deferred, so many long standing prejudices and jealousies.

But the bequest of the present to the year ahead also will include much that is desirable—things upon which it may build for itself and for succeeding years. Multitudes of good people will carry across its threshold their faith in God and in their fellowmen, their aspirations and their plans and purposes for making the future years better. They will continue their work for the good of humanity and the experiences and wisdom of the past should be mighty assets of the New Year.*

But at best it will be a mixture of good and evil, for both are mighty factors in the present world. The irrepressible conflict between them must go on and each of us must have part in it. In this conflict there are no neutrals, and every individual must decide the part he is to take.

But apart from all this, each one of us must determine for himself what kind of a year it is to be. We cannot control the world, but we can control that part of it in which we live and move and have our being. That is the biggest thing any person can do in determining what the New Year shall be like.

To those who love God supremely it will be a good year. It will afford three-hundred-and-sixty-five—or three-hundred-and-sixty-six in this case—days of opportunity to do good. God's servants will have the help, the guidance, the comfort of the Master in all their tasks, their trials and sorrows. They will radiate a benign influence constantly, and that should be a matter of infinite consequence.

But it will be a bad year, an unlucky year, to those who persist in the way of unbelief and self-will. They will have disappointments, as do the children of God, but will have no comfort in their disappointments. They will

have their tasks, some of which may be laudable enough in themselves, but they will not have the divine guidance and re-enforcement in their undertakings, and their own resources will not be sufficient. They will have their dark hours and will be without that ray of light that brings hope and cheer to the believing heart.

Contrasting the state of the godly and the ungodly, the Psalmist says: "The ungodly . . . are like the chaff which the wind driveth away; therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous, but the way of the ungodly shall perish." The New Year, even at the best, will be an unlucky year for the ungodly.

No matter what the New Year will give or withhold, each of us will need Christ. Without him it cannot be a good year, not even if good health and the utmost of prosperity be our portion. These things, desirable as they are, do not of themselves make a good year. They are not supreme, not the final factors in determining what the year is going to be like. If we are Christians—genuinely so—we are prepared for any eventuality, whether it be desirable or undesirable. Every person ought to be a Christian, not because he may die before another year rolls around, but because he hopes to live through the year, and is going to live through eternity. Let him enter the New Year with a radiant Christian faith and he can be assured that the year will be one of success and satisfaction and helpfulness in a world that needs him even more than heaven needs him.—Religious Telescope.

CHURCH BELLS: FOR WAR ONLY

After Hitler's last speech to the Reichstag church bells all over Germany were vociferously rung. They had been rung on the first of September, the day when Germany invaded Poland—this time for a full hour, and, as the Nazi authorities put it, to express the universal joy over the return of Danzig. Following the fall of Warsaw church bells were rung for an hour every day through an entire week.

It is known that in a certain number of cases priests and pastors refused to obey the Nazi orders. Drastic action was taken against such "traitors" and Nazi storm troopers forced their way into churches to set the bells in motion.

Ever since the war began, it is forbidden to ring church bells for religious services. The pretexts given are that the ringing of church bells might interfere with air raid warnings, and that it is a waste of electricity needed for "more important," that is, for military, purposes.—Christian Leader.

OPPORTUNITY TO HELP

We are trying to equip a reading room at the Parish House of Brooks Memorial church, High Point. Any religious books that you do not need will be of great help to us.

A card or letter to R. C. Sharpe, pastor, 212 Vail street, will bring prompt response.

Thanking you for any books you give to this church,
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From now on the North Carolina Conference Board of Education will alternate with the Western North Carolina Conference Board in the use of a page in the Advocate. Each board will have a page every other week instead of every week as has been the custom in the past.

YOUTH RALLIES

A conference-wide youth rally will be held at Edenton Street church, Raleigh, on February 6, at 7:30 p. m. in connection with the Methodist Advance area meeting. Bishop Edwin H. Hughes will be the speaker for the rally. All Methodist young people and adult leaders of young people in the Raleigh district and as many as possible from other districts are expected to be in attendance.

Following the area meeting there will be held a district youth rally in each district of the conference (except the Raleigh district) in the evening of the days on which the district Methodist Advance meetings are being held. The places and dates are as follows:

Elizabeth City district, Hertford, February 7.

New Bern district, Kinston, February 8.

Wilmington district, Grace (Wilmington), February 9.

Rocky Mount district, First church, February 12.

Fayetteville district, Aberdeen, February 14.

Durham district, Trinity (Durham), February 15.

All youth meetings will begin at 7:30 p. m.

Young people will be in charge of the meeting and will make up the entire program except for one adult speaker. As many young people and their leaders as can do so are urged to attend the conference-wide meeting at Raleigh, and all within a district are urged to attend their district meeting.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S OFFICERS MEET

The officers of the North Carolina Conference Young People's Organization met on Sunday, December 10, in all day session for the purpose of thinking together about the young people's work in the conference during the coming months. The officers attending were: President, T. M. Phillips, Jr., Raleigh; vice president, Kitty Wilson, Warrenton; secretary, Juanita Bracey, Johns; treasurer, Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs; publicity superintendent, Gene Purcell, Jr., Erwin; conference director of young people's work, Robt. W. Bradshaw. Miss Ted Cox, former secretary, met with the group during the morning session, and Dr. H. E. Spence, chairman of the conference board of education, joined the group for lunch.

The morning session was spent in informal worship with all members of the group participating. The young people felt very keenly their responsibility as leaders of the young people of the North Carolina conference, and they felt the need to call upon a Power not their own to give them the strength and wisdom to meet this responsibility. An hour or more was spent in this part of the day's program.

Following this experience and going on into the late afternoon, the group discussed all the details in connection with the work of the young people of the conference, including such topics as: The Methodist Advance, District Rallies, Young People's Mission Special, Epworth Training Conferences, Unions, Assemblies, Youth Crusade Week, Caravans, and other matters, but each officer assumed definite responsibility for carrying out certain items of work that developed out of the discussions. It had been planned to close the "meeting" at four o'clock, but interest was such that it was five-thirty before adjournment came—and then only because some of those present had to catch buses for home.

The North Carolina conference is fortunate in the leadership it has among its young people, and we feel the coming year is going to be most fruitful in the young people's work of the conference because of the interest and devotion of these fine leaders.

YOUNG ADULTS

Do you have any young adults in your community? Are there any young adults who are members of your church? Do they work in your church school?

We are becoming seriously concerned about the large number of young men and young women who each year leave the young people's division in our church school but who do not go into the adult division. That is the place where we are losing the largest number of our church school members year after year.

The adult classes, with the majority of the members over 35 years of age, do not attract these young adults coming from their young people's classes. Many of our churches are providing separate classes for them, calling them young adult classes. In other churches the young adults meet with the other adults for their Sunday morning class session, or to their responsibilities they have in other departments of the school, and then meet as a separate young adult group during the evening or on a week night.

Guidance materials and services of worship are provided for the young adult groups. The worship services are called "Fellowship Services" and are found each month in the Adult Student magazine.

The conference office, through the director of the adult division, is quite

anxious to get some information on young adult classes. That is, classes of men and women between the ages of twenty-four and thirty or thirty-five. If you have such a class will you please write us something about the enrollment and the class activities. Let's all share our experiences in this new field of work. Write us today!

INTERESTING MISSIONS

The January issue of the Adult Student magazine contains the opening studies of the elective course "On the Frontier." This course will give an excellent opportunity for adult classes to study and discuss a penetrating interpretation of modern Christian missions.

It is worth while for all of us to attempt to measure the power of Christ and the gospel expressed in our missionary work in order to realize his sufficiency for the needs of the world. With the changing conditions under which our missionary forces are working throughout the world, this study should be made in every church in our conference.

This elective course will be printed in the Adult Student during the months of January, February and March. For those groups who have not used this course of study before, it might be well to call attention to some other helps available. In the Church School magazine there is a long article on "Teaching the Elective Course on the Frontiers of the Kingdom." The author gives a clear picture of what should be done in the teaching of this missions course. For the teacher of this unit, then, there is the material in the Adult Student plus the article found in the Church School magazine.

The study of missions becomes even more important for the church schools of the North Carolina conference when we realize that only one-third of the church schools made any contribution to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise last year. The contribution to missionary work is important, but even more important is the missionary program which should be given each fourth Sunday. Just think, in at least two-thirds of our church schools there were no missionary programs nor any information about the missionary work being carried on by our church. Perhaps your adult class could begin a program of missionary education in your church by studying this elective course in the Adult Student magazine for the next quarter.

BETTER AS ADVICE THAN AS POETRY

For your quoting some day, says Ezra, or your writing if someone asks you to enrich an autograph album with a contribution, may I suggest this quatrain, which has no claim to be considered good poetry, but which has other qualities that make it worth passing on:

"When a bit of sunshine hits you, after the passing of a cloud,
 When a bit of laughter gits you, and your spine is feeling proud,
 Don't forget to fling it at a soul that's feeling blue,
 For the minute that you fling it, it's a boomerang to you."

Life at Eighty

By BASCOM ANTHONY

I am eighty today, July 14. As I have no recollection of anything before I was born it therefore seems to me that I have been here always. I know that I must soon check out for another country but, in the fact of this knowledge, I feel more permanent than Stone Mountain. I have never experienced anything but life and it is a bit hard for me to think outside of my experience. My head tells me one thing and my feelings tell me another.

I am in better shape than the Psalmist's man was at eighty and not so good as Moses was at a hundred and twenty when his natural powers were unabated. My endurance has abated a whole lot and so has my hearing. Five of my teeth have abated until they are not with me any more. Some of my hair, like the angel of youth, has bidden me a silent goodbye and passed on but what is left is neither dead nor dyed, if it is considerably air-conditioned. Like a grey mule, it doesn't turn grey but holds its own.

Unlike the Psalmist, I have not found the years between seventy and eighty to be labor or sorrow. They have been free from aches and pains and from ambitions and responsibilities. As my wants are few, I find it easy to make a living for myself. My strain comes from trying to help a young man through college and to keep a couple of old people properly housed. Of course I've had my share of sorrows, but knowing them to be inevitable I have met them as they came, disposed of them the best I could and then went on living in the brighter and better things of life.

Frank Stanton was right when he said, "This world we live in is mighty hard to beat; with every rose we get a thorn but ain't the roses sweet." There has never been a time when there were not enough thorns to keep my fingers bleeding if I had been crazy enough to mash on them as the manner of some is, but I have preferred burying my nose in the roses. That's much better than burying a thorn in your finger and just as easily done if we will quit dramatizing ourselves as something special and learn that we are just like other folks and share the common lot of humanity. Life gives us no choice between roses and thorns, but it does leave it up to us as to which we will major in, how we will deal with them and how we will allow them to deal with us.

I find from 70 to 80 to be as fine as any other part of life. Like all other parts it has its own peculiarities but they are all right. They exactly fit me today but would have been out of place at an earlier date. Nature is kind and will deal gently with us, if we have enough sense to obey her fixed laws. She will make every part the best for the time at which we live. It was fine to be young and like Spartacus of old meet every form of man and beast in the fierce arena of life. It's equally as fine to sit quietly amid the lengthening shadows, surrounded by

the children of the third and fourth generation and meditate on gentler things.

Now I am going to say something which I am afraid you will not understand, but I will say it at the risk of being misunderstood. As fine as life has been I have no desire to go back and live it again any more than a high school pupil longs to go back into the primary grades or a young man in college wishes to go back to high school. Each may know that something was neglected back there but he also knows that the best way to correct it is to start from where he is. Life is always in the future. The one ever recurring question is "Where do we go from here?" There are no eggs in a last year's hen nest and if there were you had better let them alone unless you like a stench.

The odor of the roses comes down from the past along with a memory of the pain from the thorns. It was fine to be a child with Santa Claus and a Christmas stocking bulging with wonderful things but I don't care for that now. It was great to be a boy with bow and arrow, a blow gun, a sling like David's, traps for birds and rabbits and hooks for the fish in the creek, but those do not appeal to me now. Today I wouldn't even taste the sunburnt watermelons I bursted with my fist down by the wash hole and thought them as delicious as ambrosia for the gods. Those were great days when as a young man I went out with combined ignorance and high motives to battle with the cross currents of life, but now it suits me much better to quietly tell the young men where I made my mistakes, what hidden rocks to shun and what lights to be guided by.

Once I faced responsibility unafraid and met life's duties with zest and zeal but all that is in the past and I'm not headed that way. The question still is, "Where do we go from here? Like an old baseball player I still like life's game as well as ever, but now I prefer to sit on the sidelines and cheer the players on to doing their level best.

I'll be glad to put in another ten years doing just as I now am—preaching and speaking from one to five or six times a week. If I get too feeble for that I'll count it a privilege to sit in a chair and say with John of old, "Little children, love one another," till the time comes to take up the next job over in the land that lies just across the river near whose bank my tent now is pitched.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

IT WILL WORK IF PEOPLE DON'T THINK

A New York restaurant man, who had little money for advertising, bought the biggest fish bowl he could find, filled it with water and put it in his show window with this sign: "Filled with invisible goldfish from the Argentine." It took 17 policemen to handle the crowd!—Religious Telescope.

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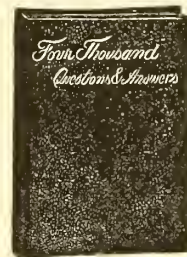
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THE BIG TWO

In looking over 16-year-old Kenneth's ticket to Grinnell, Iowa, where he was going to live with his father, whose health had been restored and who had remarried and re-established a home following his departure from North Carolina, I noticed that it called for a trip over the Big Four Railway. The Big Four always interested me. Any big four is interesting. As a matter of fact, this scribe finds plenty of interest in the big two—the welfare of the children and the welfare of the finances. This double-barreled question brings thoughts by day and dreams by night. If it were doubled it would just be too much. Children get sick, they get obstinate, they get well and they get good. Children will be children. Children will also be adults. Finances stay bad most of the time.

ENTER NUMBER THREE

In addition to our concern relative to the health of our children and the health of our finances, we have had for several months grave concern relative to the health of our workers. Two or more have been in hospitals or in recuperating situations throughout the fall and winter. At this writing two are still out and several others are hanging on through tenacity of purpose. If we could just get the Finns working on General Influenza we believe they could make him and his cohorts fly away.

DECEMBER LOVE GIFTS

When this scribe was a boy he used to sing as well as a changing voice would permit, "Will you love me in December as you do in May?" As a grown-up man he felt like lifting the tune in the hearing of the Methodist church school leaders of the Western North Carolina conference when presenting the December fifth Sunday appeal. Returns indicate that there has been quite a good deal of December love gifts to the welfare of our family. First church, Charlotte, sends \$229.83, besides the number of additional contributions from classes for sponsoring the clothing needs of their chosen children. Others have done well. Some schools which we had thought had forgotten us came along with a December gift. Taken all in all, the offering will be considerably less than usual, judging from present indications.

QUILTING PARTIES

We just don't see how we could have gotten along this winter without the quilts various individuals and groups of women have forwarded us. Since every one of our children sleeps on a single bed with the windows raised

high, plenty of covering is required to keep them warm. The stitches directed by a warm heart and made in the summer time have made many little bodies warm in the winter time. A card in front of me reads, "You need make no rough guess about the age of the builder of the quilt I am sending on same mail with this card. It is made, quilted and sent by eighty-five-year young Mrs. T. H. Weaver, Weaver-ville."

GOODY FOR THE GOODIES

From time to time we receive requests for credit on the ten per cent apportionment for canned goods. To this request we always reply that we will allow wholesale price credit for such canned goods as we need over and above the large supply we produce here at home. The good women of



Growing fast without thinning

Central, Mount Airy, never fail to put up a lot of choice peaches and preserves each summer for which they ask no credit except the joy given them in preparing some goodies for the children. We have just received from these good women 150 half-gallon jars of the finest canned peaches and preserves that that choice section produces. Our children, on noticing the fine quality exclaimed, "Goody for the goodies."

HONOR SOCIETY

Since last report the following congregations have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full and are entitled to join our select honor society membership. These newcomers are mighty good members. They keep their dues paid, attend to their society's interest and know the password into the Benevolent Order of Altruism. Note the new members with their pastors in charge:

Central, Mount Airy, Rev. W. J. Miller.

Calvary, High Point, Rev. D. V. Howell.

Glenwood, Greensboro, Rev. R. M. Hardee.

Epworth, Concord, Rev. R. L. Bass.

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Centenary, Winston-Salem, Rev. G. Ray Jordan.

Myers Park, Charlotte, Rev. R. L. Ownbey.

Main Street, Reidsville, Rev. J. H. Armbrust.

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Pisgah, Ball's Creek circuit, Rev. B. A. Sisk.

Bethesda, Lowell circuit, Rev. C. O. Kennerly.

Cotton Grove, Linwood circuit, Rev. O. E. Croy.

Vanderburg and Rocky Mount, Shepherd's circuit, Rev. A. G. Lackey.

First church, Wadesboro, Rev. T. F. Higgins.

Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs circuit, Rev. H. L. Creech, Jr.

DEPENDABLE GIRLS

The picture this week is that of a group of junior girls taken after they had shown considerable skill in serving a special meal in our central dining room. So many of them were crowded before the focus of a small kodak as to not give the benefit of the lovely expressions they wore. We like to think of our dependable girls, little and large. During the severe influenza epidemic we have been going through our older girls have served willingly and dependably. When we get fretted over a few trifling youngsters we lift our eyes to the large group of dependables. What a joy!

SUFFER THE LITTLE YOUNGSTERS TO COME

For nearly two months we have waited for an opportune time to visit a certain Methodist minister and investigate a case he had been writing about. Eventually the opportunity came, even though snow covered the mountain sides over which the trip was made. There was found a little three-year-old boy, asleep on the bed in a room, allotted by a good family who lived in the other parts of the house, in which the aged grandparents cooked, slept, read and remembered. By the side of the cookstove, the only means of heating the room, was a beautiful little seven-year-old brown-eyed girl, reading a little booklet whose print was sufficiently small for adult eyes. The decrepit grandfather, living on a small government stipend, looked with proud eyes on the smartness of the little second grader, whose school record entitled her to regularly appear on the honor roll. Later the grandmother came in with some groceries and a beaming countenance fit for the gods. The little seven-year-old brown-eyed girl and the little three-year-old blue-eyed boy, whose father is dead and whose mother occupies a charity bed in the county hospital, will come to the Children's Home and be happy. The aged grandparents and the ailing mother will have cause to rejoice over the fact that there are those who will provide for and love their little ones.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

CENTRAL CHURCH, RALEIGH—I was glad to fill the appointment at Central church, in Raleigh, recently for Rev. M. W. Lawrence, who was absent from the city. I was glad to worship with the Central congregation, for I always receive a most cordial welcome. Brother Lawrence has begun his pastorate at Central under the most favorable conditions. His friends are confidently expecting him to do a fine piece of constructive work in Raleigh, as he is accustomed to do wherever he goes.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives gives the following account of the visit of our singing class on December 17: "It was a delightful visit we had in Oxford Sunday morning with our friends. Rev. and Mrs. O. W. Dowd were very cordial in receiving us, as were their church members. We could judge from the large congregation, which filled the church, that Mr. and Mrs. Dowd are held in high esteem. After the successful and faithful work as superintendent of the church school Mr. W. W. Fuller has resigned, and Dr. S. J. Finch is starting out the new year as superintendent. We predict success for him, too, in this new field of work.

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THE OLD AND NEW YEAR—On Sunday afternoon, the last day of 1939, Rev. H. M. McLamb, pastor of Fairmont Methodist church, Raleigh, brought a helpful message to our young people. Instead of having quiet hour in the cottages, the workers and children met in the Orphanage chapel to hear Brother McLamb in a very impressive message. On the following Monday night Dr. John C. Glenn, pastor of Edenton Street Methodist

church, brought to our workers and young people a New Year's message. Dr. Glenn was at his best, and his timely New Year's message greatly impressed all of us. He is honored and loved by all of our young people and staff, and we always hear him gladly. Dr. Glenn is doing a monumental work at Edenton Street church and is preaching to a crowded house every Sunday.

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DUKE MEMORIAL CHURCH—On Sunday afternoon, December 17, it was my happy privilege to worship with the Duke Memorial congregation at the 4:30 service. A large congregation was present and the senior and junior choirs rendered several very appropriate and beautiful selections. The altar of the church was filled with White Gifts from the congregation, to be distributed to the needy. At the conclusion of the service I made a short talk about how Christmas is celebrated at the Methodist Orphanage. At the request of Dr. H. C. Smith I carried a little boy and a little girl with me, and they were introduced to the congregation and given nice presents by two little boys of the church. Just before the benediction was pronounced Dr. Smith handed me a check for \$300 from the church and Sunday school as a Thanksgiving special. Duke Memorial church, led by its beloved and popular pastor, is one of our staunchest friends.

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ENCOURAGING—At this writing several Sunday schools have sent their fifth Sunday offerings to the Orphanage as specials. Since we urged the Sunday schools to remember the Orphanage during the Thanksgiving season, I did not emphasize the fifth Sunday offering in December. I certainly trust that the majority of the Sunday schools throughout the conference did take an offering for the Methodist Orphanage on the fifth Sunday in December, and I trust they will send it to me as a special. We are trying to get across to our people the fact that we actually need \$25,000 in specials, in addition to the ten per cent apportionment, to give the Orphanage a balanced budget. If all the Sunday schools in the conference would co-operate with us one hundred per cent we could raise a large part of the \$25,000 needed, in addition to the apportionment, to operate the Orphanage successfully.

MENTION THIS TO THE CIGARETTE MANUFACTURER

Rogers Hornsby, famous old-time ball player, says that the present ball players do not have the stamina of their predecessors of ten years ago or more. He says "fifteen or twenty years ago when a player got off the street car he had to walk a couple of miles to the practice diamond. Now he drives up in his car. Everywhere he goes he rides, and as a result he is not as tough as he used to be. Furthermore, young men smoke, drink and carouse more than formerly; and smoking, more than other excesses, cuts a player's stamina and ability, because it cuts his wind and slows him up."—Religious Telescope.

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

WANTED—NEWS!

There is no doubt that many auxiliaries in our conference have accomplished outstanding pieces of work during the year recently ended. Why not add to the joys of Christian service by sharing with the readers of our woman's page news of these activities? Knowledge of them will make interesting reading and will most likely act as suggestions and incentives to other auxiliaries. Let every auxiliary in the conference resolve to keep other auxiliaries informed of interesting and worthy activities during 1940 through the medium of the woman's page.

SOME GOALS FOR 1940

The beginning of a new year is a time for renewed vision, strength and determination in any individual or worthy enterprise. May we be reminded, then, that in all departments of work in our woman's missionary society there are certain goals for which to strive and that the attainment of which goals will make our service for the Master in the cause of missions more potent and far-reaching than ever before.

Meetings: Twelve monthly meetings with well planned programs and an honest effort toward a high percentage of attendance.

Membership: Net increase in membership.

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Finances: Sacrificial and cheerful giving to missions cultivated in every auxiliary.

Executive Meetings: Quarterly executive meetings in every auxiliary.

Reporting: All reports sent to conference officers and district secretaries by the first of each quarter.

DISCIPLESHIP

Some suggestive and helpful thoughts which are particularly timely at the beginning of this new year are those given by Miss Zoa Anna Davis to the women at the conference of the Woman's Missionary Society in Washington, N. C., in April of last year. In her three devotionals Miss Davis used the theme "Discipleship," and the first explained in concrete terms the requirements of discipleship. Said she: "He that would come after me let him take

up his cross and follow me.' Men no longer like the thought of discipline, yet they obey something. Real liberty is found only in choosing the authority of which we wish to obey. Jesus does not wish us to carry unnecessary burdens. If we love greatly, great must be our capacity to serve. Religion is not a cloak that we can put on or take up at will but something which demands loyalty. The great center in which Christian religion is needed is in the home. The great Christian church must present a united front. Consistent living of the principles which Jesus taught is the real test of Christian discipleship."

OUR CHURCH AT SOOCHOW

The Edenton Street auxiliary is supporting Miss Tsa Sieu Kyung at the Konghong Institutional church in Soochow, China. Recently an interesting letter concerning the work of that church was forwarded from the office of Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, secretary of foreign work Woman's Missionary Council. Some excerpts from this letter inform us that: "The church conducted a fine daily vacation Bible school this summer with Mrs. N. T. Zong directing and 12 young people doing the work. Over 100 children were enrolled. The children's center for the summer term closed on August 31 and reopened with 60 children on September 11. This work is a piece of co-operative effort under the auspices of a city-wide committee and six other centers were run in Soochow. The National Christian Council provided the lunch money and we furnish the personnel. The seventh young people's conference started a new effort for the young people in the Methodist churches here. Immediately after our return from the conference a group of young people wanted a vesper service. Attendance has ranged from 40 on a rainy day to 80 and 90 on good days. It is hoped that this work will continue through the fall. Clinic work at Konghong has kept up through the summer. During July 2560 patients were treated and 2429 in August. This is a part of the city-wide medical relief program that has been made possible in co-operation with American Red Cross. Irregular schools have opened with full enrollments. The board of Christian education in the local church was set up in September. A new feature this fall is to be the offering of study for credit in connection with the program of Christian education."

CONGO STUDENTS EAGER

A missionary in Africa writes as follows: "We are having a wonderful time in the Normal School this term. I have learned more about these future teachers by teaching them daily than I learned by directing them in the class room. I think every educational worker should have the oppor-

tunity of working with the students before they become teachers. I know we have the finest group of students found anywhere in the Congo; they are trying hard to learn and become leaders of their people. The practice school in Chief Wembo Nyama's village is a great joy. We have 125 students in the afternoon school, and they beg to remain longer so that they can learn more. The student-teachers were quite helpless at first, but they are doing very well now. Several little folks have already finished the charts and about two-thirds of the new primer. I am pleased with the new set of readers. They are far better than anything we have had."

HAVE A HEART FOR CHINA

In spite of war in Europe Christians must stand by China. Help is still urgently needed. The needs of China are unlimited. In the district flooded by the Yellow River five million to ten million people will have to be evacuated.

A moving appeal from one great Christian heart to his fellow Christians in America comes to the church committee for China relief (105 East 22nd St., New York City) in a letter from Bishop Arthur J. Moore, Methodist bishop of China, written at sea, August 17 as he was returning to his work after several months in America:

"No single person can adequately interpret the desperate need of our suffering friends in China. One of the most brutal wars of history has swept over a vast section of the nation, leaving a train of deaths, destruction and suffering in its wake. Tens of millions of innocent men, women and children have been driven from their homes. The human suffering resulting is probably without parallel in human history. . . .

"Out of intimate association with this frightful tragedy, I once more beg America to give renewed expression of her concern for all who suffer."—Missionary Bulletin.

HOLSTON INSTITUTE EXPANDS

After the finance committee of the Woman's Missionary Council could not see its way clear to provide a new dormitory for Holston Institute, the need was presented to local friends of the school. The Korean people of Songdo through the parents' association responded. Arrangements have been made for the use of a large Korean tile-roof house next door to the school. Miss Ellasue Wagner writes:

"We are repairing and making sleeping rooms of the kitchen and store rooms. This will now accommodate between twenty and thirty girls and bring great relief to the crowded dormitory.

"Of our enrollment in the high school department, three-fourths are Songdo students, but we also have a responsibility to the rural community around about us. . . . The applicants for entrance at the beginning of the school year come from 101 schools of grammar grade, mostly government schools. Thus of our 450 students, 110 are dormitory students, and that was cutting off many promising girls."

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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The following beautiful poem comes to us with a New Year's greeting from one of our district spiritual life leaders and we are glad to share it with our readers:

SERVICE IS OUR WATCHWORD

Service is our watchword,
Service for our King—
Service, fruitful service
Daily ours to bring.
Service for the needy,
Service for the lost;
Self upon the altar;
Counting not the cost.

Service in the homeland
Wherever sounds the call;
Sacrificial service
Reaching unto all.
Service pure, exalted,
Loyal and unpriced;
Living, loving channels,
Bearing for the Christ.

Service o'er the ocean,
Serving not for gain;
Meeting every duty,
Be it toil or pain;
Service that is Christly,
Giving up to God
Every selfish motive,
Treading where Christ trod.

GENERAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL IN CHARLOTTE

On Tuesday of this week the great meeting of the General Missionary Council convened in First church, Charlotte, where a large crowd of interested Methodists have gathered for the days' programs. One entire day was devoted to the presentation of the Methodist Advance now being launched throughout the nation under the direction of the Council of Bishops.

On Home Missions Day there were two unusual features presented, a moving picture travelogue on Alaska and a pageant of church extension participated in by 200 people. Fourteen bishops and other speakers of note are participating in the program. The sessions of the General Missionary Council are open to all people and hosts of Methodists are in attendance.

AN INTERESTING MEETING IN SALISBURY

Mrs. E. D. Andrews, the efficient publicity superintendent of the auxiliary of First church, Salisbury, for the past two years, sends us the account of the closing meeting of 1939, which proved to be an occasion of unusual interest. The members of the social service circle were in charge of the program, which had for its subject "Our Available Resources for Meeting the New Day."

An attractive Christmas poster made by Mrs. W. P. Honeycutt and a miniature nativity scene helped to create a Christmas atmosphere. Splendid reports were heard. Especially gratify-

ing is the work being done by the social service circle and the Christian social relations committee, the latter under the leadership of Mrs. W. P. Honeycutt.

An interesting feature of the meeting was the presentation of a life membership certificate to Mrs. J. O. Maynard by Mrs. W. E. Beaver for the auxiliary. Mrs. Maynard's record is an enviable one, having given 45 years of service to the work. Ever since she has lived in Salisbury she has been most active in the local auxiliary, having served as president for a number of years. She has also served as chairman of a circle and superintendent of spiritual life. Her wonderful personality is an inspiration to all who come in contact with her.

THE WORLD OUTLOOK UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT

Is the interesting title of an article in the January Outlook presenting a talk by Mrs. Luella S. Thomson of San Antonio, Texas, delivered in Woodlawn Methodist church, in a darkened auditorium with a spotlight focused on three issues of the Outlook.

We quote a part of this talk for the benefit of those who appreciate and are interested in our great missionary periodical:

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"My sincere aim is to give to my readers an outlook on the world that

is open minded, unprejudiced, sympathetic and loving.

"I am a magazine but I have often prayed this prayer: 'Father in heaven, I thank thee for the homes that welcome me into the intimate joys of their firesides and let me share with them the experiences of others around the world. I thank thee that I can provide enrichment for parents and teachers and all who have the care of little ones.'

"I offer my services to all who want to know what is going on in every nation, who want to step out of narrow little spheres into world associations, who desire enrichment of mind and warmth of heart, who are eager to radiate a Christian spirit and tender Christian service. Look out on the world through the World Outlook."

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE WORLD OUTLOOK

General Evangeline Booth, retiring from the supreme command of the Salvation Army, declined to be entertained at luncheon by the British government because the country was at war. The General was preparing to leave England and the government desired to honor her because of her long, noble service in the Salvation Army.

General Booth wrote in reply to the government's invitation that she did not think 'such a luncheon would be in keeping with present conditions.' In reply His Majesty's First Commissioner of Yorks stated that he heartily agreed with that position and transmitted the disappointment and best wishes of the government. Miss Booth is the daughter of the founder of the Salvation Army. On retiring recently she made plans to leave England and spend her last days in the United States.

BRITISH LOCAL PREACHERS CON- TINUE TO PREACH LOVE

Carrying on through the critical emergency created when the country was plunged into war, the Methodist local preachers in Great Britain are determined to place a new emphasis on the Gospel of Love, according to the recent announcement of Rev. Richard J. Soper, president of the Local Preachers' Association. "In this dark hour," said Mr. Soper, we Methodist local preachers have a clear-cut duty, and that is to see that whatever else is blacked out there shall be no shrouding of the Light of the World. We must not desert our people. We must carry on our usual church activities, subject only to such changes as will meet the convenience of those who come to worship.

"We entered this war because it seemed the only way by which international lawlessness could be suppressed, and the independent existence of the small nationalities of Europe insured. We did not enter it with any hatred in our hearts for the German people. It should be our constant care to prevent hatred of them gaining a lodge in our hearts. If we succeed in this, then we may hope for a peace that will be truly just in a new alignment of good will to replace fortified lines of hatred, revengefulness and power lust."

Sunday School Lesson

JANUARY 14

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By Rollin H. Walker

Problem of Forgiveness

Scripture: Matthew 18:15 to 19:30

Some think that when Christians are mistreated it is their duty to take it without a word, and to act as though nothing had happened. Jesus imposed no such ethics upon his disciples.

"If thy brother sin against thee," said Jesus, "go, show him his fault between thee and him alone." It often clears the atmosphere to have a frank and kindly talk with an offending brother. Sometimes the brother refuses to acknowledge his fault, and then the impulse is to think: "Well, I have done my part; I wish him no harm, but we cannot get along as friends."

Jesus said that such an attitude is highly dangerous to both individuals concerned. The salvation of each one depends upon the co-operation of the other. Moreover, if the wound remains unhealed, it becomes a center of dis-sension for the whole church.

So Jesus went on to say, "Take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established." The brother will perhaps be impressed by your anxiety to come to terms with him, and by the view that the arbitrators take of the matter. Possibly also the two friends will show where you also have been in the wrong; then you can apologize, and the offended one finds it much easier to confess his fault, too.

But suppose, someone asks, the other troubled member will not hear them; then surely one would say you have done your whole duty. No, Jesus further said, if he refuse the witness of one or two friends, then tell it unto the church. He did not mean to enact a rule here, and say that a man should get up in the church meeting and air his difficulties. He meant that a Christian should exhaust social resources in the effort to come into friendly relations with one who has wronged him. Plainly, Jesus deems it extremely serious to be at outs with any brother.

When you have exhausted your social resources and the brother still will not repent, then you are not to be his enemy, but let him be unto thee as the Gentile and the publican; or, in other words, a man toward whom you have the kindest intentions, but who can no longer be recognized as a Christian brother.

Then Jesus adds significantly: "What things soever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and what things soever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." We can interpret this thought in this way: When a man resists the patient, persistent, and loving attempt of someone he has wronged, to get him to acknowledge his fault and be friendly, he has re-

sisted not only man, but God. On the other hand, if he repents and the two brethren can agree again, and they pray together, wonderful things happen. The very laws of the universe are set in motion by the prayer of reconciled Christians.

What is the limit of this thing? asks Peter; how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? until seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times; but, until seventy times seven.

Then Jesus tells the story of the man who was in debt to his lord ten thousand talents—or, in our money, ten millions of dollars—and when he could not pay the lord forgave him the whole debt. Then he went out and took a fellow servant by the throat, who owed him seventeen dollars, and demanded payment; and when he could not pay, sent him to jail. As a result, when his master heard of this lack of mercy to a fellow servant, he delivered the cruel one to the tormentors till he should pay all that was due. And the mildest lips that ever spoke added, "So shall also my heavenly Father do unto you, if ye forgive not every one his brother from your hearts."

Plainly, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, while infinitely merciful beyond all power to conceive, has made a universe in which the unforgiving spirit is liable to terrible penalties.

We forget our infinite privileges. The Scripture says that it is possible for all of us to show forth the glory of God. We are also told that if we have faith as a grain of mustard seed we could remove mountains; but alas! we are only moving mole hills.

A Shakespeare, capable of writing Hamlet and Lear, who would spend his life as a theater attendant would be guilty of a crime against humanity. A physician today in an epidemic who calls insiduously on his patients and administers the old remedies but does not use modern research would deserve to be sent to jail, for he would be responsible for the death of many children. In the light of the promise of Jesus, "The works that I do shall ye do also," how grave is our personal Christian accountability! (John 14:12).

If we keep the infinite and inconceivable goodness of God in mind, who has forgiven us our enormous debt to him, then surely we shall be ready to forgive the smallest debts of our fellow servants when they acknowledge their faults. It goes without the saying that this principle holds not merely with individuals, but also in the relations of nations and races. To wake up to this fact is the next forward step in the development of mankind.—Christian Advocate.

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"I'll stay at home, mother," said Jack bravely, when the word came that she had to go over to grandmother's house. I'll stay with Tom and go to the woods some other time."

The worried look left his mother's face. "I'm sorry to have you disappointed," she answered, "but if you do I'll know you are both safe, and daddy will take you to the camp to make up for it."

Jack and his little brother Tom saw where their lunch was fixed for them, listened to what they were to do if it rained, and ran down to the end of the driveway to wave good-bye to their mother as she drove down the street. And then they heard the boys calling. "Hello, Jack. Hello, Tom. Come on and get started."

Down the sidewalk came Jack's classmates, dressed for a hike and carrying their lunch boxes, as they had planned for this Saturday.

"I can't go," Jack told them. "I am going to stay with Tom, for mother had to go away."

"What will you do on Monday when you are to tell what you saw today?"

"Can't you stop and tell me something?"

"Each one was to see for himself."

That was true. Each pupil was to find something today to tell about in school. It might be a flower, a tree, a bird or animal; but it was to be seen where it grows naturally. Jack hadn't told his mother about that.

"Bring Tom and come along," one of the boys said.

Their lunch was ready. It would take only a little while to pack it in a box. They could go part way, and when Tom got tired they could come back. They could go until they saw something to tell about. And then Jack was saying just as he had said to his mother, "No, I'll stay at home with Tom and go to the woods some other day."

He remembered how sick Tom had been and hurried him to the sand-pile where he could play in the sun. They built up a big mound of sand, stuck a little flag at the top of it. "We'll play it's the South Pole," Jack said, "and that we're Admiral Byrd's exploring party."

Tom didn't know just what he was talking about, but the admiral's name sounded like an old friend, so he added: "Maybe my gray bird will come over to see the flag."

"Your gray bird, Tom?"

"I have a gray bird that lives in that bush," pointing to a lilac bush. "When I clap my hands—one—two—it flies out," said Tom, happily.

Jack jumped up. "Come and show me," he whispered, "but don't clap your hands."

The two boys slipped over to the bush. Jack looked carefully and soon saw a pair of bright eyes looking back

THE NEW LEAF

He came to my desk with a quivering lip—

The lesson was done—
"Dear teacher, I want a new leaf," he said;

"I have spoiled this one."
In place of the leaf so stained and blotted,

I gave him a new one all unspotted,
And into his sad eyes smiled—
"Do better now, my child."

I went to the throne with a quivering soul—

The old year was done—
"Dear Father, hast thou a new leaf for me?

I have spoiled this one."
He took the old leaf, stained and blot-
ted,

And gave me a new one all unspotted,
And into my sad heart smiled—
"Do better now, my child."

—Anon.

at him. A smooth-feathered catbird was sitting on her nest. Suddenly Tom clapped his hands and the bird flew past them and sat and scolded them from a nearby limb. Jack took a step closer to the nest, but didn't touch it. In it were four greenish-blue eggs.

"Come, Tom," he said softly, "so that the mother bird will go back to her nest with its eggs."

"No one," he told Tom when they were back at the sand-pile, "will have anything nicer to tell about in school than I shall, and you showed me where to find it."—Junior World.

THE PRIZE GARDEN

Billy Brown had a small garden in the half-acre lot just over the fence from his back yard. In another lot a short distance down the street Billy's cousin, Wilfred North, had a garden.

Long before the last patches of snow had melted, Billy and Wilfred had sent to a big seed company for seeds. They wanted the very best, for their gardens were going to be prize gardens. The ground had been plowed and harrowed by the man who came to get their fathers' larger gardens ready for planting. Then one morning, when all danger from frost was over, Billy and Wilfred had taken their hoes and seeds and gone out to plant their gardens. Before noon every seed was in and carefully covered.

After that, the spring days passed quickly, and soon tiny green plants were pushing their way up through the brown earth.

"Oh, Billy, has your lettuce come up?" Wilfred would ask when the boys

met. "Mine's almost jumping out of the ground. And peas—just wait till you see them! I hate to hoe peas, though."

Summer came and schools were closed. Billy and Wilfred were very busy—playing ball, fishing in Tomaquog Brook, and going on hikes and picnics. Sometimes the days seemed too short for everything, but Billy didn't neglect his garden. And it repaid him well. He had lettuce and peas with which to surprise mother when she had unexpected guests, and some to sell. The insects and bugs about which Wilfred was always complaining had to be fought, but Billy's plants looked fresh and green even in the very dry weather.

It was in September that Uncle Horace came to visit the two families. Hardly were the greetings at the North home over before he asked about the gardens.

"Billy's had all the good luck," answered Wilfred. "Peas and beans grow like weeds for him. But Billy always was lucky."

Then Uncle Horace asked such queer questions. Did they find many toads in the gardens this year? How about the birds? Had any houses been put up for them? Had water been scarce? Wasn't that new hoe he had sent satisfactory?

The questions were followed by a long talk out in the little garden that, somehow, looked neglected. When it was over, Wilfred hurried away in search of Billy.

"I know why your garden is something to be proud of, Billy," he exclaimed. "It's because you've done your part. God sends the sunshine and the rain and the warm breezes to make things grow. He made the birds, not just to sing and look pretty, but to keep the bugs and insects from spoiling the growing things. Lots of them helped you because you built houses for them. I wish I had, too. Uncle Horace says the toads are very valuable in a garden, and you don't let your dog scare them out of yours. God has given us water for watering our plants when there isn't enough rain, but I guess I haven't always used it. God always does his part, Uncle Horace says, but we have to do ours, too. Next year I'm going to do mine. You'll see. But here comes Uncle Horace with a dandy watch for you because you had the prize garden."—Alice Annette Larkin, in Zions Herald.

Mother: "Why were you kept in after school today, Junior."

Junior: "The teacher told us to write an essay on 'The Results of Laziness' and I turned in a blank sheet of paper."

Teacher: "Johnny, give me a sentence with the word 'sphere.'"

Johnny: "I have a sphere cold."

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Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:3021
Front Street, 7:3024
Glen Haven Ct., Haw River, 1128
Durham Ct., Bethany, 7:3028
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Mebane, Central, 7:3031

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Bahama Ct., Mt. Sylvan, 1111
Carrboro, Carrboro, 711

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January

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Creswell, 314
Columbia, night14
Bath, 1121
Washington, night21
City Road, night24
Belhaven, Trinity, 1128
Mattamuskeel, Amity, 328
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night28
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Windor, 1111
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Ellerbe, Jones Springs, 314
Hartlot, 714
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Parkrun-Hopo Mills, 721
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Seven Springs, Seven Springs, 314
Kinston, 714
Snow Hill, Snow Hill, 1121
Hookerton, Rainbow, 321
Newport, Newport, 1128
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:3028

February

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Pink Hill, Pink Hill, 34
Mount Olive Ct., Rones, 1110
Mount Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive, 1111
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Mamers, Spring Hill, 1127
Millbrook, 1128
Moncure, Buckhorn, 328

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January

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Garysburg, Shiloh, 314
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Rowland (place to be announced), night14
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Santipor, night21
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 1128
Bladen, Bethlehem, 328
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night28

February

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Clinton, night4
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February

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January

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Marion Mills, 7:3014

Marion, First, 1121

Shady Grove, 321

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January

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Rocky Ridge, 314

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Mount Olivet, 1121

Salom, 321

Westford, 7:3021

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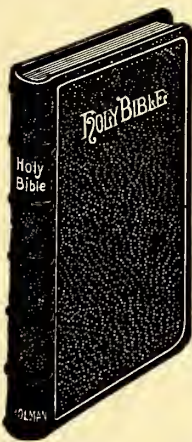
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DESERVING FRIENDS

One of the saddest of human experiences is the sense of being friendless and alone. Occasionally we find a hermit who seeks solitude and scorns human relationships; but we classify him at once as abnormal and let him go on his solitary way if he persists in his attitudes and actions. The normal person cultivates and covets friends and is deeply wounded by isolation and neglect.

The possession of friends lies more in ourselves than in "our stars." This fact we often overlook or neglect. When we deserve friends they almost always come to us. This deserve is in our own disposition and character. At this point, therefore, we often make a great mistake in the conduct of life. We think that we can win and hold friends by being clever or getting ourselves sought after because of favors that we can confer. This method may succeed for a time and in a few instances; but the way to gain and keep friends is simply to be worthy of them. It is not a matter of cleverness, but of sheer character. In the long run nothing less avails. Each one of us has known cases in which a person was neither rich nor clever has nevertheless, because of his personal worth, occupied a position of influence that others far richer could not gain.

We achieve such a position, not by trying deliberately to make our worth apparent to others. That would be to thwart the whole matter; for it would direct the endeavor into the channel of selfishness and therefore undo the good that might accrue to any friendship from the worth of the friends. There is a far higher and nobler way in which to deserve friends than to set out deliberately to win them. We are children of God. We must be worthy of our birthright while we live on this earth



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among our fellows. We bear the strains of the divine in the very structure of our personality, and life among our fellows is the opportunity to prove our heavenly origin. If we undertake joyfully every day to live in view of our immortal destiny, we shall not become selfish or proud. Others will discover the inner meaning of our life and they will give us their honor and love, not because we set out to win it as a worthy object, but because we have proved that we deserve it. Thus friendship will come inevitably and naturally because comrades gravitate to us by the attraction of our character. Selfishness leads at last to loneliness and isolation; love and goodness result in friendship and happy relations with others. Jesus sought no place or privilege; he was neither rich nor famous; but men sought him and loved him because of his character. This is still the way to command loyalty and to win friends.—Selected.

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And whereas, more than 20 years ago Brother Boggan ably assisted in organizing the Wesley adult Bible class of the Wadesboro Methodist church and was appointed its teacher, and continued as such for 20 years, serving faithfully and most ably. Upon his retirement he was unanimously elected teacher emeritus. In addition to this class he always found time for other helpful work and for continuation of his endeavors. He was clerk of court for many years, and later represented his district in the state Senate. As Past Master of the order of Masons, as a Shriner, and as Past Consul Commander of the Woodmen of the World he served his fellowman as a fraternalist.

And whereas, in the passing of Brother Boggan this class has sustained a great loss;

Be it now, therefore, resolved: (1) That this Wesley adult Bible class of the Wadesboro Methodist church record this testimony of our love and respect for Brother W. K. Boggan, and our sincere appreciation for his effi-

ciency and faithfulness as our teacher. (2) That this tribute be published in the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy spread upon the minutes of this class for a permanent record, and a copy furnished the family.

J. C. Bowman,
R. W. Allen,
H. V. D. Clarke.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the quarterly conference of the McDowell circuit, submit the following in honor of one of our beloved members, Thomas Walter Stacy, born December 11, 1859, died November 20, 1939. Brother Stacy professed faith in Christ in his early life and joined the Nebo Methodist church. For a number of years he was a member of the quarterly conference, and at the time of his death he was a member of the board of trustees of his church, a member of the board of stewards, and teacher of the men's Bible class. At all times he was faithful and loyal to his home and church.

We are grateful to God for giving us the inspiration of the kindly and faithful life lived by Brother Stacy. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family.

Third, That a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Fourth, That a copy be entered on the quarterly conference records of the McDowell circuit.

G. W. Wilson,
Maggie Taylor,
Mrs. C. M. Laughridge.

WOODARD—In the passing of Mrs. F. A. Woodard of Wilson the church sustained a great loss. Mrs. Woodard was one of the most prominent women in the state and enjoyed a wide circle of friends. She lived a rich, full life, and made a great contribution to the enrichment of her community and state. Some one said of her, "She was the most wonderful and most unselfish person I have ever known. She loved the beautiful wherever it could be found and she loved people." Because of her sterling character and altruistic spirit she was greatly admired and loved by a host of friends. Due to her genuine interest in the welfare of the children of the Methodist Orphanage, and her generous support of them, I came to know her intimately. She frequently visited the Orphanage before her prolonged illness, and it was my privilege to visit her at intervals while she was confined in the hospital. She bore with fortitude and patience her long illness. Because she lived and wrought among us in such a wonderful way, she has left the world richer and happier. There were no clouds of doubt on the horizon when the end came, for she knew "whom she had believed, and was persuaded that he was able to keep that which she had committed unto him against that day." With an unflinching trust she passed into the great beyond:

"Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

A. S. Barnes.

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Dauntless Daring into the Heights and the Depths

EIGHT million Methodists on the march in America, with a new spirit of adventurous faith stirring in our united Methodism, is the joyful acclaim over all the land. In this mighty moral crusade and spiritual advance every local church should become a dynamic center. To this end every minister must aggressively lead his people and every Methodist layman must dedicate himself to a more Christ-like personal life for sacrificial Christian service in the daring advance of the coming months.

Last week we asserted on this page that our advance means advance of soul in the realm of the spiritual. Pastors, teachers and parents can therein make vivid and significant the Methodist witness—a witness to the power of God to save and transform all men. Pulpits that flame, teachers that know God as a living Presence, and parents that meet and talk with God, as did the saints of old, certainly give us assurance of victory. Adventurous faith, daring devotion and sacrificial living are the price of this Methodist Advance. Marital love and happy living do not thrive in and among those eager for comfortable living. To take things easy, to seek comfortable places, to shirk brave, honest, energetic efforts tend to make cads and miserable pretenses of men and women who should be brave, heroic and daring Methodists enlisted in a great cause.

Before we can reach the shining heights of glorious conquests our leaders must be pioneers in the spirit world with visions such as that on the Syrian road. They must come to know the glowing heart as He holds fellowship with them by the way, they must crave as their very own the lofty experiences possible on the high tablelands of transfiguration glories, they must envision the world field which embraces all races, peoples and tongues. God in the soul of men who have eternity as the background of life makes leaders of dauntless daring. These have gone into the depths and they have attained the heights. Cads and bums and shirks certainly have no place in this conquest, neither do ease-loving, place-seekers wanting in the spirit of the Christ with the nail-prints.

M. T. P.

METHODIST EDITORS MEET IN CHARLOTTE FOR A FELLOWSHIP DINNER

All the papers of the Southwestern Jurisdiction, except the Florida Christian Advocate, were represented at the General Missionary Council last week in Charlotte. And there were several editors present from other jurisdictions. Dr. A. C. Miller, the dean of Methodist editors and editor of the Arkansas Methodist, Drs. H. E. Woolver, Mansfield, Pa., secretary of Commission on Methodist Union, and Jacob S. Payton, Washington, D. C., representatives of the Methodist Press, were welcome visitors.

What is here said about these editors will not be hid behind an editorial "we," but will be put in the first person singular and duly signed, so if any brother feels that he does not get all that should come his way he will know where to lodge his complaint. If these editors did any work while in Charlotte it escaped my notice, but when they sat at the "free feed" provided at the chamber of commerce through the courtesy of Col. Clarence Kuester, the greatest booster that Charlotte has ever had, these members of the Fourth Estate were the busiest men one ever saw, as they devoured that turkey and all the trimmings that go with this American bird on the dinner table. The occasion was one of delightful fellowship for these hard worked editors.

After dinner "the white man, he make heap big talk," to use a classic of the North American aborigines, but very little was said. It was primarily a time of action.

I should perhaps say nothing about it, but I feel inclined to let the public know that these quilldrivers decided that whoever possessed sufficient facial pulchritude should appear the next morning before a camera for a picture which might prove of interest to future historians. Not more than half of the dinner group were able to make the grade, and those of us who were able to qualify have little to boast of because the picture was duly suppressed for the good of all in any way connected therewith.

While these editors never will make much headway at a beauty show, they are a fine lot of fellows. They are so frequently told of their shortcomings and reminded of their utter incapacity to do the work of an editor that they are entirely delivered from an inclination to think of themselves more highly than they ought to think, which is a great attainment and contributes to one's capacity for congenial fellowship. Editors are delightful companions when permitted to meet each other in their annual or semi-annual gatherings.

Another thing that contributes to this good fellowship is their freedom from jealousy. This is especially noticeable when these editors are preachers. It has been said that two of the most jealous classes of men in the world are preachers and army officers. We have no personal knowledge of army officers, but all preachers devoid of jealousy have traveled a long distance on the road to perfection, not perfection of doctrine but of experience. And I am glad to believe that a great number have attained this coveted goal.

The foregoing observations are not to be taken too seriously. They are just a little different from the flattery that frequently appears in reports of meetings which are intended primarily for recreation.

A. W. Plyler.

WHAT PART WILL WE HAVE IN THE PEACE?

While the American churches are strongly committed to keeping America at peace, they must not be unconcerned about the issues which are at stake in the war. Our political neutrality must not be allowed to betray us into moral irresponsibility and selfish isolationism.

It is salutary for us to remember that our own nation, by reason of its unwillingness to accept a measure of responsibility for world order commensurate with its power, has contributed to the present chaos in Europe. It is well for us, too, to be on our guard lest we now sink into the ignoble role of being complacent profiteers from the war. A neutrality which is merely a matter of narrow national selfishness would represent a policy no more Christian than the selfishness of warring nations.

The great issue to which our churches should now devote their best thought is this: What part is America to play when the time for peace arrives? Prophetic voices in Europe are already raising the question as to the basis of a lasting peace. Whether, after the war, some kind of a new order in Europe is to be possible, with a greater measure of mutuality among the nations, is likely to depend in large measure upon what America is prepared to do. We want America to stay out of the war; we cannot be content that America stay out of the peace. To do so might mean that by our sins of omission we would have a guilty part in the destruction of Western civilization. —Federal Council Bulletin.

THE FIRST METHODIST SOCIETY

At the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the founding of the first Methodist society at Wesley's Chapel on Monday afternoon (December 11), Dr. J. Scott Lidgett said that John Wesley was a strategist. He formed societies at Bristol for the west, in Newcastle-on-Tyne for the north, and at Moorfields for London, the city now at the center of an empire. That initial society, still active, was the beginning of the movement that had made Methodism a world-wide influence. The first Methodist church was formed in what they called the "Foundry," a disused cannon factory, and there the church met, a day school established, a dispensary for the sick opened, and even a lending society was formed. People who thought that the early Methodists were unaware of the social obligation of their gospel made a great mistake. Addresses were also given by Rev. W. E. Sangster, M.A. (who was a boy in the circuit and entered the ministry from Wesley's Chapel), and Dr. Arnold O. Soper, who traced Methodism back to "the power of a personality." Rev. Percy J. Boyling (Wesley's present-day successor as minister) recalled events just before Christmas two centuries ago. He pointed out that when the congregation left for the streets they would be in the measure of darkness in which, exactly so long ago, John Wesley preached to 6000 people, just about on the spot where they were then assembled.—Christian World, London.

RICHARD J. PARKER RETURNS TO WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Please announce in the Advocate the transfer of Rev. R. J. Parker, an elder, from the former Western Mexican conference to the Western North Carolina conference. His appointment is missionary to the Latin Mission in Florida. His membership will be with the Greensboro district conference. Clare Purcell.

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The North Carolina Council of Churches in session at Greensboro this week has laid plans for valuable co-operation of the religious forces in the state. Efforts will be made to reach all sections of the state to enlist the churches of North Carolina.

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A word about crusading. If you must crusade, you can be just as noisy and be much safer crusading against dictators or bad roads in South America than to make a specific crusade which might have a bearing upon something closer home. Crime, if in a remote locality, is fine for crusading purposes, but crime right around the corner where the criminals are paying influential public officials to protect the criminals is not so inviting.

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Brother R. E. Hunt on another page of this issue of the Advocate has a remarkably sensible and timely contribution with the caption, "Our 'Great' Church." All our readers will do well to ponder what he says. Anyhow such is our opinion. Mr. Hunt is afraid we Methodists are in danger of becoming "cocky," which is disastrous to athletic teams and little men. Big men are immune but little men are very susceptible. Let us hope that our church will become immune and thereby save itself from disaster and from the world's ridicule.

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The symposium Wednesday evening in the City Auditorium at Charlotte presented in a most attractive way the agencies for building the kingdom. City and rural churches, good will industries, work among the Indians, Latin Americans, Negroes, Kentucky mountains and in building chapels held the close attention of the big assembly. Bishop H. Lester Smith in his impersonation of Chaplain McCabe's song, "We Are Building Two a Day," was most realistic in bringing back scenes more than a generation ago.

The "great gatherings" in our church of special interest to the state and the nation are in full swing. They should have the best we have to offer. But how about the work of an obscure character in the local churches? Right here the real work is to be done in promoting every interest by enlisting every worker.

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What are the value of these big Missionary Councils so much in vogue among the Methodists? This question has been asked since the Council at Charlotte. True, they cost time and money and no little travel. But we are not to forget the stimulating fellowship of eager workers in a common cause, the lofty themes discussed by consecrated men and women, and the enlarged vision gained, to say nothing of the renewed conviction that missions are the one business of the Christian church.

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At Charlotte the results of Methodist union became wonderfully manifest. The mission work in Alaska, work among the Indians and the Negroes, and also results among the natives of the American highland was portrayed in a most vivid and delightful way the like of which was never seen before American union. Two years ago that remarkable Council at Savannah, Ga., had a historic setting and the discussions gathered about the Aldersgate experience; last year at San Antonio, with its historic and romantic western background, the thought of all centered around the approaching union at Kansas City; but, this year at Charlotte, the results of union were apparent. The bishops from the north were welcomed and their messages joyfully received. So these last three sessions did well to set the pace for the coming general missionary councils that will assemble every two years, embracing the whole of American Methodism. Then the value of these missionary assemblies should become still more far-reaching and of more commanding influence in world conquest.

Seventy-Five Years Afterwards

THE union of American Methodism last year and the meetings for the Methodist Advance being held at Richmond, Raleigh, Columbia, Atlanta, and four score other centers in America during January and February of the present year, reminds us of the distance we have come. Bishops from all sections of the nation will be heard and welcomed in them all. Men of the North are assigned to speak in the South and bishops of the South in the North, so as to contribute to the spirit of the unity and good will in all the land. How changed! Seventy-five years ago the nation was rent in twain and the Methodist Church divided.

Sherman's invading army had scattered devastation in the South as he marched through Georgia and across South Carolina, leaving Atlanta and Columbia in ruins—very similar to Poland at present following the ruthless invasion of Hitler. Sherman pressed on from the sea through South Carolina into North Carolina, reaching Fayetteville, Bentonville, Goldsboro and Raleigh as he followed Johnston who had retreated west towards Greensboro. Sherman's picket lines extended from Chapel Hill to Durham during the conference of the two generals at the Bennett house, two miles west of Durham, to agree on terms of surrender. Following the surrender, April 24, 1865, the Federal army of some 65,000 men moved north to Washington to receive the acclaim of the nation. Left behind was a desolate land of smoking ruins and shattered homes. Traditions of those desolate days linger still and "Gone with the Wind" attempts to portray those far off years; but all has changed since 1865. The nightmare of Reconstruction has passed and the threatenings and the slaughter of invading armies mostly forgotten.

Chapel Hill and Durham are the seats of two leading universities of the land where young men and women gather from all sections, being almost equally divided between the north and the south. Especially true is this at Duke, less than two miles from which stands the Bennett Place marker indicating the meeting place of Sherman and Johnston. Few of these young Americans know that General W. T. Sherman ever passed this way. All of them have their faces to the future; and the Methodists have determined to become truly "one people" devoted to the noble conquest enterprised by the Methodist Advance.

Since the Advocate circulates chiefly in North Carolina, we are more immediately concerned with the 340,000 Methodists of the state. Truly, it is a far cry to the conditions of 1865. Even this paper then in its efforts to get going again found the poor mail facilities and the poverty of the people a serious handicap at every turn. Such was the condition of the Methodist Church all over the state. Broken in spirit and divided in all civil and religious undertakings there could be no enthusiastic corporate action. But all that is changed now. During the past fifty years we have been making good headway. Though we have had to contend with "the world, the flesh and the devil" as well as the normal reverses incident to the days of war and of peace our progress is manifest. The morning light certainly is breaking.

Saints Rather Than Millions

WE are told that the saints will judge the world and that witnesses are the first concern in the Christian conquest. All such persons know One mighty to save and they can sing with joy of the conquest gained. The small scattered groups of believers in New Testament times here and there in the Roman world finally became more potential than the Roman legions that carried the eagles afar. Truly, the crucified and risen Christ journeyed out across the world with them, holding blessed fellowship along the way. Just now we Methodists are making much of the eight millions with their outstanding leaders and the vast resources of a world church.

Millions of dollars and millions of baptized Christians are not to be despised even by American Methodism, but all these give no assurance of our being able to go over and possess the land. Indeed earthly resources and vast numbers have often proven a snare in the efforts for spiritual conquests. Institutions, creeds, dogmas and complex organizations may prove to be nothing more than cumbersome and useless overhead—a cumbersome body minus a soul.

With all our ventures for conquest by utilizing the most carefully prepared means to carry on, we finally get back to the pastor and to the local church. He is the key man and his church is the field to which we look for the harvest. This certainly lays the burden on the devoted men and women who are ready to do, to

serve, to sacrifice for their Lord. The more saintly these are the more ready and effective will they be as witnesses for their Lord. One of these can chase a thousand and two can put ten thousand to flight. Even millions without these qualities of soul do not count for much in world conquest. God always finally relies on the minorities. Both the Old and the New Testament records make the same declarations in the face of man's abiding tendency to rely on majorities rather than on the select minorities. Methodist saints and not Methodist millions are our sure reliance.

Exalt the Stewards

THE Methodist Church has been fearfully neglectful of the men and women selected for stewards. Little has been done to magnify the office of steward and to develop the personnel appointed to this office. At the first quarterly conference of Trinity church, Durham, six new stewards were added to the board. These are Mrs. E. S. Swindell, M. B. Burnett, Sr., O. G. Sawyer, Dr. Furman K. McLarty, W. W. Sledge and Willis H. Aldridge.

To each of the new stewards was given a Discipline of the Methodist Church. Professor F. S. Aldridge, lay leader of the Durham district, made the presentation, his own son, Willis H. Aldridge, being one of the new stewards. What could have been more appropriate! If every steward was expected to own a Discipline and to take his church paper, we would soon have stewards that count in the work of the church. Pastors have failed to develop efficient stewards more generally than in any other line of work. As a result efficient leaders are scarce. To insist on a knowledge of the church as contained in the Discipline and on information of what the church is trying to do as is given in the church paper, a better day would dawn. True, such a demand would crowd out many stewards. Why not, and improve the board? Most churches would be far better off with one-half of the stewards they have at present. So many are simply a hindrance rather than help. Such as are needed should be trained.

To be a Methodist steward is a high honor as well as a fine opportunity for service. Instead, we fill our boards with dead-heads whose favor is sought by the compliments bestowed. Nineteen years as pastor and thirteen years as presiding elder enables us to speak with some information as to the many shoddy stewards that fetter the work of Methodism. Oh, for an

informed and devoted leadership who are in sympathy with the men of God who are so much in need of consecrated helpers!

Resources of Youth and Age

SOMEWHERE Albert Einstein writes: "I live in that solitude which is painful to youth, but delicious in years of maturity." Is not this a fundamental difference between youth and age? We recognize the gang period of life when the young are always eager for the companionship that comes with personal association. Then, too, we know that with the coming of age, as old companions pass and the eager fellowship of youth are no more, life becomes more and more solitary. Fortunate indeed are they who can find this stage delicious.

Growing old beautifully is counted one of the fine accomplishments of the old. Does not this mean that all such must store up those resources of soul that enables one to live contentedly without those incidents of life which are counted so essential to youth? The grandmother has resources of joy and quiet contentment that the active and buoyant grandchildren in the good fellowship of youth know nothing. Much that is delicious to old age is painful to youth. Through the painful processes of life children come to the stage of grandmother.

The Child Who Looks at the Stars

WHAT are the advantages of the child in the country over the child in the city? There are many. Among these is the privilege of looking up at the stars. The electric lights of the city have put out the stars of heaven. It has been said with a good deal of gusto, "a cannon cannot shoot out the stars of the sky." Very true; but the lights of the city have blinded our eyes to "the heavens that declare the glory of God and the firmament that showeth his handiwork" and that is an unspeakable loss to sensitive, imaginative childhood. As the clear evenings of autumn approach when Venus and Mars and the Pleiades and Orion are set in splendor "among a wheeling multitude of stars" we are impressed afresh with the Psalmist's words, "night unto night showeth knowledge" and we can but pity the child into whose sensitive soul has never shined the stars of the sky. For the heavens have been drab and the life to that extent must be drab.

❖ People and Things ❖

There is a story told of a Negro who went fishing in a skiff in Mobile Bay. He hooked a fish so big that it began to tow his boat, whereupon he began to yell to the fish, "What I wants to know is, 'Is I fishin' or is you niggerin'?"

The minutes do not show anything paid on the ten per cent for the Children's Home from Henrietta. I do not know just how this mistake was made. The charge paid everything in full and the minutes should stand, paid for orphanage \$160.—Elzie Myers.

The following is the list of officers elected in the Ministers' Wives' Association of the Asheville district at their first meeting in the early part of December: President, Mrs. E. J. Harbison; vice president, Mrs. W. G. McFarland; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Ralph H. Taylor.—Mrs. Ralph H. Taylor, Sec.

"Forty per cent of those admitted to the hospitals for the insane in Japan are there because of drinking habits, or an alcoholic family history," Kagawa, the Japanese evangelist, is reported to have said. He has known of men in the cities of Japan who sold their children into slavery in order to secure money for drink.

Wendell Phillips once said: "No matter whose the lips that would speak, they must be free and ungagged. The community which does not protect its worst and most hated member in the free utterance of his opinions, no matter how false or how hateful, is only a gang of slaves." And Americans are not a gang of slaves—yet.

If you haven't listened I'd appreciate your tuning in radio station WBT, Charlotte, on Sundays 1:30 p. m., and if possible any time during the week Monday, Wednesday and Friday 5:15, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:16 p.m., and listen to young Mr. Warren Barfield, "Hymn Time" singer. He is the son of our Rev. R. W. Barfield of the Glendon circuit.—Roy Butner.

An Associated Press dispatch says that the witnesses in the circuit court of Alton, Mo., will now have an additional reason for telling "the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth" to the usual affirmation by holding their hands on the Bible. While the court house in that city is being constructed, the judge is hearing his cases in the auditorium of the First Baptist church, the judge sitting in the pulpit.

The Uniting Conference provided for the appointment of a study committee of four from each jurisdiction and one from each Central conference to study the property interests of the boards involved in the proposed organization of the Methodist Church for Missions and Church Extension. The bishops in their recent meeting in Chicago named the members of the committee. The representatives from the Southeastern Jurisdiction are: Mrs. W. J. Piggot, Irvington, Ky.; Mrs. D. B. Godfrey, Orlando, Fla.; Dr. Paul N. Garber, Duke University; and Dr. W. A. Shelton, Birmingham, Ala. The committee will make its report to the General Conference meeting at Atlantic City in April.

The outbreak of war in Europe has brought to the fore once again the problem of what society is going to do to the stubborn little minority of men who believe that war is unchristian and act upon their belief. Although hundreds of these men were shot and hanged in the World War, their number appears not to have diminished but rather to have increased in the intervening generation. The story of what is happening in Europe today gives evidence that the former sacrifices were not wholly in vain. In Germany two members of the sect known here as Jehovah's Witnesses have been shot and the fact publicized as a warning by the government. While the fate of others is unknown, it is probable that wholesale butchery has not yet been indulged in.

Brother Samuel Augusta Lewis, age 89 years and seven months, died at his home in Alamance county on January 11. Funeral service was in Shiloh church on Friday afternoon. Brother Lewis married at the age of 21 and was the father of ten children. There are 15 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. He was a trustee of his church for about 50 years. An overflowing congregation attended the funeral. Brother Lewis was growing old sweetly. His home was the preacher's home.

The State Advertising Division estimated that travel into North Carolina over the Blue Ridge parkway would be increased materially this spring and summer as a result of the decision to permit sight-seeing buses to operate on the parkway. The national park service announced that buses would be permitted on the parkway because hundreds of thousands of persons do not own automobiles and they should not be denied a chance to see the scenery along the parkway and enjoy its recreational facilities. Franchises for the bus operations will be awarded by the states of Virginia and North Carolina in the next few months, the division said.

The Charlotte Observer remarks: "The Dionne quintts will soon be in the circus and the sideshows. Already they are tentatively promised next year for the World's Fair in New York. That will be the official beginning of their career of standing together behind some enthroned barker and looking at themselves being looked at by the rank and file, and vile. It will mark the descent of the little phenoms from the lofty pinnacle of adoration in which the world-public holds them. And how they have been adulated and worshipped, especially by mothers everywhere who never looked upon their cherubic faces without beaming upon them a beneficent smile and exclaiming 'The little darlings!'"

It appears that both Poles and Germans in the United States desire peace as evidenced by the following that appeared in the Michigan Christian Advocate: "Fifty thousand persons gathered at a football stadium at Milwaukee to pray for peace. For one hour the immense throng alternately listened to the words of Archbishop Samuel A. Stritch and murmured a prayer for world-wide peace. The praying of the multitude was so loud it could be heard blocks away. Amid the flickering lights of 20,000 candles, the men, women and children of Milwaukee, mostly Germans and Poles, sat for one hour, hoping that their two nations might settle their differences without further bloodshed. Three hundred and fifty priests preceded the archbishop in the procession before and after the service."

Rev. Edmund Chambers, missionary of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Poland, has been captured by the Germans and interned at Stettin, according to cable advices received by the Board of Missions. Mr. Chambers was a British subject. At the outbreak of hostilities, Mr. Chambers, who had just arrived in America on a short furlough, was sent to Oslo as the representative of the Board of Missions with instructions to contact the missionaries and pastors in Poland, ascertain the situation there and supervise the remittance of funds. It appears that he was proceeding to Stockholm when the vessel on which he was a passenger was taken by the Germans. His internment as a British subject followed. The Board of Missions has taken the matter up with the United States Department of State and asked the good offices of the American government in the affair. Although holding a British passport, Mr. Chambers had for many years been connected with the Methodist Church in the United States. He is a member of the Holston conference and served in the pastorate there before going to Poland as a missionary of the board.

Rev. E. C. Few, formerly of the N. C. conference, now a pastor in Atlanta, was at the Charlotte Council last week looking well and happy. He says that he likes Atlanta and keeps busy day and night looking after his church of 2800 members, which is the largest Methodist church in Georgia. They pay the pastor \$6,000 salary, furnish a parsonage that is one of the best anywhere, and stand enthusiastically by the pastor.

In this week's Advocate is printed a write-up concerning a pounding at midnight. Let me give you another story of two surprises on one Sunday morning. The first was to look out early in the morning and see the ground covered in several inches of snow. Then on driving out to Gillburg church we were greeted with a goodly number of people. One person after service engaged me in conversation while the others hurried out and placed a large pounding of good things to eat in my car. Then at another time Spring Valley people came to the home with another good pounding. May the Lord bless them all in his own good way. On the night of December 31 we made a tour of all the four churches on this charge. Beginning at one church at 6:30 p. m. one service of song, prayer and preaching was held. Then we drove on to another church and conducted a consecration service. From there we drove to another, where the people were waiting with hot coffee and refreshments. We held another service, made plans for a young people's organization. They remained for a social and fellowship meeting until the clock struck 12. At that time all plays came to an end, and the congregation closed the old year in prayer. As the pastor could not wait through it all he went to the fourth church, where we found the crowd waiting. The fellowship hour had closed. The young people's division was organized. When the last moments of the year were passing and the clock sounded the bells the old year had gone forever and the new year had arrived, we were all in prayer to our heavenly Father. We are serving a fine people here in Vance county. We live in Henderson. The Vance circuit is composed of four churches close around town.—J. F. Starnes.

BROTHER T. R. HOOD PASSES

Brother T. R. Hood, 82, a leading citizen and devoted Methodist layman of Smithfield, died Thursday, January 16, 1940. More than 50 years was he recording secretary of his board of stewards and 30 years superintendent of the Sunday school. These long periods of service are a fine index to his devotion to his church and his loyalty to all the demands of his religion. Smithfield Methodist church will not be quite the same without our dear Brother Hood in his pew. Seldom is a church and community so blessed.

That beautiful afternoon last Easter when his former pastor, Rev. D. H. Tuttle, was buried he was on hand though it was apparent that the sands in the hour glass were running low. Though infirm, his loyalty to his church and devotion to all that concerned present day Methodism was manifest in the inquiries made. As citizen, churchman and business man, Mr. T. R. Hood was truly a landmark in the life of Smithfield.

Brother Hood was president emeritus of the First Citizens Bank and Trust Company. He established the drug firm of Hood Brothers, the first drug company in the county, more than 50 years ago. He was well known in the state. He was one of the three charter members of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association and a past president.

Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. Wednesday at the Methodist church. Because of illness of the pastor, the services were conducted by Rev. A. S. Barnes, assisted by Rev. J. D. Bundy of Fayetteville and Rev. J. H. Shore of Roxboro. Honorary pallbearers were officers of

the Methodist church, doctors, druggists, bank officials, and a representative from each denomination in Smithfield. Eight grandsons were active pallbearers.

Survivors are his wife, the former Miss Lucy Woodall; three daughters, Mrs. Thel Hooks, Mrs. Eula Stevens, and Mrs. Lucy Coltrane; and two sons, Will D. and H. C. Hood.

Had Mr. Hood lived until February 9 he and Mrs. Hood would have observed their 59th wedding anniversary.

DRS. CLARK AND WEST RECOVERING FROM THEIR INJURIES

Drs. C. N. Clark, district superintendent of the Salisbury district, and W. B. West, pastor of First Methodist church, Salisbury, who suffered serious injuries in an automobile collision Thursday morning, January 11, when on their way to the Missionary Council in Charlotte, are improving as rapidly as can be expected, and without complications they should be able to return to their work within a few weeks.

Mrs. West's fractured wrist is improving satisfactorily. Both Mrs. West and Mrs. Clark will in a short while leave the hospital.

Mrs. Bondy of New York City is in a right serious condition in the Salisbury hospital. Her doctors think she is making satisfactory progress.

BISHOP PURCELL AUTHORIZES PASTORAL CHANGES IN STATESVILLE DISTRICT

Bishop Purcell has granted the request of Rev. C. C. Benton to be released from his work for the rest of the conference year. He authorizes the following changes in appointments in view of the above release: Move J. B. Tabor from Statesville circuit to Spruce Pine; move G. F. Houck from Elmwood to Statesville circuit; move Y. D. Poole from McKendree-Williamson to Elmwood. Absorb the McKendree-Williamson charge, placing McKendree with Shepherds, and Williamson with Davidson-Fairview.

John Hoyle, Jr.

CHANGE IN DISTRICT MEETINGS

Will you be so good as to carry the changed dates for our combined Missionary Institutes and Methodist Advance district meetings in the next issue of the Advocate? They will be as follows:

Elizabeth City—Hertford	Feb. 7
New Bern—Kinston	Feb. 8
Wilmington—Grace	Feb. 9
Rocky Mount—First Church	Feb. 12
Raleigh—Edenton Street ..	Feb. 13
Fayetteville—Aberdeen	Feb. 14
Durham—Trinity	Feb. 15

F. S. Love.

METHODISM IN BOSTON ON THE MARCH

“THEY SAID IT COULD NOT BE DONE IN BOSTON, BUT 1000 PACKED THE CHURCH ALL DAY AND 3000 PACKED SYMPHONY HALL TONIGHT. METHODISM MARCHES ON.

“CLARE PURCELL.”

The foregoing wire from Bishop Purcell came to this office Wednesday morning. It explains itself.

THE GENERAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL IN CHARLOTTE CLOSED JANUARY 11

This was the fourteenth and the last of these Missionary Councils and one of the very best. This Council from the first had been under the direction of the General Board of Missions of the Southern Methodist Church. Hereafter the Council will be under the direction of the united Methodist Church and will meet bi-ennially. This writer was at the first meeting in Louisville, Ky., when it was a small affair with less than one hundred attending, but it has grown to be one of the great gatherings of the church. The three last, the one in Charlotte this year, the one in San Antonio, Texas, last year and the meeting in Savannah, Ga., two years ago were the greatest of all.

The program this year measured up to the best as did the attendance, notwithstanding the snow storms that prevailed over the nation even to the southern border thereof.

Of special interest at this time was the address of Bishop Raymond J. Wade of Stockholm, Sweden. He spoke of the work in Spain and Italy, in both countries of which not a single Protestant school has been allowed to remain open. He told of his appeal to Catholic friends in America to use their influence toward obtaining for the Protestant work in those countries "that same charity and tolerance they seek over here."

The work in Algiers, Switzerland, Germany and Scandinavia he discussed in high lights. Of the German Methodists he declared: "I do know something of those good people. They are most terribly misled. They have no newspapers that give them the truth, nor radios. They know nothing of what is really happening. And our poor people in Russia: they suffer more than any others in all the dictator countries." He hastened to add that he opposed with all his strength the dictators and their ideologies.

Praises Finland

"Finland is a wonderful little country of 3,800,000 persons," he declared in speaking of that nation. "Unquestionably Russia is the aggressor there. I ask your prayers for our brave people." He declared that the people of all Scandinavia were determined to stand firm for their independence and the rights they hold sacred. Should Russia win, said he, all the work of the churches in Scandinavia would be brushed away. "But of this I am certain," declared the bishop, "they have a faith that is unassailable, unbreakable, and that will stand the eternal test."

Report of Findings Committee

In the closing minutes of the council the report of the finding committee was adopted, including the decision hereafter to hold council meetings bi-ennially, with the time, program, and place of meeting to be decided by the new board of missions and church extension and with the added request that the council meet some time in 1941. The report of the committee also referred to the privilege of being permitted to devote the first day's program to the Methodist Advance movement, expressed gratitude "to those who are leading that great spiritual movement for their co-operation in our program and the inspiration they brought to us," and pledged "our whole-hearted support to that cause."

"Our meeting is held in a time of great world confusion," continued the report. "In most of the nations of the east and the west where war is raging we have our Methodist churches and people. To them our hearts go

out in brotherly love and sympathy and we call upon all American Methodists to pray without ceasing for the welfare of the church and people in these stricken nations and for a speedy ending of the terrible wars. We especially commend to our people and churches the support of all movements looking to the relief of the civilian populations, especially in Finland and China. . . ."

OUR "GREAT" CHURCH

To love the Methodist Church more than I do one must have more capacity for love. I have been for unification all my mature life and rejoice that I am alive and have an active part in the activities of united Methodism. But frankly our disposition to brag since we became one is becoming somewhat depressing. I wonder if a stronger term won't have to be used to describe the effect it has on the people of other communions—nauseating, for example.

In the church press, on the lecture platform when a Methodist is speaking, and from the pulpit we are being reminded that we are a "great" church. Used in moderation and with humility "great" is a perfectly legitimate word to use in connection with the Methodist Church. A church, as well as an individual, can become "puffed up" as a result of an overdose of "apple sauce." Especially is this objectionable when used, as is generally the case, in too close proximity to another perfectly legitimate statement—"we are eight million strong." That there is danger of our measuring by wrong standards is known to all of us. When one of our splendid pastors had staggered through his first sermon (stagger has to do with delivery only), a prominent layman with face all abeam, rushed up and grasped him by the hand and said, "Brother ———, you preached a great sermon. It was exactly seventeen minutes long."

Last week the Advocate carried Kipling's reference to the man who had "Too much ego in his cosmos." Whether we mean to brag or not there is danger, if we keep talking about our "great" church, that some will feel justified in saying we have "too much ego in our cosmos." Some years ago an interdenominational body met in a Piedmont town of about 15,000 inhabitants. A local pastor led the opening prayer. In his prayer this loyal citizen asked God's blessings "on this great city of ours." Some irreverent fellow remarked that this good brother was more interested in impressing the visitors than he was in having God to bless the town.

We are a great church and we have made great history, but it would be better for the soul of united Methodism if it would spend more time in comparing the accomplishments of more recent years with the accomplishments of the men who labored with Asbury in the early days of Methodism, and less time in estimating our greatness today. If we did we would be humiliated rather than uplifted. Numbers may be an asset or they may be a liability. Stalin has boasted of the might of the red army so much that, even as late as three months ago, the mere mention of it was enough to turn gray the heads of the political leaders of Europe. For ten weeks the red army has been tested and as a result of the testing its prestige is considerably lower.

At Charlotte last week Dr. Diffendorfer reminded us that "the shouting period of unification is about over. It will be largeness of statesmanship, greatness of planning, and bigness of heart which will challenge our services in the future."

The Master said that greatness is determined by service. If we meet our increased opportunities and measure up to our added responsibilities there will be no need to proclaim ourselves as a great church. If we don't we will not be great however much we may proclaim it. Robert E. Hunt.

TWO FAMILIAR FACES IN FLORIDA

Since coming to Florida we have met two familiar faces—Dr. Morrison of Asbury College, Ky., and the Advocate. Both looked good to me.

Bradenton is a pretty place, made up of modern buildings, streets studded with royal and cocoanut palms, tourists and friendly church-going people. It was communion service at Dr. Walker's church yesterday. The waiting list would fill the side aisles at times, as four other preachers served. Dr. Morrison, with his white locks and white vest, added to solemnity and dignity of the service. It is said of Moses, "His eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated." So is Dr. Morrison. Still alert in body and mind, and is looking forward to a new Methodist camp ground here near Bradenton and a meeting to start not later than next March.

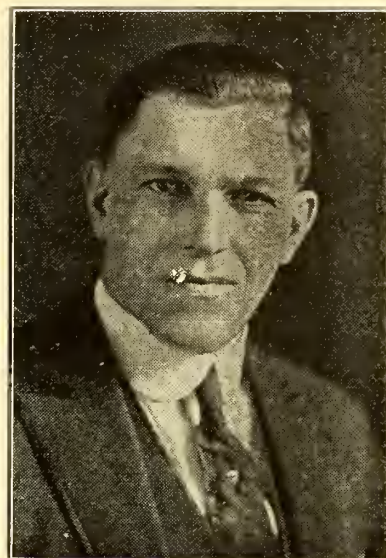
Well, Mr. Editor, come to Florida. Get out of the cold weather and fire making. New corn, beans, potatoes and oranges a plenty are to be had on every hand.

One other thing, there were 99 in the men's Bible class. Best wishes for the Advocate—and I shall take my copy around for Brother Walker to see what the N. C. Methodists can do. H. E. Lance.

Boston University Male Glee Club to Sing at Wesley Memorial Church, High Point, January 23



Dr. J. H. Houghton (right), internationally famous baritone and professor of music at Boston University, will direct the singers.



ANDREW JACKSON WEEKS

This is not a biographical sketch; it is not even a brief summary of editorial activities, but a slight appreciation of a brother editor who cherished a fine and friendly spirit through a long and busy life. Devoted to his church, interested in all the wider movements of his day and a lover of his fellow man, A. J. Weeks won friends in the many and varied circles of his church on both sides of the Atlantic. His droll, indifferent manner and deliberate speech, mixed with excellent good humor and much keen wit, made striking appeal to varied groups of Americans.

Born in the deep South, our Brother Weeks early in life migrated to the wide open spaces and breathed the free air of Texas. Few men knew Texans and loved the great Southwest as did he. But he was not bound to Texas and to Texans. Methodism, north and south; yea, on both sides of the water, enlisted his best efforts and his abiding love. In the pastorate and as editor of various papers he gave a good account of himself.

The sudden passing of A. J. Weeks in the closing month of the past year linked him in my own mind to the sudden going of Dan Brummitt of the North on the eve of the Uniting Conference earlier in the year. Brummitt fell just as he had turned in the last "copy" for the "special edition" of the Christian Advocate. Weeks had made ready the "forms" of the Southwestern as he was girding himself afresh for the coming Methodist Advance. In a most real way the Uniting Conference and the Methodist Advance were one. Both men labored to the last; both passed unexpectedly; both were rare spirits.

Our brother of the higher latitudes and our recently departed editor of the lower parallels were much unlike; but they were really one in their devotion to the demands made of a Methodist editor. Both were found at Methodist assemblies in the north and in the south, eager to report the movements of Zion. Weeks was fully as much interested in English Methodism as was Brummitt, a man to the manner born. So both of these, our dearly loved brothers of the press, were one in spirit as they were joined in the manner of their sudden departure in this wonderful year of Methodist union.

The passing of Andrew Jackson Weeks, so soon after the going of our dear brother, Dan B. Brummitt, robs the Methodist press of two faithful and devoted servants and

leaves the South Central Jurisdiction with few to fill their places.

The union here is severed, but to us remains a rich heritage in the noble example left us by one who made the world better and happier by his having passed this way.

M. T. Plyler.

For the Editors assembled in Charlotte, N. C.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY GLEE CLUB TO SING AT WESLEY MEMORIAL CHURCH, HIGH POINT

On Tuesday evening, January 23, at 8 o'clock the Boston University Male Glee Club will sing at the Wesley Memorial church, High Point. Dr. J. H. Houghton, internationally famous baritone and professor of music at Boston University, will direct the singers.

Dr. Houghton and his glee club were asked to conduct the music at the Uniting Conference in Kansas City last April. So successful and appreciated were their services there that they have been invited to have charge of the music at the forthcoming General Conference of the Methodist Church to be held in Atlantic City in April. The club has made tours through different sections of the United States. This is their first tour into the South. It will take them as far south as Miami.

Dr. Houghton was a member of the editorial committee of the new Methodist Hymnal. After studying music in this country he went to Berlin. At the close of his studies there he was invited to become a member of the Dresden Opera Company. This offer he refused, to return to the United States and to his professorship at Boston University.

No admission charge will be made, but an offering will be received. Everyone is invited.

THE ORANGE CHARGE

The first quarterly conference was held at Union Grove church Sunday, January 7. District Superintendent A. J. Hobbs of Durham was in charge of the meeting. The four churches of Orange were well represented. Most of the officers were re-elected for this year. Our pastor then gave an excellent report of the work that the churches have done during the past year. The report given by Supt. T. M. Snipes of the Sunday school interested all the members. We have had better attendance at Sunday school this past year than ever before.

On Sunday night, December 24, the Sunday school gave a very interesting program. Considering the bad weather, a large crowd was present for the exercises. A large offering was received for the Children's Home at High Point. After the program everyone enjoyed refreshments, which were furnished by the Sunday school.

Altogether we have had a splendid year together and are looking forward to an even better one this time.

Miss Cora Atkinson.

Drowsy on the Job

Night is the time to sleep. And yet the world is filled with daydreamers, men and women who are drowsy on the job. It is simply amazing the number of persons who fail to take their tasks seriously. "I have made a failure of my life!" exclaims a neurotic, hoping for sympathy. By a process of rationalization, he has come to the conclusion that the "cards were stacked against" him or that outward circumstances frustrated him, whereas the straight truth is that throughout his career he was lazy, indolent, seeking for rewards without work. Look within! Our outward achievements or lack of achievements is simply the visible expression of an inner state. Character appears in work. Instead of indulging in self-pity over our bad fortunes, we should do well to pursue a course of rigid self-examination and stock-taking.

Thousands of toilers are nothing more than clock-watchers. They begin each day by looking forward with eager anticipation to its close. Their ambition in life seems to be to get rid of their task in one way or another. They have no interest in it. "I wish I had a million dollars" is their stock expression. Such an attitude leads to shoddy work, to irritation, bad temper, and a general dissatisfaction not only with one's employment but with life itself.

Thousands of other workers are postponers. They reverse the old saying "Never put off until tomorrow what you can do today," and make it read, "Never do today what you can put off until tomorrow." The result of this vicious habit of postponement is that tasks and engagements pile up until it becomes well-nigh impossible to "dig out." One of the best ways to conserve time and energy and achieve success in the pursuit of a task is to attack it at once, head on, with vigor and enthusiasm; for it is everlastingly true that "well begun is half done." Somehow a problem or a piece of work seems to unfold and shape itself toward a solution or a good completion when the worker seizes upon it with determination and perseverance.

Then there are the dawdlers. Instead of working with intelligence, close attention to detail, and constant application, they nibble at the job. "Here a little and there a little—work and play" seems to be their motto. Sometimes they nod or even sleep over their task.

What is to be said of the ambitious planners who seem not to know the meaning of the word "execution"? The palmists tell us that if the distance from a person's wrist to the roots of his fingers is greater than the length of his middle finger, he is better at planning than he is at execution. If these "fortune-tellers" are correct, the world must be full of stubby-fingered individuals. "Big Talk, why do you never get anything done?" should be the challenge to every daydreamer, castle-builder, postponer, procrastinator, big planner.

Work is the expression of character. Weak personalities reveal themselves in poor achievement and failure. It is likewise true that work well done reacts upon character to strengthen and perfect it. What sense of victory, what elation, what joy, peace, and harmony attend the soul after its possessor has satisfactorily completed a hard task! There is nothing like it. The busy life is the happy life. The reliable people are the hard workers. Wide-

awake men and women toiling creatively are the very salt of the earth.

Christians ought to be enthusiastic workers not only in their secular tasks but also in the field of the church. If we really believe in Jesus, vitally believe in him and in his teachings, we ought to give ourselves to his service with such ardor and zeal as would cause the world to gasp with wonder. And yet most of us live at a poor dying rate, dragging ourselves, as it were, to the church service as a favor to the minister. Why are so many churches half filled? Why is organized Christianity frequently so impotent in the face of great moral issues? We are drowsy on the job. O for a living, vibrant faith that could move mountains!

For the thousands of Christian ministers who are giving themselves with all their powers to the work of the kingdom of God, we have the highest respect, but there are some, sad to say, who are drowsy on the job. Not long since we heard a minister complain, "No one can do anything here." He was, it is true, located in a small community. His church was a weak and struggling one. But there were men, women, and children in his town who were unchurched. There were sick persons, sinning persons, perplexed persons, all around him. He was missing his chance. Reading newspapers and magazines in his study under a smoke screen of pretense at studying, eating and sleeping, and waiting for a change of appointment and a "better church," this man was drowsy on the job, missing his opportunity for real service and his own character development. Furthermore, from the practical standpoint of his own advancement, he was selling out his future to indifference, indolence, and decadence.

What happened to Wesley when his heart was strangely warmed, to John Bunyan when he "woke up," to Dwight L. Moody when his eyes were opened? And what happened to the world around these great Christian personalities when, under the moving Spirit of God, they began to "get busy" and to proclaim the message of Christ with vigor and force? There is power enough if only those who are drowsy on the job would quit their daydreaming and begin to work—Zions Herald.

WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

The worst hard times come from hard hearts.

He is a wise preacher who can make his head and his heels go fifty-fifty.

Too often the pronoun of the first person singular looms higher than the Eiffel tower.

Why is it that sin is raven black if one does it but tones down to a pearl grey if a thousand do it?

If the priest keeps the Catholics from reading the Bible who is keeping the Protestants?

Now that our cattle have been saved a lot of folks seem to have contracted the "hoof and mouth" disease.

Sometimes friend husband wonders who is calling him up over the phone then finds it is only friend wife calling him down.

Some folks are so funny that the preacher who reads to them the ten commandments is in danger of being sued for libel.

There is many a looked-down-upon circuit rider here who may be a looked-up-to circuit judge over yonder.

Why waste money on sending Johnny to the circus if he can see a continuous performance between a growling bear and a spitting cat at home?

Strength to Overcome

By Paul Simpson McElroy

And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day. And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was strained, as he wrestled with him. And the man said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And Jacob said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me.—Genesis 32:24-26.

The words of Jacob, as he held tenaciously to that tormenting experience, are significant. Even in the very face of defeat, Jacob was determined to make his misfortune an opportunity: "I will not let thee go, except thou bless me."

These abnormal times in which we live are fraught with tormenting circumstances, and their very uncertainty creates problems and frustrations that require extraordinary fortitude and courage of us all. A recent reliable survey has revealed, for instance, that of one million graduates from our high schools and colleges (in 1939), 65 per cent had definitely stated a preference for a white-collar job. Of that 65 per cent, only seven per cent could possibly hope to get the job they wanted—the rest have had to content themselves with a second choice, and 22 per cent cannot even find employment.

Think of the discouragement, frustration, disappointment, defeat, handicaps, and even tragedy that are in store for many of us in this topsyturvy world in which we are living. Under such conditions we cannot possibly avoid hardships, but when we are confronted with these obstacles, we must not let them go until they bless us.

It was Carlyle who once said, "There are two men whom I admire—the man of the soil who toils and the man who toils for the spiritually indispensable." Then he goes on to say, "I do not bemoan the fact that these men must face hardships, but I do bemoan the fact that these hardships should cause the lamp of their soul to go out." The tragedy for us is not in the fact that we must face trying situations, but that in so doing we should let the lamps of our souls go out.

I suspect that there is no death sadder than that of a young mother who has died in childbirth. This particular funeral about which I should like to tell you comes from a source unknown to me, but it has for its chief mourner a man who was twice bereft in those pathetic circumstances.

"This man was not young when he first married; he was thirty-four—a quiet, studious fellow, and an anti-Royalist. Why his choice for wife fell on a light-hearted, fun-loving girl of sixteen, who came from a family of ardent Royalists, I leave for you to say if you can. There were eleven children in the jolly household where Mary Powell grew up; and the lonely quiet of her grave husband's home terrified her. She begged his leave to go home, and when she got there she said she would never go back.

"After two long years of absence, Mary Powell asked to come back to her husband, and he took her. What's more, he took in her 'raft' of relations, too, though his own funds were scant and he had his own aged father to care for.

"Mary was sobered by this time, and able to appreciate him; they seemed to have got on very well. Two lit-

tle daughters came to him, and then a son, and they took a pretty garden house, not far from there, in what was called Petty France. But it was destined to be a house of sorrow. For only a few months after they moved into it, the bread-winner of the family became totally blind, and just about that time their little three-year-old son died. The next year, Mary lost her own life in giving birth to her fourth child, and left her husband in darkness and desolation, and three tiny girls. For three years that patient household struggled on as motherless households somehow do.

"... Then came a bride to it, to be eyes to the blind, and mother to the motherless. Fifteen months later, her blind husband stood beside a grave and listened to the service consigning her and their stillborn babe to the tomb. Then he went home to his lonely house in Petty France, and to his bereft brood," and, determined that the lamp of his soul should not go out, John Milton began "Paradise Lost."

Did not Jesus make of the cross a thing of beauty and a symbol of sacrificial living, and did he not bless mankind by means of his tragic experience? When we suffer hardships and defeat can we not join with Jacob and say, "I will not let this experience go until it bless me"?—Zions Herald.

METHODIST EDITORS HONORED BY KUESTER AT CHAMBER

Mr. Clarence O. Kuester of Charlotte honored the representatives of the press at the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday evening during the Missionary Council. Never have the editors been more royally received. For them, it was the bright spot and high hour of the Council. Charlotte will remain a delightful memory to all the favored guests.

Mayor Ben E. Douglas spoke a few words of welcome. Clarence O. Kuester, executive vice president of the chamber, presided, assisted by Al Bechtold, assistant manager, and Rev. E. H. Nease of Charlotte.

The guests were Charles A. Britton, Jr., Macon, Ga., editor of the Wesleyan Christian Advocate; J. M. Rast, Columbia, S. C., editor of the Southern Christian Advocate; Harry Woolever, Mansfield, Pa., secretary of the committee on Methodist Union; G. S. Reamey, Richmond, Va., editor of the Virginia Methodist Advocate; M. T. Plyler, Durham, editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate; Dr. Paul N. Garber, Duke University, Durham; W. P. King, Nashville, Tenn.; Foster Gamble, Birmingham, Ala., editor of the Alabama Christian Advocate; Jacob S. Payton, Washington, D. C., special representative of the National Methodist Press; Dennis W. Snapp, Paris, Ky., editor of the Kentucky Methodist; Roy N. Short, Louisville, Ky.; Rev. William Stewart, Bismark, Mo., editor of the Missouri Methodist; Rev. A. C. Miller, Little Rock, Ark., editor of the Arkansas Methodist; Mrs. W. C. Turpin, Nashville, Tenn., representing the Methodist Press Bureau; W. L. Durin, New Orleans, La., editor of the New Orleans Christian Advocate.

MOTTOES OF SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE

Webster defines a motto as "An expressive word or pithy sentence enunciating some guiding principle or rule of conduct." No exercise could be more helpful, especially to the young, than collecting and studying the mottoes which successful people have adopted as the guiding principles of their lives. They reveal the secret of their success.

The motto of Alexander the Great, through the practice of which he conquered the world before he was 28 years of age, was, "Defer not." He never deferred until tomorrow what he could do today. The last emperor of Brazil said that the difference between the United States and Brazil was that the people of the United States never deferred until tomorrow what they could do today and those of Brazil never did today what they could postpone until tomorrow." Promptness is an essential element of success in every field of effort.

Frances Willard's motto was, "I have a vow." In her girlhood she consecrated herself to the service of God and the uplift of the world in whatever field she might be led. That vow made her one of the most successful women in history. It called out her splendid powers in ceaseless battle against the drink traffic.

"Be careful of your quotations," was the motto of one whose name has slipped from the writer's memory. The thought was "Never misrepresent others." What a different world this would be if that principle were practiced. What heartaches would be prevented.

The motto of the Chautauqua class of 1893 was, "Study to be what you wish to seem." An ideal is useless unless we try to realize it. Hypocrisy is a common sin.

The motto of the House of Orange was, "I will always maintain." The particular application was left to circumstances. When the illustrious Prince of Orange, later William III of England, launched his campaign to save the Protestant cause in Great Britain, this motto floated from the masthead of his flagship. It was his promise to defend the Protestant cause in that country. The Protestants were nicknamed "The Hold Fasts" from this motto. To hold fast the truth is a duty at all times, but it has a special significance at the present time when so many are surrendering evangelical beliefs.

An Italian philosopher's motto was, "Time is my inheritance." It emphasizes the value of the flying minutes. A great philosopher sadly moaned, "I have lost a day." General Mitchell, the scientist, uttered a sentiment worthy of immortality, when he said to his staff, "Gentlemen, astronomy has taught me to place much value on the millionth part of a second." An ancient philosopher asked himself each night, "Hast thou wasted any time today?" Horace Mann advertised: "Lost, somewhere between sunrise and sunset, two golden hours, each set with 60 diamond minutes. No reward is offered because they are gone forever." The epitaph on the tomb of Henry Martyn was, "He was never known to waste an hour."

David Livingstone's motto was, "Anywhere, provided it be forward." It was this that led him on his great work through darkest Africa. When death was creeping on him, he asked his faithful guards to carry him forward on their backs. Our eyes are both in the front of our heads. We have none behind. We were never meant to go backward. The goal of life is a fleeting one.



DR. W. A. STANBURY
Asheville, N. C., President of the N. C. Council
of Churches for 1940

It is always before us and always on the wing. Paul said, "Forgetting the things that are behind, I press forward." The motto of Charles Wesley was "At it; all at it; always at it." He not only practiced it, but inspired his converts with the same spirit. The result is the mighty Methodist Church. Too many churches resemble a Pullman train—a few do the work and the rest loll on cushioned seats and while hours away. Hanibal of Carthage and Napoleon had the same motto: "I will." Both accomplished great things. Too many people become discouraged and "give up." "I will." Never surrender. Hold on as long as possible, and then, hold on a little longer. "Perseverance conquers all." Before it every difficulty melts away. It is not the quick nervous bounds of the young colt you are "breaking," but the steady pull of the old wheel horse that moves the load.—J. D. R., Editor United Presbyterian.

LAYMEN'S MEETINGS IN NEW BERN DISTRICT

Meetings of the League of Stewards of the New Bern district will be held at the following Methodist churches: Goldsboro, February 4; New Bern, January 28; Grifton, January 21; and Morehead, January 14. All these meetings begin at 2:30 p. m. Please attend the one nearest you.

I am asking that you do all you can to have this meeting announced in each church and Sunday school in your charge and urge the attendance of: (1) the pastor; (2) the chairman and every member of his board of stewards; (3) as many laymen and lay women as will attend; (4) every Golden Cross church director; (5) the superintendent and teacher of the Sunday school; and (6) as many young people with their leaders as possible.

Pink Hill was the one charge in the New Bern district that I know about that used the Stewards League set-up. Mr. Cecil Stroud, charge lay leader, made a fine report for his charge. This was the only one in the New Bern district that came out one hundred per cent on everything at the check-up meeting last fall.

I am depending on preachers and charge lay leaders of each charge to have a full delegation.

We are arranging a most helpful program. Our speakers will be those who from experience know how to put over a program.

I shall be disappointed if I do not see you and, if for any reason you should fail to co-operate, in the great and compelling work of our Master.

W. C. Chauncey,
District Charge Lay Leader.

THE WILL TO OVERCOME

By H. H. Smith

The will plays a conspicuous part in the religious life. God is forever striving to lead us to the highest peaks of Christian experience and service; but our attainment of these heights is conditioned upon the use of the will in co-operating with him. In all his teachings about personal salvation Jesus made frequent reference to the use of the will. We can become his followers only by willing to do so. "If any man will do his will," Jesus said, "he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself." At times it requires nothing less than the most strenuous effort of the will to live the Christian life consistently. When Jesus said, "Strive to enter in at the strait gate," he used a very strong expression. Our word "agony" is derived from the Greek word translated "strive." The Master seemed to say, "While the world follows the broad and self-indulgent way of life, do you, if need be, agonize to walk in the narrow way of eternal life." He challenges us to make a heroic use of the will. He declared that the lost were those who persistently and deliberately rejected him—"but ye would not."

We find the strongest Christian characters among those noted for their strength of will. Had Martin Luther been a man of a weak will the Christian church might have been very different from what it is today. When Stonewall Jackson was a young man, he took as a motto for his life, "You can be what you resolve to be." As a student he was poorly prepared to enter West Point, but he determined to keep up with his class. Before the lights were put out at night, he would pile up his grate with anthracite coal, and, lying prone before it on the floor, would work away at his lessons by the glare of the light, which scorched his very brain, till a late hour at night. This heroic use of the will enabled him to keep up with his class and graduate with honors. When he became a Christian his first attempt to lead in prayer were embarrassing to all concerned. One day his pastor said to him: "Major, we do not wish to make our prayer meetings uncomfortable to you, and if you prefer it, I will not call on you to lead in prayer again." The prompt and emphatic reply was: "My comfort has nothing in the world to do with it, sir; you, as my pastor, think it is my duty to lead in public prayer—I think so, too—and by God's grace I mean to do it. I wish you would please be so kind as to call on me more frequently." The result was that he became one of the most gifted men in prayer in the whole church. If military genius, plus extraordinary will power, made him a great soldier, the same will power plus consecration made him a great Christian.

"Self-expression," which often means self-indulgence to many, is the great word of today; but "self-control" should be the Christian's watchword, and here again the will must play an important part. General Lee spoke to the point when a mother brought her child to him for his blessing: "Teach him to deny himself." The great Christian general could think of no better advice to give a mother than this: "Teach your child self-control." It is a teaching much needed today.

The will to overcome has been the salvation of many a young person when facing sore temptation. During the World War a young soldier was invited to go with some companions to a questionable place of amusement, and he declined to go. His corporal, with a taunt, said: "If you stay in this army it won't be long before you will be run-

ning with the crowd." The young man replied: "That's all right, corporal, but I have a mother, a sister, and a sweetheart back home, and I have determined to go back to them as straight as when I left them."

When, Daniel-like, we purpose in our hearts that we will not defile ourselves, we enlist all the powers of heaven on our side, and victory is assured.

PINK HILL LEAGUE OF STEWARDS

The Pink Hill League of Stewards held the first meeting of the new conference year in Pink Hill church at 3:15 on December 31, 1939. Fourteen of the stewards of the charge were present, all the churches being represented.

Following a brief devotional conducted by the laymen, copies of the report of the Board of Lay Activities of the North Carolina conference were distributed and the report was read. Several items of the report received discussion. R. E. Walston, the pastor, spoke briefly about the missionary program of the united church. Discussion of an adequate financial system was led by Charge Lay Leader C. N. Stroud. Without a dissenting voice the league favored using the plan suggested in the Discipline of 1939, and it was agreed that the promotion of the system should be an educational project of the church school in the various local churches.

Christian stewardship of labor and goods was discussed by W. B. Becton as he urged more widespread use of the Lord's Acre Plan or some adaptation of it. The discussion which followed disclosed the fact that in almost every church of the charge a few individuals had used the plan to finance special projects in the past. It was suggested local churches secure pledges to stewardship projects through the church school classes.

The North Carolina Christian Advocate as a necessity for church officials was discussed by H. E. Maxwell. He pointed out that the Advocate is the only source of current information with which the steward must be familiar if he is to serve the church intelligently in these days.

The pastor distributed copies of a proposed plan of activities for the year. These plans will receive further consideration at meetings of local church boards of stewards and education. After revision in the light of this consideration, they will be presented to the local congregations and their active co-operation enlisted in carrying the plans to successful completion.

The next meeting of the league will be held at Noble's Chapel, a church now under construction, on March 31.

NOTES FROM BREVARD COLLEGE

The students and the faculty of Brevard College participated in the College Day exercises at the Brevard Methodist church, Sunday, January 14, in connection with the program of the general church. Special music was rendered by the college choir under the direction of Mr. John Hawkins, director of music of the school.

Rev. E. P. Billups, pastor of the church at Brevard, based his morning service on the topic, "Youth and the World Today."

Examinations at Brevard College begin Monday, January 22, and will continue through January 26. Registration for the spring semester begins immediately following the examination week.

BROTHER J. ELWOOD CARROLL'S HISTORY COMMENDED

I take this opportunity to say a word about the "History of the N. C. Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church" by Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, pastor of Grace Methodist church in Greensboro. As I see it this book contains information which might be helpful to a great many people whether they are former M. P.'s or former M. E.'s or M. E. S.'s. The book is not large enough to make it tedious and not brief enough to make it unintelligible. Those who would like to have a copy may get it by sending fifty cents to Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, 222 North Edgeworth Street, Greensboro, N. C.

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DOES YOUR CHURCH OBSERVE FOURTH SUNDAY FOR MISSIONS?

Each month is a new opportunity to emphasize missionary education and giving for every child, youth and adult in each church school. Literature and helps are available each month for those wanting to make the fourth Sunday program vital for missions. Write the Extension Secretary, Box 828, Salisbury, about this.

Experience shows that consistent and regular education in missions increases purposeful giving to the total benevolent program of the church. One pastor writes that the fourth Sunday missionary program furnish about all the regular missionary education his people get.

According to the Discipline, each fourth Sunday should be observed in each church with missionary program and offering. This offering should be sent immediately to Mr. H. A. Dunham, 62 Patton Ave., Asheville.

How many church schools will plan a program and give to missions through the HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE for the first time in January because their pastor or general superintendent has read this?

TRAINING SCHOOL WORK ADVANCES SHORT COURSE SCHOOLS

In addition to a large number of long course schools and Epworth Training Conferences already reported, several short course schools are planned for the immediate future.

Trinity, Gastonia

Fred H. Shinn, pastor, is teaching the course "Worship in the Small Church" in his own church, Trinity, Gastonia, January 21-24.

East Marion

The McDowell county training school will be held at East Marion, January 21-24, with the following churches participating: First, Marion; East Marion, West Marion, Nebo, Old Fort, Providence, Clinchfield, Ebenezer, Cross Mills, Glenwood. All young people and all adult leaders of youth in these churches should enroll for "The Life of Christ" to be taught by Rev. A. J. Clemmer, Jr., pastor of the Valdes charge. Workers with children, and all teachers or prospective teachers should enroll for "Teaching," to be taught by Miss Elizabeth Oliver, conference director of children's work. This is a special opportunity for workers with children in these churches.

West View, Hickory

West View, Hickory, Rev. B. M. Crosby, pastor, is planning a training school for all workers January 28-31. Rev. Jesse Wilkinson, pastor at Black Mountain, is teaching "Educational Work of the Small Church."

Glen Alpine

Rev. R. L. Young of Glen Alpine is planning to have Jesse Wilkinson teach

"The Educational Work of the Small Church" in his church February 4-7.

Forsyth Charge

At Mount Tabor, March 10-13, the Forsyth charge training school will have three courses: One of general interest, one for young people, and one for workers with children. This three-teacher school is an annual charge-wide training opportunity. Rev. C. W. Kirby is pastor.

Other Short Course Schools

HAS YOUR CHARGE PLANNED A TRAINING SCHOOL YET? Former M. P. and M. E. churches should schedule their training school through our office also.

Epworth Training Conferences

This is the year for Epworth Training Conferences in the Young People's Unions of Western North Carolina. These schools are planned for young people and their adult leaders, and can be very helpful experiences. Those interested in promoting such emphasis in their communities will please get in touch with the conference director of youth work, Box 828, Salisbury. The following groups have had Epworth training conferences: Belmont Park, Charlotte; Burke County Union at Mooresville; Young Methodist Union at Statesville; and the Rockingham County Union at Leaksville.

JOIN THE CHRISTIAN RURAL FELLOWSHIP

As a New Year's greeting, a complimentary copy of CRF Bulletin No. 47, The Rural Family and Its Significance to Organized Religion, was sent to pastors of rural charges. This fellowship, through monthly bulletins, is rendering real service to all persons interested in rural life. Pastors in rural situations and others, too, will find real meat for their sermons and bread for their spirits in these bulletins. Annual membership fee is one dollar. Write Christian Rural Fellowship, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTES

Beginning January 22 in Waynesville and ending February 2 in Charlotte (a.m.) and Gastonia (p.m.) the Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension is holding a missionary institute in each district. The board "would emphasize the importance of the district missionary institute as a means of bringing missionary information and inspiration to the rank and file of the church membership."

At each of these institutes there will be an emphasis on the observance of each fourth Sunday for missions, with program and offering.

ELECTIVE COURSE ON MISSIONS

Beginning this month, the Adult Student carries an elective course by Alfred W. Wasson, "On the Frontiers of

the Kingdom." Many adult classes are already using this elective course and others may want to begin it. It will provide opportunity for information and inspiration in the field of missions.

QUARTERLY REPORT BLANKS FOR GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS

Blanks to use in connection with the next quarterly conference are enclosed in a letter to general superintendents mailed today. This will be of value in reporting the work of the church school to the quarterly conference.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DAY IN FORMER METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCHES

Using the general theme "Methodist Youth Advances," Young People's Day will be observed in former Methodist Protestant churches Sunday, January 28. Program materials have been sent to pastors by Dr. F. L. Gibbs from the Pittsburgh office. This program has been well planned and will be most helpful to pastors and young people on this occasion.

THE MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Excellent attendance and fine programs made the Missionary Council in Charlotte one of the most outstanding events of our church year. During the first two days, which were attended by the executive secretary, fine, strong, positive messages were heard from Bishop Peele, Bishop Hughes, Bishop Kern, Bishop Purcell, and Bishop McGee. With leaders such as these, there is a new day for Methodist missions and the Methodist Church.

CONFERENCE YOUNG PEOPLE'S COUNCIL, SUNNY ACRES

Conference officers and district directors met at Sunny Acres on January 5, 6 and 7 for their annual council. The program of the youth division for the coming year was discussed in detail. Rev. Carl H. King, executive secretary, presented a picture of the total educational work of the Western North Carolina conference. The former M. P. and M. E. groups were represented by Rev. Elwood Carroll and Rev. V. A. Morton, respectively. Brother S. W. Taylor, district superintendent of the High Point district, and Mrs. Taylor were guests of the group on Sunday. Others present were: Isabel Gibbs, Martha Medford, Rev. McMurray Richey, Mrs. Connie Cope, Marshall Mills, Rev. John Hoyle, Jr., Caroline Lillard, Harold Hipps, Harold Patrick, Worth Sweet, Blanche Gluck, Viola Brigman, Mrs. John F. Kirk, Rev. Earl Brewer, Rev. Emmett McLarty, Jr., Brona Mae Nifong, and M. Teague Hipps.

"EVERYTHING—EXCEPT"

A London newspaper awarded its prize to the following as the best definition of "Money": "Money is an article which may be used as a universal passport to everywhere except heaven, and as a universal provider of everything except happiness."

A friend is long sought, hardly found, and with difficulty kept.—Jerome.

"THE MESSIAH" IN DUKE CHAPEL

The Christmas season is always enriched for those who hear a great chorus of voices give Handel's oratorio, "The Messiah." It was my good fortune to be one of the two thousand five hundred to hear the Duke Chapel choir give this music accompanied by the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra.

As we drove to Durham through a bright December Sunday sunshine we talked of Handel. Considering present conditions in Europe it seemed strange that a native German should have become the great English musician of his day. Again, there is the providential circumstance that Handel, whose ambition was to compose great operas, should make an immortal name through the greatest Christian oratorios the world has known. How interesting, also, that the English should take this music to Ireland for its first performance, and that the Irish hearers instead of rising to throw bombs at the British, rose involuntarily to praise God during the singing of the Hallelujah Chorus.

As we waited in the chapel we noted the sources of the Bible passages which the choir was to sing. From the Old Testament the voices of the Psalmist, Isaiah, Haggai, Malachi, with that of the author of Lamentations were to be heard. From the New Testament we were to hear from Matthew, Luke, Paul, and John of Patmos. Next, the brightness of the chapel windows in the four o'clock sun drew the attention. And the thought came that all of these ancient poets and prophets and evangelists and apostles were remembered by the architect in the chapel windows. In chancel, nave, and transept we had, as it were, a group of witnesses looking down, to hear what the North Carolinians of 1939 would have to say and sing about the Messiah. About three thousand years were represented by the men pictured in the windows and people sitting in the church.

Then the living voices, together with the instruments, gave the old story with moving spiritual power. First, there was the prophecy of the coming perfect King, with the story of his birth. Next, the story in music of his crucifixion, and last, the triumph of his resurrection.

The light in the windows faded, and for a while you could see just the red and blue which reflected part of the light from the chapel lamps. Then the windows were entirely dark and the prophets and the apostles were to be seen no longer. The witness then seemed to depend entirely on the group within the chapel, just as the kingdom today must look within, with spiritual darkness having settled over so much of the earth.

But such a witness as we had within! "His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace!" And last of all, "Hallelujah! for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Hallelujah!" I am sure that twenty-five hundred people will always remember how the one hundred and fifty voices and the orchestra gave the shout of present-day faith and victory in these words of Isaiah and John of Patmos.

My mind turned to the description of the dedication of Solomon's Temple, whose proportions give some interesting comparisons with the Duke Chapel. II Chronicles 5 says, "— being arrayed in white linen, having cymbals and psalteries and harps, they stood at the east end of the altar, and with them an hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets: It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the Lord; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of music, and praised the Lord, saying, 'For he is good! for his mercy endureth forever': that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the Lord—for the glory of the Lord filled the house." J. G. Phillips.

FINDING ONE'S WAY

The moral of an old African chief: "When you pass through the jungle be very careful to break a twig, that the next man can find his way."

Something very fine about that exhortation coming from an old heathen. We do not travel far in life before we become aware that finding one's way is no slight task. Situations arise, conditions so change—we are confronted by a stone wall, insurmountable, immovable. Even sincere prayer sometimes seems of no avail. Others may have had like experiences, but they are of no benefit. They left us no markings to guide us.

That is one of the hard privileges of living. Every one must solve his own problems, fight his own battles, suffer his own defeats, win his own victories, find his own way.

It would be good for most of us if that were not true. It would save us much blundering and heartache. There should be a well-defined course of action suitable for all occasions, circumstances; a highway one could move along without fear or hesitation.

Well, there is. It does not guarantee to do away with all questioning, all alarms. It is very likely the going will be about as difficult as ever. But you will get somewhere and that, after all, is the supreme thing. The ship goes out of its course, is buffeted by storms, but if it finally reaches the harbor, all is well.

Yes, there was One who as He journeyed through life broke a twig here and there so that others could follow safely on. One who said:

"I am the way, the truth, and the life: . . . he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."—Major Frank M. Thompson.

TAKE A VACATION

If you keep your nose to the grindstone rough,
And keep it there long enough,
You soon will forget there is any such thing
As the brooks that babble and the birds that sing.
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—The Grange News.

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ON THE LEVEL

The responsibility of determining who shall come to live in the Children's Home family is not entered into lightly. It is attended with careful investigation and prayerful thought. Decisions are not made hastily. The welfare of a given amount of humanity is involved. An earnest effort is made in trying to determine what, in the long run, is best for the applicant, as well as what is best for the family with whom the applicant must associate. There is no recipe for this procedure. It seems that the longer this responsibility is assumed the more caution is necessary.

LONG TIME CARE

The children admitted into our family are not static, even though at times it appears that there is hindrance in getting messages through their thinking apparatus. They are quite mobile, even though their stay with us is more than of a transient nature. It is not infrequently true that a youngster will have lived at the Children's Home a decade or more before the time comes for living elsewhere. Given children deprived of a home elsewhere should have a home here until they are in position to make a home for themselves. Ours is a long-time care proposition. It is therefore evident that before children are accepted for this care they should present some evidence that they are worthy of it. It would not seem wise to assume provision for a youngster through a period of ten years, more or less, and then find that he did not have enough foundation on which to build a good and capable character. While it is not our thought to select the most beautiful and most intellectual children for membership in our family, it is also not our thought to permit the Children's Home to become a dumping ground for the grossly misdirected and ill-suited specimens of humanity.

PEOPLE ARE DIFFERENT

Within the past short while two friends of the Children's Home have made application for the admittance of two under-privileged adolescent girls. It happened that in each case the girl was intellectually retarded, being in the second grade in school. One was being provided for by relatives, amply able for such service, and the other by the civil authorities. When the reasons were presented for not admitting these girls, one of our friends became more insistent and, to our way of thinking, more unreasonable. The other said, "You are everlastingly right." It so happens that the person in the latter case is a great supporter of the

Children's Home, seeing to it that his congregation not only does what is expected of it but a good deal more. People are different.

MAX MAKES MERRY

Rev. J. Max Brandon, the perennial circuit rider, is big and strong in physique and big and strong in his love for orphan children. His charge always pays the Children's Home quota early in the year. While at the Missionary Council at Charlotte one day last week this scribe was directed by Parson Brandon to one side of the concourse of people and there held until \$43 could be counted out of the currency and coins that came out of the circuit rider's pocket. "This," he said, "completes the payment for the Rock Springs circuit, with \$7 in excess. And, brother, this is not all you are going to get." Parson Brandon, a former railroad man, along with his good wife, a former nurse, are so busy getting things done according to schedule that they never have time to complain about their appointments. They always have "the best circuit in the conference."

ROUND AND ROUND

The picture this week is that of Don Plyler, left, seven, and Billy Harris, eight, with their electric train and some other accouterments. Christmas may be over at a lot of places but it is far from being over at the Anna Hanes cottage where Don and Billy and over 30 other primary boys live. Don is sponsored by the woman's missionary society of Polkville, and Billy by the Susanna Wesley class of Burkhead, Winston-Salem. The kodak picture was taken by Miss Ruth Hunter, their home mother.

THE ADVOCATE FAMILY

One never goes to the Advocate building in Greensboro without being impressed with the cordiality and efficiency of the entire force. In compliance with my request, R. R. Mitchell, superintendent of the business and a prominent Methodist layman, has listed the following tried and true employees, who with the superintendent work under the direction of Drs. A. W. and M. T. Plyler, editors. He says: "W.

P. Turner, P. L. Starr and E. M. Andrews are the linotype operators. Mr. Turner, the veteran of the force, sets the Advocate. R. J. Welch, composing room foreman, 'makes up' the Advocate and other publications and sets up the job work. The press room and bindery forces is composed of J. M. Fentress, F. C. Scarborough, F. R. Paisley and L. B. Darnell. Mr. Fentress, the press room foreman, operates the big automatic press and folder, also the paper trimmer, through which the Advocate passes in course of production. L. B. Darnell operates the mailing machine which puts the little pink address labels on the paper. The other men assist. The final operation in getting out the Advocate is wrapping, routing and sacking, done by Harvey Brewer, the colored janitor. The office force is composed of Mrs. G. W. Everngam, bookkeeper, and Mrs. F. R. Paisley, stenographer and custodian of the Advocate mailing list and files."

BIG, STRONG AND CAPABLE

The Western North Carolina conference now numbers 518 ministers and 201,290 church members. Of this number 39 ministers and 11,901 members came from the former Methodist Episcopal Church within the boundaries of the Western North Carolina conference. The former North Carolina Methodist Protestant Church within the same territory contributed 74 ministers and 22,361 church members. The others came from that part of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as is located within the same territory, the 44 western counties of North Carolina. This group is large enough to do a big piece of work in a capable way. We have a sort of a feeling that it will also be willing enough.

CHEERFUL CHIRPING

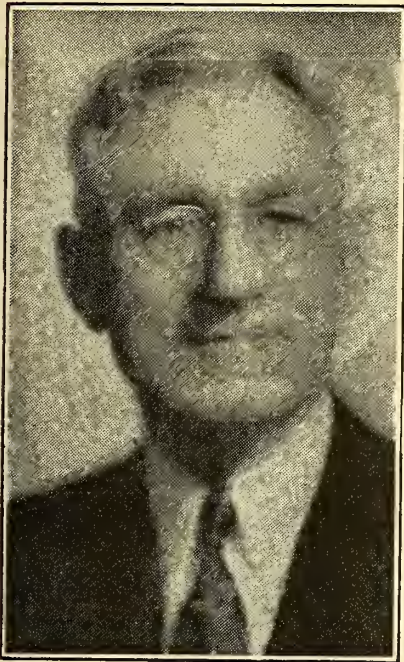
"I am sending with this letter the full amount accepted by the Randall church of the Norwood circuit for the Children's Home for the present conference year. These people were anxious to make their contribution as early as possible. It is my desire to be as co-operative as I can possibly be in this most important phase of our church work. I trust this will be one of your

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The train has stopped to let the boys pose

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FUN—The recent snow gave our children a fine opportunity to snowball each other. Snow always excites and thrills boys and girls, and they never get tired of playing in it. Our shoe repair bill will necessarily be larger after the experience the children have had playing in the snow.

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A CHALLENGE—For several years a gymnasium has been one of our paramount needs. This need presents a greatest challenge to some one with means to build us a gymnasium as a memorial to some friend or loved one. Such a building would mean a world of good to the physical and recreational success and happiness of our boys and girls.

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THANKS—I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to several of the pastors for sending in their entire Orphanage apportionment for the year 1940. A few of the pastors have sent in part of their apportionment for the new year, and others are laying plans to secure all their Orphanage apportionment during the winter months. I am sure that all the churches will co-operate 100 per cent with their pastors in reaching this desired goal.

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GOING AGAIN—Our school and other activities are going again after the holidays. The coming of Christmas always creates a good bit of excitement, and more or less restlessness, among our young people. To be perfectly plain, Christmas holidays and summer vacations bring about more problems in the on-going of an orphanage than any other times in the year. At the end of the Christmas holidays our workers are always exceedingly tired because of the extra duties

and long hours that are theirs. I am always glad to see Christmas holidays and summer vacations come, but I am gladder when they are over and we settle down to a more normal kind of life.

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IMPORTANT GATHERING — On New Year's day all activities were suspended, and workers and children assembled in our Orphanage auditorium in or that we might get some definite objectives before our workers and children for the new year. I spoke briefly to the group outlining the objectives that we want to reach during the new year. In an institution like ours it is well for workers and children to have in mind definite objectives which we want to reach during the year. I emphasized the need of strict economy upon the part of every worker and child, and in every cottage and department of the institution. I also challenged the boys and girls to make this the best school year in the history of the home. Loyalty to the home was emphasized. The biggest objective that we want to achieve is Christian character. Many of the things mentioned in the New Year's message will necessarily have to be repeated and emphasized over and over. To fire the ambition of boys and girls to achieve the finer things of life is a difficult task. The challenge is ours and no stone will be left unturned to achieve this worthy end.

SUGGESTED RESOLUTIONS FOR EDITOR OF CHURCH PAPER

By Raymond H. Huse

I will attempt the impossible task of keeping in the vanguard of high and progressive thinking and yet being so simple and understandable that folks unlearned in philosophy or theology shall turn eagerly to my pages.

I will keep sweet, but not too sweet. I will recognize the fact that there is an everlasting timeliness to the words "Ye that love the Lord, hate evil."

While I will be loyal to my church, its polity, and its leaders, I will recognize the fact that they are not infallible and that I am an editor not to defend the status quo under all circumstances but to improve our implements for bringing the kingdom of God.

I will avoid the crime of being uninteresting.

I will try to let the pages of my paper have a place for both the thinker and the dreamer.

I will be an interpreter of news, not just a news gatherer.

I will not ignore the abiding interest of folks in folks, and will keep adding postscripts to the eleventh chapter of Hebrews.

I will keep my sense of humor, particularly when some irate brother writes, "Stop my paper."

"Stand up!" shouted the colored evangelist, "if you want to go to heaven."

Everybody got up but one old man. "Don't you want to go to heaven, my brother?" shouted the preacher, loudly.

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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BREVITY IMPORTANT

The editors of the Advocate having found it necessary to curtail space in the various departments of work, our woman's page will henceforth consist of only two columns each week. If we are to continue our policy of publishing as many items of variety as possible on the page it is more than ever imperative that we consider their length. Let's have many items—brief and to the point.

BETHANY AUXILIARY ACTIVE

On December 16 the woman's auxiliary of Bethany church held a very impressive Harvest Day service. The reports showed the achievements for the year, the most outstanding one being that of the Christian Social Relations committee. Highway safety and peace programs were given in the church and school; a temperance contest among the children, resulting in 45 pledge cards being signed; co-operated with the county health department in a health school for children of the community; sponsored a three months series of prayer services; sent Octagon wrappers to the orphanage; helped secure braces and crutches for a crippled boy; sunshine bag sent to a shut-in; box to a little girl at the Sanatorium; milk to undernourished child; showers to needy families; missionary, church school literature, health bulletins and song books given to a group of negroes and one meeting held with them. Mrs. George Martin of Conway was guest speaker. Mrs. F. L. Johnson, who presided, closed the meeting with a plea for greater missionary zeal and service.

Mrs. L. C. Davis.

"THE LOST DISCIPLINE"

"All about us today are people who are lost. Some have lost their sense of proportion; some have lost their balance. How many in our churches today are giving their best to other than the program of the church? The prodigal son lost to guidance, lost to usefulness. We need to see the church as a world-wide enterprise which challenges our best. The disciples who are lost must be found. That is our task."—Excerpts from a devotional given by Miss Zoa Anna Davis. How well we might apply its truths to our own life and to the work of the great missionary enterprise in which we have a part.

NEW MEMBERS

"Every woman in the church a member of the missionary society" is not too high a goal for which to strive, and early in the new year is the time in which to begin plans and work toward the attainment of that goal. For several years an enthusiastic member of one auxiliary has offered prizes of fifteen and ten dollars each to the two groups in the auxiliary securing the

larger number of members during the year. The money is applied to the mission pledge of the auxiliary and credited to the winning groups. That these gifts are an excellent stimulant has been proved by the abundance of fruit which they have borne.

UNIVERSITY SENDS THANKS

A letter from Dr. Y. C. Yang, president of Soochow University in China was received recently by Dr. W. W. Brockman of the board of missions staff, a letter which brought grateful thanks for the valuable books sent to the school by Mrs. E. H. Rawlings from the library of the late Dr. Rawlings, and for the contributions to the collection made by Dr. Elmer T. Clark for his personal library. The books were sent with all carrying charges prepaid. Circle number two of the missionary society of West End Methodist church, Nashville, Tenn., and 24 other individuals contributed to this fund.—Missionary Bulletin.

EFFECTIVE KOREAN WORKERS

With new and well trained Bible women and well-prepared district workers, according to Miss Laura Edwards, missionary to Korea, the entire evangelistic program of the Seoul and East Seoul districts is moving forward. Even in a time of war in the Orient, evangelistic work is not interrupted; in fact, church work is progressing, as the formation of new groups, the erection of new buildings, the attendance of large audiences at meetings and the presence of a goodly number of young people enrolled in training courses attest.—Missionary Bulletin.

THE BETHLEHEM CENTER

There are now eight well-established Bethlehem Centers. Recently in one week letters from three different states were received by the home secretary asking for information concerning the requirements for the establishment of such settlements. This interest is a tribute to the fine work the older settlements have done—both for the Negro communities in which they are located and for the feeling of good will created between the races in their respective cities.—Missionary Bulletin.

BEST CAMP MEETING

That the 1939 camp meeting in the Congo was "the best we have ever had" is the opinion of one of the missionaries who is teaching in the schools. Many of her students have confessed their sins made reparation, some restoring money they had taken, saying it burned their pockets, and some boys in the primary school confessed to burying their millet to keep from pounding it. They are now working to pay for the food they threw away.—Missionary Bulletin.

THE AGONY OF GOD

Georgia E. Harkness has written a poem, "The Agony of God," that makes this point dramatically:

"I listen to the agony of God—
I who am fed,
Who never yet went hungry for a day,
I see the dead—
The children starved for lack of bread—
I see and try to pray.

"I listen to the agony of God—
I who am warm.
Who never yet have lacked a sheltering home.
In dull alarm
The dispossessed of hut and farm
Aimless and "transient" roam.

"I listen to the agony of God—
I who am strong,
With health; and love, and laughter in my soul.
I see a throng
Of stunted children reared in wrong
And wish to make them whole.

"I listen to the agony of God—
But know full well
That not until I share their bitter cry—
Earth's pain and hell—
Can God within my spirit dwell
To bring his kingdom nigh."

From some source—perhaps even a Sunday school lesson—the thunder must come that will awaken at least the Christian multitudes of us to the old, old truth that our social and political salvation are ultimately up to the individual. This old world is only an aggregation of units. Suppose each person who has been to the Cross returns to live, in home and office and shop and school, a life of sincerity, purity, unselfishness and love? How quickly the wrinkles on our faces and on our hearts would be smoothed out, and the doctors would lose their "nervous prostration" cases. The saloons and cocktail bars would dry up for lack of patronage; the gambling houses would close their doors; the brothels would go out of business; and the froth, or scum, that passes for entertainment would be blown away. Instead of the prevalent shallowness and triviality, life would take on a new depth of tranquility and altruism.

Somehow, most of us seem unable to grasp the great truth that God plans better lives for us than we desire ourselves. All of us are mentally, physically and spiritually below. If we were "in tune with the Infinite," if we were yielded to and wielded the great power of the living God, should soon find life "something greater than ever we knew." If God-gifted and God-guarded and God-girded should find ourselves members of another, and members of God.

The accepted Christian philosophy of life is not to weep over the irrevocable past or shudder at the unrevealed future.—From a New Year's sermon by George R. Stuart.

Old friends are best. King James used to call for his old shoes; they were easiest for his feet.—Selden.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

Life is life by what it shares.
Through our fields run thoroughfares;
It is not robbery—
Much we fence was meant to be
Common property.

Yet he is wise, who keeps also some
private bit of skies,
Where neither foe nor friend of fitful
mood,
May intrude its solitude—
A turret room, and a magic loom,
The God of souls has lent,
Where the heart may weave its own
content.

Mrs. Martha Mann Wood.

—From Castle Heartsease.

WOMAN'S PAGE IN N. C. CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

For years the Woman's Missionary Society of W. N. C. Conference, through the generosity of the editors of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, has had a page, exclusively its own, which was used for the dissemination of missionary information relative to our woman's work. The editors of our Woman's Page have endeavored earnestly to make this page, not only a readable one, but one that would be helpful in the advancement of our woman's work. We have appreciated very greatly the kindness of our editors in granting us the privilege of this page and are ready to co-operate with them in the "adjustments on the amount of space" in the future, made necessary by the union of the churches.

A recent letter from the managing editor of the Advocate tells us "that with taking over the Methodist Protestant Herald and the additions that come from the former M. P. churches and their orphanage," it will be necessary to reduce the space allotted to the several departments of the church work, including our Woman's Missionary Conference.

We appreciate the situation and gladly lend our co-operation in the adjustment in the new order of things.

In the future two columns each week will be given us for the presentation of our work, instead of the full page heretofore. Your editor asks the needed co-operation of the publicity tending and others in contributing to the furtherance of our missionary work and the success of our Woman's Page.

SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE

Event that is being anticipated with interest by the people of Asheville, especially the Methodists, is the coming of the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference, scheduled to meet here May 22, 1940. This conference, which will be the first Jurisdictional Conference in American Methodism, will find a most cordial reception in the homes and hearts of the people of Asheville, and everything that can be

done for the pleasure and entertainment of the guests from the conferences of the jurisdiction will be done by the interested people of the city and community.

NINE PASTORS IN 275 YEARS

From World Outlook

One of New England's historic churches recently celebrated its 275th anniversary. The First Congregational church in Newton, Mass., was organized in 1664 with 40 men and 40 women making up its membership. This number has since grown 1,130.

During this entire time the church has had only nine pastors, the average tenure being 30 years. Its more famous pastors served longer terms: Jonathan Homer, 57 years; John Cotton, 43 years; Daniel Furber, 52, and Dr. Edward M. Noyes 35 years.

The church is now occupying its sixth meeting house. The original house had benches, later square pews, and these were assigned according to "dignity and taxes." Until 1895 the church consisted of two organizations, the church itself and the "proprietors of the meeting house." The proprietors rented and sold pews, paid for the building and maintenance of the meeting house while the church cared for its benevolences through voluntary contributions. Thereafter the pews were the property of the church and the expenses as well as the benevolences were raised by voluntary contributions.

DR. YOUNG J. ALLEN'S VOW OF CONSECRATION

From Year Book of 1940

"Here, Lord, on this Sabbath night at 16 minutes after nine o'clock, I surrender myself, my all, entirely to thee—my property of whatever kind it be, my time, my talents, my life, my hopes, my strength, my words, my actions; my all, O God, this night I give into thy hands. November 9, 1865."

To this vow of consecration the record of Dr. Allen's life shows he remained true:

His property, described as a small fortune, was sold when he left the homeland for China, that he might have no binding ties on the opposite side of the ocean that might recall him from his chosen land.

His time—47 years of fruitful missionary service was given to China.

His talents, unusually rich ones, were put to use in Building the kingdom of China, as translator, teacher, preacher, educator, interpreter and writer.

His life was dominated by his great missionary purpose.

His hopes that he might be an instrument in the hands of God were realized.

His strength became a source of great inspiration to his followers.

His words in Chinese and English were meant to forward the cause of

Christ and of understanding between peoples and nations.

His actions spoke so clearly for his entire consecration that those around him felt no uncertainty as to his fitness for his life's work.

His all, after his death a friend said: "His great work has opened the way for the Gospel and made it easier for us all who follow Him."

"A MAN CALLED RIGBY"

A commercial traveler named Rigby was compelled to spend a week-end every quarter in Edinburgh. He always worshipped at Free St. George's, being attracted by the wonderful ministry of Dr. Alexander Whyte. It was his invariable custom to try to persuade some other visitor to accompany him to the services.

On one occasion, after breakfast, he saw a fellow traveler writing busily, and approached him to ask if he were going to any place of worship. The man answered that he was too busy, and was also a Roman Catholic. Finally he consented to accompany Mr. Rigby and was so impressed that he asked permission to go with him again at night. At the evening service his heart was strangely moved, and he yielded himself to the call of Christ.

The next morning Mr. Rigby was passing the house of Dr. Whyte, when an impulse prompted him to call and tell the preacher of the help he had given to one soul. As the doctor listened, tears rolled down his cheeks, and then he told how he had come away from the previous evening's service feeling that everything had been a failure. Then he bethought himself to ask the name of his caller, and on being told that it was Rigby, he exclaimed.

"Why, you are the man I've been looking for for years!"

Dr. Whyte went to his study, and returned, carrying a bundle of letters, from which he read such extracts as these:

"I was spending a week-end in Edinburgh some weeks ago, and a fellow commercial called Rigby invited me to accompany him to St. George's. The message of that service changed my life."

"I am a young man, and the other day I came to hear you preach at the invitation of a man called Rigby, and in that service I decided to dedicate my life to Christ."

Dr. Whyte went on to say that 12 of the letters were from young men, of whom four had since entered the ministry.—From The Record of Christian Work.

Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do that day that must be done, whether you like it or not. Being forced to work and forced to do your best will breed in you temperance and self-control, cheerfulness and self-content and a hundred other virtues which the idle never know.—Charles Kingsley.

Religion is both a quest and an achievement. It is movement of life which, by turning outward, enriches and deepens the inward areas of personality.

Sunday School Lesson

JANUARY 21

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By Rollin H. Walker

Standard of Greatness

Scripture: Matthew 20

The disciples came to Jesus asking, "Who, then, is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" And Jesus called a little child and set him in the midst, and said, "Except ye turn and become as little children ye shall not even enter into the kingdom of heaven," not to speak of becoming great in it. It was a stroke of genius for Jesus to set men studying the little children that crowded about them everywhere, to find the secret of greatness.

There is a big difference between childishness and childlikeness. Childishness is a quality that the Christian must outgrow; childlikeness is a quality that he must grow into more and more. Education consists of the process of outgrowing such childish instincts, for instance, as that of grabbing the choicest morsel on the dinner table regardless of the guests, and at the same time giving freer and freer reign to the child's heaven-inspired impulses regardless of artificial conventions. We are to become self-controlled without becoming self-repressed; wise without becoming sophisticated.

The greatest man the writer ever knew succeeded in keeping the enthusiasm, the simplicity, and the spontaneity of childhood down to old age, and adding to it the insight of the philosopher and the wisdom of the statesman. Children are teachable, full of wonder and great hope. Hence they are ready to receive all the blessings that God is willing to bestow.

We now turn to another incident where Jesus again, and from a different standpoint, describes those who are greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

The mother of Zebedee's children with her sons James and John came to him asking that her two sons might sit on his right hand and on his left in his kingdom. We must not be too hard on this woman. She was willing to have them leave their means of livelihood to enter into a dangerous adventure with a penniless rabbi, and we find her at the end brave to stand by the cross of Jesus when all hopes of his ability to promote her sons seemed gone (Matthew 27:56). And what wonderful sons she had raised!

But like a great many good and noble people, she was on the wrong track when she sought by scheming to secure for her sons an advantage over the other disciples. She was right in wanting them to be great in the kingdom, but not right in wanting them to be great at the expense of others. She needed to realize that it is not the climber but the lifter who is great in the kingdom of God.

Jesus does not rebuke either her or her sons sharply. He asks, "Are ye

able to drink the cup that I drink?" Or to put it in the language of the young people, Can you "take it"? And they looked Jesus in the eyes, and said, "We can take it." And they were right, and Jesus knew they were right, and said, "Ye shall indeed drink the cup that I drink, but to sit on my right hand and on my left is not mine to give, but it is for them for whom it is prepared by my Father."

It is interesting to note that later on Jesus said to all the apostles that they would sit on thrones (Luke 22, 29, 30), and the book of Revelation broadcasts to all men the promise, "He that overcometh shall sit with me on my throne." Evidently there is no harm in the ambition to be enthroned with Jesus. The only harm is in seeking to elbow our way ahead of other disciples.

When the ten heard it they were moved with indignation. Perhaps Thomas said, "If things are going this way I am through with the whole business." And Judas said, piously, "In this great enterprise a man should not think of himself but only of the great cause in which we are enlisted. So Jesus called a special meeting of the apostles to consider the matter. He told them that if a man wished high promotion and dignity in God's kingdom he should be servant of all, and if he wished the top place he should be the slave of all.

Paul understood this. He signs himself the slave of Jesus Christ, and he at once adds, called to be an apostle (Romans 1:1). His slavery had led to supreme dignity in the kingdom. And we may add, to the utmost freedom (Galatians 5:1).

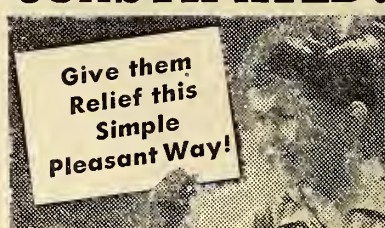
After Jesus had shown the way to greatness in the kingdom he reminded the apostles that he was only requiring of them to follow in his own footsteps, for, said he, "the Son of man came not to be ministered unto but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." The supreme Personality of history was willing, in order to get close to men, to sleep nights on the hard earthen floors of the peasants.

He was willing to touch the infectious blind eyes of the victims of trichoma, and the filthy flesh of the lepers, in order to heal them. But he was willing to do more than that. He proposed to give his life a ransom for many. Our great Physician was willing to submit to a transfusion of blood that would bleed him white, and finally cause his death, in order to free men from slavery to sin (John 15:25).

It is especially to be noted that the sacrifice of Jesus was to be a ransom for many. Jesus did not believe in any kind of slavery or sacrifice that was merely for his own spiritual discipline (1 Corinthians 13:3), nor in giving up his life for the sake of his nation at the expense of the welfare of other peoples. His death was for the world-wide multitudes.

Much has been written on our Lord's saying that he came to give his life a ransom for many, but no statement can begin to comprehend its full meaning. Two things at least are certain: Jesus on his cross convicts us of the horror of our cowardly selfishness, and through the cross we somehow get courage to believe that God will forgive us.—Christian Advocate.

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MOTHER'S NIGHT

By Cora M. Silvius

"Oh, I couldn't go that night, You see that's mother's night."

I looked at the speaker; she was one of a group of school girls.

"I could go any night but Tuesday and Saturday; those nights belong to mother and father."

"What do you know about that?" was the surprised response of one girl. "I'm glad my mother doesn't make me stay at home two nights a week."

"Oh, but father and mother do not make me stay at home. We often go out. But we all do what they choose on those nights."

Being curious I started out to investigate this girl and her home. I found the family consisted of the father, mother, 12-year-old Peggie, Roddy, who was eight, Betty, the youngest, and a grandmother.

The wise parents had dedicated one evening a week to each of the family.

On Monday both parents devoted the evening to their eldest daughter. Perhaps they took her to a concert, for she was very fond of music, or they might invite some interesting person for dinner—it would always be someone Peggie herself had selected. At another time, Peggie would invite a group of her own friends, and her parents would assist in entertaining them. It was Peggie's night.

On Tuesday which was mother's night grandmother always took charge of little Betty. No matter what came up Peggie allowed nothing to interfere with Tuesdays. Her friends had learned this and respected her for her refusal to break her rule. On these evenings food shows, fashion shows, or art exhibits were often visited. In the summer Peggie sometimes arranged a picnic supper. Occasionally father read aloud from a recent book. But whatever was done it was the result of mother's choice, and all members of the family, to the extent their ages would permit, took part in it.

Thursday was Roddy's night. He was a member of a club—"gang" he called it. Every other week the boys met at his home. What marvelous times they had! It was unanimously agreed that Roddy's father and mother were "O.K." Often the group merely did the club work and then played games; sometimes an entertainer was brought in; occasionally they had a fudge party and told stories.

Friday was Betty's night, and although she went to bed at her regular early hour, how she did enjoy the attention paid to her wishes! Sometimes mother would help her sew for her dolls, and father would make furniture for her doll house. At another time she would want assistance in making scrapbooks to take to the hospital. She was always ready with her

THE DAY'S NEEDS

Each day I pray, God give me strength anew,

To do the task I do not wish to do;
To yield obedience, not asking why;

To love and own the truth and scorn to lie;

To look a cold world bravely in the face;

To cheer for those that pass me in the race;

To bear my burdens gaily, unafraid;
To lend a hand to those that need my aid;

To measure what I am by what I give;
God, give me strength that I may rightly live!

—British Weekly.

plans, and often a long story appealed to her more strongly than anything else.

Saturday night was the best of all; that was father's night, and what surprises he did spring on them! Father seemed to have a great many friends who were especially jolly people. Once a steel mill was visited, and at another time they looked through a large telescope at the stars. Invitations to come and see or hear or learn something of value were constantly being received.

But I didn't tell you about Wednesday night; that was grandmother's night. And she was such a dear! She was always so willing to exchange evenings with someone else if there was any reason at all for it. Though if mother and father knew, in time, that she already had made definite plans of her own for that evening, one or the other made strenuous objections to the sacrifice. Often it took hard work and firmness on the part of both of them to prevent it. Such is the way with grandmothers!—National Kindergarten Association, New York.

OUR FLAG

Last year we celebrated the one hundred and sixtieth anniversary of the designation of our flag by the Continental Congress. It still flies. Its stripes, straight and true, now as then, point to the original American thrust against tyranny. Its field of stars, "representing a constellation," has expanded to reveal the greatest aggregation of self-governing states on the face of the earth.

Our flag is what we make it and keep it. It means only what we make it mean. It could still be lifted as a fossil standard above an enslaved people. So

it is a battle flag. It must be fought for and rededicated day by day. There is no war now outside our borders to unite us. But liberty can be forsworn in the restless uncertainties of a troubled peace.

There is room under the American flag for change and growth. The revolution from which it was born was our first forward charge in man's age-long struggle to loose himself from every form of involuntary servitude. The times in which we live today call for abiding faith in the American traditions of self-government. There is no room beneath the flag of free men for the solution of our problems by any other method.—New York Times.

LAST CALL FOR LIMERICKS

By R. H. Bennett

Readers of this column ask for more Limericks. Agreed. Here is the last installment. Clip them for your scrapbook for social parties. Limericking has been the recreation of some of the world's greatest citizens and scholars. You and I are in good company.

The following is claimed by many to be the cleverest tabloid verse ever written—a large claim—though it is not technically a limerick. If not so entirely imaginary, it might be called a bit heartless.

LITTLE WILLIE

Little Willy in the best of sashes,
Fell in the fire and was burned to ashes.

By and by the room grew chilly,
But no one liked to brush up Willy.

A PLAY ON WORDS

There was an old lady named Wister,
Who vowed that no man had e'er kissed her.

But her chin and her nose
Grew together so close,
If a man had tried he'd have missed her.

MARRIAGE OF MR. PUN AND MISS LIMERICK

There was a young farmer named Hall
Who fell in the spring in the fall.
'Twould have been a sad thing
If he'd fell in the spring,
But he didn't, he fell in the fall.

VERY POPULAR—CORRECT CALENDAR

There was a young fellow of Perth
Who was born on the day of his birth.
He was married, they say,
On his wife's wedding day,
And he died when he quitted the earth.

DON'T SLIGHT THE PREACHERS

An indolent vicar of Bray,
His roses allowed to decay,
His wife more alert,
Bought a powerful squirt,
And said to her spouse, "Let us spray."

Lake Junaluska, N. C.

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ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
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FIRST ROUND

January
Whitakers, 1121
Halifax, 321
Enfield, 7:3021
Elm City, 1127
McKendree, Pinctops, 327
Marvin, 7:3027
Kenly, 7:3031
February
Farmville, 114
Walstonburg, 34
Stantonsburg, 7:304
Methodist Advance Meeting, Raleigh, 9:306
Rosemary, 1111
Roanoke Rapids, 7:3011

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Shallotte, Concord, 1121
Town Creek, Piney Grove, 321
Southport, night21
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 1128
Bladen, Bethlehem, 328
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night28
February
Wilmington, Grace, 114
Clinton, night4
Swansboro, Midway, 1111
Maysville (place to be announced), 311
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night11

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 1121
Fairview, Bethany, 321
Sandy, Little Sandy, 1128
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, night28
February
Candler, Pleasant Hill, 113
Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, 114
Candler, Pleasant Hill, night4
Acton, Acton, 1111
West Asheville, night11

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Glenwood, 7:3017
Ruffin, Ruffin, 1121
Proximity, 7:3021

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Marion, First, 1121
Shady Grove, 321
Rutherford College, 7:3021
February
Valdese, 114
Tablo Rock, Mt. Grove, 34
Morganton, First, 7:304
Broad River, Tanners, 311
Bostic, Sunshine, 311
Spindale, 1111
McDowell, Bethel, 9:4518
North Forest, 1118
Marion Ct., Glenwood, 318
Cross Mills, 7:3018
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SOUTHERN
RAILWAY SYSTEM

Mill Springs, Gray's, 3	25
Glen Alpine, 7:30	25
March	
Connelly Springs, Bollinger's, 11	3
Shady Grove, 3	3
Rutherford College, 7:30	3
Old Fort, 11	10
Old Fort Ct., Bethlehem, 3	10
Marion, First, 7:30	10
Cliffside, Avondale, 11	17
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3	17
Morganton Ct., Bethlehem, 7:30	17
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11	24
Forest City, 7:30	24
Rutherfordton, 11	31
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3	31
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	31
April	
Burnsville, 11	7
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 3	7
Spruce Pine, 7:30	7
Elk Park, Newland, 11	14
Avery, Fairview, 3	14
Livville Falls, Altamont, 7:30	14
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windham, 11	21
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3	21

SALISBURY DISTRICT	
Charles N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.	
FIRST ROUND—IN PART	
January	
Mount Olivet, 11	21
Salem, 3	21
Westford, 7:30	21
Central, Spencer, 7:30	24
Yadkin, 11	28
Main Street, Rowan, 7:30	28
Central, Albemarle, 6:30	29

STATESVILLE DISTRICT	
John Hoye, Jr., D.S., Staesville, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
January	
Hickory: First Church, 11	28
Whitnel, Harpers, 3	28
North Newton, night	28
February	
Race Street, 11	4
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, 3	4
Boulevard, Statesville, night	4
Elmwood, Cleveland, 11	11
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 3	11
Jones Memorial, night	11
Troutman, Troutman, 11	18
Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 3	18
Balls Creek, Friendship, night	18
Harmony, Clarksburg, 11	25
Olin, Fairmont, 3	25
Union Grove-Zion, Union Grove, night	25
March	
Broad Street, Statesville, 11	3
Taylorsville, Carson Chapel, 3	3
Stony Point, Stony Point, night	3
Mount Zion, Mount Zion, 11	10
McKendree-Williamson, Williamson, 3	10
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, night	10
Mooresville: Central, 11	17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 3	17
Mooresville: Broad Street, night	17
Hudson, Hudson, 10 and 3	24
Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 11	24
Granite Falls, night	24
Catawba, Bethlehem, 11	31
Shophers, Wesley Chapel, 3	31
Maiden, Maiden, night	31
April	
Newton, 11	7
Hickory: Highland, Fairgrove, 3	7
Hickory: Westview, night	7
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn, 10 and 3	14
Lenoir: First Church, 11	14
Hickory: Bethel, night	14

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT	
W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.	
FIRST ROUND	
January	
Davidson, Mt. Olive, 11	21
Lewisville, Lewisville, 7	21
Winston-Salem, Ogburn Memorial, 7	22
Winston-Salem, Oak Summit-Shiloh, Shiloh, 7	23
Winston-Salem, Green St., 7:30	24
Missionary Institute, Centenary, 10	29
February	
First check-up meeting, Centenary, 7:30	5
Methodist Advance, Centenary, 9:30	7

CHILDREN'S HOME
(Continued from page 16)

most successful years.”—Julian A. Lindsey, pastor Norwood circuit.

“The ladies of Sharon church on the Shelby circuit want to sponsor a child at the Children’s Home. We want a small child and would like for you to let us know what it will cost a year and give us any information you think we should know. We are about to complete our new church there and it is a lovely structure. Mr. Rayle and I are happy in our work on the Shelby circuit.”—Mrs. J. L. Rayle.

“Our church school is less than a year old and has a small membership. When our pastor, Rev. M. L. Chappell,

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presented your Home project we were happy to have a part in this worthy cause. I am enclosing \$1 as a fifth Sunday offering. We truly hope we can increase our gifts and be a growing contributor to the Children’s Home.”

—Mrs. Maybelle Tucker, Green Valley circuit.

“Enclosed find check for \$7.83 for the Children’s Home from Union Grove-Zion charge. Smith’s Chapel paid \$1.25, Friendship \$2.63 and Mountain View \$3.95. These churches were former Methodist Episcopal congregations. Union Grove, a former Methodist congregation, will send their offering to the High Point Children’s Home.”—E. A. Bingham, pastor.

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Why don’t these children go to school? For the great bulk of these children it is but one answer: we cannot afford to. They have neither the clothes to wear nor the food to eat, so they stay home; or the school is so far away that they have no means of transportation.

It doesn’t mean much to millions to say education is free. Education generally is free when the family can afford it or when the government steps in to help the family afford it.

It is not enough to provide schools and teachers, but we must go further than that. If free education is to mean anything to the 3,500,000 who are denied opportunities to go to school you must accomplish the spread of the national income. There is no use talking to a boy in South Carolina about going to school when the average income of his father is \$129 a year.—Aubrey Williams, Director N. Y. A.

Did you hear of the Irishman in Russian who was being examined by the Soviet for citizenship?

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Mike: “Sure.”

“If you had a thousand acres of land, would you give half to the state?”

Mike: “Sure.”

“If you had two shirts, would you give one to the state?”

Mike: “No.”

“Why not?”

Mike: “Well, I’ve got two shirts.”

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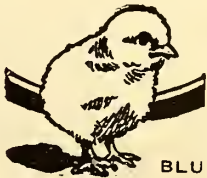
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In Memoriam

LESLIE—A useful life of the Fayetteville section left us on September 18, 1939, when N. P. Leslie was called to his heavenly home. His home going left a vacancy not only in his home and the hearts of his loved ones but in the entire community. We are thankful for his life and pray that it will inspire us to a nobler life with Christ. He loved his church and demonstrated it by serving for several years as a faithful steward.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Mary Liza Murphy Leslie, and one son, Franklin. To them we extend our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's blessings to rest upon them.

It is hard to give him up,
No one can take his place;
We cannot think of him as dead,
But just sleeping in God's grace.

J. C. Williams, P. C.

JONES—The Red Cross community of Randolph county was shocked on November 25, 1939, when it was learned that Brother Harris Jones had almost suddenly passed away, having suffered a heart attack. He was 76 years of age. Just the day before his translation the writer visited in his home and found him in his usual health. This splendid man had formed the good habit of attending all the services of Bethel church, Randolph-Gray's Chapel charge. His membership being at Gray's Chapel, he attended Bethel because of convenience. His wife, two daughters and one son survive.

Rev. A. O. Lindley, a former pastor, and the writer conducted the funeral at Gray's Chapel on Sunday afternoon, November 6, and burial took place in the church cemetery. H. L. Isley.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his wisdom has called out of this world to her eternal reward a beloved member of the Woman's Missionary Society of Westview Methodist church, Hickory, N. C., Mrs. Robert Allen; therefore be it resolved:

First, That her faithfulness to her church and to her family, and her loving kindness to those she came in contact, exemplified her Christian life.

Second, That we extend our sympathy to the members of her family, commending them to the love and care of our heavenly Father.

Third, That these resolutions be sent to her family and that they be recorded in our minutes, also be published in the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. Ralph Dellinger,
Mrs. Lenoir Correll.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On Christmas morning at the home of her niece, Mrs. L. L. Sloop, in Concord, N. C., the soul of Miss Mary Lou Wescott slipped quietly away.

She was unassuming and gentle in disposition, devoted to her family, her friends and her church and her passing leaves a vacancy that will be felt by all who knew her.

In appreciation of her unselfish life and her loving service to her church, we, the members of the Sadie Puckett Spiers Missionary Society of the Smithfield Methodist church, though saddened by her death, bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father; therefore be it resolved:

First, That we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy.

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be recorded in our minutes and that copies be sent to The Smithfield Herald, The Johnston County Herald and the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. G. W. Grier,
Mrs. I. W. Medlin,
Miss Virginia Puckett.

IN MEMORIAM

We, the members of the woman's missionary society of the Leasburg church, pause in reverence to pay loving tribute to the memory of one of our most loved and loyal charter members, Mrs. W. J. Pulliam, who at the age of 86 years and ten months slipped quietly and peacefully into the great beyond on the evening of November 6, 1930.

For those who never knew Mrs. Pulliam no words could fully portray her, and for her many friends no review of her useful and beautiful life is needed to heighten their admiration or deepen their gratitude for the privilege of friendship with her. Such a life deserved and won our best of love and appreciation.

As one looks back over her life two distinct pictures, one as lovely as the other, present themselves. The first picture is that of her early life and its growth into mature years so filled with activity. When she was very young her mother died, and she was forced to assume the responsibility of homemaker for her father and "little mother" for her younger brothers and sisters. This task, which she performed so well, no doubt strengthened and prepared her for that distinctive service in her home community throughout all her active years. While looking well to all the needs of her immediate family, her interest and service still went out to the neighbors around her. Her grace, her willing hands, her wise understanding—in fact, all her talents were put into service for others. Many whose needs were great and varied sought her help and counsel and found comfort and relief. Some one on the occasion of her funeral aptly expressed in these words this service rendered to so many: "She did a splendid job of mothering over a long period of time."

In all this busy life Mrs. Pulliam did not forget her duties to her God and to her church. She met these in the same manner as she did the others—giving of her best in time and talents.

The second picture we have of Mrs. Pulliam shows her in her later life when, because of her years and physical frailties, it became her task to serve by only "standing and waiting." This task she performed as well as she did the others, enduring with a patience and serenity that was beautiful and sublime.

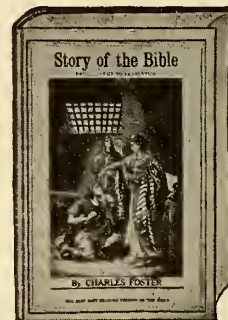
Her fine spirit is at home among loved ones gone before in the spirit land. The kindly treatment which she received there will be a glorious continuation of that accorded her on earth at the hands of those who loved her dearly and tenderly attended her every wish and need.

The three noble daughters of this good mother are carrying on her influence in their own home communities—Mrs. Cora P. Newsom, Littleton; Mrs. R. T. Poole, Troy; and Miss Mattie Pulliam, Leasburg, former superintendent of woman's work in the Durham district. To these and other connections we extend our deepest sympathy. May they know that while we grieve with them we also rejoice with them, remembering this devoted mother and triumphant Christian.

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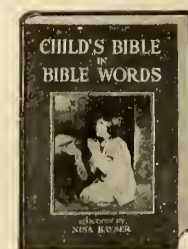
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The Finns, Their Traits and Temperament

By Hudson Strode in the New York Times

IN Finland the stranger senses security and fair dealing straight off. Even in the cities he feels no necessity for bolting doors, and above the Arctic Circle it is an unwritten law that doors be left unlocked, for in winter nights the difference between a locked door and one that opens quickly may mean the difference between death and life to a freezing traveler. The oft-told tales of found purses being nailed to trees and retrieved by their owners months later are not exaggerations.

A Finn cannot see why people praise a man for anything as natural as honesty. In regard to the famous war debts to the United States, the Finns think it is pointless to make such a fuss. "Is it such a wonder," they ask Americans, "if I repay the money you have lent me? We did not intend to keep it, of course."

The Finns are relentless against boasting and pretentiousness. They do not encourage "personalities" among their compatriots. They are apt to discredit all "chiefs," and particularly those who rise too fast.

Rich men's sons are not pampered in Finland. Their fathers train them for the business of meeting life. "No tennis courts are allowed at our country place," the well-to-do son-in-law of Jean Sibelius said to me. "My boys can play tennis at school if they like. At home in summer they are in the fields with the laborers at 7 o'clock every morning. They work until the laborers quit in the evening, and the boys get the peasant's point of view."

"Don't they ever get a vacation?" I asked.

"Oh, yes. The 19-year-old one is on vacation now. He's helping to build anti-tank fortifications near the Russian frontier, fitting the granite boulders in the holes."

History has taught the Finn in the brutal way which is her own not to hurry needlessly. Finns do not like haste, but they always arrive in time. An old proverb says, "God made time, but man made haste." The Finn often conveys the impression of being phlegmatic. When it is necessary, however, he can hurry.

The Finns are grounded in their folk-ways and cling to customs that reach back a thousand years. Yet there is no nation today more alert to new ideas. The Finns are not afraid of experiments. They were the first to try out prohibition. Some of their schools and hospitals and co-operative shops are so replete with modern equipment they seem to belong to future decades. Their factories and laborers' houses, often designed by their foremost architects, are calculated to beautify the district as well as to be models of efficiency.

Though Finns are not big talkers, they can be excellent conversationalists. And they can be eloquent with passionate appeal when something that matters is at stake—something that touches their patriotism. Patriotism is the Finn's real religion.

The Finnish passion for education and self-improvement is another kind of religion. The Finns feel a responsibility to uplift themselves and their fellowman. There are more university students in Finland in proportion to the population than in any other country in the world. There are more books published annually per capita.

They savor living in their own peculiar way. A man of infinite patience, a Finn can be passive with the utmost calm. Yet without any prompting, he seems to know when it is his cue to act. And for all his cool-blooded rhythms and serene, poker-faced appearance, there is something dangerous in his make-up to be mightily feared if it is loosed. He himself does not fear death or destruction. When a situation looks particularly dangerous or grim, the Finn laughs and says, "Oh, well, nothing fiercer than death can come of it."

ANNUAL PRESS INSTITUTE DINNER AT DUKE UNIVERSITY

Friday evening, January 19, the North Carolina Press Association enjoyed the usual high privilege of being guests of Duke University at the ninth annual dinner of the association at Duke. All of these dinners have been delightful occasions, but if possible this surpassed all that have gone before.

The dinner was the first in the spacious and elegant new dining hall on the second floor of the Union. A large ante-room with a huge fireplace in which were blazing logs provided a delightful welcome to the guests, many of whom had driven quite a distance in sub-freezing weather. And this was but the first welcome to the men of the Fourth Estate and their wives.

President W. P. Few, who presided, informed the editors that they were the first guests in the new dining hall and assured them it was theirs to use whenever they chose.

In response to this gracious offer of President Few, William E. Horner, president of the North Carolina Press Association, indicated that they might desire to use it next fall for celebrations after football games. Perhaps here is as good place as any to say that Mr. Horner, who was on the program for "Remarks," proved by the way he handled original poetry to be a humorist of no mean ability. The application of his poetry to President Few, Henry Dwire and Hersey Spence convulsed that big assembly with spontaneous and contagious laughter.

"The News That's 'Print to Fit'" was the subject of Dr. Spence's address. No one else could duplicate this combination of humorous stories both new and old, wit and wisdom of the Spencerian variety and unexpected strokes of humor that rang the bell.

"The War Today" was discussed by DeWitt MacKenzie, special writer on foreign affairs for the Associated Press. He was in Europe as correspondent in the first World War as a youth. He is now a seasoned writer upon European affairs and able to speak with authority if any man can. The editors heard him with the greatest interest and valued the privilege of getting first hand information about European affairs. He spoke of a number of things "off the record" and these were heard with all the greater interest.

Vocal selections were rendered by Duke University Double Quartette, J. Foster Barnes, director. These were up to the usual high standard and a feature of the evening's program.

RALEIGH'S NEW CHURCH VENTURES

At the celebration last Sunday of Superintendent Barnes' 25 years as head of the Methodist Orphanage, we "passed the time of day" with Rev. H. M. Lawrence of Person Street, Rev. Leon Russell of Hayes-Barton, and Rev. H. M. McLamb of Fairmont. These brethren report a most hopeful outlook for these three new church enterprises in our capital city.

Brother Leon Russell and his people are enjoying to the full their new church. It is commodious and beautiful. Some of them say it is becoming crowded already. Fairmont in West Raleigh near State College is taking shape in the way of gathering a congregation and providing a church home. Person Street involves a readjustment of

the Central and Epworth congregations. This is a big undertaking of fine promise. When the enterprise is carried to completion many will rejoice. Three fine young ministers are in charge of these suburban situations fully capable of carrying on in a most successful way. We are fortunate.

METHODIST ADVANCE, SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION SCHEDULE

February 5—Richmond, Va. W. W. Peele.
 February 6—Raleigh, N. C. W. W. Peele.
 February 7—Winston-Salem, N. C. Clare Purcell.
 February 8—Columbia, S. C. Clare Purcell.
 February 9—Atlanta, Ga. J. L. Decell.
 Team—Edwin H. Hughes, H. L. Smith, Ernest Waldorf.
 February 12—St. Petersburg, Fla. Paul B. Kern.
 February 13—Jacksonville, Fla. Paul B. Kern.
 February 14—Birmingham, Ala. W. T. Watkins.
 February 15—Birmingham, Ala. Alex. P. Shaw.
 February 16—Jackson, Miss. W. T. Watkins.
 Team—E. H. Hughes, Titus Lowe, Ralph Cushman.
 February 18—Memphis, Tenn. R. E. Jones.
 February 19—Memphis, Tenn. W. T. Watkins.
 February 20—Nashville, Tenn. Paul B. Kern.
 February 21—Louisville, Ky. U. V. W. Darlington.
 February 22—Knoxville, Tenn. Paul B. Kern.
 February 23—Bristol, Tenn. Paul B. Kern.
 Team—Ralph Cushman, C. W. Flint, G. B. Oxnam.

Note: Team of speakers are to be heard at the places and dates preceding their names.

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We thank our good Brother Weaver for his work and commend his example to all other laymen of the Methodist Church of North Carolina. May his tribe increase and thereby quicken the intelligence of those who became readers of their church paper.

RALEIGH DISTRICT LEAGUE OF STEWARDS

Mr. A. M. Noble, lay leader of Raleigh district, has called a meeting of the District League of Stewards for next Sunday afternoon, January 28, at 2:45 in Edenton Street church, Raleigh. Representatives from every charge is expected. A fine program has been arranged. These district meetings are proving of much interest and value. All pastors who can are expected to be present.

SALISBURY DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

The Salisbury District Missionary Institute will be held at the First Methodist church, Salisbury, February 1, at 9:30 a. m. All pastors, members of local church councils and missions, and other interested laymen of the district are urged to attend. The fact that Dr. Clark is in the hospital should challenge us to encourage him by making the institute an outstanding success.

C. C. Herbert, Jr.,
 District Missionary Secretary.

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A man is a dismal failure unless he carries more wealth in his character than in his pocketbook. Men of character have that which endures and contributes to the wealth of others, but even a full pocketbook has a way of getting flabby on short order.

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In these last days we read by electric lights and glory in fancy chandeliers under which to dream. Some imagine that they are growing great. Not necessarily. Lincoln read by an open fireplace in his cabin and others of the great knew only the light of a pine knot. Tallow candles and electric bulbs have both aided men to walk in the ways of the mighty.

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It has been said there are just three kinds of lies—ordinary lies, expert testimony, and statistics. The first we meet at every turn in life, the second get in their wicked work in the modern courts of injustice, and the third appear wherever a man desires evidence on any and every subject under the sun. Logic and facts frequently give out, but figures never. By figures one can prove that the kingdom of heaven is at hand and by the same method it can be established that the devil is constantly getting a stronger grip on things. Figures are always handy to have about for immediate use.

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Benjamin Franklin, as thoroughly American as any American who ever lived, declared: "Freedom of speech is a principal pillar of free government; when this support is taken away, the constitution of a free society is dissolved and tyranny is erected on its ruins. Those abuses of the freedom of speech are the excesses of liberty. They ought to be suppressed; but to whom dare we commit the care of doing it? An evil magistrate, intrusted with power to punish for words, would be armed with a weapon the most destructive and terrible. Under the pretext of pruning the exuberant branches, he would be apt to destroy the tree."

Bishop John M. Moore, since retiring from the active work of the episcopacy, has become a church editor, having recently been chosen editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate. Dr. Moore before he became a bishop was an alert and capable editor. How will he do now? The office of bishop spoils some men. It not only deprives them of a brotherly and democratic spirit, but destroys their capacity to think new thoughts. Some of us are greatly interested to know if the bishopric can unmake a good editor.

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When do minor sermons become major sermons? Or the kindred question, when do minor preachers become major preachers? The minor prophets and the major prophets of the Old Testament may help with the answer to these questions. The question of length settled the question in centuries past. But no reputable scholar of the present day is willing to be governed by such a distinction. Amos, or Hosea, or Micah is superior to Daniel or Ezekiel, while Isaiah is greatest of all. Length as a standard of value has passed away. How excellent if preachers and writers for the church press could learn this simple truth!

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The following paragraph is lifted out of the fine article, "The Imitation of Christ," by Dr. Charles A. Ellwood which appears in this issue of the Advocate: "Spiritual rebirth, the sublimation of personality to the Christian way of life, is necessarily an involved matter. Those who would Christianize the social order without beginning with the individual and proceeding through the regeneration of individuals have therefore made a profound psychological and sociological error. The individual must first be taught, either by early training in home and church, or by a profound emotional disturbance, that he must build his life upon eternal values, before we can expect a community so to build its life."

Jesus the Supreme Co-ordinator

DISCUSSING "Christianity and the Economic Crisis" at the Council of Churches in Greensboro last week, Dr. Justin Wroe Nixon made a plea for a new type of great man in America. We have exalted the men who could acquire power and build fortunes. Now we need, says he, the great man who can adjust and hold together the world by getting men to work together in harmony—men who are what the cement is in the brick wall. He cited Sidney Hillmar in the field of labor, Owen D. Young in industry and public affairs, and John R. Mott in the field of religion. This was a most refreshing suggestion in the midst of much confusion in the many efforts to set out the situation at present.

The failure of most men on the platform these days, as the land rings from side to side, is that they have so few remedies for the ills of the world. Again and again the present world situation is portrayed, but most of it ends there. Many warn against the perils of totalitarianism and all the other isms that threaten democracy and Christianity, but they have no cure. Others, as they make a plea for the church, see salvation only in religion. But too often it is for a church organization able to deal with an unchristian social order. Labor problems, race relations, rural conditions, economic needs, slums, prisons and all such human problems are discussed with little being done about it. The average church is helpless in the face of all such.

Just now our Methodism is in a great venture. Naturally missions, education, social reform, enlistment of youth and spiritual nurture are to the front. Are we going to rely on ritual and the mechanics of religion to furnish the dynamics? Some would substitute the canticles of the sanctuary for the voice of the prophet. This may do in the city centers where the churches gather their support from the men and women who got their start and made their first acquaintance with God in the country and the village churches when Christ was revealed within them. But in this day of industrial regimentation when the tendency is to regiment church life and to give it a secure material basis by caring for the material resources no such can win. Instead let there be diligence to keep Jesus in the center of indi-

vidual and of group life. Jesus never regimented life; he did not even organize a church. He moved nearer the center. The first great missionary declared it pleased God to reveal Christ within him.

If our Methodism gets away from this we will find ourselves as helpless as was the High Churchman, John Wesley, in Savannah and in England before Aldersgate. After that, Jesus became the great co-ordinator in making the man who saved England and the early pioneers who spread scriptural holiness over America. He makes a new order of great men.

Doctrine of the Second Blessing

HONESTLY, we are not concerned about the much made of this doctrine upon which the "second blessing" people lay such stress. Frankly, we have slight interest in most theological pronouncements. The theologians certainly have much to answer for through the long centuries. Jesus had little to say about theological doctrine; Christian doctrine began with Paul who set about interpreting the life and teachings of Jesus. But whenever Paul got in a close place he relied not on doctrine but on his own experience; of these marvelous hours, he testified. He had that first vision, followed by so many more. It would be of supreme interest to know how many, many "blessings" Paul did have during all those years after his sojourn in the third heaven of which he said nothing for fourteen years.

To us the height of absurdity is the "doctrine" of the second blessing. It is foolish to attempt to put any experience with God in a "concept." How much more absurd is an effort to limit the acts of God in the religious life of man to two blessings. The "second blessing" is one of the strange absurdities of theological discussion. Our interest is in the numerous blessings that come to the pilgrims of the spirit world who as they journey are able to disclose to our broken and crushed and sin burdened humanity what God can do for man. Ever since John Wesley and Francis Asbury our world Methodism has been blessed by the pioneer pilgrims in close fellowship with God who disclosed the secrets of the soul and the truths of Holy Scripture as they journeyed. Such pilgrims are much needed just now as we stand on the borders of the promised land. Not doctrines, not canticles, not pretentious professions, but testimony of a God able to save men

from sin—all men from every sin—is the plea.

Above all else do we need souls aflame who with passionate abandon can tell of their fellowship with God in such a way as to bring men to God. Religious homilies and ethical discussions must give place to the passionate proclamation of the glorious glad gospel that Jesus saves! Jesus saves! Our fear is that most of these orations telling of the Advance may be worn slick, devoid of passionate appeal, before the General Conference assembles at Atlantic City. All of us must continuously be renewed from day to day.

University of Chicago Completing Its First Half Century

IN May, 1889, John D. Rockefeller signed a letter to Rev. Fred T. Gates, secretary of the American Baptist Education Society, that pledged \$600,000 to start the University of Chicago. On July 1, 1891, William Rainey Harper officially took office as president. And in 1896 the board of trustees designated that date as the beginning of the university. Consequently this university will not complete the first fifty years till July 1, 1941.

Like Duke University at Durham, N. C., it became a great university in the first decade of its existence, but it has been growing all the while and continues to expand.

Mr. Rockefeller terminated his personal support to the university in 1910 when he made his final gift. At that time he said, "I am acting upon an early and permanent conviction that this great institution should be controlled, conducted, and supported by the people in whose generous efforts for the up-building I have been permitted simply to cooperate."

In addition to the gifts of Mr. Rockefeller, who founded the university, there have been, it is reported, 14,000 donors, not to mention the \$2,000,000 which the alumni gave in 1925.

This university has been a pioneer in many things. Among the claims are: "It was the first to introduce the quarter system and to keep open the year around. It was first to use the plan of 'majors' and 'minors.' It was first to organize a junior college and a university press. It was first to engage in extension work on the university level. It was first to give faculty status to athletic coaches. All of these ideas have been copied and expanded."

Social Progress Slow

SOcial progress comes at a snail's pace by slow growth and hard struggle. There are many reasons for this. Among them are these: Men may not hate the truth, but they fear the truth, they cling tenaciously to old ideas and the ancient customs even when age alone commends them. For it is easier to move in a well worn groove than to blaze new trails in the wilderness. Faith has ever been characterized by great daring, but men lack faith. Ignorance and fear hold them back, while faith says, "Get thee out into a country that I will show thee." The ultra conservative lacks most of all faith and vision. To him the country that is without beaten pathways made by the feet of former generations is a land of hobgoblins and bottomless pits and to that man wisdom cries, "Stay out, only the foolhardy will venture therein." Still we make some little headway. As Gilbert Massey well says:

"'Tis weary watching wave by wave,
And yet the tide heaves onward;
We climb, like corals, grave by grave,
That pave a pathway sunward;
We are driven back, for our next fray
A newer strength to borrow,
And where the vanguard camps today,
The rear shall rest tomorrow."

Fine Enthusiasms

HOW admirable to be possessed with some fine enthusiasm! It may be for painting, or music or other of the fine arts. It may be for the attainment of some high and far off ideal. It may be for the completion of some noble task. It may be that devotion to a great cause which makes one willing to die for it. But whatever they are these enthusiasms have been the makers of artists, heroes, conquerors, and martyrs. But for these fine enthusiasms which have possessed the lives of men the whole history of the race would be drab. The stretch of the centuries would be as a desert land without a flower, a song, a shining deed, or an illustrious name. While some have never felt the thrill of a stirred spirit, God be praised for the many who have experienced those pulsations that are engendered by a burning heart, and have left over the long pathway of humanity the trailing clouds of glory and by each milestone a monument to some noble achievement.

❖ People and Things ❖

The Pineville Methodist church has for sale about 75 square yards of good used carpet. This carpet can be bought at a bargain. If interested get in touch with L. B. Barnett, Pineville, N. C.

We are down this year "where the sea breezes blow" and sea food is plentiful. Best of all, we are where people live close to nature and to God, and where they do not hesitate to leave boxes of groceries and other useful things when the pastor forgets to lock the parsonage door.—J. R. Regan, Pastor.

The Alamance county young people's union will meet at Central church, Mebane, Friday, January 26, at 7:30 p. m. A feature of the program will be an illustrated lecture on our African mission field. Fifty slides thrown on a 10x10 feet screen will be used. We hope to have 150 or 200 young people, including those from the former M. P. churches.—W. T. Phipps.

The minutes of the conference list as paid on benevolences for Hudson charge \$60 on an assumed \$250 for the year. Actually the charge paid \$239. Cedar Valley, Colliers, and Mt. Hermon paid in full the amounts assumed. Of \$77 assumed by Hudson \$71 were paid. Of the \$37 assumed by Ebenezer \$32 were paid. Could this correction be published in the Advocate?—O. L. Robinson.

Two new paragraphs recordings for use on Missionary Day in the Sunday school have just been released by the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. The titles are: "Negro Country Preacher" and "A Methodist Rural Pastor." These are in addition to other records available for loan without charge to churches. Requests for a complete list of available records or for the loan of records may be sent to Miss Ada V. Clouden, 1701 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Words of wisdom: Rev. A. S. Barnes in his response on the day of his 25th anniversary at the Methodist Orphanage said he had administered the church home with two basic things in mind, to avoid debt and to be a "dad" to the children under him. "I have tried to make it so that the boys and girls here can go out into the world cultured and trained to make contributions to the church and to the state," he said in rededicating himself "to the highest ideals" governing management of the orphanage.

"The Passion Play," given every ten years since 1640, by the wood-carving villagers of Oberammergau, in Upper Bavaria, forty-three miles southwest from Munich, will have no performance in 1940. The reason for the postponement is the same as offered in 1870: although all of the Apostles and most of the leading characters are over military age, the new Christus and many of the supernumeraries are not. The committee of villagers, which controls the destinies of the play, adds that "the next performance will be given in the year following the end of the war."

Rev. J. H. Armbrust, pastor of Main Street church, Reidsville, N. C., was the open forum speaker at Duke University December 14. The forum was under the auspices of the School of Religion. The subject for discussion was, "The Minister at Work Among Delinquent Youth." For several years Mr. Armbrust has served as voluntary juvenile probation officer. Scores of boys and girls have been under his supervision with good results. His church grants him the necessary time for the work and many of his members serve on the staff as Big Brothers to erring young people. Mr. Armbrust was at one time an employee of the Cincinnati Methodist Book Concern, working in the mailing department. During that time he attended night high school, later graduating from Ohio Northern and Boston universities.—Cincinnati Christian Advocate.

On account of considerable extra work involved in producing the extra large edition of the Western North Carolina Conference Journal, the Advocate office has been somewhat delayed in printing the Minutes of the North Carolina Conference which are also somewhat more voluminous than usual. However, the job is now complete and these Minutes will be distributed next week.

More than a hundred people attending the regular mid-week service at First church, Asheboro, had the unexpected pleasure last week of hearing Dr. Norman A. Huffman tell in a most interesting way of his experiences in Turkey last summer, illustrating his lecture with slides made from his own pictures. First church is very proud of its prayer meeting attendance and Dr. Huffman made a distinct contribution to the prevailing interest in these services. He was accompanied by Mrs. Huffman, who spoke before the Asheboro Woman's Club during the afternoon.

The Raleigh Times of last Monday afternoon contains the following editorial: "In addition to maintaining one of the most elaborate educational plants in the country along with an occasionally 'colossal' football squad, Duke University gives due consideration to the 'inner man.' This fact was exemplified when the Methodist University played host to the North Carolina Press Association and set before its members a repast which would have elicited sighs of approval from even the most critical and exacting gourmet, not excepting the late Diamond Jim Brady. Included on the menu were tender squabs—no, they did not come from the Capitol Square—cooked with an artistry equal to that of the chefs at the old Delmonico; fresh pineapples, sweet potatoes encased in orange skins, various unrememberable delicacies and a complicated and tasty dessert which defies description."

Trinity Methodist Church, L. E. Mabry, Pastor, Lexington.—On January 1 our church was in the best financial condition since 1936. All local and district expenses were paid, and the money is in hand to pay for painting six of our class rooms. Our attendance has been off, due to sickness and bad weather. Our watch night service was good. Nearly 50 per cent of the 10 per cent apportionment to the High Point Children's Home has been paid. We are planning to order our new Methodist hymnals in the next two weeks. With such a good start we expect this to be the best year with Rev. L. E. Mabry, our pastor. Mr. Mabry was recently elected president of the Lexington Ministerial Association. We organized a junior church Sunday night with 50 members present. This is our first church report to N. C. Christian Advocate. Hope to have plenty of news for the future.—Reporter.

To guide the thinking of the American churches, the Federal Council's Department of International Justice and Goodwill, in co-operation with the Foreign Missions Conference, is convening a National Study Conference on the Churches and the International Situation to be held in Philadelphia, Pa., February 27-29. Denominations within and without the Federal Council are being asked to appoint delegates to the conference, and it is expected that some two hundred churchmen will be in attendance. The Philadelphia conference will not be an official body. Its recommendations, whatever they may be, will be submitted to the participating communions and to the Federal Council of Churches for such action as these groups deem to be wise and proper. The program will be organized around the following seminars: The Local Church and the World Crisis, Missions and the World Crisis, Conscientious Objectors in War Time, The Ecumenical Movement and the Peace and War Problem, The Churches and American Policy, Mercy and Relief.

A layman, hearing of Uniting Conference achievements, said: "What do you mean—more lay activity? Don't we kick enough now?" A little lay activity, with a little knowledge, is a dangerous thing. Larger liberty of the laymen soon will keep kicking feet upon the ground, so that the shoulder can be put squarely to the wheel.—Dean Taylor.

Judge C. L. Shepard of the South Georgia Methodist conference will address two gatherings of Methodists Sunday. He will speak at the Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Wilmington, Sunday morning, January 28, at 11 o'clock and at Grace Methodist church Sunday night at 7:30. A leading layman in the Georgia Methodist conference, Judge Shepard is a forceful speaker. The public is invited to hear the addresses. Monday night, January 29, a banquet meeting will be held at the Trinity Methodist church, the meeting being sponsored by the District League of Stewards.

At least two of the churches on the Warsaw-Magnolia charge feel that poundings are still in order. Turkey and Trinity churches gladdened the preacher and his family at Christmas time when those good people showered the parsonage with many good things to eat. We are indeed grateful. A tour first quarterly conference a ten per cent increase over last year was accepted on benevolences. Magnolia church is now working to get a new roof on their church building. Trinity church is now working on plans to build some Sunday school rooms. A group of nine men have recently placed a beautiful illuminated bulletin board in front of the church at Warsaw. It is a beautiful addition to the church lawn. About four months ago a junior choir was organized in the Warsaw church. Under the direction of Mrs. Allene Marriner, this group has performed in a very pleasing manner. These 24 vested singers are an inspiration to any congregation.—C. J. Andrews, Pastor.

One night soon after we returned to the charge for our second year, the Sparta people gave us a most generous linen shower, but that was only a beginning for these good people. Since that time a complete water system has been completed for the parsonage and we now have running water. The parsonage kitchen has been remodeled. The back porch has been screened in and some of the house repainted. The woman's missionary society in Sparta put two inner-spring mattresses in the parsonage. The young people's society furnished the dining room with a nice dining room suite. We now have a good place to eat, to sleep, and good water to drink. We can now have all the water we want, and can take a bath. Having carried water from our neighbors' wells for the last five and quarter years we know how to appreciate the blessing of running water. However, we are not going to eat, sleep, and float around all the year, Mr. Editor. Our people are reading the Christian Advocate. We have secured seven new subscribers since conference. There are many other fine things that might be added, but time and space will not permit further indulgence. Suffice it to say that the Sparta circuit is not dead, and again it will come through with another good year. Somehow an error got in my final report for the conference journal. The minutes should read, pastor's salary assumed \$1050 and paid \$1050. Salary was paid in full for all the churches."—Lindsay F. Strader.

FOREST HILL CHURCH, CONCORD

The year 1939 marked the 50th anniversary of Forest Hill Methodist church, Concord. It was in 1889 that the church officially began its existence, most of the charter members having formerly been members of Central church. In these 50 years Forest Hill church has made such progress that today it has enrolled the largest membership of all churches of all denominations in Concord.

This remarkable progress is due in no small degree to the leadership of two noble men, a father and a son, Captain J. N. Odell and Mr. W. R. Odell, who gave unstintingly of their time, talent and material resources to the carrying on of the work of the kingdom through Forest Hill church.

The 50th anniversary year was celebrated in several ways. It was entirely fitting, however, that the final special event of the year should have been a service in December in which the congregation as a whole presented to the church trustees a beautiful bronze tablet in memory of Captain J. M. Odell and Mr. W. R. Odell.

After a sermon by the pastor, C. C. Herbert, Jr., on the text, "Laborers together with God," the congregation was resolved into a church conference. Mr. S. J. Sherrill, representing the congregation, presented a resolution expressing appreciation for the noble lives of the two men and offering to the trustees the bronze tablet. The congregation unanimously adopted the resolution by rising and standing for a few moments of silence. Mr. W. A. Wilkinson, representing the trustees, accepted the tablet with appropriate words.

The bronze tablet is 21 inches wide and 30 inches high. It has been erected in the vestibule of the church so that it catches the eye of all who enter this church to which these two men gave such superb leadership. The wording of the tablet is as follows: "IN MEMORIAM—JOHN MILTON ODELL 1831-1910—WILLIAM ROBERT ODELL 1855-1938 —BENEFACTORS and charter members of Forest Hill Methodist Episcopal Church, South, whose congregation erects this tablet on the fiftieth anniversary of its founding —1880-1939—'Laborers together with God' 1 Cor. 3:9."

Forest Hill church enters its second 50 years under the splendid lay leadership of an Odell of the third generation. Mr. Arthur G. Odell, son of W. R. Odell and grandson of J. M. Odell, is chairman of the board of stewards and lay leader of the church. He is worthily and devotedly carrying forward the lay activities of this splendid church in line with the high standards of his father and grandfather. In more ways than can be enumerated he has given the most loyal support and encouragement to his new pastor.

With a great past, we hope at Forest Hill church, under the guidance of God, to move forward into a still greater future.
C. C. Herbert, Jr.

HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

It is almost time for church people to begin looking forward to Easter. So a reference now to Christmas almost calls for an apology, if it were not for that sickness is our excuse. Christmas in this Children's Home was one continuous round of joy and happiness among our children, made so by the gifts in money and substance of the hundreds of friends of the home.

A Hearty Thank You

The people of the local community have always been good to us. They were better than usual this time. Our conference people were generous in their gifts to the children. And Sunday school classes and women's organizations from many other states sent boxes and packages for general distribution, as well as a number of individual presents. And the Christmas cards coming to individual children and to the workers were many and beautiful. In every way the dear people seemed trying to outdo themselves in being kind to the dwellers in this home.

For all of this all of us are profoundly grateful, and wish to say a very hearty thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to our joy. Rev. E. A. Lamb, our assistant, has already reported the Christmas exercises and the manifest joy around the Christmas tree.

Why So Late?

This explanation of appreciation is late only because the superintendent has been sick since Christmas. We have been shut in for four weeks, one of which was spent in a hospital. So our thank you comes late.

The doctors tell me that I must take it very quietly for a long time. In the meantime Mrs. Dixon and the other good helpers are doing my work—that which I cannot get out to do myself.

All my life I have been hurrying to do all possible in service for the Master, but now I'll have to cease hurrying for a while. I have "run and not grown weary," and now I shall try to "walk and not faint."

Finances

Mrs. Dixon is making out our report for the Duke Endowment and hasn't had time to foot up our income during the last two weeks, and I have not been able; so cannot tell you just how we stand. But money is scarce and bills have piled up during the winter until we are in great need at this time.

Don't Worry

The doctors tell me that under no conditions must I worry. Ask any superintendent of a children's home how to keep from worrying when the body is weak and the treasury is low. It is easy to say "Don't worry." And I shall do my very best to keep this part of the doctor's advice. And I feel sure that hundreds you would gladly help me keep it. Well, just lend me your help by helping to send in good monthly offerings from your Sunday schools, by sending personal gifts, and by sending in promptly whatever money may be in your hands for this home.

May the dear Father abundantly bless every one of you and give you great joy in service for him.

MEMORIAL ADDRESS

(Delivered by Rev. Samuel B. Turrentine, at the funeral service of Rev. Thomas J. Rogers, at Muir's Chapel Methodist church, Monday, 2 p. m., January 8, 1940).

Thomas Jefferson Rogers, son of James Marshall Rogers and Nancy Belk Rogers, was born in Manroe, N. C., January 4, 1861; he was converted and joined the Methodist church in early life; and attended Union county schools and Rutherford College.

On April 11, 1894, he was happily united in marriage to Miss Lillian Kate Wiseman of Rutherford county, North Carolina. Brother Rogers was admitted on trial into the Methodist itinerancy at Greensboro in 1889, during the last annual conference of North Carolina Methodism before the division into two conferences, the North Carolina conference and the Western North Carolina conference. He was admitted into full connection at the second session of the Western North Carolina conference, at Asheville in 1891.

During his active ministry he served the following charges: Henrietta, Mountain Island, Marion, Waynesville, Newton, Mooresville, Rutherfordton, Lincolnton, Ramseur-Franklinton, North Wilkesboro, West Greensboro, Madison, Kernersville, and Main Street church, High Point.

Throughout his active ministry he rendered efficient service in the various departments of the pastorate. Included in constructive work he began the new church building at Lincolnton, had erected the educational building of Main Street church, High Point, and effected the building of present parsonage of West Greensboro charge. He was an efficient pastor. The statement has been made that Brother Rogers' "particular ministry was predominantly evangelistic in character, and he was widely known for the large number of conversions made in evangelistic meetings, and at the same time he was considered very effective as a pastor." The tribute is paid that he received 3,600 members on profession of faith in his own pastoral charges.

He was known as progressive in his labors, and for ten years attended the summer school for pastors at Duke University.

After having thus faithfully served for forty-three years in the active ministry, he retired in 1932 on account of ill health. During these years of retirement he was regular in attending church services and Sunday school unless prevented by infirmity or illness.

During the recent period of illness Brother Rogers indicated that he was aware of nearing the end. Following a critical illness of about two weeks, this faithful servant of God, on Saturday afternoon, January 6, 1940, gently passed from the Burrus Hospital, High Point, unto the larger life beyond.

On November 13, 1935, the wife, who had devotedly shared in the itinerancy, preceded her faithful companion to the "Father's house of many mansions."

Surviving are the following children: Mrs. Hilda Stansbury, Mrs. Helen Sampson and Miss Virginia Rogers, all of Greensboro; Mrs. Kathleen Tate, High Point; Mrs. Marguerite Rossiter, Washington; Mrs. Marion Joyce, Fairfield, Fla.; T. Baxter Rogers, Indianapolis, Ind.; W. Kilgo Rogers, Lincolnton; Thomas J. Rogers, Jr., Greensboro, and John G. Rogers, Winston-Salem.

Also surviving are two brothers, J. P. Rogers, Monroe, and S. A. Rogers, Clarkton; a sister, Mrs. John Carr, Monroe, and eight grandchildren.

Brother Rogers has bequeathed to his family and friends a rich legacy of priceless spiritual values. "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches and loving favour rather than silver and gold."

He was not unmindful of Paul's admonition to Timothy: "But watch thou in all things, enduring afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of (or fulfil) thy ministry."



Rev. T. J. Rogers

Photo Courtesy Greensboro Daily News

He has "come to" his "grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his season." How rich are God's promises to the wise for faithful service: "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

May "the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort, who comforteth us in all our tribulation," richly comfort and sustain every bereaved heart.

WOMAN'S COLLEGE, GREENSBORO, RANKS THIRD IN POPULATION

Woman's College, with an enrollment of 2,236, ranks third in population among women's colleges in the United States, according to a report received by Dr. W. C. Jackson, dean of administration. It is surpassed only by Hunter College, in New York City, and Texas State College for Women, which hold first and second places, respectively.

Of the 100 counties in North Carolina, 96 have representatives at Woman's College. Guilford county leads with 349 students; Mecklenburg comes in second with 67 students; Wake county third with 66 students; Forsyth county takes fourth place with 53 girls; and Buncombe fifth with 51.

Woman's College also draws students from 25 other states, District of Columbia, Cuba, and Dutch West Indies. New Jersey, with 71 students, ranks next to North Carolina, and New York follows with 67 students. The neighboring state of Virginia sends 38 girls, and South Carolina 26.

A CHECK FOR \$4,500 RECEIVED BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF N. C. CONFERENCE

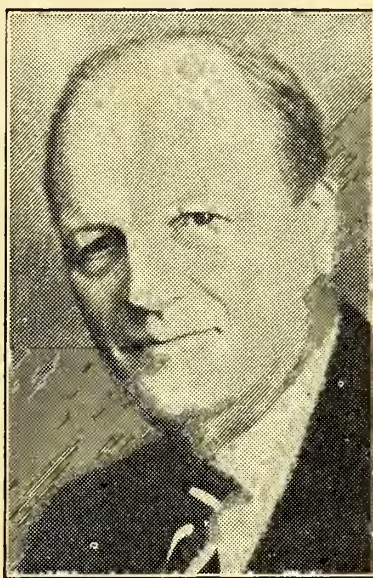
The North Carolina conference board of trustees has received through Rev. T. McM. Grant, secretary of the conference, a check for \$4,500 from the Sarah P. Duke estate. I am sure I reflect the attitude of the members of the conference when I express gratefulness for this generous gift from the late Mrs. Duke. The new addition to the resources held by the conference board of trustees will be carefully invested in securities which will be safe and which will yield a reasonable revenue.

J. M. Ormond,
Treas. Board of Trustees N. C. Conference.

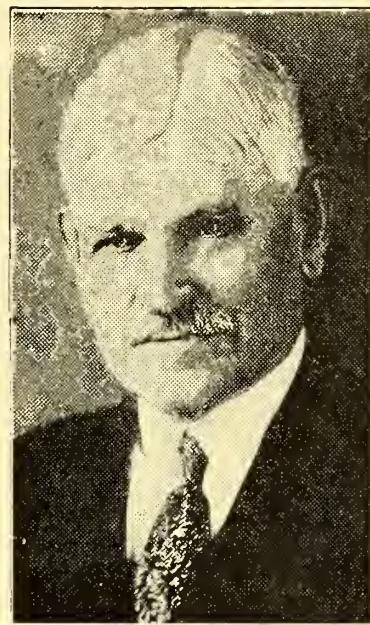
Guest Speakers at the Raleigh and Winston-Salem Conference Wide Advance Rallies



Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf



Bishop H. Lester Smith



Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes

TWO BIG METHODIST MEETINGS NEAR AT HAND IN NORTH CAROLINA

One of these important assemblies will be in Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, February 6. The other will assemble in Centenary church, Winston-Salem, February 7. Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Washington, D. C., Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf, Chicago, Ill., and Bishop Lester H. Smith, Cincinnati, Ohio, will be the guest speakers from beyond the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

Bishop W. W. Peele will be in charge at Raleigh, as this is in his episcopal district. Bishop Clare Purcell will have charge at Winston-Salem, which is in the Charlotte area. There will be a like exchange of places on the program by these two bishops, Bishop Purcell speaking in Raleigh and Bishop Peele in Winston-Salem.

These rallies are units in the national Methodist Advance movement sponsored by the Council of Bishops of the united Methodist Church. It is designed to celebrate the unification of American Methodism and to interpret Methodist union to eight million members of the new church, which embraces the former Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the former Methodist Protestant Church.

Dr. J. Manning Potts of Richmond, Va., chairman of the national Methodist Advance movement and promotional director for the Southeastern Jurisdiction, is expected to be present and explain the purpose of the movement which is to sweep the denomination in a series of coast-to-coast rallies during January, February and March of the new year.

An all-day program, culminating with a youth rally at 8 p. m. will be given. The program will be inspirational in character and promises to be of interest to the general public. There are no financial objectives sought, but the emphasis will be on evangelism, world peace, personal experience of religion, the enlarged opportunity of the church as a result of union, and the call to youth to enlist for Christian service.

Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf

Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf, one of the great bishops on a speaking team here celebrating the Methodist Advance, is head of the Methodist Church in the Chicago area. His

responsibility includes the state of Illinois and Scandinavian congregations of the Methodist Church in the Methodist Church in the eastern half of the United States. About 1200 pastors are under his episcopal administration. Ordained a Methodist minister in 1902, Bishop Waldorf was elected to the episcopate of the former Methodist Episcopal Church in 1920. He has always taken an active part in the larger life of his denomination and in civic enterprises. He is a director of numerous colleges and hospitals, and has been president of the Board of Hospitals, Home and Deaconess Work. During his residence in Buffalo he was chaplain of the 74th regiment of the New York National Guard.

Bishop H. Lester Smith

Bishop H. Lester Smith, general superintendent of Methodism in the Cincinnati area of the united Methodist Church, has supervision over Methodist interests in the Northeast Ohio and the Ohio conferences of the Northcentral Jurisdiction of the denomination formed by the union of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the former Methodist Protestant Church. Bishop Smith is an interesting and forceful speaker and is genial and approachable. He has been a bishop of the Methodist Church since 1920. Prior to unification, Bishop Smith frequently visited the South and is popular in this section. He comes here as a member of a team of speakers sponsored by the national Methodist Advance movement.

Bishop Hughes

Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes was elected bishop in 1908 and is the senior bishop of the Methodist Church. He is known in every section of the United States as a popular and effective lecturer and preacher who measures up to the demands of the most exacting occasions. Among the books from his pen are "Thanksgiving Sermons," "A Boy's Religion," "The Bible and Life," "God's Family" and "The Teaching of Citizenship." He has received numerous honorary degrees from the leading colleges and universities. As a brother beloved among Methodist ministers he has no peer. His coming to North Carolina is good news to his numerous friends in the Tar Heel State. His home is in Washington, D. C.

MEETING OF LEAGUE OF STEWARDS, NEW BERN DISTRICT

Morehead, Grifton, New Bern, Goldsboro Methodist Church, January 28, 2:30 p. m.

Invocation by Rev. C. B. Culbreth, New Bern.

"Our Objectives," Rev. J. A. Russell.

"The Golden Cross," C. N. Stroud, Kinston.

"The Value of Christian Literature," R. A. Nelson, Grifton.

"Youth's Crusade," W. A. Graham.

Hymn: I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord (379).

"Our Finances," W. C. Chadwick, New Bern.

"Christian Stewardship," Supply.

"What Is It All About?" Rev. L. A. Tilley, Ayden.

Hymn: A Charge to Keep I Have (287).

"The Imitation of Christ"

By CHARLES A. ELLWOOD

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A medieval monk called the Christian world of his time to "The Imitation of Christ." With the new union of the various branches of Methodism, Methodists should consider whether the imitation of Christ is not the central problem in the advance of Methodism and Christianity. Whether the world has grown less Christian or not may perhaps be doubted. But it cannot be doubted that within the last three decades it has grown increasingly neglectful of the teachings of Christ. Even deeply religious souls ask in the midst of their perplexities "Why not try God?" and they receive the applause of practically the whole church. But few there are even among Christians who cry out, "Why not try Christ?" and these few seem to be regarded as impractical dreamers.

Even among the leaders of the church this attitude has grown increasingly common during the last ten years, owing to the rise on the continent of Europe of a theology, born of the social defeats and despair of that continent, which emphasizes that the essence of religion is the worship of the Infinite and the Eternal, and that the practical use of religion is solely in the reconciliation of man's will to God's will—that is to say, in the resignation of man to the Infinite.

This is a very old attitude in religion, and it seems mere folly for one who is neither a metaphysician nor a theologian to attempt to combat it. But the purpose of this article is to do just that, and to raise the question, "Why not try Christ?" and more especially to persuade professing Christians that God was Christ, revealing the way by which men could be reconciled to himself.

Present Problem of Religion

The problem of religion in our time, therefore, is not the ignoring of God, but the ignoring of Christ. All men everywhere and in all times have had their God or gods. For this is the inescapable logic of both human intelligence and human emotions. As long as they can define their god in terms of their own wishes, whether of the individual or of the group, there has been no trouble about ignoring him. They have made gods of everything upon which they conceive themselves to be dependent; food plants and animals, sex, ancestors, country, the forces of nature, and even "space-time." But such gods have failed to have any redemptive power for the uplift of the human spirit. Hence the need of a human pattern of the divine, of a god incarnate in human flesh, capable of transforming both the individual and humanity at large. Such a need is met in the life, the teachings, and the character of Christ, as countless individual Christians can testify. Hence the Christian movement is necessarily Christ-centered. As soon as it ceases to be Christ-centered, it ceases to be Christianity in the strict sense. The danger in present day efforts to get a God-centered religion must now be evident. They may lead away from Christ, and his teachings. Judaism and Mohammedanism have both been God-centered religions, but not one of their advocates could claim that these religions are Christ-centered. The difference between Christianity and all other religions is

that Christianity finds God in Christ. "Christianity is Christ," as Dr. Stanley Jones says.

But from the days of the New Testament till now, this finding of the divine in the ideal human, of God in Christ, has seemed not only to orthodox Jews, but to many orthodox Christians a species of foolishness. Hence nearly all of the movements to restore and purify Christianity have resulted in going back to Old Testament patterns and Old Testament views. The Quakers and a few other Christian sects are perhaps to be exempted from this charge. But in general no fair-minded student of the teaching of Christ and of history would claim that the Christian church in its various branches has been loyal to its Master.

World Threatened With New Paganism

The result is that the world is threatened with a new paganism—more brutal, more cynical, and more depraved than its prototype in Greece and Rome. This new paganism now manifests itself without shame in every department of life. Western civilization, to be sure, has never been Christian; but now, as one woman journalist puts it:

"Christianity is being done to death in this world. All that has flowed from Christianity in the centuries is being done to death; chivalry; respect for human rights; reverence for the human soul; democracy, which is the result of this concept; freedom, which is part of this concept; law; truth; education; civilization; honor."

Yet there continue to be within the church those who claim that the social application of Christ's teachings is not a part of its mission; that the imitation of Christ in all phases of human conduct is impossible; that the world cannot be saved, but only individuals. But obviously, if the customs, institutions, and prevailing traditions of our society are left pagan, the work of the church in saving individuals will be undone. Obviously, too, one who has thoroughly grasped the import of Jesus' teaching who did not become enthused with his spirit to redeem mankind should hardly be called a follower of Christ.

There is little excuse for confusion over the social application of Christ's teachings. Obviously such teachings can be thoroughly applied only by those who accept them. A redeemed society can be built only by redeemed individuals. That there should be any debate about such a question shows the superficiality of much current Christianity, a superficiality which permits them to ignore the truth that human life can be lived rightly only when it is lived under the aspect of eternity. But this profound truth applies as much to communities as to individuals. The life of a community or a nation can be right only when it is in harmony with eternal values. Human life, whether individual or social, is not a part of a mere order. It is pervaded (and redeemed from brute life) by the perception and acceptance of eternal values. It is a mistake, therefore, to separate the two sides of Christ's gospel. It is one gospel, and the attempt to separate it into two parts has led, and must continue to lead, to the neglect of Christ.

The Natural Man's Failure

But the neglect of Christ lies deeper than any failure to understand his teaching. The imitation of Christ is difficult if not impossible to the natural man. To follow Christ, as he himself emphasized, requires, as it were, a spiritual rebirth—a vision of a way of life totally different from that of the natural man and a dedication of one's total personality to the realization of the values in such a way of living. The natural man (and the natural woman) is a creature of impulses and emotions, for the most part self-centered. The old theology's way of recognizing this truth was to say that the natural man is depraved. And we must agree that without the discipline of strong socializing ideals, emotions and customs, the capacity of the natural man for depravity in human relations is almost infinite. This is not the testimony merely of idealistic religion, but also of human history and of nearly all great literature. Common observation of the lawless frontier and even of socially undisciplined youth in our midst confirms this truth without our resorting to the study of savage and barbarian peoples.

No greater blunder was made by modern civilization than when, under the influence of a false social philosophy, it assumed the contrary. The result has been that modern civilization has produced within itself a crop of new barbarians; of self-centered individuals, ruled for the most part by animal impulses and emotions. Not only have sensuous values been set above the eternal values of truth, justice, and love in human relations, but the brute in man has been exalted. Enlightened egoism has been proclaimed as the sufficient guide of human life, both for individuals and for groups, and force as the ultimate arbiter in human relations. That is what the doctrine of the goodness of the natural man has done to us. The beast which we call "man" has been bowed down to and worshipped as divine.

Under such circumstances the whole object of life becomes self-gratification—especially to make other human beings serve one's self. But the object of one who has caught the Christ-spirit is to serve and save others, not a few others, but all, and to subordinate one's life to the service of truth and righteousness.

Spiritual Rebirth Necessary

But spiritual rebirth, the sublimation of personality to the Christian way of life, is necessarily an individual matter. Those who would Christianize the social order without beginning with the individual and proceeding through the regeneration of individuals have therefore made a profound psychological and sociological error. The individual must first be taught, either by early training in home and church, or by a profound emotional disturbance, that he must build his life upon eternal value, before we can expect a community so to build its life.

A single illustration will suffice to show how far the natural man is from the way of life which Christ taught. Christ said, "Love your enemies"; yet even the most ignorant know that the natural impulse of all human beings is to hate enemies and to love only friends. To love enemies, or even those we suspect of a desire to injure us, requires a control of emotions and impulses which even science and philosophy cannot give. To love enemies becomes possible only when our whole being has become sublimated and re-orientated by strong religious emotion.

This teaching of Christ makes it clear that Christ did not mean by "love" esteem or appreciation. Neither did he mean by it natural affection, such as arises naturally between the sexes, between parents and children, between friends and comrades. Such natural affection has existed in all ages among human beings, but it has not saved mankind, even though it is the indispensable basis for what Christ called love. It is too narrow and too selfish. We cannot love our enemies in this sense. That becomes possible only when we sublimate this narrow, selfish affection for a few into a universal, unselfish devotion to the welfare of all men, even enemies. But this is possible only through essentially religious vision and the identification of self with others which comes either through early religious training or through a profound emotional experience.

Almost any other of Christ's teachings would serve equally well to illustrate the need of a spiritual rebirth before the Christian way of life can be entered upon with even a fair degree of success.

Saints of Christianity No Myth

The critics of Christ have not been slow to perceive this fact, and to claim that his teaching is a doctrine of perfection which cannot be realized by the mass of mankind, and perhaps not even by individuals under present social conditions. They would ignore it, therefore, as impracticable. But countless followers of Christ have found it practicable in all ages and in all classes from the humblest to the high born. The saints of the Christian movement are no myth, and strangely enough they are not confined to any sect. We have not only those as witnesses of the power of the Christ-spirit to sublimate human life, but also many other witnesses who have seen with their eyes, so to speak, the transformation effected in individuals by the acceptance of Christ.

But it is said that only the exceptional man can be transformed by the Christ-spirit. The brutal, ignorant masses cannot be. Only a few can be saved. The Barthians in particular on the continent of Europe, and their followers in America, have emphasized that man and all human plans, no matter how much worked out in the spirit of Christ, must fail. But long before the Barthians the Protestant reformers had in general taken the same position. For most of them held that the world could not be made Christian and that salvation was only for the elect few. By placing all parts of the Christian scriptures on an equal footing, their position seemed substantiated by the book of Revelations. Moreover, those Biblical scholars who have sought to show that the teaching of Jesus was essentially apocalyptic in character have indirectly lent their influence to sustain this position.

The practical outcome of this pessimistic attitude regarding the Christianization of the human social order has been the increasing reliance upon force in our political life. Christian liberalism, to say nothing of Christian utopianism, has been at a discount. Progress through Christian education has been laughed at. Only the force of one class or of one nation against another has seemed sufficient to secure justice in our world. Some professing Christians have accordingly leaned toward communism and the dictatorship of the proletariat, while others have leaned toward fascism and the dictatorship of the bourgeoisie.

The net result has been that after nearly two thousand years of Christian civilization the world is torn

apart by the conflict of classes and nations, as it has not been for three centuries. Class wars against class, nation wars against nation. The most terrible illustration is perhaps the fratricidal war in Spain; but equally terrible is the present fratricidal war between the nations of Christendom, and even between the non-Christian nations of Japan and China; and the bloody persecution of racial and political minorities the world around. History has become again synonymous with homicide, and force and fraud are boldly proclaimed to be the only foundations of social order.

Salvation Not Limited to Elect Few

The facts of life, therefore, seem to stand in sheer contradiction to those who would limit salvation to an elect few, or the application of the Christ-spirit to private life and intimate personal relations. Such a limited Christianity seems about to cause us to lose all that we have gained through the Christian centuries. If there be pagans who rejoice in this, let them remember that an order built upon force must necessarily use terror as its weapon and end in the oppression of some, if not of the many. Let even the scientific student who fears to draw any conclusion regarding what human relations are most advantageous remember this also. For the facts of life seem to show that in the long run only a human world which is essentially Christian in all of its phases is practicable. The imitation of Christ may not be easy, but it is necessary, if we wish a decent world.

A NOTABLE RECORD AT METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Superintendent A. S. Barnes of the Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, has done a wonderful work during his 25 years as head of this institution. On Sunday, January 21, 1940, 25 years to this day since his election, Methodist lay and clerical leaders, the orphanage board of trustees and heads of other orphanages in the state gathered with children, alumni and friends of the home for a special celebration held in the orphanage auditorium in honor of the superintendent's anniversary.

Material growth of the Methodist home during the administration of Mr. Barnes showed an increase in enrollment from 160 in 1915 to 310 in the current year; increase in endowment from \$40,000 to \$314,000; per capita cost of \$13 a month to \$25; 16 buildings as compared with an original eight; an increase in operating expenses from \$25,000 to \$92,000, in cows from 10 to 60. But other developments are more significant than the material growth.

Mr. Jesse O. Sanderson, principal of the orphanage school, had charge of the celebration and presided over the exercises of the afternoon. His address was in excellent taste and wonderfully illuminating in giving a glimpse of the inner life of this home in which boys and girls come to adult life.

Ben Holsomback, president of the Methodist Orphanage Alumni Association, which Friday presented an oil portrait of the superintendent to the orphanage, extended greetings to the superintendent. Congratulations also came from the Tri-State Orphanage Conference through Supt. C. K. Proctor of the Oxford Orphanage.

Superintendent Barnes was also praised by the Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw of Durham, speaking for the board of trustees, as a rare man who "knows all about cows and all about children," who could win children and dollars

alike and who is both "a business executive and a father."

To all this Superintendent Barnes made apt and feeling reply, giving glimpses of the motives back of the success of the years.

Superintendent O. V. Woolsey and Mrs. Woosley of Children's Home, Winston-Salem, were recognized and welcomed.

Mention also should be made of the children's part in the celebration: The orphanage high school glee club opened the ceremony with several selections given under direction of F. Stanley Smith, director. Mrs. Hobart Morton of Albemarle, accompanied by Mrs. Mary Scott Rowe of Greensboro, sang as a special selection Adam's "Holy City."

Mention has been made of the development of the plant during the past quarter of a century but of more interest is the transition into a home. We let Mr. Sanderson tell the story. He was a thirteen-year-old boy and the Methodist Orphanage was his home when Mr. Barnes was elected superintendent. He was eminently qualified to speak.

During the administration of Superintendent Barnes the Methodist Orphanage has been more completely transformed from an institution into a home than any similar place that I know about. Twenty-five years ago orphanages, including this one, provided very little opportunity for the growth and expression of the individual, deemed so necessary today to every boy and girl. In 1915 the children of the Methodist Orphanage had the advantage of a seventh grade education. Clothes were of the uniform type and quality that definitely marked the wearer as underprivileged.

The life of the boys and girls was in most respects regimented. In going to church, school, meals—everywhere—the group was lined up and marched in double file with no talking. At meal time in the dining room, no talking, not even a whisper was allowed. Boys and girls seldom had the opportunity for social life. Sisters and brothers might have a half an hour together on Sunday afternoons. Otherwise for boys and girls to be seen together was serious offense. There was little opportunity for recreation or play, either at the orphanage or in the city. Contact and knowledge of the outside world was almost entirely lacking. Those things that are most important and dear to childhood were too often suppressed or were not available. This is not reflecting on those who were rendering service at that time. The founder of the Methodist Orphanage, Rev. J. W. Jenkins, and Mrs. Jenkins, along with Supt. J. N. Cole, laid a good foundation. However, many of the workers lacked qualifications and understandings necessary in dealing with young life. A great deal of virgin land had to be broken in orphanage work. My most sincere tribute to Superintendent Barnes is for making out of this situation the home we have today. He came to the institution without a guide book for developing a large home—little material about rearing children on a large scale. Few people anywhere knew the answer to any of his problems. Many problems of necessity had to be solved by trial and error.

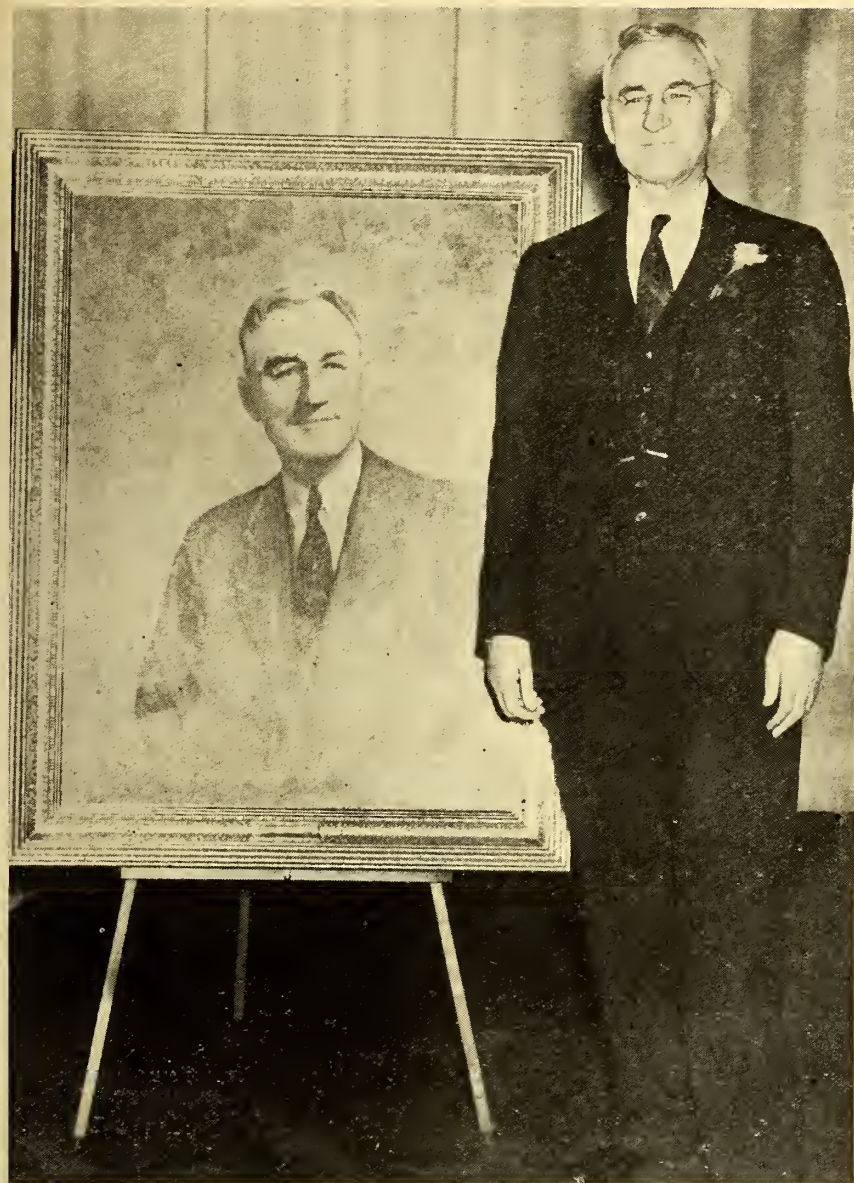
In striking contrast to the institution to which he came two and a half decades ago, is a child-centered home, affording many of the opportunities and privileges that childhood has a right to expect. Encouragement is given in numerous ways—individual self-expression and normal mental, physical and moral growth is stimulated.

We get men and women of honor when we treat boys and girls as candidates of such trust. Trustworthiness grows by being trusted; character is formed by having ample opportunity to practice those traits that we consider essential. If these higher appeals fail, then we must fall back in some instances on force and punishment. This I believe has been Superintendent Barnes' underlying philosophy of child development. This has characterized his policy in maintaining discipline in the home. Some have abused the trust placed in them, but the percentage is exceedingly small in comparison with the large number of fine, well-trained Christian men and women who have from year to year left the home.

The Methodist Orphanage today under the leadership of Superintendent Barnes ranks with the best homes of its kind in the nation. There is evidence on every hand that we have a home which is constantly making progress.

The 310 boys and girls here now have the opportunity to grow into men and women equipped to take their places side by side without apology with average young men and young women of our state.

Opportunities are afforded to all boys and girls for play and recreation. It is childhood's heritage to have ample time to play. Play reveals many possibilities for development,



Rev. A. S. Barnes standing by portrait of himself, presented to Methodist Orphanage by the Alumni Association in recognition of his 25th anniversary as superintendent. (Courtesy News and Observer).

distinctive characteristics and needs of childhood. Even broader and more complete means to provide adequate play time and facilities to every boy and girl here is the desire of Superintendent Barnes.

The health of the boys and girls is carefully safeguarded. Clinics for prevention and correction are conducted each year. An infirmary and a trained nurse were made available several years ago.

The two hundred-acre dairy farm and 60 odd cows provide quantities of fresh vegetables and milk the year round. The dairy is under the supervision of a trained dairyman. A number of boys get sufficient vocational training in the dairy to enable them to be placed readily.

Housed in a modern \$175,000 building constructed in 1924, the orphanage school has grown within the 25 year period from an elementary school of seven grades to a fully accredited elementary and high school—the high school is likewise accredited as a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. As far as I know there are only two orphanages in the South which are members of the Southern Association. In connection with the school, there is a well organized library of approximately 3000 volumes approved as suitable for boys and girls of various grade and age levels.

As a part of the program of education, provision is made for vocational education of the older boys and girls in diversified occupations. This means that the majority of our graduates have sufficient training in a trade or business to enable them to be satisfactorily placed upon graduation. Placement service is also afforded to those who leave the home. Many other evidences of progress and of more adequate provisions for wholesome growth and development might be mentioned if time permitted.

Superintendent Barnes' 25 years of service speaks for itself; it speaks in the lives of hundreds of men and women who are finer and bigger because he became part of their lives. It speaks in the lives of 310 members of a large fam-

ily who live without unnatural restriction; without fear of punishment; each an individual personality given the opportunity to develop leadership and initiative without being curbed or stunted, and a chance for contacts and experiences broad enough to make adjustment outside with self-confidence and ease when ready to leave the home.

The superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage is in reality a father to the boys and girls. He is never too busy to listen to the trouble of one of his sons or daughters. He feels their heartaches, shares their pleasures, delights in their accomplishments, grieves over their mistakes as if he were the real father of each one.

Now as Superintendent Barnes begins his second 25 years I want to extend to him the congratulations and greetings of 310 boys and girls and his entire staff.

CONGO MISSION CELEBRATES ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Twenty-five years ago Bishop Walter R. Lambuth penetrated the heart of the African continent to found in the center of the Belgian Congo, in the village of the Batetela Chief Wembo Nyama, the Congo Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The romantic story of Lambuth's penetration of the jungle was at the time familiar to hundreds of thousands of Methodist people as one of the most important missionary adventures of history.

In twenty-five years the mission has consolidated its position, though the climate and other factors have taken a tremendous toll of missionary life, health and efficiency, necessitating a large turnover of workers. The missionaries pushed on from the original station at Wembo Nyama and are now established also in the villages of Tunda, Minga and Lodja. The healing ministry of physicians and nurses, the beneficial activity of educators, the material advances made by agricultural,

building and highway workers, added to the never ceasing proclamation of the Gospel by the evangelist, have created an entirely new situation among a tribe that had been cannibalistic shortly before the arrival of Bishop Lambuth.

Last summer the mission celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary. Bishops Arthur J. Moore and John M. Springer were in attendance. The officials of the Belgian government, missionaries from stations among other tribes and the chief men of the Batetela themselves were in attendance.

One of the most interesting parts of the program was a pageant depicting the coming of Bishop Lambuth 25 years ago, participated in by a large number of natives and some of the missionaries. It was described as a dramatic triumph and evidently made a tremendous impression.

And so the trail of Lambuth continues to lengthen and his influence continues to deepen. In no part of the world is the Gospel so eagerly sought for as among the simple people of the African bush. Bishop Arthur J. Moore reports that as he and other workers pass along the roads and through the villages the people are found assembled at every place, begging and crying out for the coming of a preacher to tell them the good news of the Gospel.

Advance of Kingdom Dependent Upon Benevolences

By ALBERT P. SHIRKEY

Christianity is a world task. When it ends with the local church it ends. We have never entered into the mind and heart of Christ until we have heard and heeded his call, "Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel unto every creature." The Christians meeting in the International Missionary Council at Jerusalem came to the heart of the matter when they declared, "We are persuaded that we and all Christian people must seek a more heroic practice of the Gospel. It cannot be that our present complacency and moderation are a faithful expression of the mind of Christ, and of the meaning of his cross and resurrection in the midst of the wrong and want and sin of our modern world. As we contemplate the work with which Christ has charged his church, we would take up for ourselves and summon those from whom we come and to whom we return to take up with us the cross of Christ, and all that for which it stands, and to go forth into the world to live in the fellowship of his sufferings and by the power of his resurrection, in hope and expectation of his glorious kingdom."

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The sheer gratitude of our hearts ought to make us a world-minded church. It ought to make the cause of benevolences our first consideration. It ought to cause us to say, "How much can I give?" not "How little?" Especially in consideration of the fact that religion like knowledge is something that is not diminished by dividing, but is multiplied. It is twice blessed—it blesses him that gives and him that takes. If we are lacking in this gratitude, to remember that once our fathers were heathen ought to cause it to live again in our hearts. About the year 586 there lived in Rome a young monk named Gregory. He had been born to high rank and great wealth, but laid aside both to serve the church. When he became Pope he exercised his missionary mindness by attempting with a few monks to convert Britain. He sent off a party of monks under Augustine to evangelize the British Isles. They got as far as France, but they heard such reports of the savages that they were sent out to convert that they turned back in despair, but on returning Augustine heard from Gregory these words, "I did not ask you to return, I sent you to go." The missionaries went, worked and taught, Christianity took root in the British Isles. That is how we became Christians. Therefore, if someone thought of our fathers enough to labor for their salvation, we their sons can do nothing less than take this gospel to people across the world who have it not. History records that the English speaking civilization is the product of Christianity. Therefore, the gratitude of our hearts should prompt us to lay upon the altars of Christ our money, our consecration, our prayers, that this liberat-

ing, comforting, empowering gospel of the Son of God might be heard and practiced in all the world.

To refuse to take the gospel outside of our own local church and community is to face with stark realism that the East with its militant and aggressive paganism will leave its stain on the lives of our children. These forces that are so subtle and powerful if not counteracted by Christianity will in time rob the church of its power, undermine the Christian home and perhaps destroy our civilization altogether. Theirs is the sword of naked steel, ours the sword of love. Their feet are shod with the rough boots of the soldier, our forces must be shod with the gospel of peace. They wear the helmet of defiance and hate, ours must continue to be the helmet of salvation. It is as always a life and death grapple in which we are engaged. To sit complacently within our churches is to end in torpor and death. To let our lives clothed with consecration and liberality fall in the ground of the mission enterprise is to see it blossom forth into life that is abundant for ourselves and others. In this way and this way alone shall the church reap a harvest of joy and power.

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During the World War the cry was heard throughout the whole of this United States, "They shall not pass." We sent our boys and our money and our prayers and all that we possessed across the seas that the forces beating at the doors of the allied armies would not come to us. We had our sugarless days, we had our wheatless days, we made sacrifices innumerable, we did everything that we could to make our cause a success. That cause with the cause of Christianity is not to be compared. Across the whole wide earth we have had to retreat. The small benevolent giving in the churches is the cause of it. Shall the forces of militant paganism pass? We can only say now as we did in that terrific struggle, "They shall not pass!" The time is upon us when we must say to our risen Lord, "Here is my money, my prayers, my life that thy kingdom might be triumphant in the earth."

We are praying and asking for another spiritual awakening in the church. When will it come? With all my heart I believe that it will not come until we have brought our tithes into the storehouse. Then and only then will God open the windows of heaven and pour us out a blessing that our hearts will not be able to receive. "God so loved the world that he gave." In the light of that precious gift to the earth we turn away from our own giving with a sense of shame. We have proven ourselves to be deserters to his cause. The tide must change. The church must rally. We must turn our faces to the storm. Across the earth the bugles are blowing, flags are wav-

ing and soldiers are marching. So it must be with the church. Theirs is the call to material conquest, theirs is a call to defend their homes and cities. Ours is the conquest of the souls of men, ours to arise in defense of the gospel of our Lord and his Christ. What is the heartbeat of your church? What is your own heartbeat in regard to this cause? God grant for the sake of Christ's world-wide kingdom it shall beat strong and steadily within our breasts and the breast of the church. If this be so, benevolent giving shall be a joy. Liberal giving will not be the exception but the rule!

Many of our hospitals are in ruins, many of our missionaries are in jeopardy, many of them have died. Our work around the world has been hurt. In the face of this what shall we do? I recall that Mr. Fields made the statement while the laying of the cable across the Atlantic. Someone said to him, "What if you should fail?" His answer was, "We shall attempt it again." Our answer can be nothing less. What will we do in the face of all this destruction and change? We shall do it all over again and keep on doing it until the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ.

AN OVERLOOKED RECORD

To the average American Protestant, the significance of the Universalist denomination has lain in its ability to soften the rigors of Calvinism. But this service is by no means the only one that the followers of John Murray have rendered in the last century and a half. For these liberals have been influential not only theologically but socially, in that they have given society many demonstrations of the practical effect of faith in a God so good that many are caught up in the bonds of brotherliness.

The story of these "social ethical attitudes and consequent social ethical actions" is admirably related in a little volume called "And Thy Neighbor As Thyself." Its author is Rev. Emerson Hugh Lalone, an associate editor of *The Christian Leader*. His book had its start as a private study the purpose of which was "to trace out the attitudes, policies, and influences which produced (the) Declaration of Social Principles adopted at the Universalist General Convention at Worcester, Mass., in 1917." But as Dr. Lalone prosecuted his task he envisaged a valiant struggle through the years of which his brethren were unaware. Furthermore, he felt convinced that the narrative of the fathers' sacrifices for ideals would serve to make their sons' enthusiasm more definite and articulate.

Within a comparatively brief exposition, then, we are reminded of "The World into Which Universalism Came."

*And Thy Neighbor As Thyself. By Emerson Hugh Lalone. The Universalist Publishing House, 16 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass. Price \$1.

There are those who hate the stewardship Jesus calls forth because it walks straight over the ego of their possessions. They want to own; they do not want to owe!—Ex.

North Carolina Conference

METHODIST ADVANCE

YOUTH RALLIES

CONFERENCE-WIDE RALLY

Edenton Street Church, Raleigh, February 6

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Speaker

(Young people, their adult leaders, and pastors from the entire Conference are urged to attend this meeting)

DISTRICT RALLIES

DISTRICT	PLACE	DATE
ELIZABETH CITY	HERTFORD - - - - -	FEB. 7
NEW BERN - - - -	KINSTON - - - - -	FEB. 8
WILMINGTON - - -	WILMINGTON (Grace) - - -	FEB. 9
ROCKY MOUNT - -	ROCKY MOUNT (First) - -	FEB. 12
FAYETTEVILLE -	ABERDEEN - - - - -	FEB. 14
DURHAM - - - - -	DURHAM (Trinity) - - - -	FEB. 15
WILMINGTON - - -	LUMBERTON - - - - -	FEB. 16

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ATTEND YOUR DISTRICT RALLY

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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COLD AND CLEAR

It's the weather that's cold and clear. Such days are driving our influenza away. The situation at the infirmary is becoming more normal. There are a few children whose stay in the infirmary has been prolonged because of the annoying effects of influenza. The little girl who had pneumonia has the range of the play room but is not yet permitted to resume her school work. We have had a very severe epidemic of sickness, from which we are emerging with grateful thanks. A continuation of clear weather, moderating some under the effect of an accommodating sun, will be welcome.

"NOBODY NOTHIN'"

One of our little youngsters on receiving his honorarium some days ago was observed patting his pocket and exclaiming, "I have forty cents in there and I don't owe nobody nothin'." Many times during the past year we have wondered as to whether we would be able to meet our bills as they came due. But with the passing of the summer months and the coming of the fall's ingathering we were able to get to the little boy's stage of celebration. We shall hope to be able to continue along this financial road.

TESTIMONY MEETING

A fitting meeting of celebration and praise for Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, was held last Sunday afternoon in the institution's auditorium for successfully administering for 25 years the affairs of the orphanage and the welfare of the family. The meeting was very meaningful. Much evidence of growth of plant, esteem of the children and wise administration was presented. Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, in speaking for the board of trustees in appreciation of the good services of Brother Barnes, said, "It is very unusual to find a man who knows all about cows and all about children." He effectively seconded the nomination of Rev. C. K. Proctor, superintendent of the Oxford Orphanage, who in his speech nominated Brother Barnes for his present position for another 25 years. J. O. Sanderson, a product of the orphanage, and now principal of its high school, fittingly directed the meeting. The alumni, under the leadership of B. G. Holsomback, its president, had recently presented to the institution an oil painting of its superintendent.

LEARNING AND LIVING

Among other accomplishments Friend Barnes is noted for two outstanding philosophies of life: The running of his business on a balanced budget and the love he has for his chil-

dren. In his remarks at the testimony meeting he made two particular references that linger in one's mind. He said that during the 25 years of his administration he had never come to the end of a fiscal year with any debt hanging over his orphanage. He also recounted an incident of his own little boy's having taught him a valuable lesson when a young minister. He recounted that he had sent his little seven-year-old boy to the store on an errand with the direction that he go and come without stopping anywhere. He noticed that on the boy's return he did stop and have some brief conversation with several other little boys. When his son came in he was reminded of his instruction and then to bed for punishment. Later in the day the little tow-head stated to his father that he had only stopped to remind the boys to whom he lent his little express wagon not to treat it roughly, he having noticed that they



Just can't grow fast enough

were overloading it. The superintendent remarked that the little tow-headed lad had taught him to always give a child a hearing before inflicting any punishment.

POLICY OF PROCEDURE

An outstanding civic social worker, in urging our acceptance of a little youngster, writes as follows: "This child is normal except that he only has one hand, as he was born with a withered hand on one arm. He is a likable child, easily controlled, and we feel that he would be much better off in your Home than in any private home in which we could place him."

What to do for the little boy is of course the main issue involved in this case. But one cannot refrain from speculating as to what would be the attitude of this social worker if the little boy didn't have a withered hand. The attitude of many civic social workers has been one of criticism against orphanages and their congregated way of living. Others have taken the position that orphanages should be operated for the subnormal, abnormal and defective children, leaving the normal children to be placed in what they call

normal homes, the foster home. The Children's Home believes in both kinds of homes and accepts many kinds of children.

ONE OF MANY

A county superintendent of public welfare writes as follows, this being one of many similar requests we receive: "We have an eight-year-old boy that we would like very much to get in your Home. His mother has just recently died. He is an illegitimate child and has a step-father, but this step-father is not a suitable person to keep him; if he could do so. At present he is serving a sentence on the chain-gang for beating the child's mother. The juvenile judge has turned the child over to our charge, and we are at present boarding him in a private home. He does not have any relatives that could keep him; and really none that we consider fit to keep him; so we could not get aid for him through the Aid to Dependent Children Fund."

BUBBLING BOBBY

The picture this week is that of little eight-year-old Bobby Wills, always bubbling over with boyish buoyancy, sent to me by his boy associates at the Anna Hanes cottage. They thought Bobby looked fine dressed up in football togs. While none of the boys in the cottage is old enough to play football, every one of them has his mind on playing some of these days. During the fall when the big boys were playing these little youngsters, under the leadership of Bobby and several others, were very keen evaluators of the style of play of our own team and also that of the visitors. Bobby is very dependable in his home and school assignments.

HONOR SOCIETY

Since last report the following congregations have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full and are entitled to membership into the Children's Home's Benevolent Order of Altruism. Kindly note them with their pastors in charge:

Ramseur, Ramseur - Franklinville, Rev. R. M. Hauss.

Denver, Rock Springs circuit, Rev. J. Max Brandon.

Pineville, Pineville circuit, Rev. L. P. Barnett.

Lowell and McAdenville, Lowell circuit, Rev. C. O. Kenerly.

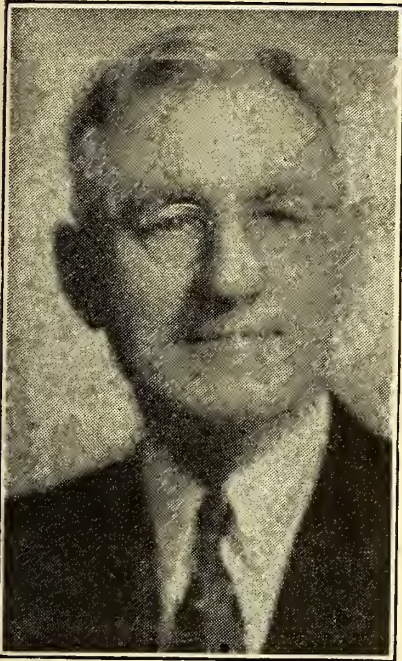
CHILDREN LOVE HIM

Rev. E. H. Nease, secretary of the Western North Carolina conference, in writing on a matter of business, includes in his letter the following paragraph: "If you think of it, next time you see Lena and Betty give them our love and best wishes. Say, what about John?—the fellow who said to me, 'You love me, don't you?'" Friend Nease never comes to the Children's Home without a flock of our youngsters gathering around him.

PRESS THE ACCELERATOR

Rev. C. C. Herbert, Jr., pastor of Forest Hill, Concord, one of our children's favorites, writes as follows: "There is a group of young adults at (Continued on page 23)"

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

On last Saturday, January 21, I completed twenty-five years as superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage. The Alumni Association, board of trustees, my official staff and children of the home, and many other friends made the day a very happy one for me. I shall have more to say in next week's issue of the Advocate about the 25 years spent at the Methodist Orphanage.

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BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES—

"That we continue to give our unqualified endorsement and wholehearted support to the conference program for the Methodist Orphanage; that, in keeping with this purpose, a special offering be taken in the churches and church schools during the Thanksgiving season or the Christmas holiday; and that a free will offering be made in the church schools every fifth Sunday."

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ANNUITY BONDS—Last week the Methodist Orphanage issued a \$2,000 annuity bond to a lady who had already put into annuity bonds with the Methodist Orphanage \$15,476.78. Orphanage annuity bonds pay a high rate of interest, and they are non-taxable. People who want a large income from their money while they live would do well to get in touch with the Methodist Orphanage. These bonds afford gilt edge security to all who invest in them.

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FALSE IMPRESSION—There are many friends of the Orphanage who believe that all children placed under our care will develop into fine Christian characters. A lady said to me recently that she could not understand how any boy or girl brought up in

such a wholesome environment could develop into a problem child. I replied to the good lady that often children from the finest Christian homes turned out badly. At least 90 per cent of our children do well, but it is unreasonable to expect us to take children of bad heredity, and some from unwholesome environment and hope for us to do the impossible.

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A GOOD INDICATION—Several of the pastoral charges have already paid their ten per cent apportionment for the new conference year. Others write me that they are making their plans to raise their Orphanage apportionment at an early date. All such promises are very encouraging, as we face the new conference year with heavy financial responsibilities confronting us. If all the charges were to pay their ten per cent apportionment between now and Easter, it would save the Orphanage from having to borrow money to meet its operating expenses through the year. The conference, in session in Fayetteville voted unanimously urging all the charges to pay their Orphanage apportionment during the months of January, February and March. By following this plan it would make it much easier for the Orphanage to function, and easier on the charges to meet their other financial obligations during the remainder of the conference year. I feel deeply grateful to those who have already paid their apportionment in full, and I want all the other pastors and charges to know that I shall be grateful to them for any sacrifices they may make toward raising their ten per cent apportionment by early spring.

SCHOOLBOY HOWLERS

Perhaps our readers are tired of "schoolboy howlers." However, here is another batch from The Woman (New York) and from Medley (London):

- A spinster is a bachelor's wife.
- A yokel is part of an egg.
- The Tower of Babel was the place where Solomon kept his wives.
- A virgin forest is one where the hand of man has never set foot.
- Put the following words in a sentence—bliss, happiness. Answer: "O bliss! Oh, happiness!"
- A gargoyle is something you swallow when you have a sore throat.
- A woman's brain weighs almost as much as the human brain.
- Persia gave us the dismal system of mathematics.
- Homicide is when a man kills himself in his own home.
- A sirloin is the only article of clothing worn by Gandhi, the leader of India.
- He was arrested and held in custard until his trial.
- He died of a painful melody.
- A metaphor is a thing you shout through.
- Diabolic was a man who went around with a lantern searching for an honest person.
- In olden times the parents arranged the marriage and bride never saw the groom until the wedding night.
- What has the government done to protect the Indians? Answer: Put them in reservoirs.—The Living Church.

COUGHERS—

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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THE PATH OF THE DISCIPLES

Have we developed the latent resources in our churches? Are we as interested in transforming lives as we are in physical things around us? Are we willing to spend and be spent in a great adventure? The test is whether we are willing to wait a long time for visible results. Our task is to develop life in intangibles. We can do two things between the cradle and the grave: strive toward the enrichment of personality and strive to leave the world a little better than we found it.

Editor's note: These pertinent and challenging sentences are excerpts from the third and last of the devotionals given by Miss Zoa Anna Davis to the women of the N. C. Missionary Conference at Washington in April of last year. They are truly applicable to each of us as we give ourselves to the glorious cause of missions.

NARRATION VS. READING

Sometimes we hear the criticism that "Missionary programs are so dull and boresome." If this is true in any auxiliary the responsibility is not with the program material but with those who participate in the programs. The program material of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church is not surpassed by that of any other denomination. The presentation of this interesting and informative material therefore places upon us a grave responsibility in the task of giving our time in the preparation of that which we are asked to present and in leading others into an appreciation of the value of the topics for discussion. In short: TELL—DON'T READ.

NEW AUXILIARY AT SMITH'S

In spite of the snow and ice Mrs. C. T. Rogers of Roanoke Rapids kindled enough of the missionary fire to organize a society at Smith's, Rosemary charge, on Wednesday night, January 10. The new officers are: President, Mrs. Lillian Smallwood; vice president, Mrs. Robert Parrish; recording and corresponding secretary, Mrs. Raymond Garner; treasurer, Mrs. A. L. Garner; superintendent of publicity, Mrs. E. R. Hawkins—all of Roanoke Rapids, Route 1. We welcome these ladies into this phase of Christian service and pray that they may be given power to accomplish much in this needy world for our Lord and Master.

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Dis. Sec.

McTYEIR MARCHES ON

Reporting time is always a happy time for a district secretary, especially when auxiliaries have been on the march. Some labor through the years and still others do not attain the Efficiency Aim, but listen while I tell you about a group of rural women who were organized in January, 1939, and by December of the same year were able to say with a clear conscience that they

had made every requirement of the standard. This was none other than the McTyeir auxiliary of the former Red Oak parish, with Mrs. V. B. Lewis, Whitakers, president. What if all of us had such an ambition—to be satisfied with nothing less than the best. It was the pleasure of the writer to spend a full day with this and the other auxiliaries of the charge in a study of our fall topic, "Building Christian World Community." Here it was easy to see the sincerity of these women as it was manifested on this occasion. May many more of us "buckle down" and say with McTyeir and other such groups that these things can be accomplished in His name. Mrs. Fred L. Johnson.

AN INSPIRING SIGHT IN JAPAN

Some time ago one of our Japan missionaries saw a thrilling sight when an entire Japanese family—father, mother, five daughters and the old grandmother of 72 years—gave themselves to Christ. The father and mother of the family had already been baptized, but on this occasion they renewed their vow while the rest of the family received baptism. The winning of this noble family for Christianity grew out of a tragedy—the drowning of the only son last summer while in swimming. After a thirty-day anniversary memorial service, the father gave a powerful testimony to the reality of Christianity.—Missionary Bulletin.

NEW KOREAN BISHOP

Rev. Choon Soo Chung, one of the leading ministers of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Korea, has been elected general superintendent of the Korean Methodist Church, succeeding Bishop Chung-Oo Kim, who passed away on September 18, 1939.

Bishop Chung has been a faithful minister during the greater part of the history of the church in Korea. Bishop Chung's wife has been a most faithful and devoted helpmate in all his ministerial work. They have four children, a married daughter and three sons. Although Bishop Chung will be handicapped in dealing with the churches in America because he has never had the opportunity to learn English he brings to his office native ability, successful pastoral experience, fine mother wit, deep consecration and the confidence of his associates. All who have the privilege of knowing and working with Bishop Chung hold him in affection and esteem.—World Outlook.

"GREAT ADVENTURERS"

In the 1940 booklet of programs, Great Adventurers, an interesting fact has been omitted. It is that most of the wording of the brief skit on pages 46-49 was taken from Bishop Lambuth's notebook, just as the statements were written in long hand by him.—Missionary Bulletin.

FIRST PRIZE ESSAY IN NATIONAL TEEN-AGE CONTEST

Miss Thelma Arnette, age 17, of Knoxville, Tenn., has been awarded first prize in a contest on the subject, "Why I Think I Will (or Never Will) Drink Intoxicating Liquors," participated in by youth from 42 states, the Canal Zone and several Canadian provinces. In addition to Miss Arnette, 12 other awards in the contest, sponsored by the American Business Men's Research Foundation, Chicago, included: Robert Willis, Hagerstown, Md.; Miss Mary Catherine Surrah, Williamson, N. Y.; Ronald Wood, Portland, Oregon; Miss Eleanor Berry, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Miss Jadine McBride, Wichita, Kas.; Miss Geraldine Miller, Macomb, Ill.; Harold Ringler, Jr., Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio; Chester W. Mackereth, Siebert, Md.; Marion John Carroccio, Chicago, Ill.; Miss Roxanna Mae Pucket, O'Niell, Neb.; Miss Jeanne Tyler, Mt. Carmel, Ill.; Miss Edith Robertson, Port Huron, Mich.

"Why I Think I'll Never Drink Intoxicating Liquors"

By Thelma Arnette, Knoxville, Tenn.

I am living in a day of far greater opportunities and advantages than my predecessors. The imperative need of my day is "active minds" as clear as an Arctic night with intuitions as brilliant as the stars that stud it. Intoxicating liquors contain alcohol. Alcohol interferes with free association of ideas. So, FOR MY MIND'S SAKE, I think I'll never drink intoxicating liquors.

Intoxication and work do not belong together, particularly if endurance, wide-awakeness, attention, and exactness are required. A noted billionaire says: "Alcohol is as destructive to industry as war." Intoxicating liquors are a "short cut" to a disgraceful climax. So, FOR MY WORK'S SAKE, I think I'll never drink intoxicating liquors.

There is yet to be found a disease for which alcohol is a cure, but it has undeniably caused thousands of cases of diseases. Its use is ruinous to the kidneys, liver, heart and smaller blood vessels, and gives rise to that common fatality, high blood pressure. Dr. J. H. Kellogg, Battle Creek Sanitarium, says: "Alcohol increases liability to infectious diseases and prevents development of immunity." So, FOR MY BODY'S SAKE, I think I'll never drink intoxicating liquors.

Habit-forming intoxicating would assail my most sacred treasure—the inalienable right to liberty and happiness. For they steal "life" from years—"years" from years.

Briefly summarizing, I will never drink intoxicating liquors because they contain alcohol and I am convinced:

Alcohol slows apprehension, depressant of voluntary action, lessens every worth while quality for a successful elevation. Connected with such social evils as poverty, racial degeneracy and crime. Opposing influence of every worthy effort to promote decency and order. Hinders physical alertness, vitally impairing both work and health. Overthrows liberty and happiness, deserving the title "heartless outlaw." Literally, nothing to gain—figuratively, everything to lose.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MEDITATION

In the castle of my soul there is a little postern gate
Where, when I enter, I am in the presence of God.
In a moment, in the turning of a thought,
I am, where God is.
When I meet God there all life gains a new meaning,
Small things become great, and great things small.
Lowly and despised things are shot through with glory;
My troubles seem but pebbles on the road;
My joys seem like everlasting hills;
All my fever is gone in the great peace of God;
And I pass through the door from Time into Eternity.

—Walter Rauschenbush.

Prayer is not merely the human will submitting to the will of God. It is a free filial expression of our desires to the heavenly Father, in the confidence that his wisdom is greater than ours, and his love and power as great as his wisdom.—A. J. Mason, D.D.

John Wesley made the great words of William Lawe, whose Serious Call greatly influenced his thinking, his own:

"Perhaps what the best heathens called Reason; and Solomon, Wisdom; Saint Paul, Grace in general; Saint John, Righteousness or Love; Luther, Faith; Fenelon, Virtue, may be only different expressions for one and the same blessing—the light of Christ shining in different degrees under different dispensations."—From Order of Worship Program, Uniting Conference of Methodism.

DAVIDSON COUNTY ZONE MEETING

Mrs. S. W. Burton, secretary of the Davidson county zone, Winston-Salem district, sends us the following:
The Davidson county missionary of the Methodist churches of the Salem district, met at Main Street church, Thomasville, recently. The meeting was opened with an organ solo by Mrs. R. W. Crews, church secretary. Robert Williams, president, presided. An appropriate song was sung and was followed by a greeting from Mrs. F. E. Williams, which were responded to by the choir.
The theme for the meeting was World Peace and Christian Citizenship. The devotional which was given by Mrs. Homer Ragan was based on world peace, and the worship service was concluded with prayer by Mrs. James T. Bowman. The Janie Tuttle missionary society of Main Street church gave a playlet on peace, entitled 'Beauty

Limited.' Mrs. O. C. Wall, in a very interesting talk urged a peace committee in every church. Miss Ruth Hepler contributed to the enjoyment of the program with a solo, 'Teach Me How to Live.'

The high light of the program was a talk by the district secretary, Mrs. J. G. Sterling, who brought out much that was informing and valuable for those who were present. Miss Dora Zimmerman had for the subject of her impressive message the training school for colored women, and Mrs. E. J. Poe the World Outlook. Mrs. Clyde Auman spoke on 'Glorified Housekeeping' and Mrs. Jenkins on 'The Voter's Obligation,' both talks being heard with interest. Mrs. Frank Murr gave a reading entitled 'What's Civics?'

An offering of \$5 was received for subscriptions to the World Outlook. The meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. Clyde Auman."

ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTEREST

The mid-year meeting of the conference officers and district secretaries of the Woman's Missionary Conference, W. N. C. Conference, will be held at Sunny Acres, near Lewisville, January 30 to February 1.

The opening session will be Tuesday evening (January 30) at 7:30 o'clock, and the sessions will be continued through Wednesday, closing the evening of Wednesday, the 31st. Those going to the meeting by train or bus are asked to communicate with Mrs. J. G. Sterling, 1602 Patterson Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C., so that transportation from Winston to Sunny Acres may be provided.

This is a meeting of great importance and every officer and district secretary is urged to be present. Mrs. Weaver, president of the conference, asks that all come "with a hand full of good reports, a head full of suggestions, a heart full of love for the work and a soul full of prayer for the meeting."

We give below some excerpts from a leaflet prepared by The American Association of Shanghai, under the title America's Stake in Shanghai:

There are approximately 400 American business firms and cultural organizations in China, which are either directly or indirectly engaged in promoting the use of American products and the spread of American ideas in China. Most of these are located in Shanghai or have their principal offices there. Listed among these are branch offices of important American companies; two large banks playing an important part in the financial structure of China; modern skyscrapers built with American materials; American owned and operated public utilities such as the Shanghai Power Co. and the Shanghai Telephone System.

American opened and edited newspapers have a wide circulation among the Chinese, and American made motion pictures play to packed houses every day in Shanghai where the audiences are two-thirds Chinese. American investments in Shanghai amount to approximately \$200,000,000 (U. S.)

The largest and most widely attended schools and universities and most modern and efficient hospitals in Shanghai are American owned and operated, while almost every large American religious society has offices in the city.

A LETTER TO DR. PATTEN OF LOUISBURG COLLEGE

Dear Dr. Patten:

We have a young man in our school, 17 years old, who will graduate this spring. This young man is fatherless and homeless except for the kindness of a first cousin who has kept him and schooled him for the past two years.

_____ is the name of this young man and any character reference will place his integrity beyond question.

About a week ago he came to me with a catalogue from your school and asked, "Could I go to this school?" I said to him that I did not know but that I would see what arrangements could be made.

I wonder if the boy could go to your school immediately upon graduation and take up farm or general work about the college and enter school there next fall. He is well trained in farm work and has some mechanical ability. Even if it took him three or four years to do enough work so that you could afford to let him attend your school I am sure it would be more than justified and will pay off in rich reward.

Respectfully yours,

Prin.

CHURCH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT FOR 25 YEARS IN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH

1915	1,847,199
1916	1,928,048
1917	1,901,971
1918	1,792,574
1919	1,751,060
1920	1,844,115
1921	1,910,575
1922	2,008,497
1923	2,025,427
1924	2,018,982
1925	2,048,198
1926	2,012,237
1927	2,023,162
1928	1,996,730
1929	1,960,211
1930	1,922,808
1931	1,934,912
1932	1,970,708
1933	1,970,123
1934	1,951,811
1935	1,898,095
1936	1,866,562
1937	1,851,675
1938	1,970,970
1939	*2,043,952

*Not all the conference journals had been received when this statement was prepared. This is the enrollment for 1939 as reported by the conference boards of Christian education.

Sunday School Lesson

JANUARY 28

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By Rollin H. Walker

Jesus Proclaims Himself

Scripture: Matthew 21:1-16

The word politician has such a bad odor that one has never heard it applied to Jesus. But certainly, like the politician, he had a profound insight into public sentiment and a shrewd foresight as to what the people were likely to do, and hence he knew when a measure was timely.

From the beginning, our Lord's disciples kept wishing that he would proclaim himself the Messiah; but Jesus well knew that a premature claim would be misunderstood, and would also bring down upon him the destroying hand of Rome, and cut short his career before he had a chance fully to utter his message.

But it would also have been misunderstood if before his death Jesus had not proclaimed himself the One whom all the prophets had been inspired to announce. Furthermore, Jesus realized that an outburst of enthusiasm from the Galilean peasants who followed him up to Jerusalem was inevitable. "If these hold their peace," said he to the disgusted Pharisees, "the stones will cry out."

But he knew that this popular ovation might easily burst out in a way that would misrepresent him and give the impression that he was making one last futile effort to get himself into military and political power. He must prevent this. So he sends into Jerusalem not for a horse which men used in military processions, but for an ass. He desires in this way to make it known that he comes solely on an errand of peace. Thus he fulfills the prophecy of Zechariah.

The sudden enthusiasm that came down on the crowd and made them shout Hosannas was an endowment of the Holy Spirit. It was a presage of Pentecost, and of those many subsequent times in human history when, in spite of the coldness and frowns of the rulers, the Spirit of Almighty God has baptized humble folk with true spiritual insight, and caused them to break out in songs of praise.

Jesus had no jeweled saddle, but the apostles lovingly spread their garments on the beast. No marching band of soldiers preceded him, with glittering helmets, but amid songs and hallelujahs the company spread their bright Passover garments in the way, and brought the branches of the trees. It was a true triumph. But the condescending and superior Jerusalemites exclaimed, Who is this? That question is a symbol of the spiritual ignorance of proud city dwellers in all ages.

But doubtless many of the common people of Jerusalem were greatly impressed by the enthusiasm of these

singing peasants. To arrange that the multitude of his Galilean followers might have this opportunity to proclaim him was a missionary measure. It was like the previous sending forth of the seventy. Here is where we fail today. We do not plan to give the rank and file favorable opportunity to bear witness. Thus we fail to utilize a lot of potential power for spreading the gospel, because the world is more impressed by the joyful witness of the common people than by learned lecturers. It is also very bad for the common people thus to have their natural enthusiasm bottled up.

Jesus did not hug to himself his popularity, but rather cashed in on it and used the temporary prestige it gave him daringly to drive out the traffickers from the Temple. And he did it with holy violence. (We rejoice to know that the sickly mildness of the medieval portrait of Christ is wrong). He overturned the tables of the money changers and set their coins rolling over the mosaic pavement, and said to those who sold sacrifices, Take these things hence! It is written, my house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations, and ye have made it a den of robbers.

It is likely that the high priests had brought it about that sacrifices were not for sale in any place except the Temple, and having a monopoly, they scandalously overcharged the people. To interfere with this traffic was a public rebuke to the chief priests, and it seriously cut in on their revenues. Can you see them, white with rage?

But the blind and the lame came to him in the Temple, and he healed them. And the children began to sing tumultuously. One has heard boys in Sunday school fairly screaming some popular hymn whose tune they enjoyed. Perhaps the children in the Temple sang in that way, and of course the priests were shocked. They had not been shocked at the thought of profaning the Temple by their robbery and graft, but they were greatly displeased by the hilarious singing of the children.

This religious enthusiasm had come to the children through the outward spectacle of the procession. They had caught it from the hosannas of the multitude. And that is how it usually comes to children today. First there is some outward spectacle, then a contagion of spontaneous gladness, and after that they are prepared for religious instruction.

We read of Jesus, "Without a parable spake he not unto them." That is to say, he always gives a concrete and picturesque illustration of every truth he desires to enforce. But that is not all. When he touched the lepers and the blind eyes, and reached out a hand to the paralytics, he gave an acted illustration of inner spiritual truth. And now in this triumphal entry he gives us another picture with which to illustrate our family Bibles and enrich our art galleries. What a teacher Jesus was! How well he knew the secret of reaching the popular mind.

Jesus was not for a moment deceived into supposing that this hilarious demonstration of the Galilean peasants would save him from his fate. Indeed,

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THE STORY THE SNOW TOLD

He was a foolish young rabbit. And here is what happened to him one dark winter night where the ice-locked lake lay like a white blanket between the feet of the mountains.

It all happened in the dark with only the throbbing stars to see. "Oho!" some one says, "how do you know it happened at all if no one saw it?"

He thinks he has caught you trying to fool him until you say that you read the story in the snow. For when one learns to read the signs of the snow, one finds many strange stories written on its white surface. They are all true stories, for they are written by the feet of the animals they tell about. Everyone should know how to read the snow stories. Tragic and amusing stories are written there, stories of strange things that happen in the woods, or in the dark when no person can see them. Yet in daylight a true account of all that happened is found written on the white page. There it stays until more snow falls and another clean page is spread. But let us return to our rabbit.

Truly he was a foolish young fellow, or he would never have ventured out so far onto the frozen lake. If he had stayed in the woods and run along the tunnels under the snow-draped branches he would have been safe. At least as safe as a Snow-shoe Rabbit ever is with so many hungry animals looking for a meal.

But no, he simply must hop out on the lake. You can tell by his tracks that he has no definite goal in mind. See, here he made a dozen hops in a straight line. Leisurely hops they were, for his little front feet have just tickled the snow ahead of the broad furry pads of his hind ones. These pads are so broad and so furry that they carry him on top of the snow as well as snow-shoes would.

Then when he has made those 12 hops he sits up and has a look around. You tell that by the way the long hind feet has shifted.

Away he goes again, in a slightly different direction. This time he hops easily until he is over a hundred yards from the line of evergreens that rise like a dark wall back there at the shore. Once again he sits and views the night. It is really a fine night, and he feels very daring. None of the other rabbits come out on the lake like this. Foolish fellow! Every hop from the shore puts him more at the mercy of his enemies.

But look! What has happened? Here he was sitting up, and then he makes one wild leap and starts for shore. A rabbit bounds like that only when he is fleeing for his life.

But what could be after him? There are no marks on the snow behind him. How he is racing. Just pace off this leap. Six paces, or eighteen feet, you

JACK FROST

Somebody's been in the garden
Nipping blossoms fair,
All the green leaves are blackened,
Who do you think was there?

Somebody's been in the forest
Cracking the chestnut burrs;
Who is dropping chestnuts
Whenever a light wind stirs?

Somebody's been at the window,
Marking on every pane;
Who made the delicate drawing
Of lacework and moss and grain?

Somebody's all the time working
Out on the pond so blue,
Bridging it over with crystal.
Now, can you tell me who?

—Selected.

make it, between where he left the snow and where he landed again. Now he is dodging his invisible pursuer. Each leap takes him at an angle to the last one. Those jumps tell the terror that is making him strain every muscle to gain the forest he so foolishly left. Still the snow shows no tracks behind him. No wolf, coyote, or fox is racing to seize him.

Then you come to marks on the snow that explain his fear. He may well be afraid when the western horned owl swoops for him. Often at night you have heard the deep "Who—oo—whoo" that hunter sends through the dark woods in the hope of startling a crouching rabbit or grouse into betraying his hiding place by a slight move. You see here where the owl's wing tips brushed the snow as he tried to drive his talons into the rabbit's white fur. He missed his prey by an inch. Owls do not often miss like that. Before he could swoop again the rabbit has bounded twice and is under the sheltering branches of the shore-line trees.

You follow his trail a little way through the woods to where at last he crouched in the shelter of an upturned stump. And you know that Snow-shoe Rabbit has learned one of the reasons why it is unwise to wander onto the inviting smoothness of the frozen lake.

—H. R. Evans in *Forest Friends*.

Tommy and his mother, making an overnight trip on a train, shared an upper berth. In the night Tommy awakened suddenly and sat up.

"Do you know where we are, Tommy?" his mother asked.

"Sure," replied the youngster. "We're in the top drawer."—Selected.

ANIMALS' AGES

The oldest animal is probably the Galapagos Island tortoise. While figures on the longevity of animals are not very accurate, it is estimated that these giant tortoises live to the age of 200 years.

The natural life of horses is from 18 to 25 years; for cows, from 14 to 15 years.

A cat reaches exerecme old age at 15; a rat is very old at 7. Beavers sometimes attain 50, and squirrels live only 8 or 9.

Canary birds and sparrows, as well as chickens and doves, may live up to 20 years.

It is popularly believed that elephants reach miraculously old ages, from 100 to 200 years. This is a popular fallacy, for the elephant is old at 75 and rarely lives much longer than that. The huge hippopotamus lives about 20 years. Lions, leopards, jaguars, and hyenas live to be approximately 25.

It is extremely difficult to estimate the age of fish. Various authorities have reckoned the carp's age at 150 years, the pike's life duration at 100 years, while the salmon lives only about 4 years.

The age of insects is hard to determine. Many insects live only a few hours, though ants may live as long as several years.

Monkeys live to be approximately 17. However, apes confined to a cage age very rapidly.—Fact Digest.

JUST FOR FUN

A county school board was visiting a school and the teacher was putting her pupils through their paces.

"Who signed the Magna Charta, Robert?" she asked, turning to one boy.

"Please, ma'am, 'twasn't me," whimpered the youngster.

The teacher, with disgust, told him to take his seat; but an old countryman on the board was not satisfied, so he said: "Call that boy back; I don't like his attitude. I believe that he did do it."—Selected.

* * *

A Massachusetts boy told the teacher that his sister had the measles. The teacher sent him home and told him to stay there till his sister got well. After he skipped joyfully away another boy held up his hand and said, "Teacher, Dolan's sister, what's got the measles, lives in California.—Exchange.

* * *

Mother asked her six-year-old what loving-kindness meant. "Well," he said, "when I ask you for a piece of bread and butter and you give it to me, that's kindness, but when you put jam on it, that's loving-kindness."—Chicago Tribune.

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February 25-March 10-Broad Street, Trenton, N. J.
March 11-31-First Church, Collinswood, N. C.
April 7-21-Trinity, Kannapolis, N. C.
April 22-May 5-Tabernacle, Martinsville, Va.
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North Carolina Conference

OURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Habbs, O.S., 114 Watts St., Ourham, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

January

Glen Haven Ct., Haw River, 1128
Durham Ct., Bethany, 7:3028
West Durham, 7:3029
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 1131
Mebane, Central, 7:3031

February

Burlington Ct., Shiloh, 114
Alamance Ct., Center, 34
Mebane, First Church, 7:304
Methodist Advance Meeting, Raleigh, 9:306
Bahama Ct., Mt. Sylvan, 1111
Carrboro, Carrboro, 711

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, O.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

January

Belhaven, Trinity, 1128
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 328
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night28
First Church, Elizabeth City, night31

February

Williamston, 114
Plymouth, night4
Windsor, 1111
Edenton, night11

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, O.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

January

Roberdel-Steele's, 1122
Rockingham Ct., 328
Red Springs, 728

February

Stedman, 114
West End, Pleasant Hill, 34
Pine Bluff, 74
Blasco, 1111

Troy Ct., 311
Troy, 711

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

January

Newport, Newport, 1128
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:3028

February

Jones, Trenton, 114
Pink Hill, Pink Hill, 34
Mount Olive Ct., Rones, 1110
Mount Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive, 1111
Dover, Dover, 7:3011
Fremont, Black's Creek, 1117
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 1118
Pikeville-Elm Street, Pikeville, 318
Goldsboro Ct., Daniels, 718

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, O.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

January

Mamers, Spring Hill, 1127
Millbrook, 1128
Moncure, Buckhorn, 328

February

Rongemont, 114
Mt. Tirzah, Helena, night4

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

January

Elm City, 1127
McKendree, Pinesops, 327
Marvin, 7:3027
Kenly, 7:3031

February

Farmville, 114
Walstonburg, 34
Stantonsburg, 7:304
Methodist Advance Meeting, Raleigh, 9:306
Rosemary, 1111
Roanoke Rapids, 7:3011

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cado, O.S., Wilmington, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

January

Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 1128
Bladen, Bethlehem, 328
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night28

February

Wilmington, Grace, 114
Clinton, night4
Swansboro, Midway, 1111
Maysville (place to be announced), 311
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night11

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

January

Sandy, Little Sandy, 1128
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, night28

February

Candler, Pleasant Hill, 113
Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, 114
Candler, Pleasant Hill, night4
Acton, Acton, 1111
West Asheville, night11
Preach, Hendersonville, 1118
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Brevard, 318
Preach at Brevard, night18
Preach at Edneysville, 1125
Joint Quar. Conf. Hendersonville, Flat Rock and Mills
River, at Hendersonville, 325
Mills River at Hendersonville, 325
Preach at Avery's Creek, night25

March

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Joint Quar. Conf. Black Mountain, Otten and Swan-
nanova, at Azalea, 33
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Quar. Conf. Weaverille and Weaverille, Ct., at Wea-
verville, night4
Quar. Conf. Asheville Ct. and W. Asheville, at West
Asheville, night5
Quar. Conf. Biltmore and Oakley, at Oakley, night5
Quar. Conf. Laurel-Barnardsville, at Barnardsville, 1110
Preach at Central, night10
Quar. Conf. Central, Haywood St. and French Broad
Ave., at French Broad, night11
Quar. Conf. Asbury Men., Hillside St. and Merrimon
Ave., at Merrimon Ave., night12
Preach at Big Sandy, 1117
Quar. Conf. Leicester-Bell, Leicester, Grace and Sandy,
at Brick Church, 317
Marshall, 1124
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CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Band, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

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Pineville, Harrison, 7:305
Matthews, 7:309
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 1111
Now Hope-Bethel, Long Pine, 311
Unionville-New Hope, Unionville, 711

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Calvary, 7:3014
North Monroe-Grace, North Monroe, 7:3016
Big Springs, 1118
Spencer Memorial, 7:3018
Weddington, Union, 1125
Bethel-Bogers, Bogers, 325
Thrifty-Moore's, Thrift, 7:3025
Wadesboro, 726
Chadwick, 7:3028

March

Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 103
Morven, Shiloh, 33
Marshville, Wingate, 73
Wesley Heights, 7:304
Belmont Park, 7:306
Dilworth, 7:308
Ansonville, Concord, 1110
Brevard Street, 7:3010
Hawthorne Lane, 7:3013
Lileville, Lileville, 1117
Central Avenue, 7:3017
Derita, 7:3018
Prospect, Carmel, 1124
Peachland, Harmony, 324
Monroe, Central, 7:3024
Huntersville, Asbury, 1131
Myers Park, 7:3031

April

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Pekton, Wightman, 117

ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

January

Elkin, 1128
Surry-Yadkin, 2:3028
Yadkinville, Center, 114
St. Paul, Asbury, 2:304
Wilkesboro Ct., Miller's Creek, 1111
Jonesville, Ronda, 2:3011
Mocksville Ct., Dulin, 2:3017
Mocksville, 1118
Advance, Elbaile, 2:3018
North Wilkesboro, 1125
Wilkesboro, Union, 2:3025

March

Davie, Liberty, 112
Coolmees, 113
Farmington-Smith Grove, 2:303
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Todd, Fairview, 1116
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April

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Hilton, Grassy Creek, 1114
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Watauga, Valle Crucis, 1121
Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 1128

May

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Ararat, Mt. View, Ararat, 1112

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

SECOND ROUND (INCOMPLETE)

January

Greensboro, Grace, 6:3029
Missionary Institute, Reidsville, 9:3030

February

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Mt. Pleasant Ct., 34
Tabernacle-Julian, Julian, 7:304
Bessomer, 7:307
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Reidsville, Main Street, 511
Midway, Barnett's Chapel, 7:3011
Stokesdale, Stokesdale, 7:3014
Flat Rock, 1118
Saint Paul, 318
Jamestown, Oakdale, 7:3018
Greensboro: West End, 7:3021
Reidsville Ct., Loves, 1124
College Place, 1125
Gulford Ct., 325
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March

Calvary, 113
Stoneville, Stoneville, 7:303
Brown Summit, Shady Grove, 1110
Greensboro: Bethel, 710
Reidsville, Lindsay Street, 1117
Spray, 317
Danbury, 7:3017
Madison, 7:3027
Leaksville, 1131

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cernett, D.S., 29 West Fert St., Marion, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February

Valdese, 114
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 34
Morganton, First, 7:304
Broad River, Tanners, 311
Bostic, Sunshine, 311
Spindale, 1111
McDowell, Bethel, 9:4518
North Forest, 1118
Marion Ct., Glenwood, 318
Cross Mills, 7:3018
Henrietta, Henrietta, 1125
Mill Springs, Gray's, 325
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March

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Shady Grove, 33
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Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11	24
Forest City, 7:30	24
Rutherfordton, 11	31
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3	31
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April	
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Elk Park, Newland, 11	14
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Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30	14
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windham, 11	21
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SALISBURY DISTRICT	
Charles N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.	
FIRST ROUND—IN PART	
January	
Yadkin, 11	28
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STATESVILLE DISTRICT	
John Hoy's, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
January	
Hickory: First Church, 11	28
Whitnel, Harpers, 3	28
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February	
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Elmwood, Cleveland, 11	11
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 3	11
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Troutman, Troutman, 11	18
Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 3	18
Balls Creek, Friendship, night	18
Harmony, Clarksburg, 11	25
Olin, Fairmont, 3	25
Union Grove-Zion, Union Grove, night	25
March	
Broad Street, Statesville, 11	3
Taylorsville, Carson Chapel, 3	3
Stony Point, Stony Point, night	3
Mount Zion, Mount Zion, 11	10
McKendree-Williamson, Williamson, 3	10
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, night	10
Mooreville: Central, 11	17
Mooreville Ct., Centenary, 3	17
Mooreville: Broad Street, night	17
Hudson, Hudson, 10 and 3	24
Grace-Rhodiss, Grace, 11	24
Granite Falls, night	24
Catawba, Bethlehem, 11	31
Shepherds, Wesley Chapel, 3	31
Maiden, Maiden, night	31
April	
Newton, 11	7
Hickory: Highland, Fairgrove, 3	7
Hickory: Westview, night	7
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn, 10 and 3	14
Lenoir: First Church, 11	14
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WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT	
W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.	
FIRST ROUND	
January	
Missionary Institute, Centenary, 10	29
February	
First check-up meeting, Centenary, 7:30	5
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I KNOW NOT WHY

I know not why
Christ sits at my small table.
I know not why
His birth was in the stable.

I know not why
Christ now should live in me.
I know not why
He hanged upon the tree.

Stables are dirty,
And a shepherd's rod
Is no fit sceptre
For the Son of God.

And I am mean,
And ugly, and undone—
Such poor company
For God's Son.

My thoughts so dull,
My mind so dim,
I could never understand
Why they crucified him.

It all seems too strange—
Yet, the meaning is clear
That God is Love
And has come very near.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON
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he knew that it would hasten it, for it
would rouse the rulers to an intenser
jealousy, and his cleansing of the Tem-
ple sealed his death warrant.

But he had accomplished his pur-
pose. He had given the multitude of
followers opportunity to bear witness
to the people of Jerusalem, and he had
proclaimed to all time that he was in-
deed the Great Deliverer to whom
prophets and seers had pointed, and
he knew that the resurrection and
Pentecost, and all history, would vali-
date his claim.—Christian Advocate.

CHILDRDEN'S HOME
(Continued from page 16)

Forest Hill, a Wesley Fellowship Group,
which should have some useful and
helpful project around which they can
center their interests. We have talked
of sponsoring the clothing needs of one
of the children at the Children's Home
and I am writing for information. I
understand that you greatly prefer
that the group which undertakes to
clothe a child should send the money
to you so that the children will be fit-
tingly clothed on the same standard.
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In Memoriam

HARDY—J. Benjamin Hardy died suddenly January 2, 1940, age 62. In 1908 he married Miss Rissie King. His widow; two daughters, Mrs. George Sullivan and Mrs. H. C. Johnson; one son, Rupert Hardy, all of Roanoke Rapids; and one brother, T. O. Hardy of Henderson, survive. He joined the church a year ago. The funeral was from the church and interment was in Roanoke Rapids cemetery.

Daniel Lane, Pastor.

STANLEY—On the morning of December 27, 1939, the gentle spirit of T. A. Stanley departed his body and quietly and peacefully entered into rest. There was no fear or dread of going, for Brother Stanley had an abiding faith in the eternal. He will be greatly missed in Crews church, where he was superintendent of the church school. Funeral was conducted by Dr. W. A. Lambeth, J. S. Hiatt, D. M. Nifong, G. M. McClamrock and the pastor.

W. B. Thompson, P. C.

RICKS—On December 6, 1939, W. F. Ricks, a former steward of Sandy Cross Methodist church, died at his Samburg home from a heart attack. He was 57 years of age and a faithful member of his church for 40 years. He enjoyed teaching the Word for the Master and lived such a beautiful pattern of Christian life that is worthy of being followed by his three children, Robert Franklin, Palmer Douglas and Edna Earl Ricks. His widow also is left to mourn his loss, but we know he is in heavenly home because he witnessed for the Lord until the last, and among his last words were, "I love thy kingdom, Lord."

HUMPHREYS — John Humphreys, one of the most devoted and faithful members, a steward, a contractor who with his uncle, J. W. Smoot, built our church, a World War veteran, died suddenly upon arrival at his mother's home, Bluefield, W. Va., for a holiday visit, December 26.

Surviving him are his mother, Mrs. A. E. Bailey; widow, who was Miss Ethel Williams; two sons, Harold at State College, Milton and little daughter, Vera-mae; two brothers, C. W. Humphreys, Washington, D. C., and Gordon Humphreys, Huntington, W. Va.; six sisters, Mrs. Harold Risse, Mrs. T. R. Grimm, Mrs. Fred Phelps, Mrs. C. N. Wheeler, Mrs. Ralph Barrett, and Mrs. E. F. Cagle.

Daniel Lane, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of Newland Methodist church and Sunday school of Pasquotank county wish to express our deep sense of loss in the passing on December 7, 1939, of William A. Foster. For more than 30 years Mr. Foster had served very loyally and efficiently as superintendent of our Sunday school. He had served for even a longer time as steward. In every church work as well as in all other community activities, he was a capable leader, willing at all times to devote his time and energy to any task that was helpful or worth while. He was a Christian gentleman in the truest sense of the word.

Therefore, in appreciation of the years of devoted service which he so willingly gave to his church and Sunday school, be it resolved:

First, That we express to the members of his family our deepest sympathy and love.

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be entered on our Sunday school records and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. Eugene Sharber,
J. G. Sharber,
F. W. Brothers,
W. D. Sharber.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The sudden death on August 25, 1939, of our beloved pastor, Dr. A. L. Stanford, cast a gloom over our entire church and town. Brother Stanford was finishing his fourth year as pastor of the First Methodist church, Lincoln, N. C. For more than a year he had been in bad health but continued to do his duty to his church, his people, and his God.

We, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society, wish to pay tribute to our faithful pastor, who was always present at our meetings and took a keen interest in our work and was ever eager to advise us in any way he could. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That in the death of Dr. Stanford we have not only lost a loyal and devoted friend, but our church is bereft of a consecrated leader and Christian preacher.

Second, That the members of the auxiliary express to the family our deepest sympathy and commend them for comfort and guidance to Him who doeth all things well.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be recorded in the minutes of our auxiliary.

Mrs. R. J. Sifford,
Mrs. Herbert Kuhn.

IN MEMORIAM

At the first quarterly conference of the Middleburg charge held January 7, 1940, at Cokesbury church the entire conference stood with bowed heads to pay respect to their beloved steward, Mr. W. S. Richardson. The community around Tabernacle church has suffered a great loss in the death of Mr. Richardson and his wife.

Mr. Richardson was a faithful member and steward of Tabernacle church. We know he will be missed so much on the Middleburg charge. He was present at most every quarterly conference, and so willing to help—always ready to do more than his part.

Middleburg charge has lost an energetic and tireless worker and one that was loved by all who knew him.

It is requested that one copy of this tribute go into the minutes of this conference, one be sent to Tabernacle church, and one be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

W. E. Turner, Sec.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Since our God in his wisdom has seen fit to call away our brother, Mr. E. C. Cobb, we, the board of stewards of First Methodist church of Rocky Mount, do resolve:

That we bow to his will, who wanted him to go on to another world; we shall miss our brother and fellow member who has gone from our midst.

We extend our heartfelt and real sympathy to his daughter, our faithful co-worker, Mrs. T. W. Smithson, and to all his family.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, one to his family, and one spread upon the minutes of this board.

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THE GOLDEN TOUCH

By A. W. PLYLER

WE do not refer to the golden touch that the old Greek myth tells us King Midas had. The gods gave Midas the power to turn whatever he touched into gold. Some men in this present day seem eager for the same touch and with it their ecstasy would know no bounds, as was the case with King Midas. It was wonderful for him to see how wooden chairs, earthen vessels, trees and hills were turned into the shining metal. But when the cup of water and the crust of bread that touched his lips and the loving daughter that he kissed all turned to gold, then he knew that the poorest beggar in all the land was rich beside him.

Our reference is not to the touch that converts all things into the yellow metal, but it is to the touch that enriches life and character with the best and finest things within the gift of God or man. It is the touch of a great heart that overflows and sheds its blessing upon all around, or the inspiration of a great life that stirs others to high and splendid endeavor. Who has not been acquainted with just such as these. One of life's great hearts becomes as "the shelter of a great rock in a weary land," and one of those great inspiring personalities stirs men and women to holy daring like the presence of Napoleon inspired his "Old Guard."

Jesus had the power of that touch. The doctors of divinity at Jerusalem felt it in the lad of twelve, the woman of the street recognized his eternal goodness that shamed her into a better life, the twelve felt the touch till Judas, who dared to do violence thereto, went out speedily and hanged himself.

A little woman with the golden touch enters an uninviting cottage and lets the magic of her presence play upon the bare floor and walls. And without big outlay of gold for furniture, curtains, pictures and bric-a-brac, she with the eye of an artist puts a touch of beauty here and another expression of her exquisite taste over there, till after a little she has transformed the place into a home, beautiful as the gates of paradise. It is a result of the golden touch.

A little while ago a man with the eye of an artist and of a landscape gardener, went out into the wilds of Florida among the barren and neglected sandhills of that southern peninsula and there upon the shore of a lake made him a place of wondrous beauty. Tropical flowers bloom there all the year round and tropical birds with brilliant plumage make it their home, the fawn and the doe browse in the parks and visitors from afar come to view and admire the wonders of park and lawn overlooking the broad, beautiful lake whose waters are like the bosom of a summer sea. What did it all? Not money alone. But the golden touch of a man who could see.

Who is it that bends over the cradle of infancy and ministers to childhood through the tender years of life and sets the youthful feet to travel the ways of truth and duty? The woman with the golden touch. Who is it that comforts old age slipping swiftly to the tomb? Some angel of mercy who is endowed with the golden touch.

How some men covet the touch of Midas! Give them the power to turn whatever they touched to gold and the supreme desire of their lives would be satisfied. They measure everything by its monetary value. Such men, though they know it not, are the world's most destitute and wretched paupers. But there is a golden touch that like mercy blesses both he that gives and he that receives. That touch in the home, in the social circle, in the shop, in the office, in the store, in church, everywhere is golden. That touch of some splendid personality has converted the girl into a princess, has awakened the careless and indifferent boy and made of him a patriot, a statesman, a prophet. Covet earnestly the best gifts, but above all covet the power of the golden touch.

*CHRONICLES OF OLD BERKELEY

Those who have a mind to probe into the making of these United States will find in this work an interesting narrative of the oldest county in the eastern panhandle of West Virginia. A region of wondrous beauty, where once the Tuscarora Indians lived, and gave their name to the creek on which is built Martinsburg, the county seat. Other names left by the Indians are "Shenandoah," the stars; "Cohongoroota," the wild goose; and "Potowmaek," the place of burning pine. Originally the land which now comprise Berkeley county was Spottsylvania county, Va.—afterwards Frederick county, Va., from which it was formed in 1772.

By a wise use of the early court records, state documents and newspapers of the first half of the eighteenth century, the authors have presented a fine portrayal of the institutional and industrial life of this section. From the enactments of Berkeley Court Records in 1777, the following is quoted: "Divulgers of false reports fined 2000 lbs. tobacco; slanderous persons shall be fined 500 lbs. tobacco; persons refusing to have their children baptized assessed 200 lbs. tobacco."

Extracts from Asbury's Journal tell of his preaching in this county from 1781-1795. Among the early settlers of this section was Robert Harper, who was born in Oxford, England, and emigrated to Philadelphia at the age of twenty, where he became engaged in architecture and mill-wrighting. Being commissioned by the Friends Society to build a church on the Apequon river, he was directed to a shorter route by way of "The Hole." He was so pleased with this beautiful spot that he bought out a tract of land from Peter Stevens for fifty British guineas and afterwards obtained a patent for these lands from Lord Fairfax at Greenway Court. Sometime between September 14, 1758, and March 5, 1761, a ferry was established on his lands across the Potomac river, which has since been known as Harper's Ferry.

A perusal of this volume not only gives insight to the development of a small section of what is now West Virginia, but it also discloses the courage that hardihood and the ingenuity that the first settlers used in building a great civilization out of the resources of a rugged wilderness.

Miss Ann Henshaw Gardiner, joint author with her mother, has rendered a commendable service in the preparation of this volume and North Carolinians may be justly proud that she is at present a citizen of the state, serving on the faculty of Duke University.

Epie S. Plyler.

*Chronicles of Old Berkeley: A Narrative History of a Virginia County from Its Beginnings to 1926. By Mabel Henshaw Gardiner, M.A., and Ann Henshaw Gardiner, M.S. The Leeman Press, 1938.

ARKANSAS EDITOR VISITS NORTH CAROLINA

Dr. A. C. Millar, editor of the Arkansas Methodist, and the dean of editors of American Methodism, attended the recent Missionary Council in Charlotte and other points in the state. Dr. Millar is a great traveler, especially in the United States, and he has a gift for writing interestingly of his travels.

We clip a paragraph or two from his travelog which appeared in last week's Methodist. This should be of interest to many North Carolinians. In writing of Charlotte he says:

Here is the Ivey Department Store, of which Mr. J. B. Ivey, brother of the late Dr. T. N. Ivey editor of the Christian Advocate, is the head. It is an immense establishment

occupying six stories, and having 19,000 credit accounts. It was my privilege to go through it under the guidance of Mr. Ivey. Gold was once mined in considerable quantities near Charlotte. It is surrounded by such cities as Gastonia, Concord, Salisbury and others, all great textile mill communities. Much more might be said of this fine city, if space were available.

Leaving Charlotte, I ran, via Greensboro, to Durham, and spent a few hours in the Duke University Hospital with my nephew, Dr. Wm. M. Millar (recently a member of the faculty of the Medical Department of the University of Cincinnati), who was in Duke Hospital for special treatment which he could not get elsewhere. It is truly a great hospital, well equipped, and I appreciate the courteous consideration accorded.

My friend and colleague in the Judicial Council, Dr. R. L. Flowers, vice president of the university, sent his car for me and, after a brief conversation, had me conveyed back to my hotel. My time was so limited that I did not have opportunity to meet other members of the faculty. This great institution with its really magnificent group of buildings of native stone, with its campus of more than 5,000 acres, and a large and distinguished faculty, has a capacity enrollment, with many coming from the North and West for the special advantages. With its artistically landscaped campus, it is beautiful for surroundings and is impressive on account of its leadership among the great universities of the land.

TOBACCO FOR BRITONS

A lone man's companion, a bachelor's friend, a hungry man's food, a sad man's cordial, a wakeful man's sleep and a chilly man's fire. . . . There's no herb like unto it under the canopy of heaven.—"Westward Ho."—Charles Kingsley.

English literature, from the seventeenth century to the present, is full of such apostrophes to tobacco. The Spanish brought the tobacco plant, close kin to the eggplant and the potato, from the New World to Europe, but the British popularized its use. Sir Walter Raleigh "took a pipe of tobacco a little before he went to the scaffold." The modern Englishman, though he still takes a pipe, also likes a cigarette, and of late he has imported his cigarette tobacco chiefly from America. Last week his government acted to curtail American tobacco and set out to persuade him to smoke Turkish.

The war was behind the government's twofold purpose: (1) to conserve its dollars for the purchase of American-made war materials; (2) to lend economic aid to Britain's new ally, Turkey. Turkey grows a highly flavored tobacco. Americans use it for blending with three varieties of native leaf. Before 1914 the British had also used Turkish for blending, but when Turkey joined the Kaiser's Germany in the war they took to smoking "straight" American flue-cured tobacco—dried by heat introduced into the curing house through small flues and grown principally in North and South Carolina, Virginia and Georgia. In popular modern British brands no Turkish is blended. Whether Englishmen could be persuaded to shift from the mild, golden bright, American flue-cured tobacco to darker, heavier Turkish was last week an unanswered question.—New York Times.

TRY THIS ON YOUR FRIEND

Friends of Mark Twain one evening in New York remembered that it was the celebrated humorist's birthday and decided to send him a letter of congratulations. But they had no idea in what corner of the world such a message might reach him. As a result they addressed it, "Mark Twain, God only knows where."

Several weeks later a reply came from Italy and it contained two words, "He knew."

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

The Charlotte District Missionary Institute will be held on Friday, February 2, First church, Charlotte. The program will begin promptly at 10 a. m. The afternoon session will begin at 2 p. m. The provisional meeting of the Woman's Division of Christian Service will convene at 1:30 p. m. to select delegates to the annual meeting. All charges in the district are to elect three delegates to this district meeting. All pastors, chairmen of missionary committees, directors of the Golden Cross, church school superintendents, charge lay leaders and directors of young people's work are requested to attend. One of the outstanding speakers will be Dr. J. W. Hawley of Pittsburgh, Penn.

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That all Christians should abound more and more in knowledge and in all that is excellent was the eager desire of leaders who lived in Apostolic times. Should not this be the eager and abiding longing of all who are called upon to live and act in this present age? Then we would be able to show unto all the more excellent way.

§ § §

The Methodist Advance, marching Methodist and Methodists on the borders of the Promised Land are familiar phrases just now. These are slogans of conquest. With the cross going on before, well and good! In it all there is something of the daring of youth. Could anything count for more in our entire Methodism than the fine vision and heroic faith of our youth?

§ § §

How did you feel when you came out of the wilderness leaning on the Lord? This is the query in a familiar spiritual. A ring of triumph breaks forth. But for those who are still in the wilderness the joy of the Lord is unknown. The dead march characteristic of many churches is due to the many who are still in the wilderness. Would that the Methodist Advance might get us out of the wilderness.

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Education of the child begins with the love-look in a mother's eyes and the soft touch of a mother's hand with all the other ministries of love that follow to awaken the emotions, kindle the intellect and stir the will to action. The process is a long, intricate and delicate one through the weeks and months and years from the early days of parental solicitude. From these most intimate personal relations of mother through all the wider social associations and influences the process goes on, becoming more and more with the passing years a matter of self-education in the school of life. It remains for us all to make the best use possible in this larger world university.

Someone has observed that a woman is as much impressed by a man's success as a man is impressed by a woman's beauty. Does this mean that a man admires beauty most in a woman and a woman admires success most in a man? Some women have put true manliness first among the admirable qualities in man.

§ § §

Fortunate indeed is the man who does not mistake the evening of his own life for the afternoon of the world. Equally as fortunate is the member of the church who does not conclude that the world is going to the bad because he has slipped in his own devotion to his Lord. We all need to give heed to our subjective moods.

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Not on the battle fields of earth, but around the hearthstone, in the school room and on the farms the lasting victories of earth are won. Most of the men who are able to speak with the authority of God in the pulpits came from these places where men find themselves and discover God. The touch of mother, the fidelity of teacher and the breath of forest and field are potential in character building.

§ § §

"One friend he had who never failed. The world might turn its back, but one heart for him never ceased to beat. In his car this friend always rode in the making of many trips throughout this beautiful section. In his room this friend slept at night by his master's side. Whoever else may do so, this friend will never forget, for to 'Ted,' the English mastiff, his master was the greatest man that ever walked the earth. Doubtless this faithful one will keep up the uneasy hunt for his lost master till he too falls to rise no more." The foregoing is Hon. J. R. McCrary's tribute to a dog—to one particular dog that he knew. But it applies to thousands of dogs in this and every other civilized land.

Back to the Soil

THE city means the machine, with crowded conditions and highly organized life. To turn it around, the machine, with the necessary organization of capital and of labor, make possible the city with all its antagonisms and struggles. In the city the extremes of life are in close proximity. Riches and poverty, self-indulgence and abject misery, palaces and slums, wisdom and ignorance all belong to city populations. The Babylons, the Romes, the Londons and the Chicagos have much in common. Time and place, race and creed are incidental. Just now in America the plan is to do away with the slums by better housing. But this does not get rid of the germs of decay lodged there and the artificiality that belongs to city centers with their highly organized and artificial life.

The wisest heads in social, civic and political life are calling for a movement back to the soil. By this, of course, is meant that the crowded populations return to the country. This is to reverse the present movement of populations. For more than a century not a few of rural America had dreamed of the luxury and the ease of town life; for more than fifty years the vast crowds have pressed their way into the cities and crowded the industrial centers with the hope of better wages and more favorable living. So, life with us has become more and more complex, the struggle of the masses more tense and the organized fight of labor more unyielding. Freedom of the individual goes as life becomes highly regimented, the individual inevitably counts for less and less in the terrific strain of a mechanical civilization. Notwithstanding all this, the crowds of the cities will not give heed to the call "back to the soil" that they may enjoy freedom of the countryside.

Doubtless the old view so long cherished that country life and all existence away from the city depended on the yield of the soil in the field is partly responsible for the slow return to the country. Follow a mule in the furrow was to them the symbol of the yield of the field. To make a crop of cotton or corn or tobacco was their one hope. All that is changed now with the urgent plea for a "balanced agriculture." The present demand is to care for the forests, to give attention to stock and poultry, and to develop numerous other lines of industry possible to the energetic. If followed this would soon revolutionize our country life and also

the country church, rendering independent our country people. Remember, the difference between life in the country and life in the city has been largely obliterated by the modern means of transportation and communication. The isolation that once belonged to country life is no more. At present the tendency of the rich and the well-to-do is to build their homes in the country while the poor crowd into the cities, many of whom become helpless residents of the slums.

Instead of country people encouraging their children to think that their only hope is to get into the city they should be alert and intelligent enough to show to the boys and girls the better way. The soil is really the source of all life, and it remains for the thoughtful and energetic men to discover the many possibilities wrapped up in forest and field and flock and herd. Why not some one man make a campaign for governor on this platform?

A Story of Shirts

FROM the beginning the black shirt has been the distinctive mark of the Fascists of Italy. The Soviets of Russia adopted the red shirt. The Nazi of Germany from the first has been composed of the brown shirted followers of Adolph Hitler. And all these shirted groups have grown into totalitarian governments where the will of one man is law and whose ambition is to enslave all the peoples of earth. Such is the story of the black shirts, the red shirts and the brown shirts of Europe.

The United States has not been entirely free from the shirted groups on mischief bent. Some of us can recall the red shirt campaign in eastern North Carolina in the name of white supremacy, as if such measures were necessary to maintain the rule of the white man. Just recently the "silver shirted" group of New York City have been discovered with their high sounding name, Christian Front.

Worst of the shirted groups that have found even a temporary place in these United States was the night shirt group, otherwise known as the Ku Klux Klan. They covered their faces, they covered their license tags on their automobiles and their specialty was writing unsigned letters as they pursued their high claims to clean up the morals of their community, and to rid this country of negroes, Jews and Roman Catholics. A sporadic case of this disease appeared a few weeks ago in South Carolina. But to the everlasting credit of the

governor of that state he had the leaders arrested and officials are in search of every member of these Kluckers who have been born out of season.

Four Great Names Among American Statesmen

DANIEL WEBSTER, Henry Clay, William Jennings Bryan, William E. Borah are the names. These are so eminent in the galaxy of American statesmen that most men in common parlance say Webster, Clay, Bryan, Borah. Three of them were United States senators, but they were so much greater than the office that the office is seldom mentioned. Bryan repeatedly sought the office of President, but he was greater than the office that he sought.

It was Clay who declared: "I had rather be right than be President." And this was true of each of the four. They were men of such outstanding character and ability that political offices were but agencies for more effectual service. The same was true of political parties. While they used these instruments for service they were bigger than any party of which they were members. They could not be partisans because they were too great patriots.

150 Years of Census Taking

THE Sixteenth Decennial Census to be taken in 1940 will bring up to date the statistical record of the United States, the foundations of which were laid in the first Decennial Census taken in 1790. The 1790 census and all succeeding censuses were provided for in the Constitution.

The first census in 1790 showed a total population—in 17 states—of 3,929,214. At that time Virginia was the most populous state with 747,610. Pennsylvania was second, with 434,373; North Carolina third, with 393,751; Massachusetts fourth, with 378,787; New York 340,120 and Maryland 319,728. The entire population of the United States at that time was only a little larger than the population of Chicago today. The entire population of New York state was about equal to today's population of Rochester alone.

The density of population in 1790 was 4.5 persons per square mile. In 1930 it was 41.3 per square mile and the 1940 census should bring this density up to about 44.

Economic Promise of South

WE had it on high authority that the South is Economic Problem No. 1. Many who were eager to get their noses in the public trough fell for this propaganda, and others kept silent in seven languages. We are being told of late by men who should know that the proper designation of the South is "region of economic promise."

The many agencies at work for the promotion of forest culture, soil preservation, and the numerous lines of development in agriculture and horticulture possible in the South are most encouraging. These are the resources native to these lower parallels. Then, too, the North and its industries are moving down to Dixie in a way never dreamed of a few decades ago. Whether the Old South has "gone with the wind" or the New South has come as depicted by Henry Grady, we know not; but we do know that the South of promise is here. Since the Methodists and the Baptists are so numerous in all this region a heavy religious responsibility rests upon them. It would be well that they might live so well as to be able to claim a worthy place in this the Bible belt.

The two million Methodists in the Southeastern Jurisdiction owe a great debt to the country churches of this region. Will we set ourselves to act well our part in the vast country districts and in the growing cities of all this region? This is a land of promise to the church folks who will show themselves worthy.

Applaud the Fathers

WE frequently love to sing the praises of the fathers. Sometimes this is only a man's method of complaining about the present. His desire is not so much to glorify the past as to belittle the present. At other times it is only an enchantment that robes the distant mountain top in its azure hue. Yet one may perceive with accuracy present values and see clearly every rugged outline of the distant peaks, and at the same time applaud the deeds of the fathers. It would be well for Methodists at all times to keep in mind that their fathers never turned down a job because it was hard. Like good soldiers they endured hardness and laughed at it. They never feared the devil. Their chief joy was to destroy the works of the devil. They gloried in the fact that "the way of the Cross leads home."

❖ People and Things ❖

The Methodist Advance is in full swing across the country; the Christian Advocate Advance is on in both North Carolina conferences. Let every one catch step.

Rev. E. K. Whidden of Dellwood, one of our superannuated preachers, fell on the ice and snow in his yard January 7 and broke his knee cap. He is in the Haywood County Hospital at Waynesville.

Let every pastor take note and tell it in all of his churches: With February 1, the Advocate campaign starts with full steam ahead. A real advance is on. Be sure that every charge appears in the next report.

Rev. Carl H. King of Salisbury and executive secretary of Christian education, preached last Sunday for Rev. Wilson O. Weldon at China Grove and held the first quarterly conference in the absence of Dr. C. N. Clark, the district superintendent who is in a hospital as the result of an automobile accident.

No Children's Home page this week because Superintendent Woosley is taking a few days off in Florida. This is the first vacation in two years and this busy man has richly earned a trip to the land of flowers and citrus groves.

The members of Moncure Methodist church surprised their pastor, Rev. O. W. Matheson, and wife with a generous pounding at their apartment Thursday evening. Moncure charge highly appreciates Rev. and Mrs. Matheson and we feel that we are fortunate in securing the services of this fine young couple.

Our pastor filled his appointment on fourth Sunday afternoon at Mt. Moriah church, Cleveland charge, Rev. T. G. Madison, pastor. His message was most interesting. Our attendance in Sunday school, however, has not been so good on account of the bad weather. We are looking for better attendance as spring opens up. Our young people's prayer meeting has stopped on account of weather conditions.—Reporter.

The ministers' wives of Waynesville district had a very enjoyable luncheon during the district missionary institute held at Waynesville January 22. A miscellaneous shower was given to Mrs. J. S. Higgins, a recent bride. The ministers of the district gave Rev. and Mrs. Higgins a beautiful pair of reading lamps. Rev. W. L. Hutchins introduced Rev. Harry Williams, who presented them in a very charming manner.—Mrs. J. D. Pyatt, Cor. Sec.

We are looking forward to a great year in 1940 with the two Methodist churches at Fallston united. We are very much pleased in the fine way the two churches have come together. Co-operation has been of the highest degree. Rev. J. M. Morgan is our pastor. Twelve persons received rewards for perfect attendance at Sunday school in 1939. Our new pastor has been bringing inspiring sermons every time. We desire the prayers of every Christian that this may be the most progressive year in the history of our church.—Mary Ella Bingham.

The announcement that Granbury Dickson, city editor of the Greensboro Daily News, has been chosen publicity director for W. P. Horton's campaign for governor is of special interest in this office. Mr. Dickson has repeatedly covered both the North Carolina and the Western North Carolina conference for this paper, and if there is a better reporter of an annual conference than Mr. Dickson we have never made his acquaintance. He knows what is news and what is not, nothing worth while escapes his attention, he is informed upon Methodist procedure, and never fails to be the very embodiment of accuracy, no matter how great the rush of business.

Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor of West Market church, Greensboro, arrived home last Sunday evening from Florida, where he had gone to stay two weeks, but after five days came back on account of the cold weather in Florida. When he left Lakeland the mercury stood at 21, and he reports that the damage to citrus fruits and vegetables has not been exaggerated in newspaper and radio reports emanating from Florida.

After his inauguration at President, General Washington offered this prayer, which is taken from a copy in his pew, St. Paul's chapel, New York: "Almighty God, we make our earnest prayer that thou wilt keep the United States in thy holy protection; that thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government; to entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large."

Dr. G. Ray Jordan, minister of Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, at the request of the ladies of the woman's auxiliary, has been conducting a series of study classes on "The Parables of Jesus." These classes have been held on Wednesday evening and the attendance has been most satisfactory, even in sub-zero weather, proving that mid-week programs can be held in our city churches. Centenary is also beginning, by popular demand, a second series of "young people's night" programs on Monday evening. The program is divided into three periods, each being one hour in length. The first and third hours are spent in recreation and fellowship, and the second hour in interest groups. The interest groups are music, dramatics and an open forum. Johnny Miller, program manager for WSJS, will lead the open forum Monday on the subject, "Radio Broadcasting."—E. Wannamaker Hardin.

Fred Cornelius in Our Dumb Animals says: "Of course goats can not eat tin cans, but they do often eat the labels from cans. And they eat old rags and pieces of newspaper and all kinds of weeds and grass. I have often seen Angora goats eat prickly pear cactus, spines and all. Up in the mountains of New Mexico, juniper trees grow profusely on the mesas and mountain sides. Goats are very fond of juniper berries and eat them from the trees as high as they can reach. Then the herd boys knock the berries from the higher branches with long poles for the goats to pick up from the ground. These berries seem to be the goats' favorite food in that region. The long wool of the Angora goat is called mohair. It is spun into thread for weaving heavy woollen blankets and cloth for clothing. The goats are sheared as sheep are, in the spring. If the shearing is done too early and a cold spell follows it, the goats suffer severely from the cold.

We have made a change from the extreme east to the extreme west of the North Carolina conference, and our welcome to our new home has been most warm, hearty and prolonged. This pastor has often read of the kindness of people to an incoming pastor; but this time not only have we received continuously such things as flour, freshies, sugar, butter, canned vegetables and two beautiful baskets of fruit, nuts and candies for Christmas, but also under the leadership of Brother Duncan and his wife and Shady Grove church, the whole charge gave this preacher a splendid overcoat. The preacher and his family are truly grateful to this wonderfully fine people for these expressions of their thoughtfulness and love. The whole charge has made an advance of faith in that with the financial uncertainty that faces us, they have raised their benevolence acceptance one hundred dollars. We love our new home and our fine people.—A. E. Brown, Pastor.

GIVING VOICE TO THE FELLOWSHIP

By Miron A. Morrill

The biggest churches have been too small to hold the crowds!

Carnegie Hall in New York City and Symphony Hall in Boston were crowded until not a seat remained!

The Methodists of the East are aware of the new and united Methodist Church and glory in its possibilities. Through the Methodist Advance they have heard representatives of their Council of Bishops and have hailed the new church with a shout—speaking in a spiritual figure.

Down South, too, despite blizzards and five degrees below zero, the Methodist Advance is under way, drawing big crowds. In all places the offerings have been larger than expected so that up-to-date every financial engagement has been met promptly.

What is the Methodist Advance? Many thousands of Methodists now know from their own inspiring personal experience. The Methodist Advance is a spiritual crusade under the leadership of the Council of Bishops of the Methodist Church. Its purpose is to strengthen the church, to give it "oneness of spirit," enthusiasm, and good courage as it enters upon the new era in its life brought about by unification.

The Methodist Advance takes a team of four bishops—including the resident bishop of the area—to 76 major centers of population and of Methodist interest in the United States. In those cities it holds from four to six meetings a day, 82 series of meetings in all, for in some cities there is more than one series of Methodist Advance meetings.

ACTIVITIES AT GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Dr. Clyde R. Milner, president of Guilford College, spoke to the student body of Greensboro College at the chapel hour Saturday, January 27, in Odell Auditorium. As guest speaker for the junior and senior honor societies who had charge of the program Dr. Milner used as his subject, "Meaning of Scholarship."

The recently organized faculty forum of Greensboro College held its third meeting January 14 in Main building. This organization has been formed for the purpose of discussing moral and scholastic problems that affect the general welfare of the college. The plan calls for four or five regular sessions a year, some of which are preceded by a social hour.

Mr. E. O. Watson, professor of history at Greensboro College, left the school at the end of the first semester to

complete his dissertation for the Ph.D. degree in the University of North Carolina.

E. Ashby Hammond has been chosen to teach during Mr. Watson's absence. Mr. Hammond was an instructor in history at U. N. C. He is a native of Holland, holds the A.B. and M.A. degrees from the state university and is a candidate for the Ph.D. degree there in the summer of 1940. He comes to Greensboro College highly recommended.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, spoke to the student body Thursday, January 25, at chapel hour in Odell Auditorium.

Miss Elba Henninger, head of the department of speech and dramatic art, entertained at two studio teas on January 25 and 26 in the East drawing room of Main building at 4 o'clock. Members of the class in oral interpretation presented highly interesting programs each time. Reading selections from modern drama and poetry the following girls took parts on the programs: Misses Weleska Pegram, Winston-Salem; Johnsie Mae Hyatt, Wadesboro; Grace Clayton, Roxboro; Carolyn Stansel, Maxton; Elizabeth Gabriel, Winston-Salem; Nancy Wall, Leaksville; Etta Farrar Taylor, Greensboro; Anne Exum, Fremont; Erelene Greene, King; and Frances Winstead, Roxboro.

Dr. d'Atle A. Welch of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md., gave an illustrated lecture in Odell Auditorium at 7 o'clock on Friday, January 26.

Dr. S. Ralph Harlow, professor of religion and ethics at Smith College, Northampton, Mass., challenged the students of Greensboro College with a series of important questions at the chapel hour Tuesday, January 23.

CONFERENCE COURSES OF STUDY

Several brethren have written concerning their courses of study for this year. According to paragraph 331 of the Discipline of The Methodist Church 1939, all undergraduates are to take the courses listed by their former churches for the different years until the General Conference orders otherwise. This, of course, is because the new church does not as yet have any outlined courses of study for undergraduates. It is suggested that undergraduates take the courses of study through correspondence schools or pastors' schools where there are such. Otherwise we shall have to appoint examiners for the different books, and the examinations can be taken at conference this fall, or in any other way agreed upon by students and examiners.

I am calling a meeting of the Board of Ministerial Training in connection with our meeting in Winston-Salem on February 7. If this board should decide otherwise than I have mentioned above, and if any additional matters concerning courses of study are suggested, I shall mention it through the Advocate.

W. A. Jenkins, Chairman,
Board of Ministerial Training.

CHANGE IN DISTRICT MEETINGS

Will you be so good as to carry the changed dates for our combined Missionary Institutes and Methodist Advance district meetings in the next issue of the Advocate? They will be as follows:

Elizabeth City—Hertford	Feb. 7
New Bern—Kinston	Feb. 8
Wilmington—Grace	Feb. 9
Rocky Mount—First Church	Feb. 12
Raleigh—Edenton Street ..	Feb. 13
Fayetteville—Aberdeen	Feb. 14
Durham—Trinity	Feb. 15

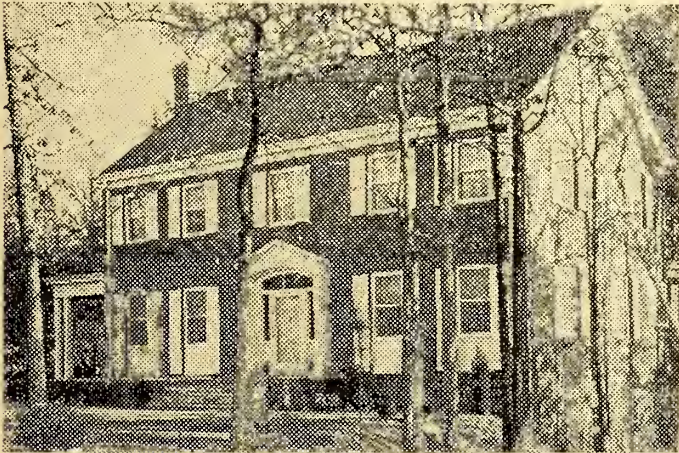
F. S. Love.

RALEIGH YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

Let all take notice that the young people's meeting in Raleigh, February 6, is at 7:30. Rev. H. I. Glass has asked that special attention be given to this evening meeting by the young people. Bishop Hughes is chief speaker.

MINISTERS' WIVES MEET AT HERTFORD

The ministers' wives of the Elizabeth City district will meet for lunch at the district missionary institute to be held in Hertford on February 7. Mrs. John R. Poe, Pres.



The new parsonage at Sanford. Rev. A. P. Brantley, pastor, and Mrs. Brantley started the new year by taking possession of this beautifully appointed home.

"JOHN WESLEY AS EDITOR AND AUTHOR"

Dr. Thomas Walter Herbert, a graduate of Wofford College in 1929, has recently edited a volume entitled "John Wesley As Editor and Author." Dr. Herbert received his Ph.D. degree from Princeton University after graduation from Wofford. He now is head of the English department at Martha Berry College in Rome, Georgia.

This volume of 150 pages is from the Princeton University Press and the list price of the book is \$1.75 and may be secured from the Advocate Publishing Company, Greensboro, N. C., postage paid, for the list price of \$1.75.

"John Wesley As Editor and Author"

Dr. Paul N. Garber, professor of history in the School of Religion, Duke University, has written an interesting and informing review of this book which appears beneath.

The Aldersgate Celebration of 1938 stimulated interest in John Wesley and has led to the publication of additional biographies and monographs concerning him. The recent volume, John Wesley as Editor and Author by Thomas Walter Herbert is, in my estimation, perhaps the most scholarly of recent Wesley literature.

Many biographies have been written about John Wesley, but in most of them only a chapter is devoted to Wesley as an author and editor. It is often forgotten that in addition to preaching on an average of fifteen sermons a week, traveling thousands of miles each year and organizing Methodist societies, Wesley, as Dr. Herbert points out, was a historian, biographer, a magazine editor, a writer of medical treatises, a producer of novels, a lexicographer, a translator of poems, a music critic, a philologist, a grammarian in half a dozen languages, a writer in natural philosophy, a poetry anthologist, a writer on logic, a political controversialist, an economist, an ecclesiastical historian and commentator. He was personally responsible for 371 separate publications. One of his works, his Christian Library, filled 50 volumes. Such a literary contribution on the part of a busy man is almost incredible. In view of our admiration for his prolific pen, it is amusing to read Wesley's comment upon his literary work, namely, "I have made a little attempt, such as I could consistently with abundance of other employment. Let one that has more leisure and more abilities supply what is here wanting."

It would be impossible to estimate the influence of Wesley's writing upon his own and subsequent generations. It was not for sake of literary fame or financial rewards that occasioned Wesley's literary contributions. A basic desire was to educate the poorer classes of people by furnishing them with cheaper, shorter and simpler books. He was the first man in England to put good literature, upon a large scale, into the hands of the poor people.

Dr. Herbert has written an excellent book and has made a stimulating contribution to Wesleyana. The reader of John Wesley as Editor and Author will be given a new appreciation of the founder of Methodism. It should also cause Methodist leaders to realize the spiritual values in the publication of Methodist books, periodicals and pamphlets. It is very fitting that this book should be written by a member of such a loyal Methodist family as the Herbert family has been in North and South Carolina.

Paul N. Garber.

A THANKSGIVING FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF HAPPY MARRIED LIFE

Twenty-five years ago Rev. Parker Holmes, then pastor at Thomasville, N. C., married a young couple who now live in Greensboro, N. C. Last Christmas this Greensboro drug-gist sent Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, who now live in Forest City, N. C., a gift as a thank offering for their happy married life. For this unusual gift Mr. and Mrs. Holmes wrote a letter of thanks which follows:

Dear Friends:

We can't tell you how happy you made us by sending the most generous token of your appreciation of service rendered twenty-five years ago. It just made our Christmas much happier than it would have been otherwise. We are so glad you have been so happy and prosperous through your married life. Since our superannuation a young couple who live in Salisbury invited us down there that Mr. Holmes might marry them; said their mother and father whom he married about forty years ago had been so happy they wanted the same preacher to perform their ceremony. It was the girl's parents he had married years ago. It makes our hearts glad when we hear and know our couples have been so happy and prosperous. We thank you so many times for your kind thoughtfulness of us and for the gift you so kindly sent us.

We have been married forty-seven years. Our anniversary was December 20—were married in 1892. We have six children, three boys and three girls, all married. We are so thankful we were able to give them all a college education and two a medical course, and then at superannuation have enough to build and furnish a neat little home. We had bought our lot several years ago. Virginia, our oldest daughter, married a Mr. McDaniel; live in the same block. They have two fine boys, 13 and 11, who are feet for us many times. Edison, the oldest son, lives in your city; Robert in New York City; George in Winston-Salem. He is a doctor—bone surgeon. Francis, born in Thomasville, is a doctor, also married a doctor; they live in Los Angeles, Cal. Alice, also born in Thomasville, married a doctor; live in Newburg, N. Y. I've often said if our children could be useful in serving humanity we would feel paid for all we have done for them. They are very thoughtful of us.

Your mother was such a good friend of ours; father too, but we saw more of your good mother. Should all our couples we have married remember us so kindly as you have we'd have a big bank account. If we ever get to Greensboro again we'll call you up. Mr. H. is 82 years of age; right strong for his years, though we do not visit much, not our children often. Again let us thank you both and hope your happiness and success will continue.

Sincerely yours, Rev. and Mrs. Holmes.

METHODIST ADVANCE

The United Church Moves Forward

The North Carolina Conference of the Central Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church will conduct the following program in Greensboro, N. C., on Wednesday, February 7, 1940:

10:30. Devotional service. Bishop Matthew W. Clair presiding.

11:00. "Evangelism in Methodism's Past and Future." Bishop Edwin H. Hughes.

2:00. Devotional service. Bishop Matthew W. Clair presiding.

2:15. Address, "World Evangelism." Bishop Raymond J. Wade.

3:00. Consecration service. Address, "Methodist Advance in Our Area." Bishop Matthew W. Clair.

7:30. Devotional service. Bishop Matthew W. Clair presiding.

Address, "The Deeper Need of United Methodism." Bishop W. W. Peele.

Information

The morning and afternoon sessions will be held at Bennett College, and the evening service will be held at St. Matthew church.

Every minister of the conference is urged to be present with as many of his members as possible. The young people, in particular, should attend.

Lunch will be served for 35 cents, and dinner for 50 cents. Provision will be made for those who wish to remain over night at a nominal fee.

The public is cordially invited.

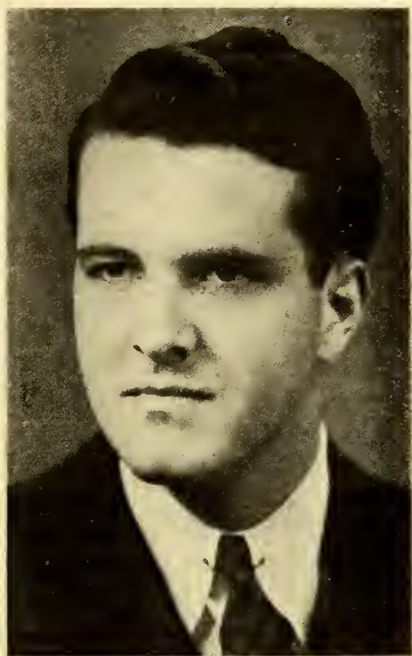
Resident Bishop: Matthew W. Clair.

District Superintendents: W. T. Lomax, R. B. McRae, G. M. Phelps, H. L. Ashe.

Committee on Arrangements: R. T. Weatherby, D. D. Jones, P. I. Wells, R. W. Winchester, S. A. Peeler.

FRANK L. ROBERTSON, SPEAKER RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK, GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Greensboro College is in the midst of its annual religious emphasis week, featuring Frank L. Robertson, student in the school of theology at Emory University as the speaker for the week's services from January 29-February 2. Using "Choose Ye" as his theme, Mr. Robertson speaks to the group every night at 6:45 in Odell Auditorium.



Mr. Robertson is a capable leader of young people's groups and is now assistant pastor of the Glenn Memorial church, Emory University. Mr. Robertson was an active leader at the Blue Ridge student conference in 1939.

This week of services is sponsored by the Y. W. C. A. of the college and is under the direction of Miss Whitmel Gurley, president, of Windsor. Miss Frances Kelly of Mt. Holly is in charge of all musical programs. As a feature of the week "open house" will be held Wednesday night in the new Y hut.

CAPTAIN A. M. RANKIN

On last Tuesday morning, January 23, one of the most stalwart religious figures many of us have ever known passed away. When Brother Alexander Martin Rankin, familiarly known as Captain Rankin, was laid to rest it was like removing an ancient landmark from the religious, civic and business life of High Point.

Captain Rankin was born in Rockingham county 82 years ago. He has lived the larger part of his life, however, in the city in which he died. Although he was not a charter member of the First Methodist church here—formerly the First M. P. church—he has been a member of this institution almost from its beginning, and one of its most liberal and loyal supporters. In fact in his latter years he almost lived for his home and church. During this relationship he has held perhaps every office at some time or another in the church organization. For many years he had been church treasurer and also was chairman of the board of trustees at his death. In this church and in the hearts of its people in a sense his memory is enshrined forever.

Captain Rankin also greatly served his denomination and was greatly honored by it. He was always liberal in his support of its cause, programs and institutions. He was a trustee of both High Point College and the High Point Children's Home. For 44 years he attended every General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and I suspect missed very few N. C. annual conferences during the same period. It has often been said that he never heard a poor sermon by a Methodist minister, especially if that minister were his pastor. Only a few weeks ago he told me that he

never went into a service without praying both for the service and the minister who was to preach. I understood then why he never heard a poor sermon.

"And what shall I say more? For the time would fail me to tell" of his numerous deeds of kindness, his profound faith, his devotion to his family, and the many contributions he made to the civic and business life of High Point in the growth of which he was a pioneer. Descriptive words are empty to those of us who knew him. Be it sufficient to say that surely one of God's elect has passed on, one richly blessed and always generous in sharing his blessings, and those of us who felt the influence of his life will long thank God because he lived.

Surviving the deceased are his wife, who was Miss Lena Blair; three daughters, Mrs. Lewis Teague, Dorothy and Jeanne Rankin; two sons, Alex M., Jr., and Robert. With the bereaved we share the sorrow of this experience. With the deceased we rejoice in the victory he has surely won through Christ.

Funeral services were conducted from the church by Dr. S. W. Taylor, Dr. G. I. Humphreys and the pastor.

J. C. Madison.

MY BRETHREN!

Dear brethren of the ministry, I know you will pardon my seeming presumption, even my apparent audacity, in bringing this to your eyes a word of exhortation. And I most earnestly assure you that it is not presumption or superiority of spirit nor brazen audacity that impels these lines, but an humble and ardent heart of love toward you and the cause which we represent.

You can hardly know, dear brethren, how deeply some of us maturer and more seasoned old soldiers feel about our church (I left out the word "great" purposely) at this special stage in her ministry to a needy world and in this exceedingly interesting and testing age. We attended the great Missionary Council and the launching of the Methodist Advance at Charlotte January 9-12, and then the Convocation of the Churches of North Carolina at Greensboro January 16-18. These meetings were great, measured by any standard of Christian thought. Men of great minds and warm hearts marshalled before us an entire world—all nations, people of every tongue, kindred and tribes were introduced and commended to our brotherly care and keeping—they are our responsibility! Great multitudes have lost their way—they are hungry, they are cold, they are jobless. They need clothing, they need bread, they need friendship, they need God. Brethren, are we doing our best?

Once more, I am thinking more especially now of my younger brethren, who are in the first years and early decades of your ministry. May I suggest and urge that if you have not already done so you read "The Faith We Declare" by Lewis. Since returning from the great meetings at Charlotte and Greensboro I have read that great book and am persuaded that if all the ministers in our land will—I mean now Methodist ministers especially—read this book and get really into our hearts and minds the emphasis which Dr. Lewis has so pungently put the centrality of Jesus Christ, with all its implications; I say if we will certainly do this, then without doubt we shall have an Advance which will be a glorious accomplishment at home and around the world. Brethren, for the sake of our sorely broken world, for the sake of our beloved church, and in the name and for the sake of the Christ, who gave himself to save a world, even this world, shall we not arise and indeed advance as we follow him who knows no failure or defeat?

J. O. Ervin.

An Issue of Church and State

By C. W. GOLDSTON

President Roosevelt's recent appointment of Mr. Myron C. Taylor as ambassador to the Roman Catholic Church raises a sharp issue for those who believe in the historic American ideal of the separation of church and state.

It is tempting to say that this particular appointment was a shrewd political move on the part of Mr. Roosevelt to satisfy the wishes of the Vatican Church and consequently to please the large Catholic constituency in the United States. Whether intended or not, that will probably be the effect. However, let us not accuse our President of playing politics with so sacred a matter. Let us grant his intention was, as he said, the mobilization of the religious forces of the world in behalf of peace. Still I take sharp issue with his action. I take it on the ground that it is a departure from the historic American position of separation between church and state. Mr. Roosevelt's appointment of Mr. Taylor unquestionably puts our government in the position of according a status and sanction to the Roman Church which is accorded to no other church or religious organization. It is a virtual recognition of the Vatican Church as another state, and it ties up this one church with the United States in a political manner, which is clearly a violation of the principle of the separation of church and state.

Mr. Roosevelt and his friends have met this criticism with two subtle arguments. The first is that Mr. Taylor was appointed, not as an ambassador to the Vatican State, but as the President's personal representative to the Vatican Church. This is a clever argument, but it is wholly void of substantial meaning. Mr. Roosevelt is the President of the United States, and his representative, appointed for a public position, cannot be merely personal. Mr. Taylor is really an ambassador, and has already been so referred to by an official of the Roman Church. The Christian Century, in a recent editorial, puts the matter clearly when it declares: "Mr. Taylor, as ambassador to the head of the Roman Catholic Church, will have the same authority—no less—as that which Mr. Kennedy, ambassador to the King of Great Britain, possesses." Do not let us be deceived by terms cleverly manipulated. Mr. Roosevelt, by his appointment of Mr. Taylor, has recognized the Church of Rome as a temporal power with rights and privileges granted to no other religious body.

The second argument which Mr. Roosevelt and his friends employ to meet his critics is that the appointment was in the same category as the invitations which he extended to the Jewish and Protestant religious leaders to counsel with him regarding future plans for peace. This, too, is a clever argument, but its logic breaks down under close examination. If Mr. Roosevelt had wanted to place the Jewish and Protestant churches in the same category with the Roman Church, he would have sent a personal representative to them and not alone to the Vatican Church. An invitation and an appointment do not mean the same thing, and cannot be made to mean the same thing.

I favor any earnest and wise effort made by our President in behalf of peace, and I know of no wiser step than

the mobilization of the religious forces of the world. But that mobilization could be done without violating our American and Christian ideal of separation of church and state. It could be done by extending to a representative of the Roman Church the same kind of invitation extended to the Jewish and Protestant leaders. Let us have peace, but let us also keep our sacred principle of religious equality as practiced historically by our government. That principle has served our cosmopolitan America too well to begin breaking it down at this hour.

If somebody accuses me of religious intolerance, I deny the charge. It is not religious intolerance to oppose an action which is pregnant with momentous religious intolerance and dissension in the future. It is not religious intolerance to stand for the ideal of the separation of church and state. Every person who knows the historic and official position of the Roman Catholic Church knows that it does not endorse the American ideal of religious equality. This is a plain fact, attested to by the historian Schaff, who says that "modern popes" (as well as popes in the past) "have definitely placed themselves, as it seems, against the law of religious equality, enunciated in the Constitution and expounded by the Supreme Court of the United States." Individual Catholics may and do believe in such religious equality; but the official Roman Church does not so believe. And, let us remember, in the Roman system what the individual member believes is cast aside unless it is endorsed by the papacy.

There is a final question that needs to be asked regarding this matter, namely, Is our government to keep a representative to the Vatican Church as a permanent policy? Mr. Roosevelt does not seem to have committed himself; certain it is he has not said that his appointment is to be temporary. Obviously, he has set a precedent which his successors in office will not dare break, unless they wish to risk losing the political support of the Roman Catholic constituency. If the Catholics were highly pleased with the appointment by Mr. Roosevelt, they will be sorely displeased by the cessation of the appointment. Is it not clear that the President has set a precedent that is unfair to his successors, and that, at the same time, has sown the seeds for the growth of religious dissension in the future? Mr. Roosevelt has imperiled our heritage of religious and civil liberty. Mr. Roosevelt has established political relations with the Roman Church. The Methodists of North Carolina should notify the President that they are aware of his un-American action and that they insist upon his allegiance to the historic democratic ideal of the separation between church and state.

Three classes of people can only be recognized through three sets of circumstances: the meek man when he is angry, the warrior in battle, and the friend in time of need.—Gabirol.

Delicious fruit is pleasant to the taste, but it is the tree that bears it that merits our esteem.—Arabic.

FROM A SECRETARY'S WINDOW

By Jacob Simpson Payton, Editor The National Methodist Press

The most amazing thing about Washington official life is the presence of so many small-town boys who have made good. Leading the parade just now is Secretary Cordell Hull. From rafting logs on the Obey river down in Tennessee he has risen to first mate on the Ship of State, and from hobnobbing with neighbors around the stove of a Pickett county country store he has made his way to the Secretary's desk of the Department of State. Rumor is rife here, to the dismay of Republicans in general, and to Democratic presidential candidates in particular, that he is headed for the White House. Seated as he now is at a window which looks out upon a troubled world, observers surmise from his grave and weary look that at times he wishes that he might exchange his exalted position for the carefree days of his youth when he wondered what was beyond the horizon of the Tennessee hills.

Not the least of the worries which just now harass Secretary Hull and the Congress, is to know what course to pursue with Japan. Last July that body took action to abrogate at the end of six months the Japanese-American commercial treaty entered into in 1911. The deadline fell on January 26. Ever since the "incident" at the Marco Polo Bridge, Peiping, on July 7, 1937, which precipitated the undeclared war in Asia, there has been a succession of crises which have placed a heavy strain upon American patience. The bombing by Japanese of the cruiser *Augusta*, and the sinking of the *Panay* in Chinese waters with fatalities to Americans, aggravated the situation almost beyond the power of apologies and indemnities to appease. The high-hatting by Japan of the Nine-Power Conference at Brussels in November, 1937, and the outbursts of anti-Americanism by the Nipponese in China with prompt rebukes by Ambassador Grew and Under-Secretary of State Welles, have accentuated the feeling between the two governments.

The chief reason, however, for terminating the commercial treaty with Japan has been the protest of Americans against allowing their country to continue as the arsenal for supplying weapons for the slaughter of the Chinese. The fact that soon after Japan began the invasion of China, president Roosevelt imposed an embargo upon the shipment to both nations of arms, munitions and implements of war on United States government owned ships, only served to make America an ally of Japan, inasmuch as that island empire alone possessed a fleet able to come for our supply. When humanity regains its sanity after this curse of war-madness, one of the pages of history it will review with amazement and shame will be that of the United States' participation in the bloody business of dealing out to a ruthless invader the necessary arms.

A second factor which led Congress to abrogate our thirty-year old commercial treaty with Japan was the desire on its part to make our practice square with our pledged word. At the Washington Conference in 1921-2 the United States with eight other powers guaranteed "the sovereignty, independence, and territorial integrity of China." What our government sacredly covenanted to do, our greedy merchants of death for two and one-half years have been busily engaged in undoing. They have not only indirectly been a party to the misery, the desolation and the slaughter in China so far as steel and scrap-

iron would give assistance, but they have been lending a helping hand to a usurper that is out to seize a neighboring government, subjugate a people and annex a country.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT CHECK-UP MEETING

Our check-up meetings for the first quarter were held January 22-23, one in Asheboro and one in High Point. Both meetings were well attended, despite the very inclement weather on the 23rd.

From the questionnaire returned by 29 pastors the following facts are gathered: Net gain in membership, 135; church attendance on nine charges, good; on seven, fair; on six, growing; on six, excellent; missionary Sunday is observed on 10 charges; young people enrolled in other organizations than church school classes and missionary societies, including C. E., E. L., junior church, young people's choirs, Scout organizations, 910; total church school enrollment, 11,599, missionary societies, 43; aid societies, 13; Advocates taken, 545. A number of charges have building projects in contemplation, just begun, or just completed. Cotton Grove church, Linwood charge, is completing a church school annex; Main Street, High Point, is getting ready to erect church building at a cost of \$35,000; Denton First plans to remodel a church; Denton Central has a hut in contemplation; Farmer charge has just put the pastor and his family in a new parsonage with all modern conveniences, and has under consideration the remodeling of two churches; a church and church school rooms are being completed at Rankin Memorial; the same is true at Oak View; a new church is in process of construction at Central Falls, and electric lights are being installed at West Chapel, both on Asheboro charge; Hopewell church, Trinity charge, has just been completed at a cost of nearly \$20,000. Several parsonages have been repaired and furnishings added. Several churches have been improved also by the adding of needed furnishings.

The finances for the quarter show the following amounts: Church buildings \$8,391, furnishings \$510, debt \$2,897, repairs \$215; parsonage buildings \$1,000, debts \$2,649, repairs \$335, furnishings \$1,080; salaries \$9,478, or 74 per cent; orphanages \$2,474; D. S. and D. Work \$937, or 70 per cent; conference and general benevolences \$3,796, or 109 per cent. Salaries are paid in full on eight charges; orphanage obligations for the year are paid by two charges; conference and general benevolences for the year are paid in full by five charges; D. S. and D. Work for the year are paid by two charges: Total finances reported for the quarter \$33,762.

In High Point district there are 33 charges, 98 churches, and 16,865 members. Of the total budget of \$20,482 allotted to the district 85.5 per cent has been accepted.

S. W. Taylor, D. S.

"OUR FATHERS HAVE TOLD US"

This is a new and modern history of Methodism in Western Pennsylvania by Dr. Jacob Simpson Payton of The National Methodist Press. The author covers the period from 1784 to 1800. This section of the state has been largely an unknown land so far as Methodism is concerned. "Old Redstone" circuit and all that region in and around Pittsburgh has been made to live again as Dr. Payton tells in his own attractive style the heroic story of the pioneer preachers who passed that way.

"Our Fathers Have Told Us" is a book of wider significance than the story of Western Pennsylvania and near by West Virginia and Kentucky. Here is made clear the impetus that sent the early circuit riders on the lengthening trails that finally extended across the land. They cut the pattern and they felt the divine urgency that made the pathfinders of early Methodism.

Bishop A. W. Leonard writes an illuminating Introduction. Anyone interested in this should write the author Washington, D. C.

"THE FRIENDLY MAN" AND THE SILENT SHEPHERD

"He never talks to anyone."

That is what my farmer friend said as we sat at tea in the great kitchen. His wife was facing him; and Bob and Charlie were with us, and Joe Stringer, the gamekeeper from the neighboring estate, and Shepherd.

I refer to him as Shepherd because to this hour I do not know his name. When we had reached the point at which the business of eating began to give place to general conversation, Shepherd—tall, dour, smelling strongly of sheep and soil—stood up, nodded a "Thank you" to his host, and departed, a bent figure with white hair. He walked slowly to the door and went out into the night.

"Yes," said the farmer, answering my query, "he's a queer bird. He came to the farm in my father's time, and he's been here ever since—and that's forty years, if it's a day. They say he was crossed in love, but I do not know. I only know that he came in the clothes he wore, and with nothing more; and that from that time to this he's never once slept away from the farm. He's deep, though."

"But doesn't he ever speak?"

"Oh yes, now and then, but only a word or two. I think he thinks a lot—and he's content, which is more than most folk are in these days."

Shepherd fascinated me. He was a mystery. I wanted to fathom him, and I knew I never should.

For all that I tried. An hour after tea I went out by the back door. I crossed the stockyard. I came into a field, and there, on the lee of a gentle hill, I found Shepherd leaning over a gate.

It was the gate of a temporary sheep-pen; and as I leaned over it, with never a word to Shepherd, I caught the smell of sheep, of damp wool, of manure, and newly turned soil as restless hooves stamped upon the grass.

There was only the light of the stars in a dark blue sky from which the new moon had newly vanished, but the light was sufficient for me to trace the almost shapeless forms herded in the pen. Their restlessness was due, no doubt, to my approach. They bleated piteously.

Shepherd stood silent and motionless. I stood by him. I did not attempt to open conversation. I remained dumb, my eyes on the sheep, or the moving shadows which I knew to be sheep. Not for five minutes only did I stand there without a word, but for over half an hour; and then, without preliminary, a low, soft voice near me, speaking into the night, "Sheep is my job."

I nodded. Presently, after a long silence, the voice spoke again. "And stars," it said.

I did not quite follow him. I felt that stars were not his job—he did not gather them into pens or help them at lambing time, or search for them when lost. But as I stood there in the night, the stillness sinking into my soul, I began to feel that perhaps in a deep, strange way, stars were his job.

A third time Shepherd spoke. "And all on 'em belongs to God," he said.

I did not even nod. I made no reply. I stared beyond the sheep and beyond the hills (where Shepherd had tramped many a weary mile—and beyond the most distant trees to the stars, like jewels on the floor of heaven. Sheep and stars!

"Dear God," I thought, "is this simple soul, this shepherd of the sheep, a fool, or profoundly wise? Has

he not lived long and kept his thoughts among the stars—and above the silly frippery of busier and less purposeful lives? Help me to be less shallow. Give me a calmer spirit, that I may do what I was sent to do; and doing it, may look up confidently into the face of God."

"Good night, Shepherd," said I, turning away.

"Good night," replied a voice between the sheep and stars.—Methodist Recorder.

NEWS ITEMS FROM BREVARD COLLEGE

Wayne Kernodle of Greensboro is the newly elected president of the freshman class at Brevard College. Before entering Brevard he was director of young people's work in the Greensboro district. He is also closely associated with the work of the young people of the conference, and heads it up as the president of the Conference Youth Organization.

Since entering Brevard College he has extended his work with young people of the college group, and is assisting in carrying on the work of the Christian Student Movement on the college campus. He holds office in several of the societies and clubs of the college and is contributive to the scholastic and social life of the institution.

Sixteen students graduated at the close of the winter semester at Brevard College Tuesday, January 30, in the college chapel. Dr. E. J. Coltrane, president of the college, presented the graduates with diplomas after an address by the Hon. Zeb F. Curtis of Asheville. The students graduating are as follows: Theresa Preddy, Virginia Scott, Juanita West, Edna McGhee, Ada Ruth Sherrill, Elizabeth Sherrill, Jacqueline Livengood, William Keener, Douglas Ratledge, Harold Hogsed, Butler Black, James Hemphill, James Johnson, Ray Hilliard, Clyde Kiker, and Marshall Davis.

Approximately twenty new students are entering at the beginning of the new semester.

THE CHILD THAT LOOKED AT THE STARS

"Frank Weaver," as his friends in Asheville call him, has been moved by the inspiration of the recent snow storm to write the following beautiful sentences as he views the mountains and valleys round about his childhood home in north Buncombe. Here is what he writes:

"'The Child Who Looks at the Stars.' I pity the boy who has never known the wild pleasure of a farm life. You will recall the old 800-acre home site where Sallie and Pit lived when you were on the Asheville district. The Lord never created a more inspiring view than the sweep of the Reems Creek valley with the Craggy as its back ground. I have stood on those sacred hills and felt the inspiring influence of its never-to-be forgotten influence.

"There I have seen the storm cloud rise and cover the heavens with gloom and darkness, and across its dark bosom I have seen the lightnings play like angels of light, dancing to the music of that grand organ of nature which responded in notes of thunder.

"Then I have seen the darkness drift away—and the moon get up from her saffron bed, put on her robe of light, and as she stood tip-toe on the misty Craggy top she lighted up the beautiful valley where I was born and played in my childhood."

THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

Nothing unusual is happening with us except we have just passed through the coldest spell of weather that we have ever experienced during our stay here. The Guilford county schools have been closed for a week because of the condition of the roads over which some of the school buses must travel. So we have had our entire group at home during the severe cold spell. We are so thankful that all of them keep well. It has taken an abundance of coal and an extra amount of food to keep them comfortable. And oh, how splendidly the good quilts came in which friends have so kindly sent to us.

School for Our Children

The above leads us to say our children attend the Jamestown public school in which there are over 800 pupils, and thus have the same educational advantages as do the other children of Guilford county. They thus learn to mingle with the other children and young people, as they will have to do when they get out from this home.

Changes in Our Working Force

Just after Christmas Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dixon, who had charge of the farm and boys' dormitory, moved to their new home about four miles east of Summerfield. Mr. Dixon had been in the work here for 15 years and he and his good wife did a wonderful work among the boys. They regretted to go, and all of us here regretted so much to have them go. The boys seemed lost without them. They had served long and well, and for their own health, with an easing up on the body, nerves and mind, they felt that they must go. May the dear Lord bless and keep them in the years which are ahead. On January 10 Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Partin moved into the boys' building to take over the work. They are young and strong and seem to be fitting into the work beautifully. Mrs. Partin had taught school for a number of years before her marriage, so knows something of the ways of boys. We welcome them to our force and predict for them a term of useful and happy service.

Another Word of Thanks

We tried last week to express our thanks to all. But under our new conditions as Methodists new things are happening. Just occasionally we receive a bill of money, or a check or some produce from some new source. One bill came "from a Methodist," and other small amounts have come from churches which had already paid their assessment to the Children's Home in their territory. For these and others which may come we are profoundly grateful.

This home has run for nearly thirty years almost exclusively on free will offerings. You can readily understand that a number of these free will offerings have been cut off from this home because of Methodist union. We welcome any free will offering and thank you for your help. Dr. W. S. Sharpe, president of Pfeiffer College, came up last week bearing gifts, and we do appreciate his coming and the gifts he brought so very much. Our only regret is that we did not see him personally. I was in bed and did not know of his coming until he was gone.

The dear Lord bless his faithful workers everywhere and help us all to do more and more for his destitute little ones.

QUARTERLY MEETING OF N. C. BRANCH OF WOMEN'S WORK

The third quarterly meeting of the N. C. Branch of Women's Work of the former Methodist Protestant Church met at Davis Street Methodist church, Burlington, on January 23, 1940, at 10:30 a. m. with 90 delegates and visitors present. Mrs. R. M. Andrews, president, was in the chair. The meeting was opened with an inspiring devotional conducted by Mrs. R. C. Stubbins. During the course of the morning and afternoon sessions fine reports were given by the officers of the branch, the secretaries of causes and presidents of local auxiliaries. Excellent progress was noted in all departments of the work.

It was reported that 408 books or their equivalent in cash had been donated to Westminster Theological Seminary by the women of the N. C. Branch. More books are

needed to help reach the goal set of 1000 books to be contributed before April.

The fall thank offering amounted to \$790.22, Mrs. W. C. Hammer reported. She has boxes, envelopes, pageants and other thank offering material for those who need it for the February thank offering.

"Onward" is to be the title of the new guide books which will contain suggestions for worship and programs from the month of April to September. These may be secured for 10 cents each (after March 1) from Mrs. T. L. Speas, Sunset Drive, Winston-Salem, N. C.

It was revealed at this meeting that North Carolina was honored in that Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College, was recently elected secretary of Association of Schools and Colleges of the Methodist Church.

At the close of the morning session the congregation stood for a few moments of silent tribute to the memory of Captain Rankin, a much beloved and respected layman of High Point who passed away on the morning of the 23rd.

Mention was made of these important meetings: A missionary institute on Tuesday, January 30, at Reidsville, a Methodist Advance meeting on February 7 at Winston-Salem, and a school of missions to be held at West Market Street church, Greensboro, February 26 to 29, at which time Mrs. Hume R. Steele of Nashville will review the book, "Through Tragedy to Triumph." Our ladies are invited to all of these meetings.

We were happy to have Mrs. Powell, superintendent of the High Point district of the former M. E. Church, South, visit us at this meeting.

The president appointed the following nominating committee to nominate officers for the new year to serve until the month of September: Mrs. J. Elwood Carroll, Mrs. J. M. Stone, Mrs. J. F. Coble.

An invitation to come to Grace church, Greensboro, for the annual meeting of the branch in April was accepted, the date of the meeting to be announced later.

YET ONE O'ER ALL THE EARTH

By Richard T. Baker, Board of Foreign Missions

The flavor of Methodism in Germany from the beginning has been deeply spiritual, and Wesley's "warmed heart" has ever been the pattern for salvation. It is fair to say that German Methodism is confused by the mingling of religion with social affairs. It can not understand the implications of a social gospel. This was largely the frame of mind brought to Copenhagen by the Germans.

The Swiss Methodist Church is an offshoot of the German church and is today a strong body of devout Christians in its own right.

The history of Methodism in Scandinavia is not much different from the German story. It is another illustration of what a returned traveler did for his people when his own heart was turned toward God. Christian Willerup was the name of the Methodist pioneer in Scandinavia.

Methodism in Europe is a functioning society. It has an imposing array of hospitals, hostels, homes, schools, and publishing houses. Its ministrations of mercy are exemplary to the entire Christian community in many of the countries. There are nearly 800 preachers and 2000 local preachers. The deaconess corps of 1600 is one of the most effective bodies of Christian servants to be found anywhere in the world. Some 5000 other lay helpers, teachers, class leaders, an exhorters contribute their time and talent. There are 910 church buildings in Europe and 2000 preaching places. The youth roster embraces some 80,000 names. Churches and parsonages are valued at \$8,500,000, and with all schools, publishing houses, hospitals, orphan homes, old people's homes, rest homes, hostels, the total value of Methodist property probably is more than \$40,000,000.

The future of European Methodism is altogether bright. Unification presents no administrative problems, as the fields have never overlapped. It does give European Methodists, however, a strong incentive to new energy to know that they are a part of a world church, the most sizable, non-state, Protestant church in the world.

SHE NEVER WENT TO CHURCH

By Ernest C. Wareing

She stood in my office in a sullen mood. Her Christmas basket sent months before had miscarried. One of her neighbors had received it. She was positive of this. We had no way to check on it, after so long a time. This was her third appearance, during a period of six months. She expressed her resentment. She wanted us to act. She did not want that to occur again. Thanksgiving was not far away. Her neighbor had received something she thought was intended for her.

She was not the beggar class. She had drifted until she was among the shiftless and the dependent. I became personally interested in her. Why had she lost her pride? What had become of her personal self-respect? Why could she not see, what she was doing, in being so insistent about something, that had passed, and could not be remedied? Why had she become so indignant over her loss? Why had she appeared for the third time demanding, that those who had sought to help her should not make a mistake the next time?

"Do you ever go to church?" I inquired, in a kindly mood.

"No, I haven't been to church for a number of years. The last time was when my husband's mother died. That's been night onto seven years now," came a hesitant response, as she drew back into herself.

"Then you don't belong to church," I answered, seeking to draw her into further conversation. She had sought to turn away, as though she resented my questioning. That was not what she had come for. Her private life was not up for investigation. She wanted what was intended for her, if it were nothing more than a Christmas basket.

"No, I have never been a member of any church," she replied with a show of cynicism that meant more to me than anything she could have said. "Why should I? Church members are among my neighbors."

"All your life you have never gone to church," I continued my comment, without seeming to hear her critical jab. "All your life you have not been a member of the church. You will surely admit that you have not gotten along very well. You are a woman with a good face and a strong body, and yet you are unhappy. At the festivals of the year when other people are celebrating with songs and happy hearts, you would have no feast, if others did not come to your help. You come to the church only when you are in need, but through the years you have refused to become a part of it."

"Yes, I know, you are not the first one to tell me that. Why should one go to church, but to worship God? It doesn't do any good when you don't believe in him. My inclination has been to stay home on Sundays and wait for Monday to come," she answered with a sly grin that revealed to me a dual personality, one of which could fawn and beg and purr, the other as cunning and unprincipled as a dweller of the jungle.

"You haven't gotten along very well," I suggested again. She had not faced that question squarely. If she had, she blamed someone else for her plight. I did not ask her about her family. She might have been productive, having a brood about her as clinging as herself.

"Do you know you are in want?" I thrust at her. She cringed, giving an evasive answer. "I think I can tell you. You have cut yourself off from the source of supplies. You have chosen to live in a desert place. The necessities of life grow where men cultivate them. If you want riches, go where they are shared. They do not come to you because you want them and get resentful because you do not have them. You seem not to know where the productive centers of life are located. You take up your dwelling where things are not produced. You look over into the other man's field, and wonder why your own does not give you a harvest."

Then you wonder why you do not get along as well as other people. You are perplexed because you are in want. Where are the things, other people want and possess, to be found?"

"Yes," she interjected, "I would like to know. Some people get them and place a price on them, so that other people cannot get them, without paying dearly for them."

"No, I think you are mistaken in that statement. If any man is going to have things he wants and needs, he must be where they are being produced. Then if he is honest and industrious, he will in time, get his share." She seemed not to get this point or disagreed with me. She was not inclined to debate it.

"Where are the things we want being produced?" she answered with an increased interest.

"If you want employment," I continued, "where will you find it? Certainly among those who employ folks. Do you know who employ the largest number of people? This may surprise you. I hope it will. Over 70 per cent of the employers are among the church members of the country. If you never go where they go, and are never where they are, you will never know them, and they will never know you. It might pay to go to church at least once in a while. If you want employment go where the employer is to be found."

"Well, I never thought that way," she replied with a display of natural keenness that drew her eyelids together

until she looked at me through slits that concealed a spirit that would take advantage of any knowledge for personal ends.

"Yes, that is not all," I asserted. "You have not thought much of the church, neither of its membership. You have not thought much of anything. You have just lived and let others do the thinking."

"I don't know about that," she replied with a display of resentment. "Years ago I did think a lot, but the more I thought the madder I got. I quit thinking only as I had to. I have gotten along about as well."

"No, you have not found the way to happiness," I replied, "because you quit seeking it. Things that make us think disturb us at first, but at the last they bring us to contentment. I sought to bring her back to consideration of the church and its values. 'You have not gone to church through many years. You have been without employment and wonder why. You did not know that the large majority of those who employ men belong to the church.'"

"Well, that is not especially to the credit of the church, when you see the wages they pay," she flashed back at me.

"That is neither here nor there," I answered. "The fact is that if you want to come to know those who have jobs to give you have a chance to meet them at church. Could you honestly take advantage of that? You don't find employment by wandering along with the unemployed. You never find a job by sitting sullenly at home, expecting someone to bring it to you. The man who creates jobs has them to give, but he must be sought out. He is not likely these days to come to you. If you want the good things of life you will find them at the church. They are at least in that vicinity. Nearly 80 per cent of the taxes of the country is paid by church members. Nearly 70 per cent of the factories are run by church members. Wouldn't it be wise for you to associate with them at least once in a while? It really pays to go to church, even if you have nothing more than a selfish purpose. The church is a magnet drawing all kinds of men into it. Where men go riches gather. Men come together to get what they want. They congregate, then create, then distribute, then share according to their abilities, each man going his way to enjoy what he obtains from the productive pool of life. The trouble is a lot of men and women are not there when the sharing is announced."

Quickly I recovered myself, for I saw she was not getting what I was saying. I was talking over her head, to that unseen audience, to which often the preacher speaks, with an eloquence akin to the golden tongue, because there is no come-back from that region.

Then I thought of the "go-to-church campaign" that was not far away. What might that mean to her? She was socially lost. As an economic cull, she had no place to lay her head. She had failed through the years of her life to go to the center of human activity, where riches and wealth are produced. She was a wanderer of the waste lands of life. She had become inured to it, taking it all as a matter of fact, to which she had adjusted herself. The rich valleys, the hidden treasures, the productive fields, the ripening harvest, the vineyards, where people work and are happy, because they have food to eat, water to drink, and clothing for their bodies, were all unknown to her.

Is there any other reason why she should have gone to church? Certainly, many other which I have not time to discuss. I had appealed to her on a very low level. She was like all of her class. They had to be appealed to realistically. With this kind the will is to be reached by way of the bread station.

"When the go-to-church campaign is on," I turned to her saying, "why not join the fellowship of the church? You have lived long enough without it. You have not found riches, neither happiness. You have associated with poverty and want and they have not helped you in the least. You have walked in the desolated places. Why not go where the green pastures are inviting all the weary? Why not attend the church located in your neighborhood? The course of your life will change for you if you do. There is a happy and better day for you if you will change your course. Why not go to church? Get acquainted with church people."

She turned, stepped inside the door, hesitated, gave me a piercing look, as if to question my sincerity and then answered:

"If you are right! If you are right! What a mistake I have made! God helping me, I will take a new path."

WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

Tight money follows loose living.

The chap who is busy laying bricks hasn't time to throw stones.

Man's "big business" too often eclipses God's bigger business.

It's hard for the farmer to "hold on" when everything he tries to buy is a "hold up."

Which has more nerve, man or woman? Recent entries in beauty contests should answer that question.

The fellow who boasts he can do each of a dozen things equally well usually has a wife who takes in washing.

METHODIST ADVANCE YOUTH RALLIES

Western North Carolina Conference

CONFERENCE-WIDE RALLY
Centenary Church, Winston-Salem, Feb. 7
8:00 P. M.

The Winston Rally is conference wide. It is one of a series which is being held throughout the new Methodist Church. Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Washington, D. C.; Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf, Chicago, Ill.; and Bishop Lester H. Smith, Cincinnati, Ohio, will be the guest speakers for the all-day meeting. At the night meeting, for pastors, young people, and their adult leaders, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes will be the speaker.

DISTRICT RALLIES

7:30 P. M.

District	Place	Date	Speaker
Greensboro—	West Market Street,	February 29	Dr. Albert C. Outler
Statesville—	Broad Street,	Statesville, March 1	Dr. Albert C. Outler
High Point—	First Church,	High Point, March 5	Dr. George Stoves
Salisbury—	First Church,	Salisbury, March 6	Dr. George Stoves
Charlotte—	First Church,	Charlotte, March 7	Dr. George Stoves
Waynesville—	First Church,	Waynesville, March 11	Bishop Clare Purcell
Asheville—	Central,	Asheville, March 12	Bishop Clare Purcell
Marion—	First Church,	Marion, March 13	Bishop Clare Purcell
Gastonia—	Main Street,	Gastonia, March 14	Bishop Clare Purcell
Elkin—	North Wilkesboro,	March 15	Bishop Clare Purcell

Pastors Young People Adult Leaders
ATTEND YOUR DISTRICT RALLY

First Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. All these appear in the report this week, but hereafter only those who have sent in an annual subscription will appear. The half time will wait for another half.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum. Three have reported the official board 100 per cent. This list will appear later.

In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

Asheville

Central, W. A. Stanbury 20
Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton...4½
French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler.. 2
Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea 1

Charlotte

Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman.... 1

Elkin

Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner.. 9
W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood 5
Sparta, L. F. Strader 5
Elkin, H. F. Duncan4½
Yadkinville, John H. Green 4
Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint 4
Farmington, J. W. Vestal 3
Advance, P. L. Smith 3
Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene 3
Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt 2
N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock2½
St. Paul, L. C. Stevens2½
Jonesville, D. B. Mullis 2
Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant 2
Ararat, G. B. Gwyn 2
Creston, J. R. Short 2
Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles 1
Jefferson, Hugh D. Jesup1½
Green Valley, M. L. Chappel1½

Gastonia

Cleveland, T. G. Madison5½
Fallston, J. M. Morgan 4
Boger City, E. L. Kirk 2
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DR. TURNER ADDRESSES PARENTS' COUNCIL AT BENNETT COLLEGE

"Many an adolescent's revolt is the culmination of a long series of minor difficulties that may have gone unnoticed," said Dr. Alberta B. Turner, in addressing the Greensboro Parents' Council on Friday night on the subject "When They Grow Up." The council was held in Kent Hall, Bennett College, where a few months ago it was organized by Dr. Turner for the purpose of creating a wholesome understanding between parents and children through the years of child development.

Among other things, Dr. Turner stressed the fact that maturity is not a single dramatic act, but represents the child's degree of "grown-upness" at any age. "Adolescence," she said, "is a slow, gradual process, which only becomes sudden and dramatic at times of stress and tension. The wise parent anticipates approaching change and helps the child grow up by treating him in accordance with his development."

"Children grow up faster than parents realize," Dr. Turner stated, in her accusation against the parent in treating the child as he was or as he will

be. Often, she averred, the stage of the child's maturity is ahead of the parent's estimate of it. Then she warned against "over pride" of parenthood, pointing the way to aid the child in an ever fuller development of his personality.

NEWPORT REMEMBERS THE "FORGOTTEN MAN"

A few lines from Newport will not be out of place. The church under the wise leadership of our pastor, Rev. C. S. Boggs, has taken on new life. Good and large congregations greet him at most all services. Methodically, "a time for everything and everything on time," seems to be the order of the day. An enthusiastic board of stewards is assisting him in carrying out the well prepared programs of the church. In fact, the different organizations of the church are functioning well.

Before Christmas your humble servant, the "forgotten man," was substantially remembered with a generous old time pounding. It reminded him of other days of not so long ago. God bless dear old Newport. Other admiral deeds are to her credit. The poor also were remembered by Sunday school classes and by a "White Christmas" program, when the central thought was others.

We are pleased with the return of Brother Boggs and his excellent companion to our charge, and trust that this year will be the best so far of their ministry. "Behold an Israelite indeed in whom there is no guile."

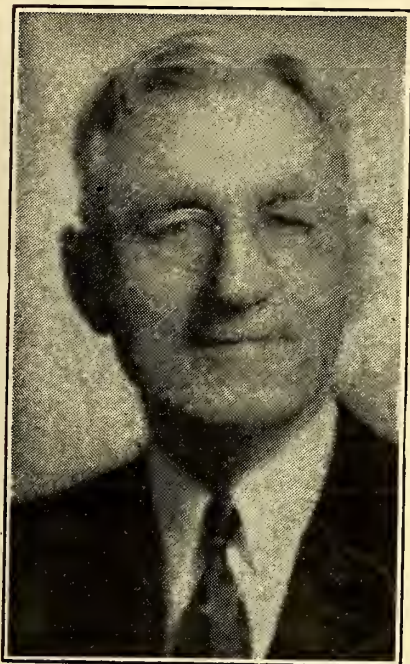
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THE MODERN PARABLE OF THE LOAVES AND FISHES

A Chinese boy living in Manila, P. I., age nine years, was saving his money for a two-wheel bicycle, when he overheard his mother and father talking about the starving Chinese children. Taking his total savings he went to the nearest bakery and told the baker he wanted all the bread he could buy for 14 pesos. Piling the many loaves onto his hand cart he rolled them to the Chinese Y. M. C. A., explaining to the secretary he had brought bread for the starving children of China. The secretary being a man with imagination, thanked the little boy and helped unload the bread. Then the secretary got busy on the telephone and called the women of the Y. W. C. A. and the men of the Y. M. C. A., urging they come to the center that night for "big doings." That evening the secretary related the story about the little boy and then auctioned off the bread. The next day he sent 1254 pesos to China.

This winter Anne Guthrie, American secretary on the staff of the Manila Y. W. C. A., related the story of the little boy at a parlor meeting in New York, sponsored by the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Associations. That night a lady who had attended the meeting, as she was leaving for her home in the middle west, handed Miss Guthrie a bill saying, "I cannot bear to think of that little boy not having his bicycle." The money was transmitted by clipper the following day.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

ORPHANAGE ALUMNI—The Methodist Orphanage Alumni Association sprung a big surprise on me at my twenty-fifth anniversary by presenting to the board of trustees a large oil portrait of me. I do not know when I have been more agreeably surprised over anything that has ever taken place in my life. The gift represents the loyalty and sacrifice of many of the former sons and daughters of the Orphanage. I wish to express my profound gratitude to them for so highly honoring me.

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GRATEFUL—I am deeply grateful to the pastors and churches that are paying their Orphanage apportionment in the early part of the year. The annual conference requested and urged all the pastors and churches to make an honest effort to secure all their Orphanage apportionment in the early part of the year. For the success and good of our home I sincerely trust that all the churches in the conference will co-operate with their pastors in reaching this desired goal.

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MISSIONARY SOCIETIES — The good women of the North Carolina conference launched a movement nearly a year ago to make it possible for the Methodist Orphanage to secure a \$1,500 electric range for our kitchen. Gratifying results have been obtained, but we are a good long way from the goal yet. It is earnestly hoped by Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, who is sponsoring the undertaking for the Orphanage, that the goal may be reached by early summer. The heat in our kitchen from a range that burns coal is almost unbearable. If all the missionary societies throughout the conference will redouble their efforts to collect Octagon soap coupons, the electric range will be as-

sured. I want to thank the missionary societies for what they have done during the past year, and to urge them to continue their efforts in our behalf.

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A GOOD FRIEND—Sunday night two weeks ago Mr. Ed Edgerton, a prominent business man of Raleigh, and an outstanding layman of Edenton Street church, made a remarkable address to our high school boys and girls. He elaborated on the essentials so necessary to success in the business and professional world. The address made a profound and, I trust, lasting impression on all who heard it. On Saturday night a week ago Mr. Edgerton gave a moving picture in our auditorium of the football game that was played between our boys and the Catholic Orphanage. This game is an annual contest between the two institutions. Mr. Edgerton and other interested friends had films made of the game, and our boys and girls were delighted to see the picture on the screen. We were delighted to have Mr. Tom Eanes, our football coach, present when the picture was presented. In behalf of our football team, I want to thank Mr. Edgerton for this timely service which he so gladly rendered.

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A WORD OF APPRECIATION—At the celebration of my twenty-fifth anniversary as superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage I was overwhelmed with the tributes that were paid me by the board of trustees, alumni association, orphanage superintendents, my official staff and the boys and girls in the home. Good taste forbids that I make elaborate comments on the occasion. I want one and all to know that I appreciate the many expressions of confidence that my friends have in my administration. I am keenly conscious of my unworthiness, and the many mistakes I have made during the past 25 years. In spite of these facts, some achievements have been accomplished and some objectives realized. I am more determined than ever before to render more effective service in the future than I have been able to accomplish in the past. I covet most earnestly the co-operation and support of the board of trustees, the pastors and churches of the North Carolina conference. With united efforts we can render a much larger service to fatherless children than ever before.

THE READING HABIT

If our young people only realized how much their happiness and success in life depended upon the habits formed in youth, most of them would be much more anxious than they are to start right. Among the habits that might be a great source of delight as well as of unfailing profit, the reading habit stands pre-eminent, for the love of books—the best books—is something which can be cultivated, and the more the reading habit is practiced the more it grows.—The Lutheran.

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THE ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

Executive meeting will be held at First church, Rocky Mount, February 3, at 10 a. m. Zone leaders and the district secretary comprise this board. Plans for the ensuing year will be discussed, passed on and made ready to be handed out to the local auxiliary workers at the zone meetings which will follow in rapid succession.

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Dis. Sec.

LATEST COUPON REPORTS

Last year the women of the North Carolina conference were asked to collect and send to the Methodist Orphanage 400,000 coupons from Octagon soap products, Luzianne coffee and tea, Ballard's Obelisk flour and Rumford post cards. At the end of each of the first three quarters reports of the progress of the campaign were given on our woman's page. The reports at the end of the fourth quarter of 1939 reveals that during that quarter from the Durham district came 5,297; Elizabeth City, 5,835; Fayetteville, 7,242; New Bern, 5,876; Raleigh, 4,084; Rocky Mount, 4,262; Wilmington, 3,669. The total number sent during 1939 was 119,332—280,668 short of the goal. We should do well to remember that this campaign is a permanent undertaking; to study these figures and to strengthen our efforts to make eligible coupons bring substantial dividends for our orphanage.

A SUCCESSFUL UNIT

That the fall World Friendship Unit, which was a study of Christmas Around the World, was happy and effective at Duke Memorial church, Durham, is evidenced by the activities which grew out of it. In the center of the primary worship room on Christmas morning was a Swedish tree, decorated with flags of all nations, paper flowers, bags of grain, strung popped corn, tinsel and silver balls. Toys were made and Uncle Andy Toy Shop was set upon in one corner of the room and Chinese articles, including the Chinese banner, in another corner. A German Putz was made and displayed, as were Pinatos, which were suspended from two doors. The latter game was played. Pictures of The Maji and The Adoration were on the walls. A manger scene was made on a large table and a number of foreign dolls were placed around the table. A program in which the children shared their learnings about Christmas in other lands was given. After the program the toys were sent to some sick children and the grain given to the birds. The juniors made cookies and sent to some elderly people, had a tree, sang carols, played games, heard stories and engaged in dramatization.

Editor's note: Mrs. Frank H. Greene, conference secretary of children's work, is sharing with us some excerpts from reports sent her. Since one item

would be much too lengthy we shall have these excerpts published by districts during the next several weeks.

DECLINES LUNCH—REASON, WAR

General Evangeline Booth, daughter of the founder of the Salvation Army, who is retiring from the supreme command of that organization, declined to be entertained at luncheon by the British government because the country is at war. The General wrote in reply to the government's invitation that she did not think such a luncheon would be in keeping with present conditions. In reply His Majesty's First Commissioner of Works stated that he heartily agreed with that position and best wishes of the government. On retiring General Booth plans to leave England and spent her last days in the United States.—World Outlook.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The World Day of Prayer for 1940 is February 9, the first Friday in Lent. The theme this year is "In quietness and confidence shall be your strength."

A Call to Prayer, which offers an attractive way for announcing the date, place, and hour of the meeting, is free upon request. A booklet entitled Worship Program for Adults and Young People contains six beautiful worship services prepared by Muriel Lester and her sister, Doris Lester. The booklet has a pleasing appearance; it is made of lavender paper and is printed in black ink. It sells for 2 cents. The handbook, which offers suggestions for the planning and observances of the Day of Prayer, is 10 cents. The poster, 17 inches by 22 inches, is 5 cents.

These four pieces of literature may be had from Literary Headquarters, 712 Church, Street, Nashville, Tenn. Please accompany orders with remittance.—Missionary Bulletin.

THANKS FROM DR. HELEN KIM

The following expression of appreciation for the new settlement building in Seoul, Korea, has come recently from Dr. Helen Kim, president of Ewha College:

"I had the privilege of attending the dedication service of Seoul Evangelistic Social Center. The building is a beautiful one, located in the heart of the city. I was very much impressed with all the work and prayers that made that service possible and with all the opportunities for a constructive program that such a center offers. Thank you (Miss MacKinnon, Foreign Secretary) and the board for such a splendid gift."—Missionary Bulletin.

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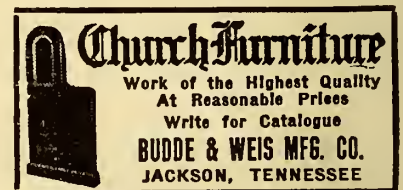
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LOVE NEVER FAILS

By Ethel L. Kitchell

Love cannot live where there is doubt!
Love is not love that cannot rout
That ghost so it may never walk
Again; love will grow wings of faith
That will outride the storm and gales
Which hover as a fiendish weath.
Dare then the gauntlet of its range!
Love will transcend all pattern change
And outlast time! LOVE NEVER
FAILS.

—From "Travel the Jericho Road."

JANUARY PLEDGE MEETING

The January meeting of the woman's missionary society for each year has been designated as the time for the pledge meeting—the meeting at which plans for the new year are made, pledges taken and the year's program started with a determination of success.

An interesting program for that meeting is arranged by the program committee of the Council and consists of a worship service, songs, meditations and an inspirational talk appropriate to the occasion. It is very necessary that each auxiliary observe this pledge service program and early in the year secure the financial pledges for the support of the work.

Has your auxiliary held the pledge meeting? If not, will not the auxiliary president see that it is held at the very earliest meeting possible.

Reports of a most successful year in 1939 have come to us from conference officers and district secretaries. And will not each auxiliary help to maintain our conference record of years by co-operating in the year's work, beginning with a pledge meeting early in the year?

"WHY I AM A MEMBER OF A MISSIONARY SOCIETY"

A leaflet bearing the above title has come from the pen of Miss Juanita Brown and is based upon the replies of women to approximately thirty inquiries as to what the woman's missionary society means to them. These women are representatives of the entire organization. Some of them are Council, conference, district or local officers; some are not officers, but responsive and helpful members of their local auxiliaries. The statements received represent twelve states.

In condensing the expressions for reasons for being affiliated with the woman's missionary society we must give, for lack of space, only the title and brief comments of the testimonials given.

(1) Desire an opportunity for service.

Through the innate desire to be of service the missionary society makes its strongest appeal. Service, at home and abroad, in one's own community and in all communities where there is need, is implicit in the very title of the society.

(2) Appreciation of other peoples—their cultures and their countries.

Being a member of the missionary society brings a responsibility for the study of racial, national and cultural background of other peoples; contacts with fine representatives of other nations and races; appreciation of the customs, traditions, achievements and aspirations of others.

(3) Consciousness of brotherhood.

Many testify that the missionary society has meant a greater appreciation of the real meaning of brotherhood of man and a sympathetic interest in all the races of people. Closely allied to a sense of brotherhood with all men is a realization of world citizenship.

(4) Social obligation.

Attitudes toward other races, toward war, lynching and rural communities and other areas have been changed changed through the membership in the missionary society.

(5) An opportunity for development of initiative.

Out of the past has come the insight, the courage, the faith, the achievement of a host of Methodist women who braved opposition, misunderstanding, prejudice and timidity as they pioneered the cause of "woman's work for woman" through the home church and in the lands beyond! A wonderful heritage!

(6) An educational interest.

Through its opportunities for actual participation in many different forms of service through its programs of study that are informational through its helpful worship guides it is ever seeking to Christianize all attitudes.

(7) Deepening of spiritual life.

Enrichment of life through prayer and service, a deeper and broader understanding of God and a consciousness of the presence of Christ through loving obedience to his command to help evangelize all nations.

(8) Fellowship and friendship.

To many the Christian fellowship found in the missionary work is the most significant contribution that the society makes—sharing a fellowship with women of many lands and races, each contributing to the abundance of life for all.

Chinese young men and women educated in the United States have carried back to China new ideas and habits of life as the result of their association with the youth of our land. These things were prior to August, 1937—the date of the beginning of the Japanese invasion. The past two years tell a different story. The United States has not only lost a high percentage of the trade it had prior to 1937, but all that it might have had from a China free to work out its own destiny. American educational work has suffered a severe setback through the uncalled for destruction of American schools and missions by Japanese invasion.



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By Rollin H. Walker

Holding Life Sacred

Scripture: Gen. 1:27-31; 1 Cor. 6:19-20; 2 Cor. 6:16 to 7:1.

A man might ride a donkey under the influence of liquor, and no great harm come to anyone, unless perchance his drink moved him to beat the donkey. But it is different when he is at the wheel of a high powered automobile or in charge of an airplane with a load of passengers. The higher the throne of opportunity on which a man sits, the greater the danger of drink.

The Bible writers constantly remind men that they were created to occupy a throne. In the very first chapter of the Bible we read, And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness, and let him have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over the cattle and over all the earth. Man was created king.

History is the tragic record of how he keeps forgetting his high estate and casting aside his royal robe. He does this in many ways. One way is to take to drink. With what sorrow the wise man expostulates, "It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes to say, Where is strong drink? lest they drink and forget the law, and pervert the justice due to any that is afflicted" Proverbs 31:4-5).

All through the Bible the prophets are broadcasting their substitutes for the debasing effects of alcohol. "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money, come ye, buy and eat; yea come, buy wine and milk without money and without price." They promise that under the influence of this heavenly stimulus men shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace, the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing; and all the trees of the fields shall clap their hands (Isaiah 55:1-12).

But this new creative stimulus, while it is offered to the world without money, is purchased for us with a great price. There is no cheap liquor in the spiritual realm. The re-creation of men in the image of God can only be accomplished at infinite cost.

Our Lord stressed this truth at the Last Supper when he said, "This is the cup of the new covenant in my blood which is shed for you." "Ye were redeemed," says the apostle, "not with corruptible things, with silver or gold, . . . but with precious blood. . . even the blood of Christ" (1 Peter 1:18-19).

The wine of the kingdom which is to counteract the gnawing thirst for alcohol is an overwhelmed sense of the sacrificial love of God. This is the greatest stimulus in the universe. This

is the cup with divine power to thrill, and yet a cup that produces no dread reaction, and burns out no vital powers. It rather creates power and builds up broken-down moral tissue. "He that eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood hath eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day." There is such a thing as a stimulus whose effects survive even the power of death and dissolution.

And the reason, of course, is that the wine of the kingdom is not a drug; it comes from a living Presence, and constantly re-creates life. If you believe in Christ, says Paul, your bodies become a temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which ye have from God.

One of the great reasons for the futility of much of our exhortation to sign the pledge is our failure to emphasize the re-enforcing power of the Holy Spirit. All temperance evangelism is doomed to failure that does not glow with the gladness of the new wine of the kingdom. And let us be sure that this new wine is no mere imagining, no mere product of auto-suggestion. Every page of the New Testament gives evidence of a glowing new life which has stimulated not merely the emotions but the rational processes. It has also marvelously re-enforced the will and the daring of the writers. They are triumphantly shouting it out against the pressure of persecution and the debilitating effects of the Roman physical climate.

But Paul not only taught that the body of the disciple of Christ is a temple of the Holy Spirit, but he taught likewise that the church is God's temple. One of the great attractions of drink is that when men meet together and the flowing bowl is passed, a joyful spirit of conviviality and friendship enlivens the company. They drink to one another's health, and sing songs celebrating their friendship. But unfortunately such gatherings often end in throwing champagne glasses at one another's heads, and breaking up the furniture in a brawl. The flowing bowl produces counterfeit friendship.

But when the disciples of Christ, as at Pentecost, are all of one accord in one place, and continue in prayer, then a joyful spirit of comradeship descends on them which profane mockers might interpret as the result of new wine (The Acts 2:13). But this conviviality leads not merely to high professions of friendship, but to practical and sacrificial generosity (The Acts 2:43-47); and it ends in no drunken brawl but in the highest kind of spiritual and intellectual communion (Ephesians 5:18-21). The disciples became one in Christ (Romans 12:5), and men realize what the old psalmist meant when he exclaimed, "How good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity" (Psalm 133:1).

How to Fight Intemperance

The fight against the evils of intemperance must be carried on in many ways. We must use the strong arm of the law, scientific temperance instruction, and the wisest type of propaganda. But the chief remedy for the devastating effects of alcohol is the substitute for the exhilaration of drink which comes from the glow of glad-

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NEW YEAR'S DAY IN THE WOODS

"Do I look nice?" asked the Rabbit, addressing his friend the Chipmunk.

"Very nice," said the Chipmunk, "that is for a person who has no tail to speak of. But, of course, you can't help that."

The Rabbit looked into the looking glass pond and saw his little white bob of a tail. "Don't you want to lend me yours just this once?" he asked. "I would take great care of it."

"No, I cannot do that," said the Chipmunk, "but I can lend you the tail of my late uncle. It is such a fine one that we have kept it to brush out the nest with."

"The very thing!" said the Rabbit.

So the Chipmunk brought the tail of his late uncle and tied it on the Rabbit's stub.

"How does it look?" asked the Rabbit.

"Fine," said the Chipmunk. "Now tell me how I look."

"Well enough," said the Rabbit. "Of course you would look better if you had long ears."

"Dear me!" said the Chipmunk, and he looked into the looking glass pond. "Haven't you a pair that you could lend me?"

"Why, yes," said the Rabbit. "There's a pair that belonged to my grandfather hanging on the wall at home. I will get those."

So the Rabbit got the ears and tied them on the Chipmunk's head.

"How do I look now?" asked the Chipmunk.

"Splendid," said the Rabbit. "Now let us go and make our New Year's calls. Where shall we go first?"

"I wish to call on Miss Woodchuck," said the Chipmunk.

"So do I," said the Rabbit. "We will go there first." And off they went.

They came to Miss Woodchuck's door and knocked and she opened the door. "Mercy!" she cried. "Who are you, and what do you want?"

"We are Mr. Rabbit and Mr. Chipmunk," said the two friends, "and we have come to make you a New Year's call."

"More likely you have come to steal the nuts!" said the lady angrily. "I know Mr. Rabbit and Mr. Chipmunk well, and neither of you is either of them. Who ever heard of a long-tailed rabbit or a long-eared Chipmunk? Get along with you! You are frights and probably thieves as well." And she shut the door in their faces.

The two friends walked a little way in silence; then they stopped and looked at each other.

"You said I looked fine," said the Rabbit.

"I—I meant the tail," said the Chipmunk. "It is a fine tail. But you said I looked splendid."

"I was thinking of the ears," said the Rabbit. "They're splendid ears."

They walked on until they came once more to the looking glass pond. They looked at themselves; then they looked at each other; then all in a minute off came the long ears and tail.

"There!" cried the Chipmunk. "Now we look as we were meant to look, and I am bound to say, Rabbit, that it is much more becoming to you."

"So it is to you," replied the Rabbit. "Now shall we call on Miss Woodchuck again?"

"Come on," said the Chipmunk.

So they went to Miss Woodchuck's door and knocked once more at the door, and Miss Woodchuck opened it.

"Oh!" she cried, "Mr. Chipmunk and Mr. Rabbit, how do you do? I am glad to see you. A happy New Year to you both!"

"The same to you ma'am," said the Rabbit and Chipmunk.—John Strong, in *Evangelical-Messenger*.

WHY DO WE HAVE TURKEY FOR THANKSGIVING?

Why do we have turkey for Thanksgiving? The usual answer to such a question is that the New England colonists ate turkey on the first Thanksgiving Day. There is much of truth in that answer, for certainly the tradition of Thanksgiving Day goes back to that colonial beginning, but the Pilgrim Fathers were not the first persons on this continent to find out how good turkey was to eat.

Long before the white men had come to live in America the Indians had learned that turkey is a fine dish for a gala occasion. In the southwestern part of the present United States and in Mexico the cliff dwellers and other aboriginal tribes used the meat of the turkey for their ceremonial feasts. The birds were wild but the Indians learned to catch and tame them so they could be fattened before they were killed. The wild turkeys roamed over Arizona, western New Mexico, and southern Colorado, as well as Mexico.

After the coming of the Spaniards turkeys were sent to European markets and that is where they gained their name. The merchants, who were mostly Hebrews, thought that this new bird was a kind of peacock and so called it by their name for the peacock which was "tukki." More or less constant use of this term resulted in the English word turkey.

The turkey is peculiarly an American bird. No other country has a similar fowl. Wherever turkeys are raised today, and they have been introduced into many countries, the ancestral stock came from America. This is one reason why it is fitting that the turkey should be associated with Thanksgiving, which is a distinctive American

feast. Like the cliff dwellers, we too use domesticated fowls and our feast has also a certain ceremonial significance.

When the Puritans desired to celebrate their first abundant harvest in Plymouth in 1621 hunters were sent into the woods to secure turkeys for the dinner. The colonial records say: "That year there was also a great store of wild turkeys." At first these beautiful birds were plentiful everywhere but they were timid and fled inland so that after 1690 no more records are found of them in New England, but they were still so plentiful in Georgia in 1733 that they sold for fourpence apiece.

These wild turkeys were gold and purple bronze and much larger than our domestic birds. They could easily outrun a man and when flying traveled at a rate of fifty miles an hour. They were awkward in flight but ran with an easy graceful motion. One colonial writer tells of seeing a flock of three hundred near the Chesapeake which weighed thirty or forty pounds each and no less an authority than William Penn says that turkeys weighing thirty pounds sold in his colony for a shilling. Ornithologists say that wild turkeys were plentiful around the Great Lakes until 1875. These wild birds were easily distinguished from the tame fowl by the rich chestnut brown tips on their tail feathers.—Laura A. Boyd, in *Our Dumb Animals*.

PASTIME OF A SICK 13-YEAR-OLD

I was sick this week. While I was idle I made a study of the United States map. The purpose of my study was to find out what letter in the alphabet was used the most in the spelling of the names of the United States. Here is the result of my work:

A 57; N 45; I 43; O 36; S 31; E 29; R 22; T 20; L M H 14; C D 12; W 10; K 9; U 8; G 8; Y 6; V 5; P 3; B 2; F 2; X 2; J 1; Z 1; Q 0.

Isabel Autry, 13.

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Natural History Teacher: "Johnny, what do bats do in the winter?"

Johnny: "Split if you don't oil 'em."
—Exchange.

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April 7-21—Trinity, Kannapolis, N. C.
April 22-May 5—Tabernacle, Martinsville, Va.
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Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

February

Burlington Ct., Shiloh, 11 4
Alamance Ct., Center, 3 4
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 4
Methodist Advance Meeting, Raleigh, 9:30 6
Bahama Ct., Mt. Sylvan, 11 11
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 11

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

February

Williamston, 11 4
Plymouth, night 4
Windsor, 11 11
Edenton, night 11

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

February

Stedman, 11 4
West End, Pleasant Hill, 3 4
Pine Bluff, 7 4
Blasco, 11 11
Troy Ct., 3 11
Troy, 7 11

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

February

Jones, Trenton, 11 4
Pink Hill, Pink Hill, 3 4
Mount Olive Ct., Rones, 11 10
Mount Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive, 11 11
Dover, Dover, 7:30 11
Fremont, Black's Creek, 11 17
Goldshore, St. Paul, 11 18

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

February

Rougenont, 11 4
Mt. Tirzah, Helena, night 4

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

February

Farmville, 11 4
Walstonburg, 3 4
Stantonsburg, 7:30 4
Methodist Advance Meeting, Raleigh, 9:30 6
Rosemary, 11 11
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 11

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

February

Wilmington, Grace, 11 4
Clinton, night 4
Swansboro, Midway, 11 11
Maysville (place to be announced), 3 11
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night 11

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February

Candler, Pleasant Hill, 11 3
Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, 11 4
Candler, Pleasant Hill, night 4
Acton, Acton, 11 11
West Asheville, night 11
Preach, Hendersonville, 11 18
Joint Quarterly Conference Brevard and Rosman, at
Brevard, 3 18
Preach at Brevard, night 18
Preach at Edneyville, 11 25
Joint Quar. Conf. Hendersonville, Flat Rock and Mills
River, at Hendersonville, 3 25
Mills River at Hendersonville, 3 25
Preach at Avery's Creek, night 25

March

Preach at Black Mountain (M.E.), 11 3
Joint Quar. Conf. Black Mountain, Oteen and Swan-
nanoo, at Azalea, 3 3
Preach at Swannanoa, night 3
Quar. Conf. Weaverville and Weaverville, Ct., at Wea-
verville, night 4
Quar. Conf. Asheville Ct. and W. Asheville, at West
Asheville, night 5
Quar. Conf. Biltmore and Oakley, at Oakley, night 6
Quar. Conf. Laurel-Barnardsville, at Barnardsville, 11 10
Preach at Central, night 10
Quar. Conf. Central, Haywood St. and French Broad
Ave., at French Broad, night 11
Quar. Conf. Ashby Mem., Hillside St. and Merrimon
Ave., at Merrimon Ave., night 12
Preach at Big Sandy, 11 17
Quar. Conf. Leicester-Bell, Leicester, Grace and Sandy,
at Brick Church, 3 17
Marshall, 11 24
Hot Springs and Paint Rock, 3 24
Preach at Reeve's Chapel, 11 31
Quar. Conf. Acton, Candler and Pisgah, at Montmo-
rency, 3 31

April

Tryon-Saluda, at Saluda, 11 7
Fairview at Sharon, 3 7
Fletcher, night 7
District Conference at Hendersonville 17

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February

Trinity, 11 4
Indian Trail-Stallings, Stallings, 3 4
Hickory Grove, 7:30 4
Pineville, Harrison, 7:30 9
Matthews, 7:30 9
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 11
New Hope-Bethel, Long Pine, 3 11
Unionville-New Hope, Unionville, 7 11
Duncan Memorial, 7:30 12
Calvary, 7:30 14
North Monroe-Grace, North Monroe, 7:30 16
Big Springs, 11 18
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 18
Weddington, Union, 11 25
Bethel-Bogers, Bogers, 3 25
Thrift-Moore, Thrift, 7:30 25
Wadesboro, 7 26
Chadwick, 7:30 28

March

Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 10 3
Morgen, Shiloh, 3 3
Marshville, Wingate, 7 3
Wesley Heights, 7:30 1
Belmont Park, 7:30 6
Dilworth, 7:30 8
Ansonville, Concord, 11 10
Brovari Street, 7:30 10
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 17
Lilesville, Lilesville, 11 17
Central Avenue, 7:30 18
Berita, 7:30 18
Prospect, Carmel, 11 24
Peachland, Harmony, 3 24
Monroe, Central, 7:30 24
Huntersville, Asbury, 11 31
Myers Park, 7:30 31

April

First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 1
Pelkton, Wightman, 11 7

ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

January

Elkin, 11 23
Surry-Yadkin, 2:30 28
Yadkinville, Center, 11 4
St. Paul, Asbury, 2:30 4
Wilkesboro Ct., Miller's Creek, 11 11
Jonesville, Ronda, 2:30 11
Mocksville Ct., Dulin, 2:30 17
Mocksville, 11 18
Advance, Elbaville, 2:30 18
North Wilkesboro, 11 25
Wilkesboro, Union, 2:30 25

March

Davie, Liberty, 11 2
Coolmees, 11 3
Farmington-Smith Grove, 2:30 3
Dobson, Siloam, 11 9
West Jefferson, 11 10
Jefferson-Orion, 2:30 10
Todd, Fairview, 11 16
Boone, 11: Friendship, 2:30 17
Sparta, Shiloh 24
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11 31

April

Warrensville, Lansing, 11 7
Creston-Riverview, 2:30 7
Trophill, Charit, night 19
Helton, Grassy Creek, 11 14
Green Valley, Mt. View, 11 20
Watauga, Valle Crucis, 11 21
Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11 28

May

Moravian Falls, Mt. Moriah, 2:30 5
Ararat, Mt. View, Ararat, 11 12

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

SECOND ROUND (INCOMPLETE)

February

West Market Street, 11 4
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 4
Tabernacle-Julian, Julian, 7:30 4
Bessemer, 7:30 7
Sandy Ridge, 11 11
Reidsville, Main Street, 5 11
Midway, Barnett's Chapel, 7:30 11
Stokesdale, Stokesdale, 7:30 14
Flat Rock, 11 18
Saint Paul, 3 18
Jamestown, Oakdale, 7:30 18
Greensboro: West End, 7:30 21
Reidsville Ct., Lowes, 11 24
College Place, 11 25
Guilford Ct., 3 25
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 25
Centenary, 7:30 28

March

Calvary, 11 3
Stoneville, Stoneville, 7:30 3
Brown Summit, Shady Grove, 11 10
Greensboro: Bethel, 7 10
Reidsville, Lindsay Street, 11 17
Spray, 3 17
Danbury, 7:30 17
Madison, 7:30 27
Leaksville, 11 31

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February

Valdeso, 11 4
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 4
Morganton, First, 7:30 4
Broad River, Tanners, 3 11
Bostie, Sunshine, 3 11
Spindale, 11 11
McDowell, Bethel, 9:45 18
North Forest, 11 18
Marion Ct., Glenwood, 3 18
Cross Mills, 7:30 18
Henrietta, Henrietta, 11 25
Mill Springs, Gray's, 3 25
Glen Alpine, 7:30 25

March

Connelly Springs, Bollinger's, 11 3
Shady Grove, 3 3
Rutherford College, 7:30 8
Old Fort, 11 10
Old Fort Ct., Bethlehem, 3 10
Marion, First, 7:30 10
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 17
Sunshine, Spingah, 3 17
Morganton Cts., Bethlehem, 7:30 17
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 24
Forest City, 7:30 24
Rutherfordton, 11 31
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3 31
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 31

April

Burussville, 11 7
Hald Creek, Elk Shoals, 3 7
Spruce Pine, 7:30 7
Elk Park, Newland, 11 14
Avery, Fairview, 3 14
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30 21
Mecayville-Tipton Hill, Windham, 11 21
Bakersville Oak Grove, 3 21

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February

Race Street, 11 4
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, 3 4
Boulevard, Statesville, night 4
Elmwood, Cleveland, 11 11
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 3 11
Jones Memorial, night 11
Troutman, Troutman, 11 18
Hildente, Rocky Springs, 3 18
Balls Creek, Friendship, night 18
Harmony, Clarksbury, 11 25
Olin, Fairmont, 3 25
Union Grove-Zion, Union Grove, night 25

March	
Broad Street, Statesville, 11	3
Taylorville, Carson Chapel, 3	3
Stony Point, Stony Point, night	3
Mount Zion, Mount Zion, 11	10
McKendree-Williamson, Williamson, 3	10
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, night	10
Mooresville: Central, 11	17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 3	17
Mooresville: Broad Street, night	17
Hudson, Hudson, 10 and 3	24
Grace-Rhodiss, Grace, 11	24
Granite Falls, night	24
Catawba, Bethlehem, 11	31
Shepherds, Wesley Chapel, 3	31
Maiden, Maiden, night	31
April	
Newton, 11	7
Hickory: Highland, Fairgrove, 3	7
Hickory: Westview, night	7
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn, 10 and 3	14
Lenoir: First Church, 11	14
Hickory: Bethel, night	14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January	
Murphy, 11	21
Clyde, 7:30	21
Hayesville, Sweet Water, 11	28
Shooting Creek, Marshall's, 7:30	28
February	
Murphy Ct., 11	4
Andrews, 7:30	4
Robbinsville, 11	11
Bryson City, 7:30	11
Highlands, 11	18
Franklin, 7:30	18
Franklin Ct., 11	25
Macon Ct., 3	25
Louisa, 7:30	25
March	
Waynesville, 11	3
Sylva, 7	3
Webster, 11	10
Cullowhee, 7	10
Canton, 11	17
Rockwood, 3	17
Bethel, 7:30	17
Dellwood, 7	20
Pines Creek, 11	24
Crabtree, 3	24
Canton, First Church, 7:30	24
Junaluska, 11	31
Jonathan, 3	31
Morning Star, 7:30	31
April	
Whittier, Iland 7:30	7
Special situations	14
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WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February	
Winston-Salem, Ogburn Memorial, 11	4
North Davidson, Spring Hill, 3	4
First Check-up Meeting, Centenary, 7:30	5
Methodist Advance, Centenary, 9:30	7
Reeds, Bunker Hill, 11	11
Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30	11
Winston-Salem, Centenary, 11	18
Welcome, New Mt. Vernon, 3	18
Winston-Salem, Liberty Street, 7:30	20
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30	21
Forsyth, Pine Grove, 7:30	23
Lexington, State Street; West End, Thomasville, 11	25
Forsyth-Maple Springs, Hickory Grove, 7	25
Hiatt-Sedge Garden, Mt. Olive, 7	27
Doub's, Doub's, 7	28
Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30	29

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON
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ness in the heart of a man whose life is surrendered to God.

And when, in addition to the joy of individual surrender, a man's life is knit in with a radiantly enthusiastic group of fellow Christians who stand for one another, and who together are enlisted in tasks of social service, then it is that life is so full of zest that the thought of drugging oneself with ill-smelling alcohol is positively repulsive.

—Christian Advocate.

A soldier in the English army wrote home: "They put me in barracks; they took away my clothes and put me in khaki; they took away my name and made me 'No. 575'; they took me to church, where I'd never been before, and they made me listen to a sermon for forty minutes. Then the parson said, 'No. 575, Art thou weary, art thou languid?' and I got seven days in the guardhouse because I answered that I certainly was."

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JONES—When the next quarterly conference is convened at Evans church on the Chowan charge, members of that conference will regard with deep wistfulness a certain vacant pew; yet in their quiet contemplation they will find another justification of faith, will see another reward of promise in the absence of Edmund Jones of Harrellsville, North Carolina, who, having been faithful unto the end, presented in death on November 21, 1939, his claim to a crown of life.

Having been born in Chowan county on November 28, 1851, the son of Mary and of Josiah Jones, he lived throughout all the vicissitudes of political and economic human nurture; yet he remained so consistently steadfast in his private convictions that he merited and achieved the esteem and love of his fellowmen.

When he was still a youth he promised his mother that he would be faithful to the church which she had known to be a benediction in her own experience; and his integrity was such that he kept not only that promise but also all secret promises to himself that his life should be lived on a plane of straightforward honesty in business, of good will in his relations to men, and of reverence for God.

Though the beautiful expanse of the Chowan river kept him from being regularly present for the Sunday services at Evans, he was almost always present for the quarterly conferences, and he contributed generously to the support of the church.

In 1878 he married Miss Noxana W. Askew, and then in 1881 they moved to Hertford county where they spent the remainder of their years, remembering all the while: "That into his faithful heap of days and deeds the soul of a man is cast."

Mrs. Jones and their only daughter, Mrs. G. C. Morrisette, preceded him in death.

Surviving from that union are two sons, Wilbur Jones of Harrellsville, and Z. A. Jones of Washington, D. C.; four nephews, four nieces, five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

The funeral service for Mr. Jones was conducted by Rev. C. E. Vale of Harrellsville.

"Dust to the dust! but the pure spirit shall flow
Back to the burning fountain whence it came,
A portion of the Eternal."

Accordingly, though we loved him deeply and shall cherish his memory, we weep not for Edmund Jones.

Willietta Evans.

SWANN—The soul of Joseph Allen Swann, a past superintendent of Pelham Methodist church school, has returned to God who gave it. For most of his eighty-six years he was a regular attendant at its sessions, and for more than fifty years a member of the board of stewards. The school has appointed me to express appreciation of his faithful service, and I can think of no better way to do this than by an attempt to recount the most marked features of his character.

Until a few years before his death, he remained in the ancestral, going then to the near by home of his son, N. H. Swann. He engaged only in farming and took no active part in outside affairs except his church and the local public school, of which he was

one of the first trustees. In conversation he closely approached Tennyson's ideal—"spoke no slander, no, nor listened to it." I don't remember ever to have seen him in court, but his neighbors certainly regarded him as the kind of man "that sweareth to his own hurt and changeth not." I remember, in conversation with him, over-estimating the size of a haystack I had built and the expression of mild surprise that came over his face. Peace and love dwelt in his home, and the golden chain of daily prayer bound him and his to the throne of grace. His voice will be heard no more in our school sessions, but we are privileged to share with his family the rich legacy of a well spent, gracious life.

J. C. Gibbs.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our divine Creator, in his infinite wisdom, has called our beloved brother, John K. Wood, to his eternal reward; and

Whereas, for a period of many years John K. Wood was a devoted and loyal member of this board of stewards of the First Methodist church, Asheboro, North Carolina; and

Whereas, John Wood was ever a true friend, a good neighbor, and a Christian gentleman of the highest type;

Therefore be it resolved, that the members of this official board herewith extend to the bereaved family their heartfelt sympathy and sincerest expression of condolence; and

Be it resolved, that in the passing of John Wood this board of stewards and our church has lost one whose memory will be cherished and whose Christian example we command to all the brethren; and

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, and to the Courier and Randolph Tribune, and to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and that a copy be spread upon the minutes of this official board.

First M. E. Church Board of Stewards.

C. W. McCrary,
T. H. Redding.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. Lucie O. Brown, has been removed from our midst by divine Providence. For many years she has served the woman's missionary society as secretary and has proved herself faithful and efficient in every good word and work.

Therefore we wish to express our sense of loss and our grief at her passing in the following resolutions:

First, That we bow to the Master's will in humble submission and gratitude for his love.

Second, That we appreciate the beautiful Christian life of our sister, an example of following close in the steps of Him who "went about doing good."

Third, That we extend to her family our loving sympathy in their bereavement.

Fourth, That a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy to the Gates County Index for publication, a copy be entered in the minutes of the missionary society, and a copy sent to the family of the deceased.

Mrs. J. M. Jolliff,
Mrs. E. L. Riddick,
Mrs. Nanie Sewall Costen.

Prayer is not to ask what we wish of God, but what God wishes of us.—
Author unknown.

Prayer will make us leave off sinning, or sin will make us leave off praying.—Fuller.

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On the Outward Bound to the Unknown

CAN the Methodists continue their advance? Are the Methodists able to pioneer the unknown in this present age? The men on horseback in the early days of the Wesleyan movement were pathfinders in all the American wilderness. These early pioneer preachers were eager to be in the front lines of advance on all the outposts of Zion. The hoof-beats of the horse of the itinerants in search of new recruits on every trail of the lonely settlements echo until this day. Have we that spiritual yearning which sent these early circuit riders on all roads and over the rim of every horizon?

From the first in England and in America, the Wesleyans were outward bound, moving onward and upward to the unknown both on earth and in heaven, since this world was not their home. The pioneer, the pilgrim and the saint made unusual appeal to these Methodists. So, these eager pioneers and weary pilgrims pressed on, singing on the way as they journeyed to the land that is fairer than day. Men led by God made strong appeal to these pioneers of destiny under the divine compulsion. Abraham, led by God, whose journeyings could be traced by the smoke of his altar fires, and Moses, at the call of God, leaving behind the land of bondage for the land of promise, became the theme of these heroic men. On jaded steeds they pressed forward along the unmarked trails into the unknown, eager to extend the kingdom of Christ by spreading scriptural holiness among men.

Methodists have never exalted the scaffolding—the externals—of religion. Church polity, creeds, dogmas, sacraments, rituals, forms of organization and all such externals of life and religion, are secondary. With them, the outward is temporary; the inner spirit, eternal. So the Wesleyans in their advance across the nations have made much of Enoch who walked with God, of Moses who talked with God, of Isaiah who saw God, high and lifted up, of Paul on the Syrian road, of the Saint of Patmos who looked into the open heavens. Angels by the way, hearts that glowed as they held fellowship with Him, songs at midnight in the prison, stirred these itinerant pilgrims and saints who made God a conscious power and presence in the soul of man. Moved by the same inner urge, John Wesley flamed across England and Francis Asbury rode at the head of the "Lord's Horsemen."

What a worthy pattern left for all who follow after! Lured by the call that came to Paul at Troas and urged by the love of souls the early circuit riders found the unknown regions of spiritual conquest. Such impetus will enable all in this present Methodist Advance to greet the unknown with a cheer.

M. T. P.

HIGH DAY FOR METHODISM AT RALEIGH

The Methodist Advance in Raleigh this week was more than a formal coming together of the "people called Methodists" in the North Carolina conference. The crowd from all sections of eastern North Carolina filled Edenton Street church, the program was one of the best, the more than four hundred at luncheon were enough to make the day memorable.

Bishop W. W. Peele had charge for the day. Following devotions led by Rev. F. S. Love was a comprehensive and illuminating statement by Dr. J. Manning Potts, district superintendent of the Richmond district, telling of the progress of the Advance. Then came the three addresses of the guest speakers.

Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf of Chicago gave an unforgettable address. His apt and striking illustrations drove home the truths he wished to present. Then came Bishop H. Lester Smith most effectively stressing the things that have been back of the Methodist success. Out of the heart of the church renewed by the spirit of Christ comes all that we know as Methodism, said he.

The climax of the marvelous morning came with the thirty minutes that Bishop Edwin H. Hughes had to urge the place of evangelism in the Methodist Advance across the land and around the world. Many came out of that service wonderfully lifted and filled with the spirit of the occasion.

At the luncheon hour some thought Bishop Waldorf outdid himself in the earlier address. Dr. W. K. Greene of Durham presided and presented the visiting bishops before the main address by Bishop Waldorf. This was, indeed, an occasion that will be long remembered by all who were fortunate enough to be present.

Of the forum hour and the service of consecration which closed the afternoon and the young people's services at night with Bishop Hughes as chief speaker we cannot write, having to hurry away.

It is safe to say, however, that the North Carolina conference has been wonderfully blessed by this day in Raleigh. Something of the heart throbs of American Methodism was felt. No such occasion could have been possible before Methodist union. It was indeed a high and holy fellowship that should abide for years to come.

"A METHODIST CHILD'S MEMBERSHIP MANUAL"

Each year as the Easter season approaches the pastors of our churches are searching for suggestions and materials to help them in preparing the children of our church schools for membership in the church. In A Methodist Child's Membership Manual by Costen J. Harrell of West End Methodist church, Nashville, the author has arranged in easy and readable form a plan of instruction which has grown out of his ministry to the children of his congregations. In the Foreword he writes that "he has attempted at all times to instruct the children of his classes in the simple and abiding truths of the Christian religion, suited to their needs and understanding. He has also attempted to lead them into a heart-response to the love of Christ, and to make plain to them the meaning of church membership."

The booklet, attractively printed, contains thirty-two pages, and is written with the idea that a copy be placed in the hand of each member of a children's class. The titles of the chapters indicate the character and emphasis of this little manual: "We believe in God," "God Speaks to Us," "We Give Our Hearts to God," "We Join the Church." Each chapter, though dealing with a vital Christian teaching, is written in language that a junior child can understand and is illustrated by stories taken from the every-day life of children. From these four chapters one may easily sense the four objectives of this course of preparation: (1) To lead the child into an assurance of the reality of God; (2) to interpret to him the meaning of sin and an accusing con-

science, and to lead him into an experimental knowledge of how forgiveness may be found in Christ; (3) to bring him to a definite commitment of himself to Jesus Christ; (4) to instruct him in the privileges and obligations of church membership. These are the emphases of the New Testament and of the Methodist Church. At the end of each chapter are brief Bible readings, and assignments for memory work.

Following these chapters is a catechism of 29 questions and answers in which the things judged essential to Christian faith and experience are set down in plain and concise language. At the end the form for receiving children into the membership of the church is published.

A Methodist Child's Membership Manual is published by the Methodist Publishing House, 150 Fifth Ave., New York, and is available at all Methodist book stores at 10 cents per single copy or 85 cents per dozen.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

On February 12, 1809, in a one-room, earthen-floor log cabin of the Lincoln farm on Big South Fork of Nolin's Creek, near to Hodgenville, Kentucky, Abraham Lincoln was born. Without school education, he rose to power through a quiet, solid faith, sheer merit, and indomitable will power. His boyhood was spent mostly in sorrow and hardship. His father, Tom Lincoln, had little to give his son; he had too much of the itinerant restlessness of the pioneer frontier. But in the soul of young "Abe" there was planted by Providence a yearning for knowledge, elemental culture, and manhood that could achieve.

Against all odds, he fought and won his way. He believed in God, had faith in his own powers, and clung to the ideal of his country that "all men are created equal." Through years of the direst discipline he struggled on. At a time when this nation needed a man he was ready. It was both against his nature and desire that the fires of war burned all around him. In his second inaugural address he declared:

"Fondly do we hope, fervently do we pray, that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away. Yet if God will that it continue until all the wealth piled by the bondsman's two hundred and fifty years of unrequited toil shall be sunk, and until every drop of blood drawn with the lash shall be paid by another drawn with the sword, as was said three thousand years ago, so still it must be said, 'The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.'"

"With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds."—The Watchman-Examiner.

BISHOP CANNON SENDS MESSAGE TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF FEDERAL COUNCIL

Fellow Members of the Executive Committee of the Federal Council:

Deeply regret inability attend meeting. President Roosevelt's peace proposals involved ultimately and inevitably relations of church and state to an unpredictable degree. Federal Council can not presume to represent either American or world Protestantism to the extent indicated by the President's proposals. Hope committee will clearly recognize limitations of the power of the Council while earnestly expressing purpose to co-operate to secure peace without violation of principle of separation of church and state.

(Signed) James Cannon, Jr.

Where there is drink there is danger.—Proverb.

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A woman is just as old as she looks, a man just as old as he feels, and a sermon is just as long as it seems. Some ten minute sermons are long and some sixty minute sermons are short. Time flies when an interesting man talks, but travels at a snail's pace when the prosy man drags through his tiresome paragraphs. A man who stands before an assembly that cannot talk back and not even turn on another program should have a care as to how he deports himself in the pulpit.

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Nature's laboratories are beyond compare and silence reigns therein even as it does amid the movement of the spheres. The master artist utters not his voice as he saturates the rose with its fragrance or puts the tints in the pansy. The oak, the pine and the redwood become strong and tall without any herald having proclaimed that they were to be the monarchs of the forests. The trees grow in silence. "First the blade, the stalk, the full corn in the ear," but without noise the garnerers of Egypt and of America have been filled with corn. The peach blushes in silence and orchards, vineyards and fields are obedient to the universal law of growth.

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Henry Ford is reported to have said "History is bunk." Mr. Dooley in talking to his friend Hennessey enlarged upon Henry Ford's notion in his own rich dialect of the Emerald Isle. Mr. Dooley said: "I know histhry isn't thrue, Hinnissy, because it ain't like what I see evry day in Halsted Street. If any wan comes along with a histhry iv Greece or Rome that'll show me th' people fightin', gettin' dhrunk, makin' love, gettin' married, owin' the grocery-man an' bein' without hard coal, I'll believe they was a Greece or Rome, but not before. . . . Th' other kind iv histhry is a post-mortem examination. It tells ye what a counthry died iv. But I'd like to know what it lived iv."

The child finds hours of pleasure in chasing a butterfly, or playing with a pup. So with the "grown ups." The little things count largely in the making of life's joys and sorrows. The smile of his wife or the kiss of his chubby handed baby can send a man with quickened step singing to his work. Kind words are little things and simple faith a thing that a little child can hold in his heart, "but kind words are more than coronets and simple faith than Norman blood."

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What a picture is that at Golgotha with the patient, upturned face of the Sufferer who was destined to change the world! The Roman soldiers at the foot of the cross are gambling for His scanty garments, and the thieves on either side denouncing Him because the miracle they had hoped for did not come. In contrast are the faithful women, Mary Clopas, Mary of Magdela, and Mary the mother of Jesus patiently waiting for his death when the body should be given back to them. And amid it all may be heard the gentle voice of the Divine sufferer who said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

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In England the Methodists started with the common people. These Methodists of Wesley's day carried the gospel to men in the coal pits who wore no coronets nor boasted of Norman blood in their veins. And in this country the early Methodist itinerants made the humble cabins of the wilderness their lodging place and became messengers of Christ to all men regardless of race, color or conditions of servitude. And with all our big churches and the enrollment upon our records of the mighty, the learned, and the cultured, let us not become enamoured of these, and forget those in the humbler stations of life who constitute the very bone and sinew of our American democracy.

The Unit in Methodist Organization

THE annual conference composed of all the preachers within its boundaries and laymen from all the churches makes an organization that functions close to the folks. It is the fundamental unit in our Methodism. It links up with the local churches as no other does. About the altars of the church the people gather as the gospel is preached to them and the sacraments are administered. Here the children are trained and youth takes the solemn vows of religion and plight their troth one to the other. Missions, education, evangelism and social undertakings find their inspiration and loyal supporters in the church where the rich and the poor meet together and learn that the Lord is the maker of them all. Because of its organic relation to the local church and its vital relation to all the wider undertakings of Methodism, the annual conference remains the fundamental unit in united Methodism.

Much is being said just now and careful provisions are being made for the General Conference which meets next April in Atlantic City. This General Conference embraces the whole of our church within and beyond the borders of the United States. So all the annual conferences will be represented there and all the churches are vitally interested in the work to be done by this General Conference. Then there are the six jurisdictional conferences to follow. Our own, the Southeastern conference, will assemble in Asheville in May. This embraces all the territory south of the Potomac and east of the Mississippi. This conference is charged with electing bishops, with electing members to the general boards and with much of the administrative work within the jurisdiction.

Let it be remembered, however, that both these conferences are creatures of the several annual conferences, the delegates of both being elected by the preachers and the laymen of the one body that is the fundamental unit of the church in all its organization. So it is from the churches and the pastors that compose these conferences come life blood and the material resources by which we are able to carry on in all the world wide undertakings in education, evangelism, missions, temperance and social betterment. All the legislation and the many organizations provided at Atlantic City and at Asheville will get back in short order to the annual conferences of the church.

Take by way of illustration our paper situation. Nothing was done about the Methodist Press at Kansas City. Important decisions will be made at Atlantic City. Whatever is done concerns us all. Some favor one great paper, a national weekly; others say let there be one paper with jurisdictional editions; others say let us have six great papers, one for each jurisdiction, and then a number of independent journals well sustained so as to make possible free discussion and unofficial criticism.

Proper subsidies for each of these contemplated and local journals should be provided by the church so as to give assurance of continued life for all that have a right to live. Some still insist: "If the church paper cannot pay its way, let it go." This argument would close all colleges. Since the religious press is vital to the church, why not put it on a level with education, missions and other enterprises of organized church life?

But our concern at this point is not so much the kind of Methodist papers that may be provided at Atlantic City but to stress the place of the annual conferences in supporting every interest and undertaking of our Methodism. We always gravitate back to the churches for support. Practically all the papers we have are the creatures of annual conferences or groups of conferences except those supported by boards or else subsidized by publishing houses. The New York, Zions Herald and other papers of less note that have endured through the years have been fostered by the conferences or groups of conferences.

One thing certain there is no such thing as a national newspaper—newspapers are local institutions. Even a jurisdictional paper can not be a newspaper. Think of one newspaper for 2,000,000 Methodists scattered over nine states such as we have in the Southeastern Jurisdiction! We are for groups of conferences to run church papers without taking in so much territory.

The New and Better Age

THE king, the priest and the prophet dominate the Old Testament record. Kings exercised authority, priests acted as mediators, and prophets were spokesmen for the divine. Crowns and swords are associated with kingly sovereigns; flowing robes and smoking altars belong to priestly mediators; and divine mes-

sages dealing with the present and the future came from these forthtellers—remember the prophet was more a forthteller than a foreteller. Our New Testament, however, gathers about the Saviour who came to seek and to save the lost. The disciples and apostles of the New Dispensation proclaiming the good news of the gospel are truly the sent of God. These bulk large in the New Testament. Though something of the priestly and prophetic functions remain in the New Covenant, primarily and pre-eminently, Jesus, the Saviour of the world, fills full the New Testament and also the victorious centuries of the Christian church. The many reforms and numerous revivals of spiritual life in the Christian church have always put striking emphasis upon the resurrected Christ of the New Testament.

Priestly mediation and kingly authority have through the centuries held a dominant place in the religious life of earth, tending to stifle the voice of the prophet and to render obscure the face of the Saviour. God's struggles through the long centuries has been to save his people from the deadly dominance of priesthood and the persistent tendency to substitute kingly authority for the commanding voice of the prophet. On one occasion the people would have made Jesus king, but he refused to rely on such sovereign power. He would not consent to lord it over them—he would not rely on the authority of the sceptre and the sword. Most assuredly he expects his church to be prophetic rather than formal and militant. Jesus knew he could not be both a king and a prophet; neither can his church employ both a cross and a sword. Such a church will substitute the priest for the prophet and a cross of gold for the Christ on the rugged Roman tree. Kings and dictators make bloody the earth as they exercise the authority of the sword, but it is well for us to remember that ultimately the prophet will have the last word, "for they that take the sword will perish with the sword." Priests and kings must finally give place to the prophets of God and the Saviour of the world. A far day this; but God is still on his throne.

If I Had a Million

THIS is an old and oft debated question. Quite a while ago some man with an eye on his personal wardrobe said that if he had a million he would have a pair of suspenders for

each pair of trousers. But men have quit wearing suspenders and that answer is out of date.

Studdert-Kennedy in his book of rhymes has a poem upon this subject which is of so great interest to people who have no prospect of ever becoming the wise owner of a million.

"If I Had a Million Pounds" is the title of the poem that runs:

"I would buy me a perfect island home,
Sweet set in a southern sea,
And there would I build me a paradise
For the heart o' my love and me.
I would plant me a perfect garden there,
The one that my dream soul knows,
And the years would flow as the petals grow,
That flame to a perfect rose.
I would build me a perfect temple there,
A shrine where my Christ might dwell,
And then I would wake to behold my soul
Damned deep in a perfect hell."

Will This Slaughter Continue?

A TOTAL of 93,000 persons were killed by accident in the United States in 1939. A great part of these deaths were the result of automobile accidents. This is more than the entire population of Charlotte or Winston-Salem, which are the largest cities in North Carolina.

It is almost three times the number of American citizens that were killed in action in the World War of 1917-1918. It's an average of 254 deaths by accident each day of the year, or an average of ten every hour of every day of the year. Yet few people seem to be alarmed on account of the continuous slaughter.

Fire in the Vocal Cords

SOMEBODY has suggested that with the prophet Jeremiah the fires burned in his bones and not in his vocal cords. This fact serves to explain why the tears flowed so freely and naturally that Jeremiah came to be known as the weeping prophet.

The preacher may try to set the voice on fire when the heart is not aflame and may pump for tears when the fountains of his being are dry, but his auditors will only laugh at his futile efforts. To shout loudly is not necessarily evidence that the preacher is deeply in earnest; it may mean that he has not prepared his sermon.

❖ People and Things ❖

Be ready for the next report on Advocate campaign. Any who do not get in may be humiliated. All will be in later.

This is to inform the many friends of Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Young that she underwent a very serious operation February 1 at the Davis Hospital, Statesville. Dr. Davis thinks she will soon be all right.

At the annual banquet of Gaston county Methodist young people Friday evening, February 2, more than 300 were present and Rev. E. C. Rozzelle, Main Street pastor, delivered the principal address of the evening.

Mrs. S. W. Taylor called together the ministers' wives of the High Point district on Wednesday, January 31, for purpose of organization. The following officers were elected for the year: Chairman, Mrs. Paul Hardin; vice chairman, Mrs. G. I. Humphreys; secretary, Mrs. J. L. Stokes; treasurer, Mrs. S. W. Taylor.—Mrs. J. L. Stokes, Sec.

Rev. F. W. Kiker, pastor of Mt. Olivet Methodist church in the Salisbury district, held the first quarterly conference at Midway in Kannapolis last Sunday afternoon. All items of the budget were paid in full to date and 34 new members received into the church. Twenty-six on profession of faith and eight by certificate.—W. C. Dutton, Pastor.

Rev. Charles M. Jones, pastor of the Brevard Presbyterian church, was speaker at the chapel program at Brevard on Monday. His talk was one in a series of lectures being given at the chapel programs. Mr. Jones spoke on the nature of our prayer life—what we should pray for. Next week he is speaking on "How Shall We Pray."

The honor roll for the first semester at Louisburg College has just been released and is composed of the following students: Frances Luttrell Brown, Gatesville; Lois Brown, Rocky Mount; Hilda Corwin, Ahoskie; Dorothy Corwin, Ahoskie; May Davis, Louisburg; Edna Gillis, Raleigh; Herbert Gossard, Elizabeth City; Stanley Patten, Providence, Rhode Island; Isaac Reynolds, Columbia; Genevieve Senecal, North Adams, Mass.; Lloyd Sheep, Elizabeth City; Martha Yarborough, Louisburg.

Bishop Cannon has been confined to his bed since Christmas day by a severe attack of arthritis. This attack has prevented his attendance upon the meetings of the General Missionary Council, the National Temperance and Prohibition Council, the trustees of the Church Peace Union, and the executive committee of the Federal Council, in all of which he is deeply interested. It will also prevent his attendance upon the Southeastern Anti-Saloon League Convention at St. Petersburg, Florida, on February 25, at which convention he has spoken regularly for the past few years. Bishop Cannon is improving very slowly, but hopes to gradually overcome this attack.

From a questionnaire recently given to the students at Louisburg College the following facts are selected: Eighty-eight per cent of the students attend the college to prepare for a chosen vocation. Seventy-five per cent are well pleased with the college and the educational opportunities offered. Ninety per cent of the students think that the amount of self-help work allowed the student does not interfere with the scholastic work. Eighty-eight per cent of the students believe that honorary fraternities at Louisburg College stitumulate scholarship. Eighty per cent affirm that the social functions are sufficiently cultural and offer wholesome entertainment. Seventy-five per cent report that they could not have come to college without the self-help scholarship. The National Youth Administration has allotted to Louisburg College students self-help scholarships in the amount of \$5895 for the year 1939-1940.

Will you kindly state in your paper that my address now is Forest City, N. C., and I wish to thank my friends over the W. N. C. conference for their kind letters and other tokens of friendship to me since Mr. Morris went away. They have meant so much to me and my deep appreciation is beyond words. I miss the active work and the days are so empty, but God has given me the needed strength so far and I am sure it will be continued.—Mrs. J. P. Morris.

President David D. Jones of Bennett College is on an extended northern and mid-western trip in interest of the college and to meet important speaking engagements. In New York President Jones will address church conferences at St. Paul Methodist church, where the Pfeiffers, generous contributors to Bennett, hold membership. From New York President Jones will go to Chicago to attend the annual meeting of the board of education of the Methodist church, being a member of the executive committee of that body. He was also recently appointed to the committee on location of the church boards.

In a survey of traffic injuries and fatalities on North Carolina streets and highways during 1939, 331 pedestrians were killed in this state last year. This was more than one-third of the 943 highway fatalities recorded in North Carolina in 1939. In addition 1021 pedestrians were injured in this state during the twelve months period ending December 31, 1939. Official records of 1939 accidents in the state reveal that of the 331 pedestrians killed, 101 were walking in the roadway, 56 were playing or working in the roadway, 49 were crossing the highway, 29 were crossing between intersections, and five were crossing at intersections. The survey shows further that of the 331 pedestrians killed last year 25 had been drinking, one had a physical defect, two were confused by traffic, and one's view was obscured. The other 302 were apparently normal, and their deaths were the aftermath of the disregard of some simple everyday safety practice.

Plumbing and methods of beautifying parsonages were subjects of lively discussion at the meeting of the Gastonia District Ministers' Wives' Association at Main Street church, Gastonia, February 2. Action was taken requesting the Christian social relations committee of the missionary societies to co-operate in a plan to install plumbing in the four parsonages in the district which are now without running water. Mrs. C. E. Rozzelle, president of the group, is stressing the parsonage improvement program suggested by the conference association. Nineteen members answered roll call, and 19 reports on parsonage improvements were called for. This gave some a chance to brag; others had something to talk about; a few thought it advisable to remain silent. But the year is yet young. There will be more bragging in the Gastonia district before the last meeting of the year is ended.—Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Sec.

Having spent four of the happiest years of our ministry on the Yanceyville charge we have been transferred to Jackson for work on the Northampton charge. We have been graciously received and most heartily welcomed by all our churches. A nice pounding and a warm supper, together with several of the fine men and women of the Jackson church, awaited our arrival. Christmas found us with a nice turkey that the stewards of Jackson had given us. We are also enjoying a nice quilt that the good women of New Hope gave us. Almost continuously we have had fresh meats and other good things to eat that were given us by friends throughout the charge. We are deeply grateful for all these kindnesses and have resolved to make this the best pastorate of all our ministry to date. We are comfortably situated in the parsonage and our work is off to a good start.—W. L. Maness, Pastor.

METHODIST STUDENTS' CONFERENCE IN RALEIGH

Last Sunday morning in Edenton Street church, Raleigh, with a sermon by Dr. Hornell Hart, the Methodist Students' Conference of North Carolina closed one of its best sessions. Dr. Hart has become a great favorite with students in their assemblies. He knows the proper approach to youth and is able to deal with the realities in a most vital way so as to grip and hold their interest.

The students from a score or more colleges of the state numbered approximately 150. The responsiveness of these young people to the demands of the two days' conference was especially pleasing. None of the eight annual meetings went beyond this last. Dr. Hart and others made mention of this fact.

The officers selected are: Miss Bess Johnson of the Woman's College as their president for 1940. Miss Johnson succeeds Jack Price, State College student, and will serve with four district vice presidents, Miss Hazel Starnes of East Carolina Teachers College, Miss Nell Everett Nash of Catawba College, Miss Cameron Taylor of Greensboro College, and Wayne Kernodle of Brevard College.

H. A. Scott, Jr., of Duke University and Fred Cazell, Jr., of the University of North Carolina were re-elected, respectively, as secretary-treasurer and reporter for the conference.

Officers were installed Sunday morning at Edenton Street Methodist church by Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw of Durham, dean of the conference. At 10 o'clock Dr. John C. Glenn, the pastor, conducted a communion service for them.

The 11 o'clock sermon, delivered by Dr. Hornell Hart of Duke University was on the topic of "Faith and a World at War."

It was fine to see Gov. Clyde R. Hoey in his pew at church following more than a month in the hospital.

NEWS ITEMS FROM GREENSBORO COLLEGE

The entire religious emphasis week at Greensboro College was a success. The guest speaker for all the services was Frank L. Robertson, student in the school of theology at Emory University. Miss Whitmel Gurley, Windsor, president of the Y. W. C. A., was in charge of all arrangements for the week. She was ably assisted by the cabinet of the Y. W. C. A. Miss Frances Kelly, Mt. Holly, directed all the splendid special music.

Greensboro College was well represented at the North Carolina Methodist Student Conference held at Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh, February 2-4, with Jack Price, State College, president, presiding. The theme of the conference was "The Christian Message in a World of Tension." The principal speaker was Dr. Hornell Hart of Duke University. About twenty delegates attended from the college.

The recently completed Y hut, social center at Greensboro College, was put into active use Wednesday night, January 31, with an open house honoring Frank Robertson, guest speaker for religious emphasis week. Faculty staff and members of the student body were invited to attend.

The new building, which has two large activity rooms and four smaller rooms for the use of the Y. W. C. A. and other organizations, has been built through the combined efforts of the college students and these organizations.

Miss Mary Brock, alumnae secretary of Greensboro College, represented the college at the 1940 regional conference in District III of the American Alumni Council held in Williamsburg, Va., February 2-3. University and college alumni groups from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina and Virginia sent delegates.

Dr. Marie Munk, famous sociologist of New York City, formerly of Berlin, Germany, is a guest on the Greensboro College campus this week. The college is sharing her services with neighboring institutions including Woman's College, Guilford, High Point College and others.

Last year Dr. Munk served as visiting inter-departmental professor at Hood College, Frederick, Md., and teacher in the Smith College summer school of social work. Since 1936

she has been visiting various college campuses in the United States.

Dr. Munk, who has been referred to as the Jane Addams of Germany, was the first woman to pass the state bar examination in Prussia, first to practice law in Berlin and first to be appointed judge in a Berlin court.

Dr. and Mrs. Luther L. Gobbel entertained Dr. Munk and several invited guests at dinner in the college dining room Monday night, February 5, at 6 o'clock preceding Dr. Munk's lecture to the International Relations Club.

In a traditional ceremony Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock in Odell Memorial auditorium the senior class received their cap and gowns from their little sister class, the sophomores.

The Greensboro College Orchestra, with Mark Hoffman, director of the school of music, conducting, gave its first concert of the season on Sunday afternoon, February 4, at 4 o'clock in Odell auditorium. This year Miss Dorothy Jones of Greensboro played Liszt's Hungarian Fantasy, accompanied by the orchestra.

LANE-BICKELL MARRIAGE IN DUKE CHAPEL

The marriage of Miss Bernice Elizabeth Lane of Roanoke Rapids and Ernest Adelbert Bickell, Jr., of Nutley, N. J., was solemnized Tuesday afternoon, January 30, in the chapel of Duke University, with the Rev. Daniel Lane of Roanoke Rapids, father of the bride, performing the double ring ceremony of the Methodist Church.

Edward Hall Broadhead, organist, and Miss Julia Wilkerson, violinist, presented the nuptial music.

Haydar Asam was the bridegroom's best man. Ushers were James B. Krause, Ed Burrows, John Repko and C. H. Richards. "The Bridal Chorus" from "Lohengrin" was played as the bridal party entered. The bride's two sisters, Miss Juanita and Miss Virginia Lane, were maids of honor.

Escorted by her uncle, Guy S. Lane of Greensboro, by whom she was given in marriage, the bride was met at the altar by the bridegroom.

Mrs. Bickell, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Danie Lane of Roanoke Rapids, lived in Durham for some time and graduated from the Durham high school. She will receive her A.B. degree in a pre-medical course from Duke University in June.

After finishing in the Nutley schools, Mr. Bickell graduated from the University of Michigan. He held a fellowship at Carnegie Institute, and is now doing graduate work at Duke University. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bickell of Nutley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bickell will be at home at 713 Burch avenue until after commencement in June.

Rev. and Mrs. Lane entertained at a luncheon Tuesday in one of the private dining rooms in the Union of Duke University, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Bickell.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Adelbert Bickell, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bickell, Miss Florence Bickell, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Leonard, all of Nutley, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Guy S. Lane of Greensboro, Miss Virginia Lane, Miss Juanita Lane of Roanoke Rapids, Miss Josephine May, Haydar Asam, Ed Burrows, John Repko and C. H. Richards.

METHODIST ADVANCE, SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION SCHEDULE

February 8—Columbia, S. C. Clare Purcell.

February 9—Atlanta, Ga. J. L. Decell.

Team—Edwin H. Hughes, H. L. Smith, Ernest Waldorf.

February 12—St. Petersburg, Fla. Paul B. Kern.

February 13—Jacksonville, Fla. Paul B. Kern.

February 14—Birmingham, Ala. W. T. Watkins.

February 15—Birmingham, Ala. Alex. P. Shaw.

February 16—Jackson, Miss. W. T. Watkins.

Team—E. H. Hughes, Titus Lowe, Ralph Cushman.

February 18—Memphis, Tenn. R. E. Jones.

February 19—Memphis, Tenn. W. T. Watkins.

February 20—Nashville, Tenn. Paul B. Kern.

February 21—Louisville, Ky. U. V. W. Darlington.

February 22—Knoxville, Tenn. Paul B. Kern.

February 23—Bristol, Tenn. Paul B. Kern.

Team—Ralph Cushman, C. W. Flint, G. B. Oxnam.

Note: Team of speakers are to be heard at the places and dates preceding their names.

A Layman's Response to the North Carolina Convocation of Churches—Steps to Vital Christianity

By MRS. E. S. WILLS

The North Carolina Convocation of Churches, held in Greensboro January 16 to 19, was a vital step in the progress of the church. The speakers were men of intellect, spirituality and experience. They met squarely the points at which the church has failed, and gave an insight into the causes back of them. They also pointed to the steps that individual Christians and the church must take to correct this failure, and thereby answer the challenge of the world's plight today. I was only a layman in attendance, and much of what was said I could not comprehend. Nevertheless, what I did take in challenged my Christianity, and gave a vision toward which to work.

Dr. P. D. Brown of Salisbury gave what I felt was the most important challenge of the convocation. He said we must find the transforming power of God to change human nature, if Christianity is to be effective in the world today. We all realize this, but how are we to get it?

Perhaps your experience may be similar to the one I had. I inherited my beliefs and religious standing as a member of a Christian family, so I felt no urgent need of this transforming power, nor real desire to find it. It came as I saw myself as I really was. The convocation messages certainly gave us standards by which to measure; so let us use Dean Howard Thurman's concept of a Christian as one to use here. He said, as I interpreted it, that a Christian is a selfless, fair-minded individual, who is a Christian from choice, knowing from the scriptures what is required of him. He is also one who lives for truth, regardless of what it does to himself. He is one who gives all—himself, his mind, his power, his money, even life itself to the cause of Christ; one who lives in the lives of others, and suffers with all who suffer, striving ever to find a Christian remedy for the cause of this suffering.

In the light of this concept, I look back to six years ago, when I found that transforming power. Instead of being "selfless" I was afflicted with self-consciousness, inferiority and timidity. I did not even have the courage to express nor defend my convictions. I also insisted upon others doing my way, from driving the car to ordering their lives. When my suggestions met rebuff I felt hurt and full of self-pity, which was more of self. Upon inspection I found my mind like an attic—filled with rubbish. There were grudges, resentments, jealousy, but fear predominated. To give "all," as Dean Thurman said, would make me appear a fanatic; so by this standard I seemed a failure.

I find many people who realize they are spiritual failures, but they do not know what to do about it. To help these, I will go back to my Methodist heritage and witness to how God has helped me.

I realized that Christ called for absolute allegiance and obedience from his followers. I knew that this was humanly impossible for me. But I found that he knew this, too, and provided for it. My part was to accept him and his promises on faith, and begin step by step to learn his way and do it. It was like learning to drive a car. I

had to have faith that the car would run, and prove it by getting in and following the rules of driving. I might make many mistakes, but finally I would learn to run the car.

The next step, as Dr. Brown said during the convocation, is to face our sins. I thought sin was stealing, murder and the gross acts, but I learned that it was anything contrary to the teachings of Christ. The grudges, resentments, unforgiveness and fear that I saw in myself, then, were sin. Because we have considered these shortcomings just human nature, we, as Christians, have countenanced them, when in reality they were sin.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Christ showed us that we must be absolutely honest, unselfish, pure and loving. I measured myself by these four standards, and wrote down what I saw wrong in myself. I also took Christ's commandment to love my neighbor as myself, and sought to find what stood between me and others; for all these were sin. I asked a spiritual friend to be a witness for me before God, as I gave him myself and these sins, and asked his forgiveness. This made it become very real to me. In quiet meditation I asked him to show me how to make right what I had done wrong. He did show me. Some of it seemed humanly impossible to do, but, as I attempted it, I found his strength, which carried me through. Then came a tremendous release and joy.

My next step was to take time each day with God. I had to get up an hour before the usual rising time to be without interruption. Then I gave myself fully to God. I studied my Bible, which, for the first time in my experience seemed to be written for me. I talked to God about my problems, my friends, my needs. I waited silently before him. Often thoughts came in response. These I wrote down for reference, and, if there were things to do, I could not forget them. God does speak to us if we earnestly listen to him with a willingness to obey him, but we should test our guidance, to be sure that it is not our own thinking. It never goes counter to our highest standards or beliefs, nor does it violate Christ's teaching. It must be absolutely honest, unselfish, pure and loving. If it is true to this test, we do well to obey it.

Through this daily time with God and obedience to his guidance I have found his transforming power, which is gradually changing my human nature to spiritual nature, bringing a peace that truly "passeth understanding," and my joy is "made full." Now I know that through Christ I find victory over the great and small problems of life, so my greatest joy is to help others find him, too.

There is the rise of a new spirit in the church today, as we saw in the convocation. It is spreading throughout the world. Its purpose is to morally rearm every individual through the transforming power of God, and, with Christ as Master, vanquish the forces of evil which threaten the world today. Will you join in this rising tide of vital Christianity by making a full surrender of your life to Christ?

REPORT OF TREASURER OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

A Check for \$4,500 for the Superannuate Endowment of the W. N. C. Conference

A recent issue of the Advocate carried an expression of gratefulness from Dr. J. M. Ormond, treasurer of the board of trustees of the N. C. conference, for \$4,500 received from the estate of Mrs. Sarah P. Duke. A like amount has been received by the W. N. C. conference and turned over to Mr. J. H. Little, treasurer of the Superannuate Fund. I am sure that this thoughtful provision in the will of Mrs. Duke will be deeply appreciated.

Report of District Superintendents' Fund to January 31, 1940

Received from districts to date:	
Asheville	\$ 687.76
Charlotte	311.42
Elkin	279.16
Gastonia	551.60
Greensboro	811.25
High Point	726.32
Marion	751.04
Salisbury	607.75
Statesville	433.42
Waynesville	288.09
Winston-Salem	1294.76
Total	6732.00
Balance	10.57
	6742.57

(Too late to be included: Salisbury \$248.92; Elkin \$75.44). Distributed to each district superintendent, \$612 each.

District treasurers should see that checks reach me not later than the 25th of each month. I will make distribution on the last day of each month, so that this report may be included with my monthly statement of receipts and disbursements and checks mailed out with this statement.

Allow me to report that 45 charges have sold their allotment of Conference Minutes and have paid to the treasurer a total of \$135.

Every dollar paid for the minutes amounts to exactly that much of the benevolences, as the cost comes out of the total collections for benevolences.

These minutes cost more than fifty cents each and are very valuable.

It is hardly fair for some charges to make diligent effort to sell the minutes, or pay for them, while others make little effort or neglect the matter entirely.

To Members of Commission on World Service and Finance:

I am giving below a statement of receipts and disbursements for the year 1939-1940 up to and including January 31, 1940.

Receipts

General and Conference Work	\$11,241.88
Conference expense account	1,804.08
District superintendents' fund	6,742.57
Special funds, previously reported	8,500.00
From the former N. C. Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church	1,082.09
Total	29,370.62

Disbursements

Paid General Boards	3,000.00
Conference expense	3,332.12
E. O. Cole, Treasurer, E. M. Cole fund	4,000.00
J. H. Little, Treas. W. N. C. Superannuate Endowment (Mrs. Sarah P. Duke fund)	4,500.00
Paid to I. L. Roberts, Treas. Commission on Missions and Church Extension (fund from the former N. C. Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church)	1,082.09
Total disbursements	22,646.21
Checks not deposited	\$2,302.36
Balance W. B. and T. Co.	4,422.05
Total	\$29,370.62

E. O. Cole, Treasurer.

SHORT SKIRTS AND REDUCING

In addition to the reduction by more than half of farm values since 1920, the farmer's troubles have been accentuated by changed habits of living. Women's shorter skirts and dresses have added to the cotton surplus. The machinery, lightening physical labor, plus diversification of the diet

has hit hard some of the important farm crops. In 1889 we consumed per capita 223.9 pounds of wheat, while in 1932 wheat consumption was 162.2 pounds. The good old corn meal mush and corn bread in 1889 kept corn meal consumption up to 117 pounds per capita. Forty years later it was down to 21.3. The good old buckwheat cake that fifty years ago formed the foundation of a substantial breakfast then called for nearly three pounds of buckwheat per capita and this is now down to one-third of a pound. Among the staples, dressed meat has held up much better. In 1899 we had a per capita consumption of 142.8 pounds and in 1931 it was 133.2.

While the staples have been going down, consumption of fruits, fruit juices, and vegetables has been going up. Twenty million orange trees in 1920 and thirty-nine million in 1935! Three million grapefruit trees in 1920 and thirteen million in 1935! Back in 1899 the annual production of grapefruit was only 31,000 boxes as compared with 19,495,000 in 1935.

Similar increases are shown in vegetable production. From 1919 to 1929—10 years—vegetable acreage, excluding potatoes, rose from 1,400,000 to 2,800,000. Tomatoes alone rose from 207,000 acres in 1909 to 454,000 in 1929. Census figures prove how vitamin-conscious America has become.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE CONDUCTS ALL-DAY SESSION

Missions and missionary work occupy a vital place in the church, declared numerous speakers at yesterday's all-day session of the Charlotte District Missionary Institute at the First Methodist church Friday, February 2.

Dr. J. W. Hawley of Pittsburgh, Pa., delivered the main address. He said that "the only hope in the world is the church," adding, "The only hope of the church is missions. The greatest motive for missionary work is the love of Christ, and that is the saving thing."

The program opened at 10 a. m. Devotional services were led by Rev. S. M. Needham. Among those who addressed the conference were Rev. E. D. C. Brewer on "Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise"; Mrs. E. R. Bucher, "How It Has Been Done"; Rev. L. P. Barnett, on "How It Will Be Done"; Rev. E. H. Nease, on "The Place of the Council of Missions in the Local Church"; Dr. H. P. Powell on "Evangelism."

Dr. C. C. Weaver, pastor of the First Methodist church, spoke at 2 p. m. on "Conference Missions." E. A. Cole was another afternoon speaker. His subject was "Benevolences."

The first step toward organizing the Woman's Division of Christian Service under the new Methodist Church alignment was taken during the afternoon. Delegates were elected to the provisional conference to be held at the First Methodist church in Salisbury April 18. They are Mrs. C. C. Weaver of First Methodist church, Mrs. C. E. Wakefield of Dilworth Methodist church, Mrs. J. W. Paine of Waxhaw, Mrs. Kate Crowell of Indian Trail, Mrs. Connell of Central Avenue Methodist church, Mrs. George Dooley of Calvary Methodist church, Mrs. Henry Fisher of Myers Park Methodist church, Mrs. J. F. Elliott of Trinity Methodist church, and Mrs. Moore of Wadesboro.

BREVARD STUDENTS ATTEND RALEIGH CONFERENCE

Twelve Brevard College students attended the annual meeting of the North Carolina Christian Student Conference which was held at the Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh on February 2, 3 and 4. Rev. Luther A. Bennett, director of religious education at the college, and Rev. E. P. Billups, pastor of the Brevard Methodist church, also attended the conference with the college group. Wayne Kernodle was elected vice president of the conference and alternate delegate to the Student Jurisdiction Conference. Students from Brevard attending the conference, in which schools from the whole state were represented, were: Lois Frazier, Spray; Elizabeth Parrish, Walkertown; Estelle Jordan, Albemarle; Virginia Daniels, Winston-Salem; Miriam Callis, Gastonia; Danford Cutchin, Whitakers; William Bennett, Rocky Mount; Bill Dunnagan, Yadkinville; Delbert Byrum, Charlotte; Jack Cooke, Maiden; Ned Fowler, Shelby; and Wayne Kernodle, Greensboro.

The Bishops As An Historical Group

By EDWIN HOLT HUGHES

(A toast to the Bishops of Methodism, given at the Banquet of the Methodist Social Union of Chicago, at the Bishops' meeting in the Stevens Hotel, December 8, 1939).

I am going to speak this evening solely about the bishops. I do not attempt to give individual pictures. Several of my colleagues, for personal reasons, greatly prefer a composite photograph. So far as I know, no man ever before attempted on a social occasion to speak of the bishops as an historical group. I shall probably fail, but I am willing to die for a good cause. Episcopally speaking I have not long to live anyhow. I could say to my comrades, in modified Latin, *Moriturus Saluto Vos!* This is my last chance ere for the only time in my career I become retiring. I shall use it discreetly and joyfully. We have here the largest company of bishops ever assembled for an annual meeting. When a man begins to travel as a general superintendent he hears some episcopal stories, but, being a gentleman, he never tells the eager reciter that he has heard them before. One story is this. A boy, being put through an ecclesiastical catechism was asked, "What is an Episcopal visitation?" His reply was, "An Episcopal visitation is an affliction sent of the Lord." This being true, Chicago is now the most afflicted city in America. I shall handle my subject without gloves, let the fingerprints fall where they may.

The Bishops' Meeting in Chicago is a continuation of the Stock Show. In exhibiting the Episcopal lambs I confidently expect to capture a few prizes. I have a good use for wool. It can serve for ocular concealment. Perhaps I may pass into another realm of animal culture and say that, leaving out the twins born at Kansas City, the latest addition to our exhibit is Bishop Oxnam.

Episcopal Associations

May I humbly claim that I am well prepared to speak. Of the 108 bishops shown in the Methodist Episcopal line, I have personally known all but 20. I have been associated in the board with every bishop, beginning with Henry White Warren who was number 30, save only with the eight who died prior to 1908. The first bishop I ever met was the sixteenth bishop elected in our history, Matthew Simpson, who gave me his benediction with his hand on my head when I was eleven years of age.

The first bishop I ever heard preach was Randolph S. Foster. He gave a sermon two hours and twenty minutes long. I slept for more than the first hour. Then the noisy West Virginia preachers became enthusiastic over the episcopal discourse and interrupted my slumbers. When the sermon began I was twelve years of age, when it ended I was one hundred and forty minutes older.

The first missionary bishop I met was the heroic Bishop Taylor. He had the most wonderful whiskers I ever saw. In dealing with him a cannibal would have had to be selective. One of the most marvelous sermons I ever heard was delivered by our mystical missionary messenger to India, Bishop Thoburn. Of our seventeen missionary bishops I have known all but two, while I have known every one of our eight Central conference bishops.

Our fiftieth bishop was the imperial statesman, James W. Bashford. Our one hundredth bishop was James C. Baker. We never reached par until we elected a man from Illinois.

The bishops began 155 years ago with Coke and Asbury. Spiritually and ecclesiastically they had their apostolic succession from John Wesley and from whatever kind of descent, episcopal or presbyterial, lay back of him, even to the earthly day of the Saviour. Once Dr. Watkinson said in reply to high-church condescension in an English bishop that he had recently seen in the papal poultry yard at the Vatican in Rome a rooster that was known to be a lineal descendant of the very cock that crowed when Peter denied his Lord! We do not question our family tree. The Spirit of God has made it grow so abundantly that to doubt its legitimacy would be much like a sin against the Holy Ghost.

Bishop Asbury was really acting senior bishop for sixteen years, because most of that time Bishop Coke was on wide missionary travels. Asbury was, therefore, like one of his successors, "the senior bishop of the church in America." The senior bishop then had everything his own way. It would be far better for the church if that were so now.

On the Southern side I am not wholly without knowledge. I have met all but 17 of their 58 bishops elected from 1845 to 1938. Among those that I actually heard, Alpheus Wilson was a wonderful preacher; Elijah Embree Hoss was a sparkling person, especially when scornful or semi-angry; Bishop Lambuth was a great missionary; Bishop Mouzon

was a majestic thinker and, when properly ignited, he blazed and warmed like anthracite coal; Bishop Hendrix was a courtly and cosmopolitan gentleman, willing to take some vigorous blows, as an advocate of Methodist union; Bishop Candler, the only living bishop whom I name, has had a strange gift of drawing wit, coupled with a background of mind and a foreground of eager delivery that made his utterances unforgettable; Atticus G. Haygood by his book, "Our Brother in Black" made a million hearts tender toward the Negro and brought us all to think of the sable hosts as candidates for sainthood and service; while Charles B. Galloway had an unassuming majesty, a personal charm, a musical voice, a restrained emotion, and an alert intellect that led me to classify him among the five best speakers I have ever heard.

Episcopal Superlatives

On the Northern side the best informed bishop I have ever known was John M. Walden, and the most terribly industrious. The most symmetrical was Edward G. Andrews; the best ecclesiastic lawyers were Bishops Merrill, Charles W. Smith and Luther B. Wilson. The best financial promoters were McCabe and Hamilton; the most ornate in speech and melodious in public address was Robert McIntyre. The one most scintillating in his use of words was Bishop Quayle, actually converted in a little room in Kansas when he knelt at an unabridged dictionary made into an altar. The largest in size was Bishop Peck. His name should have stood for larger measure. Honorable mention must be given in respect to noticeable avoirdupois to Bishop Goodsell. The most distinctive in manner and speech was Bishop McDowell. The most strenuously energetic was Bishop Henderson. The most prophetic and persistent in advocacy of Methodist union was Bishop Cranston. The handsomest—well, I must not indulge in autobiography!

Among the bishops of the three groups and of the three kinds, we have often had two or more of the same name, as follows: 4 Smiths, 3 Moores, 2 Havens, 2 Scotts, 2 Wilsons, 2 Harrises, 2 Bakers, 2 Parkers, 2 Robinsons, 2 Burnes, 2 Fitzgeralds, 2 Hamiltons, 2 Wards, 2 Hugheses. Of the other names there has been only one of each. This is cause for gratitude.

Episcopal Transportation

Thought of in terms of transportation the bishops have had four distinct eras: 1. The Horse Era. 2. The Railroad Era. 3. The Automobile Era. 4. The Airplane Era. Of all the bishops now living not many had a share in the first era, so that they could not claim an equestrian statue with Asbury. All the men here have moved in the second and third eras, to the music of the locomotive whistle and the auto horn. A few have gently entered the fourth era. Bishops Holt and Oxnam are our high-flyers and our sky-pilots. The rest of us use other modes of travel, solely because of our conviction that we are very valuable to human society! But, it is remarkable and scarcely believable comment, that although in these 155 years the bishops have traveled many millions of miles, not one of them has come to a violent death on a public carrier. Surely we have had what our old fashioned religious ancestors would have called "journeying mercies."

Episcopal Recruits

In order to complete the purely episcopal part of this toast, I must say a word more about our two latest recruits. We have here tonight two bishops who were former Methodist Protestants. The age of miracles has not passed! We went out into the Broomfield and reaped where we had Straughn! In more than a century and a half many Methodist Episcopal bishops have gone to heaven; and many from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, have reached that good land. But in all that long period the gates of pearl never once opened to receive a Methodist Protestant bishop! We wonder which of these two men will be the first to establish the celestial precedent! Bishop Straughn was born on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. He has never recovered. He often frequents the oyster beds and has never left his "outgrown shell by life's unrelenting sea." He still "goes crabbing" but not at conference sessions or bishops' meetings.

Bishop Broomfield, being the infant of the Council, is naturally the smallest. So it comes to pass the last bishop, thus far, is almost exactly the size of the first bishop. John Wesley and Thomas Coke were both small mountainous bishops are all radical original models! Bishop Broomfield on the Fourth of July he always has something about him

combination. The "John" is for Wesley; and the other is for the Geneva Reformer. He greeted that first Independence day of his birth with a yell. When early he arrived on our shores, he asserted his free will by choosing membership among the Methodist Arminians! Long may this Fourth of July Banner wave in the Land of the free and the Church of the brave!

Episcopal Empresses

If I did not say something about the bishops' wives, I should be re-Mrs! The first bishops of our common church were old bachelors. Asbury was not a woman-hater but he was certainly a wife-avoider. Our first bishop, Thomas Coke, did not marry until he was 57 years of age. After he was matrimonially started, it was not an easy thing to stop him. Wesley did not marry until he was well along toward fifty; and then he suffered like sixty. His wife did not enjoy a perpetual honeymoon on horse-back, so one day Wesley returned from his lonely part of the prolonged honeymoon to find her written declaration that she left "never to return." He fled to Latin for expression and consolation and wrote in his journal: "**Non reliqui, non dismissi; non revocabo.**" "I did not leave her; I did not dismiss her; I will not call her back."

But a Methodist bishop directly broke the bachelor tradition so effectively that his successors have imitated him unanimously. For about 125 years every bishop has been brought into matrimonial captivity. For all of them there have been glowing hearthstones and window lights. Like Asbury they have been men of the long road; but, unlike him, they have been known where a door would open and a hand would beckon.

Francis Asbury died in the log house of a friend. Our later bishops dropped their loads at diverse points along the way. Coke died alone in his cabin on a ship and they buried his dust in the ocean as it were the only fitting sepulchre for his missionary heart. Kingsley died at Beirut, Syria; Fitzgerald died in China; Erastus Haven breathed his last in Oregon in the open door of a conference church; Moore died in a Pullman sleeping car; Lambuth died in Japan, and was buried in Shanghai; McCabe dropped on the busy streets of New York and was soon singing in Paradise; Joyce fell on the platform at a camp meeting and had an exit appropriate to an evangelist; Hartzell traveled safely amid the wilds of Africa and then died in his own home at the hands of American robbers; Spellmeyer died in an Atlantic City hotel, and his brethren, alarmed when he came not to the conference session, found him in peaceful final sleep across the couch where he had put himself down to ease a fluttering heart; Seth Ward died in a foreign land while on an episcopal tour; Matthew Simpson Hughes died at a Sunday's dawn in a Cleveland inn, hoping to the last that he might preach three times on that Easter Day. But though these men died far from home, they died in sight of home. They had their lamps trimmed and burning for the bridegroom's coming; yet they knew in each case that another lamp was trimmed and burning for them where brides waited in an erathly home.

In a deep way Gilbert Haven was typical. He returned from a visitation to Africa with some strange fever in possession of his body. Worn out by travels long and by crusades intense, he found peace in the home where he and Mary had lived. Though she had been long gone from him, he told a friend a few hours before death, "I'm so tired! So tired! I am going to heaven soon. When I get there I am going to put my head in Mary's lap and sleep a million years." Of course, he did not sleep that long. His spirit was too alert for that. But I do know that the experience was typical in its dear fashion. Each journey ends where a woman waits.

But it has been more than that. There have been cases more than one where these wives led us to the Saviour and made us ready for his call. Some of them assisted us to work our way through college and helped belated travelers on the educational and ministerial way. They walked with us through the early privations of our itinerancy and did not even know that they were having hard times. They cheered us in our difficulties; consoled us amid our disappointments; softened us amid our asperities; and calmed us amid our tumults. They brought to us their kindly instinctive judgments and saved us from the trickeries of rascals, and the advices of zealots. They acted both as father and mother to our children and in their double parenthood saved our boys and girls for us and for God. They hid their tears when we faced long absences; and then each evening while cars rumbled us on distant journeys, their knees became altars at which the prayers of our little people commended us to One far mightier than St. Christopher, the patron saint of travelers. Once I heard one of them say to her husband, "Whither thou goest I will go, where thou lodgest I will lodge; thy people shall be my people; thy God, my God, and where thou art buried, there will I be buried also." Who am I that tonight I should toast the bishops and not give this to the episcopal empresses; worthy part and lighter ones to the comrades of those many thousands of machines in industry to establish colonies in the world! the tendency toward reducing

Episcopal Humor

Let us now rest by the wayside for a moment. Another standard story which every bishop used to hear went like this: In England a bishop who was a member of the House of Lords was to be entertained in a home. The hostess carefully instructed the boy-servant as to his demeanor. In the morning he was to rap on the door of the august visitor and was to say nothing until the guest said, "Who's there?" The boy was then to reply in respectful tones, "The boy, my Lord." But being flustered the youth mixed his terms and said, "The Lord, my boy." Let us hope that the bishop was discreet, and the hostess deaf. I am not here to attempt an awkward passage from that humor over the final seriousness, but rather to rest you on a bridge of pleasantry ere I pass on the last stage of the journey.

The Heart of a Bishop

I have already spoken of how many of my colleagues God has called home in those nearly 32 years. I have seen 35 of them take the upward path. Of those elected prior to 1908 not one survives; while of my own classmates in that year only Bishops Anderson and Nuelson abide with me on the shores of time. In all the years of the church prior to my episcopacy there were 58 general superintendents. Counting all kind selected since then I have seen 62 men walk into our Council chamber. Now my glad eyes have beheld the hand of God and he removed the middle wall of partition between two rooms; and I look with unspeakable rejoicing into the faces of 19 new colleagues. So the figures of comradeship mount up to beautiful numbers.

I am not here tonight to glorify my clan, but in this greater church with its six jurisdictions the bishops are destined to be an important bond of connectional union. It is good that we shall not only secure a historical estimate of last century and a half, but that we shall have, as well, a truly prophetic conception of God's will and place for the bishops in the new Methodism. Surely one who must soon leave the effective ranks may speak of the retrospect and of the prospect. I have no sense of wrong loneliness and certainly no morbid mood, as I approach the ordained close of my work. I have only gratitude to God that he gave me a chance in the ministry; only gratitude to my wonderful church for the honors and opportunities granted to me; only thanksgiving that I have had my brief space of time in the beginning counsels of the enlarged Methodism; and nothing short of Hosannahs and Hallelujahs for the joyful fellowship already experienced in the larger Council of Bishops.

I close with a statement of two things that I trust are not wretchedly personal. Dear Wallace Brown was the first bishop of the Methodist Church as united to pass through the gates of pearl. A few days before his death he wrote me a letter. Ordinarily affection between men is a wordless thing. It is strangely difficult for us to speak ardently face to face. Often we flee to the shelter and reserve of the written message, so Wallace Brown's last sentence to me in his letter was very simple and very heartfelt. It was: "I love you, and I always will." It touched me keenly at the time; it touched me more when I knew that it fell back to me when my colleague was so very near to heaven's door. Tonight I plagiarized my dear friend's words exactly, saying to each bishop in the protection of a public address, "I love you, and I always will." To this great company of Methodists, at this glorious banquet, I now say that among all the considerable companies that have been gathered into forms of fellowship, I have known none more noble, none more true, more consecrated, and more set to serve God, than this group whose senior in America I have now become.

The second personal word represents the reminiscence that is always the privilege of a septuagenarian! Fifty-three years ago last September Thomas Bowman, elected a bishop in 1872, first read out my name in annual conference appointments: "Madison supplied by Ed. H. Hughes," I did not attend the session for reasons "pecuniary" to myself. When my father told me where I was appointed I was not enlightened. But on a black horse and astride the traditional saddle-bags, I started on the itinerant road. By the coincidences of the years I have succeeded Thomas Bowman twice, in a college presidency and in the Episcopacy. Once again he and I will meet on earth. Our grave plots are across the road from each other at Greencastle, Indiana, his on higher ground and with a taller monument than mine, as is meet. Not so far away on the DePauw campus the dust of Methodism's sixth bishop, Robert R. Roberts, sleeps where many thousands of students have marched by the resting place of a pioneer benefactor. But Roberts and Bowman have greeted many of these companions of whom I have been speaking. When there comes "Life's later afternoon, where cool and long the shadows grow; I rise to meet the night that soon shall shape and shadow overflow" beyond all strifes and joys of earthly contests, I expect to greet the serried ranks of my beloved brother bishops and to be welcomed by them into the Eternal Tabernacle, and I do think so far as there may be celestial geography I shall find them waiting for me not very far away from One whom they had sought to serve and whom St. Peter called, "the shepherd and Bishop of your souls."

For Such a Time as This

By WILSON O. WELDON

Three interests have our attention. Lent is once again on the program of the Christian church. The "people called Methodists" are busy perfecting unification. The holocaust of international strife all but envelops our minds and bodies. For such a time as this what are some cardinal and essential needs? Where should the emphasis be placed?

First in the spotlight is a glaring paucity of taking time to be holy. The modern man has a striking deficiency in his devotional life. For today's Christian this is a major want.

In a fear-ridden, trembling world, moving restlessly and rapidly, persons reach out after the abiding realities, "things that cannot be shaken." If we lose the daily rendezvous with our Father-God, if ours be the lessening of that frequent "quiet hour," defeat instead of triumph will crown our efforts.

"I ask no dream, not prophet-ecstasies,
No sudden rending of the veil of clay,
No angel-visitant, no opening skies;
But take the dimness of my soul away."

—"take the dimness of my soul away!" Let that be the yearning petition of our hearts in these days!

Numerous are the persons who feverishly scan the pages of their daily newspapers before they ponder the wisdom of the "Unclouded Face" (John Patten thus labels the truth of the Bible). The secular press has an important place, but it must not be a larger footing than that of the Christian's guide book. Frequently men and women toy with the business of being a disciple of the Christ because they turn to the voice of the radio before they listen for the guidance of the "still, small voice."

Helpful and specific suggestions concerning aid and guidance in the devotional life are available. I have found the following of significant value:

(1) The Upper Room, available at five cents per quarter, comes first as an aid. Its phenomenal growth attests to its value.

(2) The Fellowship of Prayer is issued by the Federal Council of Churches, New York City, and costs only two cents per copy. It is designed for the forty days of Lent, and for this season is prepared by Dr. Gaius Glenn Atkins.

(3) Great possibilities are in the Psalms. Jane T. Stoddard's *The Psalms for Every Day*, first issued in England and now published by our Cokesbury Press is a gold mine of guidance. By studying one or two Psalms each day one will find the faith incarnated in these ancient words growing into his soul.

(4) The diligent study of some biography, seeking for the secret in Paul, Moses, Savonarola, John Wesley or Martin Luther will bear fruit. Why not let the year of "The Methodist Advance" augment or even transform our devotional life as we make the prayer of Saint Francis our very own?

"Oh! Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; for it is in giving that

we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life."

In days like these it is most desirable that we give emphasis to the church! For many this is a period when children, brothers and sisters, friends are joining the church. Boys and girls are asking parents whether they should take the vows of church membership. Church school teachers are assisting in the preparation of youth for reception on Palm Sunday or Easter. Ministers are arranging "training classes" in the meaning of church membership. All in all, there is or should be a stress upon the church!

What are we doing to show forth our faith in the church as a power in human life? Herein lies a double danger—peril confronts us if we take the church for granted; trouble looms ahead if we merely engage in wholesale blasts of caustic condemnation without doing some constructive work in the church. Three needed responses are suggested:

(1) Consistent regularity in attendance. He who regularly turns his steps toward the house of God for church school and the preaching services is usually one who is actively assisting in building a more dynamic organization of believers. Faithful attendance is a rather big index of one's faith in the efficacy of the church.

(2) Increased liberality. Decreased giving is a subtle temptation, but a new united Methodism should challenge and inspire us to a higher stewardship. Lent's historic emphasis upon sacrifice should lead us away from a \$10.25 per member and to a greater average than that of 82 cents per capita for foreign missions. If we do not increase our stewardship, the church may be as a sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal. If this is not the case, the trumpets of peace will fail to sound above the drums of war!

I heard of a statement by a noted Hindu who, in India years ago, advocated that Christianity should be adopted as the national religion of India on the ground that it was the cheapest religion in the world. He had been around the world, he said, and he had found in America absolutely millions of believers in Christianity who were spending more for gasoline than for God and for movies more than for the Master whom they profess to love and serve. We falter in our emphasis upon the church as the "body of Christ" when we satisfy the "lusts of the flesh" before we contribute to the world outreach of our faith!

(3) The guidance of at least one person into the consecrated membership of the church of Christ will enhance our belief in its program and will add vitality to the life of some "pilgrim." These hours are calling eloquently and pointedly for personal evangelism!

Our response in these areas will greatly determine the record of the Christian brotherhood in the 1940's. When history has passed its course on to the thirtieth century what will they write of us in the forties of the twentieth century? Will it be akin to this?—

"There was an age when old standards were being disrupted, new ideas were being assimilated, old customs were being discarded, a new morality was being tried.

But amid it all there was a faithful bands of Christians who kept the faith. Back there in the twentieth century the church was taken for granted. Sometimes her voice was not heard above the noise of great guns and the politico-economic hubbub of state-building, but she steadfastly kept the faith. Sometimes her prayers were drowned in the noise of martial music and exaggerations from the 'ministries of information,' but still she prayed. Often the picture of Jesus was clouded by the smoke of a thousand million funeral pyres of men 'killed in action,' but the picture was still kept before the people. The church did not set the world on fire, but she kept the world from consuming itself by hatred and greed. Back there, beneath the roar and might of worldly power, the Christian church preserved the spirit of worship and freedom. The degree of godliness and liberty we enjoy, we owe to them."

"People called Methodists," let these Lenten days, these daring days of Methodist unification, these hours of tension in a war-torn world find in us the ancient plea of the ninetieth Psalm, "Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us"—upon our doubts, our hates, our ugliness, our failures, as beauty is on a canvas, as a light is on a landscape! By the renewal of our daily devotional life and by the steady devotion of the program of the church let us gain the wondrous loveliness described in John Masfield's prayer in perhaps his greatest lines—

"So, from this glittering world with all its fashion,
Its fire and play of men, its stir, its march,
Let me have wisdom, beauty, wisdom and passion,
Bread for the soul, rain where the summers parch.

Give me but these, and though the darkness close
Even the night shall blossom as the rose."

—for such a time as this even the night shall blossom as the rose!

WILMINGTON DISTRICT LEAGUE OF STEWARDS MEET

One hundred and fifty of our leading Methodists attended a banquet, annual meeting of the District League of Stewards at Trinity church, Wilmington, Monday night, January 29. Judge C. L. Shepard of Fort Valley, Ga., made a fine address on "Stewardship," and he also spoke in three of our churches Sunday, January 28. He was well received.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, we live in a day that is fraught with much distress and a genuine threat to the Christian social order; and whereas, we believe that the church of Jesus Christ is the one solution to the needs of the world, we, the Wilmington District League of Stewards of the Methodist church hereby resolve:

First, we welcome the challenge that our newly united Methodism presents to us in 1940, and thrill with the greatness of the possibilities our church presents to us for service at home and abroad.

Second, we do hereby pledge our best support to our church, and its entire program both in relation to the development of our own personal lives and local churches, and to its call to service in the uttermost parts of the earth.

WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

It is almost always the idler who overworks—his tongue. Too often the "unpardonable sin" to us is the other fellow's failing.

How lovely is a clump of mistletoe—yet society is full of beautiful parasites.

Some Christians would quadruple their usefulness if they would take the "R" out of fright.

The test tube of science unless wedded to the Golden Rule of Christ will eventually destroy the race.

In some places it seems the only way to make the Sabbath a day of rest is to make it a day of arrest.

"Bear ye one another's burdens," says the Bible, but too many people translate it "Bare ye one another's blunders."

THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

Guilford county schools opened this Monday morning, after being closed for several days on account of snow and cold. Our children were all so happy to get going again. The cold rough weather during January has added quite a bit to the expenses of running a home like this. This is especially true of the fuel and food bills.

Bad Sundays

We need not remind preachers and church members that we had bad weather on nearly all the Sundays during January. You know better than we do how small were your Sunday schools and church attendance. At this end we know how small the regular monthly offerings have been except for those Sunday schools which have set a monthly goal and live up to it. It is easy for you to see how a month like January sets us back financially.

We can but wonder how many of our former Methodist Protestant people receive the Advocate each week and read our notes. We hope many of you do, and that you will urge your people during the coming weeks to make up to the Children's Home what we lost during the cold rough Sundays.

The Work in the Home

The work in the home is going along well. Our children are well and happy and are as full of life as other growing children about us. They enter heartily into the athletics at school and are delighted when they win. They are also reasonably good losers. Through the athletic life in school they learn many lessons which they would never learn in the school room. They learn endurance, patience and perseverance. They learn to "play the game," and when a youngster learn to play the game squarely and fairly and not lose his temper, he is getting something which will help him to play the game of life. Then, too, we note that the boys and girls who are the best all round players in the games are also the best all round students and the best all round boys and girls at home. They are not usually among the mischief makers.

Personal Notes

We are thankful for the kind letters and the calls which have come making inquiry and showing anxiety about our personal health. The improvement, though slow, is encouraging, and we are still under strict orders to go slow and not fret, nor climb steps. So we must live on one floor and stay in pretty closely until the weather opens up a bit.

I am doing quite a bit of the desk work, but grow tired at that rather quickly. By His grace and help I am trusting to be well again soon.

STEWARDSHIP

I am an Idea of Life—old, new, and inescapable

I am Old

For I was nourished in the heart when the world was young.

When men first began to share obligations, I was born.

The old question: "Am I my brother's keeper?" gave me a lasting literary form.

In the discovery that men could live their richest life only in shared responsibility I found my way at last from the heart of God into that of man.

I am New

For in each age I gather up new conditions and thrust them into the hands of men.

Each child must discover me for himself.

Every mature person finds his greatest Freedom as he binds himself with Obligation.

And I am Inescapable

For you have been placed in the world at infinite cost to other people.

Parents, friends, teachers, community—these have paid so that you could live.

Even to be a man at all, you dare not take so much and give nothing back to the World of Life.

As a Christian, "ye are not your own, for ye are bought with a price."

So, through me, you can find Life as stewards of the manifold grace and the infinite gifts of God.

I AM STEWARDSHIP.

◆ Constructive Planning on a Six Point Circuit ◆

By E. D. C. BREWER

C. Moody Smith, pastor of Dana, East Flat Rock, Edneyville, Fruitland, Moore's Grove, and Upward churches on the Flat Rock charge, has done some constructive planning for the year 1939-40. Using the general theme, The United Church Moves Forward, and keeping in mind Psalm 16:8, "I set the Lord always before me," Pastor Smith and his leaders include the following items in the well rounded charge program:

Spiritual Life and Evangelism

1. Improve our spiritual life through regular church worship, family worship, and individual worship.
2. Make all church activities more evangelistic.
3. Make a survey of the religious needs of each community.
4. Win others to Christ by personal work, prayer, and other means.
5. Plan early and carefully for a revival in each church.

Christian Education

1. Make the church a school in Christian living for every one.
2. Encourage attendance on time at all services.
3. Increase church school attendance and enrollment at least 10 per cent.
4. Help all leaders and prospective leaders train for their work.
5. Train children and others for church membership.
6. Have vacation schools for children; promote happier home life.
7. Have meetings of local boards of education and workers' councils.
8. Make a wider use of Christian literature in church schools and homes. Get seven new subscribers to the N. C. Christian Advocate.
9. Observe Church School Day and other special days and occasions.
10. "Observe the law of the church and the rules of the conference relating to the 4th and 5th Sunday offerings by the church school."

Social Service and Missions

1. Minister to the sick and needy and promote good health.
2. Practice fairness, justice and honesty in all business dealings.
3. Be a good neighbor and visit.
4. Fight sin in all forms, personal and social.
5. Encourage wholesome amusement and recreation for young and old.
6. Work for world peace, a better understanding among the races, and a more Christian social order.
7. Get and keep the missionary spirit of helping others everywhere.
8. Take more interest in the World Service program of our church.
9. Promote the work of the woman's missionary society.

Stewardship and Finance

1. Follow the Discipline in these as well as in other matters.
2. Be guided in all giving by the principles of Christian stewardship.
3. Use definite plans in the support of each church, such as the making of a budget and the ways and means of raising it.

4. Employ the every-member canvass, tithing, regular giving through envelopes, Lord's Acres projects, or other means to raise budget.

5. Balance the budget at least quarterly.

6. Meet all obligations one week before the annual conference.

7. Keep up church property and supply necessary equipment.

8. Remember the Golden Rule.

DADDY IS OUT FOR DINNER

By John Galloway Truitt
(Upon the complaint of a six-year-old son of a minister and his eight-year-old sister).

Daddy is out for dinner
Mother is out for supper,
The maid is here with sister and with me;
The telephone is calling,
The doorbell is ringing,
And everybody's busy as they can be.

"Hello there, little laddie,
Let me speak to Daddy,"
They are saying glibly on the 'phone;
And at the door it's "Brother,
Let me see your Mother";
And we are here with Florence all alone.

Now can you tell the reason
Why in and out of season
Sister and I must always run this place?

Daddy is at a meeting,
And Mother bears a greeting,
And everybody's in a steady pace!

And so a girl and laddie
Without their "Mom" or "Daddy,
Have to go to bed 'most every night,
Without their hugs and kisses,
And loving little caresses,
And I am telling you: it isn't right!
—Methodist Protestant-Recorder.

A LAYMAN SPEAKS OUT

Here is an excerpt from a little sermon preached by a layman to ministers. The speaker is Mr. James M. Speers, widely known in the business world as well as in religious circles. Those acquainted with him will respect his views, knowing that he lives what he preaches, incidentally illustrating that it is possible for a big business man to be devoutly religious in faith and practice. These quoted words are not only profitable for contemplation, but reveal the spirit of his life. Says Mr. Speers: "If I were a minister, I would try to show that Christian faith and discipleship have to do with the whole range of social relationships, and that discipleship requires commitment to the refashioning of the entire life of mankind to the will of God as he is revealed in Christ. I should feel compelled to preach that war is the utter negative of Christianity and seek to find a way of overcoming economic injustice, national egoism and race prejudice, which lead to war. I would like to have my church known in the community as a friendly church where strangers were always

welcome and to have the church friendly not only to the churches of its own denomination but to the churches of other denominations as well, including Roman Catholic and Jew. I would not expect to be responsible for raising the finances of the church. I would expect laymen to take full responsibility for that and to handle this part of the church work with the same care, wisdom and efficiency with which they would handle the affairs of their own business."—Religious Telescope.

ANOTHER VERSE FOR A FAMILIAR SONG

By D. T. Burress

"I'll Stay Where You Want Me to Stay"
There may be somewhere a more likely field

Than the one where the Lord placed me,
Where salary might promise a greater yield
And the people my virtues see;
But being my Saviour knows fields and men,
And my planning oft goes astray,
I'll labor my best right here where I am—

I'll stay where you want me to stay.

CHORUS

I'll stay where you want me to stay,
my Lord,
Though many may beckon away.
I'll labor and pray—leave results with thee—

I'll stay where you want me to stay.

EXAMPLE OF PATIENCE AND TACT

Jesus managed to get along successfully with a group of twelve intimates which numbered: A fiery political revolution; a dreamy, affectionate mystic; a volatile, explosive enthusiast; a low moving, slow thinking, devoted martyr; a cautious, skeptically-minded hero; a guileless and noble pietist; a thrifty, hard headed business man; and one misguided genius who proved a traitor, but not until his Master had endeavored to save him on the brink of treason, and failing there, broke Judas' heart by a love that chose for him and for all, the death of the cross.

This troubled world awaits extraordinary human beings in this Christian sense of the term—men and women of extraordinary patience, courtesy, tact, and courage; extraordinary justice, magnanimity and good will—human beings who keep on trying out these virtues, putting them to the test no matter how hard the going, or how quixotic they may seem.—Edgar De Witt Jones in The Detroit News.

Under the heading "Cause of Death" one individual wrote: "Died suddenly; nothing serious." Another entered "Went to bed feeling well, but woke up dead." So did the host of Sennacherib—at least the Authorized Version of the Book of Kings says that "when they arose early in the morning, behold, they were all dead corpses!" Another entry ran: "Patient should not have died, as he fully recovered from his sickness"; and another, meaning no evil, wrote: "Don't know cause of death; he died without the aid of a physician."—Methodist Recorder.

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EVANGELISM WITH BOYS AND GIRLS

Throughout the year pastors, parents and leaders of children have the opportunity to guide the religious life of children. During the month of February we are placing particular emphasis on evangelism with boys and girls. It is the privilege of those of us who have a part to plan carefully so that we will be able to give constructive guidance.

"Boys and girls are building up their ideas of God, his love and care, coming into a better understanding of their worth in God's sight and of God's need for them. Because they often show deep admiration for and loyalty to persons not in their immediate environment, the story of the life of Jesus and his ongoing work in the world can have a new, strong, individual appeal to them. Joining the church can be a normal, natural step in this process of growing up. They need help not only in organizing their inner life but in clarifying their ideas about the work of the church and what it means to be a Christian."

Methodists feel that before entering into definite relationship with the church a person or persons should have had a definite religious experience. Above all things, joining the church must come as a result of independent choice and not as a result of persuasion. It is probable the younger junior children will not be joining the church, but during this time we have an excellent opportunity to help them look forward to the time when they too will be ready to take the vows of the church.

In the current issues of our church school literature there are many excellent articles which deal very ably with the subject of Evangelism. We call especial attention to the following ones which are found in the February issue of *The Elementary Teacher*: "The Pastor and the Children" by Harold Sheridan, "When Children Join the Church" by Mary Skinner, and "The Relevance of Jesus" by Basil Mathews.

Miss Skinner suggests that leaders direct their attention to the thoughts that are uppermost in the minds of those joining, that we help them avoid a feeling of mystery and be joyously certain of their desire to assume the obligation of church membership, help them to find meaning of "enjoy its privileges," and "assume its obligations."

The pastor will want to confer with those who desire to join. He will perhaps bring the group together for several meetings. Prepared especially for his use is the pamphlet "Church Membership for Boys and Girls." For the parent there is the one "My Child Joins the Church" and for the child, "When You Join the Church." These may be secured from the Methodist Publish-

ing House in Richmond, Va., for five cents per copy.

The reception service should be a very significant one to those who are joining the church. It is a service primarily for the boys and girls who are being received. The pastor and his associates will plan very carefully so that it will be one which can be appreciated to the fullest by this group. Mr. Sheridan gives splendid suggestions for making plans for this service.

We are certain that the church offers them an inestimable opportunity for increasing development in Christian living. We want them to enter its responsible membership freely, joyfully, and with a sense of dignity and privilege. Some people have felt that the stress placed on preparation for the reception of boys and girls into the church heretofore has been most helpful, but that after the children were received they were not given the opportunity to feel at home in the various activities of the church. May we be more thoughtful of this important phase of becoming a church member. "When boys and girls grow up thinking of the church as a place which cares for them and has something to offer to them, a bond of interest and loyalty is developed which holds them to the church through life."

Objectives of Evangelism

The following objectives would certainly be included among the ones for evangelism:

"A consciousness of God in the world about us; an intimate personal realization of God in one's life; the habit of joyous communion with him; an increasing faith in his eternal goodness and power, and a sense of peace and security in the light of his boundless love; a joyous sense of his fatherhood and of the consequent relationship among his children; a desire to be a child upon whom he can depend; continuous effort to know and do his will; joyous participation in carrying on his work on earth; a decreasing consciousness of self except in terms of relation to man and service to God; the habit of working with others in an organized way as a means of advancing the kingdom of God.

Guiding Questions

For the Teacher: Am I able to interpret God in terms of a child's experiences, or am I limited to phrases which are meaningful only to adults? Am I trying to be worthy of the confidence and respect of my pupils? Do they have reason to believe that I stand for the things which I try to help them learn? Do I place too much emphasis upon mere words? Am I using all lesson materials as a means to an end and not as an end in themselves? Have I helped them to find strength by thinking of Jesus when trying to decide what to do? Have there been any deeply spiritual occasions in my class work? Has the pastor any reason

to think I am deeply concerned about the spiritual development of my pupils?

For the Pastor: In the eyes of the boys and girls of my congregation am I more than an official of the church? Do they have reason to believe that I stand for the things which I preach? Since it is impossible for one person to be intimately associated in worship, study, and Christian service with every group of my congregation, have I recognized the church school teachers as pastors' assistance in this realm? Do the parents of my congregation have faith in my desire to help them? Do I know how to receive children into the church in such a way that the occasion will be deeply religious and meaningful to them? Do I realize that the process of evangelism is not complete when a child joins the church? Am I concerned about helping those children who have already joined the church to reaffirm their former confession and continue their former confession and continue into richer and deeper experiences?

For Parents: Are we seeking to preserve a standard of righteousness and active devotion to God and his kingdom which we would like to see continued in the lives of our children? How can the church school help us to accomplish our desires for our children? How can we help the church to accomplish its purposes for the children? In what respects are our desires for our children in harmony with the teachings and life of Jesus?

FELLOWSHIP OF STUDY

The Fellowship of Study has created much interest on the part of many children's workers throughout the North Carolina conference. Requests have been coming to the conference office for enrollment cards and for books to be borrowed from the lending library. We look forward to receiving requests from other workers in the conference. Those who join agree to do four things:

1. To read at least four books in the area of children's work during the year. (A recommended list is given on page 41 of the Children's Division Yearbook, Vol. III.)
2. To study more carefully the lesson material for use with children.
3. To try out some plan suggested through our study.
4. At the end of the year to make a brief report to the children's division on the plans tried out.

We urge each children's worker to enroll as soon as possible.

The lending library in the conference office is available to any of you who want to borrow books. We have recently added some books which are listed below:

Goodspeed, "Story of the Bible."
 Kirkland, "Portrait of a Carpenter."
 J. C. Bennett, "Christianity and Our World."
 Whitley, "A Study of the Primary Child."
 Chave, "The Junior."
 Perinks, "Children's Worship in the Church School."
 Sherrill, "Understanding Children."
 Fox, "The Child's Approach to Religion."

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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TELLING THE TALE

We are still living to tell the tale of having come through the coldest weather ever recorded in Winston-Salem. Whenever the thermometer registers ten below zero it is time to talk about cold weather. Thanks to a good heating system and to careful fueling of the furnaces, our children were kept comfortable during the day, and thanks to plenty of covering, most of which has been forwarded us by the good women of our conference, they were kept warm during the night. Only burst pipes in two buildings, those not sufficiently insulated, inconvenienced our children. Sufficient accommodations were left in these buildings to carry on. The cold weather cut down most of the existing influenza germs and now only colds and attending annoyances cause the children to go to the infirmary. So we are successfully coming through another winter, with increased expenses to be sure, but safely coming through.

THE SECOND SEMESTER

Our high school boys and girls, 130 of them, are registering today and tomorrow for their second semester's work. A great majority of them have passed all their work, though a few failures are recorded. With a diversified line of courses and with a diversified group of talent, and lack of talent, it becomes somewhat of a challenging task to properly direct our youngsters with their courses. We do not get excited over the fact that sometimes certain course set-ups have to be changed. Youngsters are not easily catalogued. We never cease to be grateful over the fact that our boys and girls can go to a high school which provides in a large measure for individual differences in the make-up of young humanity.

AUDITING THE AUDIT

Our annual audit confirms the previous statement that we have lived within our income during the past calendar year. It further shows that 464 children have been enrolled during the year as compared with 452 during the preceding year. The turnover in children, meaning those coming in and going out, was larger in 1939 than in 1938. The total number of days of care shows a slight increase over the preceding year. The daily per capita cost remains practically the same as the year before. Our productive enterprises: dairy, farming and printshop, show a profit of \$14,198.17, this profit being more than the entire fifth Sunday offerings from all the church schools in the entire conference. Our friends have come along with their contributions in an assuring way, the ten per cent apportionment payments

and fifty Sunday offerings each showing an increase of around \$1,000. Our total expenses show a slight decrease over the preceding year, though our inventory shows less stock on hand than the preceding year. Taken all in all we are on a sound financial basis.

JOINING THE JOINERS

The number of congregations having paid their ten per cent apportionment in full since last report, while less than the previous reports, are of sufficient value to cause us continued joy. We like to be able to report each week those congregations having paid in full their Children's Home quota for the year and thus become eligible to join our Benevolent Order of Altruism. Kindly note the congregations with their pastors in charge:

Woodleaf, Woodleaf circuit, Rev. G. W. Williams.

Midway and Chapel Hill, Statesville circuit, Rev. G. F. Houck.

Loves, Salem and Wentworth, Reidsville circuit, Rev. T. V. Crouse.



This Cop Smiles

YOUNG TRAFFIC COP

The picture this week is that of Paul Reavis, seven years of age and in the second grade. Paul gets a lot of fun out of life, both in pleasing himself and others. He has been elected by his boy companions in the Anna Hanes cottage as traffic cop on the concrete walk that inclines from the road down to the cottage and up again to the road, thus affording a sort of speedway for the little youngsters with wagons and scooters. One of the chief duties of young Reavis as traffic cop is to prevent collisions, seeing that traffic flows in the right direction. It is really marvelous to note how well young Reavis and his gang direct their driving. Paul is sponsored by the Woman's Bible Class of Broad Street, Statesville.

LEXINGTON CHILDREN'S HOME

It is a matter of knowledge to many of our readers that the Junior Order Home, located near Lexington, has changed its name to "The Lexington

Children's Home." It is now sponsored by the North Carolina Junior Order of United American Mechanics. In the run of a year or so it will be owned and become the entire responsibility of the 23,000 members of the Junior Order in North Carolina. The boys and girls from other states at the Lexington Children's Home will be transferred to the Junior Order orphanage at Tiffin, Ohio, and the North Carolina youngsters at Tiffin will come to the Lexington institution, this transfer increasing the population at the Lexington Children's Home by about 100. Supt. W. M. Shuford, a good Methodist layman, is retained as superintendent. We congratulate the Junior Order and Superintendent Shuford over the way things have been worked out. We feel confident that the new set-up will provide better service for the boys and girls enrolled in the Lexington institution.

LOTS OF BASKET BALL

The big snow caused some cancellations of the conference basket ball games, but since it has melted these games have been rescheduled and for the past week or so our boys and girls have had plenty of opportunity for quick thinking and fast movement. Basket ball is no fit place for a slug-gard. Our teams are enrolled in four groups and each team is winning about two games every time it loses one. There is some expense and anxiety connected with the trips the youngsters make but the value outweighs, in our opinion, the amount of expenditure.

ACCUMULATING CASE WORK

Our case work is accumulating. The number of requests for the admittance of children is piling up. While it is true that we cannot admit many new children now, we like to get the facts before us in order to be in position to help direct what should be done for the petitioning children. To our inquiring friends we wish to state that we will soon be around. To our sustaining friends we wish to state that their contributions will certainly be needed.

CHEERFUL CHIRPING

We trust we betray no confidence in quoting from the following letters: "I am enclosing check for \$40.70 to be credited to Midway and Chapel Hill on the Statesville circuit, thus paying their apportionment in full. Since this amount was raised I have been appointed to the Spruce Pine charge and will be sending you the apportionment from this charge soon."—Rev. J. B. Tabor.

From away up in the mountain area comes the following: "I am mailing you money order for a portion of the ten per cent apportionment from Mt. Pleasant church on the Laurel-Barnardsville charge. I wish I were in position to send you more. Between now and the first of April I hope to raise the larger part of our ten per cent. I am glad to know that the Children's Home is keeping its budget balanced. I want you to know that we will never forget you and yours."—Rev. William C. Sides, Jr.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

SLEDDING—The snow covered hills on our campus gave our children a fine opportunity over a period of several days to enjoy sledding to their hearts' content. It seems that they never tire enjoying this outdoor sport.

COLD AND COAL—The bitter cold weather since Christmas has greatly reduced the supply of coal in our coal bins. It has been very difficult to keep our buildings warm and comfortable, with temperature hovering around zero. It is going to cost us several hundred dollars more to operate the Orphanage because of the extreme cold weather.

HEALTH—We have been exceedingly fortunate this winter in not having an epidemic of flu and colds. Our registered nurse has given diligent attention to the health of the children. She has adopted the principle that "prevention is far better than cure" and it has succeeded admirably. We are hoping that we may get through the balance of the winter without an epidemic of influenza.

SPECIAL GUESTS — At the celebration of my twenty-fifth anniversary as superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage I was delighted to welcome Superintendents C. K. Proctor of the Masonic Orphanage, Oxford, O. V. Woosley, Children's Home, Winston-Salem, and Father John Manley of the Catholic Orphanage, Raleigh. The presence of these outstanding orphanage executives at the celebration is sincerely appreciated.

CLOTHES—Mrs. Mary Y. Allred, our head matron, is busy these days sending out lists for the children's spring and summer clothes. I am sure

that the good women of the North Carolina conference will accept this responsibility as a great privilege. The response that they make to this need is perfectly beautiful. I wish it were possible for the members of the auxiliaries to see how nicely our children are dressed and to know how much the children appreciate what is being done for them.

REMEMBER—Unless care is exercised there may be some confusion about the ten per cent Orphanage apportionment. The annual conference in session in Fayetteville passed a resolution to the effect that all former Methodist Protestant churches are to send their Orphanage money to the Methodist Protestant Orphanage located at High Point. In other words, the former Methodist Episcopal Churches, South, are to continue to send their ten per cent apportionment to the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh, and the former Methodist Protestant churches are to continue to send their Orphanage money to the Methodist Protestant Orphanage in High Point.

MY MOTHER LIVES

I must not weep nor mourn because
The worn-out house of clay,
Wherein my mother used to dwell
Was laid to rest today.

Though weary muscles have relaxed,
And brain hath naught to dread,
And though she cannot talk to me,
Yet mother is not dead.

Though funeral dirges have been sung
And "dust to dust" been said,
And billowy flowers have been sent,
Yet, mother is not dead.

She lives in the hearts of those most dear
Whose lives she helped to cast,
The things she taught will stay with us
As long as life shall last.

She lives in patches on our clothes
In rugs upon the floor;
She lives in paths, around the house
Where she will walk no more.

And while her memory lives with me
Her soul has gone to stay
With God on high, and we shall meet
Some glad and glorious day.
—Ann Cornell Wold, Yuba, Wis.

"THE PAST ENDS, FUTURE BEGINS"

"I stand at the end of the past,
Where the future begins I stand;
Captains may rise again,
And conquerors may command.
But greater than kings unborn
Or emperors under earth
Am I, with the chance to test
My courage and prove my worth!
Under my feet the world,
Over my head the sky.
Here at the center of things
In the busy present am I."

S. E. Kiser says: "I wrote the verses for The Youth's Companion some 20 years ago. They are included in my collected verse entitled 'Glorious Day' (George Suly & Co., N. Y., 1926)."

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

MRS. TEMPLE ILL

Mrs. J. B. Temple, Kinston, conference recording secretary, underwent a serious operation on Wednesday, January 31. Our love and best wishes to Mrs. Temple in her illness and our prayers for a speedy recovery to health and strength.

COUNCIL MEETS AGAIN

The thirteenth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Council will convene in the First Methodist church in New Orleans, La., on March 6-11. The St. Charles Hotel will be Council headquarters. Rates: Single with bath \$3; twin bedrooms \$5. The charge for a third person in a double room will be \$1.50 where a regular bed is used, and \$1 where a cot is used. Accommodations under a dormitory arrangement can be worked out on a basis of 4-6 and 8 to a room. For the 4, rate will be \$6, two double beds; for 6, it will be \$8, three double beds; for 8, the rate will be \$10, three double beds and two cots. Hotel reservations should be made as soon as possible. It is hoped that many women in our conference will find it possible to take advantage of the unlimited opportunities offered by attendance upon the sessions. Mrs. E. L. Hillman and Mrs. W. C. Chadwick are our official delegates.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETS

On Wednesday, January 31, the members of the executive board of the Woman's Missionary Society, North Carolina Conference, met in one day session at the First Methodist church in Rocky Mount. Illness of some of the members and risky conditions of some of the highways prevented a full attendance. Mrs. Fred Johnson led the group in a helpful devotional, speaking of closed doors of previous years and open doors of 1940. During the business session many items of interest and import were discussed and acted upon. Those present were enthusiastic in praise of the efficient and pleasing manner in which the president was able to dispatch such a full roster of business items in such a brief period of time. Incidentally, the 28th annual conference will be held in First Methodist church, Henderson, on April 1, 2, 3. Bishop Peele and Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton will be guest speakers. The latter is treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Council and we are exceedingly fortunate in securing both Mrs. Fulton and Bishop Peele.

BOARD MEMBERS GUESTS

On January 31 the members of the conference executive board were luncheon guests of Mrs. E. L. Hillman and Mrs. L. C. Larkin at the home of the latter. The fellowship of this period and the delicious luncheon were added factors to a joyful, happy and profitable executive board meeting. Present were: Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Mrs. H.

J. Faison, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. F. B. McKinne, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Mrs. R. H. Broome, Mrs. H. L. Rivers, Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Mrs. J. L. Delaney, Mrs. Gertie Matthew, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson and Miss Mary Gardner—all members of the executive committee. Also Rev. E. L. Hillman, Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Larkin, Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Clegg, Mrs. T. M. Grant and Mrs. Guy Barnes.

LET'S BUY A STOVE

In the campaign to collect enough eligible coupons with which to purchase an electric stove for the Methodist Orphanage 119,232 have been sent to Mr. Barnes. Since the goal is so far short and since this process of raising funds is such a slow one, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, director of the campaign, has been authorized to ask the women of the missionary auxiliaries and all interested friends of the Orphanage who are willing to contribute ten cents or more to this fund. The money should be sent to Mr. Barnes marked "stove fund" and this will be added to the \$280 already received from redemption of coupons. Those who are keenly aware of this vital need are most desirous that the stove be installed before hot weather is at hand. Let's accomplish this worthy enterprise in a brief period of time.

REPORTS OF CHILDREN'S WORK

In addition to the outstanding report of the activities of the children at Duke Memorial church, Durham, which appeared on the woman's page last week, a message from Trinity church, Durham, says: "We had returned missionaries talk to the children; each class studied different country; curios were displayed; an African village was made and a very interesting program carried out." Mrs. A. K. Porter, West Durham Methodist church reports: "Children had a happy time together. Collected lovely pictures and made postors; had a program with candle light service; sang Christmas carols of other lands and ours; children told stories." Mrs. George Tyson, Calvary church, Durham, writes: "Primary and junior children sang Christmas carols with ten juniors dressed in costumes to represent ten foreign countries. Children played Santa Claus to needy children."

THEY LOVE THE WORK

In the Roxboro auxiliary a devoted and loyal member donates a year's subscription to the World Outlook to members attending all of the 12 general and 12 circle meetings during the year. Last year 26 of the 126 members were thus awarded. In the same auxiliary the week of prayer offering last year amounted to \$118. Such spirits of sacrificial love for the Master and loyalty to his cause are certainly worthy of note and example.

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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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1940 MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

The thirtieth annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council will be held in First church, New Orleans, March 6-11. This meeting, always interesting and inspirational, promises to be of unusual interest this year with its attractive program for each of the days. Committee meetings will be held on Wednesday and Tuesday, March 4 and 5, and on Wednesday morning, March 6.

The morning worship service for each day will be led by Miss Estelle Haskin; Dr. Lynn Harold Hough will conduct the noon day worship period, and will also preach the Council sermon on Sunday morning. Bishop A. Frank Smith will consecrate the missionaries and deaconesses on Sunday night. Among other prominent speakers who will be in attendance are Bishop Arthur J. Moore, Dr. John R. Mott, Mrs. V. F. DeVinney, Dr. Umphrey Lee and Mr. James Workman. Let us pray that the presence of Christ may be real in all the meetings of this last session of the Woman's Missionary Council.

ANNUAL MEETING WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, W. N. C. CONFERENCE

The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference will meet in Salisbury, April 16-18, 1940. This meeting which will celebrate the 50th anniversary of our woman's organization in the W. N. C. conference (1890-1940) is looked forward to with genuine interest by the women of our conference and it is earnestly hoped that each of the auxiliaries of the conference will have a representative present. Presidents are urged to elect their delegates (one from each adult society) at the March meeting.

AN INTERESTING ANNOUNCEMENT

An announcement of great interest to the readers of the World Outlook brings us the information that the joint Commission of Missions and Church Extension has voted that the new magazine of the new Methodism is to be named **THE WORLD OUTLOOK** and that the first issue of the new magazine will come out in September of this year.

MEETING AT SUNNY ACRES

In keeping with its annual custom, the meeting of the conference officers and district secretaries of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference met at Sunny Acres, near Lewisville, on Tuesday, January 30, for a two days' session.

All of the nine district secretaries were present and all of the officers excepting two, Mrs. C. N. Clark and Mrs. J. W. Harbison, who were kept

at home by illness in their families, answered the roll call.

The meeting opened with an inspirational service on Tuesday evening, led by the president, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, who was in charge of the meeting. Mrs. Weaver announced the beautiful hymn, "God of Grace and God of Glory," as the opening hymn and it was followed by Scripture lesson from John 17, with special emphasis on verse 21, "that they may all be one." She suggested five P's, Power, Patience, Prayer, Pay and Presence, as necessary essentials to the advancement of our work and urged the adoption of these by each auxiliary. She brought items of special interest from the Uniting Conference held in Kansas City in April of this year, and gave us some of the outstanding things contributed to the new set-up by the three denominations uniting—Methodist Protestant, Methodist Episcopal and Methodist Episcopal, South. She declared that the Methodist Church, since its union, is the largest single Protestant denomination in the world and that by the union Methodism has work in forty foreign fields.

Wednesday was given over to the reports of the conference officers, who brought news of advancement in the work in all departments during 1939. Wednesday afternoon came the district secretaries' hour with Mrs. W. R. Harris, conference secretary, presiding and with worship service led by Mrs. J. G. Sterling of the Winston-Salem district, whose theme was "Joy in Service," with the second chapter of 2 Timothy as the scriptural basis for her remarks. Each secretary also gave the outstanding activity in her district work during the year.

Wednesday evening's program opened with a most impressive devotional by Mrs. H. W. McCain of High Point.

Discussion of plans for the coming annual meeting filled the evening program with decision of April 16-18 as the date of the meeting in Salisbury, which will mark the observance of the 50th anniversary of our conference. The program for that occasion will be arranged by the program committee consisting of Mrs. C. C. Weaver, chairman, Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, Mrs. J. W. Payne, Mrs. George Hoyle, Mrs. Wilbur Babe and Mrs. J. W. Harbison.

As the slogan of our conference for 1940 the one word—Advance—was suggested and adopted. A most welcome visitor to this meeting was Miss Susie Peach Foster of Alabama, missionary to Korea, who has recently been appointed by the Council as personal worker to bring to the young women of our colleges the great opportunity of Christian service now presented to them. Miss Foster was heard in a most interesting and uplifting message explaining her duties as the personal worker for the Council.

The days at Sunny Acres were most delightful and were enjoyed by every

one privileged to attend. The conference is indebted to Miss Anna Ogburn for the many kindnesses extended us while in that beautiful country home so appropriate in its setting, its hospitality and its Christian atmosphere for such meetings as was that of the past week.

PRAYING THE POLITICIANS CAN'T STAND

A Congregational Church minister of Madison, Wisconsin, will make no more prayers as chaplain of the legislature of that state.

It all comes about because of the sort of prayer he made recently in convening that assembly.

It was this, short, succinct, intelligent, earnest:

"We invoke thy wrath upon reprobate men who come to this city to corrupt public officials, buy and sell legislation, and traffic in the honor of government.

"We invoke thy wrath upon little men in large places who stoop to canny shrewdness to thwart the people's will and reduce the business of public affairs to mistrust and contempt.

"We pray thy blessing upon this commonwealth which is thy home and upon those of its chosen officials who seek to establish justice, increase right and uphold honor of the state. Give thou the light of wisdom, the might of righteousness to rule this chamber today."

Naturally, the politicians can't stand up under such praying as that.

THERE IS A LAW AGAINST IT

My hobby is collecting funny laws. I've dug them out of the law books of every state in the Union. Here are some sample old-timers:

In Maryland the law says that six visits to the home of a girl is the equivalent of a proposal of marriage.

In Portland, Maine, it's against the law to tickle a girl under the chin with a feather duster.

In the state of Washington you can't carry a concealed weapon more than six feet long.

In Berea, Ohio, an ordinance states that any animal on the street after dark shall prominently display a red tail light—including dogs.

Oysters are animals in Maryland, and you can go to jail there for being cruel to an oyster.

Those are real laws! It would be absolutely legal for the officers to enforce them.

The funniest law in my collection, I'd say, is this one: A Kentucky statute which provides that "No female shall appear in a bathing suit on any highway within this state unless she is escorted by at least two officers; or unless she be armed with a club." Later, an amendment was proposed, as follows: "The provisions of this statute shall not apply to females weighing less than ninety pounds nor exceeding two hundred pounds; nor shall it apply to female horses."—Lyman E. Cook, young St. Louis lawyer, on "Hobby Lobby."

He has not learned the lesson of life who does not every day surmount a fear.—Emerson.

Sunday School Lesson

FEBRUARY 11

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By Rollin H. Walker

Perils of Rejecting Christ

Scripture: Matthew 21:17 to 22:14

During the last week of our Lord's ministry he seems constantly to have had such a painful sense of the dreadful consequences that were to come on Israel for rejecting his message of grace, that he impresses it upon the people at every turn and in every way.

The fig tree that was all leaves and no fruit was doomed to wither. This was an acted parable of what will happen to a nation that bears no fruits of righteousness (John 15:6). That fig tree has preached impressively to all the centuries!

Then came that terrible parable of the wicked husbandmen. Everything had been done to the vineyard; it had been walled, a watch tower had been erected in the midst, and a winepress dug. But when the owner sent his messengers to receive the fruit of the vineyard the tenants successively stoned, beat, and killed them. That is the way in which Israel had treated men like Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, Jeremiah, and the other great inspired geniuses whom God had raised up to challenge his people to bring forth the fruits of righteousness. Which of the prophets, exclaimed Stephen, did not your fathers persecute (Acts 7:52)?

And now comes the peculiarity of this parable. The owner of the vineyard did what no man ever did, or ever will do. After the killing of his servants, instead of coming and wreaking swift vengeance on the wicked husbandmen, he determined to send his son. Maybe they will reverence my son, said he. This is a symbol of the unspeakable patience of the good God in trying to win his people to righteousness. "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son."

But the wicked farmers said, "This is the heir, come, let us kill him, and the inheritance shall be ours." This symbolizes the fact that there is something about Jesus which makes men instinctively feel that if he is not gotten out of the way he will soon begin to reign. That is what the chief priests that very week felt as they, and the mob they had gathered, cried out, with mingled hate and fear, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" That is what Stalin feels today as he opposes Christ and his teachings so strenuously. He fears the enthronement of the Galilean.

And now we come to another peculiarity of this parable. It has portrayed the infinite love and patience of God, a love far beyond our power to conceive or imagine. Now it proclaims the awful consequences of rejecting that love. The owner of the vineyard will come and miserably destroy the

wicked husbandmen and give the vineyard to others.

Here is an element of our Lord's teaching that men today deliberately ignore. We have justly reacted from the old type of hell-fire preaching that dangled sinners over the everlasting flames, without a note of tears in the voice of the preacher. But today we have gone to the opposite extreme, and are proclaiming a God who is a kind of good-natured Santa Claus that can be trifled with. This is dead against the teaching of Jesus.

Our gospel will never return to its rightful power until preachers are brave enough to proclaim it without softening its severity. We are not proclaiming too strongly the love of Christ; nay, we are not proclaiming it strongly enough. But we do not seem to realize that the infinity of God's love implies severity, and that if God is infinitely loving, then of necessity he must be a flaming fire. If we woke up to the infinities of God's love, we would realize that to be out of harmony with such a love would produce a friction which would set us on fire.

In connection with the parable of the wicked husbandmen comes another parable enforcing the same lesson in a different way. A certain king made a marriage feast for his son, but the guests made light of the king's invitation and, according to Luke (14:16-24), one said, I have bought a field, and I must needs go out and see it; and another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them; and another, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. A pastor recently said to the writer, "Judging from the excuses my people give for not attending to their church duties, I would infer that they take me for a moron—their excuses are so utterly thin."

In the previous parable, the wicked husbandmen beat and stoned the messengers, and killed the owner's son; but in the parable of the wedding feast most of those invited were not hostile, they were for the most part simply indifferent. They were precisely like the modern church member who excuses himself from the call of the church because tonight his club meets, or he must attend a bridge party, or see the good picture that is showing, or on Sunday morning he must needs play golf—he really needs the open air for his health. The church is a good thing, say these people, "but other things are more important."

But our Lord here represents the penalty of indifference as by no means a light one. The king says, None of these men that were bidden shall taste of my supper. The invitation to the glorious privilege of feasting in the king's palace goes out to the streets and lanes of the city, and the highways and hedges of the country; and the privileged aristocrats are left to fritter their lives away on trifles and to shrivel up and die for lack of spiritual nourishment.

But of the outside multitude who were invited in their place, one man came in without a wedding garment. He represents the people who say, Grace is free, hence there is no need of any drastic reformation in our lives; we will walk into the king's palace without wiping the mud off our feet.

He was bound hand and foot, and cast into outer darkness, as a symbol of the way that immoral contempt for the love of God leads to spiritual blindness and moral paralysis.—Christian Advocate.

The report that the judges were unable to read the signature of the successful architect for the new Dundee art college recalls the classic story relating to a medical man's prescription: After receiving the medicine, the patient used the prescription for years as a railway pass, twice as an invitation to a dance, once as an invitation to a society wedding, and later as a letter from his employer instructing the cashier to raise his salary. And in the evenings his daughter played it over on the piano!—Edinburgh Dispatch.

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FUZZY FUR AND THE MAGIC MUSIC

By Alfred I. Tooke

Fuzzy Fur, the little brown bear, was very much surprised, and for two reasons. The first was that some other bear had visited his very best patch while he was away and had eaten all the berries. The second was that as he went rumbling, grumbling down the hill he suddenly heard a most entrancing sound that was not like anything he had ever heard before.

The sound was more soothing than the sighing of the wind in the trees. It was more entrancing than the tinkling of the brook, as it tumbled down the mountain side. It was more melodious than the song of the mockingbird, swinging on the topmost bough of the oak in the moonlight, or the roundelay of the golden throated oriole singing in the flower-bejeweled thicket.

To Fuzzy Fur it was more wonderful than anything he had ever heard. He forgot his hunger, as the sound floated to him across the valley, and suddenly he decided he would go and find that music.

Now, when Fuzzy Fur wished to find anything, he had a sure and easy way of doing it. He wrinkled his nose and followed the scent, as it floated by on the breeze, and when his nose got there the rest of him would be right behind it. So Fuzzy Fur turned his nose to the breeze and sniffed.

He smelled many things, but nothing that was new to him. Apparently this magic had no scent, by which he could find it. He could smell things at a much greater distance than he could see or hear them. It was just as well that he could, for the dangers that lurked in the forest were usually silent dangers.

Fuzzy Fur knew that a mountain lion, crouching on the branch of a tree high above the trail, could remain motionless and silent for hours, but his nose told him the lion was there long before he came to it. He knew, too, that some things have no scent. A baby deer, for instance, weak and helpless and unable to protect itself from enemies, has no scent, and if it kept perfectly still and silent an enemy could pass right by it and not know it was there.

This magic music, then, must be something like that, for there was no strange scent on the air.

"Well," thought Fuzzy Fur, "if I can't smell nor see it, I can hear it so here goes."

Up came one foot and up came another. Down went one foot and down went another. Over fallen trees, through tangled vines, over slippery rocks, those feet took Fuzzy Fur, until he found himself on the trail that led to the house where Billy lived with his Uncle Jim, the forest ranger. But Fuzzy Fur kept right on, until when

he turned a corner, he saw Billy and Uncle Jim in the garden under the apple tree.

There was a scent of cake and jam and sugar and all kinds of good things now, but Fuzzy Fur's nose took no notice of them, which was most unusual. Nor did he pay any attention to Uncle Jim and Billy, though at any other time he would have stopped and hidden among the trees, or gone away again.

Fuzzy Fur thought of only one thing, and that was the music that held him spellbound. He saw Billy with a queer looking thing tucked under his chin. Billy was sawing away at it with a funny looking stick, reminding Fuzzy Fur of the lumbermen he had once seen sawing trees. But instead of the harsh, rasping noise the lumbermen made, Billy was making the magic music that had lured Fuzzy Fur and made him forget his hunger.

Uncle Jim and Billy had their minds on the music, too. Billy's fingers twinkled up and down the violin as the bow swept across the strings. Uncle Jim's feet tapped to blend with the whisper of the breeze and the rustle of the leaves in the tree tops, where the first stars were beginning to show.

Then, suddenly, abruptly, the music ceased.

Uncle Jim looked up with a startled, "What's wrong?"

Slowly and deliberately Uncle Jim turned his head.

"It's that rascal Fuzzy Fur," he said. "But he's not up to mischief this time, so we won't frighten him away. Quick! He's going! Start playing again."

Fuzzy Fur had indeed been going, but when the music started again he came very close to the wire fence, and poking his nose between two strands of wire, he opened his mouth and put out his tongue as though to see if he could taste the music.

"Bears are extremely fond of music," said Uncle Jim, as Billy kept on playing the violin. "They will forget all about food, and even about possible danger, when they hear music. It seems to fascinate them in some strange manner, so that they can think of nothing else."

Uncle Jim turned again and saw Fuzzy Fur standing up on his hind legs and gazing eagerly at the musician. Sometimes Fuzzy Fur would pat the fence post with his paw, as though beating time, and sometimes he would mark time with his hind feet until he almost seemed to be dancing.

"Are all animals as fond of violin music as that?" Billy asked.

"Not all animals," said Uncle Jim. But bears will forget everything else when they hear violin music. If there was a big bone put right under Fuzzy

Fur's nose at this moment, I'm sure he wouldn't know it."

"Isn't he enjoying himself, though," Billy chuckled.

"I believe," said Uncle Jim, "that if you moved slowly and deliberately, and kept right on playing, you could walk up to him."

"I'm going to try!" Billy got up slowly to his feet.

"Don't make any jerky move," warned Uncle Jim. "Just move steadily."

Slowly, one deliberate step after another, Billy advanced, keeping his fingers running up and down the violin strings and the bow sweeping back and forth across them, until he stood where he could have reached out a hand and touched Fuzzy Fur. For several minutes he stood playing, with Fuzzy Fur swaying his head from side to side delightedly, and paddling away with his feet on the pine needles.

And then, when Billy's fingers were so tired that he couldn't play any longer, he stopped.

For a moment no one moved. Then, with a sigh that seemed almost human, Fuzzy Fur dropped to all fours, nodded at Billy, as much as to say, "Thank you for the music," and trundled off along the trail.

"I just couldn't keep playing a moment longer," said Billy, rubbing his fingers to get the stiffness out of them. "I'm glad we didn't frighten him away."

"I think Fuzzy Fur enjoyed his visit immensely," chuckled Uncle Jim. "And I don't think you will ever be as close as that to a real bear again."

"Oh, I'm not so sure," replied Billy. "I think I'll try it again some evening. I know we all had a good time, you and I and Fuzzy Fur."—The Presbyterian of the South.

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Troutman, Troutman, 11	18
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Balls Creek, Friendship, night	18
Harmony, Clarksbury, 11	25
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FREEDOM OF DISCUSSION

Dr. Arthur J. Barton of Wilmington has an article in last week's Biblical Recorder on Freedom of Discussion: A Baptist Bulwark. The statement is made by some one that debates should be discouraged in the Baptist State Convention. We are with Dr. Barton in the exact opposite of that attitude. We have been attending the convention for quite a number of years. We have seen many matters clarified by debate. We have seen much good accomplished and have never seen any bad effects from a thorough discussion. Our observation has been that the debaters seemingly get further apart but the great mass of hearers get together. Our chief regret about our conventions is that there is not time for greatly needed discussion. In most cases the debates reveal the fact that the brethren were practically in accord and did not know it. Let us have just as much discussion as time will possibly admit.—Charity and Children.

When you become chagrined at your own absentmindedness, just think of this fellow about whom the Associated Press tells the following: "The absent-minded professor is no myth here. They tell this one about a Virginia Tech faculty member: He drove his automobile to a nearby town, forgot he had it and came home on the train. Realizing that he would have to go back for his car, he returned to the railroad station—and bought a round-trip ticket."—Religious Telescope.

Two negro boys who were having an argument: One doubted the existence of ghosts, but the other claimed to have seen one the night before. "Ho," said the doubter, "and what was dis here ghos' doin' when you las' seen him?" "Jess' fallin' behin', mistah," was the answer, "fallin' behin' rapid!"

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In Memoriam

HAYWORTH—Mrs. Eunice L. Hayworth, daughter of Israel and Mary Lowdermilk, was born near Coleridge in Randolph county, N. C., October 31, 1861. She grew to maturity in the community of her birth, participating in the social life of her community and attending the churches and public schools of her neighborhood.

In early womanhood she was united in marriage with Stephen Hayworth. These happy and hopeful young people established their home on a farm in southeast Randolph. The home was blessed with the following sons and daughters: Dr. C. A. Hayworth, deceased; Dr. R. W. Hayworth, U. S. Navy; C. M. and G. W. Hayworth of Asheboro; and Mrs. G. C. Ellis and Mrs. D. S. Coltrane of Raleigh. Mrs. Hayworth lost her husband by death several years before her going.

The religious life of our departed sister was pronounced and long. In her early years she professed faith in Christ and united with the Christian church near her home, retaining her membership there until the family took up residence in Asheboro in 1906. Four years later she united with the Asheboro Methodist Protestant church, where she held her membership until her translation to the church above. Mrs. Hayworth was a devoted and active Christian. She was regular in her Sunday school and church attendance and was actively affiliated with the women's organizations of her church. She spent much time reading her Bible and was frequently called on to teach in the Sunday school. She was a constant reader, too, of her church paper.

As a wife and mother Mrs. Hayworth was devoted and always bore well her responsibilities of the home. She was a woman with an active mind, a strong will and busy hand. She lived long and well and has left a rich heritage to her family and her neighbors and friends.

For a few years prior to her death she was in declining health, and during the last few months of her illness she suffered much. But she never complained. Her suffering was borne with courage and patience. She knew in whom she had believed, and was persuaded that he was able to keep that which she had committed unto him. Her nurse of the last few days of her illness said that she thought she could be a better Christian because of what she had seen of Mrs. Hayworth. The end came November 27, 1939. And now this good woman is not. God took her.

The funeral service was held in the Central Methodist church, Asheboro, the officiating ministers being the pastor, Rev. J. W. Braxton, and the writer. The body was laid to rest under a covering of flowers beside that of her husband in the Asheboro cemetery, to await her resurrection triumph.

May God abundantly comfort those who mourn her going.

S. W. Taylor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has taken from our midst Mrs. Jeanette Compton, one of our beloved charter members, be it resolved:

First, That we, the members of the Luna Compton Missionary Society of Cedar Grove church, bow in humble submission to his will. We will miss her in many ways. We trust her Christian influence will abide with us. Our loss is her gain.

Second, That we extend to the family our sympathy and pray God will be with each one to bless, guide and strengthen them in service for our Master.

Mrs. S. F. Nicks,
Miss Maude Vaughn,
Mrs. G. C. Kennedy.

OLDFIELD—Miss Eugenia Oldfield died at her ancestral home Christmas morning. She had remained active to the last.

Eugenia M. Oldfield worshipped at the Methodist church from childhood. She was born March 2, 1854, being 85 years of age. She was a daughter of the late Richard and Rebacca Foy Oldfield. Many of her ancestors distinguished themselves because of their characters and religion. She was a niece of the late Rev. Miles Foy of the North Carolina conference.

There are a number of relatives and friends who will so miss the visits and wise counsel of one who was for so long the center of attraction in the old home.

A Friend.

OUR ENGLISH BIBLE

Not until the days of John Wycliffe did the entire Bible appear in writing in the English language. Wycliffe, with the help of a fellow named Nicholas de Hereford, did the whole Bible. Wycliffe was a reformer, and his friend a scholar at Oxford College. It was a translation of the Latin Vulgate. He was persecuted and tried, but not slain. He died while administering the Lord's Supper. But for translating the Bible others were destined to actually be killed.

Printing presses were invented, and William Tyndale, an Englishman, planned to print Bibles until they should cover England like autumn leaves. One of his Bibles might be purchased for about \$400 as we know that amount in America. But it grew hot for Tyndale, and he fled to Hamburg, to Cologne, and then to Worms, all the time working on his Bible, getting it ready for the press and to sell. Packed in bales of cotton and sacks of flour, many hundreds of copies were smuggled into England. A London bishop bought up all the copies he could find, and made a public bonfire of them. But promptly the whole world arose in anger at the deed. The Book was more demanded than ever. A fragment of the first English Gospel of Matthew is preserved. God did not protect that issue, because he knew what great things would follow without that first poor Bible. A second edition came from the press. Two copies remain. But one day Tyndale was seized and hurried off to prison, half sick and very poor. He suffered in a cold dungeon, was afterwards strangled at a stake and then burnt to ashes. That was in 1536. His crime was publishing the holy Word of God!—Leroy Victor Cleveland.

A colored man got his nerve together and took a flight in an airplane. As he climbed out of the ship on its return to the field, he said to the pilot: "Suh, Ah has to thank you fo' both them rides."

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"No, suh," returned the passenger, "Ah done had two—mah first an' mah last!"—Ex.

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BY HENRY HITT CRANE

THE first command of Deity should be the eternal demand of democracy: "LET THERE BE LIGHT!"

Close the doors, pull down the shades, whisper, scheme, plot, make secret pacts, hide political movements, and self-government of a free people is impossible.

All dictatorships are born in the dark. They survive for a time in the shadows. They invariably die in the light.

The one thing tyranny cannot stand is publicity. It must gag the press, stop free expression, silence the pulpit, censor the radio, control the movies, propagandize the public with half-truths—which is the shadiest way of lying there is.

Voting and representative government are not valid guarantees against absolutism. Shrewd schemers, corrupt politicians, loud-mouthed demagogues can manipulate the masses, make puppets of legislators, and in one way or another assassinate the liberties of the people.

Not infrequently in the United States have there existed conditions under which citizens and aliens alike have been inexcusably exploited by combinations of criminal wealth and crafty office-holders operating in the dark.

The real bulwark of democracy is not the ballot box but the honest newspaper. Its best defender is not the soldier, it is the reporter who sees all, hears all, tells all.

One fearless, vigorous, watchdog newspaper can prevent what not all the prosecuting attorneys and courts can remedy; just as one electric street-light is more effective than half a dozen policemen.

There are some obvious annoyances accompanying publicity, and sometimes injustice is wrought, but these are far outweighed by the benefits. For every good man hurt by vicious prying or slander, a hundred scoundrels are held in leash by the ubiquitous newshawk.

Even the vicious yellow journal's jaundiced reports are corrected and their influence nullified when they are properly exposed to the light. Their blessing becomes a bane; their curse a compliment.

Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty, no doubt. But the power that enables us to pay that price is publicity.

—Michigan Christian Advocate.

THE METHODIST ADVANCE AT WINSTON-SALEM, FEBRUARY 7

The Advance services for the Western North Carolina conference which embraced the entire day and evening of February 7 was a tremendous success. The crowning service of the day was the youth rally at 7:30 p. m. when Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of Washington, D. C., delivered the address. The congregation jammed the big Centenary church and overflowed downstairs, where 500 listened over a loud speaker. It was estimated that 2200 young people coming from all parts of the conference heard Bishop Hughes discuss "Methodist Youth Advances."

The next greatest hour of the day was the luncheon at the Robert E. Lee hotel at 12:30 o'clock, attended by 550, and Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf of Chicago was the speaker. His subject was "Laymen and the Methodist Advance." This address will not be forgotten in many a long day, when he was especially effective in driving home important truths.

This was an unusual Methodist meeting in that no collection was taken. The Laymen's Board of the Western North Carolina conference and the board of stewards of Centenary church had already provided for the necessary expenses of the occasion.

Drs. W. A. Lambeth, district superintendent of the Winston-Salem district, and G. Ray Jordan, pastor of Centenary church, did admirably in handling all details of this great gathering of Methodists.

Approximately 1500 ministers and laymen attended the different services of the day, which were as follows:

Morning

9:30. Devotional service. Bishop Clare Purcell presiding. Statement concerning the Methodist Advance and the program for the day. Dr. J. Manning Potts.

10:00. Address: "The Aim of the Methodist Advance." Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf.

10:30. Address: "The Deeper Need of United Methodism." Bishop H. Lester Smith.

11:15. Address: "Evangelism in Methodism's Past and Future." Bishop Raymond J. Wade.

Afternoon

2:00 to 3:00. Women's meeting. Mrs. C. C. Weaver presiding. Address: "Women and the Methodist Advance." Bishop H. Lester Smith.

2:15 to 3:00. Men's forum. Bishop Clare Purcell presiding. Discussion period led by Dr. J. Manning Potts.

3:15 to 4:15. Consecration service (both men and women). Address: "Methodist Advance in Our Area." Bishop Clare Purcell.

A TRUE STORY—AND SO FORTH

He was growing old. He thought it best to train a young man to take his place in the big business. A keen young man was chosen. Soon the young man became restless to take over the business entirely, and he nudged out the older man, who had a good profession and turned to it.

Years passed. The big business in the hands of the young man began to shiver on the brink of bankruptcy, being in debt nearly \$100,000. The young man threw up his hands in despair, declaring all was lost—homes and all. The older man gave up his private business, came back to face the big debt and to fight despair. He toiled through years—trying days and troublous nights—till he brought back the business to solvency and success as a going concern.

Bigger than any mere earthly business is the enterprise of the church, the building of the kingdom of heaven

on earth. The energy and enthusiasm, dash and daring of youth are much needed, and the accumulated experience, the common sense and consecration and skill of age are needed in this crisis hour surely also. This is not the time for older men, strong in the Lord and in the power of his might, to let go the rudder in the perils of a stormy sea. Once upon a time a brave old sailor on a wild, wind-swept sea, cried out:

"O Jupiter, you can sink me, if you will; you can save me, if you will; but I'll hold on to the rudder!" That was a smaller storm than that which shakes the world today.

God bless our boys, and give them grace to read the signs of the times and to wrestle with problems and perils of this hour; and God bless the older men who, having the big advantage of age and experience, still face the foe and wield the sword of the Spirit with effective skill.

"God of grace and God of glory,
On thy people pour thy power—
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour."

Olin Ader.

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Where did Shakespeare get his genius? Where did Mozart get his music? Whose hand smote the lyre of the Scottish ploughman, and stayed the life of the German priest? God, God, and God alone; and as surely as these were raised up by God, inspired by God, was Abraham Lincoln; and a thousand years hence, no drama, no tragedy, no epic poem will be filled with greater wonder, or be followed by mankind with deeper feeling than that which tells the story of his life and death.

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A BOOK FOR RURAL PREACHERS

Anyone who has made an effort to read books for rural preachers has discovered that the rural pastorate hasn't had a great deal said about it. Now and then a book is written that stands out in this field. I am recommending one: "Highland Shepherds" by Hewitt, published by Willett, Clark and Company, at \$2. For sale by our publishing houses.

The jacket states that "this is the first book on the rural pastorate to be written by a rural preacher since 1838." I haven't gone back that far in my reading. I do know it is one of the best I have read. You will find it helpful and inspiring.

C. W. Bates.

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Every pastor would do well to remember that when he grows dull and loafs on the job not much is going to be done. The leader is expected to lead all the way and all the time.

§ § §

Heathenism hoary with age has no Handels, Beethovens or Mendelssohns. Jenny Lind, Melba, and Caruso were products of a Christian culture. Some may call these the by-products of the Christian religion. If so the by-products are superior to the first fruits of paganism.

§ § §

Jesus, Buddha, Asoka, Aristotle, Roger Bacon and Abraham Lincoln were named some time ago by H. G. Wells as the six greatest men of history. It is worthy of note that not one of them is a warrior. There is not a king or monarch among them. The two first are founders of the two great world religions.

§ § §

Following the two days last week at Raleigh and Winston-Salem thousands of our people in North Carolina will have a finer appreciation of Edwin H. Hughes, H. Lester Smith, Ernest L. Waldorf, and Raymond J. Wade. These have become in a fine way "our very own bishops" down in the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Their return at any time will be much appreciated in all this south land.

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"Putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor: for we are members one of another." That is Paul telling some of the church members to quit lying. The Apostle to the Gentiles must have had some bad church members if he had to warn them to handle the truth with greater care. But not all the liars were in that early church at Ephesus to which he wrote those pungent words. This present day too frequently is called upon to suffer the curse of their presence. The plain and pointed admonition of Paul was never more timely than just now. "Put away lying."

At the center of every Christian church there should be a central nucleus able to work as does the leaven in the whole lump. Why should not the official board be this group? This never can be until we give more care to selecting and training such select company. In each individual should be the quality of the mustard seed and in all the group the leaven of the gospel should work. What a spiritual opportunity there is in the church community for a church board!

§ § §

For the past decade our Methodism has suffered from a sense of helplessness and the spirit of defeatism. Leaders have labored to patch up the machinery so as to get larger material returns and thus be able to care for the externals of our church set-up. Things were in the saddle and appearances were dominant. But a better day has dawned. The challenging note in the present Advance echoes within. Spiritual conquests are to result from the dynamics within. Methods and the technique in evangelism and education are subordinated to spiritual daring born of the living Christ within. Here and there men are doing exploits as they lead on to the conquest in their churches.

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"Up from the log cabin" is a good subject for an inspiring volume of American history. Why should not some man "with the pen of a ready writer" address himself to this task? He could begin with the little school house in Randolph county which in a hundred years has grown into Duke University. In a good deal less than a hundred years a tobacco factory in a log barn near Durham, N. C., has grown into the Duke millions that gave North Carolina the Duke Foundation with all its superb benefactions. From these examples one may turn in any and every direction to be met by equally inspiring examples of what has come out of log cabins, not great institutions only but great men also and without number.

Cultivating the Seed Bed

THE local church is the seed bed of the kingdom from which comes the harvest of the year and of the years. During the months in which Methodist union has been coming to its present fruition attention has been so largely concentrated on the world field that many fear the local church is in danger of being seriously neglected. General conferences, uniting conferences, jurisdictional conferences, joint commissions and what not, have been and are in the forefront of our eager undertakings. Some insist that we need at present to concentrate on the work of the local church—to cultivate the seed bed.

The tobacco farmer gives early and due care to his plant bed. Such labor is essential to the harvest in the later months. The successful gardener gives his best efforts to the seed bed of his garden plot. The yield of garden and field, whether for the late or early sown, depends on good seed in good soil. So from the thousands of local churches in our Methodism are to come the cherished realizations of the years. Most of our churches do not at any time give big money to our educational institutions and our missionary enterprises. But out from these through the years flows the life blood into the schools, the colleges and into the mission fields. Our country churches too often feel that they are so poor as to be unable to give money to the urgent calls of Zion. More than this. Preachers appointed to serve these churches count themselves as much sinned against by being sent to fields so hard, with so few opportunities. They seem to forget that the city churches, the colleges and the mission boards are largely dependent upon these rural fields for the red blood and the heroic hardihood of the men and women from the country churches so essential to our conquest.

During the recent round of district institutes we have rejoiced in the wise and devoted efforts put forth for missions, for education and for revivals in the churches. The young people are being assembled in the rallies for new and fresh endeavor. The future is secure so long as we give careful attention to the seed bed of Methodism.

In some of our churches special care is being given to training lay leadership. Certainly nothing is more urgent. For more than a century we Methodists have devoted ourselves to training a ministry. The time has come for

these trained preachers to concentrate on securing a trained and informed leadership. When this is done we may expect a rich and abundant harvest. Brother, why not make a careful survey of the situation in your own local church? The need will then become apparent and some remedy for the situation may be found.

Sound Doctrine for College Youths

IN the ter-centenary celebration of Harvard University the freshman class in its parade carried a banner upon which was inscribed "Harvard has waited three hundred years for us." By some this was looked upon as a freshman "wise crack." And it may have been intended as such, but it was much more than this because the future of the institution was and is bound up with the influx of new students. But for them the celebration would have been little more than a memorial service.

President W. P. Few of Duke University says that he told a group of freshmen that he would rather be a college freshman than be president of the college. But they did not think so, because they had in mind the present while Duke's president was talking of the future. And in this he showed superior wisdom.

This same university president in the same connection, while emphasizing present day opportunities, declared: "There is always a job awaiting the young man who carries a job under his hat." And so far as we are able to judge he and his co-laborers are succeeding right well in their efforts to inculcate this doctrine into the minds of their students at Duke. And so far as our information extends most other colleges are engaged in a similar job.

Dedication of Constitution House

THE house at Halifax, N. C., in which the Congress met in 1776 to form the Constitution of North Carolina is truly a landmark in constitutional government. The delegates assembled here at Halifax on November 12, 1776. On December 18, 1776, the Constitution or Form of government for North Carolina was read the third time and ratified in open congress. The day before, December 17, the Bill of Rights had been ratified by the Congress. These one hundred and seventy delegates assembled from the thirty-five counties

had been duly elected representatives of the Freemen of North Carolina. Many of the descendants of these men are citizens of the state and of other states at the present time.

The state society of the Daughters of the American Revolution has restored this Constitution House so as to make it in keeping with living conditions of that period. The celebration held in Halifax on February 2, 1940, at which high officials of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and officials of the state government was truly a significant occasion. These patriotic women have done well in setting apart for future generations this appropriate memorial. Much has been made of the Mecklenburg Declaration of May 20, 1775, and proper historic notice has been taken of the "Resolutions" at Halifax, N. C., on April 12, 1776. All of this has a place in the annals of those stirring days, but it was here in the Congress at Halifax on December 18, 1776, that the Constitution was ratified and the form of the state government took shape. The Bill of Rights is basal and the Constitution, with its later variations, is still fundamental to all that is best in the organic life of our state government. A grateful people should cherish the Constitution House at Halifax and keep green the memory of those early days.

Why Such a World As This?

WHY such a world as this in which God has placed us with its mysteries, its trials and its tears, and man striving for a place among the stars? Perhaps a satisfactory answer may be found in Edwin Markham's "Testing." Listen to the preacher poet:

When in the dim beginning of the years,
God mixed in man the raptures and the tears
And scattered through his brain the starry stuff,
He said, "Behold! Yet this is not enough,
For I must test his spirit to make sure
That he can dare the vision and endure.
"I will withdraw my face,
Veil me in shadow for a certain space,
And leave behind only a broken clue,
A crevice where the glory glimmers through.
Some whisper from the sky,
Some footprint in the road to track me by.
I will leave man to make the fateful guess,
Will leave him torn between the no and yes,
Leave him unresting till he rests in me,
Drawn upward by the choice that makes him free—
Leave him in tragic loneliness to choose,
With all in life to win or all to lose."

Feature the Country Church

THE time has come for us to feature the country church in North Carolina. We are in the forefront so far as church houses go and we have made some progress in the work to be done in the rural life of the state. This situation coupled with the call that comes to us to lead in this our Southeastern Jurisdiction should not be treated lightly. The country church has a place in this jurisdiction that is peculiarly its own. No such a field for the church in the open country can be found in the north, in the middle west or in the far west equal to this in the south whose population is so largely rural. And all know or should know that North Carolina leads in its country churches.

The Duke Foundation has done much in aiding church building and in the support of the country preacher. So far a good start has been made. The time certainly has come for us to determine to lead in this jurisdiction in such a fine way as to set the pace for the country church in the entire nation. If we can appreciate the day of our visitation and are willing to give ourselves to the task it can be done. But it will not be done until we raise up men who will not be willing to deal with the rural church as a springboard into a city parish. Indeed, the country field should really be the field for growing and training our future district superintendents, leaders in our conferences and the daring pioneers in every spiritual conquest. For most of our leading laymen, preachers and missionaries come from the people who breathe the fresh air of the fields as they walk under the stars and worship in the country meeting houses beside the roads along which a substantial yeomanry gather.

An excellent start has been made in this state. Are we ready to do our full duty to the present situation in North Carolina?

Be cheerful. Wear a smile. See the best of things. Find something to commend in all men. Don't be a grouch or an apostle of gloom. The most repulsive of the human specie is the blue man. Listen to this:

The "reds" have taken Russia, the yellow men Japan,
The blacks have cornered Africa as well as Yucatan;
The green folks' names are legion, they're found in all the hues,
But the worst of all, we figure, are the chaps who have the "blues."

❖ People and Things ❖

Read carefully note of explanation at head of our Advocate Campaign report.

Brother R. L. Young, pastor at Glen Alpine, writes: "Mrs. R. L. Young, who underwent an operation at Davis Hospital several days ago, is improving nicely. She expects to return home some time next week."

Lincoln in 1861 declared: "Suppose you go to war, you cannot fight always; and when, after much loss on both sides, and no gain on either, you cease fighting, the identical questions are again upon you."

With eight counties missing from the list, a total of 1073 school lunch rooms in North Carolina had been approved through the last of January to assist them in preparing free lunches for 85,072 undernourished children. A. E. Langston, state director of commodity distribution for the States Board of Charities and Public Welfare, said this week.

For Sale—Two large church buildings in good condition on Ocracoke Island. Can be easily converted into apartments or into summer homes. Both located in center of island. Reasonable prices. Offer expires February 22, 1940. If interested notify the pastor, the Rev. W. H. Brady, Ocracoke, N. C.

Beginning Monday, February 12, and running through March 25, there will be a 15-minute Youth Crusade broadcast over WMFR, High Point. This broadcast is sponsored by the High Point district and is under the direction of the district superintendent, Rev. S. W. Taylor. Tune in each Monday evening at 7:45.—S. W. Taylor.

An increased enrollment in the Sunday church schools of the former Methodist Episcopal Church of approximately 63,000 persons is in prospect between now and Easter Sunday, March 24, according to an announcement by Rev. Dr. Nathaniel F. Forsyth, secretary of the Division of Religious Education in the Local Church of the Board of Education, Chicago.

Dr. W. L. Sherrill reached his fourscore years Friday, February 9. He is now living in Lincolnton, N. C., the county seat of his native county. For a number of years he and Mrs. Sherrill spent the winters in Florida, but they have found that the winters in North Carolina are just as inviting as Florida winters. Brother Sherrill is in good health and has the same interest in North Carolina history, the affairs of Methodism and in his friends that he has always had. Congratulations upon reaching 80.

The Rev. Dr. Mark A. Mathews, pastor of First Presbyterian church, Seattle, Wash., for 38 years the largest church in his denomination, died on February 5. He was nationally known as one-time moderator of the General Assembly and a preacher of force, especially upon fundamental beliefs and in opposition to civic misrule and the liquor traffic. He was 72 years of age. He was born in Georgia, and prior to his pastorate in Seattle, spent all his ministry in that state with the exception of one pastorate in Jackson, Tenn.—The Christian Advocate.

Alcoholism is an outstanding factor in the whole problem of mental disorders, Dr. James Watson, director of the mental hygiene division of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, told the 15th annual Public Welfare Institute for Negro social workers at St. Augustine's College at Raleigh last week. "More people occupy beds in insane hospitals in the United States than in all other kinds of hospitals combined and it is necessary to build six new mental institutions each year somewhere in the country to take care of the increasing number of mental cases," Dr. Watson said.

The district meeting for the ministers and their wives is called to meet at the College Place church at 12:30 for a luncheon meeting on February 27. We have three important things to do and all are expected to attend. Those who missed the missionary institute at Reidsville because of the deep snow and stormy weather should certainly be present. At 2 p. m. the ladies will hold their provisional district meeting for the election of delegates, etc.—L. B. Hayes.

Members of St. Paul Methodist church, Goldsboro, and others were pleased to have Rev. Walter C. Ball returned to Goldsboro for his fourth year as pastor, where he has done outstanding work. The church has made great strides under his wise and progressive leadership. The popularity of Brother Ball's ministry is evident by the large congregation that greets him on Sunday morning. The board of stewards recognized his faithful service to the church by a substantial increase in salary, which will be \$3600 for this conference year.—T. C. Ethridge.

King George of England, in his Christmas day broadcast, made use of the following beautiful quotation from an unidentified source: "I said to a man who stood at the gate of the year: 'Give me a light, that I may tread safely into the unknown,' and he replied, 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than a light and safer than a known way.'" According to the Evangelical-Messenger, authorship for the quotation was later claimed by Miss Minnie Haskin, a grey-haired spinster who recently was a teacher in the social science department of the London School of Economics, and who said that it was in a book she published some 25 years ago.

The inclement weather has not daunted the interest in church activities at Central church, Asheboro. Rev. J. W. Braxton, who was assigned the pastorate in November, delivers to attentive congregations sermons which are deeply spiritual, showing much preparation. Tom Houts, director of religious education, is keeping the youth program moving rapidly. The auxiliary during February installed a Hammond E organ, which contributes greatly to the worship services. The kindred relationship between the two Methodist churches in Asheboro is commendable, and Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., of First church is a perfect co-worker with the efficient pastor of Central church.—Cleta Rich, Reporter.

The members on the Tabor City charge believe in doing things in a big way when they get started. At a barbecue supper the first of the year, the stewards in charge increased the salary of the pastor and also increased the benevolences by ten per cent. Following this each of the five churches gave the pastor a series of the heaviest poundings he has ever experienced. The members at Bethesda have just about finished remodeling and adding Sunday school rooms to their church. Paid checks and receipts show the charge paid all obligations last year, the journal being in error in amount paid on benevolences. We are looking forward to even a better year than last.—Pastor.

Through the kindness of Major Edney Ridge, the broadcasting station WBIG has offered us its facilities a second time for the use of the Youth Crusade. Beginning this week on the 15th and continuing at the hour of 5:45 to 6 p. m. the programs will be given by the following youth leaders: Kenneth Goodson, Elwood Carroll, Robert Tuttle, Mack Kernodle, Robert Laughlin and Phil Shore. Miss Anne Sullins Dosser of the College Place church will be chairman of the program and will see that it goes on according to schedule. The theme song is "God of Grace and God of Glory." All in this area are asked to remember this program and tune in at 5:45 just after day's job is done and while we rest a bit before supper.—L. B. Hayes.

On Monday, February 19, Mrs. Foster, who is a returned missionary from Korea, will be at Brevard College for the afternoon and evening, and will meet with the students in regard to the missionary program of the church. Mrs. Foster is back in the United States for a year to assist in making plans for the Woman's Division of the church.

The annual banquet of the Greensboro District Methodist Young People will be held at the Masonic Temple February 23 at 7:30 o'clock. The program will be built around the characters of Dogpatch. Margaret Powell in the personage of Mammy Yokum will be mistress of ceremonies. Mrs. Powell is from the Rockingham county union. Admission will be by ticket only. Max Gordon is in charge of ticket sales.

We have been authoritatively informed that collections to date have been adequate to care for the expenses of the Methodist Advance. No one serving with the Methodist Advance, including the promotional directors, is receiving any extra salary or any honorarium. However, the Episcopal Fund is not being drawn upon. The Advance, thus far, has paid for itself including small items of necessary printing, travel and advance publicity. Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes is chairman of the Advance committee and Bishop Adna Wright Leonard of Pittsburgh is treasurer.

North Davidson Charge.—Canaan is still working for the Master and hopes to have the prayers of all the Christian people that we might be successful. Just a short check-up on the work that has been finished: The Ladies' Aid Society has had a new coat of paint put on the outside of the church and also gave a new coat in the parsonage kitchen. You see we are trying to keep the pastor and his wife nice and clean. The young people's program was rendered the 28th of January. Collection on this program was \$3.79. This goes for world service. We have had very good average in Sunday school during the rough weather, but hope to have better soon. May God bless all his children.—Mrs. Carl W. Clodfelter.

The Cabarrus Methodist ministers and their wives met Thursday evening at the home of Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., on North Union street, Concord. The valentine motif of red and white was attractively carried out throughout the house. Groups of red hearts hung from the chandeliers and lighted red tapers were used. A delicious chicken supper was served at small tables centered with red tapers. Salted nuts were served in novel heart-shaped cups. After dinner games were enjoyed. Guests included Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Bass, Rev. and Mrs. E. O. Peeler, Dr. E. K. McLarty, Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Murray, Rev. R. W. McCulley, Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Holmes, Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Reece, Rev. and Mrs. D. S. Huss, Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Kale, Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Kiker, Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Creech, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert.

Our work here at Shiloh church, C. E. Ridge, pastor, continues to move on very well. The attendance has been good in spite of bad weather and roads. The coldest Sunday with sub-zero weather our Sunday school attendance was only 130. Our pastor has filled his appointments and brought vital and soul stirring messages. The doors of the church will be open the first Sunday in March for reception of members. The pastor will deliver an evangelistic sermon. Next Sunday, February 18, will be observed as young people's day. The primary department of the Sunday school will take part in the preliminaries to the preaching service. Our woman's auxiliary is planning for the spring thank offering, and we are hoping to secure an able speaker who will be able to give us some information as to the new set-up of our woman's work in the new church. The speaker will be announced later. There were 20 of the members of our young people's organization who attended the Wednesday night session of the rally at Centenary last week and thoroughly enjoyed hearing Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, and think we were fortunate in having such an opportunity. Pray for us in our work.—Mrs. Homer Sink.

Thanks for renewals and new subscribers. Campaign is warming up with the weather.

ELON COLLEGE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY 1890-1940

The mid-year period of this celebration began last Sunday, February 11. The theme of the addresses was "The Church Related College and Its Contribution to the Cause of Higher Education."

President W. P. Few of Duke University delivered the opening address Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. "The Church and Education" was the subject of this address (it appears elsewhere in this issue of the Advocate). At the evening hour Sunday Dean R. B. House of the University of North Carolina brought greetings from our state colleges, and Dr. Shelton Phelps, president of Winthrop College, spoke on the state college as related to the independent or church related college.

The celebration continued till February 14.

Monday, February 12, 7:30 p. m.—"The Independent Endowed College." Chancellor Oliver Cromwell Carmichael, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

Tuesday, February 13, 7:30 p. m.—"The Contribution of the Church Related College to the Cause of Higher Education." Rev. Gould Wickey, D.D., secretary of the National Council of Church Related Colleges, Washington, D. C.

MEMORIALS TO THE GENERAL AND JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCES

The Committee on Memorials appointed at the session of the Western North Carolina conference last October calls attention to the following statement made in its report, namely, that any memorials to be forwarded to the General and Jurisdictional conference be sent to the committee for appraisalment and forwarding to the respective, or both, conferences.

Obviously in the work of harmonizing three Disciplines a good many items were overlooked. There have been some omissions, and there will need to be some revisions. You have doubtless discovered many of these. Will you help perfect the Discipline by letting us have your suggestions? Send them to the chairman of the committee, O. V. Woosley, The Childrens Home, Winston-Salem, or to the secretary, Rev. C. W. Bates, Brown Summit, N. C.

C. W. Bates, Secretary.

MINISTERS' WIVES LUNCH TOGETHER

The ministers wives of the Elizabeth City district lunched together in Hertford February 7 during the Missionary and Methodist Advance Institute. Mrs. John R. Poe presided. The group joined in singing Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow," accompanied by Mrs. E. D. Weathers at the piano. The invocation was given by Mrs. W. N. Vaughn. Mrs. R. F. Munns graciously welcomed us.

After an appetizing lunch served by the women of the Hertford church a short business session was held.

There were fourteen "wives" present. Each one introducing herself, giving her address. Mrs. Sewell Ferree, a recent bride, was presented and welcomed to our district, also all new members were welcomed by the president.

Mrs. A. C. Thompson told most interestingly of her impressions of the luncheon held in Fayetteville in November.

The wives were urged by the president to attend the luncheon in Henderson during the woman's conference.

Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY IN GREENSBORO

The Greensboro District Rally will be held at West Market Street church February 29 at 7:30 p. m.

Billy Crowder, president of the Greensboro Union, will speak on behalf of the young people. Dr. Albert C. Outler of the department of religious education of Duke University will be the main speaker.

Special music will be given by the union choir and Greensboro College Glee Club.

All Methodist young people and their adult workers and pastors are cordially invited to attend.

The Church and Education

President W. P. Few, of Duke University, Speaking at the Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration of Elon College, Sunday Morning, February 11, 1940

Popular movements for education resulting in the founding of colleges have come out of one or the other of two motives. They have sprung from religious motives or political motives; and, it will be observed, I am using "religious" and "political" in the good rather than in the bad sense of the words. Some men have sought to promote education because they believed that popular government and social well-being are impossible without education of the people. These men have been prompted by what I have called the political motive. Others have been urged on to educational undertakings by a belief that man is a citizen of two worlds and that human life is always futile except as it is seen in a background of eternity. This, I call the religious motive; and, I believe, it has been the stronger of the two motives, especially in the earlier history of this country. Those who have worked for education from political motives have built largely on sentiments created by churches and by religious leaders and religious people.

The origin and history of a college have considerable determining influence in its obligations and opportunities. So far as I can tell, the churches in establishing colleges had in mind the training of preachers, the education of sons and daughters of ministers, and the promoting of general education under conditions that would safeguard character and foster religious development. Colleges of church origin and church connection should never lose sight of these specific aims. In addition, like every other college, to succeed, the church-related college must of course keep intellectual sincerity beneath all its educational undertakings and maintain accepted standards and do good educational work.

Jowett in his first sermon at Baloil College spoke of the college as a place of education, a place of society, and a place of religion. These three fundamental conceptions of the college are likewise the three fundamental conceptions of human life: the man in himself, the man in his relations to other men, and the aim in his relations to the great moral order to which he is a part. Can the American college, do our colleges, provide a fit and adequate place for education, for society, and for religion? If so, then the college is one of the most important agencies ever devised for the relief of man's estate in the world. And no type of college has a better chance to fulfill this high mission than the liberal arts college that rests firmly and sincerely on moral and religious sanctions and that is made strong and kept free.

To achieve this the liberal arts college will set itself to become a sort of home of idealism. It will emphasize purposive psychology, personalistic philosophy, and, so far as possible, the other sciences of man, to the end that its students may escape the blighting dogmas of a mechanistic conception of the world and on the other hand have their early years to lie fallow in the sunshine of life and their minds braced and their souls warmed by an atmosphere charged with hope and aspiration.

What our present-day education most needs is a sense of responsibility for the conduct and character of stu-

dents and of graduates, the tonic power that would come from an understanding that education is concerned not with what is superficial and accidental but, as Walter Pater said of Socrates and Plato, with the tranquil godship that is in man. The need is not so much for a method as for a spirit that would animate all schooling processes and for a pattern of education that might be followed through all its stages.

We need not more education but better education—education that will produce fruits in the soundness of men—soundness of mind, soundness of body, and soundness of character. With this changed emphasis in education we may expect to breed a reasonable percentage of scholars and thinkers who will have some of the power to originate creative ideas for the coming generation and who can speak their message concerning these and other great matters, with some of the authority that has belonged to these authentic spiritual and intellectual founders of every great age in the past. We need such minds everywhere today, men with the vision and the courage to become explorers of the political, economic, and moral frontiers of the world.

Many years ago I heard the late Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes make to Harvard undergraduates an address the impression of which has remained with me to this day. Here is one paragraph from that address:

"No man has earned the right to intellectual ambition until he has learned to lay his course by a star which he has never seen—to dig by the divining rod for springs which he may never reach. . . . To think great thoughts you must be heroes as well as idealists. Only when you have worked alone—when you have felt around you a black gulf of solitude more isolating than that which surrounds the dying man, and in hope and in despair have trusted to your own unshaken will—then only will you have achieved. Thus only can you gain the secret isolated joy of the thinker, who knows that, a hundred years after he is dead and forgotten, men who never heard of him will be moving to the measure of his thought—the subtle rapture of a postponed power, which the world knows not because it has no external trappings, but which to his prophetic vision is more real than that which commands an army."

Ours at their best are just the colleges that may be expected to give to our time the "heroes as well as idealists" that it so sadly needs. A liberal arts college that gives to our time "heroes as well as idealists" will be not only a home of idealism, it will be a bulwark of liberty. We are seeing all over the world government enlarging itself at the expense of liberty. In colleges and universities that can resist and to the uttermost will resist old and new sets of pressures freedom may be called upon to take its last stand. And who knoweth whether we are come to the kingdom for such a time as this?

If you would find a good many faults, be on the lookout; but if you want to find them in unlimited quantities, be on the look-in.—Unknown.

FINE SERIES OF MISSIONARY INSTITUTES

The district missionary institutes of the North Carolina conference have been held. One feature most pleasing to all was the fine way in which the work in the local church was stressed. The district missionary secretaries did their work well in presenting the program dealing with the local church, including a school of missions and the study book of John R. Mott.

The church school and the young people's work was cared for by Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw in the afternoon and night sessions. The woman's work was also well to the front at all the meetings. Though the larger outlook of missions and Methodist conquest were looked after, the special concern was proper care of the local church.

J. M. Ormond, F. S. Love, Floyd M. Patterson and Robt. W. Bradshaw, officers of the conference boards, were responsible and effective aids to the district superintendents and the pastors of the several districts who had a place on the program. No foreign speakers were imported. In fact, the programs were so crowded that local speakers did not have sufficient time to do effective work.

Elizabeth City district guided by B. B. Slaughter; New Bern, by J. A. Russell; Wilmington, by W. A. Cade; Rocky Mount, by L. C. Larkin; Raleigh, by H. I. Glass; Fayetteville, by W. V. McRae; and Durham, by A. J. Hobbs, were fortunate to have district superintendents so genuinely interested in making each occasion count for the most possible in the several districts. Of course each institute was closely linked up with the Methodist Advance and all discussions kept in view the demands of our new Methodist Church.

Since we have not sufficient space to deal with each district in detail, the program of the Raleigh district Tuesday of this week in its main features is given. This may give some general idea of all the institutes this year. They all followed the same general plan, though they differed much in detail as to personnel and the subjects presented. Here is the Raleigh district program:

Devotional.

"A Fundamental Need." H. I. Glass.

"Some Immediate Missionary Objectives and Demands." J. M. Ormond.

"Missionary Education in the Church School." Floyd M. Patterson.

"A Missionary Program in the Local Church," "The Council of Missions" (five minutes). O. L. Hathaway.

"A School of Missions," Presentation of Study Book. Leon Russell.

"The Printed Page and the Methodist Advance." M. T. Plyler.

"A Missionary Program for Today." F. S. Love.

"Methodist Advance in the Church School." Robert W. Bradshaw.

"Our Women in the Methodist Advance." Mrs. Gurney P. Hood.

Forum: "Making the Methodist Advance Real in the Local Church."

"Deepening Our Spiritual Life" (10 minutes). O. W. Dowd.

"Christian Stewardship" (10 minutes). B. C. Reavis.

"Evangelism" (10 minutes). John C. Glenn.

"Spiritual Oneness in the Methodist Advance." F. L. Gibbs, general secretary Board of Christian Education of the former M. P. Church.

Dedication.

CHURCH LOYALTY CAMPAIGN AT BREVARD

To promote a greater interest in the attendance of religious services the churches of Brevard are carrying out, with the co-operation of the college students, a church loyalty crusade. The pastors of the various churches have selected topics for the next three weeks and each will speak on the various subjects that have been outlined for the cam-

paign. The congregations are joining together in the evening services to engage in an interdenominational service which will be led in turn by the pastors of the local churches of Brevard.

Attendance cards which have been distributed among the students denote the increasing number of the college group that are attending church. The immediate work of the loyalty crusade will close on March 24.

A part of the church loyalty program will be the Christian Emphasis Week which will begin March 10. Rev. Arthur A. Kale, pastor of the Kannapolis Methodist church, will be the inspirational speaker during the program of the week which will be held in the college chapel. Mr. Kale is well known among the young people and is well liked as a teacher and lecturer, and it is expected that he will lead the college group into a most vital and timely discussion. Mr. Kale will also hold individual conferences with the students and work with them concerning the religious life of the campus.

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT WEST MARKET CHURCH

On Monday afternoon, February 12, the first half of the inspirational meeting of the woman's missionary society of West Market Street church, Greensboro, was given to a memorial service for those members who have passed away during the year. The program was arranged by Mrs. J. E. Faulkner, chairman of the memorial committee, and was presided over by Mrs. M. M. Boyles.

Four tall white tapers in silver holders burned on the table. Soft music called the meeting to order.

Hymn "O God, our help in ages past" was used as opening hymn.

Hebrews 11:1-10 was read by Mrs. E. L. Sides, who also offered prayer.

A tribute, written by Mrs. J. E. Faulkner, was read by Mrs. J. H. Wheeler.

A silver urn was in center of the table and Mrs. Faulkner placed an Easter lily in it as Mrs. Boyles read each name.

The society then stood in silence, after which hymn "O Master, let me walk with thee" was sung.

Mrs. Faulkner closed the impressive service with prayer. Those honored were: Mrs. S. L. Alderman, Mrs. M. H. Alford, Mrs. A. N. Perkins, Mrs. A. L. Petree.

From Mrs. J. E. Faulkner's beautiful eulogy we are able to give Advocate readers the following:

"These our friends and comrades rejoiced in the organized work of the Woman's Missionary Society as an opportunity to express their gratitude to their Lord. They counted it a privilege to constitute so great and immortal host—to be identified with its work and bear its name—resulting in a deeper enrichment of spiritual life. Varied gifts fitted each name to her rightful sphere. Each gift was recognized as a talent not to be wrapped up and laid away but placed upon God's altar and consecrated to his service, there to bud and blossom to full fruition.

"Thus a life of sacrificial devotion to Christ becomes rich and full of inherent beauty, and he reveals its greatest possibilities, enhances its value, clarifies its vision and makes a radiant witness.

"Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age like as a shock of corn cometh in his season."—(Job 5:26)."

NOTICE TO ALL AUXILIARIES OF THE FORMER M. P. CHURCH

According to announcement on February 12, 1940, by the executive secretary of Woman's Work and editor of The Missionary Record, the program material for the five months period covering April to September, will be published only in The Missionary Record, instead of in Guide Book form as previously announced. It will therefore not be necessary to order programs from our secretary of literature as stated at our third quarterly branch meeting. It will, however, be more than ever important that auxiliary officers not now receiving The Missionary Record order it at once from the Methodist Publishing House, Woman's Department, 516 N. Charles St., Baltimore, Md. The price is still 75 cents a year payable in advance. When September comes, and with it the merging of Methodist woman's magazines, subscribers to The Missionary Record will receive The Methodist Woman until their paid subscriptions to The Missionary Record expires. We trust there will be no slackening of inspiration through lack of information. Mrs. R. M. Andrews,

Pres. N. C. Branch of Women's Work of the Former M. P. Church.

Who Was Jesse Head?

It was a Methodist minister who married the parents of Abraham Lincoln. His name was Jesse Head. Again, it was a Methodist minister who delivered the funeral address for Abraham Lincoln. His name was Matthew Simpson, and he was a bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Both these ministers exercised an influence over the great Emancipator, one indirectly through Thomas Lincoln, the father, and Nancy Hanks Lincoln, the mother of Abraham Lincoln, and the other directly through correspondence and personal conferences at the White House.

Jesse Head was born June 10, 1768, in Frederick county, Maryland, sixteen years and a half previous to the "Christmas Conference" held in Baltimore in 1784, when the Methodist Episcopal Church in America was organized. Was this youth present as a visitor in Lovely Lane Chapel? It would be interesting indeed to know whether he was among the spectators at that historic meeting. About 1795 he migrated from Maryland to Kentucky and soon took his place as a substantial citizen in Washington county, where he owned a farm of 54 acres. He was also a cabinet-maker and a justice of the peace. To him, according to the records, was given the contract for the erection of a whipping post, stocks, and pillory in the court house square at Springfield, Kentucky.

In the journal of the Western conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the years 1800 to 1811 will be found the record of a session held at "Anthony Houston's in Scott County, Kentucky, October 2, 1806." Bishop Francis Asbury presided. The name of Jesse Head was called, and he was passed as a deacon in good standing. Other records show that he must have been ordained at least seven years previous to this conference session. It is said that a very large proportion of the couples married in Washington county prior to 1810 were married by him. Instead of reporting each marriage ceremony separately, it was the habit of Jesse Head to make his returns at intervals of several months, certifying a dozen or fifteen marriages at one time. In his returns for 1806-'07, in perfectly legible handwriting, there appears: "Thomas Lincoln and Nancy Hanks, June 12, 1806," and the minister signed his name "Jesse Head, D. M. E. C." (deacon in the Methodist Episcopal Church). The venerable Professor Albert Bushnell Hart of Harvard declares that he once saw the actual wedding certificate of the Lincolns, though the late William E. Barton, noted authority on Lincoln, was always dubious about the existence of the original certificate.

It is a well known fact that for some years questions were raised concerning Lincoln's legitimacy, due largely to the fact that in Hardin county no record of his parents' marriage could be found. It was not until the record was discovered in Washington county and the publication later of the book "The Paternity of Abraham Lincoln" by Dr. Barton—upon whose address, "The Man Who Married Lincoln's Parents," we have drawn for many facts about Jesse Head—that these doubts were completely dissipated.

The only eye-witness accounts of the Lincoln wedding in the little log cabin on Old Fort Hill near Har-

rodsburg, appear to be the affidavits made by Christopher Columbus Graham, a doctor who in 1882 and 1884, at the ages of ninety-eight and one hundred years respectively, gave accounts of it. He describes Nancy Hanks as a fresh, good-looking girl a little past twenty. (She was twenty-three and Thomas Lincoln twenty-eight at the time). Dr. Graham said that he was digging herbs on the day of the wedding and wanted a good meal and got it. There was an "infare," or house-warming, following the wedding at which bear meat, venison, wild turkey, duck, eggs, maple sugar, syrup in gourds, and a sheep barbecued in a pit were served.

Jesse Head seems to have been a kind of stormy petrel in his day. He was well-read, radical, independent. One writer tells us that this pioneer preacher was steeped in the writing of Tom Paine and Thomas Jefferson. Dr. Barton says that Jesse Head's "library was listed for sale ten years before his death, and it showed quite a remarkable range. There were seven volumes of church history, and seven of Wesley's sermons, and two sets of Clarke's commentaries, and a goodly assortment of other books, those on Methodism being prominent." A bit of doggerel handed down from the rough and ready days of the past gives what is probably a good, though brief, description of the man who married Lincoln's parents. It runs:

"There is a man in our town,
Who walks the streets in a dressing-gown;
His nose is long and his hair is red,
And he goes by the name of Jesse Head."

He had courage. When on one occasion an enemy fired on him, he turned and facing his opponent said, "If you meant to kill me, you are a coward, and if you thought to frighten me, you are a fool."

This brings us to a consideration of his great fighting issue. From Paine and Jefferson he had apparently acquired strong opinions on the rights of man. Such thinking drove him in particular application to a bitter hatred of slavery and to a firm espousal of the cause of the Negro. His views made of him a fiery abolitionist. He owned no slaves on principle. One writer affirms that Jesse Head, the minister who married Thomas Lincoln and Nancy Hanks, filled their heads with abolition ideas and that "Abe Lincoln the Liberator was made in large part" by this fighting preacher. Who knows? The influences that play upon the minds and hearts of men are manifold in number and extensive in range. Is it something in the blood, something in the early training, in the surroundings, in the words of friends, in the pages of books, that shapes the thoughts, the feelings, and the wills of men whom we call geniuses?

Did the Emancipation Proclamation of January 1, 1863, hark back across the stretch of six decades to that stormy petrel of a Methodist preacher who, obsessed with the rights of man, in season and out denounced the infamy of human slavery? God only knows. Certain it is, however, that no one can begin to measure the power or the extent of the spiritual influence which always follows the honest proclamation of the word of God.—Zions Herald.

Gold That Is Ours for the Taking

By WILLIAM G. CHANTER

Now the Lord said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto the land that I will show thee: . . . So Abram went, as the Lord had spoken unto him . . .

Abraham is pre-eminently the man of faith, the father of the faithful. Would it not be well worth our while if we thought a bit about the faith of Abraham? What was it like? How did it manifest itself? How did it grow?

One thing that is evident is that for Abraham there was no opposition between faith and works. His faith led to vigorous and courageous and adventurous activity. In his life we can see the true relation of faith and works. St. James was quite right when he said that faith without works was dead. But it is also true that the kind of activity which is not inspired by faith is lacking in vitality. The only kind of work which can be accomplished without a great faith is routine, the kind of work which the good, steady journeyman does day by day in the same way, producing the same results. But Abraham was a great creative pioneer, and his task could therefore never have been accomplished save by a man of faith.

The trail-blazer cannot follow the beaten path—he is making a path where there was none. Thus always and of necessity he is going out, not knowing whither he goes. It makes no difference whether he is pioneering in science or in any other branch of scholarship, or in any of the arts, or in politics, or in religion—he walks by the light of a great vision which he alone has seen, which he is trying to turn into a beacon by which other men may walk, walk in his footsteps and by his faith. Faith may be valued by the amount of work that the faithful man has done, but the really great work owes its quality, its greatness, to the faith the value of which it measures. It was because he was a man of faith that Abraham turned from the world of superficial appearances to seek for "the city which hath the foundations, whose builder and maker is God."

Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

But Abraham's faith was not a blind acceptance of everything that presented itself as the will of God. When he became convinced that the evil doing of the cities of the plain had aroused the wrath of God so that his power would be exerted for their destruction, he could not see how this was in accord with the justice without which God would not be God. He did not try to silence his question, he did not dismiss the fate of the population of the doomed cities as something for which God must take responsibility, with which, therefore, he need not concern himself. Those to whom the problem of evil seems easy of solution are those to whom sin and suffering are not real, people with little imagination and little sympathy. To Abraham, the idea of innocent people going to destruction for the fault of their neighbors seemed an intolerable thing, and he dared to question God.

Now, this is faith, true faith. Abraham had enough faith in God to believe that he would and could explain himself and his servant. It is not faith that shrinks from question. It is fear lest the question find no answer. The scientist who questions nature is a man of faith, for he believes that for his questions there is an answer. The

great saint does not shrink from the problems that he meets as he explores the great areas of the divine providence—he knows that to his questions there is an answer and that his God would rather have an honest doubt than a false assertion of a confidence made just because a real confidence does not exist.

Real faith is trust in the character of God as well as acceptance of his existence and his power. Abraham believed in God as just, as good—he had to align all his religious conceptions with that great central quality. The Christian believes in a God who is the Father of Jesus Christ. He has no right to allow himself to accept as true religious ideas which are not in accord with the revelation of God which is in the life of Jesus. If he does, it is due not to the strength of his faith but to his weakness.

And faith grows by such questioning as that of Abraham. For God did answer him, and from that time on he had a firmer grasp on the truth that God was the Judge of all the earth, not only by reason of his power, but by reason of his justice. Only as we face our difficulties honestly and squarely can we arrive at a full-fledged faith.

And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. And the angel of the Lord . . . said, Lay not thy hand upon the lad . . .

Yet there are times when faith obeys in the dark. When the clear call of duty leads to places where everything is black, when the demands of even the dearest earthly ties seem to be denied, then—so only the call of God seems clear—there must be for faith only one way, the way of obedience. If we wonder how it was that Abraham could think that his God would ask of him so cruel a sacrifice, we must remember that the principle that the true God has a right to every man's best gift still stands, and that the interpretation which Abraham placed upon it was only too natural for one living where and when he lived. Yet notice that as he went his dreary way to the place of his agony, he went not without a gleam of hope—"God will provide himself the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son."

In his obedience Abraham found a richer faith, a clearer vision of God. He took this leap in the dark and found beneath his feet firmer ground than ever he had trod before. Thus does the true follower of God go on from faith to a faith still greater, till at last the day breaks and the shadows flee away and he knows even as also he is known. And he believed in the Lord; and he reckoned it to him for righteousness.

Thus does faith grow—by question in matters that concern honesty in thinking, by obedience in matters of conduct and duty. Yet the connection is close—the man who thinks honestly will see more clearly the path of duty, and the man who is unselfishly devoted to his duty will think more clearly. It was because Abraham united a fearless intellectual honesty with a sublime selflessness that he stands, with all his limitations, as the father of the faithful.—Zion's Herald.

Fortune is ever deemed blind by those upon whom she bestows no favors.—Rochefoucauld.

Large ears of corn may grow in little fields.—French.

INSTITUTE-ADVANCE MEETING OF THE NEW BERN DISTRICT

The Missionary Institute and the Methodist Advance meeting of the New Bern district was held at Queen Street Methodist church in Kinston on Thursday, February 8. A program presided over by Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent of the New Bern district, emphasized the importance of advance at the following points:

1. Evangelism.
 - (a) The active half of the church seeking to secure the interest of the other half.
 - (b) Church members seeking the unsaved.
 - (c) Revivals in every church.
2. Missionary Education.
 - (a) Program and offering in every church on fourth Sunday.
 - (b) At least one school of missions on each charge. (1) Using Methodist United for Action by John R. Mott as the study book.
3. The Council of Missions.
 - (a) Next in importance to the board of stewards.
 - (b) Each church to make it function.
4. The Church School.
5. The Advocate.

During the morning session delegates were elected to a provisional conference to be held in Henderson as a second step in the organization of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

The night session of the all-day meeting provided a stirring climax to the day's program. The speakers faced an auditorium filled to capacity. It was a youth rally indeed. At this service Rev. R. W. Bradshaw delivered a vital message with such conviction that several responded to the invitation to live closer to God and to Christ and promised to live so that those in the home and out of it would know that this step had been taken.

A TALL STORY FROM THE LOGGING CAMPS OF MINNESOTA: THE RETURN OF PAUL BUNYAN

Paul Bunyan was the most famous logger that ever lived. He used to braid pine trees into torches, set them afire and toss them up into the hills to melt the snow and start the streams booming for his log drives. The weather used to get sore at him and send waterspouts after him. But Paul just climbed the waterspouts and turned them off. Blue Babe, his ox, was the cause of the trouble with the weather; he used to lick the nicest clouds all out of shape; he liked them. But Blue Babe was useful; if a logging road was crooked, Paul would hitch the Babe to one end of it, and Babe would straighten it out.

At Bemidji, Minn., there's a monument to this legendary Paul Bunyan of the logging camps, and another to Babe. Their statues stand 13 feet high—just miniatures, of course, of the famous heroes. And every January, Bemidji celebrates Paul Bunyan's memory, to the delight of 100,000 visitors from all over the country.

A complete old time lumber camp is created, surrounded by acres of tall trees set in the ice of Lake Bemidji. Here the lumberjacks do their stuff, competing for prizes in tree-falling, log skidding, hauling and loading, wood shopping and sawing. There are lumberjack song contests, too, and centests in playing music on odd instruments such as loggers improvise. And there are dog races, tobogganing, skating races, curling, and trotting races on the ice. At night an ice palace glitters under floodlights and fireworks.—Reader's Digest.

NEWS NOTES FROM AYDEN

We have had nothing to say through the press since coming to Ayden some 15 months ago. It has not been, however, because we have had nothing to write about. Many things have been done since our coming here which have made our hearts to rejoice greatly. It is in fairness to these good people that I write these words. We have read of "poundings," "freshies," "turkeys" and all the rest, and have said in our minds "ditto, they've nothing on us." Indeed we've about decided with the Old Testament writer that "there is nothing new under the sun." Yes, our people know how to "pound" and their "pounding" never hurts. It helps wonderfully.

Mr. Editor, we have some new living room furniture that is designed especially to take the "ache" out of a tired preacher's bones. Of course there may be some preachers

who couldn't enjoy it, but, lest you should have misgivings about this, I want to say I do. Our parsonage is just now undergoing a siege of repairs which is going to make it much more convenient and comfortable. Our church has just recently been dressed up with new and modern light fixtures, which adds greatly to its appearance. We are looking forward and moving toward memorial windows and a pipe organ for our church. But our people believe in paying as they go (there isn't a penny of indebtedness anywhere) and it may be some little time before we shall have both of these. Many other worth while things are "on the way" and challenge us to work and anticipate satisfying results.

Looking over this document that I'm rapidly bringing to a close, I fail to find the word "if" so far. No article is complete without this word and this one will not be complete without it. But I feel moved to say, brethren, that I really believe IF these good people had a "real" preacher they'd go places. While I think sometimes I have "growing pains" (too much "freshies," etc., of course), I'm beginning to doubt IF I'll ever be able to give to these dear people as much as I take from them. The challenge is ever before me to give my very best. While I'm afraid I've never done this, I do believe there are at least times when I really want to. I'm praying that this may be continuous. Will you remember me in your prayers, too?

Lester A. Tilley.

NINE DELEGATES ELECTED

The following nine women from the Winston-Salem district have been elected delegates to the Provisional Conference meeting in Salisbury on the 18th of April:

Mrs. J. E. Pritchard of First church, former M. P., Route 2, Winston-Salem.

Mrs. B. A. Culp of Liberty Street church, former M. E., 2730 Glenn Avenue, Winston-Salem.

Mrs. J. G. Sterling of Burkhead church, 1602 N. Patterson Ave., Winston-Salem.

Miss Nita Masten of Centenary church, 664 West End Boulevard, Winston-Salem.

Mrs. C. W. Kirby of Forsyth charge, Route 2, Winston-Salem.

Mrs. J. H. Clement of Love's church, Walkertown.

Mrs. Ira W. Baity of Forsyth-Maple Springs charge, former M. P., Route 2, Winston-Salem.

Mrs. Ralph H. Wilson of Main Street church, Thomasville.

Mrs. I. L. Sharpe of Mt. Airy circuit, Mt. Airy.

METHODIST ADVANCE, SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION SCHEDULE

February 15—Birmingham, Ala. Alex. P. Shaw.

February 16—Jackson, Miss. W. T. Watkins.

Team—E. H. Hughes, Titus Lowe, Ralph Cushman.

February 18—Memphis, Tenn. R. E. Jones.

February 19—Memphis, Tenn. W. T. Watkins.

February 20—Nashville, Tenn. Paul B. Kern.

February 21—Louisville, Ky. U. V. W. Darlington.

February 22—Knoxville, Tenn. Paul B. Kern.

February 23—Bristol, Tenn. Paul B. Kern.

Team—Ralph Cushman, C. W. Flint, G. B. Oxnam.

Note: Team of speakers are to be heard at the places and dates preceding their names.

ANNOUNCEMENT

In order to complete my file within a definite period, I need the following copies of the Journal of the North Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South: 1878, 1880, 1883 and 1934. I wish to correspond with any interested in exchanging conference journals, or interested in selling any desired copies of journals herewith indicated.

I have the following duplicate copies: 1879, 1889, 1910, 1912, 1914, 1916, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933.

S. B. Turrentine,
219 N. Spring St., Greensboro, N. C.

Thanks for renewals and new subscribers. Campaign is warming up with the weather.

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The ½ will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum. Three have reported the official board 100 per cent. This list will appear later.

In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

Asheville

Central, W. A. Stanbury 20
Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton ... 6
French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler.. 2
Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea 1

Charlotte

Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman.... 1

Elkin

Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner.. 9
W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood 5
Sparta, L. F. Strader 5
Elkin, H. F. Duncan 4½
Yadkinville, John H. Green 4
Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint 4
Farmington, J. W. Vestal 3
Advance, P. L. Smith 3
Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene 3
Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley 3
Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt 2
N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock 2½
St. Paul, L. C. Stevens 2½
Jonesville, D. B. Mullis 2
Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant 2
Ararat, G. B. Gwyn 2
Creston, J. R. Short 2
Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles 1
Jefferson, Hugh D. Jesup 1½
Green Valley, M. L. Chappel 1½

Gastonia

Cleveland, T. G. Madison 5½
Fallston, J. M. Morgan 4
Boger City, E. L. Kirk 2

Greensboro

Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle 21½
Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger.. 8
Grace, J. Elwood Carroll 3
Calvary, R. C. Stubbins 3
Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess 2½
Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy 2
St. Paul, A. D. Shelton 1½
Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse 1
West End, R. M. Andrews 1
Stokesdale, W. T. Albright 1
Haw River, C. W. Bates 1
Midway, E. P. Hamilton 1

High Point

Shiloh, C. E. Ridge 4
First, Asheville, Paul Hardin, Jr.. 2½
Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trollinger 2
Denton-Central, G. L. Curry 1½
Central, J. W. Braxton 1
Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox 1

Marion

Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward 1½

Salisbury

Bethpage, R. W. McCulley 1

Statesville

North Newton, C. A. Morrison 28
Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham 6½

Waynesville

Crabtree, W. H. Nease 2
Hayesville, J. C. Gentry 1½
Bethel, J. W. Blitch 1

Winston-Salem

First, Lexington, H. G. Allen 5½
First, J. E. Pritchard 4
Grace, R. L. Forbis 4
Forsyth, C. W. Kirby 2½
N. Davidson, O. B. Williams 2½
West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree 1
Community, J. Clyde Auman 1
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ... 1
First, J. T. Bowman 1
Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way 1
Centenary, G. Ray Jordan 1
Main Street, L. F. Tuttle 1

Durham

Davis St., F. W. Paschall 7½
Orange, C. P. Morris 3½
Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ... 3½
Milton, D. I. Garner 2½
Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser ... 2
Brooksdale, D. A. Petty 1½
Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. 1½
Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth 1
Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds 1
Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps ... 1

Elizabeth City

Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon 1
Currituck, J. C. Harmon 1
Windsor, H. F. Surratt 1

Fayetteville

Maxton, T. R. Jenkins 5
Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons 1

New Bern

Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison.. 2½

Raleigh

Fairmont, H. M. McLamb 9
City Road-White Mem., J. K. 4½
Worthington 4½
Granville, J. P. Pegg 3
Edenton St., J. C. Glenn 2
Hayes Barton, Leon Russell 1

Rocky Mount

Fairmont, H. M. McLamb 9
Enfield, B. D. Critcher 1½
Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington 1
Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer 1
Whitakers, A. M. Williams 1
First, E. L. Hillman 1
Marvin, N. W. Grant 1

Wilmington

Fairmont, F. B. Joyner 1

LONG SERMONS GO ON DESPITE ALARM CLOCK

Scotchtown, N. Y.—This little rural hamlet is abuzz with a problem—how to stop a clergyman's overlong sermons in time for Sunday dinner.

Rev. Dr. Alexander J. Kerr, 57 years a minister, has remained adamant and undisturbed, even after a trustee brought an alarm clock to the Presbyterian church.

Parishioners have clocked the pastor's sermons up to a half-hour over the scheduled noon close of Sunday worship. Simmering dinners simmer overtime, housewives said.

Pleas unavailing, a trustee and his wife brought the alarm clock to service, set it for 12:06 p. m. and walked out when the tripped alarm chattered through the church. Dr. Kerr continued preaching after the disturbance.

HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. DIXON, Supt.

The children of this home are celebrating today the birthday of the superintendent, and they are guessing at his age. At any rate, this is the twelfth birthday celebrated in the Children's Home. They have been twelve happy years, and perhaps the most useful of our lives. You will rejoice with us in knowing that the children are happy and that they are growing up in the midst of conditions in which they are contented.

We caught this expression made by one of our girls who has been here about nine years. Her father and mother are both dead, and when we went to investigate the conditions in which she was living we found the precious little one in dire poverty and need. Here she has blossomed into a bright, beautiful, lovable girl who is almost grown now. She is an all round fine Christian girl. This last week in writing to a friend she said in the midst of her letter, "I am very happy here, and I love it just like I would have my own home. I like the boys and girls and the workers. We play together and work together like one big family."

Athletics in the Home

We have two of the best basket ball teams that we have ever had, though our girls have not done so well in their last two games.

Last spring we lost two of our very best players in our boys' team and feared we couldn't make up that loss out of the material we had; but the following from the High Point Enterprise of last Saturday shows that their places were filled pretty well: "The Methodist Children's Home five of High Point tonight edged out a 26 to 24 victory over Mills Home of Thomasville to capture the state orphanage basket ball title. The championship was won last year by the Winston-Salem Children's Home.

The High Point club staged a beautiful last half comeback to cop the victory. Mills Home held a one point lead at the half, 14 to 13.

A forward, Russell, led the victors with 13 points, and was tied with Mills Home's Bradshaw for high scoring honors.

In the opening game of the final game in the orphanage tournament, held in the Junior Order gym at Lexington, the Winston-Salem Children's Home girls' team captured the state girls' championship by topping Barium Springs 37 to 29."

Our boys and girls here have only an attic room in which to practice, and yet the boys won the state championship.

We wish that somebody, or some set of folks, would help us to build a gymnasium. A gymnasium on our grounds here would go on down through the years helping to build better boys and girls physically, mentally, morally and spiritually. Those who play in our teams to win are the best developed physically, the best students, and will make the best citizens.

We thank you for your prayers, your co-operation and your help,

1939 (And Last) Statistical
Review of the Methodist
Episcopal Church, South

By CURTIS B. HALEY
Editor of the General Minutes and Yearbook

The final annual statistical review of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South (for the year 1939), shows a marked spiritual advance and an upward trend along many lines.

As reported to the several annual conferences and missions before the successor conferences were organized and set up, the church had on its rolls 2,965,381 lay and clerical members, which was an increase of 46,184 over 1938. The number received on profession of faith during the year was 110,185. The membership of the church consists of communicants in good standing and does not include baptized infants.

The largest net increase in members (10,136) was reported from Bishop Peele's district, including the Baltimore, North Carolina, Virginia, and Western Virginia conferences.

The second largest increase (9,220) was reported from Bishop Smith's district, including the Indian Mission, Louisiana, Texas, Texas Mexican, and West Texas conferences.

The third largest increase (7,809) was reported from Bishop Kern's district, including the Cuba, Florida, Holston, and Tennessee conferences, and the Latin Mission.

The fourth largest increase (5,009) was reported from Bishop Purcell's district, including the Western North Carolina conference and the two conferences in South Carolina.

In the fifth place is Bishop Decell's district, with 4,011, including the conferences in Alabama and Georgia.

While eight annual conferences in the United States reported a loss in members, only one Episcopal District (the Tenth) reported a net loss.

The Texas conference reported the largest increase in membership, 5,253; the Western North Carolina conference came next with 5,176; the North Alabama followed with 4,026.

Of the total increase in membership, 69.4 per cent was reported from conferences east of the Mississippi river.

Infants baptized numbered 22,604, and 73,278 adults, a combined total of 95,882.

The Woman's Missionary Society had 332,266 members, an increase of 12,932, and raised almost \$2,500,000 for its work.

There was an increase of 55 traveling preachers, which is a normal fluctuation.

There was reported an increase of more than 65,000 in church school enrollment.

There was raised for all church purposes \$30,082,163, which is \$937,369 more than in 1938. For the general connectional work of the church the amount reported in 1939 was \$1,144,162, an increase of \$6,641 as compared with last year.

In view of the large number of members received on profession of faith, and the increased contribution for the connectional work, and in spite of conditions throughout the world, our people feel greatly encouraged, believing that there is a better frame of mind among Methodist everywhere since Unification has become an actuality.

As we pen this final review of the operations of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, we lift our hearts in thanksgiving to God for his wonderful blessings, and pray that the successor Methodist Church may accomplish still greater things in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and for the glory of God.

Membership Statistics by Episcopal
Districts

This table will appear in the 1939-40 volume of the General Minutes and Yearbook of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for which it was compiled by its editor, Dr. Curtis B. Haley. These figures include local preachers and lay members only.

	1939	1938	Increase	Decrease	Rec'd on Prof'n of Faith
First: Bishop Darlington					
Illinois	7,688	7,737	.....	49	335
Kentucky	40,342	39,579	763	.....	1,372
Louisville	78,446	71,739	1,707	.....	2,911
Net increase	121,476	119,055	2,470	49	4,618
Second: Bishop A. J. Moore					
Belgian (1938)	1,918	1,018	.....	.....	117
China (1938)	12,012	12,912	.....	.....	.....
Congo Mission (1938)	862	862	.....	.....	.....
Czechoslovak	2,128	2,498	.....	370	33
Polish Mission	1,149	1,126	23	.....	.....
Net decrease	18,069	18,416	23	370	150
Third: Bishop Kern					
Cuba	5,656	5,547	109	.....	225
Florida	70,409	68,242	2,167	.....	3,598
Holston	126,066	122,700	3,366	.....	5,569
Latin Mission (1938)	585	585	.....	.....	.....
Tennessee	98,990	96,823	2,167	.....	3,441
Net increase	301,706	293,897	7,809	.....	12,833
Fourth: Bishop Smith					
Indian Mission	3,294	3,230	64	.....	155
Louisiana	70,782	68,891	1,891	.....	2,530
Texas	123,658	118,405	5,253	.....	6,364
Texas Mexican	4,513	4,513	.....	.....	490
West Texas	64,958	62,946	2,012	.....	2,879
Net increase	267,205	257,985	9,220	.....	12,418
Fifth: Bishop Holt					
Central Texas	97,786	96,902	884	.....	3,795
Missouri	49,421	49,569	.....	148	1,301
New Mexico	24,253	22,943	1,310	.....	1,263
North Texas	94,214	93,325	889	.....	3,146
Northwest Texas	73,182	73,581	.....	399	3,364
Net increase	338,856	336,320	3,083	547	12,869
Sixth: Bishop Peele					
Baltimore	98,640	96,556	2,084	.....	3,518
North Carolina	132,735	129,481	3,254	.....	4,167
Virginia	171,964	168,780	3,184	.....	6,323
Western Virginia	51,436	49,822	1,614	.....	3,040
Net increase	454,775	444,639	10,136	.....	17,048
Seventh: Bishop Purcell					
South Carolina	70,426	71,091	.....	665	1,535
Upper South Carolina	84,627	84,129	498	.....	2,931
Western North Carolina	167,110	161,934	5,176	.....	5,680
Net increase	322,163	317,154	5,674	665	10,146
Eighth: Bishop Selecman					
Little Rock	71,196	73,998	.....	2,802	3,251
North Arkansas	79,665	77,702	1,963	.....	3,702
Oklahoma	91,795	88,017	3,778	.....	3,810
St. Louis	46,379	45,863	516	.....	1,855
Net increase	289,035	285,580	6,257	2,802	12,618
Ninth: Bishop Decell					
Alabama	95,172	95,393	.....	221	2,883
North Alabama	146,959	142,933	4,026	.....	5,341
North Georgia	156,400	156,978	.....	578	5,047
South Georgia	117,100	116,316	784	.....	3,769
Net increase	515,631	511,620	4,810	799	17,040
Tenth: Bishop Martin					
Arizona	5,309	5,287	22	.....	247
California Oriental Mission (1938)	640	640	.....	.....	.....
Northwest	3,647	3,518	129	.....	132
Pacific	19,817	20,899	.....	1,082	688
Southwest Missouri	41,635	41,516	119	.....	1,493
Western Mexican	2,367	2,367	.....	.....	193
Net decrease	73,415	74,227	270	1,082	2,753
Eleventh: Bishop Watkins					
Memphis	98,467	97,007	1,460	.....	3,254
Mississippi	81,470	80,268	1,202	.....	2,280
North Mississippi	75,137	75,108	29	.....	2,158
Net increase	255,074	252,383	2,691	.....	7,692
Total present membership, including local and traveling preachers					2,965,381
Total gain, including preachers					46,184
Total received on profession of faith					110,185

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CHILDREN'S WORKERS' COUNCIL

The Conference Council of Children's Workers met at Sunny Acres on January 12 and 13 to review the work of the past year, and to make plans for the coming year in church school work with children.

The council is made up of the district workers of children's work, the conference staff of the board of education, and other interested workers. In spite of the heavy snow and a widespread epidemic of influenza, twelve people were in attendance.

Excellent reports were given by the district directors present. These included reports of group meetings of children's workers held during the year, 312 vacation schools held in the conference, with more than 17,000 children enrolled, children's workers in attendance at training schools and at Lake Junaluska, contacts with many local churches by mail, and personally.

On Saturday morning Mr. King led the general discussion of the place of children's work in the total program of the church. He stressed the importance of the religious training of children, and urged our co-operation with such agencies as the home, public school, Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., Boy Scouts, Girl Reserves, 4-H Clubs, etc.

The workers planned with Mr. Brewer to co-operate with him in every way possible to carry on the work of the extension program in the conference.

Specific plans were made for certain special emphases for the year:

Extension vacation schools to be held where there would be no such activity otherwise.

Co-operation with Negro vacation schools.

Attendance at the conference school for Christian workers, to be held in co-operation with the General Board of Education at Lake Junaluska, July 30-August 6. The courses for children's workers are scheduled, with the privilege of observation of actual teaching in the week day school there.

Vacation school institutes are planned to reach every district. More information will be given about these institutes later in the spring.

Childhood and Youth Week, and Church School Day should receive special attention.

The district superintendents present, Dr. Taylor, Mr. Hiatt, and Mr. Hoyle made most helpful contributions to the planning of the group.

METHODIST YOUTH ADVANCE RALLY, WINSTON-SALEM, FEBRUARY 7

More than 2200 young people with their adult leaders crowded Centenary church to attend the first Youth Rally of the united Methodist Church in western North Carolina. Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes brought a soul stirring

message on "Bridging the Generations." He was introduced by Bishop Clare Purcell. Others appearing on the program were: Caroline York of Wesley Memorial, High Point, and DeWitt Nunn of Ardmore, Winston-Salem. The music was furnished by a twenty piece orchestra composed of young people from Centenary church, and a choir composed of 66 young people from 16 churches in Winston and vicinity. The choir was led by Mr. Grady Miller, minister of music at Centenary, and Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., led the congregational singing. Rev. M. Teague Hipps, director of youth work in the conference, presided.

Our newspapers have carried this meeting in large headlines, but it has deeper significance than its news value. It is the first great meeting in our conference of the united youth of Methodism. Young people have come into the prominence in the church which this meeting symbolizes. It is an omen of the future. This rally will be followed in every district by a district meeting for the young people with their adult leaders. Outstanding speakers, including our own bishop, have been secured. Let us give our young people an opportunity to catch the vision and consecrate themselves to the task which has become the high privilege or a greater Methodism.

M. Teague Hipps.

TRAINING SCHOOL AT EAST MARION

In spite of the most wintry weather of the year, including the deepest snowfall, one of the finest schools which it has been my privilege to attend was held at East Marion church during the week of January 21.

There were two classes, one general course, "The Life of Jesus," taught by Rev. J. G. Wilkinson of Black Mountain, and one for children's workers, "Teaching." It was my pleasure to be able to meet with the group of children's workers, which included a general superintendent and a district superintendent! Mr. Hughes and Mr. Cornett helped the children's workers to see to better advantage the entire program of the church, and we were most delighted to find the general superintendent and district superintendents so interested in the children that they both "came, saw, and conquered," and went away victorious, with credit in a children's workers' course!

These were two of the most enthusiastic classes any of us had ever seen. In fact, Mr. Wilkinson's people came early and stayed late. Even though the snow did delay the school one night 28 people came through for credit, and there were more than 60 in attendance. Mr. Wellman, pastor of East Marion and Clinchfield churches, was one of the most enthusiastic of Mr. Wilkinson's class. Had it not been for his enthusiasm and his willingness to travel

through the snow to bring people to the school, many could not have attended.

It was a grand school, with excellent spirit shown by all concerned. Keep up such good work!

CONFERENCE STAFF MEETS WITH DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS AND BISHOP PURCELL

On Tuesday afternoon and evening preceding the conference-wide Methodist Advance meeting, the conference staff and the executive committee of the board of education met with Bishop Purcell and ten of the district superintendents at Sunny Acres to discuss together the place of Christian education in the Methodist Advance. Dinner was served at 12:30. At 1:45 J. G. Huggin, Jr., led a worship service. After announcements by Dr. G. Ray Jordan concerning the meeting in Winston the following day, Miss Oliver led the discussion on children's work. This was followed by a consideration of the extension program, led by Earl D. C. Brewer. Young people's work was presented by M. Teague Hipps. At five o'clock Dr. E. J. Coltrane, Dr. H. C. Sprinkle and Dr. Boehler presented Brevard College. The afternoon session closed with a message from Bishop Purcell. The discussions opened many new avenues of approach to the opportunities in the field of Christian education during the remainder of the year.

During the evening session Evangelism, the Methodist Advance, increased enrollment and attendance at the church school, quarterly conference reports, the fourth quarterly conference report, institutes, training schools and other matters of mutual interest were discussed. The group spent the night at Sunny Acres and adjourned to the Advance meeting at Centenary church on Wednesday morning. No more significant meeting in behalf of Christian education has been held in our conference in recent years. The fellowship, discussions and group thinking were most helpful. We hope more meetings of this type will be held in the future.

PLANNING FOR TRAINING Archdale Charge

Dr. O. B. Mitchell is planning for a two course training course school for Christian workers on the Archdale charge, April 21-24. The instructors will be Miss Elizabeth Oliver and M. Teague Hipps, and the courses will be "Teaching and the Meaning of the Christian Religion."

Morganton Charge

Leaders on the Morganton charge expect to have a training class using the course, "Music in the Small Church," March 31-April 3. Garland Stafford is the pastor.

Boulevard Church

Rev. George Hood and his people at Boulevard church, Statesville, will be among the first former M. E. churches to have a training class on "The Educational Work of the Small Church." It will be held March 31 to April 3, and Earl Brewer will be the instructor.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE METHODIST ADVANCE

The Methodist Advance advances. The soul of this movement is good and the machinery set up for its advancement has been well directed. Much good is accumulating. Our leaders are learning through association to know their people and our people are learning through observation to appreciate their leaders. The great Methodist hosts are being cemented into a solidarity of unified action. The Winston-Salem meeting, one of the eighty-two regional meetings of the entire connection, was a decided success. Not only did a great concourse of people attend but an enthusiasm was aroused. Interest was generated to such an extent as to cause encouragement to every Methodist Christian soldier in becoming more energetic in the onward march of making our country a better place in which to live.

THE ENTHUSIASM OF YOUTH

The evening session of the Methodist Advance meeting at Winston-Salem was a sight to behold. It was for youth but many older people took advantage of it. As a matter of fact, most of the front half of Centenary's auditorium was filled with adults, those coming early in order to be sure of hearing Bishop Hughes. Really his challenge was as much to them as to youth. After over 1500 were comfortably seated some 500 others gathered in other areas of the church to hear through mechanical devices the wonderful message of the bishop. A number of young people who had come from distances were keenly disappointed in not being able to be in seeing distance of the evening's wonderful program. Centenary's young people's orchestra and Winston-Salem's young people's choir rendered inspiring music. Youth gave another instance of its willingness to be in the vanguard of the Methodist movement.

THE TRUE TEST

Bishop Hughes' message was not by any means the only great challenge of the Winston-Salem meeting. Every speaker was a key-noter. However, his challenge to adults to understandingly appreciate and love youth and to youth to heed and evaluate the wisdom of the more experienced was convincing. He eliminated all tests of external evidences for determining meanness except one, stating that the only sure test for determining a mean man or woman was a dislike for children. Conversely, he intimated, that there was an element of goodness in any person who loved children.

BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT

Another North Carolina tournament of orphanage basket ball players was held at the Lexington Children's Home Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week. This tournament, like others, was attended with much interest and good-natured rivalry. Boys' and girls' teams from the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, the High Point Children's Home, the Winston-Salem Children's Home, the Thomasville Mills Home, the Lexington Children's Home and the Presbyterian Orphans' Home at Barium Springs were entered, and with the exception of two preliminary games every contest was close and hard fought. The Winston-Salem's Children's Home girls and the High Point Children's Home boys emerged victorious, and in so doing were presented with lovely trophies.



See what the kodak did

BENEVOLENT ALTRUISM

The following congregations have joined our Benevolent Order of Altruism since last week's report, they having paid their Children's Home quota in full for the present conference year and having signified their desire to help provide for deserving parentless and homeless boys and girls. Kindly note them and their pastors in charge and join us in grateful thanks:

Love's, Walkertown, Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr.

Wade, Lilesville circuit, Rev. H. R. Cornelius.

Tyro, Linwood circuit, Rev. O. E. Croy.

DADDY DIED

Odell, an early teen-age Boy Scout, has come to live at the Children's Home. When making his personal application this lad was reminded that he was over the age limit and was presented with the question as to whether he could make suitable adjustments to our way of living. In his assuring answer of his desire to so do, he reminded his hearer that he would like ever so much to live with his two younger sisters and a brother already enrolled

in the Children's Home, and that since his mother died years ago he had lived in constant uneasiness that daddy would also pass away, he having heart trouble. Odell confidently remarked that he thought daddy was getting worse and that he and an older brother, the other member of the household, had misgivings of what would become of them. He thought the older brother could go along with the shoe mending business but that he would be deprived of a chance. Odell came to us and in three days daddy died, answering the summons while slowly driving an old car on a mission of service. The boys have taken Odell into their hearts and he has a home at the Children's Home.

PICTURE TAKING

Virginia Boyette and Audrey Penny, choice members of the Children's Home family, love to take kodak pictures. Much of their honorarium money is spent in this way. Recently they insisted on taking Mrs. Woosley's picture. She agreed to the proposition, since the girls are such co-operative youngsters. So the fourth party was called into service and the picture herewith presented was snapped. Virginia, on the left, is sponsored by Circle No. 6, of the Woman's Missionary Society, Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte. Audrey, on the right, is sponsored by the Lena Hall Bible class of Main Street, Reidsville.

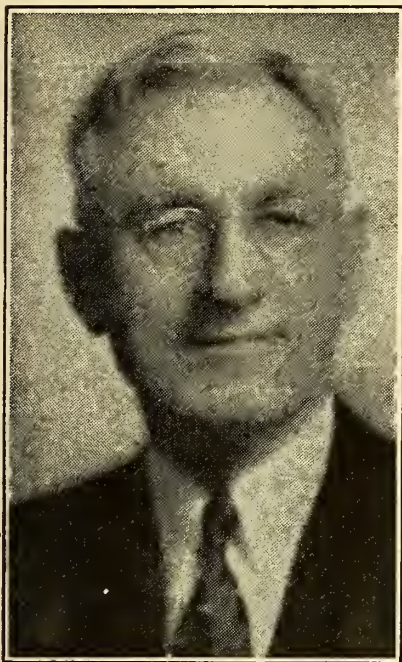
SOME EVIDENCES OF GOODNESS

This scribe does a lot of case work. Last week he reviewed a distressing case in which the mother of four bright children, five to eleven years of age, and the wife of an apparently good man, persisted in leaving home for no good purpose, following family disputes and contentions. The mother stated that since the coming of her first child, before she was sixteen years of age, she had raised babies and worked in the mill while her husband cut his fling and that now, even though her husband no longer is a bad man, he does not want her to have a good time. So they quarrel, disagree and even fight while the children scatter among the neighbors in the closely settled mill village. While the case worker was urging a better understanding and a better chance for love to have right of way he noticed that over on the nicely arranged table was a picture of Christ and his disciples in their last family supper. The case worker, the husband and the erring mother looked for awhile at the picture and then gave way to tears and to mellowness of spirit. Maybe four children will have a happier home.

CHEERFUL CHIRPING

Rev. F. E. Howard serves nine congregations on the Farmer circuit, the largest number of appointments of any minister in the Western North Carolina conference. In addition to being very busy in remodeling and refurnishing a new parsonage he has seen to it that every church school on his charge gave a fifth Sunday offering for both October and December. He says, "Our churches are very small but a little contribution from them has amounted to \$22 this conference year and that is better than nothing."

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

SPECIAL GUESTS—Mrs. Barnes and I were delighted to have Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Russell as our personal guests over night during the Methodist Advance in Raleigh. Brother Russell is giving himself without stint to promoting the whole program of the church throughout the New Bern district. His large circle of friends confidently believe that he will make a most successful district superintendent.

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CAMPAIGN—The woman's missionary societies of the North Carolina conference are girding themselves for a most active campaign to secure hundreds of thousands of Octagon soap coupons with which to buy a large electric range for the Methodist Orphanage. The price of the range is \$1500, but it will not cost the Methodist Orphanage one cent. Just think, for the desired number of coupons we can get a \$1500 electric range, which we need so badly. Our old coal range is just about worn out.

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MY HEART IS SET—On securing a gymnasium for the physical education of our boys and girls. For several years I have felt this need very keenly. Recently the matter has become very acute. I have a tentative plan for an adequate gymnasium to meet our urgent need. I can't imagine anything that anyone could do for us that would mean more for the physical health of our children and their happiness than a gymnasium. To meet our needs will not require a great outlay of money. How I do wish someone would erect a gymnasium for us in memory of some loved one, or in honor of themselves. Our boys and girls are uniting their prayers with mine for a gymnasium to be built this spring or summer.

METHODIST ADVANCE—Bishop W. W. Peele and three other distinguished bishops of the Methodist Church brought soul stirring messages to large and appreciative congregations at Edenton Street church on the 6th of this month. Methodism is in a position, since unification, to make an impact upon the world as it could never do when it was divided into three denominations. I believe with all my heart that a brighter day has dawned for world-wide Methodism in its efforts to spread scriptural holiness around the world. It is sincerely hoped that all Methodists will keep step for a world conquest.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives gives the following account of the visit of our singing class to the Wake Forest church, on the Millbrook charge, the first Sunday in February: "The class has had few engagements this year because of so much bad weather. Mr. Barnes has not sent us out. Sunday, February 4, we were with Rev. M. M. Walters at Wake Forest for the 11 o'clock service. Our congregation was pleasing, and we were happy to know what the friends are doing for us. Apportionment on this charge has been paid in full for the present conference year, and also many specials sent in. This was a delightful visit for the class."

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SMITHFIELD AND GOLDSBORO—The first Sunday in February I worshipped with the congregation at Centenary Methodist church in Smithfield, and enjoyed an exceptionally good sermon by the pastor, Rev. J. J. Boone. At the close of the sermon I was given a few minutes to bring greetings to the congregation from our big family. In the afternoon I had the privilege of meeting with a large group of laymen in the New Bern district at St. Paul church, Goldsboro. Brother W. C. Chauncey, lay leader in the New Bern district, called upon me to say a few words in the interest of our home. I am happy to see our laymen girding themselves for more effective service in the various local churches of the conference. This field is white unto harvest, and the men of the church are rendering worth while service.

BROWN'S VACATION

By Amos R. Wells

"I've had a vacation," said Timothy Brown;
 "A fine one, though I have not left the town.
 I merely vacated my worries and fears,
 And at once became younger by fairly five years.
 I vacated my ruts, and began to enjoy
 My regular humdrum, but useful employ.
 I changed my whole outlook and vision of life,
 And made it a pastime instead of a strife.
 I've had a vacation, not vacant, a bore,
 But fuller and freer than ever before;
 The best of vacations for fat purse or lean—
 A change of the seeing instead of the scene."

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ELECT DELEGATES NOW

Delegates to the annual conference which will convene in Henderson on April 1, 2, 3, should be elected not later than the March auxiliary meeting and names sent with one dollar for luncheon to Mrs. R. S. Johnson, 299 Gholson Avenue, Henderson, N. C. No delegate shall expect entertainment unless names are sent five days prior to conference. The date for conference has been changed to Monday, April 1, in order to secure Bishop W. W. Peele and Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton as speakers.

SECRETARY PRO TEM

Acting upon the advice of her physician, Mrs. J. B. Temple, conference recording secretary, has relinquished the duties of that office. Mrs. Walter Patten has agreed to serve as recording secretary until after the annual conference and to edit the conference minutes. Mrs. Temple has been most loyal and efficient during her term of office and it is our sincere wish that she shall soon regain her health and strength. Mrs. Patten has previously proved her great capabilities and we are indeed fortunate to secure her as acting recording secretary.

WARREN ZONE WILL MEET

Mrs. J. C. Burwell, zone leader, announces that the Warren county zone will meet on February 27 at Providence church on the Warren circuit, beginning at 10 a. m. This will be a combined meeting of officers' training day and the spring zone meeting. All officers are especially urged to come and as many others as possible from each society. Bring a light lunch.

ELIZABETH CITY AUXILIARY

The woman's society of First Methodist church, Elizabeth City met on Monday afternoon, January 8. Rev. H. K. King, pastor, installed the officers for the new year. Mrs. M. L. Sharp too the chair. Mrs. H. D. Walker, in the name of the society, thanked Mrs. L. R. Foreman for her work as president during the past three years. Mrs. Sheep spoke of plans for 1940 and of the Glenna Glover Award given by Mrs. Noah Burfoot in memory of her mother, Mrs. Glover, and which is awarded each quarter to the circle having the larger attendance at the business meetings. Circle members for 1940 were drawn and after all business was dispensed Mrs. Sheep led in the society's benediction.

WOMEN ON THE LONG TRAIL

Speaking to approximately 700 women at the Methodist Advance rally in Raleigh on February 6, Bishop H. Lester Smith emphasized the privileges and responsibilities of women in the great Methodist Advance movement. Said he: "We are going on a long journey, not knowing where we are going.

There is much ahead of us. We would like to come to the end of the journey quickly and with ease, but we do not travel the journey of life that way. God does not promise an easy way. It is a hard task but we must address ourselves to it with faith and with urgency. All that is religious in the world today is in the hearts of people. Isn't it enough to make the missionary women pray and work? We have to face the fact that we must do the job of winning the world to Christ NOW. Attitudes of all that is good and wholesome in a community are largely determined by the womanhood of the community. We have to set the standards of Jesus for our community and church. We must give ourselves to the whole task."

AN INTERESTING PROJECT

Mrs. M. T. Plyler shares with us a recent project undertaken by the woman's auxiliary of Trinity Methodist church, Durham, which is interesting and a remarkable demonstration of what united strength can accomplish. The services of Dr. Frederick Koch of the University of North Carolina were engaged to give a reading of Dicken's "A Christmas Carol." Through the generosity of Duke University, Page Auditorium which seats 1518 people, was loaned for this occasion. Both daily and school papers and radio station WPTF gave space for publicity. One hundred posters were donated by Mrs. Clyde Kelley. The Durham singers, aided by some of the best town voices, sang Christmas carols. Duke Memorial church, the Christian church and the Y. W. C. A. helped with the sale of tickets, selling them on a fifty-fifty basis. The evening was a success from financial, artistic and social standpoints and will long be remembered by the people of Durham and by the members of the missionary auxiliaries of the several churches in particular. The members of the Trinity auxiliary are delighted to follow the leadership of Mrs. Paul N. Garber who, as president, manifests keen intellect, consecrated energy and unflinching courage.

FAYETTEVILLE DIST. CHILDREN

Mrs. Kate Milliken, Hamlet, writes: "Children brought gifts for children in war zone and for needy children in the community." Mrs. Jerome Melvin, Hay Street, Fayetteville: "Primary children enjoyed making Mexican Pinata; trimmed a Swedish tree which later was put out for birds; made Swedish cookies; made star hats and box scenes for program in the church; made toy store and gave it to the nursery department; made Christmas card scrap books for old ladies' home" Mrs. Neill McMillan, Parkton: "Sent box to European children; made picture scrap book for children at Methodist Orphanage; decorated tree for church and made wreath for church door."

MOTOR CAR EPITAPHS

By R. H. Bennett

They are needed nowadays, with no man knowing whether his wife and children are coming home in the car or in an ambulance.

"The shade of night were falling fast,
A youth stepped on the gas and passed.
A crash! He died without a sound.
They opened up his head and found—
Excelsior!"

"Here lies the body of Jonas Bray,
Who died maintaining the right of way.
He was right, dead right, as he sped
along;
But he's just as dead as if he'd been
wrong."

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Whenever you drive out you see "drivers" running riot over traffic rules. They are hunting epitaphs for themselves, and for you. A Burma Shave jingle says. "Very few drivers are now alive who passed on curves at 75." A veterinary surgeon can tell what is the matter with them. The inscription is already written for them, whether they belong to the literati of Boston, the profligati of New York or the sarcophagi of Philadelphia. More power to the traffic man. Back him up. We must hang together or we shall hang separately, as Ben Franklin said when he signed the immortal Declaration. A jail sentence and revoked license for drunken drivers.

OUR STATE

By E. M. Avett

Forests and fields,
Hills and dale,
Vast expense of
Sand and shale—

Vegetation rank
Where game abounds,
Known to the Indians
As hunting grounds.

Feet in the ocean,
Head in the sky,
She was named Carolina
In the sweet by and by.

Immigrants came from
A far off shore,
Seeking her treasures
But liberty more.

So great was her giving
The wanderers ceased to roam.
They built rude log cabins
And soon called it home.

Call it what you will,
Evolution or growth.
To explain her great life
We may have to use both.

Her mountains and valleys
With highways and stream
For traffic and travel,
They make a great team.

With churches and schools
To guide her thought quest,
On the tomb of superstition
She simply writes "At Rest."

Carolina, we've said little;
We can't tell it all.
Have an interview with Carolina—
To her charms you will fall.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MY PRAYER

By Blossom Bennett

Give me an understanding heart
That I may know Thy will,
That I may hear and comprehend
Thy voice though small and still.
May I be willing to be led
As Thou shalt choose the way,
Content to trust Thee as my guide
And follow Thee each day.

May I have courage to endure
The trials I must bear;
Increase my strength to meet the needs
Of constant toil and care.
I do not ask a life of ease
From pain and grief set free,
I only ask that I may live
In harmony with Thee.

—From The Church School Magazine.

NEWS FROM POLAND MISSIONARIES

Missionary Bulletin

In November Bishop Otto Melle, Nazi Methodist bishop of Germany, made a trip to Warsaw, Poland, to discover how our missionaries there were faring and to investigate the condition of our property. Excerpts from the bishop's letter tell their own interesting story:

"The two missionaries, Misses Ruth Lawrence and Ellen Newby, left Warsaw when the troops came nearer and nearer to the city. The American consul told them that perhaps only one train more . . . would leave the city in the direction of the East. They hurried to the station. . . . The train left Warsaw the next morning and needed more than two days to get as far as 50 kilometers from the city when it was stopped by the bombs from aeroplanes. With the knapsack on their shoulders they marched from village to village, stayed one night in the house of a Catholic priest, the other night in the family of a Reformed pastor, then again in the homes of farmers, etc., until using, at last every kind of vehicle, they arrived in Warsaw again after the Germans had occupied the city.

Both are well and they tell experiences with humor. They are glad to be back on the place of their work, which they hope soon to begin. The bishop states that the people of Poland are looking toward the future with faith. 'They believe,' he says, 'that the past weeks deepened their spiritual life and strengthened their faith. And when they spoke about the events of the past week they felt that they believe in new opportunities for the gospel in the future.'

He adds, 'I was glad to be able to bring to the brethren a little gift from the Methodists in Germany and to invite Brother Warfield as soon as he can come for a few weeks in one of our homes in Germany for recreation.'

The mission property was not damaged a great deal."

Miss Ruth Lawrence of Pritchard, Alabama, and Miss Callie Lewis Browne of Charlottesville, Va., (now at home on furlough) are the two missionaries in Poland from our Woman's Missionary Council, Miss Brown having volunteered in 1926 and Miss Lawrence in 1930. Friends of these two missionaries will be interested in the foregoing account of experiences of Miss Lawrence and Miss Newby and are glad to know that the damage done to our mission there is slight.—Editor.

AN INTERESTING CONTEST FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

The World Outlook in co-operation with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Goethe of Sacramento, California, announced the Mary Glide Goethe Essay Contest for 1940 for young people on the subject, "The Huguenots and Their Influence in America," to which all young people under 25 are eligible. Cash prizes will be awarded: First prize \$50, second prize \$25, third prize \$15, and fourth prize \$10. All essays must be in by July 15, 1940, and should contain from 2000 to 5000 words, legibly and neatly written, preferably type-written, double spaced (on one side of paper only) and will be the property of the World Outlook.

Helps for the essays may be secured from your local libraries or book stores, or write to the Methodist Publishing House, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., also the Huguenot Society of America, 2 West Forty-Fifth St., New York.

Fagan Thompson writes in The Upper room:

"Let us early in the morning praise God and say: Glory be to thee, O God:

For thy power and thy majesty as we observe them in the world about us. For thy tender love and mercy as revealed in Jesus Christ.

For the knowledge that love is stronger than sin and stronger than death. For the heartfelt assurance that thou art with us this day and will be with us to the end of our days.

For the love which thou dost inspire in the hearts of men, women and children everywhere.

For inspiring men to all truth, goodness and beauty in the world.

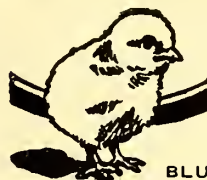
For the blessed consciousness that thou art mindful of the least of thy servants."

If we put aside pressing cares and allow the life of the universe to whisper in our hearts, living becomes pure joy. Then the heart will be detached from illusions and worldly cares to be overcome. Even in the midst of the most chaotic scenes there will be a stillness of soul which is undisturbable.—Kagawa.

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Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

Citizens and Neighbors

Scripture: Matthew 22:15 to 23:39

It is strange how the words of Jesus keep coming back into burning and present-day significance. Some turn in history lights them up like a great electric sign, and we see their immediate application to our pressing problems. The demand of the totalitarian states that loyalty to the dictator must take precedence over all other loyalties, adds a new interest to our Lord's words about giving tribute to Caesar.

Palestine was seething with the fires of revolution. Multitudes of Jews felt that to pay taxes to the oppressive Roman government was practically to say, I do not believe God has power to deliver us. In a word, to pay taxes to Rome was paganism. The enemies of Jesus knew that if he gave any indication of sympathy with this point of view the Roman governor would at once dispose of him. They also knew that if he said that it was lawful to pay tribute to Caesar he would lose the loyalty of the great multitude of the "reds."

Jesus at once detected their hypocrisy and said, Show me a denarius; and when they brought it, he pointed to the face of Caesar stamped upon the silver and said, "Whose is this image and superscription?" And they said, "Caesar's." Jesus therefore answered, render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's."

Our Lord knew that revolution against Rome was madness and meant annihilation, as it actually did when they rebelled in A.D. 70. Moreover the Roman government administered a rough justice and maintained peace, and hence rendered a service that entitled it to tribute. More than this, under Rome there was complete religious liberty. Rome was making no effort at that time to erect the image of Caesar in the temple and demand idolatrous worship. So Jesus said, Make the best of the situation by paying your taxes, and rejoice in the privilege of serving God after the dictates of your own conscience.

The answer of Jesus was not only serpentine wisdom in handling his hypocritical enemies, but it is also an expression of a principle for the guidance of men in all ages who are suffering a measure of oppression that is inevitable but are not forced to disobey the laws of God.

The time came, however, when Rome became jealous of the increasing power and influence of the Christian church, and ordained that all Christians must burn incense before the image of the emperor. Then Caesar demanded not only the things that were

Caesar's but the things that were God's, and multitudes of Christians suffered martyrdom rather than acknowledge that the man on the throne was in place of God. And that is exactly what the brave souls in the concentration camps across the sea are doing now. They will not acknowledge the right of the dictator to formulate their creed and govern the church.

We must be very watchful even in our own free land lest the government demand of us not only its rights but also a type of submission that should be rendered to God alone. Already a person, although passionately devoted to the ideals of our democracy, cannot become a citizen unless he takes an oath that says, in effect, "If Congress should declare a war that is morally inexcusable, and a plain affront to the laws of God, I will obey Congress and defy God, so help me, God!"

Our Roman Catholic friends take off their hats when they pass a church. It would not be a bad custom if we lifted our hats in gratitude to God when we pass a courthouse, remembering that no one has a right to sentence us to prison save when twelve men unanimously conclude that we are guilty. We do not sing the doxology half often enough for our liberties and the privilege of exercising by the ballot a part of the function of Caesar himself.

The next catch question follows on quite logically. Jesus had said, "Render unto God the things that are God's"; and a scribe now answers, Tell us what are the things that are God's. What is the great commandment in the law? And Jesus answered, "Thou shalt love thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second like unto it is this, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

Jesus' answer deprived his questioner of the coveted opportunity of a hair-splitting argument. Neither the first commandment nor the second lays down any precise rule or pattern for outward conduct. Two men can both love God and their neighbors sincerely, and yet express this love in very different ways. One man can show his love to God like an old-fashioned Methodist by shouting "Halelujah!" Another shows it like a Quaker by awe-struck silence. One loves God with all his mind by delving deep into all the theological problems of his day; another loves God with all his mind by patient study of the conditions around him, and the best practical method of raising money to build a hospital or school.

Both the first and the second commandments, however, demand unstinted enthusiasm. Like the fires in the blast furnaces love must be fanned by a strong current, and the current is the rushing, mighty wind of the Holy Spirit. The primary problem in religion is now to receive this current that will fan our love into a hot flame. The answer is plain and simple, Connect your life with Christ, the great heavenly dynamo. Place him always before you. In proportion as he is lifted up he will give power to love, and wisdom to love wisely (John 12:32; 2 Corinthians 3:18; Philippians 4:12 and 1:9-10).—Christian Advocate.

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ADA BELLE AND THE CHICKENS

"You old hens, you old chickens, roosters! I wish you would fly away to the mountains and never come back!"

The speckled hen replied first. What she said sounded like "Pshaw! pshaw! pshaw!"

Another hen, the yellow one, walked close to the wire netting to say things, and after that all the hens and the roosters and the little chickens flapped their wings and told Ada Belle things she didn't care to hear.

"Keep still, will you? You make me feel cross as a bear," the child went on. "If it wasn't for you I wouldn't have to go over to Mrs. Brown's every day after their old left-overs for you to eat. I can't walk through our garden without looking first across Mrs. Benson's garden to see if the Browns are in their garden. If those Browns see me no matter when it is, they always call: 'Ada Belle, Ada Belle! Here's a pail of chicken food ready for you. Better come and get it now!' Chicken food, dear me!"

Just at this minute Jimmy Brown saw his little neighbor. "Oh, there you are," he exclaimed in the happiest tones.

From the sound of his voice one would think Jimmy was bubbling over with joy just because he had discovered Ada Belle by looking over his garden fence. "Mother told me," continued the boy, "that I must find you, even if I went to your front door and rang the bell. Come over here, you're wanted."

"I'm wanted, am I? Well, I won't go."

Ada Belle said this with a pout. Then she hid behind the hen house and listened. She expected to hear Jimmy Brown come whistling into the garden with a pan of chicken food. His mother often sent him with it when Ada Belle managed to keep out of the way or pretended to forget.

It was warm behind the hen house—particularly warm, because it was July in Southern California. After Ada Belle had waited half an hour in the sun, she decided it might be safe to cross the garden and swing in the hammock under the pepper tree.

Sometimes it seemed as if all the little girl did was to dodge chicken food. Why she hated to go after it was more than she knew. Mother said that keeping of hens in California was so expensive she was glad to have a neighbor willing to save watermelon rinds, potato parings, and all sorts of things hens appreciated. She was ashamed of Ada Belle. "To think I have a little daughter who is a shirk," said mother. "Do you know, Ada Belle," she often suggested, "that lazy folks work harder trying to avoid work than they would if they did their tasks, oh, much harder?"

TO THE MUMMY OF A CAT

By Henry Beckett

When you were alive
Did you ever catch a mouse
That lived down a hole
In a great Egyptian house?

Did some little girl
Like to stroke yor velvet fur,
And after a meal
Did you sleep and purr?

Or, being a cat
That was worshipped and enshrined,
Did you have to act
Very haughty and refined?

Well, ages have passed
Since a cat was idolized,
If you came to life
You'd be awfully surprised.

—Our Dumb Animals.

While Ada Belle was sitting in the hammock the Bailey twins went by talking and laughing in the merriest fashion.

"Where have you been?" called Ada belle.

"Over to Mrs. Brown's," answered the blue-eyed twins. "Didn't she 'vite you?"

"'Vite to what?" asked Ada Belle, sitting straight up in the hammock.

"Why, there was a man, I guess he was a poetry man or something. He was her uncle, anyway, and he came from Los Angeles where he's been staying this week; and he brought her a five-pound box of chocolates, and he likes children better'n anything. So Mrs. Brown 'vited us all to a kind of s'prise party, 'cause everybody was s'prised, and the man told the best stories you ever heard and sang the funniest songs, and we had the finest time. Too bad you didn't get 'vited!" and on down the street went the twins, leaving Ada Belle feeling sad.

"Oh, dear! Oh, dear!" she wailed. "I thought it was chicken feed! I could have gone after it and given it to the hens in three minutes. Oh, dear why didn't I know it was a party?"

Ada Belle remembered that mother said wise folks always did their work first thing. She was sure George Washington would have gone to the neighbor's every day if it had been his duty. Mother was usually right. "I wish I had gone over when Jim called me," said Ada Belle; and then she cried until her eyes were red.

Half an hour later, when the little girl was moping around the garden feeling as if everything had gone wrong, mother called her. "Come here, Ada Belle," said she. "Let me change your dress and comb your hair. Jim-

mie has come with a box of chocolates for you and an invitation to dinner. He said to tell you his uncle wishes to hear you recite 'The Ragedy Man,' and if you come over you are sure to have a jolly time."

When Ada Belle was ready to go mother kissed her. "If you would only learn to behave as well as you look," said she, "mother would take such comfort in her dear little girl."

"Do you mean chicken food?" demanded Ada Belle. "'Cause if you do, why, I've decided to go after it every morning forever and ever without being called or sent or talked to. Maybe some time I'll even learn to like the bothersome old chickens."—The Children's Visitor.

THINGS YOU DON'T NEED TO KNOW

It's hard to believe, isn't it—that the Pacific end of the Panama Canal is father east than the Atlantic end?

That Venice, Italy, and Montreal, Canada, are in about the same latitude?

That if an express train had started out from the earth for the planet Neptune at the birth of Christ, and had traveled 60 miles an hour day and night ever since, it would not be half-way there?

That Cuba would reach from New York to Chicago?

That the mouth of the Amazon river is as near to Europe as it is to New York?

That Texas is as large as 212 Rhode Islands?

That when measured in degrees of longitude, San Francisco is about in the middle of the United States, including Alaska?

That the entire continent of South America lies farther east than Florida?

That Glasgow, Scotland, is in the same latitude as Alaska?

That if the southern end of Chile, South America, were placed at the southern limit of Florida, it would extend northward entirely across the United States and Canada, and half-way across Hudson Bay?—Religious Telescope.

Old Lady: "Son, can you direct me to the People's Savings Bank?"

Boy: "Yessum, for a quarter."

Old Lady: "Isn't that a mighty high pay, my boy?"

Boy: "No, ma'am; not for a bank director."

A young couple with a seven-year-old son moved from the city to the country. On the boy's first day at school the teacher asked him who made all the beautiful flowers and trees.

"I don't know," he answered. "I just moved here."

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G. T. Bend, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
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Calvary, 7:3014
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Big Springs, 1118
Spencer Memorial, 7:3018
Weddington, Union, 1125
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ELKIN DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	February
Mocksville Ct., Dulln, 2:3017
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Todd, Fairview, 11	16
Boone, 11; Friendship, 2:30	17
Sparta, Shiloh	24
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11	31
April	
Warrensville, Lansing, 11	7
Creston-Riverview, 2:30	7
Traphill, Charity, night	19
Helton, Grassy Creek, 11	14
Green Valley, Mt. View, 11	20
Watauga, Valle Crucis, 11	21

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February	
East Gastonia, 11	18
Bessemer Ct., Smyrna, 3	18
Cramerton, South Point, night	18
Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11	25
Shelby Ct., Sharon, 3	25
Shelby-Carolene, Bessemer, night	25
March	
Belwood, l'alm Tree, 11	3
Fallston, Fallston, 3	3
Gastonia, Trinity, night	3
South Fork, Zion, 11	10
Casar, Palm Tree, 2:30	10
Gastonia, West End, night	10
Polkville, Polkville, 11	17
Cleveland, Marier, 3	17
Lovesville, Snow Hill, 11	24
Rock Springs, Webb's Chapel, 3	24
Belmont, Park Street, night	24
Lincolnton, First Church, 11	31
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 3	31
Cherryville, First Church, night	31
April	
Mount Holly, 11	7
Dallas, High Shoals, night	7
Lincoln Ct., Marvin, 11	14
Crouse, Lander's Chapel, 3	14
Boger City, night	14
Bessemer, Concord, 11	21
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GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

SECOND ROUND (INCOMPLETE)

February	
Fiat Rock, 11	18
Saint Paul, 3	18
Jamestown, Oakdale, 7:30	18
Greensboro: West End, 7:30	21
Reidsville Ct., Lowes, 11	24
College Place, 11	25
Guliford Ct., 3	25
Carraway Memorial, 7:30	25
Centenary, 7:30	28
March	
Calvary, 11	3
Stoneville, Stoneville, 7:30	3
Brown Summit, Shady Grove, 11	10
Greensboro: Bethel, 7	10
Reidsville, Lindsay Street, 11	17
Spray, 3	17
Danbury, 7:30	17
Madison, 7:30	27
Leaksville, 11	31

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.

SECOND ROUND

(Subject to necessary changes)

February	
Farmer, New Hope, 7:30	15
Liberty, 7:30	21
Asheboro, Central, 7:30	22
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 11	25
Asheboro, First, 7:30	28
March	
Why Not, New Hope, 2	2
Coleridge, 11	3
Wesley Memorial, 7:30	4
First Church, High Point, 7:30	6
Seagrove-Love Joy, Fairgrove, 2	9
Liberty Ct., 11	10
Richinad, West Bend, 7:30	11
Denton, Central, 1:30	13
Randleman Ct., 2	16
Asheboro Ct., Central Falls, 11	17
Lebanon, 7:30	20
Linwood, Macedonia, 2	23
Randleman, Union, 7:30	27
Shiloh, Friendship, 2	30
April	
Main Street, Hight Point, 7:30	3
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethel, 2	6
Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11	7
Ward Street, 7:30	7
South Davidson, Pleasant Grove, 2	10
Trinity, Hopewell, 11	14
Archdale, 7:30	17
Denton First, Pleasant Grove, 11	21
Oak View, 7:30	22
Rankin Memorial, 7:30	24
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	25
Highland, 7:30	26
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May	
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MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February	
McDowell, Bethel, 9:45	18
Norin Forest, 11	18
Marion Ct., Glenwood, 3	18
Cross Mills, 7:30	18
Henrietta, Henrietta, 11	25
Mill Springs, Gray's, 3	25
Glen Alpine, 7:30	25
March	
Connelly Springs, Bollinger's, 11	3

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Shady Grove, 3	3
Rutherford College, 7:30	3
Old Fort, 11	10
Old Fort Ct., Bethlehem, 3	10
Marion, First, 7:30	10
Cliffside, Avondale, 11	17
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3	17
Morganton Ct., Bethlehem, 7:30	17
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11	24
Forest City, 7:30	24
Rutherfordton, 11	31
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3	31
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	31

April	
Burnsville, 11	7
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 3	7
Spruce Pine, 7:30	7
Elk Park, Newland, 11	14
Avery, Fairview, 3	14
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30	14
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windham, 11	21
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3	21

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyte, Jr., D.S., Sta'esville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February	
Troutman, Troutman, 11	18
Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 3	18
Balls Creek, Friendship, night	18
Harmony, Clarksbury, 11	25
Olin, Fairmont, 3	25
Union Grove-Zion, Union Grove, night	25

March	
Broad Street, Statesville, 11	3
Taylorsville, Carson Chapel, 3	3
Stony Point, Stony Point, night	3
Mount Zion, Mount Zion, 11	10
McKendree-Williamson, Williamson, 3	10
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, night	10
Mooresville: Central, 11	17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 3	17
Mooresville: Broad Street, night	17
Hudson, Hudson, 10 and 3	24
Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 11	24
Granite Falls, night	24
Catawba, Bethlehem, 11	31
Shepherds, Wesley Chapel, 3	31
Maiden, Maiden, night	31

April	
Newton, 11	7
Hickory: Highland, Fairgrove, 3	7
Hickory: Westview, night	7
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn, 10 and 3	14
Lenoir: First Church, 11	14
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WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

February	
Highlands, 11	18
Franklin, 7:30	18
Franklin Ct., 11	25
Macon Ct., 3	25
Louisa, 7:30	25

March	
Waynesville, 11	3
Sylva, 7	3
Webster, 11	10
Cullowhee, 7	10
Catton, 11	17
Rockwood, 3	17
Bethel, 7:30	17
Dellwood, 7	20
Fines Creek, 11	24
Crabtree, 3	24
Canton, First Church, 7:30	24
Junaluska, 11	31
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WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

SECOND ROUND-IN PART

February	
Winston-Salem, Centenary, 11	18
Welcome, New Mt. Vernon, 3	18
Winston-Salem, Liberty Street, 7:30	20
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30	21
Forsyth, Pine Grove, 7:30	23
Lexington, State Street; West End, Thomasville, 11	25
Forsyth-Maple Springs; Hickory Grove, 7	25
Hiatt-Sedge Garden, Mt. Olive, 7	27
Deub's, Doub's, 7	28
Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30	29

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In Memoriam

ROSS—Miss Fannie Louise Ross, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ross of Glenn Alpine, born April 21, 1915, died in Charlotte, where she had been making her home for the last five years, February 4, 1940. The funeral services were conducted in the Glen Alpine Methodist church, of which she was a member by her pastor, who was assisted by Rev. E. F. Hardin.

She is survived by her father and mother, two sisters, Mrs. W. M. Dean of Ramseur and Mrs. Mildred Lane of Glen Alpine, and one brother, Luther Ross of Morganton.

She was a loving and obedient daughter, loved by all who knew her.

R. L. Young, P. C.

HANES—Dr. John Lewis Hanes, very prominent physician who lived at Pine Hall, N. C., after a brief illness of pneumonia at the City Hospital of Winston-Salem, passed into that higher life on January 16, 1940. Words fail us when we try to express what deep sorrow came into our hearts and home when he was called away. He leaves a devoted wife, and one son and three daughters and many others to mourn their loss. We look above the waves and thank God for the sweet hope that we have of meeting our Dr. Hanes in that land of light and beauty where we shall never say goodbye, but meet to part no more.

"There is no death—an angel form Walks o'er the earth with silent tread; He bears our best love ones away, And then we call them dead."

One who loved him.

LIVINGSTON—The Fletcher Methodist church feels that it has sustained a great loss in the passing of Miss Bessie Livingston, who died at her home in Fletcher on December 10, after an illness of two weeks due to pneumonia.

Miss Livingston was left a cripple after an attack of infantile paralysis which she had when about three years of age, and did not attain the height of an adult. In spite of these physical handicaps she took a keen interest in life. She was one of nine children and all through her life her sweet Christian spirit was the comfort of her brothers and sisters. It was always to her that they turned with all of their problems and troubles. Her home and her church were her life. She joined the church early in life and was always a regular attendant at church services. At the time of her death she was a member of the board of stewards of the Fletcher Methodist church and an officer in the woman's missionary society. In the society she was one of the most faithful members and will be greatly missed there as she will be in the whole church and in the community.

DANIEL—Mrs. Emma Speight Daniel was born September 20, 1852, and died November 22, 1939, in her 88th year. She was the daughter of Abner Speight of Greene county, N. C. Mrs. Daniel came from one of the most prominent and influential families in eastern North Carolina. She was distantly related to Richard Dobbs Speight, who figured so prominently in the history of North Carolina. She was married to Stephen J. Daniel December 21, 1871. Her husband passed away on December 2, 1890. To this union were born the following chil-

dren: Julia, William, Parrott, Justus, Sam, James and Lulu D. Farmer, 18 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Several years after the death of her husband she moved to Nash county and made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Wiley W. Farmer. Following the death of Mr. Farmer she and her daughter moved to Wilson, N. C., where she spent her latter years. Mrs. Daniel joined Tabernacle Methodist church, in Greene county, when she was 16 years of age, and later transferred her membership to Mt. Zion church, in Nash county, where she held her membership until the time of her death. Her life was adorned by the virtues of Christian living. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother and a kind neighbor and friend to all. The devotion of her daughter and sons was all that any mother could wish. Her last days on earth were filled with peace as she contemplated her approaching dissolution. When the end came she was ready for her translation. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. H. B. Porter, pastor of First Methodist church, Wilson, assisted by Rev. A. S. Barnes. She was laid to rest in the beautiful cemetery in Wilson under a mound of lovely flowers. A large circle of loved ones and friends mourn her passing, but are richer and better in the things of the spirit because she lived such a beautiful Christian life.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the woman's auxiliary of the First Methodist church, Lexington, N. C., wish to pay tribute to one of our beloved members, Mrs. W. G. Penry, who died January 9, 1940.

Mrs. Penry was a consecrated Christian who worked for and loved her church. She gave liberally of her time and money in the interest of her church. For many years she taught a Sunday school class of boys, directed the choir and worked faithfully in the missionary society.

Therefore be it resolved:

First, That in the passing of Mrs. Penry we have not only lost a loyal and devoted friend, but our church is bereft of an excellent leader and member.

Second, That the members of the auxiliary express to the family our deepest sympathy and commend them for comfort and guidance to Him who doeth all things well.

Third: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy to the local papers.

Mrs. C. C. Hargrave,
Mrs. J. V. Moffitt, Sr.
Mrs. Webster Koonts.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On January 23, 1940, God in his infinite wisdom took from our midst one of our beloved and faithful members, Mrs. Hattie L. Waters.

Her devotion to her family was widely known throughout the community and she was a faithful attendant at Sunday school and church whenever health and duty permitted. In the death of Mrs. Waters the Woman's Wesley Bible class of the Methodist church of Washington, N. C., has lost one of its best members and, as a class, extend our heartfelt sympathy to her family. She will be greatly missed by all, but we know that she is "at rest" in that beautiful land on high.

Resolved, that a copy of this be sent to the family, one to the N. C. Christian Advocate and a copy be spread upon the minutes.

Mrs. P. A. Nicholson,
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The Missionary Task Requires a More Christian Church

By LEWIS C. WRIGHT

IF united Methodism is to serve effectively as God's missionary agent in promoting the Christian way of life for men and nations, she has to become more vitally Christian herself. "Tarry ye" and "Follow me" are just as truly imperatives from the lips of Jesus as "Go ye." "Ye shall receive power when the Holy Spirit is come upon you," is always a basic condition for missionary success. Irresistible spiritual power, always and everywhere has a divine source, but is regularly channeled through human lives. No matter how efficient our organizations, how skillfully planned our field work, or how busy our typewriters may be, these are all secondary matters and mere tools of our labors. A missionary church must be in the deepest, truest sense a thoroughly Christian church. The living God must be in the midst of her. What St. Paul possessed as the basis of a holy, untiring zeal must be the possession of all our churches. When St. Augustine discovered, and the Reformers recovered, and Wesley brought to bear upon the hungry hearts—that alone will adequately energize united Methodism down to the smallest local congregation and out to the most distant mission station.

It will be a blunder of the ages if Methodism in this hour of opportunity does not become anew the channel of divine grace in helping greatly to move the world towards God. Beginning as a revival movement, Methodism has now become a world church. At times the emphasis upon organization, boards and officials has seemed to come dangerously near smothering her evangelical zeal.

What faith in God is needed! What super-human power is offered! What mountains of difficulty must be removed! What revolutionary religion is demanded! "Never since its struggle with the Roman Empire has Christianity been so seriously challenged in so many lands," says Latourette in "Missions Tomorrow." Our current humanistic theology and over-confident social schemes are not enough to guarantee that the Christian cause shall conquer. An amiable type of sentimental piety, all too common among us, is too mild. It does not equip people to live, and tirelessly toil, and even die for bringing God to men as Christ, or Paul, or John Huss have done. Only a God-centered religion, such as Jesus lived and taught and made vital for his disciples, as they faced the Roman Empire, will at all suffice for the work that lies ahead of the Methodist Church. Whatever will generate and develop the mood and the might of New Testament religion throughout our millions of members calls for our first missionary concern.

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We can win in this present advance only by all doing their best

OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO BOARDS 100 PER CENT

Central church, Asheville, W. A. Stanbury; Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle; Maxton, T. R. Jenkins; Williamston, S. J. Starnes, are the first four to report their official boards 100 per cent for the church paper. Nothing finer could happen to an official board than to become informed. This will be a long list before the General Conference meets.

Central in the west, Maxton as the southern leader, Williamston in the east, and Gibsonville in the center indicate that getting the board on the roll of honor is not a matter of geography. The trouble is in ourselves, not in our stars. Why not 100 pastors join Stanbury, Tuttle, Jenkins and Starnes? This would be real Methodist Advance.

GIRDING FOR THE ADVANCE

Notwithstanding the inclement weather of the present winter in Dixie a favorable start has been made in our Advocate campaign. But no more than a start is ours. Too many people do not even know of the special goal set. They do not see the paper and they do not hear of it from the pulpit. If the pastor mentions the paper they are not present to hear. These are among the people who report to this office that

the Advocate has not been mentioned in their church for five years, for it is inconceivable that a pastor would let any interest of the church go for half a decade with no word uttered in its behalf.

The start made thus far indicates a glorious victory for those who are coming across the line on the home stretch.

One Minimum Goal for All

At the last every charge will have secured the minimum goal of one new subscriber for every hundred members. The high honor will be for those who have made the stars to shine. Some consider the present goal as hardly a start. Note the report and see how far some have already gone beyond their minimum.

Whenever a woman takes hold of the local situation something begins to happen, as at Boone with Mrs. J. D. Rankin to help in the Advance. Others need to be rated with Mrs. Rankin.

It is interesting to note the difference in the reports from the several districts of the two conferences. Does the activity or capacity for leadership of the district superintendents have anything to do with the different showings of the 18 districts of the two conferences?

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Someone insists that the Bible, a hymn book, the Methodist Discipline and the Christian Advocate should be in every Methodist home.

"Religion is the first thing and the last thing," writes H. G. Wells, "and until a man has been found by God and finds God, he begins at no beginning and ends at no end."

Both Democrats and Republicans in announcing the meeting of their national conventions are equally outspoken for peace—evidently both party platforms will contain anti-war planks. This is one good thing they are agreed upon.

If a man were obliged to run down all the inuendos and misrepresentations which are uttered against him life would be a perpetual flea hunt, said Henry Ward Beecher upon one occasion. Think of a man spending his time at such little business. It would put him on the level with a dog that does nothing but scratch fleas.

An old minister reviewing his life coming to a close says: "If I could go back and do it over again, I would place even greater emphasis on the Christ as the only hope of the world. For the salvation of the individual from sin and despair? Yes, but also the teachings and spirit of Jesus as the crying need of business, social life, diplomacy, and all international relations."

Morbus sabbaticus, or Sunday sickness, is quite prevalent among church members of low vitality. The patient sleeps well Saturday night, eats a hearty breakfast Sunday morning, and suffers the attack before 11 o'clock. As a rule it does not last long. By noon the patient feels easier and usually is able to eat a hearty dinner. But the patient is never so ill that he can not read the Sunday paper.

To climb a tree and write learned essays upon the habits of elephants is said to be decidedly safer than to go into the pen and feed hay to enraged elephants. This obvious truth reminds one of those American peacemakers who are attempting to quiet the enraged elephants on the continent of Europe. None of them are willing to jeopardize their own lives, and it is just as well.

Men do not go to church to learn about science, philosophy, or art, however useful these may be. They go with a longing to hear a voice out of the heavens which tells them of things eye hath not seen or ear heard. The troubled desire to find comfort, the weary seek rest, and the disheartened would find a renewal of their strength and courage in order that they may be more than conquerors through the Son of God.

Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf utters wise words about Methodism in Chicago that might well apply to Methodism in most of our cities. Says he: "I am particularly anxious that we should achieve a greater unity of administration in Chicago, that we should have fewer treasurers administering our funds, that we should utilize more adequately our evangelistic, educational, and philanthropic agencies in a unified approach to the needs of Chicago."

In other days the favorite text taken from the Old Testament was God's words to Moses, "Say unto the children of Israel to go forward," and the one like unto it, taken from the New Testament was, "Grow in grace." With those old preachers there was no standing still. They would have the people ever on the move. But these frail worms of the dust were not left to themselves, for it was God that worketh in us to will and to do of his good pleasure. God and man were expected to work together. A good doctrine for the pulpit.

Our Theological Education

THEOLOGICAL education holds an important place in united Methodism. The Episcopal Address to the Uniting Conference said: "The theological seminaries of the new church will come into a greatly enlarged responsibility." During the past year representatives of the nine Methodist theological schools have held a number of meetings for the purpose of evaluating their common task in providing trained leaders for a denomination of eight million members. Hundreds of young men will be needed each year to fill the vacancies in the various annual conferences.

There are nine official theological schools of The Methodist Church, namely: Boston University School of Theology, Boston, Massachusetts; Candler School of Theology of Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia; Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, New Jersey; Duke University School of Religion, Durham, North Carolina; Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia; Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Illinois; Iliff School of Theology, Denver, Colorado; Southern Methodist School of Theology, Dallas, Texas; and Westminster Theological Seminary, Westminster, Maryland.

These nine official schools are connectional institutions. The Discipline states: "The theological schools of the church are established and maintained for the training of ministers. They exist for the benefit of the whole church and their support shall be provided by the whole church as part of its general benevolence giving." Although geographical reasons will in many cases determine the choice of a school by students, yet the nine theological seminaries are not to be considered as jurisdictional or conference agencies. A larger field has been opened to them.

North Carolina Methodists are proud that one of the nine official theological schools is located in our state. Although the School of Religion of Duke University is the youngest of the Methodist seminaries, yet a recent survey shows outstanding accomplishments since the founding in 1926. There are now three hundred and twenty of the former students of the School of Religion serving as pastors in The Methodist Church. They are represented in forty-one annual conferences. The School of Religion has contributed eighteen missionaries to six Methodist mission fields. Eighteen of

the alumni are faculty members in sixteen church related colleges and universities. School of Religion graduates are represented in almost all other types of religious service.

The relation of the School of Religion to the other graduate departments of Duke University makes possible further graduate study and research in religion beyond the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. Through Duke University there will be equipped in addition to pastors, teachers and directors of religious thought for generations following. The School of Religion was placed on the first list of accredited schools approved by the American Association of Theological Schools. Its educational rating was further enhanced when on November 10, 1938, Duke University was admitted to membership in the Association of American Universities.

In order to have funds for special purposes such as professorships, scholarships and lectureships the nine theological schools will from time to time appeal to the clergy and laity for financial assistance beyond the budget askings. There should be a liberal response to the calls of any or all of the schools. On the other hand the church has a right to expect assistance from the schools. As the Discipline states: "It is expected that our schools of theology will acquaint their students with the current programs of The Methodist Church, such as its educational, missionary, social, and other service programs, and with the organizations and terminology of the church." Judging from past experience this Discipline statement is almost superfluous, for our theological schools have always been loyal to all the causes of the church.

Everything Is Going to the Dogs

ONE of the refrains of every age has been "Everything is going to the dogs." The dogs have been made many huge promises, but they are still awaiting the fulfillment thereof and many have to continue an exercise of patience. A man in a pessimistic mood is a poor prophet. In proof thereof listen to the following:

William Pitt said: "There is scarcely anything around us but ruin and despair."

Wilberforce, in the early 1800's said: "I dare not marry, the future is so dark and unsettled."

Lord Grey in 1819: "... believed everything was tending to a convulsion."

The Duke of Wellington on the eve of his death (1851): "...thanked God he would be spared from seeing the consummation of ruin that is gathering around."

Disraeli (1849): "In industry, commerce and agriculture there is no hope."

Queen Adelaide said she "...had only one desire, to play the part of Marie Antoinette with bravery in the revolution that was coming to England."

Lord Shaftsbury said (1848): "Nothing can save the British Empire from shipwreck."

Rather Make a New Prayer

ANYBODY with a stick, fork or spoon can scramble an egg. But to unscramble—"aye, there's the rub!" To untangle the skein is a painstaking and sometimes a nerve racking task. Yet some people do little else than get things in a jumble. People of real value to society are compelled to spend a good portion of their time in an attempt to straighten out what other folks have muddled. The efficiency of some are constantly being put to the test to undo what the inefficiency of others have brought about. A man in church who got his prayer so muddled that he could not proceed, asked a neighbor to "finish the prayer." The neighbor with a refreshing candor replied, "I would rather make a new one." Who has not felt that way when called upon to undo what others have done?

Broken Dreams

DID you ever walk in the land of broken dreams and sigh, "Oh, if those dreams had only come true!" But those dreams of youth which filled the future with fortune and fame; those dreams of a far off day that saw your ships come sailing home with bales of silk and ingots of gold have all faded and fled like a rainbow set in the mists of the morning. But is this as bad as it appears?

"If our dreams had ne'er been broken;
Each in his season had come true;
Would our lives be now contented,
And of rosy tinted hue?

Or would the life of our own choosing,
Be what it seems it now would be?
Filled with the joy, the peace, the gladness,
Of a useful life, and free?"

Rupert Hughes' Estimate of George Washington

WHO is Rupert Hughes? you ask. About all the information that we are able to give is that he occupied a conspicuous place in public notice ten or fifteen years ago when he made the discovery that George Washington used profanity, drank liquor, and was a sort of average citizen of his day from the standpoint of personal conduct. It was the same Mr. Hughes, the already forgotten man, who wrote a widely discussed magazine article on "Why I Quit Going to Church," in which he put the blame primarily upon the church. When a man quits the church and puts the blame upon the Christian church, one need not be surprised to hear him discount the character of Washington.

But there will be no disposition to pull down the monument erected to his memory and we will still note each year that February 22 is one of the great dates in our calendar. Furthermore the American people will continue to teach their children that Washington "is first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen."

A Quaker With a Lot of Kin

"JOHN," said the old Quaker to a lad whom he esteemed as an especial favorite among the boys of his neighborhood, "has thee a purse?"

"No, sir," answered the lad with respect.

"That is too bad. I was going to give thee fifty cents to put in it," answered the old Quaker with a tone of regret.

Two weeks later he met the boy again and inquired, "John, has thee a purse now?"

"Yes, sir," replied John in great glee.

"That is too bad. I was just going to give thee fifty cents to buy one."

That man is a twin brother to a whole lot of Methodists one meets when a church building enterprise is on hand. If the church were located at some other place, or if the plans were different, or if the work had been postponed till next year these would have given gladly. It is always a case of putting money in the purse if there is no purse, or the purchase of a purse if there is none to be bought. But people with a grain of gumption are not deceived thereby.

❖ People and Things ❖

"We sing 'I love to tell the story,' and then loaf around the throne, and let the Salvation Army tell it." This is what Rev. Robert G. Lee told 1000 Baptists at a Grace Temple rally of the Baptist Union of Philadelphia and vicinity.

Mrs. J. D. Rankin of Boone, N. C., sent us this week a check for \$27 for new subscribers and renewals from Boone—thirteen of these are new subscribers. And there are others to follow. We thank Mrs. Rankin for her good work and the people of Boone for their interest in the Advocate.

The following Louisburg College students have received bids from the Gamma Upsilon Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa, the junior college division of the Phi Beta Kappa: Lois Brown, Rocky Mount; Mildred Carter, Franklinton; May Davis, Louisburg; William Gossard, Elizabeth City; Catherine Gillis, Raleigh; Ruby G. Massenburg, Louisburg; Stanley Patten, Providence, Rhode Island; Genevieve Senecal, North Adams, Mass.; Lloyd Sheep, Elizabeth City; Martha Yarborough, Louisburg.

A recent survey in the state of Massachusetts dealing with juvenile delinquency makes equally definite the responsibility of the home for the guidance of the child. The broken home was held accountable for the continued violation of law and delinquency on the part of children and youth. In a recent statement by Boston Police Commissioner Joseph F. Tumulty, four causes are assigned for juvenile crime: liquor, drugs, lack of religion in the home, indifference of parents to their children's activities.

Tuesday evening, April 30, will be "Home Missions and Church Extension Night" at the General Conference. For this occasion the general home mission and church extension agencies of the church are planning a unique presentation, combining pictorial and dramatic features which promise to make the evening one long to be remembered. Representatives from different fields will be present to give glimpses of the united home mission program of the new church. Methodist friends are urged to be present for this outstanding event in Atlantic City.

Young Methodists, under the leadership of the National Council of Methodist Youth, will next summer have the opportunity to participate in something that will provide a summer that is different. "Youth Crusade Caravans" are to be formed, with five young people and an adult leader making up the group. These youth groups, from the former Northern church, will go into communities of the Southern annual conferences, with the intent of helping local churches and groups to build up their youth program. Young people who have developed their talents in the five following fields will seek to provide leadership and help—worship, personal religion, recreation, community service, and organization.—Zions Herald.

Rev. John R. Church, general evangelist of the Methodist Church and member of the Western North Carolina conference, was the guest preacher at the Duke School of Religion chapel service on Thursday, February 15. Upon conclusion of the chapel service a large number of the faculty and students adjourned to the banquet hall, where a dinner was given in honor of Rev. Mr. Church. When dinner was finished Mr. Church led a round table discussion on the subject, "Evangelism," whose appearance at the Duke School of Religion was received with deep appreciation, and his contribution to the deepening of spiritual life and interest in evangelism was most significant of the year.—Key W. Taylor, President Student Body.

Thanks for renewals and new subscribers. Campaign is warming up with the weather.

Governor Clyde R. Hoey speaks Friday night, February 23, at Broad Street Methodist church, Statesville. It is the beginning of a campaign to pay off the \$50,000 indebtedness on the church. With the start that Governor Hoey will give the campaign and with Rev. A. C. Gibbs, pastor of the church, there is no doubt that the debt will be paid in short order.

Most of the children put in county jails in North Carolina during the four-year 1936-1939 period were taken into custody on charges of larceny and breaking and entering, W. C. Ezell, director of the division of institutions and corrections of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, said this week. Jailed in 1936 were 1231 children under 16; the number lowered to 1070 in 1937; dropped to 883 in 1938 and last year was down to 784.

The twentieth Greensboro Christian Workers' Training School, which is sponsored by the local Methodist churches and the Board of Education of Western North Carolina Conference, will be held at West Market Street church, Greensboro, March 3-8. Committee chairmen: George H. Roach, treasurer; Ben L. Smith, entertainment; W. Kenneth Goodson, enrollment; Miss Elizabeth Myers, worship; Miss Nell Nowlin, textbooks; Carl H. King, director. District directors of Christian education: Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent; Mrs. O. D. Nelson, director children's division; Mack Kernodle, director youth division; Rev. James W. Fowler, director adult division.

The executive committee of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, at its first meeting since President Roosevelt's announcement of the appointment to the Vatican of a personal envoy, "with the rank of ambassador," issues the following declaration of attitude and policy: If the appointment should unfortunately prove a stepping-stone to a permanent diplomatic relationship, we should feel obliged in good conscience to oppose it, as a violation of the principle of separation of governmental function and religious function, which is a basic American policy and which both history and conscience approve, and as an ultimate injury to all faiths. We assume, however, unless events disprove us, that the appointment is strictly temporary, unofficial, and centrally concerned with efforts for world peace. We can see ways in which it may help to bring peace and to avert wholesale bloodshed and a continuing disaster to civilization.

The annual banquet of the Gastonia district Methodist young people's organization was held Friday night, February 2, at Main Street Methodist church in Gastonia, with more than 300 young people in attendance from Methodist youth organizations in Gaston, Lincoln, and Cleveland counties. Rev. C. E. Rozzelle, pastor of Main Street church, delivered the principal address, entitled "All With One Accord," in which he developed the program theme—"One Church, One Creed, One Christ"—which refers to solidification of the interests and objectives of the church following the recently completed unification of Methodism. District Director R. Harold Hipps officiated as toastmaster. The Valentine theme was carried out in the banquet decorations and in attractive red-and-white heart-shaped programs. Rev. E. M. Jones, Gastonia district superintendent, delivered the invocation. Music was provided by Jack Yarboro's orchestra. Other program features included a duet rendered by Madge Finger and Marshall Brown, a preachers' quartette, a recitation by Janet Highfill, and a vocal solo by Mary Lillian Jonas. Guests of the evening were M. Teague Hipps, conference director of young people's work, and Earl D. C. Brewer, extension secretary, of Salisbury, and District Lay Leader Floyd C. Todd of Gastonia.

As we go to press, after the regular report was in, Rev. R. C. Stubbins, Calvary, Greensboro, brought in two new subscribers. Regular report of these will be made next week along with others.

The following students have received bids from the Lambda Chapter of Alpha Pi Epsilon, national honorary secretarial fraternity of Louisburg College: Jane Fuller, Louisburg; Edna Gillis, Raleigh; Edna Gibbs, New Holland; Frances Gooch, Stem; Edith Kelly, Hamlet; Della Mae Lewis, Spring Hope; Bill McArtan, Dunn; Woodrow McNeill, Broadway; Rose Malone, Louisburg; Rebecca Midgette, Elizabeth City; Nancy Page, Hamlet; Isaac Reynolds, Columbia; Katherine Robertson, Hobgood; Louise Turner, Speed.

The ministers' wives of the Fayetteville district met on February 14 at the parsonage in Aberdeen during the lunch hour of the Missionary and Methodist Advance Institute. An appetizing lunch was served, after which a short business session was held with Mrs. I. J. Strawbridge presiding. Each wife introduced herself by her given name and gave her address. Then the groups were urged to start their fellowship meetings. Plans were made for an all day picnic for the wives and their families at the Sanford public park on July 22. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. I. J. Strawbridge; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Lineberger.—Mrs. J. W. Lineberger, Sec.

HOW FOOTBALL STARTED

The game of football was invented by the Spartans almost three thousand years ago, but outlawed centuries later by Augustus Caesar as unbefitting the dignity of Romans. Then the English took it up again in the Middle Ages, and the sport gained popularity until, in 1160 A.D., King Henry II banned it. King Henry reasoned that since the defense of England had always been the bow and arrow, and football was taking men away from archery practice, football must go. When firearms replaced bows and arrows, football came back.—From a recent "Strange as It Seems" program.

MARION DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

The Marion District Missionary Institute, which was scheduled for January 24, and postponed because of bad weather, will be held March 13, meeting in First church, Marion, at 1 p. m.

On the same evening at 7:30 the youth rally for the Marion district will be held in First church.

Bishop Purcell will appear on the program in the afternoon and also at the evening hour.

The district conference of the Marion district will be held at Old Fort May 8.

You, Mr. Editor, are invited to all the above meetings. And also to visit us at any time you find convenient.

J. C. Cornett.

RECORD OF THE DURHAM DISTRICT

At the end of the first quarter the records reveal:

Nineteen charges have increased the salaries of their pastors; 19 charges have increased their acceptances on the benevolences; 10 charges have accepted all the apportionment for benevolences. One charge has accepted more than the apportionment for benevolences.

PROVISIONAL CONFERENCE OF W. N. C. CONFERENCE CALLED

The provisional conference meeting for the women of the Western North Carolina conference is called to meet in Salisbury First Methodist church on April 18, at two o'clock in the afternoon. Clare Purcell.

LISTEN TO DR. HORNELL HART OF DUKE UNIVERSITY

In an address before the fourth annual young men's conference of the Carolinas last Sunday in Charlotte, N. C., Dr. Hornell Hart spoke with his usual eloquence and sound common sense. We know no man who can pack so much practical wisdom in an address to young men and young women as this professor of sociology.

Dr. Hart, professor of sociology at Duke University, speaking on the subject, "Building the Life of Joy," advised youth to be courageous. He discussed the topic on a six-point basis:

1. Boys from misfit, poorly conditioned homes often think they are not expected to get anywhere. They are willing, but they need leadership.
2. There are cowards, who run from responsibility.
3. There are boys who pass the buck. They want the other fellow to do it.
4. There are those who want to co-operate for creative work. They should be encouraged. They may not be able to do it by themselves, but in association with others they will succeed.
5. Courageous living is to be commended. It takes a leading part. Boys with courage have better chances of success.
6. Jesus Christ offered the great example. Following his precepts, life can always be beautiful. American forefathers followed him. They built a great nation.

PASTORS—CONFERENCE JOURNALS

Brother pastors, letter and cards received by me indicate that there is need for me to say something more regarding the journals of the Western North Carolina Conference. Therefore, please do the following:

First, sell all the copies you can, sending the money to E. O. Cole, 1225 Plaza, Charlotte. This should be about completed.

Second, send me the postal which was in your package of journals, giving the facts requested. **THIS IS IMPORTANT** as a guide for the number of journals to have printed next conference.

Third, all copies of the journal not sold are to be taken to your district conference. At this conference a representative of the conference secretary will receive these.

E. H. Nease, Conf. Sec'y,
517 Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte.

SUPERINTENDENT O. V. WOOSLEY HONORED

O. V. Woosley, superintendent of Children's Home in Winston-Salem, was elected president of the National Association of Methodist Hospitals and Homes at the annual meeting this week in Chicago.

Brother Woosley's term of office will begin in 1941, following a practice of the association of naming its officers a year in advance, so they may become thoroughly familiar with the work which is of nation-wide scope.

Over 200 persons were at the meeting, representing 234 Methodist institutions such as hospitals and homes for children, for the aged, for business girls and for young men. Property of the institutions represented in the association is estimated at \$150,000,000. North Carolina Methodism is fortunate in being able to furnish so capable a head for this important work.

Relation of Methodist Advance to Missions and Benevolences of the United Church

By DR. C. K. VLIET

One cannot think of an unrelated Methodist Advance, that is a Methodist Advance which is not very definitely related to the missionary ideal and the benevolent program of the united church. Indeed, there will not be, and in the nature of the case cannot be any Advance of Methodism that does not in a vital way include all missionary efforts and all benevolent enterprises.

Missionary zeal and passion are the natural and normal expressions of a thoroughly alive church. A great benevolent program is the rich fruitage of a healthy church; hence it is our conviction there can be no real Methodist Advance that does not contemplate and anticipate the development of a new Methodism, which like historic Methodism will have a world vision—a vision that will encompass a lost world and with seeing eyes look upon human needs everywhere. This advance must result in a missionary spirit and passion and attitude toward the benevolent program of our church which will cause the united church to move forward with new force and power into the hitherto unoccupied area in human relationships.

If the Methodist Advance should result in no more than a stimulant to the local church, if it should do no more than to stir the emotions of the membership, if it should do no more than reclaim some of its backslidden members and add a few new ones, if it should result in no more than a strengthening of the local church, would the effort be worth while?

Traveling through the Southland, I saw two peach trees growing side by side, the same age; both had had the same opportunities, both had received the same care, the same fertilization, the same exposure to the warm rays of the beneficent sun, their environment was the same, but what a different picture they presented.

One tree had appropriated to itself all the richness of the soil—every drop of the warm rains that had been sent in refreshing showers—all the chemicals of the scattered fertilizers—all the care of the nurseryman. The result was a gloriously beautiful tree. I have never seen more abundant foliage, the leaves were large and a deep rich green in color. The tree had sent out new shoots. It was good to look upon. But harvest time came and there was not a peach on the tree, nor fruit on the new shoots. It had appropriated unto itself all the loving, tender care and nourishment, and in return had nothing to give for others. It had advanced under the treatment of the farmer, but to what end?

Shall we look at the other tree? It too had received the warm rains and the sunshine. It too had been carefully fertilized and cared for. It too had been included in the advance movement. As I looked upon this tree I noted it had not quite the amount of foliage, the leaves were not of quite the rich green color. It had not appropriated unto itself quite so much of the tender care and fertilization, but what a crop of magnificent fruit! It had fulfilled the function of the tree; it had produced for others; it had made a real advance.

I sat in the office of the president of a great industrial plant. As we talked together relative to business

conditions in general and in regard to his own plant in particular, he remarked, "Beginning with the new year, we are planning a great advance." I asked him what he meant by an advance and he replied, "We are going to greatly enlarge our plant. We are going to add new buildings, new equipment, new machinery; put an additional number of employees to work and generally improve our plant in every detail." "So that is the advance you are planning?" And he replied, "No, that is not the advance, that's only the preparation—that's only the means to an end. We have discovered new fields, new territory that has not been touched. Our real advance will come when we have increased our output to meet the needs and demands of these untouched areas."

What is the relation of the Methodist Advance to the missionary and benevolent program of a united Methodism? Somehow I feel that unless our Methodist Advance results in a new missionary passion and a vision that encompasses a disordered, confused and lost world, which passion and vision eventuate in a loving participation with the Christ in helping to answer our daily prayer, "Thy kingdom come," then there will not, cannot be an advance worthy of the name.

A great electrical power plant is of real value and justifies its existence when it generates the greatest number of kilowatt hours of electrical energy which it is capable of developing? No, no electrical power plant, great or small, justifies its existence and fulfills its function until great high-tension wires leading from it into cities and villages to give light in dark places and to turn the wheels of industry are fully charged with electrical energy. We may step up the generating power house but unless we at the same time provide the means for the use of that increased energy and power, unless that increased energy is used to give more light and turn more wheels, then to what end the "step up"—why the advance?

No church, great or small, can justify its existence unless or until it has great high-tension wires leading out into the dark and needy parts of the world, fully charged with life-giving power which has been generated within the church, which is God's generating plant. This is the function, the responsibility, of the church to see that these wires leading out from the church—our missionary and benevolent programs—are fully charged with Divine Energy and Power.

What of the Methodist Advance? Can we not expect, must we not anticipate, that this advance is going to result in a "stepping up" of some power production in the church—is going to liberate divine energy in a larger measure? And we ask again—"To what end?" The answer comes ringing down across the ages from the lips of the Divine Christ "that ye might go into all the world and meet human needs everywhere—that ye might preach my gospel to every people and to every creature."

Twin fools: one doubts nothing; the other everything.
—Arthur unknown.

OVER 300 AT METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S BANQUET



More than 300 Methodist young people from several counties in the Gastonia district were present at the annual Gastonia district banquet meeting of Methodist Young People's Organization, held in the dining room of Main Street Methodist church in Gastonia. Principal address was delivered by the Main Street pastor, Rev. C. E. Rozzelle, on the theme, "All With One Accord—One Church, One Creed, One Christ." District Director H. Harold Hipps officiated as toastmaster. (Engraving by Gastonia Daily Gazette).

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NOTES

"First Lady," a pungent and sparkling satire by Katherine Dayton and George Kaufman, will be presented by the Greensboro College Players on Friday, March 1, as their second play on the season's program. Miss Charlotte Searles, assistant in the dramatic art department, is directing the production.

The unusually large cast contains a number of leading roles, and the play centers about two women characters who have a comic battle over their husband's possibilities for the Presidency of the United States. The two women are being played by Misses Elizabeth Gabriel of Winston-Salem and Rena Davis of Wilmington. It is upon the amusing antics of the two women and their friends that the play is based. Tickets for this production may be secured by writing or telephoning Miss Carrie Lupton, 2-1171, or Greensboro College.

Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, dean of students at Greensboro College, left yesterday for St. Louis, Mo., where she is attending the National Association of Deans of College women's conference. The theme of the conference, which is convening in the Statler Hotel, centers around "Social Problems of College Women." Outstanding speakers from colleges and universities will be present.

Meeting at the same time is the Association of Personal and Guidance and also the directors of vocational groups. The two groups will be correlated to study mutual problems. Dean Alice Baldwin of Duke University is attending the conference with Mrs. Swank, who will return to the college Monday, February 26.

The Greensboro college of music presented Miss Margaret Foard, Lenoir, in her sophomore voice recital at 4:30 o'clock in Odell Memorial, Thursday afternoon, February 15.

Miss Margaret Morrison, Chapel Hill, was presented in her junior recital at 7:30 o'clock in Odell Memorial, February 16. Miss Mary Noble Angel, Winston-Salem, accompanied both of these recitals.

Miss Helen Maddock, instructor in piano and voice in the Greensboro College school of music, was presented in a voice recital at 4 o'clock Sunday, February 19, in Odell Memorial auditorium. Her program consisted of four groups, the first and last being made up of mixed numbers, the second of German, and third of French pieces.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president, spoke to the student body at the chapel hour Tuesday, February 20. He expressed to all the student organizations his appreciation for their fine co-operation during the past term.

700-YEAR-OLD BOOK PURCHASED BY DUKE

A 700-year-old Greek manuscript of the four Gospels in the order of Mark, Luke, John, and Matthew has been acquired by Duke University from a London dealer.

This thirteenth-century codex is the work of two scribes, one having written the first three Gospels, while at least part of the fourth was done by another hand. The portraits of the evangelists Mark and Luke, the latter badly flaked, have been inserted before the Gospels of Mark and Matthew. These portraits are not as old as the book itself, but are probably 500 years old.

The volume is further illuminated with gilt initials and ornaments. The whole is bound in much-worn red velvet over thin wooden covers, with a more recent red velvet back pasted over.

This is the first four-gospel manuscript in Greek to be acquired by the Duke library. In the last ten years there have previously been acquired a rare complete New Testament, a Paraxapostolos (containing the book of Acts and the Epistles), a lectionary of the four gospels, and fragment of Mark, with a portrait of Mark, all in Greek, the original language of the New Testament.

In past years a number of school of religion students have studied these manuscripts as a part of their theological training.

The House of the Lord

By W. Q. GRIGG

When I come into your home I recognize the fact that I am guest and you are host. A proper understanding of that relationship enables both of us to have an enjoyable and profitable visit together. When we come together at some other place the relationship is changed. No matter how intimate our relations we are no longer guest and host. With this relationship in mind let us think of the house of the Lord.

Many people seem to enjoy our preaching when we stress the fact that God is everywhere. God is down by the riverside; he is out on the highway; he is in the mountains; he is at the seashore; he is in your home. Therefore, when the Sabbath day comes, these people are to be found out where they have been told God is. If God is everywhere, what difference does it make where we meet him?

Let us be reminded, however, that God's people have always had need of a special meeting place with their God. Before the time of permanent buildings, altars were erected where man could meet his God. So necessary was the meeting house that God had the Israelites to build a tabernacle as they made their way toward the promised land. "Let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them." We are reminded also of the vision of Jacob when he saw God. He exclaimed, "Surely this is none other than the house of God." Then there was the great temple, God's house. As we move into the New Testament, we discover that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, felt the need of using the house of God. We hear the gospel writer saying, "and as his custom was he went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day." Finally, we discover that the Holy Spirit takes an active part in the providing of a house for God to dwell in. In Acts we read of Paul and Barnabas being sent out by the Holy Spirit after a meeting of certain ones in the church, and the result of their journey was the establishment of churches throughout the territory they traveled. Thus scripturally the house of the Lord has had a central place.

But why go to the house of the Lord today? Well, does any child ask, "Why go to grandma's house?" Some of the most pleasant memories to many of us are the visits to grandmother's. She always had so many things to offer, and she always knew when to offer them. Biscuit and butter at grandmother's tasted better than the most dainty meal anywhere else. Then there were always peanuts and apples and cookies. Grandmother was the perfect hostess.

God has invited us to his house. "Come, sinners, to the gospel feast; let every soul be Jesus' guest." The table is spread with the best that can be offered. Furthermore, the deep soul hunger of every person leads him to seek satisfaction. Some seek satisfaction through pleasure and thrill. In order to avoid reality, they flit from one thrill to another, but there is the inevitable let down with its depression and deepened hunger. Others seek satisfaction through accumulation of wealth and what it will bring, but the more they get the hungrier they get. When these same hungry individuals realize their need, heed the invitation and accept the hospitality of the Lord,

the gnawing hunger and nausea leave, and joy, peace and satisfaction come.

Furthermore, who ever heard of a boy complaining when his mother suggested that he leave off carrying in wood and the like and go to grandfather's house? He does not merely endure the visit because it is his duty or wish the visit would end so that he might leave. The time is all too short, and he spends the time under grandfather's feet, in his lap, with his arms around his neck, listening to his stories, and feeling that he has the finest granddaddy anybody ever had. Thus, it must have been with many of the Israelites concerning the house of the Lord. As groups of people made their way toward the temple they were joined by others, and everybody was invited. We hear the Psalmist saying, "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord."

Thus, many people enjoy going to church because they understand that they are not there merely to hear a sermon or to fulfill an obligation but to visit in their Father's house and to partake of his hospitality. For such people it is not enough to hear the voice of the Lord's representative coming from a far distant place, for a telephone call cannot take the place of a visit to grandfather's house.

WHAT OF IT?

By Watson O. Goode

Since the announcement of the Methodist Advance program immediately following the Kansas City conference I have been deeply interested. Much that has been written about it I have read. I attended the Missionary Council meeting held here in First church, Charlotte, at which time a number of our bishops presented the program of the Advance to that great audience wholeheartedly commending it to the whole church. Since then I have attended the Advance meeting in Winston-Salem, where pastors and laymen were admonished to carry back to the local congregations the proposed plan and program and put them on in every department of the church organization with the hope that by means of it a great revival of genuine religion may result, and thereby the church may be able to deliver itself upon the unsaved and unregenerated world. Personally, I know of nothing so desirable as the Methodist Advance successfully carried out. But how shall it be done? What technique shall be employed? What is involved in this whole great undertaking? May I dare to mention just a few underlying fundamentals?

First of all there must be the power of a strong burning desire backed by faith. For all achievements must begin with intense desire of something definite and this impulse of strong desire for this Advance must recognize no such word as impossible and accept no such thing as failure if the objectives proposed shall be reached. Faith is the only known antidote for failure. Faith is the element strongly mixed with prayer which gives one direct communication with Almighty God. By faith alone the cosmic force of Infinite Intelligence may be used. As the

church leaders begin this Methodist Advance it might be well for all of us to study the achievements of men and women who have possessed great faith. We will all agree that Christianity is the greatest power in influencing men on the face of the earth today. The basis of Christianity is faith. I say this regardless of how many people may have perverted, misinterpreted the meaning of Christianity or how many dogmas and creeds may have been created which do not properly reflect its teachings. At the head of the list of all great men far and above them stands Jesus Christ, the Son of Mary—the Son of God. He ever stands ready to create within us this invincible faith which challenges always and everywhere the impossible. Before one can have this power to advance, all manner of sin must be forgiven and all guilt washed away—sins of selfishness and pride, love of place and power, so that these may be used for self-aggrandizement and to lord it over those who are less fortunate—all such sins must be repented of and forgiven by both God and man. Then, oh then, there shall begin an advance that hell itself can never stop, and a real revival of religion will be seen and felt in Christendom to the ends of the earth! With the forgiveness of all sins and with a great faith we shall rise to altitudes of achievement that will stagger the imagination as described in the following verse:

"If you think you are beaten, you are;
If you think you dare not, you don't;
If you like to win, but you think you can't,
It is certain you won't.

If you think you will lose, you are lost,
For out of the world we find
Success begins with a fellow's will—
It's all in the state of mind.

Life's battles don't always go
To the stronger or faster man,
But soon or late the man who wins
Is the man who thinks he can!"

HOW LONG DO YOU WANT TO LIVE?

Science is showing us how life may be effectively prolonged. We are coming to know the functions of all the organs of the human form. Each passing year we see the span of the average life slightly lengthened. Still the human body is but the shell of our existence. "Life is more than meat," said Jesus. Even a healthy body can be without the energizing quality of real life. God puts eternity into our hearts so we shall not make that mistake. The following was once related by Phillips Brooks:

"A friend said to me, 'I have not time or room in my life for Christianity! If it were not so full! You don't know how hard I work from morning till night. When have I time, where have I room for Christianity in such a life as mine?' It is as if the engine had said it had no room for the steam. It is as if the tree had said it had no room for the sap. It is as if the ocean had said it had no room for the tide. It is as if the man had said he had no room for his soul. It is as if the life had said it had no time to live, when it is life. It is not something added to life! it is life. A man is not living without it. And for a man to say, 'I am so full in life that I have no room for life,' you see immediately to what absurdity it reduces itself."—The Watchman-Examiner.

WHAT HERBERT HOOVER SAYS OF HIMSELF AND WOODROW WILSON IN WORLD WAR

I dodge no responsibility. I reluctantly joined in the almost unanimous view of our countrymen that America go into that war. We had been directly attacked. But, more important, I believed we could bring the endless slaughter to an end. I believed that with our singleness of purpose we could impose an enlightened peace; that we could make it a war to end war. I believed we could make the world safe for the spread of human liberty. If experience has any value to nations, there are in the wrecking of these hopes a thousand reasons why we should never attempt it again.

When President Wilson arrived in Paris, the common people of the world were praying for a real peace. There were good men there, and there were high aspirations. But there were also concentrated there the invisible forces of age-old hate and greed. Mr. Wilson met a determination to crush the enemy in a Carthaginian peace. He met the sinister demands for power. He met a greed for possession of world resources. Above all, he met with the pressures of populations and the unsolvable problems of European boundaries and economic life. He worked valiantly to combat the evil forces. He spread American idealism at the peace table. He argued and cried out for reason and justice—not because he felt the enemy was guiltless, but because he felt that mankind must turn its face to the future and its back to the past. When Germans blame him, little do they know what Germany would have looked like had it not been for Woodrow Wilson.

To Mr. Wilson I criticised bitterly the provisions of the peace treaties before they were signed. I felt that instead of healing the wounds of the world they would spread disaster over a generation. I have before me a memorandum that I gave to Mr. Wilson two months before the treaties were signed, urging their lack of vision and the dangers to America. He won some victories for sanity. He helped some nations to freedom. He hoped that, with time for hate and avarice to cool, the League of Nations could reconstruct the failures of the treaty.

Americans will yet be proud of that American who fought a fight for righteousness although he partially lost. But he proved that American idealism and American ignorance of the invisible forces in Europe can only confuse the grim necessities of European peace.

What is happening today? Europe is suffering repeated earthquake shocks from the fault of the Treaty of Versailles.

But, beyond all this which is obvious, something else is moving. Europe is again engaged in a hideous conflict for power. Stripped to its bones, today the quarrel is much the same. Dictators in Germany and Italy rise to power on opposition to Communism, launched into their peoples by the dictator of Russia. Again the dictators are in conflict for power. Again France, a democracy, ties herself to the dictatorship in Russia. England becomes endangered should the dictators of Germany and Italy overwhelm France. And thus again begins this dreadful treadmill.

What is proposed? That we join to stop inevitable movements and readjustments of peoples; that we engage in ideological wars. Who will pay for it in blood and treasure? Our children.

ENTHUSIASM ON EVERY HAND, REPORTS BISHOP E. H. HUGHES

Most enthusiastic reports have come to us from the Advance meetings held during the past week. Great crowds have filled the auditoriums and in many places there have been overflow meetings.

Dr. Morrill reports great meetings in the Northeastern and North Central Jurisdictions, with a total attendance to date of 85,178. From the South Central and Western Jurisdictions, Dr. Clark reports record breaking attendance in many places, although we do not have the total figures for these meetings. In the Southeastern Jurisdiction there has been a total attendance to date of 61,037.

It has been my privilege to travel with the team in the South, where we are closing our second week of engagements today. Altogether in ten days fifteen set-up meetings have been held. In five cities we held simultaneous meetings throughout the day. What an experience it has been—crowds packing the buildings, in many places loud speakers carrying the messages into other auditoriums, and enthusiasm on every hand!

Dr. Mott has been on our team for several days in the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Because he wrote our study book, "Methodists United for Action," he was asked by the bishops' committee to give some time to the movement. You will be interested in his estimate of our movement which he wrote yesterday in a letter to Dr. Potts.

Pray for these teams as they proceed and take the challenge of the Advance down to the last person.

Edwin H. Hughes.

"GO FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH," SAYS MOTT

As a layman who had the privilege of serving on the teams in connection with the gatherings of the Methodist Advance in a few cities in two of the jurisdictions, I am constrained to write you to express my conviction as to the front-line importance of this undertaking.

I predict that its great significance will grow upon all discerning members of our great united church. Some such plan was necessary to arrest the attention and appeal to the imagination of the entire church, and also to serve as an inspiring summons and an authentic lead for all the ministers and lay leaders, men and women, young and old.

So far as I can recall, there has never been anything like this movement in conception, scope, and possibilities. There is positively no limit to what may be achieved if, drawing on the experiences of the centers already touched, you and all those collaborating in the preparations, as well as the actual leadership in the various conferences, press your advantage and go from strength to strength.

Coming at this most fateful time, a time of striking manifestation of divisive forces, this splendid initiative and truly prophetic action will be of untold value in lending reality to the unification movement of Methodism and, let us hope, exert a contagious influence on the worldwide mission of the Christian church. John R. Mott.

FOOTBALL HERO BEGINS EVANGELISTIC WORK

The most popular sport in Scotland is the game of football. In normal times the matches played by the leading professional teams on Saturday afternoons are attended by hundreds of thousands. Among the most pop-

ular of the players is Tommy Walker, a member of the Heart of Midlothian football club, who has also taken part in international contests. He is, indeed, something of a national hero. Some time ago Tommy Walker joined the fellowship of the church under the ministry of Dr. James Black, the minister of the famous St. George's West church, Edinburgh. His heart is set on entering the ministry, and his hope is to work his way through his college career keeping himself mainly by his earnings as a footballer. Meantime little football is being played and he has put himself in the hands of the home board of the church to work, so far as football engagements permit, as a preacher at evangelistic meetings held in cinemas and elsewhere, where his prowess in other fields is bringing him large audiences and a good hearing for his message.—Christian Century.

OUR BROTHERHOOD

Being statistically inclined, it is not surprising to find us looking somewhat to the statistics of our Conference Brotherhood—the name Brotherhood intrigues us. It is not an insurance company but an opportunity for mutual helpfulness among a fraternity of brothers.

Frankly we would not have been interested in an insurance, but for an opportunity to prove my love for my brothers in the ministry—that's fine. Personally, I am happy it is possible for me to do just this. Don't misunderstand us, I am grateful that this opportunity is also afforded my brethren on my behalf when my time comes to lay aside the working tools of my life.

But statistics. The Western North Carolina conference now has 490 ministerial members; 366 of these are members of the Brotherhood, 124 are not. Twenty-five of these are superannuates or retired while four are in the superannumerary relation. This leaves 95 in the active relation who are not members. Why?

As a member of the executive committee, we are interested to know why. We are sure it has been and is the desire of every member of the Brotherhood to remove every obstacle in the way of every member of the conference who may wish to join this helpful fraternity. The periodic contributions are now only THREE DOLLARS per member. The thrill and the joy of helping others in the hour of need is surely worth many times this amount.

The Brotherhood needs your help—your family may need its help later on. That hour may come at any moment. Have you read the resolutions beginning on page 73 of our conference minutes? Some regulations are necessary in every well governed institution. Conference time (1940) will soon be here—no time for delay. Write Brother C. C. Herbert, Jr., 279 N. Union Street, Concord, N. C., today. God bless you in the work of the ministry. W. J. Plint.

NOTES FROM BREVARD

The Clarion, the student newspaper at Brevard, will be enlarged with the next issue, February 27. The additional space will make room for added news and feature articles. Six students have been added to the regular staff to assist in assembling the paper.

New officers were elected at the meetings of the various clubs and societies last week. New officers of the Christian Workers Club are: Bill Dunnagan, president; Julia Travis, vice president; Ned Fowler, secretary; Robert Helms, deputation committee, and Wayne Kernodle, publicity chairman.

"Sweetheart night" was observed at the college on February 14 with a motion picture at the college auditorium. The girls invited and called for the young men, which was in keeping with the leap year theme.

Lee Springs, the negro cook at Brevard, is recuperating from a very dangerous case of pneumonia. To assist Lee in his sickness, the faculty and students have raised to date \$76.45. This is the attitude that prevails among the staff and the pupils of the college.

Plans are well under way for Religious Emphasis Week which will begin March 10. Rev. W. A. Kale is to be the inspirational speaker during the week.

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The ½ will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum.

In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

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Central, W. A. Stanbury	20
Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton ...	9
French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler..	2
Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea	1

Charlotte

Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman....	1
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Elkin

Poone, P. W. Townsend	9½
Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner..	9
W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood	5
Sparta, L. F. Strader	5
Elkin, H. F. Duncan	4½
Yadkinville, John H. Green	4
Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint	4
Farmington, J. W. Vestal	3
Advance, P. L. Smith	3
Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene	3
Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley	3
Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt	2
N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock	2½
St. Paul, L. C. Stevens	2½
Jonesville, D. B. Mullis	2
Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant	2
Ararat, G. B. Gwyn	2
Creston, J. R. Short	2
Dobson, R. G. McClamrock	2
Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt	2
Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles	1
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Green Valley, M. L. Chappel	1½

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Fallston, J. M. Morgan	5
Boger City, E. L. Kirk	3

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Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	21½
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Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess	3½
Grace, J. Elwood Carroll	3
Calvary, R. C. Stubbins	3
Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy	2
Haw River, C. W. Bates	2
St. Paul, A. D. Shelton	1½
Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse	1
West End, R. M. Andrews	1
Stokesdale, W. T. Albright	1
Midway, E. P. Hamilton	1

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Shiloh, C. E. Ridge	4
First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr..	2½
Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trollinger	2
Denton-Central, G. L. Curry	2
Denton, First, C. E. Williams	2
Central, J. W. Braxton	1
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Marion

Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward	1½
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North Newton, C. A. Morrison	28
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Central, John W. Moore	3
Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk	1
Maiden, J. G. Winkler	1

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Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..	5
Bethpage, R. W. McCulley	1

Waynesville

Crabtree, W. H. Nease	2
Hayesville, J. C. Gentry	1½
Bethel, J. W. Blitch	1

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First, Lexington, H. G. Allen	5½
Grace, R. L. Forbis	5
Erlanger, J. O. Ervin	5
First, J. E. Pritchard	4
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N. Davidson, O. B. Williams	2½
West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree	1
Community, J. Clyde Auman	1
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ...	1
First, J. T. Bowman	1
Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way	1
Centenary, G. Ray Jordan	1
Main Street, L. F. Tuttle	1

Durham

Davis St., F. W. Paschall	9
Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ...	4
Orange, C. P. Morris	3½
Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds ...	3½
Milton, D. I. Garner	2½
Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser ...	2½
Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr.	2½
Brooksdale, D. A. Petty	1½
Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love..	1½
Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth	1
Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps ...	1
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe	1

Elizabeth City

Williamston, S. J. Starnes	14
Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon	1
Currituck, J. C. Harmon	1
Windsor, H. F. Surratt	1

Fayetteville

Person St.-Calvary, M. W. Warren	10
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins	5
Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons	1

New Bern

Mt. Olive-Calypso, R. G. Dawson..	4
Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison..	2½
Pink Hill, R. E. Walston	1½

Raleigh

Fairmont, H. M. McLamb	9
Henderson, B. C. Reavis	8
City Road-White Mem., J. K.	
Worthington	4½
Granville, J. P. Pegg	3
Edenton St., J. C. Glenn	2
Hayes Barton, Leon Russell	1

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Fairmont, H. M. McLamb	9
Enfield, B. D. Critcher	1½
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Whitakers, A. M. Williams	1
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District	Total Contributions for the Year	No. Contributing	Not Contributing
Durham	\$ 930.00	Durham (30)—29%	(73) 70%
Elizabeth City	798.68	Elizabeth City.... (42)—45%	(50) 54%
Fayetteville	770.31	Fayetteville (18)—19%	(77) 80%
New Bern	909.13	New Bern (35)—32%	(73) 67%
Raleigh	949.87	Raleigh (26)—28%	(65) 71%
Rocky Mount	851.74	Rocky Mount (37)—43%	(48) 56%
Wilmington	645.05	Wilmington (34)—29%	(83) 70%
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Person (3)	53.78
Stantonsburg (2)	51.23
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Now a word in closing to my fellow directors. If you want to get results you must work at the job all the time. Always see, in the man or woman that you meet, a possible contributor for this worthy cause.

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Golden Cross Director.

A PERFECT TRIBUTE

That was a perfect tribute Dorothy Thompson paid to her father in her address at The Churchman Associate dinner, and it was equally a tribute to thousands of small town clergymen of all denominations, everywhere. They don't make the headlines, and they would be embarrassed if they did, but I have always wished that, for the sake of others, the stories of their lives might be more often told. Miss Thompson said of her father, "He had terrible cares and disappointments, but he was the gentlest and the gayest spirit I have ever known." And what a tribute were the following words and what a lesson for Christians who have never learned the meaning of Christianity: "He was reverent toward God, and therefore reverent toward all human life, and because he took off his hat to God, he took off it to all men, but never to a particular man because that man was richer or more success-

ful than the others." No wonder "thousands of people came to his funeral, people whom the family have never known. . . . But they sat and wept, and his children down to this very day enjoy a remote affection from unknown persons who transfer to them something of the love that they felt for their father." If there are too many parsons of a different sort—parsons who are smug and comfortable and deplorable—there are happily thousands of whom Miss Thompson's words would be descriptive. I like to remember them when I meet the kind Phillips Brooks described in his Yale lectures as "merely solemn ministers" who are "very empty and deserve all that has been heaped upon them of contempt through all the ages"; those who "are cheats and shams."—The Loiterer, in The Churchman.

ON INDISPENSABLE LOVE

Christ is a love without which we cannot be saved. The word is "whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Man's fall, when he sinned, was not to the ground from which he could pick himself up, but over the precipice of self-will into the space of self-dependence.

Character does not stand still; it is ever toward God or away from God. There is nothing in man to stop the sin, once it started. So God's love became a condescending love; a love that descended with man; a love that swooped under him in his fallen condition like an eagle sweeps under the eaglets that have been tossed from the nest. It is a love that lifts. It is a love all mankind needs. It alone holds the key to the world's redemption.

"God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son" because of his own perfection. It was necessary to his holiness. It is impossible for God not to desire to communicate himself to those who need him. God cannot be selfish. Our supreme human art is the art of selfishness—that of saying "no" to the needs of others. He gives to everyone who asks, and to all who do not ask he goes the best possible.

We catch a glimpse of the nature of God's love in the mother love of beasts and of humans, in that abandon of self-giving. But all the loves which you find among mankind are but nuggets of gold in the stream of sin far from the mountain of God which is all gold.

"He gave his only begotten Son." In the verse preceding this, we are told that as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up that whosoever believeth on him may have everlasting life.

But how different the fact from the figure! Here was no brazen serpent, but a living man, a sensitive soul—and sinless. Here is the exhibition of the suffering God, the God who would rather suffer than have his children perish. To know this cost, we have to think back, back beyond Calvary, back beyond Bethlehem, back beyond creation to the "Lamb slain before the foundation of the world."

All love like God's is costly. We tend to dodge it because of our sins, and yet it is this costly love which manifests life and gives life.—Earle V. Pierce in The Canadian Baptist.

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A LETTER OF APPRECIATION—
I am reproducing a letter written by one of our girls who recently graduated from the Methodist Orphanage. I am sure our many friends will enjoy reading this letter of appreciation.

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EASTER—Easter comes unusually early this year—the 24th of March. Easter is a big occasion at the Methodist Orphanage. From far and near scores of former sons and daughters of the home return for the Easter reunion and alumni meeting. We are looking forward this coming Easter to having the largest gathering in the history of the Orphanage. Mrs. Mary Y. Allred, our head matron, has sent out lists of clothes needed by our children for spring and summer use. I sincerely trust that our friends can get the spring and summer outfits for at least our larger children by Easter. If this suggestion is not feasible, we would be glad to get them at any time most convenient for our friends.

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JITTERY—Who is jittery? The superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage. Why? Because the Methodist Orphanage lacks \$25,000 of having a balanced budget to meet its operating expenses. That means that we must have a little more than \$7000 each month to meet our monthly operating expenses. How are we to secure the additional \$25,000? By every Sunday school in the conference giving us a liberal fifth Sunday free will offering. In addition to this, we must look to many individuals through the year for help, and a liberal Thanksgiving offering from all the churches and Sunday schools during the Thanksgiving season as specials. This is the only alternative we

have to fall back on. I feel confident that our thousands of friends throughout the conference understand and appreciate the absolute necessity of this course. Just now we are in need of the ten per cent Orphanage apportionment to meet our big monthly bills.

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A LETTER FROM ONE OF OUR GIRLS—"As the time draws near for me to give my place in such a beautiful home to another child, I wish to pause just a short while to try to express my gratitude for the wonderful opportunities that have come my way during the past nine years of my life at this, my Methodist home.

To the members of the North Carolina conference may I say, thank you; for it is through you that we, the less fortunate children, have been taken care of and given opportunities that we otherwise would not have had.

To my many friends in the home I would like to say that your interest has been appreciated immensely. Especially to the members of the Mamie Webb Society of Queen Street Methodist church, Kinston, do I wish to express my appreciation, for you have made my life here a most pleasant one by furnishing clothes for me twice each year. I wish to accomplish something worth while to come up to your expectations of me.

To the teachers and matrons this wish I leave with you, that you some day may receive your reward for the service you so beautifully render to those who are entrusted to your care. You have been a real inspiration to me, and as long as I live I shall cherish fond memories of you. I leave behind me a little sister and my wish to her is that through your help she may be as strong as she is sweet.

Kind thoughts and sincere "thank you" from an appreciative heart goes to the doctors of the home. You have been a friend in the hour of need, and your willingness to help will always be remembered.

Last, but not least, I wish the world to know that the best dad in the land is found right here on the campus. To Mr. Barnes I wish to say that you have been like a father to me, and your loving kindness shelters a spot in my heart for you. You are the one who has made me what I am today, and what I hope to be in the years to come. My love for you will like a flame burn forever."

In declaring that insane persons occasionally display logic combined with wit, a physician tells of a conversation with an asylum patient who showed these qualities. The physician asked, after some conventional preliminaries, "Why are you here?" "Simply a difference of opinion," replied the patient. "I said all men were mad, and all men said I was mad—and the majority won."—Selected.

Woodrow Wilson, when President of Princeton, once stunned his audience with three short sentences: "You write and ask why we do not make more of your sons. I will tell you the main reason. It is because they are your sons."—Selected.

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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WOMEN WANT TO HELP

Some practical and soul stirring thoughts given in an address by Mrs. Gurney P. Hood at a recent meeting of the Raleigh District Missionary Institute remind us of our responsibilities in the great Methodist Advance movement. Said she: "We are 8,000,000 people in the Methodist Church and in the Methodist Advance we are a people up, ready to go. Are we thinking of only the numbers or of what those numbers can mean? The women have a part in the Methodist Advance and we have a greater advantage today than ever before. We do not know what the changes will be, but we should do the job to the best of our ability and then we shall be ready to slip into the new set-up. We need wisdom, foresight and patience and to take the long view. If we are to go forward we want to know something about the job that we are to do. Usually when people are not missionary minded it is because they do not know about the work. It is our job to help inform. Another problem is to get enough leaders and good followers—people who are willing to study to know and to lead others. We should make the work as attractive to the young people as we can. As the Advance goes forward we women want to carry our part of the burden and be as effective as we know how."

NEW ZONE LEADERS

Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district secretary, announces: Mrs. J. A. Warren of Chapel Hill has accepted the leadership of Orange zone, succeeding Mrs. R. E. Warren, Carr, who has resigned. Mrs. Warren has practically decided to hold her first zone meeting at Chapel Hill Sunday, March 17. Further details will be announced later. Mrs. T. B. Hough of Swepsonville has accepted the work as leader of Alamance zone to succeed Mrs. B. O. Merritt, whose husband was transferred to Snow Hill at the November conference. Mrs. Hough has planned her meeting to be held at Saxapahaw Sunday, March 10, at 2:30 p. m. She has several interesting features for the meeting.

MORE CHILDREN'S REPORTS

Mrs. Anderson Layden, Anderson church, Hertford, writes: "The children made picture roll on Christmas. Around the World and showed this in our movie (paper box) at the extra session." Mrs. W. C. Moore, Edenton church: "Primary classes made scrap books and pinata for the beginners. Juniors made star hats to be used on Christmas day when they sang carols and the Swedish song." Mrs. E. L. Sparrow, Bethany church, Ransomville: "Children visited elderly people both colored and white, and sang carols." Mrs. G. R. Barrow, First church,

Elizabeth City: "Children and teachers enjoyed study very much and this was expressed in a Christmas program." From the New Bern district Mrs. Lillie B. Holmes, Mount Olive church, reports: "Children were interested in games, songs and the way people of other lands observe Christmas. We put on a program for the entire church on Christmas day, having the Yule log and candle light service. Children brought toys and fruit from all nations." Mrs. J. F. Perry, Asbury church, Cove City: "Children have enjoyed studying the Christmas Unit. They put on a beautiful and impressive program in church on Christmas Sunday."

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

Is arranging a joint program of zone meeting and officers' training days this year. Two dates which have already been set are: Northampton zone meeting on February 22 at 10 a. m. With the Lasker auxiliary and Southern Central and Johnson-Wilson zones, which will meet together at First church, Rocky Mount, on February 28 at 10 a. m. All auxiliary officers are requested to be present.

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson.

"INASMUCH AS YE DID IT"

The work of the Department of Christian Social Relations has a five point program embracing International Relations and World Peace; Citizenship; Interracial Co-operation; Economic Relations and Rural Development. Too often many opportunities for service which are offered by this program are neglected. Perhaps some excerpts from reports which Mrs. H. L. Rivers, conference superintendent of Christian Social Relations, is sharing with us will suggest various types of activities in which many auxiliaries may effectively engage.

Mrs. A. M. Gates, superintendent of C. S. R. of Duke Memorial church, Durham, reports that the King's Daughters' Home for elderly women was visited by several different groups and the residents were taken driving, given fruit and other delicacies and entertained. The residents of the county home were visited and literature, fruit and bed quilt pieces distributed to them. The auxiliary co-operated with the Community Chest, Family Service, Y. W. C. A., P. T. A., Girl Scouts, juvenile court and welfare department of the city. The auxiliary is a member of the Interdenominational Federation of Social Service. The women have prayed to be guided into the next step toward peace. Individuals were helped to qualify for old age security and for dependent children. A survey of the foreign population of Durham was made to ascertain their needs and opportunities. Mrs. A. M. McCauley, Carrboro church, reports

that members of her auxiliary visited hospitals and carried patients to and from the hospitals; co-operated with social welfare agency and helped supply clothing and food for the unfortunate.

MISS DOROTHY DAVIS SUCCUMBS

A packed house of grieved friends gathered at Carr church, in Durham, on Monday, February 12, to pay last respects to Miss Dorothy Davis, who died Sunday after a short illness.

Dorothy was only 17, but was one of our most active members, being a teacher in the Sunday school, sang in the choir, a leader in the young people's work both at Carr and in the City Union, and she was the chairman of the young girls' circle of the W. M. S. She was faithful to her church and ever willing to serve. We now understand why she could do so much—the Master willed it that way, the short time she was to be with us. To know Dorothy was to love her, and her last several years of life was an inspiration to many and we have all been blessed to know and work with her.

It was a grieved congregation that gathered Sunday morning, many to learn of her passing while many had not known she had been sick.

A large delegation from Durham high school, where she was to graduate in June, attended the funeral.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Davis, three sisters and one brother survive.

A Comrade Church Worker.

THE CHURCH GAVE THEM THEIR GOOD IMPULSES

All social transformation goes back to somebody's sensitized conscience. Indeed it does! And when we have said our worst about the appalling failures of organized Christianity, the religion of Jesus has produced that.

You who are social workers, what are your special interests? Prison reform? John Howard and Elizabeth Fry, their consciences made sensitive by a high religion, started your movement. Settlement houses? Canon Barnett of Toynbee Hall, pioneered your movement. Care for the insane?

It was a Quaker named William Tuke who started the first hospital for the insane in human history. We can not trace social care for underprivileged children without coming to a great soul like Lord Shaftsbury, or our conscience about slums without coming to General William Booth.—Harry Emerson Fosdick.

I WISH YOU WELL

By O. P. Ader

LOVE makes a circle, like the sun,
That takes in YOU—and everyone;
Who breaks that circle, sad to tell,
He makes his bed in hell.

LOVE builds a heaven everywhere,
Hate builds a hateful hell;
You have your choice, my dear, dear Sir;
In love I wish you well!

Dedicated to everybody.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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NEW SECRETARY FOR GREENSBORO DISTRICT

The executive committee of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference is pleased to announce that Mrs. R. J. Rives, 620 North Mendenhall Street, Greensboro, is the new secretary for the Greensboro district. Mrs. Rives is splendidly equipped for this important work and we ask for her the co-operation of the women of her district in maintaining the fine record that the district has made for years. Mrs. Rives served as district secretary in the Florida conference for some time and is familiar with the different phases of the work, and we feel sure the district will continue to go forward under her efficient leadership. We welcome her into our "family of district secretaries."

FLETCHER MISSIONARY CIRCLE HONORS MISS KELLY

The young ladies' circle of the Woman's Society for Christian Service in the Fletcher Methodist church, Asheville district, at its meeting the past week, adopted the name—The Lorena Kelly Circle—in honor of Miss Lorena Kelly, formerly of Winston-Salem, who is now a missionary in Africa, supported by the Woman's Missionary Society, Western North Carolina Conference. This circle carries on a correspondence with Miss Kelly and is an ardent supporter of her work in Africa.

OUR "KEEPING" POWER

In Christ I am one with the Divine Power.

In Christ I am one with the Love which understands and forgives.

In Christ I am one with the Peace that passeth all understanding.

In Christ I am one with infinite resources.

In Christ I am one with his spirit of service.

In Christ I have power over opposing conditions, such as fear, lack of confidence, difficult circumstances.

In Christ I am one with his more abundant life.

In Christ I am one with his patience, purity, joy, wisdom and contentment.

—From Acts of Devotion.

From "White Wash and Blackouts," a book about modern war, issued by the Youth Crusade of the Methodist Church, we find three reasons why Christians should not support war today which we quote:

"The first is simply prudential, the reasons of common horse sense. The war in Europe is fighting to maintain the balance of power; it is a life and death struggle between two imperialisms, perhaps three, the British and German and the Slav. America lost

350,000 of her sons through the last war. It cost us an actual \$25,000,000, 000 cold cash to participate. Another \$12,000,000,000 has never been repaid in war loans. Interest charges on the war debt have cost another \$11,000,000,000 since 1918. The costs in life and property will be even higher in the second World War. Common sense advises us to stay out.

The second reason is that war defies the Christian code of ethics. There was a time when families sought revenge on their enemies tenfold. But then civilization advanced until measured justice had to prevail in man's retribution. But now the Christian ethical code goes even beyond like-to-like retribution. Jesus said, 'forgive your enemies and overcome evil with good.' His way of resistance was non-violent, moral force, such positive, sacrificing good will that it pushed aside the evil and defeated it. War is on a sub-ethical level, it seeks to punish a crime by wreaking vengeance on millions of innocent persons. Ethically, the Christian must oppose war.

The third reason is that of the Christian's own religion. We worship Love. Love is the cornerstone of the Christian temple. We say that 'God is Love' and we call him 'Father.' The spirit to him we pray and in whom is our highest faith is the Spirit of Love. Not only is love an absolute, unchanging principle, to the Christian love is also a practical plan for the conduct of life. 'God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son.'

Because Jesus lived that love and because he died for it, it must be the pattern of life for his followers.

From the basis of his deepest religious convictions, therefore, the Christian must oppose organized hatred, which is war.

When Christians commemorate the passion of their Lord in the sacrament of the last Supper, it is the custom in Protestant churches for the celebrant to say, 'Arise and go in peace.' Let us memorialize the sacrifice of our Lord by stepping out into the world in this tense hour, determined to GO IN PEACE."

The Missionary Review of the World, a most interesting interdenominational periodical of missions, published monthly, discontinued publication with the December issue of 1939, thus ending the career of a magazine which had been in existence since 1878. Dr. D. L. Pierson was the editor. The Review was founded by a missionary of the American-Presbyterian Board in India—Rev. Royal G. Wilder. At the death of Mr. Wilder in 1887, Dr. Arthur T. Pierson and Dr. James M. Sherwood became editors, but Dr. Sherwood retired four years later and Dr. D. L. Pierson, son of the editor, joined the staff and became sole editor in 1911. Dr. Robert E. Speer was president of the board of directors.

POWERFUL SAFEGUARDS

We have heard and read lots about professionalism and subsidization in college football. According to some the average college football squad is made up of hired men who only come to college for the job of playing football. There may be some truth in such talk but it lacks a lot of being the whole truth. There are other departments of a college or university that are just as concerned about their work as the coach is about his. The registrar is jealous of his record. He sees to it that no man becomes a member of the student body who has not finished the required high school course. Whatever else may be said of a member of a college football team, it can be said that he is a bona fide student. His credits are on record in the registrar's office. There is not a member of any club in the state who is not a member of the student body. That Mr. Registrar is not at all interested in any extra curricula activity. All he is interested in is credits. Then, too, every student must not only be eligible to attend classes but he must pass the work assigned. Those class room professors are jealous of their work. With them there is no substituting touchdowns for the classics or home runs for mathematics. Student councils do not look with favor on cheating on examinations. With these safeguards we do not think that college athletics will soon become professional. There are a number of football players in North Carolina who will not take part in the spring practice. In one way or another they failed to meet the requirements of one or more of the other departments and are therefore for the time being ineligible. As long as we have registrars, class room professors and student councils who are as ambitious for their work as the coach is for his there will be no outright professionalism in college athletics.—Charity and Children.

IDLE THOUGHTS FROM AN IDLE BRAIN

Handsome is as handsome does. Some folks are not very handsome if this be true.

It is easier to keep up than to catch up. This applies particularly to church finances. Try it.

Bishop Waldorf says some folks are like "sore thumbs." But who wants to cut off his thumb? I don't. It might get well.

Five things a Methodist family should have—the Bible, the Methodist Discipline, the Methodist hymnal, the Christian Advocate, and the conference minutes.

The "pot" is not supposed to call the "kettle" black. But it does—sometimes. Maybe it is well it does. It gives the "kettle" opportunity to remind the "pot" it is black also.

Fair weather does not always mean fair sailing. Sometimes the wind is blowing and often in the opposite direction from which we wish it—or, the tide may be against us making a choppy sea.

W. J. Plint.

No friend's a friend till he shall prove a friend.—Beaumont and Fletcher.

Children's



Storyland

THE VALENTINE THAT FLEW

Bob and Betty found the poor little bird flapping in the gutter. Bob ran to pick it up.

It must have fallen out of a nest up here," he told his sister. He pointed to the eaves of the tall houses that stood along the street. It's a baby pigeon."

"We can't put it back—way up there!" Betty said. "We couldn't get up there, even if we knew where the nest is!" She stroked the gray feathers gently.

"It will die if we leave it here. We must take it home and feed it!" Bob said.

So they carried the baby pigeon home with them, and Bob made a fine cage for it out of a big box with a piece of screen over one side. Mother said they might keep the baby bird if they would remember to feed it every day. Bob and Betty promised.

They named him "Flutter" because he was always flapping his half-feathered wings and acting as if he wanted to fly.

Every morning and every night they gave Flutter some bread and milk to eat. They sprinkled sand on the paper that covered the bottom of his cage, and he ate some of that, too. They kept fresh water where the little bird could have a drink any time he wanted it. At first Flutter did not know how to eat. Baby pigeons are fed by their mothers while they live in the nest. Bob and Betty had to put the bread and milk into his bill. But after a while the little pigeon learned to pick up his food for himself. He grew so that Bob and Betty could take him out of his cage, and he would perch on their hands and shoulders.

All summer the children played with Flutter and kept him on the back porch in his cage. Little by little Flutter learned to use his blue-gray wings and fly. It was funny to watch him at first, but by and by he could fly so well that Bob and Betty were afraid he would fly away if he got out. Father built Flutter a big flying cage of wire at the end of the chicken yard.

Summer passed and cooler days came, but Flutter was not unhappy in his big cage. It never grows very cold in the South where Bob and Betty lived. At Christmas time grandfather and grandmother invited Bob and Betty and mother to come and visit them. Bob and Betty said they must take Flutter, too. Mother agreed that they might, because grandfather had a big farm and there would be plenty of room for one little pigeon extra.

But when Bob showed Flutter to grandfather and said he was going to let the pigeon out for a fly, grandfather laughed and told Bob not to.

"Your pigeon will fly right back to your house in the city if you let him

CEDARS IN THE SNOW

Here in the deepening dusk, the snow,
That fell throughout the afternoon,
Has clothed the two tall cedar trees
That stand against the rising moon.

The myriad stars have spread their
fire
Upon the branches of each tree,
And I am humble here before
This splendor shining down on me.

How silently the cedars cast
Their strange enchantment on the hill!
The wind's dark symphony has ceased,
And now the midnight world is still.

No sound disturbs this solemn hush,
For outlined in the moon's pale glow
Two cedar trees have joined to make
A white cathedral in the snow.

—William Arnette Wofford, in the
New York Times.

free. He's a homing pigeon—that means he flies home to the place he used to live," grandfather laughed.

So Flutter had to be content with the wire cage on the side of the barn that grandfather and Bob made for him. They stayed at grandfather's a month, and then mother took Betty and went home to the city. Bob was left to visit a while longer.

"Do you know what day this is, Bob?" grandmother asked Bob one morning. "It's Valentine's day—and here's a pretty Valentine sent you in the mail!"

"O dear!" Bob cried. "I forgot to send her one! And now it's too late—the mail man has gone!"

All morning Bob felt unhappy that he had not remembered to send Betty and mother valentines. Then suddenly he had an idea.

He went and asked grandfather about it, and grandfather said he thought it was a good one. Bob took a piece of thin paper and drew a heart on it. He painted it red with crayons and printed: "Bob's love to Betty and mother and father."

Grandfather helped him roll the little paper carefully round Flutter's leg and tied it with a thread. Then they turned Flutter loose.

"He is! He is flying right toward home!" Bob cried. "And he will be there in time with my valentine!"

Sure enough, next day a letter came from mother saying that Flutter had reached home with Bob's message. "It was the nicest and most surprising valentine I ever had," Betty wrote to Bob.

—Child's Gem.

A BLACK AND WHITE SPOTTED PUPPY

"Spot" was such a dear little black and white spotted puppy, and he had lost his mother. He whimpered like a child, for he was cold and hungry.

How was Betty going to feed him? She tried first with a spoon, but the puppy didn't understand that way of eating. Then she thought of a bottle and a rubber nipple. She found them and filled the bottle half full of warm milk. And how the hungry puppy did go for this! He kept right on till the bottle was almost empty and his little stomach stuck out like a football.

Then Betty found a box and made him a soft, warm bed. He was soon fast asleep. And, of course, Betty was happy. She had saved the puppy's life. "Spot will make a good playmate," she said, "and it's going to be a lot of fun feeding him."—Fred Cornelius, in *Our Dumb Animals*.

OKLAHOMA FUN

I know a farmer who is the tightest tightwad that ever tightened a wad. He is so stingy that he works his cross-word puzzles up and down so that he will not have to come across.

One time I was working for him. It was so hot that every time I lifted a wheat bundle on the end of a fork I saw ink spots all around. This farmer came out to see how the hired hands were getting along. We had a jug of water and a jug of oil under the same shock of wheat. The farmer got thirsty, fumbled around under the shock of wheat, and got hold of the wrong jug. Without taking his eyes off the hired hands, he brought up his arm, pulled the cob out, and turned up the jug—glug-glug—and got his mouth full of the black oil; but he would not spit it out—not this fellow—no, sir. He just waited until the binder came around again, and he hailed it and got under it and oiled the whole machine. —Congressional Record.

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The greatest sin—Fear.

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The great trouble-maker—Talking too much.

The best part of anyone's religion—Gentleness and cheerfulness.

The meanest feeling—Jealousy.

The greatest need—Common sense.

The best gift—Forgiveness.

—Selected.

Sunday School Lesson

FEBRUARY 25

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By Rollin H. Walker
Stewards in the Kingdom
Scripture: Matthew 24:25

After his manner of grouping together similar material, Matthew has arranged in chapters 24 and 25 a series of our Lord's sayings concerning the crisis of judgment that was awaiting the world. These words are just now especially significant amid the ruins and tragedies of world-wide war. The nations have been disregarding the Golden Rule, and nothing has seemed to happen year after year. Indeed godlessness and greed have seemed to be the best policy.

But at length the Lord has come in judgment. The world is beginning to see that the Ten Commandments are like gravitation; they are laws wrought into the nature of things, and disobedience to them always means final disaster. What has already happened is a prophecy of what will happen to those people who have not yet been called sternly to account.

The great apocalyptic discourse in chapter 24 stresses the fact that tumult and tragedy do not presage the final defeat of the good. It rather means that men are thereby to realize that their only possible hope is the enthronement of Christ in international relations, in the economic structure of society, and in the individual life. The prediction of the coming of the Son of man in the clouds with power and great glory symbolically points to the day when men will wake up to the absolute indispensability of Christ. The two prophecies of the end are, Fear not; but keep mentally and spiritually alert at all times.

The parable of the ten virgins which immediately follows, looks forward not to a dread judgment but to a wedding. It paints the goal of history as a time of festivity. But the test came when at midnight the cry was raised, "Behold, the bridegroom!"

Did they have oil for their lamps? What is symbolized by the oil of readiness for the coming of the bridegroom? Certainly it means a habit of mental alertness. To be ready for the bridegroom one must be "all there." And he must have an habitual attitude of faith, and a firm grounding in the truths of Holy Writ.

But alas the foolish virgins had no oil in their vessels with their lamps or, to put it in modern phrase, they had allowed the batteries in their flashlights to run down. It is hard to say which is more tragic, the meeting of the test of calamity and finding that we have no courage and faith to triumph over it, or the meeting of some glorious opportunity without the power to take advantage of it. This latter

tragedy one sees again and again in the lives of the young people.

Then follows the parable of the talent. The fate of those who had received the talents depended on what they did when nothing seemed to be about to happen. The Lord went away into a far country, and month after month passed and he did not come back. It seemed that he would never come back, just as it seems oftentimes that God is an absentee. But in the parable, in spite of the fact that there was no master to urge him on, the man who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and so likewise the man who had received the two talents. But he that had received the one talent hid it in the earth.

What a common proceeding that is! I am not a good talker, therefore I do not even cultivate the talent of being a flattering listener. I can give but little; therefore I give nothing. I am not scholarly enough to understand the puzzling portions of the Bible; therefore I do not read those passages that are so plain that a wayfaring man, though a fool, will not err therein. I have neither time nor training to engage in social or philanthropic work, but alas, I do not take the trouble to make friends with the needy souls who live on the alley behind my house.

The parable of the talents is psychology dramatized. Today we would talk about the atrophy of disused faculties, but it is better that this truth that a man's talents increase with use, and decay with disuse, should come to us in a vivid story that everyone can understand. The story of the man who hid his one talent searches the conscience of even the best of us. Even those who in large measure do trade with our talents often entirely neglect to cultivate those aptitudes in which we can never shine.

In immediate succession Matthew gives us the parable of the sheep and the goats. Here Jesus tells us that our fate is determined by the extent to which we have been sympathetic with the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the sick, and the lonely stranger and foreigner. Trading with our talents, then, is just doing good to all men as we have opportunity (Galatians 6:10.) It is living a life where like a detective we are searching for a chance to relieve suffering and impart comfort and cheer.

When the king says to the sympathetic souls, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world," he seems to say that the universe was constructed from the very beginning so that everyone who reaches out helpful hands becomes progressively happy. There is no hell which an unselfish soul would not inevitably transform into a place of happiness, and also there is no heaven which a selfish man would not quickly transform into a hell. Heaven and hell are primarily made not by outward circumstances but by inner attitudes. And in due time, and in all cases, these inner attitudes make to themselves an appropriate outward environment.

When the good are invited into the joy of their Lord because they have ministered to him, they exclaim,

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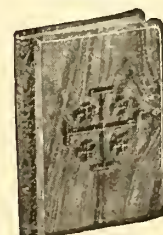
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District	Place	Time
Italeigh-Benson		April 11
New Bern-Rainbow Church, 9		April 16
Asheville-Hendersonville		April 17
Durham-Hillsboro		April 18
Winston-Salem-Fair Grove, Thomasville Ct., 9:30		April 19
Waynesville-Rockford		April 19
Gastonia-Rock Springs		May 8
Marion-Old Fort		May 8
Elkin-Friendship Church, Wilkesboro Ct.		May 9
Charlotte-Bethlehem Church, Prospect Ct.		May 10
High Point-High Point College		May 14
Elizabeth City-Edenton		May 16
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Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C. SECOND ROUND	
	February
Hillsboro, Lebanon, 11	25
Fountain Place, 3	25
Webb Avenue-Holt's, Holt's, 7:30	25
	March
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 11	2
Leasburg, Salem, 11	3
Milton, Purley, 3	3
Trinity, 7:30	5
Lakewood, 7:30	7
Duke Ct., Andrews Chapel, 11	10
Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11	10
Glen Raven, Fairview, 7:30	16
Front Street, 11	17
West Burlington, 3	17
West Durham, 7:30	25
Eno, 7:30	28
Mount Hermon, Belmont, 11	31
Saxapahaw, Concord, 3	31
Durham Ct., Bethany, 3	31
Mebane, Central, 7:30	31
	April
Davis Street, 7:30	3
Graham, 7:30	4
Person Ct., Lea's Chapel, 11	6
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11	7
Long Memorial and Brookdale, Long Mtn., 7:30	7
Duke Memorial, 7:30	0
Calvary, 7:30	10
Chapel Hill, 7:30	11
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 11	14
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3	14

RISTRICT CONFERENCE, HILLSBORO, 10	18
Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11	21
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 3	21
Mebane, First Church, 7:30	24
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 11	28
	May
Carboro, Orange, 11	5
Swepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3	5

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C. SECOND ROUND	
	February
Murfreesboro, Union, 11	25
Ahoskie, night	25
	March
Aulander, Roxobel, 11	3
Hertford, night	3
Chowan, Bethany, 11 and 1	6
Moyock, 11	10
Currituck, Ebenezer, night	10
Pasquotank, Mt. Herman, 11 and 1	15
Manteo, 11	17
Stumpy Point-Dare, East Lake, 2:30	17
South Camden, Perkins, night	17
Perquimans, Woodland, -- and 1	23
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11	24
North Gates, Kittrells, night	24
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11	31
Creswell, 3	31
Roper, Mackeys, night	31
	April
Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11	7
Kinnakeet, Rodanthe, night	7
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11	14
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3	14
Belhaven, Hebron, night	14
City Road, night	17
South Mills, Newland, 11 and 1	20
Plymouth, 11	21
Williamston, night	21
First Church, Elizabeth City, night	24
Windsor, Cashie, 11	28
Edenton, night	28
	May
Bath, Bethany, 11	5
Washington, night	5
District Conference, Edenton	16

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C. SECOND ROUND	
	February
Carthage, Cameron, 11	25
Goldston, Bethany, 3	25
Sanford, 7	25
	March
Broadway, Poplar Springs, 11	3
Hemp, Pleasant Hill, 3	3
Aberdeen, 7:30	3
Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11	10
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3	10
Laurinburg, 7:30	10
Caledonia, 11	17
Maxton, 7:30	17
Hamlet, 11	24
Roberdel, St. Paul, 3	24
Gibson, 7:30	24
Siler City, 11	31
Bynum Ct., 3	31
Pittsboro, 7:30	31

NEW BERN DISTRICT J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C. SECOND ROUND	
	February
Harkers Island, 11	25
Morehead City Ct., Franklin Memorial, 3	25
Morehead City, First Church, 7:30	25
	March
Atlantic, Williston, 11	3
Marshallburg, Sumnerfield, 3	3
Beaufort, 7:30	3
Vanceboro, Epworth, 11	10
Ayden, Macedonia, 3	10
Greenville, 7:30	10
Gritton, Sharon, 11	17
Pamlico, Stonewall, 3	17
Grimesland, Providence, 11	24
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30	24
Aurora, Campbell's, 11	31
Oriental, Arapaho, 3	31
	April
Hookerton, Maury, 11	7
Snow Hill, Bethel, 3	7
Klinton, 7:30	7
Soven Springs, Boston, 11	14
Goldsboro Ct., 3	14
Pikeville-Ebba St., Elm St., 7:30	14
District Conference, Rainbow Church, 9	16
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11	21
LaGrange, Trinity, 3	21
Fremont, Black Creek, 7:30	21
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30	24
Mt. Olive-Calyso, Calypso, 7:30	26
Mt. Olive Ct., 11	27
Phik Hill, Woodland, 11	28
Dover, 3	28

RALEIGH DISTRICT H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenweed Ave., Raleigh, N. C. SECOND ROUND	
	February
Fairmont, 11	25
Clayton, 7:30	25
	March
Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11	3
Vance Ct., Flat Rock, 7:30	3
Henderson, Christ Church, 11	10
Granville Ct., Union Chapel, 3	10
Henderson, First Church, 7:30	10
Raleigh, Edenton St., 7:30	13
Newton Grove, Mt. Moriah, 11	16
Erwin, Erwin, 11	17
Benson, 7:30	17
Fairmont, 7:30	20
Cary-Apex, Apex, 11	24
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30	24

Franklinton, 11	31
Louisburg, 7:30	31
	April
Smithfield, 7:30	3
Fuquay, Kipling, 11	7
Selma, 7:30	7
Person Street, 7:30	10
District Conference, Benson, 9:30	11

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C. SECOND ROUND	
	February
Rich Square, Woodland, 11	25
Conway, Zion, 3	25
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 7:30	25
	March
Bethel, 11	3
Tarboro, 7:30	3
Wilson, 11	10
Meeting District League of Stewards First Church, Rocky Mount, 2:30 p. m.	10
Robersonville, Hamilton, 7:30	10
Spring Hope, Stanhope, 7:30	13
Littleton Ct., Littleton, 11	16
Littleton, Bethel, 11	17
West Halifax, Edeu, 3	17
Clark Street, Rocky Mount, 7:30	17
Northampton and Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3	24
Spring Church, Pleasant Hill, 6:45	24
Garysburg, Garysburg, 8	24
Warrenton, Macon, 11	30
Midleburg, Tabernacle, 11	31
Warren Ct., Bethlehem, 3	31
Norlina, Zion, 7:30	31
	April
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30	7
Whitakers, Battleboro, 7:30	10
Enfield, 11	14
Halifax, Pierce's Camp Ground, 3	14
Marvin, 7:30	14
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30	17
McKendree, McKendree, 11	21
Elm City, Hornes, 3	21
Sandy Cross, 7:30	21

WILMINGTON DISTRICT W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C. SECOND ROUND	
	February
Garland, Johnson's Chapel, 11	25
District League of Stewards, Clinton, 3	25
Roseboro, Bethel, night	25
	March
Penderlea, 11	3
Warsaw, Carlton, 3	3
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, night	3
Burgaw, Watha, 11	10
Wallace-Rosehill, Charity, 3	10
Wilmington, Epworth, night	10
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 11	17
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3	17
Whitville, night	17
Penderlea, night	20
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11	24
St. Pauls, Barker's, 3	24
Rowland (place to be announced), night	24
Wilmington, Trinity, 11	31
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, night	31

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C. SECOND ROUND	
	February
Preach at Edneyville, 11	25
Joint Quar. Conf. Hendersonville, Flat Rock and Mills River, at Hendersonville, 3	25
Mills River at Hendersonville, 3	25
Preach at Avery's Creek, night	25
	March
Preach at Black Mountain (M.E.), 11	3
Joint Quar. Conf. Black Mountain, Oteen and Swan- nanoo, at Azalea, 3	3
Preach at Swannanoa, night	3
Quar. Conf. Weaverville and Weaverville, Ct., at Wea- verville, night	4
Quar. Conf. Asheville Ct. and W. Asheville, at West Asheville, night	5
Quar. Conf. Biltmore and Oakley, at Oakley, night..	6
Quar. Conf. Laurel-Barnardsville, at Barnardsville, 11	10
Preach at Central, night	10
Quar. Conf. Central, Haywood St. and French Broad Ave., at French Broad, night	11
Quar. Conf. Asbury Mem., Hillside St. and Merrimon Ave., at Merrimon Ave., night	12
Preach at Big Sandy, 11	17
Quar. Conf. Leicester-Bell, Leicester, Grace and Sandy, at Brick Church, 3	17
Marshall, 11	24
Hot Springs and Paint Rock, 3	24
Preach at Revco's Chapel, 11	31
Quar. Conf. Acton, Candler and Pisgah, at Montmo- rencia, 3	31
	April
Tryon-Saluda, at Saluda, 11	7
Fairview at Sharon, 3	7
Fletcher, night	7
District Conference at Hendersonville	17

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT G. T. Bend, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C. SECOND ROUND	
	February
Weddington, Union, 11	25
Bothol-Bogers, Bogers, 3	25
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7:30	25
Wadesboro, 7	26
Chadwick, 7:30	28
	March
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 10	3
Morven, Shiloh, 3	3
Marshville, Wingate, 7	3
Wesley Heights, 7:30	4

Belmont Park, 7:30	6
Dilworth, 7:30	8
Ansonville, Concord, 11	10
Brevard Street, 7:30	10
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30	13
Lilleville, Lilleville, 11	17
Central Avenue, 7:30	17
Derita, 7:30	18
Prospect, Carmel, 11	24
Peachland, Harmony, 3	24
Monroe, Central, 7:30	24
Huntersville, Asbury, 11	31
Myers Park, 7:30	31

ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

North Wilkesboro, 11	February	25
Wilkesboro, Union, 2:30	February	25
Davie, Liberty, 11	March	2
Coolee, 11	March	3
Farmington-Smith Grove, 2:30	March	3
Dobson, Siloam, 11	March	9
West Jefferson, 11	March	10
Jefferson-Orion, 2:30	March	10
Todd, Fairview, 11	March	16
Boone, 11; Friendship, 2:30	March	17
Sparta, Shiloh	March	24
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11	March	31
Warrensville, Lansing, 11	April	7
Creston-Riverview, 2:30	April	7
Traphill, Charity, night	April	19
Helton, Grassy Creek, 11	April	14
Green Valley, Mt. View, 11	April	20
Watauga, Valle Crucis, 11	April	21
Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11	April	28

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Shelby, Lafayette Street, 11	February	25
Shelby Ct., Sharon, 3	February	25
Shelby-Caroleen, Bessemer, night	February	25
Belwood, Palm Tree, 11	March	3
Fallston, Fallston, 3	March	3
Gastonia, Trinity, night	March	3
South Fork, Zion, 11	March	10
Casar, Palm Tree, 2:30	March	10
Gastonia, West End, night	March	10
Pelkville, Polkville, 11	March	17
Cleveland, Marier, 3	March	17
Lowesville, Snow Hill, 11	March	24
Rock Springs, Webb's Chapel, 3	March	24
Belmont, Park Street, night	March	24
Lincolnton, First Church, 11	March	31
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 3	March	31
Cherryville, First Church, night	March	31
Mount Holly, 11	April	7
Dallas, High Shoals, night	April	7
Lincolnton Ct., Marvin, 11	April	14
Crouse, Lander's Chapel, 3	April	14
Roger City, night	April	14
Bessemer, Concord, 11	April	21
King's Mountain, Central, night	April	21
Stanly, 11	April	28
Shelby, Central, night	April	28

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

SECOND ROUND (INCOMPLETE)

Reidsville Ct., Lowes, 11	February	24
College Place, 11	February	25
Gulford Ct., 3	February	25
Carraway Memorial, 7:30	February	25
Centenary, 7:30	February	28
Calvary, 11	March	3
Stoneville, Stoneville, 7:30	March	3
Brown Summit, Shady Grove, 11	March	10
Greensboro: Bethel, 7	March	10
Reidsville, Lindsay Street, 11	March	17
Spray, 3	March	17
Danbury, 7:30	March	17
Madison, 7:30	March	27
Leaksville, 11	March	31

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.

SECOND ROUND

(Subject to necessary changes)

Asheboro, Central, 7:30	February	22
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 11	February	25
Asheboro, First, 7:30	February	28
Why Not, New Hope, 2	March	2
Coleridge, 11	March	3
Wesley Memorial, 7:30	March	4
First Church, High Point, 7:30	March	6
Seagrove-Love Joy, Fairgrove, 2	March	9
Liberty Ct., 11	March	10
Richland, West Bend, 7:30	March	11
Denton, Central, 1:30	March	13
Randleman Ct., 2	March	16
Asheboro Ct., Central Falls, 11	March	17
Lebanon, 7:30	March	20
Linwood, Macedonia, 2	March	23
Randleman, Union, 7:30	March	27
Shiloh, Friendship, 2	March	30
Main Street, Hight Point, 7:30	April	3
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethel, 2	April	6
Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11	April	7
Ward Street, 7:30	April	10
South Davidson, Pleasant Grove, 2	April	13
Trinity, Hopewell, 11	April	14
Archdale, 7:30	April	17
Donton First, Pleasant Grove, 11	April	21
Oak View, 7:30	April	22
Rankin Memorial, 7:30	April	24
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	April	25

Highland, 7:30	26
Welch Memorial, 7:30	29
	May
Calvary, 7:30	1

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Henrietta, Henrietta, 11	February	25
Mill Springs, Gray's, 3	February	25
Glen Alpine, 7:30	February	25
Connelly Springs, Bollinger's, 11	March	3
Shady Grove, 3	March	3
Rutherford College, 7:30	March	3
Old Fort, 11	March	10
Old Fort Ct., Bethlehem, 3	March	19
Marion, First, 7:30	March	19
Cliffside, Avondale, 11	March	17
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3	March	17
Morganton Ct., Bethlehem, 7:30	March	17
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11	March	24
Forest City, 7:30	March	24
Rutherfordton, 11	March	31
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3	March	31
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	March	31
Burnsville, 11	April	7
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 3	April	7
Spruce Pine, 7:30	April	7
Elk Park, Newland, 11	April	14
Avery, Fairview, 3	April	14
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30	April	14
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windham, 11	April	21
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3	April	21

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyte, Jr., D.S., Sta'sville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Harmony, Clarksbury, 11	February	25
Olin, Fairmont, 3	February	25
Union Grove-Zion, Union Grove, night	February	25
Broad Street, Statesville, 11	March	3
Taylorsville, Carson Chapel, 3	March	3
Stony Point, Stony Point, night	March	3
Mount Zion, Mount Zion, 11	March	10
McKendree-Williamson, Williamson, 3	March	10
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, night	March	10
Mooreville: Central, 11	March	17
Mooreville Ct., Centenary, 3	March	17
Mooreville: Broad Street, night	March	17
Hudson, Hudson, 10 and 3	March	24
Grace-Rhodiss, Grace, 11	March	24
Granite Falls, night	March	24
Catawba, Bethlehem, 11	March	31
Shepherds, Wesley Chapel, 3	March	31
Malden, Malden, night	March	31
Newton, 11	April	7
Hickory: Highland, Fairgrove, 3	April	7
Hickory: Westview, night	April	7
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn, 10 and 3	April	14
Lenoir: First Church, 11	April	14
Hickory: Bethel, night	April	14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Franklin Ct., 11	February	25
Macon Ct., 3	February	25
Louisa, 7:30	February	25
Waynesville, 11	March	3
Sylva, 7	March	3
Webster, 11	March	10
Cullowhee, 7	March	10
Canton, 11	March	17
Rockwood, 3	March	17
Bethel, 7:30	March	17
Dellwood, 7	March	20
Fines Creek, 11	March	24
Crabtree, 3	March	24
Canton, First Church, 7:30	March	24
Junaluska, 11	March	31
Jonathan, 3	March	31
Morning Star, 7:30	March	31
Whittier, 11 and 7:30	April	7
Special situations	April	14
District Conference, Rockwood	April	19

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

SECOND ROUND—IN PART

Forsyth, Pine Grove, 7:30	February	23
Lexington, State Street; West End, Thomasville, 11	February	25
Forsyth-Maple Springs, Hickory Grove, 7	February	25
Hiatt-Sedge Garden, Mt. Olive, 7	February	27
Deub's, Doub's, 7	February	28
Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30	February	29

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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"When saw we thee hungry, or thirsty, or in trouble, and ministered to thee?" As in the parable of the talents, their fate is decided when the Lord is apparently an absentee. So it always is in life. Our grade in this world and the next is decided not by what we do on scheduled examinations, but in the snap quizzes which the great Teacher gives on the day when no one expects to be called on.—Christian Advocate.

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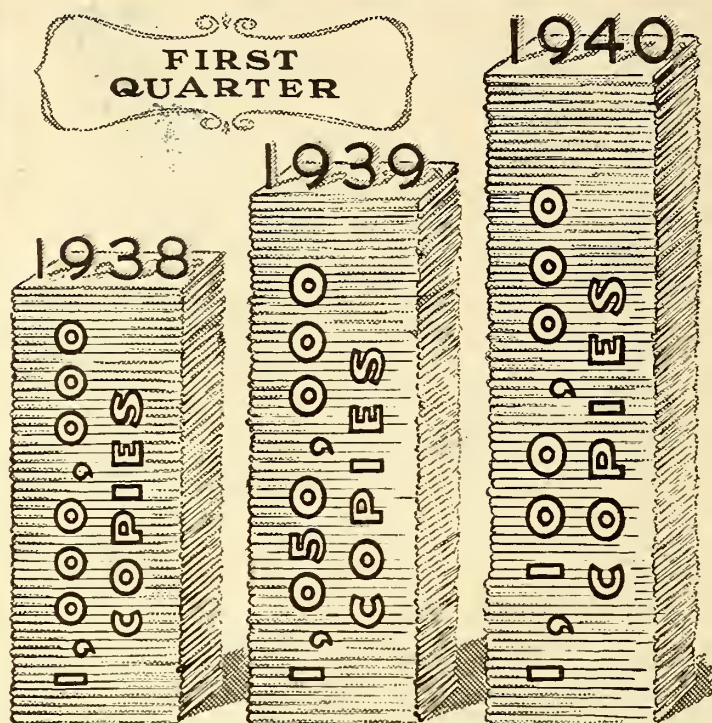
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Dynamics Back of Tongue and Press

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MOST people are influenced by what they hear and read. Especially true is this in home, in school and in church. Back of these agencies lie the dynamics of life and of religion—dynamics so much needed in this age of confusion and transition.

For many, our boasted rapid transportation and easy communication have brought the new heaven and new earth. The airplane, the motor car, the streamlined train and the ocean liner have superseded the ox cart and the ancient "ship of the desert." Even so the radio, the movie and the press have lifted us far above anything known to our less modern means of intercourse.

But the terror of this present situation are the bombing planes scattering desolation and death to the millions. These engines of destruction used by dictators to enforce their devilish designs in utter defiance of the God of high heaven chill the heart and horrify the mind as modern hell bursts out of the skies.

The sense of helplessness and the baffled spirit that grips this present generation render us inert. The call is for daring and heroic fellowship with God disclosed in the living Christ if our agencies of tongue, radio, pen and press are to win fresh victories in this needy age.

Verily, verily, the commands of God and the assurances of the living Christ hold first place through all the Christian centuries. Tables of stone written by the finger of God in the mount remain the mudsills of every civilization. Better than the hardihood to tread upon serpents is the assurance of Jesus that our names are written in heaven. Finer than all else is the conviction that the pure in heart shall see God. Such a background of eternity, with the abiding sense of God, make pen and press mighty agencies for spiritual conquest.

Tongues aflame and the printed page re-enforced by glowing souls can stir millions—"A drop of ink may make millions think." Prophets, poets, apostles, saints make pages glow and pulpits flame.

The evangels of God in the early days of camp meeting glories stressed abiding fellowship with God and a life spent in loving companionship with man. These pilgrims bound for glory, eager to win souls as they journeyed, gained new heights every day. Doing His will, they came to know the doctrine and the joy of "sinners saved by grace." They made great use of the Methodist witness and circulated the printed page. Could we do better in this Methodist Advance in which evangelism, education and missions are so much emphasized?

M. T. P.

Will the Advocate Advance Spell Victory?

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Are there a hundred Methodists anywhere in North Carolina among whom \$2.00 cannot be found for the church paper? That question answers itself. In this good state Methodist preachers do not live among a people with no one to help.

We can win in this present advance only by all doing their best

UNITED FOR ACTION

John Mott's mission study book for the present year has a most significant title, "Tried and Proven by Union" would be almost an equally appropriate title. For all those efforts in the church that call for action are really testing times for those engaged. Methodist union is testing our mettle. The close of every conference year really discloses the fiber of the preacher and his people, though often they are not aware of it.

This present Advocate campaign for Advance is going to prove a most unusual test for our entire united Methodism in North Carolina. Any charge that fails to get its minimum quota will write itself down as having failed to catch the spirit of Methodist union, to say nothing of its want of appreciation of the value of the printed page.

USE YOUR HELPERS

A Methodist preacher relies chiefly on his voice. He is in a bad way when his throat fails him. For he must go preaching—his business is to tell the story.

The two types of helpers used by the preachers are good laymen and the printed page. The wise man makes large use of both of these—otherwise he fails.

One hour a week given to circulating the church paper would count for as much as one hour talking on Sunday. Its message extends through all the year and reaches a larger group—this his first assistant.

WISE BOYS!

The candidates for governor are careful to select good helpers who can use the press. They also let the people know their church affiliation. Both of these count with the public.

Preachers, of all men, should rely on religion and well informed helpers who believe in the use of the church paper. Why not be wise?

Keep Reports Up to Date

Let all new subscriptions received by the pastors come into the office at once. The subscribers want to get their papers. Then, too, the reports from the charges stimulate the campaign. The want of enthusiasm and eager haste in church campaigns is one of the worst hurts. Especially true is this in circulating the church paper during the Methodist Advance.

ELKIN DISTRICT MEETING

The Elkin District Missionary Institute and Provisional District meeting will be held March 5, meeting in North Wilkesboro church at 10 o'clock. J. S. Hiatt, D.S.

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To Bishop Warren A. Candler is attributed the following: "The public is getting weary of 'world movements' and world movers who move nothing but themselves from place to place and from platform to platform, and at somebody else's expense!"

If you want to be happy, girls, marry a chemical engineer. Dr. Webster N. Jones of the Institute of Chemical Engineers, who reports that upon investigation only seven per cent say that they are unhappily married. A case of chemical affinity, we suppose.

Out of New Bern comes the almost unbelievable story that WPA workers in the sewing room had been ordered by the head of the Williamston area not to begin the day's work by reciting the Lord's Prayer. This should be investigated and if true the guilty party or parties should be given to understand that this is not Russia neither is Stalin in charge, even if we have patterned after him in some things.

"What kind of watch you got?" said Sam to Pete. "A wonder watch," was the reply. "A wonder watch," exclaimed Sam, "never heard of that before." "Well, you see, it's this way," explained Pete. "Every time I look at it I wonder what time it is." By the same rule there are numberless men who have wonder consciences. Every time they look at them they wonder what is right and what is wrong.

The News and Observer gives out the highly interesting story that the Baptists of Wake Forest have built a Roman Catholic church right in their midst. It appears that the lions and the lambs are to lie down together. And that is as it should be. The Catholics have a big part in winning Wake Forest's football game and it is nothing but right for these boys to be provided a place to say their prayers.

With Mr. Welles visiting the rulers of Europe, as reported, with nothing to suggest to them; with Mr. Taylor, a sort of pseudo ambassador to the Vatican out on a peace mission with the Pope, and with the President inspecting the Panama Canal when not fishing in southern waters, one asks what does it all mean? The answer is simple, not peace but publicity. Of this the American people are well aware, even when they are saying little.

The South Carolina Lutheran is authority for the following story. A negro preacher walked into the office of a newspaper in Rocky Mount, N. C., and said: "Mistah Editah, they is fohty-seven of my congregation which subscribes for yo' papah. Do that entitle me to have a chu'ch notice in yo' Saddy issue?" "Sit down and write," said the editor. "I thank you, suh." And this is the notice which the minister wrote: "Mount Moriah Baptist Church, Rev. John Obadiah, pastor. Preaching morning and evening. In the promulgation of the gospel three books is necessary—the Bible, the hymn book, and the pocketbook. Come tomorrow and bring all three."

So many family names prominent in the life of the state a century and more ago have disappeared that the thoughtful often wonder. They cherish a feeling that such ought not to be. Really it does seem that the times are badly out of joint. Families that cherish the enduring qualities should certainly continue from generation to generation. Too often self-indulgence and reliance on material resources are substituted for the fine old virtues and the noble spirited qualities that are of first essential in the realities of life and of religion. With such, reality is not put above appearances and character counts for less than does money. The Babylons and the Babels are sure to pass. Families go much as do the civilizations of earth, able to abide so long as they cherish the virtues that endure.

More Than Governor

THE Honorable Cameron Morrison of Charlotte for years filled a large place in public life, becoming governor of North Carolina and senator at Washington. Since retiring to private life he is becoming noted as a farmer and stock raiser. Not a plain farmer and ordinary herdsman is this ex-governor, but a leader in his varied undertakings. May it not turn out that Governor Morrison in his present undertaking in making a contribution to a "balanced agriculture" will make a larger contribution to the state than he was able to make as chief executive of the commonwealth?

Why should not men of prominence, with sufficient means, set the example and make a contribution to the industries so close to the life of a people? The papers are having much to say these days of the fine Jerseys that are going out to the people of the state and of the nation from the Morrison herds in Mecklenburg. Such a business of distributing blooded stock to the farmers and herdsman of the state is a quiet and almost unperceived process, but it is none the less effective. Far more effective in transforming the life of a people is this than the noise of the hustings.

A new interest is being taken in the land and in all who till the soil. Surely men of sense and enterprise can do nothing better than point the way for those who cultivate the land and grow the livestock so essential to every people. Dr. Clarence Poe certainly could render no more valued service to his native state than in his present undertaking. Some are saying that this present time is the most useful period of ex-Governor Morrison's career. Be that as it may, North Carolina is in need of many such men who can render this much needed service in their day and generation. Many lines of public service go far beyond holding public office.

Liquor and War

THE old time country debating societies had as one of their favorite subjects the query, "Which has caused most misery, intemperance or war?" These men of pioneer days had seen the results of both. So they relied on their own observation. Then the wreck and ruin was apparent to all. We are still trying to build upon the wreckage of liquor and war.

Ensnared by habit forming alcohol and the belief that war is a cure for existing national

ills the nations still continue to tolerate the liquor traffic and to invest billions in vast military machines as though they could build a world civilization on the wreckage caused by liquor and war. The World War did not settle a single basic principle involved. It simply repeated the age old saying, "War settles nothing."

All the way across the years alcohol and the spirit of war end in the wreck of the individual and the nation. Not on any such foundation can we build. All the constructive resources are those that make for temperance and peace. Truly, all who in any way work for the peace of the world and the temperance of mankind set themselves against the two chief enemies of the race: intemperance and war.

Chief among the agencies that foster war and encourage drink is the almost universal feeling that war is a remedy for national ills and that alcoholic drinks can be used with impunity. Could youth realize the peril of a habit forming drug and the failure of war to cure its ills, the crusade for temperance and peace would soon be won.

Give Chaos a Rest

A FEW years ago "depression" was the over-worked word of the day. It glared at us from the printed page and echoed in the pulpit and on the platform. Our ears longed for a rest. Then, too, we wanted to get away from the sense of helplessness and the spirit of defeatism manifest on every hand. Just now "this age of chaos and confusion" has a front place in public utterance. Why not give us a rest? This certainly should be dropped from the pulpit.

The gospel means good news and ultimate victory. Doleful tones and a dead march should give place to glad advance. We are in the business of making men over as we move on with Him who is making all things new. Of course, those who have relied on material evolution and a gospel of social reforms are left helpless with nothing but chaos and confusion. But for those who still have God on his throne and Christ revealed within, a sense of victory remains. One like unto the Son of God still walks in the midst of the present fear and confusion of hell on earth. He is the last antidote for fear and despair.

In the beginning God; in the center of it all the God-man; in the end all things made new. Out of great tribulations came those who are

crowned victors. This is a far better picture than most of those painted at present in many pulpits and on many platforms as they tell us of the chaos of this present age. Do give chaos a rest.

Stories That Will Not Die

SOME stories never wear out because they have the power to drive home truth of practical value. They may in reality be little more than fable or parable, so far as their actual occurrences are concerned, but they were not born to die.

Such is the story attributed to Henry Ward Beecher, the great American preacher of a former generation. The story runs like this:

A horse trader once went to Henry Ward Beecher and said: "Mr. Beecher, I have a good family horse I want to sell you. He is a good saddle horse, a good buggy horse, and a good carriage horse. He works double with any other horse and on either side of the tongue. In short he is a good all round horse and a good team worker." Mr. Beecher replied: "My friend, I can't buy your horse, but I would like to have him as a member of my church."

"Love Me, Love My Dog"

THIS is a familiar saying that has grown out of man's love for his dog and the dog's love for his master. Another well known saying is, "Every boy ought to have a dog and every dog a boy." And every man who can remember the rollicking days of his boyhood as he held high companionship with his dog knows out of his heart of hearts how true this saying is. Here is a story in point:

A few weeks before he died Lord Halifax was heard to say to his Welsh terrier "Gyp" as he stroked its head: "You and I are getting to the end of the journey, old man."

Gyp died four weeks after his master. He was 15 years of age. Lord Halifax was 94. Wherever his master went, there also would go Gyp.

When Lord Halifax died the family sent Gyp to the gamekeeper's lodge to be cared for. Gyp knew why. He refused food and pined. All that could be done was done—in vain.

They have buried Gyp in the grounds where for so many years he ran around the feet of the master he loved.

Stress the Methodist Witness

IN America we have talked much about teaching the Methodist doctrines—about indoctrinating our people. The English Methodist stress the Methodist witness—testimony to all that Methodism stands for. Methodism is not primarily a doctrine or an ordinance—it is the testimony of a new life. The evangelical experience is central in the Methodist witness.

The songs sung, the sermons preached, the testimony given in class meetings were all a part of the Methodist witness, and these are still the testimony of Methodism to the world.

We bring the Wesleyan witness into the forefront in our evangelistic meetings, but when we line up for an educational effort it drops far into the background as we fall into a discussion of technique and organization. Doctrine, ritual, dogma and other externals of religion have a place in Methodism but not the chief place. Why not stress the Methodist witness?

Multum in Parvo

SO said the Latins. Here is an example of the same in English and it comes from the editor of *Charity and Children*:

"We heartily agree that a preacher should stick to the pure gospel. We are just as clearly convinced that the preacher himself should decide what the pure gospel is. He should not allow a bunch of politicians or despoiling racketeers to define the term for him. We cannot imagine an Isaiah, a Jeremiah, a Micah or a John the Baptist as allowing others to define his gospel for him. The pure gospel is the gospel that the minister brings fresh from the presence of the living God and delivers with a thus saith the Lord. If the message is not direct from God it is not the pure gospel regardless of the theme. In order to be pure the gospel must be cleansed and heated by the fires on the altar."

Dean Inge says: "We stand for theism against pantheism, for belief in a God who is transcendent as well as immanent, the creator of the world, not a being organic with it, growing with its growth and dying at its inevitable death. We stand for belief in a Divine Christ, a living and indwelling Spirit, once incarnate in Jesus of Nazareth, but the same yesterday, today, and forever."

❖ People and Things ❖

Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the Advocate campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Rev. Jordan W. Carter, D.D., general evangelist, is scheduled for the following North Carolina meetings: Ogburn Memorial, Winston-Salem, March 10-24; Saint Paul's, Greensboro, March 31-April 14. North Carolina address, 213 Burtner Street, Greensboro.

Friendship Church of the Friendship Charge; E. A. Cook, Pastor.—Just because no report has been sent from our church is no reason to think we are dead; on the contrary, we are very much alive. Our Sunday school is doing fine, though hindered some by sickness and bad weather. I think the attendance will climb now that these hindrances are improved. Circle number two of the ladies' auxiliary is raising money to make some needed improvements on the parsonage. Our pastor has filled all of his appointments at this church and we have him paid in full to date.—X.

The Andrews community recently lost a beloved citizen in the person of Rev. Henry Clay Whitaker, aged retired Baptist preacher. He was an institution in this community, known to all and loved by all people of all denominations. He was a friend to all, rich and poor. He was a friend and brother to all the preachers. Years ago he married a good Methodist, who bore the Baptist armor with him through the years, who with a fine family of grown sons and daughters survive him. Andrews has suffered sorely in the going of two such good and great men as Clay Whitaker and Mark Boone in such short time.—G. N. Dulin.

At a called meeting of the quarterly conference immediately following the regular mid-week prayer service in Hay Street Methodist church last evening, it was voted unanimously to adopt a resolution offered by Q. J. Scarborough, Jr., to empower the board of trustees of the church to purchase a lot on which will be erected a new church parsonage. The site of the present parsonage will become eventually the location of a new church school building to meet the needs of the rapidly growing church school. Rev. W. V. McRae, district superintendent of the Fayetteville district, presided over the meeting and delivered the message at the prayer service.—Fayetteville Observer.

To be once more at Four Oaks able to join in the services of the sanctuary attended by a large and appreciative group of the community, to see the fine and quick response to the appeal of the pastor, Rev. J. C. Whedbee, for the money required for expenses to the Jurisdictional Conference, and to be with the Whedbees again at the noon hour made a most delightful day. Some of the old familiar faces of other days are no more, but the community is much the same as we knew it during the two terms we had as presiding elder of the Raleigh district. What a wonderful country in possibilities is Johnson! A lawless element in some sections and too much liquor in many of the citizens mitigate against its best interests.

"Bingo games for charitable purposes in Cincinnati, O., most of which were sponsored by Roman Catholic churches, have drawn greater attendance during the past year than did all the National League baseball games played by the Cincinnati team. These games netted a profit of \$1,500,000." The above statement was made by police chief Wetherly of Cincinnati. The chief further says that during 1939 an average of 45,766 persons attend these bingo games each week, making a total attendance for the year of 2,431,861. The prizes totaled \$465,721.59 and the receipts amounted to \$1,924,681.19. This has been a subject of stirring controversy for more than two years. Some of the largest Catholic churches have attracted more than 4,000 persons and squads of special police have been necessary to handle the throngs.

Th Monroe Enquirer of last week carried the following interesting item of news: Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, formerly pastor of Central Methodist church here, returned to the register of deeds office in Rowan a few days ago license for a marriage he performed 28 years ago, according to the Salisbury Post. The document had been in a desk roller top and had remained hidden. Mr. Sprinkle returned it the day after H. E. Moore, Spencer, Spencer yard engineer, sought a copy to establish his age for retirement compensation and found the original was not on file. It was pure coincidence, as Mr. Sprinkle was not aware of the search made by the bridegroom of twenty-eight years ago.

In Matthew 6 and 25 Christ says take no thought for your life what ye shall eat, or your body what ye shall put on. Having served the City Road charge, Henderson, two years and beginning my third, I find this a good plan to go by. The people are good to their pastor and always doing something to gladden his heart. February 22 being my birthday, the people of City Road church on the night of the 21st gave us a generous pounding and a beautiful birthday cake. On the following night the people of White Memorial gave us a very valuable present. City Road gave the food and White Memorial gave the raiment. May God help us to be as faithful to him and the people as the people are to us.—J. K. Worthington.

A volume of eleven essays, gathered as a tribute to a famous teacher by one of his former pupils, was announced today for March 15 publication by Dr. Paul A. Schilpp, associate professor of philosophy at Northwestern University and a former student of Dr. Harris F. Rall, in whose honor the book has been written. Dr. Rall, distinguished liberal Methodist clergyman, is this year completing forty years in the ministry and twenty-five years as professor of systematic theology at Garrett Biblical Institute. In his honor 11 colleagues and former students have prepared papers which will be published under the general title of "Theology and Modern Life." Contributors to the volume include Bishop Francis J. McConnell of New York, Dean Emeritus Shailer Mathews of the divinity school at the University of Chicago, Dean Emeritus Albert C. Knudson of the Boston University school of theology, and Dr. Ernest F. Tittle, pastor of the First Methodist church of Evanston.

As pastor of North Davidson I want to mention a few things that we are trying to do on this charge. First, we are getting into the spirit and program of the Methodist Advance. With other interested members of the churches on the charge we have attended the special meetings conducted in our area by Bishop Purcell and other good leaders. Now we see more than ever before the necessity of going forward in this great program of Advance. We are praying for and expecting better revival meetings this year than ever before. A spiritual revival is one great need in our churches. Our women are well organized in missionary and ladies' aid societies, more recently called "The Woman's Society of Christian Service." We are trying to organize our young people into a forward movement in the Advance program. The people are very kind to their pastor, and we see the spirit of co-operation and willingness to follow their leaders. We have a fine leader in the person of our district superintendent, Dr. W. A. Lambeth. He held our first quarterly conference and preached in two of our churches. Our people know that he understands and loves Davidson county folks. At the first quarter check-up meeting our lay leader, Brother C. M. Yokley, reported salary and benevolences paid up to date. Improvements are being made in the Sunday school rooms at Spring Hill and the parsonage is being repainted. We expect to get our quota of subscriptions to the Advocate.—O. B. Williams, Pastor.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS NOTES

Dr. Tyler Dennett, a qualified lecturer in the field of government and international affairs, will be on the Greensboro campus March 4-8, as part of an experiment in education planned by the Association of American Colleges assisted by the Carnegie endowment.

The Greensboro College Glee Club, under the direction of Walter Vassar, professor of voice, made a trip to three cities Sunday, February 25, in the western part of the state—Charlotte, Kannapolis and Thomasville. Beginning March 3, the group will make an extended tour in eastern North Carolina, Virginia and Washington, D. C.

"First Lady" by Katherine Dayton and George Kaufman, will be presented by the Greensboro College Players on March 1 at 8:15 in Odell Auditorium, under the direction of Miss Charlotte Searles. Tickets may be obtained by calling or writing Miss Carrie Lupton, business manager, at 2-1171 Greensboro College.

The annual Founders' and Benefactors' Day of Greensboro College, which was chartered in 1838, will be celebrated on Saturday, March 9. The occasion will also be the annual home coming at which time many alumnae and friends will be in attendance.

Dr. Henry L. Smith, well known scientist and lecturer in astronomy, former president of Davidson College and Washington and Lee University, spoke to the student body on Tuesday, February 27, at the chapel hour.

Miss Susan P. Foster, candidate secretary of the Woman's Missionary Council, Nashville, Tenn., was guest speaker at the evening vesper service on Sunday, February 25.

ENOCH A. GRIFFITH PASSES

Enoch Alexander Griffith, about 76, a native of Winston, an alumnus of the University of North Carolina, and first judge of the Winston-Salem recorder's court, died in a hospital of his home city, February 23, after a serious illness of two weeks. He had been in declining health about two years, following a car accident. In 1900 he was made prosecuting attorney, a position he held a number of years.

Until his health failed Mr. Griffith was quite active in community affairs and well known over the state. In 1885 he became co-owner and business manager of the Twin-City Daily during the paper's first year.

After serving as prosecuting attorney he engaged in the private practice of law. In recent years he served as a justice of the peace.

He was a member of the North Carolina Bar Association and was a member of Centenary church.

On November 5, 1885, he was married to Miss Helen Kimel, who died in May, 1929.

Surviving are four sons, Grady K., Edward A., and William E. Griffith, all of Winston-Salem, and Walter F. Griffith of Atlanta; three daughters, Mrs. Helen Griffith Roberson of Durham, Mrs. R. H. Thompson of Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Miss Elizabeth Griffith of Winston-Salem; three sisters, Mrs. Henry Burke and Mrs. W. H. Slater, both of Forsyth county, and Mrs. E. N. Davis of Davie county; ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The funeral was held in Vogler's Chapel, Winston-Salem, at 2:30 p. m. Sunday, February 25. Dr. G. Ray Jordan, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, conducted the service, assisted by Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College. Burial was in Salem cemetery.

ENO METHODIST CHURCH

For the past year the members of Eno Methodist church, West Hillsboro, have been working zealously to remodel our house of worship. We are indeed glad to announce that we have almost attained our goal.

In order to beautify our church site it was necessary for us to purchase four adjoining tracts of land. Our building has been moved back 30 feet and our people are making every effort to improve our church lawn before spring.

Our church has been completely renovated. The building was straightened and braced; a new hardwood floor laid; the pews have been reworked and painted; the interior of the building has been covered with masonite and celotex; a basement has been dug and the walls of the basement have

been bricked and cemented; new windows of colored cathedral glass have replaced the old windows; the manner in which the pulpit has been changed has greatly added to the attractiveness of our building.

We are proud of the fine spirit of co-operation portrayed by our people in this building program. We wish to express our appreciation to all who have contributed to this worthy cause. We are proud that we have in our community Rev. S. J. Williams, a local minister in the Methodist church, who has contributed generously of his time and means in aiding us to accomplish our goal.

The Lord has blessed us in our work and from the depth of our hearts we are thankful.

H. T. Coley, Pastor.

THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

We wish our friends throughout the state to know that all goes pretty well with us here at the Children's Home. The children are well and are in school six days in the week for a few weeks. This is because the Guilford county schools are running on Saturdays for a short time, making up time which was lost during those days when the outlying secondary roads were so difficult because of the snow and the mud which followed. It puts our force up to it to get all the work done without the help of our older boys and girls on Saturdays.

If there are any churches, or groups of women, who have canned goods for us which have not been delivered, will you please let us know if you wish us to send for it. Or better still if there is passing please send it along. Thank you.

An Easter Program

Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Lamb are training a group of children in an Easter program to be given here in our own C. E. Society. If there are churches not too far away which would like to have them present it for you, we feel you will be pleased with it.

A Friend and Brother Gone Home

We were grieved and shocked this morning when we read of the going home of Rev. W. H. Newell, D.D. He was our friend and brother, a lovable man and one who loved folks. He used to stop with us occasionally while he was presiding elder of the Greensboro district. He expressed great interest in the work here and all of us learned to love him. We shall miss him, and our hearts go out in prayerful sympathy for his companion and other loved ones. We congratulate Dr. Newell upon his victorious entrance into that larger life.

MRS. MARTHA ANN LONG PASSES

Martha Ann Long, wife of Miles H. Long, local preacher and evangelist, mother of J. Walter Long, Western North Carolina conference, and M. M. Long of Nebraska conference, and at one time pastor of Forest Hill, Coneord; resident of Yadkin county; until past seven years she resided in home of J. Walter Long at 527 Highland avenue, Greensboro. Died on February 21, same being her 86th birthday. Survived by four sons and one daughter, twenty-two grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.

Funeral was held at Center church in Yadkin county February 24, conducted by Rev. John Green, assisted by Rev. R. M. Courtney of College Place, Greensboro, Mrs. Annie Williams, Friends minister of Guilford College, Prof. Z. H. Dixon of Elkin, and Robert Spears, local preacher of Center community.

CHURCH BENCHES FOR SALE

The Second Methodist church of Siler City has nine long benches and two semi-long benches for sale. These seats are circular but fit nicely into a rectangular style building, since our own building is rectangular. Because of plans for merger of the First and Second Methodist churches of Siler City by April 1 of this year these seats can be had for \$500. Contact Mr. L. L. Wren, Siler City, N. C.

BISHOP PEELE'S IMPRESSIONS OF ADVANCE MEETINGS ATTENDED

Since I have just returned from Methodist Advance meetings in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Ohio, I thought it might be of interest to give a few of the impressions which these meetings are creating.

The Methodist Advance has caught the imagination of the people. They are coming to the meetings in large numbers and with great enthusiasm. They are coming with expectancy and eagerness. There is a feeling that something is taking place in this church of ours. Methodists are united for action. The united church is expected to do more in the building of the kingdom of God than the three branches of Methodism have been doing in the past. If this is not true, why union? The question is constantly asked, "Now that we are together, what are we going to do about it?" Doing nothing would be tragic. In these meetings is felt a will to advance.

There is also a demand that the message embody the principle of concreteness. The desire is for the realistic and the practical. The ministers are asking for definite objectives as to future programs. This request is being answered in each area. The laymen are earnestly seeking for guidance in preparation for enlarged service. In this connection, emphasis is given to the importance of the conference and area church papers. Laymen are reminded that the first and most important step after joining the church is to become informed members of the church. This can best be done by reading the church papers. Information must precede intelligent and enthusiastic giving of money or service, and the Advance is stressing the importance of the church paper in the homes of all Methodist people.

Evangelism has, of course, the place of first emphasis. Our responsibility to get back and unite for action those who are now nominal members of the church, to hold the children who naturally belong to us, to use every method of reaching the lost and unsaved, is the least responsibility that we can accept. Sustained evangelism with special revival services seems to be the most accepted plan. In this connection emphasis is given to the intellectual content of conversion and to Christian living. Methodism and the world crisis find their way into every meeting. A missionary minded local congregation is essential to success. Great concern is expressed that the natural family unit will not be divided into different groups in our work. In teaching, it is necessary to recognize the age groups. The church, however, is the place for the family group to worship and serve together.

Ministers, laymen, women, and young people all show a great eagerness for a real advance that will begin in the inner life and reach out into every relationship. The opportunity of commitment and expectancy is one of the encouraging things about the gatherings. The numbers attending the meetings are inspiring but are significant only as they are indicative of a renewal and a spiritual resurgence that will follow these meetings. Definite plans are made to take the truths, opportunities, and responsibilities back to the individual members of the local churches.

W. W. Peele.

ST. PAUL METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

St. Paul is one of the former Methodist Protestant churches and therefore some of our readers may not have heard much about us; but we are here to say that you will hear more about us now. We have a rather small member-

ship, but we are very much alive and are united in our efforts to advance the kingdom on earth.

Our second quarterly conference was held Sunday afternoon, February 18. Due to the unfavorable weather we only had a small number present. Nevertheless we had a good meeting. Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent, presided. We learned at the meeting that our finances have held up remarkably well during the last three months. Our Sunday school and church attendance has naturally been low on account of the extreme weather. Our obligations have been met with surprising promptness. At the conference we elected delegates to a district conference, the definite place and date to be announced later. The movement we have under way for an organization for our young people was discussed briefly.

The church is planning to start the special meeting on the last Sunday in March. We always want our friends and fellow Christians to be welcome to our revivals. We want you and need you; so consider this a special invitation.

Our ladies' aid society is to give a George Washington birthday social Saturday evening in the hut. People are asked to call between 5 and 7:30 o'clock, leave a contribution and enter into the social fun of the evening.

Our pastor, Rev. A. D. Shelton, has been ever so faithful in his work during this year. Despite bad roads and extreme cold he has visited his people well. Mrs. Shelton has been quite ill—is better now—and has our earnest and sincere prayers for recovery soon.

Come to see us at St. Paul soon. We will give you a hearty welcome and try to make you want to return for another visit.

Reporter.

A GREAT CHURCHMAN OF SCOTLAND GIVES HIS ESTIMATE OF WAR

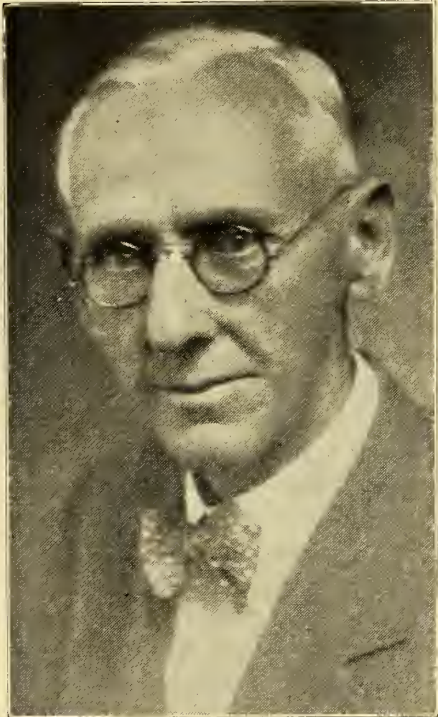
Dr. James Black, former moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland and well known in America, writes of war as follows:

"To every sensible man and woman, all that is happening in Europe at the present moment is only sheer and shocking waste. To begin at the lowest, there is a destruction of property and material which it will take the civilized world a generation to recover and replace. There are sunken ships, ruined homes, and desolated lands. Fair cities like Warsaw are draped in ruins, and even the valiant Finns in their first retreat burned and destroyed their ancient homesteads behind them. Then there is the ruinous wastage of all sorts of mineral wealth which might have been applied in needed social construction. Further, there is a ruinous wastage of money, whereby the hard-earned incomes of millions of people are being poured like water down a drain—and as hopelessly. But most of all, and worst of all, there is the ghastly waste of human life and human happiness—and I say worst of all, because it is the waste of young life, only opening to the duties and the natural joys of living, a waste that will tell for years on the character and quality of the European races.

My view of Christianity is not that I should stand aside and let rogues and evil men work their wicked will upon poor and helpless people, while I say that it is beneath me to raise my hand to save them. My honest view is that I am more really Christian when I am ready to risk my life and my own well-being in rescuing the oppressed and the down-trodden. Quite frankly, my Christian feeling does not allow me to stand ignobly by, while brutal or godless men and nations trample upon the rights of my brethren. Thus our attitude today, while there may be mixed motives in all of us, has certainly some touch of self-sacrifice in it. It is the one thing that has any glimpse of the Christian spirit in this mess of human wastage!"

REV. W. A. NEWELL DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Rev. W. A. Newell, 65, for thirty-seven years an effective itinerant Methodist preacher, pastor of the First Methodist church, Morganton, N. C., died in a Morganton hospital Monday, February 26. He had been ill only a few days. Funeral service was at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning at First Methodist church, Morganton, with interment at 3 o'clock the same afternoon at Bogers Chapel



Rev. W. A. Newell
1885-1940

in Cabarrus county. The services were held by Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte, Rev. J. C. Cornett, district superintendent of Marion district, and Rev. Earl B. Edwards, pastor of Boger's Chapel.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Bertha Payne Newell of the home; one daughter, Mrs. R. H. Shepherd of Greensboro; three brothers, J. F. Newell and J. C. Newell of Charlotte, R. E. Newell of Concord, and one sister, Mrs. Charles Hough of Cabarrus county.

During his 37 years as a member of the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church, Rev. Mr. Newell served pastoral charges at Elk Park, Tryon, Asheville, Mt. Airy, Salisbury and Morganton. For 14 years he was a presiding elder, serving the districts of Statesville, Winston-Salem, Gastonia and Greensboro. He was president of Weaver College, Weaverville, from 1913 until 1916. His membership in the conference included terms on the boards of Christian education, temperance and social service.

Brother Newell was a remarkably effective pastor. While pastor of First church, Salisbury, the annual conference met in that church two years in succession. This is a record, according to our information, that has never been equaled in North Carolina since the days of Francis Asbury, and it is but a reminder of his ability to complete big and difficult tasks when pastor of a church. In due time will appear a memoir of this very unusual Methodist preacher who numbered his friends by the hundreds wherever he lived and who spared not himself in his work as pastor and presiding elder. There has not

labored among us a presiding elder who gave himself more devotedly to the demands of this exacting office than W. A. Newell.

Resolutions of Love and Respect by Board of Stewards of First Church, Morganton

Whereas, the members of the board of stewards of the First Methodist church of Morganton have learned with profound sorrow of the passing of their beloved pastor, Rev. W. A. Newell; and

Whereas, the members of the board of stewards desire to give expression of their sympathy in the passing of a man who has meant so much to the religious life of the people of North Carolina, and especially to the people of western North Carolina, because of his long life as a minister and servant of the Master; and

Whereas, we remember his fine personality, his lofty character, and unswerving fidelity to his people, his church, and his God.

Now therefore be it resolved: That as a token of our sympathy, the members of the board of stewards do unanimously adopt this resolution, and order that the same be placed upon the minutes of the church; that a copy be sent to the News-Herald, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and that a copy be sent to the family of the deceased with assurance of the deep feeling of love and sympathy of the members of the board of stewards.

W. F. Starnes,
H. J. Hatcher,
P. V. Watlington.

NEWS NOTES FROM BREVARD

Mr. Bunyan A. Andrew, head of the history department and dean of men, has resigned his position at the college to accept a teaching assistantship at the University of California at Berkeley. Mr. Andrew will also take up further historical study at the university. Mr. Andrew came to Brevard in 1935 and since then he has made many friends among the students and faculty. His going will be a great loss to the college.

Rev. MacMurray Ritchie, assistant pastor of the Central Methodist church of Asheville, N. C., was speaker at the chapel programs Monday and Tuesday at Brevard. Using peace as his main emphasis, Mr. Ritchie discussed the part which students have in bringing about peace and reconciliation. Mr. Ritchie also led a discussion group on peace as well as conferring with individual students.

To assist in the College Day program of the Methodist Church Advance, five students and a faculty member from Brevard had charge of the programs in four of the churches of the Marion district.

The Brevard College quartet, composed of Buck Barden, David Stentz, Fred Willis, and Hoyle Blanton, rendered several musical selections; Rev. Luther A. Bennett, director of religious education at the college, and Wayne Kernodle, student leader, gave talks concerning the place of youth and adults in the Methodist Advance. The churches which the college group visited are: Rutherfordton, Pleasant Grove, and Spindale.

Several college students are participating in the minstrel which is being sponsored by one of the leading civic clubs of Brevard. Most of the music for the event is being furnished by the college group. Some members of the college faculty are also assisting with the production, which is a benefit for the community hospital fund.

"OTHER PEOPLE'S FLOWERS"

The above is the title of an attractive and remarkably interesting volume by C. C. Cranford, a leading citizen of Asheville, N. C. This busy and successful business man in the brief preface says: "Throughout the years nothing has afforded me more pleasure than collecting these choice gems from the writings of my favorite authors, philosophers, poets and—most of all—my friends."

This is a limited edition compiled and edited for the pleasure of Mr. Cranford's friends and is not for sale.

It is an interesting and attractive volume, the contents of which have been compiled with rare taste and judgment.

Evangelism and the Methodist Advance

By S. A. MAXWELL, D.R.E.

(An abbreviated form of address given to the Fayetteville District Methodist Advance).

The heart of the Methodist Advance is the advance of the heart, and the heart like every possession of ours is capable of almost endless development. The evangelism of the growing heart is nothing less than the stupendous and romantic advance of Christianity across the centuries, into all languages, lands, and cultures of mankind. It is not defined by methods and techniques. It does not deal in fragments and partialities. It is out to enlist the total man, develop the whole personality, and secure the investment of the complete individual in the fellowship and service of Jesus Christ. Let us earnestly pray that the Methodist Advance may indeed become evangelism. Yes, enlistment, development, and investment. Such magnitudes of evangelism will adequately match the dimensions of all personal, social, and international challenges of our generation. The passion to advance is the only reliable guarantee of the perpetuity of spiritual values. What a tragedy when we lose our response to the magnetism of the battlefield. Each generation is tugged by some magnetic pull and the church of Christ alone has an unbroken record of faithful response. "Of the advance of his government and peace there shall be no end. He shall not fail nor be discouraged," declared the prophet of old. Just one person, Jesus Christ, and only one movement, the underlying church of Christ, fits such prediction of universal and timeless significance.

Advance Through Enlistment

The most obvious trait of the entire Christian movement has been advancement through enlistment. The tomorrow of the church in its details is unknown and untried. We can hope about it, and plan about it, but it is always receding and ever remains a surmise. The very uncertainty of it thrills us. It calls for enlarged faith since we are surrounded by horizons, physical, mental, and spiritual so complex that we cannot see very far. The adventure of the Methodist Advance demands the highest courage, incites the keenest intelligence, and calls forth the grandest faith. But it has always been so in the Christian movements.

For three days, following Calvary, the followers of the undiscovered and unfailing Christ had been leaderless and in the utmost confusion. But for forty days after his resurrection Christ gave them counsel and leadership that he might fortify them for measureless advance and convince them that he was the same Jesus who died on the cross. Ten days after he ascended back to the Father he sent them on a campaign to enlist the world. The Holy Spirit filled them and took charge of the campaign in the name of the Christ. So, Jesus Christ began with two, then four, then twelve, then seventy, and only five hundred saw him ascend. The challenge to a Pentecostal Advance seemed to reduce the number to one hundred and twenty. The test of fire always reduces but never fails to refine!

By the end of the first century this empowered group had won five hundred thousand in their advance movement. Enlistment by redeemed men of the unredeemed was the salient feature of the movement. It was not

shunted aside for some pet piece of machinery! By the end of the eighth century thirty million had enlisted. By the end of the sixteenth century one hundred million had been won. Not a voice was raised against increasing the benevolences for the missionary enterprises! In his day a noted French skeptic called attention to what he designated the "twilight of Christianity," yet during his generation the church won another hundred million. In the short period of one hundred and fifty years since his death the "twilight of Christianity" has been answered by an increase of one hundred and fifty per cent. Today six hundred million have been won by enlistment evangelism; thirty per cent of the population of the globe. Step by step is the process, progress unspeakable! Moving, always forward. Enlisting men in the school of redemption. Catching men for the Christ. Though excitingly adventurous, evangelism is not a gamble. We are dealing with the laws of investments and dividends as unfailing as the laws of gravitation. May no pessimist deceive us in believing that the day of mighty undertakings is no longer opportune. Our fathers advanced "in spite of dungeon, fire and sword." We are living under meridian glow of enlistment evangelism.

The glories of the present, in extent, far surpass anything known in the entire range of apostolic achievement. After fifty years of missionary adventure in the little country of Korea alone it is discovered that more enlistments were made than the entire apostolic church was able to make in twice that time, throughout the domains of the mighty Roman Empire. After eighty years of missionary work in India the Christian enterprise has won six million followers. This far surpasses the work of the apostles and early church fathers and is more than they had won in the first three hundred years of Christian history. Such eases could be duplicated in other lands. Missionary heroism was never greater than today. Saint Paul but touched small groups in populous cities; Wilfred Grenfell lifts the whole civilization of Labrador and creates the institutions for social, economic, educational, and religious life of a great people. He literally dots the land with stores, factories, schools, hospitals and churches. John G. Paton lifts the New Hebrides from cannibalism to Christian culture. Saint John did evangelistic work in a few cities of Asia Minor; Mumpower created a language and preaches through hospitalization and literature to whole tribes. Peter heroically preached the gospel of redemption and then died for it in his day. Be it also remembered that Asbury, Whitfield, Lambuth and Jones link continents together with the ties of the everlasting Gospel.

Present High Hour

The hour of high tide in enlistment evangelism is now ours. With sixty million unchurched, unenlisted people marching by the doors of our churches daily; with twenty-one million youth untouched, unenlisted, unserved, yea, neglected by American churches; with sixteen per cent, yes, seventy-four hundred local congregations in the united Methodist Church reporting not a single addition on profession of faith; with an alarming number of con-

ferences slipping in reverse to report only sharp decreases in membership; with twenty conferences reporting that fifty per cent of the local churches were "zero congregations," unproductive of a single lone enlistment for Christ, I now hold the issue before you, O leaders of Methodism. We need to X-ray our hearts. This is the pivotal and most strategic field for the first and most essential advance. Inertia, laziness, and littleness, I warn you, can defeat the Methodist Advance and cause it to become as lifeless as a last year's bird nest. Let us face facts in these initial hours however accusing they may become. Many among us need to fill altars for penitence and reclamation. They have never benefitted by God's consuming fire, which burns up worldly and sinful appetites; nor by his transforming fire, which makes men over into the likeness of Christ; and consequently they are in no condition to respond favorably to his energizing fire. It is like trying to get results from crude oil that can only be gotten from gasoline. We need more refineries!

"Refining fire, go through my heart:
Illuminate my soul,
Scatter thy life through every part
And sanctify the whole."

Develop Those We Have

While the urgency for enlistment evangelism is more readily created, the need for developmental evangelism was never more insistent than today. Many in responsible places are too juvenile, delayed, and defective in both outlook and habit. Life is so packed, jammed, crowded, divided, undeveloped and pagan! How easy to incite our innate savagery, to make regal our blustering vanity and littleness, to ruffle our selfish spirits, to inflame some ignoble prejudice, to mislead our sentiment, to misguide our loyalties, to squander our resources, to waste our talents, and then shamefully to misrepresent the spirit of Christ while fluently using his name and parading his banner. Let us be grateful for developmental evangelism which deals with paganism in the enlisted and whose chief foe is the sin of the saints. The universe was not made in a day. The rocks, soils and strata prove that growth is a favorite law. Infinite time, infinite patience, and infinite activity all belong to the Infinite Being. What a misery the eternities would have been to Deity Himself if God had spoken a great comprehensive fiat: "Let there be," and had done nothing before or since. What a delight it must have been to God through the countless ages to see the universe becoming: First the seed, then the stalk, then the ear, then the full corn on the ear. That is the order anywhere in life. What the Methodist Advance demands and what we all need is a vision of the Power, unmeasured and immeasurable, which makes for righteousness in the world. This is not the devil's world; it is God's world. He who took uncounted ages to create it is not going to show raw haste, you may be sure, in re-creating it; but by his own wise methods and in his own slow, sure way he is changing it into his kingdom. This is the sheer joy of developmental evangelism. "Onward Christian Soliders," marching, that is the key idea. I am no pessimist today solely because I believe in developmental evangelism. I believe that humanity has been getting bigger, better, and grander as the years and centuries have swept by. It is just that way also in the achievement of Christian character for we are all on a journey. "We pitch our tent today at the Red Sea, tomorrow at Marah, the

bitter waters, the next day at Elim, sweet waters. By and by at Sinai, to learn law and order. Finally at Jordan and in Canaan. Forty years! forty centuries! forty eternities!" and all for the advancement of character. No monotony; no recessionals! all processional!

Investment the Need

Enlistment evangelism and developmental evangelism, both depend largely on investment evangelism. Investment of time, talent, effort, money, and life. We are not throwing dice in Christian service. The life of the believer is redeemed in Christ not for him to squander, waste, or trifle away in worthless things, but to invest in productive activity. This is what evangelism meant to Zaccheus in its very incipency. It burned up his avarice, root, branch, and fruits. And then when no thorns were left to do their choking worst, the Saviour implanted the good seeds and Zaccheus put all of his resources in the field of service. He held nothing in reserve. Many like Zaccheus today must disgorge before they can either be good or useful. Some things are incompatible with Christian service. Let the consuming fires of the Methodist Advance remove your Felix-like excuses. He wavered and trembled it is true; but he never kindled his courage up to the sticking point. He would not leave the primrose path of dalliance, so he never discovered the way of advance. No advance is possible in this campaign if we lack courage and evasively plan some silent detours around this most difficult aspect of evangelism. Christ's early followers left all and the dividends were an hundredfold and eternal life.

Makes Appeal to Youth

Investment evangelism makes an invincible appeal to youth. The age is always captured by the adventurous. Whether we think of Joseph riding in the chariot of authority at thirty; or of David bringing down Goliath at twenty; or of Daniel, superior and supreme in state on the very threshold of manhood; or of Alexander, king of Macedon at twenty-one, master of the world at thirty-three; or of Lord Pitt, premier of Great Britain at twenty-four; or of Nathan Hale, ascending the hangman's platform in patriotic self-sacrifice to find it a throne of immortality at just twenty-one; or of Lindbergh crossing the Atlantic at twenty-five; or of Jesus Christ redeeming a race at thirty-three, youth has furnished the dash and the daring, the sinews of effort and have ever been the victors. Youth is ready for the Methodist Advance. Ready with its contribution of enthusiasm, optimism, strength and ambition. Don't lose your opportunity, O Church of the youthful Saviour, for it is a Gallilean youth who dreams a spiritual empire and plans a universal conquest of human intellect and affection. In the first century he chose and organized a band of youth to take the earth and so filled them with his spirit and ardor that they forsook all to follow him and gladly suffered and died to achieve the triumph of his kingdom.

Methodism is the product of a spiritual revolution. Morals were sagging. The court of the Stuarts was a brothel; the clergy were pleasure-loving hirelings; the gentry were wont to drink to beastly intoxication at every feast; the peasantry were in manner and morals but one remove from the brute. Methodism revived a dead church in a corrupt age. Let us settle it as an immovable truth that another such advance will never come through some automatic process.

"TAR HEEL EDITOR"

The modesty of the title of this book of 526 pages with not a dull page in the entire volume is a sort of prophecy of the unpretentiousness of a book of rare interest and value. Honorable Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy during the World War and now ambassador to Mexico, is the author. But he does not pose as the hero of his own story, although there were all sorts of opportunities for him to do so.

For instance, his family tree is rooted in the soil of Roanoke Island, the location of Sir Walter Raleigh's Lost Colony, and the birthplace of Virginia Dare, while on these shores of wind and tide and drifting dunes men learned to fly and thereby ushered in that new age, the flying age, when the wings of mankind are in every sky and over the five oceans of earth.

Furthermore, when the future "Tar Heel Editor" opened his eyes upon the strange world into which he had been born the Civil War of the sixties was at its height and his baby sleep was broken by the roar of artillery and the shelling of Confederate and Federal gunboats on the Pamlico river as they battled for the possession of his native town, Washington, North Carolina. When not yet three years of age he was bereft of his father, who with thousands of other North Carolina fathers, became a casualty of the fratricidal strife. After the death of his father the widowed mother with her three little boys moved to Wilson, N. C., where she reared her children during those hard years of reconstruction that followed the War Between the States.

Where could one find a superior setting for a story of heroism and romance, especially when this lad, Joseph like, came in later years to stand before kings? But nothing of the sort is found in his autobiography if one should be allowed to call it an autobiography. On the contrary, it is a simple, yet a thrilling story, of how this family lived and how other people lived in the sixties, the seventies and the eighties, which were years of poverty, self-denial, strife and the social demoralization which followed the war.

The author in his foreword aptly says: "The purpose of writing this story of a Tar Heel editor has been to put in durable form a plain account of what befell a Southern boy born amid the bursting shells in a North Carolina town bombed by the Federal forces in the war of the sixties; and who has devoted most of the years of his manhood to editing a newspaper in the capital of his native state."

The author's training and experience in newspaper work has served him well in this task that he set for himself. It enabled him to remove himself from the picture as he wrote of the things that happened to him and to the people of North Carolina during these eventful decades that followed the war of the sixties. He does not argue, he does not express personal opinions, he does not indulge in polemics, but as a reporter who removes himself from the story he allows the facts, embellished frequently with humorous and timely illustrations, tell their own story. And it is so well done that one will sit for hours and read on and on as he is introduced to so many interesting people and gets new information about men and women who have long been prominent in North Carolina and far beyond the borders of this commonwealth.

"The loveliest village of all the plain" is the designation that the author gives Wilson, N. C., where he grew

to manhood, bravely striving to make the best of himself and all the while dreaming as only an ambitious boy could that some day he would be the editor of a paper, and perhaps of a paper in the capital of his native state. But the people and the events that made North Carolina what it was from 1862 to 1892, the period covered by this story was strikingly true of every other section of the South. And for this reason the "Tar Heel Editor" should make an appeal in all parts of the South and even among the people of other sections of this country who are interested in how the South, impoverished by four years of war and finally overrun by conquering armies, was able to rebuild its broken fortunes and re-establish itself as a choice and prosperous part of our nation.

A. W. Plyler.

HONORARY SCHOLARSHIP FRATERNITIES AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

More than a year ago the National Honorary Scholarship Fraternity of Phi Theta Kappa established the Gamma Upsilon chapter at Louisburg College. The upper ten per cent of those students in the college who make a grade of 85 per cent or above are eligible to membership in Phi Theta Kappa.

On Wednesday evening of last week ten new members were initiated. The ceremonies were impressive and Misses Lois Brown of Rocky Mount, Mildred Carter of Charlottesville, Va., Mae Davis of Louisburg, Catherine Gillis of Raleigh, Ruby Gray Massenburg of Louisburg, Genevieve Senchal of North Adams, Mass., and Martha Yarborough of Louisburg, and Messrs. William Gossard of Elizabeth City, Stanley Patten of Providence, Rhode Island, and Lloyd Sheep of Elizabeth City, made pledges of loyalty to scholarly principles and habits and devotion to Phi Theta Kappa. The installation was directed by Miss Frances Brown of Gatesville, who is president of the Gamma Upsilon chapter at Louisburg College.

The dinner honoring the new members was held on Friday evening. Miss Frances Brown, the president, acted as toast mistress, and all had a most delightful time. The following is the program rendered:

Welcome: The President.

Response: Miss Mildred Carter.

Talk on Scholarly Attainments: President Patten.

Humorous Reading: Matt McDade.

Relations of Phi Theta Kappa to College Government: Dean Stipe.

Piano Duet: Misses Dorothy and Hilda Corwin.

Humorous Reading: Catherine Gillis.

Social.

Dismissal: T. C. Amick, sponsor.

The Gamma Upsilon chapter meets bi-weekly and is engaged in historic literary work.

The Lambda chapter of Alpha Pi Epsilon, a national honorary scholarship fraternity for commercial college workers, had its initiation service on Friday afternoon, February 16. The new pledges were: Jane Fuller of Louisburg, Edna Gibbs of New Holland, Edna Gillis of Raleigh, Frances Gooch of Stem, Edith Kelly of Hamlet, Della Mae Lewis of Spring Hope, Bill McArtan of Dunn, Rose Malone of Louisburg, Rebecca Midgette of Elizabeth City, Nancy Page of Hamlet, Isaac Reynolds of Columbia, Katherine Robertson of Hobgood, and Louise Turner of Speed.

After initiation ceremony the fraternity went to the home of Mrs. Gaither Beam for its formal banquet. The officers are: Nellie Scott Featherston, president; Martha Windley, secretary; Edith Cridline, treasurer; Mrs. Margaret Kilby, sponsor.

SO THAT'S HOW IT STARTED!

In the late 19th century Evanston, Illinois, nicknamed "Heavenston" by Frances Willard, was a Methodist-minded town, so pious that the town fathers, resenting the dissipating influences of the soda fountain, passed an ordinance forbidding the sale of ice cream sodas on Sunday. Some ingenious confectioners, obeying the law, served ice cream with syrup but without soda. This sodaless soda was the Sunday soda, and became so popular that orders for "Sundays" crossed the counter every day of the week. When objection was raised to christening the dish after the Sabbath, the spelling was changed to Sundae, and so developed one of America's most characteristic dishes.—Richard Lloyd Jones, quoted by William Lyon Phelps, *Autobiography* (Oxford University Press).

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The ½ will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum. In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

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MOTORISTS, BE CAREFUL!
By Conrad O. Peterson

The partridge mother and her little ones are picking gravel or grit on the highway in the forest area. The driver of an approaching automobile sees them. He increases his speed. "Watch them scatter," seems to be his motto. A flurry of wings, both big and small. Some partridges escape. Others are but small twitching bodies.

Many deer are killed after dark by motorists. Bright glaring lights seem to attract the deer who often run towards them. A careful motorist can avoid hitting them, but, strange as it may seem, many seem to delight in inflicting death and injury to these animals. Often succeeding in hitting their victims, the motorists usually speed away in the dark leaving death or injury. Most of the critically injured deer disappear into their forest retreat, there to slowly die.

Motorists cause an appalling loss of wild life. Song birds, squirrels, pheasants, ruffed grouse, rabbits and deer are among the victims. The present day high speed automobile appears on the scene much too fast to allow the slower moving life to get to safety.

A reduction of speed is necessary in forest areas. I believe a speed limit should be rigidly enforced. It is the wild life in our forests that make those visits to tree covered areas so interesting. Imagine a forest entirely devoid of wild life.

When motoring through forest areas try to spare the lives of these timid dwellers of the woods.—Our Dumb Animals.

HARNESSING THE MISSIONARY FERVOR

During the recent district missionary institutes a great emphasis was placed on the missionary task of the new church. Through the fine addresses the leadership of the conference was stirred with a new missionary zeal.

Now we are all facing the necessity of harnessing this missionary fervor and putting it to work in concrete situations. One of the greatest opportunities we have is an advance in definite education and giving to missions through the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise. Each month there should be a steady growth in the observance of the fourth Sunday for missions. Make this a part of your ADVANCE GOALS! Next fourth Sunday is March 24. Plan now!

Religion makes selfish people unselfish, disorganized people integrated, fearful people brave, weak people strong.—Religious Living by George Harkness.

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FORSYTH UNION

Seventy-five young people with their adult leaders met at Centenary church, Winston-Salem, February 19-22 for an Epworth training conference for the Forsyth Union. Miss Blanche Gluck acted as dean of the school. Miss Brona Nifong is chairman of training work for the union. The following ministers were present during the week: W. M. Smith, W. A. Barber, C. B. Newton, and G. C. Graham. The following courses were offered: Ideals for the Christian Home, Music in the Small Church, and The Meaning of the Christian Religion. They were taught by Wannamaker Hardin, E. K. McLarty, Jr., and M. Teague Hipps, respectively. Forty-five received credit for the work done. If any union or group of churches wishes to hold an Epworth training conference, please get in touch with M. Teague Hipps, Box 828, Salisbury.

YOUTH RALLIES

The dates, places and speakers for the remaining district youth rallies are as follows:

First church, High Point, March 5; Dr. George Stoves.

First church, Salisbury, March 6; Dr. George Stoves.

First church, Charlotte, March 7; Dr. George Stoves.

First church, Waynesville, March 11; Bishop Clare Purcell.

Central church, Asheville, March 12; Bishop Clare Purcell.

First church, Marion, March 13; Bishop Clare Purcell.

Main Street church, Gastonia, March 14; Bishop Clare Purcell.

North Wilkesboro, May 14; Bishop Clare Purcell.

All of these rallies will be held at 7:30 p. m.

SALISBURY YOUTH BANQUET

Two hundred young people with their adult leaders from Cabarrus, Rowan and Stanly counties held a banquet at Central, Spencer, the evening of February 23. The following participated in the program: Max Henderlite (toastmaster), Rev. Frank Jordan, Miss Faye Young, Buddy Goldston, Mrs. Russell McIntyre, Billy Burke, Rev. Bill McCulley, Worth Sweet (district director), and Rev. M. Teague Hipps. Rev. Wilson O. Weldon of China Grove made the main address of the evening. The women of Central, Spencer, served the meal, and a special committee from the counties arranged the program and decorated the hall. It was an enjoyable occasion and will be an annual event in the Salisbury district.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DAY, MARCH 3

March 3 has been designated as Young People's Day in the former M. E. Church, South. Many pastors have been planning with their young people

for some time for this occasion. A suggested program may be found on page 24 of the February Highroad.

THE GASTON COUNTY SCHOOL Main Street, Gastonia

The Gaston county training school was held at Main Street church, Gastonia, February 11-18, with approximately two hundred people enrolled and in regular attendance. Five courses were taught by Mrs. W. R. Reed, W. A. Kale, J. B. McLarty, Mrs. E. H. Ould and Dr. G. T. Rowe. On behalf of the people of Main Street church Brother Rozzelle, Dr. C. H. Pugh, Brother J. R. Dellinger and Miss Evelyn Dellinger gave us a hearty welcome and assisted with the school throughout the week.

Westview, Hickory

One of the most successful ministers in getting excellent attendance at a training school is Brother B. M. Crosby. With Jesse G. Wilkinson as teacher, the people of Westview had a fine week of study and fellowship as they planned for improving the work of their church school. Attendance was good, and Brother Wilkinson rendered his usual excellent service.

Mecklenburg County School, First Church, Charlotte

Twenty-five churches were represented among the credit students in this school held February 18-23. Only three Methodist churches in the county were not represented. With an enrollment of 388 and with 340 receiving credit, this was the largest Methodist school of the 20 that have been held in Charlotte. Leadership training is certainly moving forward in the Charlotte district. Pastors, general superintendents, church school workers, young people and the district superintendent were back of the school in a most enthusiastic way.

Resolution from Members of Dr. Kenneth Clark's Class

Whereas, the united Methodist Church has afforded to every Christian worker in the upbuilding of the kingdom of God another opportunity to study to show ourselves approved, and workmen that needeth not to be ashamed, ashamed, and the first training school in the new church under the leadership of Brother King and his co-workers.

Therefore be it resolved by the members of Professor Kenneth Clarke's class:

1. That we express to our beloved Bishop Clare Purcell, our superintendent of the Charlotte district, Rev. G. T. Bond, Brother Carl King and his co-workers, and every one who has in any way contributed to making this one of the most successful training schools we have ever had, our heartiest thanks for furnishing same.

2. That we express to Duke University our sincere appreciation for furnishing us with such an excellent teach-

er as Prof. Kenneth Clark, who has presented his course in the study of the Book of Acts in such a dynamic manner as to win the love and affection of every one privileged to be in attendance.

3. That we have enjoyed the fine scholarship so prevalent throughout this entire session of the training school, and pray God's richest blessings may rest upon every one, and that each and every one may carry with them that fine spirit back to their respective churches and schools, and that this may be the most profitable year Methodism has ever experienced.

CHILDREN AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

For Pastors

Pastors have received recently a copy of a new booklet, "Church Membership for Boys and Girls," planned to help children prepare for the fuller responsibilities and privileges of church membership. Older juniors will be taking part in classes in church membership—classes planned by pastors, parents and teachers, and led by pastors. As the Easter season approaches all church school leaders will be thinking of this special opportunity for helping the children understand the real meaning of church membership.

For Parents

Another new leaflet, "My Child Joins the Church," (a copy of which has been sent to pastors) is planned for parents of children who are joining the church. This will make excellent material for a special meeting of such parents and teachers of those children, together with the pastor. This leaflet discusses the obligations to be assumed by parents, and the opportunity which is theirs. The Children's Division Yearbook, Volume III, carries suggestions for a meeting of parents, pastor and teachers.

For Juniors

For the children themselves, there is a new booklet called "When You Join the Church," which will help them as they consider joining the church. This also has been sent to pastors recently.

All of this material will prove helpful as we face the responsibility of interpreting church membership to junior children. They can be ordered in any number from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va. Prices are: Church Membership for Boys and Girls, 10 cents; When You Join the Church, 5 cents, 50 cents per dozen; and My Child Joins the Church, 5 cents, 50 cents per dozen.

Consider the Youngest Children

Many pastors plan to have a special occasion when babies and young children are baptized. This service means much to parents, and becomes the time for renewing the obligations of parenthood. Working with the leaders of the nursery department of the church school, pastors will have the opportunity to discover the homes where there are young children, and will be able to help nursery workers mean much to these parents. The new leaflet, "Baptizing Babies," which is being sent to all pastors, will be helpful as you plan for this important part of the service of the church.

"The Friendly Man" and The Little Woman in Black

I never said a word till the the train was pulling into the station. I listened. There were three of us in the compartment—the sallow woman who was frowning at the drab countryside, the little woman in black whose knitting needles flashed continuously, and one other humble passenger.

"It's this here war," exclaimed the sallow woman petulantly. "It gets on my nerves. If it isn't one thing it's another."

The little lady smiled understandingly. "Yes," she said, "you're right."

"Of course I'm right. I ought to be. If I don't know what I'm talking about nobody does. I've a husband in the army, with a searchlight squad he is, and it's fair sickening."

"Yes, it must be. I expect he's in some lonely spot in the country..."

"Oh, I wasn't thinking about him in particular! I mean it's sickening for me, having to look after his mother, and all that, me having given up our house. I wish Hitler far enough, I can tell you."

"Your mother-in-law is an invalid, then? It's kind of you to look after her."

"Invalid? She's no more an invalid than I am. She's as right as rain, she is."

"I see. You're just living with her at present?"

"Well, if you like to call it living, seeing it means taking her to chapel twice every Sunday, and bringing her back again in this here black-out—and no peace any day."

The little woman in black was not laughing—though she was smiling.

"I'm sorry," she said. "I mustn't forget myself—but really you do amuse me!"

"I don't see why," retorted the sallow woman warmly. "If this here war meant as much to you, as much inconvenience and worry..."

"May I tell you what it does mean to me?" The voice was soft. "It means that my husband's business has been crippled already, so that we are closing down at the end of this month. I don't know what we shall do then. It means also that four of my five sons are in the army, three of them in France. It means that one of my lads is in the Air Force—he flew over Germany last week. It means, of course, that from day to day and minute to minute I never know where my boys are or what is happening to them. Are you as anxious as that about your husband?"

"Well, perhaps not, but I mean it's awkward at home—at his mother's home..."

"And has the war robbed you?"

"You mean, have I had anybody killed belonging to me?" The sallow woman was hedging. "No, I haven't."

"Well, I have. The war has robbed me of my eldest boy—Jack, who was always smiling. He used to go about the house singing—a merry, careless lad, who would forget to put his pyjamas away, but was loved by everyone. He was blown to bits—one of the first casualties of the war..."

The sallow woman seemed impressed. "You—er—keep smiling all the same," she said, almost reluctantly.

"Yes," said the little lady in black, "I have to, for my husband's sake. I cry when he's out of the way. I miss Jack terribly—but I believe in God still, and I'm sure that we are all in his keeping, come what may."

The sallow woman made no reply. She sat staring out of the window while the little lady knitted a khaki muffler.

When we came to the station at which I was to get out I opened the door, inclined my head to the sallow lady, and to the other I said: "Madam, I raise my hat to a mother who has given her country six sons. I honor you for your splendid faith. I trust nothing will ever shake it."—Methodist Recorder, London.

A GREAT ARTIST'S UNSELFISHNESS

A beautiful story is told of the artist J. M. W. Turner. His colors were bright and intense enough almost to extinguish the quieter tone. Once when his great picture of Cologne, exhibited in 1826, happened to be hung between two portraits by Sir Thomas Lawrence, Lawrence himself noticed the injurious effect Turner's bright skies had on his portraits, and felt troubled and mortified. Complaining of the position of his pictures was useless, as once settled, that could not be changed.

But one thing could be done, and Turner did it. At that time artists were allowed to retouch their pictures on the walls of the Academy, and Turner "retouched" his to such purpose that Lawrence had no more fear from too close neighborhood.

When, on the morning of the exhibition, a friend of Turner's who had before this seen the painting led a party of friends up proudly to see the splendid picture, he started back in amazement. The glorious skies were dull brown—the picture was ruined.

Spying Turner, he ran up to him and asked him what had happened to his picture. "Hush!" whispered Turner, "it is nothing. It will all wash off—it's nothing but lampblack. I couldn't bear to see poor Lawrence so unhappy."—From The Moody Monthly.

OUR CHANGING WORLD!

The world is getting warmer. This does not mean that winter will not continue to come around regularly; I am talking about the climate, not the weather. Major changes in climate through geologic ages have long been recognized, but scientists have always considered historic climate as a rather stable thing. Now the U. S. Weather Bureau reports a world trend to higher temperature. Its persistence since the turn of the century is such as to suggest that the orthodox idea of the stability of climate may have to be revised.—Watson Davis, on an "Adventures in Science" program.

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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LET'S BE COURAGEOUS

April 1, 2, 3 are the dates for our annual missionary conference and the First Methodist church, Henderson, is the place where it will be in session. It is most important that delegates to the conference shall be elected at the March auxiliary meetings and that names of delegates with one dollar for each be sent to Mrs. R. S. Johnson, 299 Gholson Ave., Henderson, N. C. Let's co-operate with our hostess auxiliaries by sending names and luncheon fee at as early a date as possible.

MUCH GOOD DONE

Continuing excerpts from reports sent Mrs. H. L. Rivers, conference superintendent of Christian Social Relations, which we began publishing last week, we learn that at First church, Elizabeth City, the auxiliary members visited the county home regularly, holding religious services and serving refreshments there; co-operated with the county health department in holding clinics in the basement of the church. At Cokesbury church in the Fayetteville district, the auxiliary co-operated with the P. T. A. and home demonstration clubs; the superintendent of C. S. R. conducted a class composed of intermediate age group in which a study for the contribution of the negro race in the fields of art, music, education, etc., was made and later the group discussed the findings at the local negro school. Mrs. I. J. Strawbridge writes concerning this project: "I believe there was a significant improvement of the attitude of each group toward the other."

CHILDREN'S WORK

Some additional outstanding activities of the children include: Raleigh district: Dunn juniors made a creche, sent box of gifts to the Bethlehem House at Winston-Salem. Fairmont, Raleigh, gifts to an elderly blind couple, basket to another blind couple and a Christmas program given for them. Centenary, Smithfield, two Testaments sent to Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess; gifts to a needy family; program of Christmas customs in other lands given at the December auxiliary meeting. Rocky Mount district: First church, Wilson, cookies and candies from foreign receipts made and many stories dramatized. Jackson, filled stockings with toys, fruit, etc., for the welfare department to distribute to underprivileged children. Rich Square, Christmas cards sent to some Brazilian children from whom they had received letters; sent a contribution to the Methodist Orphanage library. Conway, silhouettes representing the characters in the Christmas story made; posters illustrating Christmas Around the World made; gifts to a negro family; baskets to shut-ins and gifts to sick children.

DURHAM DIST. ZONE MEETINGS

Are scheduled as follows: Alamance zone, Mrs. T. B. Hough, leader, will meet at Saxapahaw church on March 10 at 2:30 p. m.

Caswell zone, Mrs. W. Taylor Long, leader, will meet at Leasburg March 31 at 2 p. m.

Orange zone, Mrs. J. A. Warren, leader, will meet at Chapel Hill April 7 at 2 p. m.

Person zone, Mrs. W. M. Fox, leader, will meet at Oak Grove March 3, 2-4 p. m.

Interesting programs are being arranged and a large delegation is urged.

"LOVE NEVER FAILETH"

Miss Alice Green, one of our N. C. missionaries, has returned to her work in Chang Chow, China, after her furlough year. She writes that she is much improved in health and that she is doing evangelistic work in two churches. Her home having been destroyed during the Japanese invasion, Miss Green is now residing in the Hospital Compound. However, she is hopeful that soon her home will be rebuilt. The purse donated to Miss Green by the women of the Fayetteville district before her return to China last fall will be of great benefit in restoring her household furnishings. One-half of the \$14 presented her by the women of the Cumberland-Lee zone is keeping an elderly man and two small grandchildren alive for one year and the other half is giving 20 orphans one warm meal each day and three hours of school for three months. Miss Green states that the time of her return to China the American dollar was worth twelve and one-half Chinese, hence her ability to stretch it so far.

Truly the knowledge of those who love so much and spend themselves so happily and sacrificially in the upbuilding of God's kingdom on earth should rekindle and keep burning in our hearts the flame of selfless living and giving.

GLEANINGS

"The Methodist Advance depends upon the glowing heart and the printed page."—Dr. M. T. Plyler.

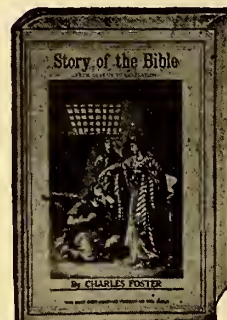
"The business of the church is to tell men the good news and make them believe it."—Rev. Leon Russell.

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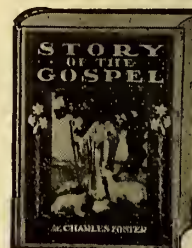
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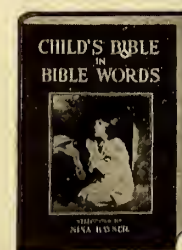


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MRS. J. S. HIATT, DISTRICT SECRETARY

It gives your editor pleasure to announce that Mrs. J. S. Hiatt, wife of the district superintendent of the new Elkin district, has consented to serve as secretary of that district for the woman's work. We feel that our conference, as well as the district, is to be congratulated on her acceptance of this important leadership—a woman most capable, truly interested and willing to give of her time and efforts for the promotion of the work. We ask the women of the missionary societies of this new district to get in touch with Mrs. Hiatt at once and give her their heartiest and most loyal co-operation, and strive with her to make the Elkin district outstanding in our woman's missionary work. Our best wishes are with Mrs. Hiatt and the missionary societies of her district.

OFFICERS' TRAINING DAY, GASTONIA DISTRICT

Mrs. Guy Killian, Secretary

The officers' training day of the Gastonia district was held Saturday, February 10, at Concord church on the Concord-Bessemer circuit, with Mrs. Wilbur Baber, district secretary, presiding.

Rev. H. M. Robinson, local pastor, led the devotional, which opened with a song, followed by the responsive reading from the Psalms and prayer, after which the beautiful hymn, "Lord, speak to me that I may speak," was sung.

Mrs. Hallie Stroup, president of the local auxiliary, graciously welcomed the delegates and visitors. The following visitors were introduced: Mrs. R. C. Kennedy of Bessemer City, president of the Blue Ridge-Atlantic conference of the former M. E. Church; Mrs. G. A. Hoyle, conference superintendent of children's work; Mrs. J. W. Harbison, conference superintendent of supplies, and a number of pastors.

Mrs. Baber reported that a gift of sterling silver had been presented to Rev. and Mrs. Claude Moser, our former district superintendent, this gift sterling in quality being typical of the character of these faithful consecrated workers. The remainder of the money, after the purchase of the gift, was directed to be used for subscriptions to the World Outlook for new auxiliaries. Hill's Chapel was welcomed as a new auxiliary.

Group meetings were held with the following leaders: President and vice president's group, Mrs. J. L. Rayle; secretaries' and treasurers' group, Mrs. Wilbur Baber; supplies superintendents, Mrs. J. W. Harbison; children's leaders, Mrs. George Hoyle; mission and Bible study group, Mrs. Talmage Gardner; Christian social relations group, Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.; spiritual life group, Mrs. Plato Miller.

Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, who was a delegate to the Uniting Conference in Kansas City, gave a general outline of the plan of work for the women of the united Methodist Church. Special music, a duet, "Look for the Beautiful," by Misses Lucille and Thelma Whitley of Bessemer City, accompanied by Mrs. George Hoyle at the piano, was greatly enjoyed.

Mrs. Miller, spiritual life leader, conducted the noontide devotions, using the 12th chapter of Romans as her Bible lesson. She urged that we be in the attitude of prayer—pray for our pastor, our auxiliary, our missionaries and our President of the United States. She closed her message with a request that we pray more, love more and all be loyal. After the singing of "Take my life and let it be, consecrated, Lord, to thee," the benediction was pronounced by Rev. H. M. Robinson, after which a delicious lunch was served in the Sunday school rooms. A zone meeting was held during the lunch hour with the zone leaders presiding. The three zone leaders for 1940 are: Gaston county zone, Mrs. Robert Carpenter of Cherryville; Lincoln county, Mrs. Harvey Jonas of Lincolnton, and for Cleveland county, Mrs. Talmage Gardner of Shelby.

MESSAGE OF CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

My Dear Friend:

It is my very great privilege and pleasure to come to you again at the beginning of a new year with the good news that we have advanced along all lines in our missionary work during the past year and have overpaid all financial obligations. My heart is filled with gratitude to you for the part you have taken in the advancement of our work during the past year. I know you will want to join me in praise and thanksgiving to our heavenly Father for this wonderful record. However, we must not be content with past achievements, but must "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

You are to go right on with your auxiliary work as you have been doing until further instructions are sent. We are now beginning our first steps in the uniting of our woman's work for the new Methodist Church. I am enclosing a letter from the president and organization secretary of the Council which explains these first steps. I presume that these three women of whom they speak have already been elected in your charge, and that very soon each district will have held its provisional meeting.

Bishop Purcell is calling our provisional conference meeting to be held in Salisbury April 18 at 2 o'clock. This meeting is composed of the nine delegates elected from each district. You can readily see that there will be some expense attached to the conference and

jurisdictional meetings, so your conference committee is asking that at your March meeting you take a voluntary offering to help bear these expenses, and send this offering with your first quarter's reports to Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Salisbury, and be sure to mark it "Provisional Delegates Fund." Thank you so much for looking after this matter.

Another item in which all of us are interested is the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference which will be held in First Methodist church, Salisbury, April 16-18. Please elect your delegate at the March meeting. Blanks will be sent to you soon for this purpose, so please fill them out and return them promptly to your district secretary.

We hope to make this one of our greatest meetings. It will be our last as a Southern organization; it will be our Jubilee. We are anxious to have a representative from every auxiliary there. We will begin our first session on Tuesday afternoon, April 16, at 2:30. Please have your delegate there on time. We are planning to close Thursday in time for the provisional meeting to be held at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

LITTLE THINGS

Have we ever noticed the importance that Jesus gave to little things? What is that in thine hand? Only a cup of cold water! But "he that giveth a cup of cold water in my name shall not lose his reward." What is that in thine hand?? "Only two farthings!" the widow who entered the temple would have answered. But Jesus assured those standing round that she had given all she had. What is that in thine hand? Only a little faith! But "if ye have faith even as a grain of mustard seed," you can remove a mountain. We cannot measure spiritual results. One day the veil will be lifted. Then we shall get some strange surprises. Many a man in an obscure office or worship has done more for the kingdom of God than many a preacher. Many a woman, busy in her home, has put more of God's love into the world than has come from the books of theology.—British Weekly.

WHERE TO CAST YOUR NET

"Did you ever notice," said the old lady, smiling into the troubled face before her, "that when the Lord told the discouraged fishermen to cast their nets again, it was right in the same old place where they had caught nothing? If we could only get off to some new place when we get discouraged, trying again would be an easier thing. If we could be somebody else, or go somewhere else, or do something else, it might not be so hard to have fresh faith and courage; but it is the same old net in the same old pond for most of us. The old temptations are to be overcome, the old faults to be conquered, the old trials and discouragements before which we failed yesterday to be faced again today. We must win success where we are, if we win it at all, and it is the Master himself, who, after all these toils, disheartening failures, bids us 'try again.'"—S. S. Times.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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PASSING THE BUCK

"The mother of these children was killed in an automobile accident and the father seriously injured, causing him to become irresponsible. He has deserted his three children who now are living with their grandfather, who already has nine people in his home. This grandfather, lay leader of our charge, is in poor health." Thus writes one of our good ministers who this year is on a charge that now has five children in the Children's Home. This charge never pays in full its apportionment to the Children's Home. It simply passes the buck. But the three children in question should not suffer because of the failure of their closest friends to provide for them. Such a ruling would hurt a lot of children enrolled here.

LACK OF APPRECIATION

Some of the youngsters here for whom we do the most seem to show the least appreciation of their opportunities. It seems that the more that is provided for them the more their demands increase. Our impatience is mellowed quite a bit when we think that many adults have set a similar pattern for them to go by.

ON BEING A MONKEY

The little boys and girls in our primary Sunday school talk a great deal about becoming dependable. Religion with them is a matter of every day expression. Practice and not theory engages their attention. Dependable nine-year-old Owen has recently moved from Anna Hanes cottage to Norfleet cottage, leaving the field open for nominations for some boy to take Owen's place. Expression of this interest bobbed up yesterday in the primary Sunday school discussions. Paul, Owen's younger brother, said he was going to try to become "pendable," whereupon a number of the other boys said, "You can't be 'pendable, you are such a monkey." Little Paul retorted, "But I know when to monkey."

THAT SORT OF CATTLE

A county welfare department enlisted our investigation relative to three small children whose father is thriftless and unreliable and whose mother has deserted, leaving the three children to eke out an existence in filth and neglect. In investigating this case this scribe came upon an eighty-one-year-old farmer of substantial worth and full of common sense, a farmer whose boys have settled around him on a 500-acre estate and whose desires have been encouraged to farm on the live at home principle. In presenting

this welfare case to the old gentleman, thoroughly acquainted with the parents of the children, he said, "What can you do with that sort of cattle?" He then reminded his hearer of his opinion of the harm that is coming from governmental feeding and clothing of a lot of thriftless and trifling people, causing some of them to desert their children to the care of civic and charitable institutions. The old patriarch didn't think the church should be made responsible for the triflingness of these parents, and yet he left unanswered the question as to what should be done with three innocent and suffering children.

A GIRL WITH A PURPOSE

In the midst of evaluation of so many sordid and discouraging life situations this scribe came upon a heroic soul the other day, a courageous young girl with a decided purpose. Within the past year her father had died of heart failure and her mother had passed away with cancer, leaving eight children in the home, four in their teens and twenties and four in childhood. The oldest member of this family is a girl of striking appearance who has worked for three years in the mill eight hours a day and kept up her work in the high school. Working on the second shift, she begins work at three o'clock in the afternoon and gets out at eleven at night, hurries home for some sleep and then after helping with breakfast hurries off to school. This girl will graduate from high school in early June after having specialized in business administration, with the high esteem of school folks and amid the plaudits of her comrades. The attractive young lady, when asked what she expected to do, said, "I will work where I am until a better break comes." Fellow citizens, there is a girl for you!

AWAY FROM HOME

Gilbert was one of the five Children's Home youngsters who graduated on February 2 from the Reynolds high

school with the mid-term class. Following his graduation he secured a job selling magazines with the Periodical Sales Company and is now on the road away from home. The following is taken from a letter just received from him: "A lot of times I have wondered whether the things that other former graduates said about the world's being a cold place were true, but now I know because I have come in contact with that very thing. Although I am doing o.k. I can plainly understand their statements. I really miss you and the Home and I often wish I could be back to see everyone. Have no fear of my going wrong because I am with a fine lot of boys who are from somewhat the same surroundings as I am."

Only a fellow who has been in a similar situation can understand what a timid lad faces in calling upon busy people to sell them a commodity they think they do not need. We find ourselves pulling for Gilbert.

CAKE BAKERS

The girls in the picture are in the process of making cakes. They are four young cooks in one of our dining rooms, working under the direction of Mrs. Edith Fincannon, dietitian. These four dependables are, left to right, Betty Faye Davis, Elizabeth Mullis, Mildred King and Lucy Marshall. Betty Faye is sponsored by the Willing Workers Class of First church, Charlotte; Elizabeth Mullis by the Young People's Missionary Society of Dallas; and Mildred King by the Girls' Circle of West Market Street, Greensboro. Lucy Marshall, the girl with the pitcher and ladle, is not sponsored.

CHILDREN'S HOME SUNDAY

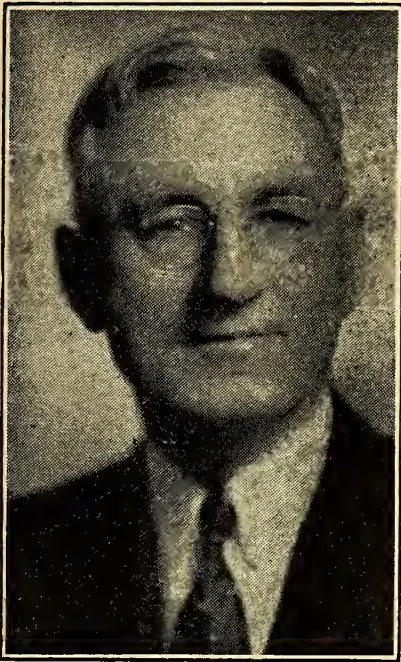
March brings another Children's Home Sunday, the Sunday after Easter. We shall hope for a liberal outpouring of financial help from our church schools. The last two fifth Sundays have come inopportunistically, one immediately following the sessions of or annual conference and the other

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It's no corn bread, nor biscuit bread, it's cakes

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

A SENSITIZED CONSCIENCE —

Our large constituency is becoming more sensitive to the needs of our large family each succeeding year. The investment of funds in character building of our boys and girls is money well spent. I know of no investment that yields such large dividends of joy and real satisfaction.

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HEAVY EXPENSE—The extremely cold winter has run our coal bill unusually high. There was nothing we could do about it, as we had to keep our children and workers comfortable during the extremely cold weather. Our friends are going to be good to us and help us to pay our large coal bill.

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KITES—On Wednesday of last week I looked over the campus and saw three or four boys flying kites. By the time this paragraph appears in the Advocate the number of kites will be multiplied over and over, as the March winds make their appearance. The marble season is just around the corner, and it will not be long before scores of boys will be wearing out the toes of their shoes, down on their knees around a marble ring.

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SUPT. O. V. WOOSLEY—A great honor has come to North Carolina and the South in the election of Supt. O. V. Woosley of the Children's Home as the president of the National Association of Methodist Hospitals and Homes. At the convention in Chicago on the 13-14-15 of February Supt. Woosley was unanimously and enthusiastically elected president of this great organization. The Methodist Orphanage wishes to extend to Supt. Woosley its hearty and sincere congratulations.

ALL SET—Our loyal and devoted pastors, together with their churches, are working hard to secure their ten per cent apportionment for the Orphanage during the next month or two. I am happy to state that a number have paid their apportionment in full, while a goodly number have paid a part of their apportionment. I have good reasons to believe that those who have not yet reported anything will do so within the next few weeks. To say that we need the ten per cent apportionment is putting it very mildly.

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GYMNASIUM—On the occasion of my 25th anniversary as superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage a good lady handed me ten dollars as a nest egg for the proposed new gymnasium for the Orphanage. I hope this is the beginning of a movement that will guarantee a gymnasium for the physical education of our children. Since this need is so imperative I trust that others will be generously disposed toward the proposition. I have been hoping and praying that someone would give us a gymnasium as a memorial. Next to our operating expenses a gymnasium is our greatest need.

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JUST THINK OF IT—Friends of the Baptist Orphanage in Alabama sent to that institution nine hundred and fifty thousand coupons. It should be an easy matter for us in the North Carolina conference to secure at least five hundred thousand coupons annually. It is sincerely hoped that the missionary societies of the conference will wage an active campaign so that we may secure enough coupons to buy a large electric range for our kitchen. The price of the range is \$1500, and if all will join hand and heart in this worth while undertaking we can have the electric range installed in our kitchen before the extreme hot weather season.

GOOD ISSUE OF THE CHRISTIAN HOME

Pastors who are interested in making church membership meaningful to children will find very helpful material in the March, 1940, issue of the Christian Home. March 17 is Palm Sunday and March 24 is Easter, and it is at this season that a great many children are received into church membership. Bishop Clare Purcell writes about "When a Child Joins the Church," and Dr. G. Ray Jordan has an article on "When the Church Means Everything." Consideration of "The Home When the Child Joins the Church" is given by Karl Quimby, and Edith Kent Battle's "Dad, I Want to Join the Church" is reprinted by request from an earlier issue. This material will be found useful not only by pastors, but also for pastors to place in homes where there are children who are of an age to be interested in joining the church.

The true concern of life is not what we have or what we can get, but what we can give. And the miracle is the veritable mines of treasure which God reveals to the man, however poor, who sets out to enrich his fellow men.

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TOMMY AND THE GUM DROPS

Farmer Pritchard took little Tommy, four years old, no father or mother, from the poor house on trial. "He's bright," said the farmer, "but I don't know whether he's honest. That's the thing on my mind."

Tommy had been there a week—one week of sunshine—when the black cloud came.

Farmer Pritchard had a cough at night, and on the bureau, near the head of the bed, he kept a few gum drops, which he could reach out and get to soothe his throat. One forenoon, chancing to go into the bedroom, his eye fell on the little paper bag, and he saw there was not a gum drop left.

"Tommy has been here," he said.

"I know there were five or six there when I went to bed last night, and I did not take one. Tommy! Look here! Have you been getting my gum drops?"

Tommy who was playing in the door, looked up brightly and said:

"No, I did not."

"Did you take them, Lucy?" asked the farmer, turning to his wife.

Mrs. Pritchard had not touched them, and her heart sank as she said so, for who was left there to do it but little Tommy. Her husband's face grew grave.

"Tommy," said he, "you need not be afraid of the truth! Did you take the gum drops?"

"No, I didn't," replied Tommy.

"Oh yes, you did, Tommy. Now tell the truth."

"No, I didn't."

"This is bad, very bad, indeed," said Mr. Pritchard, sternly. "This is what I have been afraid of."

"Oh, Tommy!" pleaded Mrs. Pritchard, "if you took them, do say so."

"If he took them!" repeated her husband. "Why, it's as clear as daylight."

Tommy had been running in and out all the morning. But Tommy denied taking them, although the farmer commanded and his wife implored. Mr. Pritchard's face grew ominous.

"I'll give you till noon to tell the truth," he said, and then if you don't confess, why, I'll have nothing to do with a boy who lies. We'll ride back to the poor house this afternoon."

"Oh, Joseph!" said Mrs. Pritchard following her husband into the entry, "he is little. Give him one more trial."

"Lucy," he said firmly, "when a youngster tells a falsehood like that with so calm a face, he is ready to tell a dozen. I tell you it's in the blood. I'll have nothing to do with a boy that lies."

He went out to his work and Mrs. Pritchard returned to Tommy and talked with him a long while very kindly and persuasively, but all to no effect. He replied that he had not touched the gum drops.

ONE TO ANOTHER

By Florence Meakin

I never, ever like to see
A kitten ambushed in a tree
And, a dog that sits beneath its boughs
Growling because the cat miaows.

If all who own a dog or cat
Would train their pets in "this" and
"that,"

There would not be these ugly tiffs,
Sometimes accompanied by biffs.

So let's appeal to one another
To help each pet be like a brother—
Loving, playing, living, sharing,
While for them we're always caring.

—Our Dumb Animals.

At noon farmer Pritchard went into the house and they had dinner. After dinner he called Tommy.

"Tommy," he asked, "did you take the gum drops?"

"No, I didn't," said Tommy.

"Very well," said the farmer, "my horse is harnessed. Lucy, put the boy's cap on. I shall carry him back to the poor house, because he will not tell the truth."

"I don't want to go back," said Tommy; but still he denied taking the gum drops.

Mr. Pritchard told his wife to get the boy ready. She cried as she brought out his little coat and cap, and put them on.

But Tommy did not cry. He comprehended that an injustice was done, and he knit his baby brow, and held his little lips tight.

The horse was brought round. Mr. Pritchard came for the boy. I think he believed up to the last Tommy would confess, but the little fellow stood steadfast.

He was lifted into the wagon. Such a little boy he looked, as they drove away. He thought of the cold house to which he was returning; the helpless old woman, the jecring boys, the night of terror—all these he thought of, when with pale face, and blue lips, he was taken down from the wagon and went up to the poor house.

Farmer Pritchard watched him as he went up the steps. He went in. The master came out for an explanation. It was given and the farmer drove away. The farmer laid a fresh stock of gum drops on the bureau that night, and thought grimly that these were safe. He retired early, but his sleep was broken. Mrs. Pritchard could not sleep at all. The tears stole through her eyelids after the candle was out. She was thinking of the little boy, perhaps cowering

in his cold bed with terror. Suddenly a curious small sound attracted her attention. It was repeated again and again, and now and then there was a tiny rustle of the paper. The sound came from the bureau. She listened and her heart beat with excitement. She knew the sound.

"Joseph!" she whispered, "Joseph!"

"What, Lucy?" asked her husband. He, too, had been lying awake.

"Did you hear that noise, Joseph? It's mice."

"I know it."

"It's mice, Joseph, and they're after your gum drops."

"Good gracious, Lucy!" uttered farmer Pritchard upon his pillow.

It flashed upon him instantly. He, and not Tommy, was the sinner. The noise stopped. The little depredators were frightened, but soon began again. And a rare feast they made. It seemed as if the night would never end. The farmer heard every hour the clock struck, and at five o'clock he got up and made a fire in the kitchen. His wife arose at the same time, and began to get breakfast.

"I won't wait for breakfast," he said. "You can have it ready when we get back. I'll harness and start now."

In a few moments the wheels rolled over the frosty ground, and away drove Mr. Pritchard in the morning starlight to get Tommy.

Mrs. Pritchard brought out the child's top and primer, made the kitchen look its cheerfulest. Then she got breakfast. She baked potatoes and fried chicken and made fritters. She put the nicest syrup on the table, and a plate of jellies and tarts. She laid Tommy's knife and fork in their place and set up his chair. The sun had risen, and the bright beams fell across the table.

As they drove into the yard they stopped at the door, and wondering, smiling little Tommy was lifted down in Mrs. Pritchard's eager arms.

"Lucy, let's have breakfast now," said the farmer. "He's our boy now, Lucy. He's never going away again." —The Messenger.

"Speaking of old families," said the aristocrat, "one of my ancestors was present at the signing of the Magna Charta."

"And one of mine," said little Ikey, "was present at the signing of the Ten Commandments."

Little Joan had been punished by her father.

"Oh, mummy," she sobbed, "was daddy the only man you could get?"—London Tit Bits.

Teacher—Paraphrase the sentence, "He was bent on seeing her."

Pupil—The sight of her doubled him up.—Exchange.

Sunday School Lesson

MARCH 3

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By Rollin H. Walker

In the Upper Room

Scripture—Matthew 26:1-30

If ever a man had an excuse for omitting a religious rite, Jesus had an excuse for omitting the celebration of the Passover, for it was extremely dangerous for him to be found with his disciples in the city at night. But all through his life Jesus held tenaciously to customs that retained any religious value. He went regularly to the synagogue, in spite of the fact that its services were often like feeding on dry husks, because there was still some corn amid the husks. And now he keeps the Passover in spite of the fact that with many it had lost its spiritual meaning.

But there are two ways of being loyal to old customs. One is to embalm them and preserve them like a mummy, and pay to them a superstitious reverence like that which is given by some of the bones of the saints. The other way of paying reverence to the past is to fulfill it, as might have been done to the Washington elm by planting slips from it all over the nation.

And this is precisely what Jesus did with the Passover. There was precious meaning in this old feast which celebrated the way God had delivered Israel from Egyptian bondage, and Jesus said, I will ordain a new feast of the Passover which will both keep alive the memory of the old, and also celebrate the deliverance of my people from sin, and not only my people but all believing men of all nations everywhere.

This new and universal feast of the Passover is, first of all, a remembrance that Christ the Son of God loves sinners to the death. It also perpetually reminds us that the good God who sent him into the world stops at no sacrifice to save us from our sins.

In a word, the sacrament reminds us of the truth contained in the parable of the prodigal son where, when the ragged wretch hove in sight, the father ran to meet him, fell on his neck and kissed him, and did not allow him to complete his prepared prayer, but called for the best robe and a ring for the finger, and shoes for the feet.

But, of course, the Lord's Supper, which reminds us of how he gave his body to be broken, and his blood to be shed for our sins, while it contains a new revelation of God's everlasting love for the sinner, contains also a new revelation of the sinner's obligation to God. A new covenant involves something new that both parties may be expected to do.

When we partake of the sacrament we put ourselves under obligation to love Christ to the limit, and to express

this love by a willingness, if need be, to lay down our lives for our fellow sinners (1 John 3:16). The sacrament of the Lord's Supper abolishes all limits to the obligation to forgive our brother. It says not seven times, but seventy times seven. It is the celebration of the unity of disciples with one another as well as their unity with Christ.

It is a curious fact that John's Gospel omits any reference to our Lord's injunction to pass the bread and wine when they met together in remembrance to him. After the story of the feeding of the five thousand John does indeed tell us how Jesus said, I am the bread of life; and how, when the Jews began to cavil, he said, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, ye have not the life in yourselves.

But in his account of the Last Supper he says nothing about the passing of the bread and the wine. In its place we are told of his washing of the disciples' feet. However, the Upper Room discourses in John 13:17 express the truth symbolized in the sacrament, over and over again. We are to love one another even as he has loved us. We are to abide in him, and he in us. He is the way, the truth, and the life. He is the true vine of which we are the branches.

It is possible that when the fourth Gospel was written the church had begun to give a magic quality to the consecrated elements, and John had reacted from this superstition as the Quakers did in later time. Symbols have a fatal tendency to lose their true meaning.

And yet, on the other hand, symbols are no more apt to lose their meaning than sermons, and the cross is no more apt to become a superstition than the creed. And the benefit of the symbol is that it can hold far more meaning than we now understand, and can keep beckoning uninstructed people and children in the right direction. And the experience of the church is that, in connection with this rite of kneeling together and partaking of the symbols of our Lord's body and blood, he does marvelously draw near and restore our souls.

It is to be noted that this rite combines in one symbol what men are accustomed to call the spiritual gospel, one the one hand, and the social gospel on the other. It is spiritual in that it symbolizes the mystical communion of the believers with Christ; it is social in that it was celebrated in the early church at a common meal where all classes of men sat down together and shared with one another in closest comradeship. At this meal Christians are to be true communists, minus all the atheistic materialism of the Marxians and their violent class hatred.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCES		
District	Place	Time
Raleigh-Benson		April 11
New Bern-Rainbow Church, 9		April 16
Fayetteville-Caledonia Church		April 17
Rocky Mount-Tarboro		April 17
Durham-Hillsboro		April 18
Asheville-Hendersonville		April 19
Winston-Salem-Fair Grove, Thomasville Ct., 9:30		April 19
Waynesville-Rockford		April 19
Gastonia-Rock Springs		April 19
Marion-Old Fort		May 8
Elkin-Friendship Church, Wilkesboro Ct.		May 8
Charlotte-Bethlehem Church, Prospect Ct.		May 9
High Point-High Point College		May 10
Greensboro-Gibsonville		May 14
Elizabeth City-Edenton		May 16
Statesville-Taylorsville		May 20

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March 11-31-First Church, Collingswood, N. J.
April 7-21-Trinity, Kannapolis, N. C.
April 22-May 5-Tabernacle, Martinsville, Va.
May 6-19-Green Street, Winston-Salem.

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Box 1383, High Point, N. C.

South China Grove, March 17-30.
Boilingers' Chapel, Valdese, N. C., March 31-April 12.
Hilderbran, N. C. (tent), April 14-30.
Thomasville, May 5-19.
High Point, May 20-30.
Draper (tent), June 2-11

District Superintendent

Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT		
A. J. Hebbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		March
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 11		2
Leasburg, Salem, 11		3
Milton, Purley, 3		3
Trinity, 7:30		5
Lakewood, 7:30		7
Duke Ct., Andrews Chapel, 11		10
Chatham Ct., Illekey Grove, 11		10
Glen Haven, Fairview, 7:30		16
Front Street, 11		17
West Burlington, 3		17
West Durham, 7:30		25
Eno, 7:30		28
Mount Hermon, Belmont, 11		31
Saxapahaw, Concord, 3		31
Durham Ct., Bethany, 3		31
Mebane, Central, 7:30		31
April		
Davis Street, 7:30		3
Graham, 7:30		4
Person Ct., Lea's Chapel, 11		6
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11		7
Long Memorial and Brookdale, Long Mm., 7:30		7
Duke Memorial, 7:30		9

Calvary, 7:30	10
Chapel Hill, 7:30	11
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 11	14
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3	14
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, HILLSBORO, 10	
Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11	21
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 3	21
Mebane, First Church, 7:30	24
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 11	28

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT		
B. B. Slaughter, O.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		March
Aulander, Roxobel, 11		3
Hertford, night		3
Chowan, Bethany, 11 and 1		6
Moyock, 11		10
Currituck, Ebenezer, night		10
Pasquotank, Mt. Herman, 11 and 1		15
Manteo, 11		17
Stumpy Point-Dare, East Lake, 2:30		17
South Camden, Perkins, night		17
Perquimans, Woodland, -- and 1		23
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11		24
North Gates, Kittrells, night		24
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11		31
Creswell, 3		31
Roper, Mackeys, night		31
April		
Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11		7
Kinnakeet, Rodanthe, night		7
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11		14
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3		14
Belhaven, Hebron, night		14
City Road, night		17
South Mills, Newland, 11 and 1		20
Plymouth, 11		21
Williamston, night		21
First Church, Elizabeth City, night		24
Windsor, Cashie, 11		28
Edenton, night		28

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT		
W. V. McRae, O.S., Fayetteville, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		March
Broadway, Poplar Springs, 11		3
Hemp, Pleasant Hill, 3		3
Aberdeen, 7:30		3
Jonesboro, Lenon Springs, 11		10
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3		10
Laurinburg, 7:30		10
Caledonia, 11		17
Maxton, 7:30		17
Hanlet, 11		24
Roberdel, St. Paul, 3		24
Gibson, 7:30		24
Siler City, 11		31
Bynum Ct., 3		31
Pittsboro, 7:30		31

NEW BERN DISTRICT		
J. A. Russell, O.S., New Bern, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		March
Atlantic, Williston, 11		3
Marshallburg, Summerfield, 3		3
Beaufort, 7:30		3
Vanceboro, Epworth, 11		10
Ayden, Macedonia, 3		10
Greenville, 7:30		10
Grifton, Sharon, 11		17
Pamlico, Stonewall, 3		17
Grimesland, Providence, 11		24
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30		24
Aurora, Campbell's, 11		31
Oriental, Arapaho, 3		31

RALEIGH DISTRICT		
H. I. Glass, O.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		March
Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11		3
Vance Ct., Flat Rock, 7:30		3
Henderson, Christ Church, 11		10
Granville Ct., Union Chapel, 3		10
Henderson, First Church, 7:30		10
Raleigh, Edenton St., 7:30		13
Newton Grove, Mt. Moriah, 11		16
Erwin, Erwin, 11		17
Benson, 7:30		17
Fairmont, 7:30		20
Cary-Apex, Apex, 11		24
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 3		24
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30		24
Franklinton, 11		31
Louisburg, 7:30		31

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT		
L. C. Larkin, O.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		March
Bethel, 11		3
Tarboro, 7:30		3
Wilson, 11		10

April		
Smithfield, 7:30		3
Fuquay, Kipling, 11		7
Selma, 7:30		7
Person Street, 7:30		10
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, BENSON, 9:30		

WILMINGTON DISTRICT		
W. A. Cade, O.S., Wilmington, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		March
Penderlea, 11		3
Warsaw, Carlton, 3		3
Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, night		3
Burgaw, Watha, 11		10
Wallace-Rosehill, Charty, 3		10
Wilmington, Epworth, night		10
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 11		17
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3		17
Whiteville, night		17
Penderlea, night		20
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11		24
St. Pauls, Barker's, 3		24
Rowland (place to be announced), night		24
Wilmington, Trinity, 11		31
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, night		31

WILMINGTON DISTRICT		
W. A. Cade, O.S., Wilmington, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		March
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30		7
Whitakers, Battleboro, 7:30		10
Enfield, 11		14
Halifax, Pierce's Camp Ground, 3		14
Marvin, 7:30		14
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30		17
McKendree, McKendree, 11		21
Elm City, Hornes, 3		21
Sandy Cross, 7:30		21

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE		
M. T. Smathers, O.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		March
Preach at Black Mountain (M.E.), 11		3
Joint Quar. Conf. Black Mountain, Oteen and Swan- nanoa, at Azalea, 3		3
Preach at Swannanoa, night		3
Quar. Conf. Weaverhill and Weaverville, Ct., at Wea- verville, night		4
Quar. Conf. Asheville Ct. and W. Asheville, at West Asheville, night		5
Quar. Conf. Blitmore and Oakley, at Oakley, night...		6
Quar. Conf. Laurel-Barnardsville, at Barnardsville, 11		10
Preach at Central, night		10
Quar. Conf. Central, Haywood St. and French Broad Ave., at French Broad, night		11
Quar. Conf. Asbury Mem., Hillside St. and Merrimon Ave., at Merrimon Ave., night		12
Preach at Big Sandy, 11		17
Quar. Conf. Leicester-Bell, Leicester, Grace and Sandy, at Brick Church, 3		17
Marshall, 11		24
Hot Springs and Paint Rock, 3		24
Preach at Reeve's Chapel, 11		31
Quar. Conf. Acton, Candler and Pisgah, at Montme- rencia, 3		31

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT		
M. T. Smathers, O.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		March
Tryon-Saluda, at Saluda, 11		7
Fairview at Sharon, 3		7
Fletcher, night		7
District Conference at Hendersonville		17

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT		
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		February
Weddington, Union, 11		25
Bethel-Bogers, Bogers, 3		25
Thrill-Moore's, Thrill, 7:30		25
Vadesboro, 7		26
Chadwick, 7:30		28
March		
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 10		3
Morven, Shiloh, 3		3
Marshville, Vingate, 7		3
Wesley Heights, 7:30		4
Belmont Park, 7:30		6
Dilworth, 7:30		8
Ansonville, Concord, 11		10
Irevard Street, 7:30		10
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30		13
Lilleville, Lilleville, 11		17
Central Avenue, 7:30		17
Derita, 7:30		18
Prospect, Carmel, 11		24
Poachland, Harmony, 3		24
Monroe, Central, 7:30		24
Huntersville, Asbury, 11		31
Myers Park, 7:30		31

ELKIN DISTRICT		
J. S. Hiatt, O.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.		
SECOND ROUND		
		March
Davie, Liberty, 11		2
Coolcemo, 11		3
Farmington-Smith Grove, 2:30		3
Dobson, Siloam, 11		9
West Jefferson, 11		10
Jofferson-Orion, 2:30		10
Todd, Fairview, 11		16
Boone, 11; Friendship, 2:30		17
Sparta, Shiloh		24
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Crook, 11		31

April		
Warrensville, Lansing, 11		7
Creston-Riverview, 2:30		7
Traphill, Charty, night		19

Helton, Grassy Creek, 11	14
Green Valley, Mt. View, 11	20
Watauga, Valle Crucis, 11	21
Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11	28

GASTONIA DISTRICT	
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
March	
Belwood, Palm Tree, 11	3
Fallston, Fallston, 3	3
Gastonia, Trinity, night	3
South Fork, Zion, 11	10
Casar, Palm Tree, 2:30	10
Gastonia, West End, night	10
Folkville, Folkville, 11	17
Cleveland, Marler, 3	17
Lovesville, Snow Hill, 11	24
Rock Springs, Webb's Chapel, 3	24
Belmont, Park Street, night	24
Lincolnton, First Church, 11	31
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 3	31
Cherryville, First Church, night	31
April	
Mount Holly, 11	7
Dallas, High Shoals, night	7
Lincoln Ct., Marvin, 11	14
Crouse, Lander's Chapel, 3	14
Boger City, night	14
Bessemer, Concord, 11	21
King's Mountain, Central, night	21
Stanly, 11	28
Shelby, Central, night	28

GREENSBORO DISTRICT	
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND (INCOMPLETE)	
March	
Calvary, 11	3
Stoneville, Stoneville, 7:30	3
Brown Summit, Shady Grove, 11	10
Greensboro: Bethel, 7	10
Reidsville, Lindsay Street, 11	17
Spray, 3	17
Danbury, 7:30	17
Madison, 7:30	27
Leaksville, 11	31

HIGH POINT DISTRICT	
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.	
SECOND ROUND	
(Subject to necessary changes)	
March	
Why Not, New Hope, 2	2
Coleridge, 11	3
Wesley Memorial, 7:30	4
First Church, High Point, 7:30	6
Seagrove-Love Joy, Fairgrove, 2	9
Liberty Ct., 11	10
Richlind, West Bend, 7:30	11
Denton, Central, 1:30	13
Randleman Ct., 2	16
Ashboro Ct., Central Falls, 11	17
Lebanon, 7:30	20
Linwood, Macedonia, 2	23
Randleman, Union, 7:30	27
Shiloh, Friendship, 2	30
April	
Main Street, High Point, 7:30	3
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethel, 2	6
Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11	7
Ward Street, 7:30	10
South Davidson, Pleasant Grove, 2	13
Trinity, Hopewell, 11	14
Archdale, 7:30	17
Denton First, Pleasant Grove, 11	21
Oak View, 7:30	22
Rankin Memorial, 7:30	24
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	25
Highland, 7:30	26
Welch Memorial, 7:30	29

MARION DISTRICT	
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
March	
Connelly Springs, Bollinger's, 11	3
Shady Grove, 3	3
Rutherford College, 7:30	3
Old Fort, 11	10
Old Fort Ct., Bethlehem, 3	10
Marion, First, 7:30	10
Cliffside, Avondale, 11	17
Sunshine, Pisgah, 11	17
Morganton Ct., Bethlehem, 7:30	17
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11	24
Forest City, 7:30	24
Rutherfordton, 11	31
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3	31
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	31
April	
Burnsville, 11	7
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 3	7
Spruce Pine, 7:30	7
Elk Park, Newland, 11	14
Avery, Fairview, 3	14
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30	14
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windham, 11	21
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3	21

STATESVILLE DISTRICT	
John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
March	
Broad Street, Statesville, 11	3
Taylorsville, Carson Chapel, 3	3
Stony Point, Stony Point, night	3
Mount Zion, Mount Zion, 11	10
McKendree-Williamson, Williamson, 3	10
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, night	10
Mooreville: Central, 11	17
Mooreville Ct., Centenary, 3	17
Mooreville: Broad Street, night	17
Hudson, Hudson, 10 and 3	24
Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 11	24
Granite Falls, night	24
Catawba, Bethlehem, 11	31
Shepherds, Wesley Chapel, 3	31
Malden, Malden, night	31

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SECOND ROUND	
March	
Broad Street, Statesville, 11	3
Taylorsville, Carson Chapel, 3	3
Stony Point, Stony Point, night	3
Mount Zion, Mount Zion, 11	10
McKendree-Williamson, Williamson, 3	10
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, night	10
Mooreville: Central, 11	17
Mooreville Ct., Centenary, 3	17
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Newton, 11	7
Hickory: Highland, Fairgrove, 3	7
Hickory: Westview, night	7
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn, 10 and 3	14
Lenoir: First Church, 11	14
Hickory: Bethel, night	14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT	
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
March	
Waynesville, 11	3
Sylva, 7	3
Webster, 11	10
Cullowhee, 7	10
Canon, 11	17
Rockwood, 3	17
Bethel, 7:30	17
Dellwood, 7	20
Pines Creek, 11	24
Crabtree, 3	24
Canon, First Church, 7:30	24
Junaluska, 11	31
Jonathan, 3	31
Morning Star, 7:30	31
April	
Whittier, 11and 7:30	7
Special situations	14
District Conference, Rockwood	19

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT	
W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND—IN PART	
February	
Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30	29
March	
Thomasville, Community, 11	3
Kernersville, Kernersville, 7:30	3
Winston-Salem, Ogburn Memorial, 7:30	8
Forsyth-Maple Springs, Hickory Ridge, 11	10
Lexington, State St.; West End Thomasville, 7	10
Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30	11
Winston-Salem, Central Terrace, 7:30	12
Hanes-Clemons, Bethel, 7:30	13
Winston-Salem, Green Street, 7:30	14
Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Morris Chapel, 11	17
Kernersville-South Winston, Pine Grove, 3	17
North Davidson, Union Ridge, 7:30	17

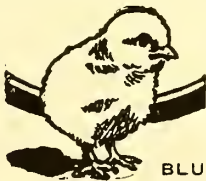
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Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Morris Chapel, 11	17
Kernersville-South Winston, Pine Grove, 3	17
North Davidson, Union Ridge, 7:30	17

CHILDREN'S HOME

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PITTS—Mrs. W. D. Pitts, born in Burke county, January 25, 1869, died at her home in Glen Alpine, November 3, 1939. Funeral services were conducted in the Glen Alpine Methodist church by her pastor, Rev. R. L. Young, who was assisted by Revs. D. E. Couch and J. W. Brown.

She is survived by her husband, with whom she had lived 51 years, and four daughters, two sons, one sister, 30 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and a great host of relatives and friends who mourn her passing.

Mrs. Pitts joined the church at the age of 12, having been a member of the Glen Alpine Methodist church for more than 50 years, during which time she was loyal and active in the total program of the church. The Sarah Pitts Bible class, named in her honor, is one of the largest and most active classes in the church school. As a token of further esteem a number of the new Methodist Hymnals will be placed in her memory. R. L. Young, P. C.

CULBRETH—Daniel Webster Culbreth, aged 77, one of Sampson county's best known and most beloved citizens, died at his home in Roseboro late Friday night, following a brief illness.

Funeral services were conducted from Roseboro Methodist church on Sunday afternoon, February 4. Rev. C. S. Hubbard, pastor of the church, officiated. He was assisted by Rev. W. J. Jones of Pineland College and Rev. G. N. Ashley of Salemburg.

Mr. Culbreth was for a great number of years one of the most active leaders in the religious, social and civic activities of the Roseboro community and of the county. Among the many offices of public good that he has held was that of justice of peace, and as a member of the school board.

Mr. Webb was a lay leader in the Methodist church of Roseboro, and he taught the men's Bible class of that church for more than 30 years. He preached on numerous occasions and was very often called on to officiate at the funeral of one of his many friends.

Mr. Culbreth was the son of the late J. D. O. Culbreth and Mary J. Cooper Culbreth. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Willie Culbreth; by an adopted son, Peyton Sutton; by one sister, Mrs. Annie Culbreth Sutton; and by three grandchildren.

WARREN—Miss Clarisa Warren was born in Blounts Creek, Beaufort county, December 10, 1856. She grew to maturity in the community of her birth, taking part in the affairs of her church and community. Miss Clarisa, as she was known by her friends, spent a very active life. In early womanhood she went to live in the home of Mrs. Sallie Swindell and remained her friend and companion until Mrs. Swindell died less than two years ago.

Miss Clarisa was a woman with an unselfish mind, always thinking of others. She was loved by all for her loving and kind disposition. She had a strong mind and busy hands, always reaching out to help someone. She lived long and well and has left a rich heritage to her family and her neighbors. She was in declining health for a few years prior to her death on November 15, 1939, and during the last few months of her illness she suffered much but never complained. Her suf-

fering was borne with courage and patience. She lived 83 years, which were full of good deeds.

The funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. G. S. Eubanks, in the home of Mrs. Jennie Swindell Bonner, Aurora, N. C., with whom she made her home. The body was laid to rest under a covering of flowers beside that of her friend in Oak Grove cemetery, Washington, N. C., to await her resurrection triumph. May God bless those left behind.

A neighbor, Mrs. B. B. Thompson.

HURDLE—Mrs. Elizabeth J. Bunch, daughter of William Hurdle and wife, Martha Riddick Hurdle, was born December 25, 1838, and died January 12, 1940, at the age of 101 years and 18 days.

She was converted under the ministry of Rev. John E. Edwards and joined the Hickory Cross Methodist church in 1857.

In 1868 Miss Elizabeth J. Hurdle married Harvey Perry. After her marriage she joined the Center Hill Methodist church, of which she was a faithful member as long as her health was so she could attend until her death. Three children were born to them—Annie, now Mrs. John Twine; Ida Perry, who married Corprew Reed; and Elizabeth Perry, who died 1912. Harvey Perry died December 23, 1874, leaving her with three small children. Eight years later she married James Bunch. One son, Herbert, was born to them, who is still living. She was an invalid for seven years. Though practically blind for a long time before her death, she retained her mental faculties and had been very active until the last several years. She was an outstanding example of patience and Christian fortitude.

Funeral services were held at the Center Hill Methodist church, with Rev. J. T. Stanford, pastor of the church, officiating. A large crowd attended the funeral. There was a profusion of flowers that covered the casket. One that loved her.

DELLINGER—Mrs. Luther A. Dellinger died at her home in Iron Station January 14, 1940, at the advanced age of 84 years. She was the daughter of Ephriam and Isabelle Randleman Edwards.

For many years she was a loyal member of the Methodist church at Iron Station. She found a great deal of comfort and pleasure in reading the Advocate, especially in her declining years. During her active life her home was the home of the preachers who sojournd in her community and they often enjoyed her unbounded Christian hospitality.

This "mother in Israel" is survived by five children: Bryan Dellinger and Mrs. J. Frank Armstrong of Lincolnton, Mrs. J. C. Tate of Wadesboro, Miss Eva Dellinger and Miss Addie Dellinger of Iron Station. Funeral services were conducted from the home January 25 at 2 p. m. by Rev. A. B. McClure, Rev. L. D. Thompson and Rev. B. Wilson, and her body was laid to rest by the side of that of her husband in Hollybrook cemetery in Lincolnton.

Mrs. Dellinger was one of Iron Station's best known and most beloved citizens. Her passing has brought genuine sorrow to her many friends and relatives.

"No painter's brush or poet's pen,
In justice to her fame,
Has ever reached half high enough,
To write a mother's name."

A Friend.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Nannie Matilda Jones Pleasant was born January 18, 1852, in Prospect, Caswell county, N. C.

She joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, when quite young and lived a consecrated and active life until illness overtook her. She was married to W. D. Pleasant of Yanceyville in the year 1875. To this union were born ten children, five of whom survive, as follows: Marcus Pleasant of Asheville, Wingate Pleasant of Burnsville, John Pleasant of Defiance, Arizona, Mrs. Carl Banks of Leaksville, and Miss Aldine Pleasant of Burnsville.

She studied art under private tutors. She won many prizes in state and national contests—first prize for portrait of the noted Flemish artist Reubenstein. One piece of fine art which won great approval was a life size portrait of Dr. Mitchell. She was a great lover of birds and flowers.

It has pleased an all wise God to remove from our midst a loving mother, a faithful Christian and one of our most beloved people. She has outrun us in the race and has been called to her reward; freed from pain, sickness and disappointments ever to remain with her Lord, whom she faithfully served to the end.

Yet, in spite of the goodness of God in freeing her from the handicaps of all things earthly and calling her to things eternal with him, we will miss her gentle smile and handclasp.

Therefore be it resolved: That we, the woman's missionary society of Higgins Memorial church, extend our deepest sympathy to the children and other kinsmen and commend her life to you as an example of Christian fortitude and faithfulness.

After the day, the night; after the night, the dawn; then we shall see Him face to face.

Mrs. Sorrells,
Mrs. C. C. Higgins,
Mrs. W. B. Robertson.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God in his infinite wisdom to remove from these earthly scenes to mansions of rest our brother and fellow member, J. M. Livingston; and

Whereas, we bow in meekness and humility to the will and purpose of our heavenly Father, nevertheless we realize that in the death of Brother Livingston the men's class of the Laurel Hill Methodist church, Laurel Hill, N. C., has lost one of its most loyal and valiant members, one who for more than a quarter of a century was a faithful member of this class; and

Whereas, it is the desire of this class to provide some fitting recognition of his services. Now, therefore, be it resolved:

That in the passing of Brother Livingston this class has lost one of its most faithful members, whose thoughts and devotion to the interests of his church were uppermost in his mind, and whose example will long linger in the memory of the members of this class. He was a modest, unassuming Christian, a devoted husband, a loving father, and a true friend. At the call of his Maker, he laid down the working tools of life, and with firm faith and courage, went to join the immortals; and be it

Further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be inscribed in the minutes of this class and a copy sent to the family of our deceased brother.

Zeb Hearne,
W. F. Caulder,
V. C. Mason,
Committee.

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Mother, Home and Heaven

HEAVEN as the home of the soul and mother as the heart of the home have made these three words the most cherished of the language.

In recent decades in the songs and in the sermons of the American church, this trio of words seem to have faded away. Do these familiar terms no longer make appeal to the average man?

With the mother, life, love, faith, hope are fundamental. Since "love will dream and faith will trust," a mother's entire being is shot through with life lived under the dominance of sacrificial love. Such women never count the cost. The mother-soul holds: "That life is ever Lord of Death and Love can never lose its own." Tennyson's finest tribute to mother-love is in his Rizpah where he tells of the old mother whose wild boy had been hanged for robbing the mail. This old woman who had been with God in the dark, could hear the voice of her Willie in the wailing of the wind over land and sea, calling "Mother, O mother, come out to me." Such is a mother's love. This warmest love that can never grow cold cherishes the secret hope that outlives all else.

Home, the resort of love, of joy, of peace, of family fellowship, is the place about which gather the pathos and tenderest longings of life. How dear to the American heart have been the cabins in the woods and the lowly huts by the wayside, so much akin to the simple cottages and the stately homes of old England. Though ever so humble, there have remained home, sweet home. The charm of the good old Saxon word home has come down from those who have known and loved the firesides about which mothers gathered their children. Even though the light burned low on the hearthstone, the altar of loving hearts continued to glow. Brighter than electric lights in crowded apartments or on the boulevards of the rich were these in which the sacrifices of mother-love were known.

We would that lyric poets, prophets in the sanctuary, and the song writers of this day might exalt anew the good old word so cherished by generations gone who held that mother makes home. And they also insisted that home was the sweetest thought of heaven, as they sang, "My heavenly home is bright and fair."

The longing for the far away home of the soul has seemingly dropped out of the desires of this generation. The comforts of a complacent people leave few longings for that land that is fairer than day—for "a land of pure delight where saints immortal reign." True, ear hath not heard the song, eye hath not seen the glories, and no mortal man hath dreamed the joys that lie beyond life's toils and cares, still in our better hours we hope that somehow, somewhere we shall meet again.

An effective Advance of this day would be to exalt the essentials, such as mother and home and heaven. So much has "gone with the wind" that the dearest and best and sweetest are fading away.

MOTHER! HOME! HEAVEN!

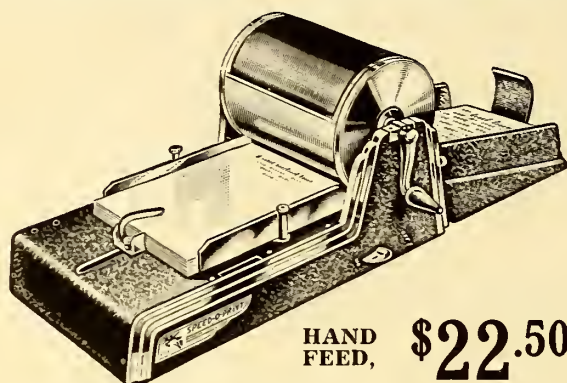
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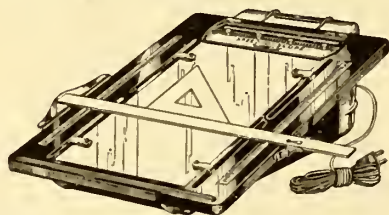
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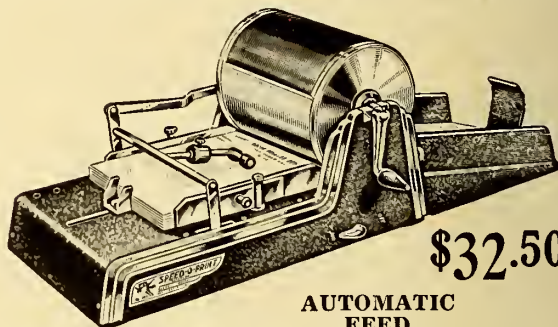
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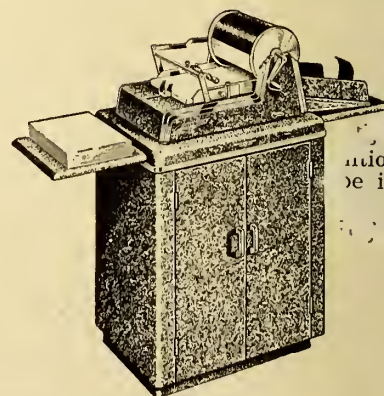
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Again and again should we ponder the vast implication of this observation of the late Senator Borah: "There never has been a law placed upon the statute books of any civilized nation on earth with reference to liquor that the liquor forces did not undertake to break down, to violate, to undermine, and to corrupt the officials."

§ § §

"And every man went into his own house," or as Moffatt puts it, "And every one went into his own home." The substance of all our peace and happiness is waiting for us "at home." The most tragic distinction in our world today is between those who go home in happy safety and those for whom no home is waiting—be the residence a cottage or a palace.

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Kings rely on heredity and they are backward looking. They rely on lording it over others—governments and armies are first with kingly authority. Jesus refused to be a king; he put aside the sword and refused to lord it over others. The prophet comes by the call of God and he has the forward look. The prophet relies on God from whom he gets his message. So the prophet outlives kings as he sways the future. Prophets are the sore need of this age and apostles with a message of love. Hate, fear and force are the reliance of dictators.

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In this week's Biblical Recorder, Dr. J. Clyde Turner, pastor of the First Baptist church, Greensboro, points a moral as well as adorns a tale as he recalls the demand of Uncle Crock Dunn made of President Taylor of Wake Forest College when he said, "If you want to talk to me you'll have to come down out of that tree." Uncle Crock was most illiterate, unable to read and write, yet he claimed to know all about cows. One day the college president in rather scientific language began to describe his ailing cow; then it was "Uncle Crock" asked the learned doctor to "come down out of that tree." From

this incident Dr. Turner gathers words of warning for those who live among books and fail to note the simplicity of the average man in the use of language. Some preachers put the "fodder too high"—they go over the heads of their congregation. This suggestive article by a most successful pastor and preacher closes with these words: "Blessings on your memory, Uncle Crock. There are many who will take their place by your side and say, 'Look here, Doctor, if you want to talk to me you'll have to come down out o' that tree.'"

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The furore in Congress and the discussion in the press concerning certain questions to be answered in the taking of the Census has called out some rather tart observations. Charles A. Plumley of Vermont announced in Congress that he had received from a constituent an offer of 40 acres for "a detention camp to take care of those who decline to answer these questions." An indignant woman went him one better as she informed a senate committee to hurry through an emergency measure "to enlarge the jail accommodations throughout the country to house those millions who will go there rather than to disclose their wages or income and their matrimonial adventures."

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A vigorous revivalist of other days with utmost solemnity would warn the hesitant sinners, "Hell is paved with good intentions." Our knowledge of that lower region is limited; but we can speak with more assurance of this present world. The pathway of failure for most church folks has much the same pavement as does hell for unrepentant sinners. During this present year of Methodist Advance we have heard numerous assurances of good intentions to be realized—most of which are yet in the realm of expectancy. Some are going to end the year in sad disappointment; others will be gloriously happy because whatever their hands find to do, they do it.

Are We Able?

ARE we able to face the coming weeks unafraid? We are counting on much to be done before and following Easter. During these weeks of the spring time new life is expected to appear in all our churches, both in the city and in the country. Are we able to lead on to this victory? The above question is not the oft repeated query of these last few years, "Can Methodism repeat?" That ends usually in wordy and uncertain generalizations. This plea calls for personal fellowship alone with God. To the multitudes Jesus spake in parables as they were able to hear, "but privately to his disciples he expounded all things," says Mark.

Jesus alone with his Father and apart with his disciples made preparation for the unusual events of the New Testament. Fellowship alone with God and apart with one another holds a high place in Christian experience preparatory to great achievements. In private, with the inner circles, he still expounds many things to men. Such are able to meet the issues in the storm and also among the raving and distressed in the multitudes on the shore. Fellowship alone with Jesus should certainly have a larger place with us if we would be able to do our urgent work before Easter and during the marvelous weeks to follow. We need "retreats" but not the formal retreats from which we so often return as one who "forgets what manner of man he is."

For months we have been attending all sorts of councils and conferences of crowds gathered from far and near. For a time we would do well to get apart and alone with God until endowed with that power of the spirit that would cause something unusual to happen in these town and city and country churches all about us here in North Carolina.

As we have watched the great assemblies and listened to the passionate and urgent appeals during this Methodist Advance there has come to us an eager desire that the last man of the farthest off little church on the by-ways and in the back alleys might hear afresh this urgent call. Those who have been anew in loving fellowship with this wonderful Saviour can tell the story. Then the Methodist Advance would be to all a glorious reality.

Might it not be well to call off one-half of our public meetings so as to allow time to be alone in the fellowship of prayer? From this, with a new light in the eye and another ring in

the voice, would come men and women to join in the public meetings. Holy Week would then count for more and the country meeting would result in a glorious victory. For personal fellowship with God results in a finer fellowship with men enabled to win.

Post-War Starvation

EX-PRESIDENT HERBERT HOOVER'S statement in Washington last week that the whole of Europe would be a starvation spot when the present war is over brings vividly before us again the futility of war. The plea for help to save the hungry in Poland is only the forerunner of what is to come. Following the World War we were called on to help feed starving women and children in Germany. Following the present war we may expect a worse situation in Europe. It is the inevitable consequences of nations exhausted by the destruction of life and treasure that comes with the folly of war.

All who work for peace and refuse to be a party to war render a real service to the nations. The absurd madness of Europe in following one war with another indicates the hopelessness of the situation over there. Washington disclosed his wisdom when he warned the young nation of the west to avoid entangling alliances. As a nation we will do well to hold fast to the American tradition and also all that is truly American. The enemies of our land are those who would bring in the European way—especially all those later importations. Wise will we be to stand steadfastly against the present invasion. Keep out of it even though we have to help feed the victims of war and European folly.

Unsatisfied Tastes

DR. WILLIAM J. HUTCHINS, retired president of Berea College, tells the following story:

A mountaineer visiting town saw, for the first time, a bunch of bananas. "Want to try one, Jeff?" asked a friend, after identifying the fruit for him.

"No, I reckon not," Jeff answered. "I've got so many tastes now I kain't satisfy, I ain't aimin' to take on any more."

That Kentucky mountaineer was at the root of the matter when it came to a mastery of the simple life. Most of us, theoretically at least, commend the simple life, but if one is to be con-

tent therewith, he must not be taking on tastes that he cannot satisfy. We waste a great deal of sympathy on the man of a limited environment who does not have to wear himself out in a vain striving to satisfy a multitude of desires developed by the complexities of our modern life. If Abraham Lincoln had spent his boyhood in New York or Philadelphia, would he have been more favorably situated? This is a question worth thinking about.

Our church, as a practical problem, faces this very question in providing ministers for the less fortunate classes of our population. A man who has developed a taste for literature, art and the cultural aspects of life will likely lose his interest, if he ever had it, in God's plain people who have been forced to be content without these. He is on the lookout for congenial parishioners. There is but one thing that can save him from this dire calamity. That is the spirit of the man of Gallilee or the sound common sense of the mountaineer. To have neither is fatal.

Not New But Worth Repeating

METHODIST preachers from the days of Jesse Lee have enjoyed the distinction of being equal to any and every emergency. But this fine resourcefulness is not limited to the pioneers. Those of the present day are worthy the record of the pioneers, as the following story serves to show. According to the Pacific Methodist Advocate, a pastor in Southern Illinois went to spend the night with a member of his church and just before bedtime he said to his host: "Brother, if you will bring me the Bible I will read a chapter; we will have prayer, and I will go to bed."

"We have no Bible."

"Well, bring me a Testament then."

"We have no Testament."

"Well, bring me the church paper, and I will read you something out of that."

"We never take the church paper; it costs too much. Besides we never have any time to read it."

"You haven't a Bible, not even a Testament, you say you are too poor to take the church paper, and you haven't any time to read it? Brother, there is only one thing I can do for you."

So he reached into his pocket, pulled out his Discipline, and read the service for the burial of the dead.

The Builder Wears a Crown

FEW destructive critics know how little their efforts amount to in the long course of human events. Only the constructive worker counts. As the coral islands rise on the dead bodies of millions of workers, so the conquests of marching civilizations are made by the contributions of toilers many and varied. The Pyramids, St. Peter's and London Bridge tell the same story. The cities built and the lines of commerce thrown out to the ends of the earth in this new land stresses the story of the ancient world. But those who work in store and in things material are not a peculiar lot. The workers with moral and spiritual forces are of superior worth.

Jesus dealt not with tools and engines devised to work with material things; he worked with moral and spiritual forces. Souls of men and eternal realities enlisted his abiding interest. He came not to destroy men's lives but to save them. The growing seed and the growing child were his favorite illustrations. Not the destructive but the constructive had first place with this builder of a kingdom—of the kingdom of heaven.

How often the destructive bolt is substituted for the patient, constructive effort! A bolt out of the blue can destroy the giant of the forest which has been a hundred years in the making. The noise appeals to the senses, but the result does not win the approval of men. Often a preacher allows someone to befool him to the death with some such observation as this, "I tell you, you hit us today." Of course that brother means, "You hit the other fellow."

Fault finding and destructive criticism is too often substituted for constructive criticism and a genuine effort to build up in the Christian faith those who hear. The men and women who count, both lay and clerical, are those who stress the constructive effort. The mothers of the world count for most because they build the characters and set the feet of boys and girls in the long dusty way of life along which pass the multitudes that wear the crowns. The cynics, the knockers, the destructives fall on the junk heaps of the world. Samson is found among his own ruins. The most constructive worker of all the ages leaves behind him an empty tomb and promises a crown to all who are faithful to the end. The laurel is for those who do not look behind; the jublations of the capstone await the builders.

❖ People and Things ❖

Brother A. R. Surratt writes: "My wife is seriously ill. Please ask Advocate friends to pray for her."

Read carefully note of explanation at head of our Advocate Campaign report.

There will be an Easter sunrise service at Snow Creek church on the Olin charge Easter morning. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

It is said that it is easier for a girl to get a job than to get a husband, but it is easier to get a husband if she has a job.

The Provisional meeting of the North Carolina conference will be held in First church, Henderson, N. C., Monday afternoon, April 1, at 4 o'clock. Bishop W. W. Peele will convene this meeting. All delegates to Provisional conference please note hour and date.—Mrs. E. L. Hillman.

Since the First church (former Methodist Episcopal Church, South) and Second church (former Methodist Protestant Church) of Siler City are merging this year, all their worship services are held as union worship services in the morning at First church and in the evening at Second church. Definite plans have already been formulated in the interest of building a new \$15,000 educational plant, which is already under way.

"Youth Religious Emphasis Week" of services were held last week in the Methodist churches of Siler City. These were sponsored by the young people of the First and Second Methodist churches. The new educational plant is practically under way. The architect, Mr. Haines of Durham, has already been employed and other plans are developing rapidly in the interest of the building. The young people assumed entire responsibility for these services.

Clinton area of the Wilmington District League of Stewards assembled at Clinton Sunday with district leader, W. A. McGirt, presiding. Rev. B. H. Houston, pastor Clinton Methodist church, C. E. Quinn, associate lay leader, Rev. A. L. Thompson, pastor Faison-Kenansville, Prof. F. S. Aldridge, Duke University, Dr. W. K. Greene of Duke University, and Rev. W. A. Cade, district superintendent, took part in the meeting. The laymen are active in the Wilmington district in their zone meetings.

West Forsyth Charge, Harmony Grove Church.—We had a good attendance as usual for Sunday school and preaching service. Our pastor, Rev. G. B. Ferree, brought a most interesting sermon. Services have been good all the winter. Reduced by bad weather and sickness, we hope when spring comes our attendance will be still better. I am glad to report for our church and I enjoy very much the reports from other churches. Certainly hope to send in a better report next time.—Miss Ethel Todd.

Dr. G. Ray Jordan was the guest speaker for Religious Emphasis Week at Clemson College, S. C., February 18-22. Dr. Jordan was at his best. He spoke to the entire student body of 2200 young men in two chapel services and to around 1000 at the other two morning services. Dr. E. W. Sikes, president of Clemson College, stated publicly to the corps of cadets at the end of the series: "These talks of Dr. Jordan to you have been not only enjoyable but have been helpful. He has talked more common sense and good religion to you than I have heard in many a day. He has placed sign boards along the road of your lives. I wish to say to him that if he will let us know when he is passing this way again we will have a special assembly so that you may hear him. I hope that he will come again and come often."

Thanks for renewals and new subscribers. Campaign is warming up with the weather.

On the second Sunday in April (14th) the Wilkesboro Methodist church will hold a home coming. All former pastors and presiding elders, all distant members and former members, with their families, are most cordially invited to be present. Services will begin at 11 a. m. and continue throughout the day. Dinner will be served on the premises. You are invited. Don't forget—Sunday, April 14. Make plans now to be on hand.—W. J. Plint, Pastor.

Both of the Louisiana primary elections are now matters of history. Every inch of ground and every issue was hotly contested from beginning to end of the campaign. No side has any doubt as to the result and, probably, more happened than either side expected. On the front cover of this issue we present a likeness of Governor-elect Sam Jones, who with State Senator James A. Noe and other militant and aggressive aides, carried to success the standard of opposition to the defenders of the administration. Mr. Jones is a Methodist, a Methodist steward, and is an upstanding and capable man. We confidently believe that he will make a chief executive in every way worthy of this great commonwealth.—Editorial in New Orleans Christian Advocate.

Returning to Main Street for the fifth year, we were given a cordial reception. During the Christmas season, although we received no poundings as some have reported, we were remembered most kindly by the good people of the church. For example, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Johnston made us a present of automobile license numbers, which were greatly appreciated as were the other remembrances. The work for the year has begun well. All claims are paid to date and interest is good. Sunday evening, February 18, our young people's program was rendered. Rev. Mr. Hipp spoke to the young people and his message was timely and well received, although bad weather reduced the attendance somewhat. For this year Pine Grove was attached to our work. We have already found the people there a good and responsive constituency. Like the people of Main Street church our friends here remembered us with numerous gifts for which we are grateful. We are hopeful of a successful year of blessing at both of these churches.—C. G. Isley.

The Methodist Ministers' Wives' Association of Rowan county met on Thursday evening, February 29, in the parsonage of the First Methodist church of China Grove with Rev. and Mrs. Wilson O. Weldon. A Saint Patrick's Day motif was carried out and a delicious supper served. Mrs. J. S. Gibbs and Mrs. A. C. Waggoner assisted in planning the menu. A number of games were enjoyed after supper. The following persons were present: Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Gibbs, Rev. and Mrs. George Williams, Rev. and Mrs. Carl H. King, Rev. and Mrs. Clegg Avett, Mrs. A. C. Waggoner, Mrs. M. Teague Hipps, Mrs. Earl D. C. Brewer, Mrs. John Kirk, and Mrs. W. E. Hauss. The group sent messages to Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Clark and Rev. and Mrs. Walter B. West, expressing regret that they could not be present and hopes that they would soon be well. The group voted to accept the invitation of Rev. and Mrs. H. Teague Hipps to meet with them in Salisbury for the April meeting. The officers of the association are, Mrs. Wilson O. Weldon, president, and Mrs. J. S. Gibbs, secretary.

JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCES

Southeastern—Asheville, May 22.
 South Central—Oklahoma City, May 28.
 Northeastern—Atlantic City, June 18.
 Central—St. Louis, June 21.
 North Central—Chicago, June 26.
 Western—San Francisco, July 9.

MAIN STREET, HIGH POINT, BUILDING FOR THE YEARS

It might be of interest to some of the readers of the Advocate to hear something of what is taking place at Main Street, High Point.

Last November our church auditorium was declared by the civil authorities to be unsafe for assembly purposes. We had to discontinue the use of it. This came as a shock. We knew we were going to have to erect a new building, but we had hoped to be able to use this one until we could gather funds sufficient to justify the launching of such a project. We are now trying to carry on in one of the assembly rooms of the educational building.

It is our purpose to build an auditorium, the cost of which will be approximately \$35,000. Mr. W. F. Hoffman and family have granted us 15 additional feet of ground which joins our church lot on the north side. This footage with the 40 feet we already have gives us a lot of 55 feet on the north side of our educational building. It is our plan to erect the auditorium on this lot and use the ground where the present auditorium now stands, in front of the educational building, as an open court.

We have discovered a big-hearted brotherly brother in the person of Dr. E. H. Blackard, pastor of the Wesley Memorial church here. He has rendered and is rendering very valuable service to our cause. What is true of him is also true of his people. This great church has been sympathetic, kind and generous to us. They are very graciously helping us out of our difficulty by contributing \$10,000 to our building fund. By so doing they are making possible an undertaking that otherwise would be beyond our resources.

We at Main Street have set as our task to have an equal amount by the time we are ready with our plans, which will be about the first of May. Our people are loyal, liberal and ever ready to share what they have with the church. Many are really making sacrifices for the cause. With the earnest, sacrificial spirit with which our people have entered into this task, I am sure that we will have \$10,000 by the time we begin to break ground for the new building the first of May.

Mr. H. M. King, architect of Louisville, Ky., has been here to confer with us and is now making plans for the church. We have applied to the General Board of Church Extension for a loan of \$15,000 and we have been encouraged to believe that it will be granted.

Main Street has long been a charge in the Western North Carolina conference. Many of God's choicest saints are still among her membership and many others through the years have united with the church triumphant. She deserves to continue to live. With a more adequate equipment she will have a larger growth and greater usefulness.

N. C. Williams, Pastor.

LAST SUNDAY IN HENDERSON

Rev. B. C. Reavis, pastor of First church, Henderson, having been shut in with the "flu" called for someone to fill his pulpit last Sunday morning. So this editor enjoyed the opportunity of the day. To preach there once again as well as to renew former fellowship at First church filled the day with delight.

Along with this service was the privilege about the board at noon to feast with the Reavis family. In that elaborate new parsonage they are able to entertain in

fine fashion. Few better parsonage homes can be found in either of our two conferences. This parsonage alongside of that beautiful stone church may be classed among the best church properties in the North Carolina conference.

The many friends of Brother Reavis in the Western North Carolina conference will be delighted to hear of the high place he holds in the estimate of the Methodists of Henderson. They count him a worthy successor to Rev. R. E. Brown, who is making such a fine start at Hay Street, Fayetteville. To put a man on a par with Brown is about the best praise they know.

Just at present Dr. Kenneth Clark of the school of religion at Duke is supply minister at the First Presbyterian church in Henderson. He and Mrs. Clark gave me the rare fellowship of making the trip with them from Durham and return last Sunday. This added much to the pleasure of the day.

ENJOY LIFE IN ERMINE, SPATS, OVERALLS, OR BOOTS

Olen W. Clements says:

"All Texans do not wear ten-gallon hats and cowboy boots. Some of them swagger in ermine and top hats and like to stop off at a joint and shoot craps on the way home from the symphony. Others belong to the bacon and bean class or the handlebar mustache class.

There are nearly 6,000,000 types of Texans because there are nearly 6,000,000 Texans. Each is in a class by himself.

Texas men do not wear cowboy boots with tails and top hats, but if one of them felt like dressing in that manner he would do it because Texans are individualists."

INTERPRETATION OF TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. Thou shalt have no other God but me.
2. Before no idol bend thy knee.
3. Take not the name of God in vain.
4. Nor dare the Sabbath day profane.
5. Give both thy parents honor due.
6. Take heed that thou no murder do.
7. Abstain from words and deeds unclean.
8. Nor steal, though thou be poor and mean.
9. Make not a willful lie, nor love it.
10. What is thy neighbor's, do not covet.

—Author unknown.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

The executive committee of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the North Carolina conference will meet March 20. All applications to go before either the conference or general board should be in the hands of the secretary, S. J. Starnes, Williamston, N. C., not later than March 15. Any other matters to be considered by this group should be in the hands of the secretary by that time.

J. M. Ormond, Chairman.
S. J. Starnes, Secretary.

BISHOP PURCELL FILLS VACANCY AT MORGANTON

Please announce appointment of Rev. Fletcher Nelson to Morganton and Rev. W. Harold Groce to Forest City. Weaverville appointment will be filled within a few days.

Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the Advocate campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.

REMEMBERING A GREAT MAN

By W. J. Seeley

February 11 marks the birthday of one of this country's greatest benefactors, Thomas Alva Edison, a man of rare genius, unbounded energy, and masterful perseverance. We are indebted to him for a great number of the devices, processes, and systems which have gone to make our country the leader in a mechanized civilization of modern convenience and comforts. His prodigious works, covered by an unprecedented number of patents, nearly 1200, include such things as a stock ticker, duplex quadruplex, and multiplex telegraph systems, paraffin paper, the mimeograph, a telephone transmitter, the phonograph, the incandescent electric lamp, electric generators, power distribution systems, electric meters, magnetic ore separator, an electric railway, a system of wireless telegraphy, the dictaphone, the motion picture camera, methods of recovering iron ores from rock, the alkaline storage battery, improved methods of cement manufacture, a disk phonograph, the kinetophone (motion picture), manufacture of carboric acid, and many others. It has been estimated that his inventions had brought into existence \$10,300,000,000 of wealth in the United States alone. The effect of his work on our social life, however, is inestimable and it is foolish to try to estimate it in terms of monetary measures; but it is nearly impossible to pass a day in normal urban life without turning on an electric light, talking on the telephone, listening to a radio program, walking on a cement sidewalk, or viewing a motion picture—all of which bear the imprint of this man's genius.

What manner of man was Edison? What sort of philosophy did this ultra-practical experimentalist espouse? He was the world's greatest exponent of the experimental method and declared that he believed only what he could prove. His motto was "Seeing is believing." Yet he had a sound social philosophy; it was conventional and conformed to his environment. He was not an idealist, but he was an independent thinker and his ideas were born of his own observation. He was a hard worker and expected hard work from his employees. He was strictly honest in all his findings and conclusions and he expected similar honesty in his men. Some of his oldest employees were men who continuously disagreed with his methods, but they were honest in their disagreements.

He was not highly religious, nor was he an atheist. His religion was practical and he followed it. He often remarked that the human body was the masterpiece of God's work. He said he was a full subscriber to the moral code of Christ, and that he believed that Christianity will continue to produce the world's best leadership. He stated many times that he believed that the universe was pervaded by a Supreme Intelligence, that this Supreme Intelligence (God) did not intend that people should fully understand all his works, and that everyone should do their best to trust him. He said that the theory of the immortality of the soul was not necessarily shocking to a developed intellect of the sort which is called practical; that it was one of those things which man instinctively believes but about which there is no practical proof.

This is not necessarily strange doctrine for practical scientists and inventors. They are so often unjustly accused of ungodliness and unbelief when as a matter of fact their continual struggle in bending the forces and materials of nature to the uses of mankind leads them

logically to conclusions such as those reached by Edison. He once observed that the laboratories of colleges, universities, and industrial concerns are places where the word of God is revealed and worshipped even though some of the worshippers are unaware that they are uncovering it and bowing down before it.

WASHINGTON OBSERVATIONS: FIRST FAMILY'S DIVORCE RECORD

The latest news of a regretful character emanating from the immediate family of the President is the announcement of the application for divorce by another son. The failure of three out of five marriages among the President's children cannot but meet the disapproval of the public. That strikes too high an average among a people that still holds that "the first bond of society is marriage." At a time when all ears are attuned to catch some indication of the President's attitude towards a third term, it has been quite natural for eavesdroppers to seize upon this as another evidence that the embarrassment over which opponents are likely to make political mayhem would have been at least postponed, if Mr. Roosevelt really desires the nomination.

Members of the household of the Chief Executive have always been accorded the status of a private family. Even in the fury of political combat the White House family circle, other than the President, has usually been spared any blows. Nor has the public been accustomed to set itself up as a censor to pass unto the conduct of a President's children, especially after they have reached maturity and passed from under parental control. A great number of typewriters have been pounded to pieces by White House correspondents who, even when hard put for news, have refrained from intruding upon the private affairs of a President's family. Out of deference to the rules for propriety, they have abstained from publicizing the affairs of the Chief Executive's family, and their silence has met with general approval.

This triple flight of the junior members of the Roosevelt household to the divorce courts is generally deprecated. It seems a wholesale disregard of Christ's solemn warning, "What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder." Persons with liberal opinions about divorce will not excuse signs that indicate it is being overdone. While many Americans have gloried in tossing off the restraints of Puritanism and Victorianism, they still look toward the White House to give a certain tone to the family life of the nation. When betrothals and weddings, heralded and celebrated as those arising in that direction have always been, result in civil contracts broken, and sacramental vows renounced, such may quite naturally lead others in humbler stations of life to conclude that no odium attaches to what the more exclusive circles condone and practice.

Perhaps more than any other family that has ever lived in the White House the present occupants have belonged to the public. The choice has been of their own selection. Possessed of tireless energy, of a wide diversity of interests and of benevolent inclinations, they have spoken and participated freely in matters that affect the public welfare. Instead of being tortured by publicity, they have appeared at times to dramatize themselves. Under such circumstances there is no impropriety in registering disapproval of the family's divorce record.—Joseph Simpson Payton.

RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK AT BREVARD

Shown here is Rev. W. A. Kale, who will be the principal speaker for our religious emphasis week at Brevard College, which will be held from March 10 to March 16. Mr. Kale is the pastor of the Trinity Methodist church at Kanapolis. The program will begin with the Sunday morning service at the Brevard Methodist church, with Mr. Kale talking on the subject, "Making the Home Christian." The remainder of the service will be held in the college chapel, with two lectures each day through Friday. On Friday evening the program will consist of a consecration service led by Mr. Kale; the college choir will assist with the program in the rendition of several appropriate musical selections.



Rev. W. A. Kale

Mr. Kale has been on the faculty of the summer assembly staff many times at Lake Junaluska, and because of his interest and experience with young people the students are looking forward to the emphasis week program. Mr. Kale's visit to the campus will undoubtedly mean much to the students and the program of the college.

On Saturday, February 24, the sophomore class met and elected the superlatives of their class. After a very close race the following people were elected: Most popular, Lenore Matthews, Lancaster, S. C., Dan Waddell Hendersonville; most original, Frances Peele, Laurel Hill, Oliver Orr, Brevard; best all round boy, Buck Barden, Wilmington, Elizabeth Parrish, Walkertown; best personality, Nana Sue Michael, Pleasant Garden, Delbert Byrum, Charlotte; best looking, Jean Summey, Taylors, S. C., Jack Kendall, Norwood; most intellectual, Lois Frazier, Spray, Bob Dimmette, Rockingham; most friendly, Jerry Hicks, Winston-Salem, Bill Palmer, Shelby.

The outstanding social event of the week was the party sponsored by the Euterpean Literary Society, which was held in the Recreation Center building in charge of Miss Wilma Setzer, a member of the society. The honor guest for the occasion was Miss Mary Margaret Binford of the Woman's College in Greensboro. Miss Binford is the niece of Miss Myra Binford, who is the dietician at Brevard.

DR. TRIPP TO VISIT DUKE

On March 11 and 12 Dr. Thomas A. Tripp is to visit the Duke University campus. You will do us a favor if you will publish Mr. Tripp's speaking schedule, as given below:

March 11—11:30 in room 301, School of Religion building; 12:30 in York Chapel, School of Religion building; 7:30 p. m. in recreation room, School of Religion building.

March 12—11:30 in room 109, School of Religion building; 12:30 in University Chapel.

Personal conferences with Dr. Tripp may be arranged for during Monday afternoon, March 11, or Tuesday morning, March 12.

Dr. Tripp was born in Oklahoma, where he spent a great amount of time serving rural churches. Dr. Tripp has the degree of the Doctor of Philosophy from Yale University, and while he was a student there he served in rural pastorates in Connecticut. At present Dr. Tripp is president of the National Home Missions Council of all denominations, and he is director of the Town and Country Department of the Church Extension Division for the Board of Home Missions of the Congregational and Christian churches.

Howard Wilkinson,
Chairman Rural Life Committee.

ELKIN DISTRICT MEETING AT NORTH WILKESBORO

When I arrived Tuesday morning, March 5, at 10:20 a. m., Paul Townsend was in the midst of a devotional address, which was really devotional and otherwise beneficial. The big, attentive congregation filled the North Wilkesboro Methodist church. Rev. J. S. Hiatt, the district superintendent, was in charge directing the conference. He knew where he was going and went. And there was not a dull moment from the beginning to the close at 3 o'clock. Between these terminal hours there was an hour for lunch when the pastors' wives were the guests of Mrs. A. L. Aycock at the parsonage. The other members of the conference and visitors ate in the church hut. Just before lunch the ladies elected delegates to the Provisional conference, and they "got out" for this election a full vote. The women appear to love to vote as well as the men.

Now to the routine work of the conference. The district superintendent let it be known that there had been an increase of pastors' salaries amounting to \$3380, but with this decided increase he says there should be larger salaries at a number of points in the district. Dr. Hiatt spoke ironically of several parsonages that are air conditioned. Obviously he had in mind that the temperature is the same within as without. He says, also, that some of the churches are not what they ought to be. It seems that a building campaign is getting under way in the Elkin district.

The speakers on the printed program were Herman Duncan, who called his address a work shop talk, as it had to do with missionary literature, Mrs. H. D. Halfacre of North Wilkesboro spoke interestingly of woman's work, W. J. Pint's subject was "Continuous Christianity," H. C. Sprinkle spoke with his usual good sense on some of the things that will help the Advance, and L. B. Abernethy on the work of missions.

Speeches by several women whose names did not appear on the printed program were especially meritorious. Among these was Miss Oliver, director of children's work, and several others whose names I failed to secure. These young women spoke effectively on various aspects of the youth movement and it became evident that some great leaders are in the making in the Elkin district.

In the afternoon Rev. R. G. McClamrock urged that a revival be held in every church, and E. C. Brewer presented the educational work with the young people. All these speeches were short but long enough to be first class. And they were. The big congregation listened with unabated interest to the end of the day.

It was a red letter day for the new Elkin district and the work thereof will bear fruit. The spirit of the meeting was fine, every interest of the church got attention, and the outlook for the work this year is full of promise.

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The Cross

By Robert M. Hardee

"Take up your cross and follow me."

Have we forgotten the meaning of these words today? Jesus did not take up a gun to defend himself but did take up the cross. He saved his life only in his willingness to lose it for others. We can save our lives only in so far as we are willing to take up this cross and follow him.

As we approach the Easter season we face with Jesus the meaning of the cross. The cross does not mean good intentions, for the foolish virgins had good intentions but were left outside; it means that the oil must be there; it means the savor in the salt; not the outside of the cup but the inside.

The cross means others instead of self. Simon helped to bear the cross, not for himself but to help Christ; Christ bore the cross not to save himself but to save the world. They mocked him and laughed at him and said to him "Save yourself." They had missed the point, for Jesus was there on the cross to demonstrate that we can only save ourselves by giving ourselves for others. Jesus had preached to his disciples the doctrine of love and the cross was the proof of this love that Jesus had preached.

Here in Greensboro a slum clearance committee had been appointed by the mayor of the city, and in talking to one of the members of this committee recently he said: "We are trying to clean up a city that wants to be left alone." Jesus came to a world that wanted to be left alone and the cross demonstrated to the world and to civilization that he came in sincerity to help cleanse the unclean hearts of men that wanted to be left alone.

Between Greensboro and Charlotte a close observer will notice three churches have been abandoned. Two have been turned into garages and one into an office building. As I noticed all three of these churches I remembered how Christ came and overturned the tables of the money changers in the Temple and how he drove the cattle out of the Temple; automobiles and garages in an abandoned temple of worship, cattle in the day of Christ and automobiles in our own day. Unless the cross is preached more and unless we practice more of its meaning there will be more automobiles in our churches. Unless we make our churches houses of worship and places to help convert a lost world more of them will be closed. A closed church means an unwillingness on the part of someone to sacrifice, to tithe and to share. The cross means sacrifice, it means self-surrender and it means service to others.

The captain of every ship must occasionally look up at the stars to get his directions and bearing. We are glad to look up as we approach the Easter season to see the truth of the unchanging cross to give us directions in a world that seems to be crumbling under its own self-destruction.

If I be lifted up I will draw all men unto me. This is the way; it is the answer to the questions in a war-torn world. The cross is the answer that Jesus gave Peter when Peter pulled his sword in defense of Christ. "Put it up Peter" for truth needs no defense. The truth can not be destroyed or conquered by the sword. How disappointed Peter must have been when Christ would not let him defend him. The cross was the answer. It will al-

ways be the answer and Christians should help promote love and brotherhood instead of sending money to kill Russians.

So many people are bearing their cross and following Christ. Some are bearing the cross of suffering; others are bearing the cross of sacrifice and tolerance. Let us remember as we bear our cross that we are following in the steps of Him who trod the lonely road and who conquered by faith and love—let us remember his teaching through his servant Paul that to overcome evil, we must overcome it with good. We are all tempted to pick up the gun instead of the cross, but let us follow Christ who took the long hard way of suffering and of love that will finally conquer all.

Christ was not bearing a cross of defeat, though it seemed so at the time; he bore the cross of victory. "I have overcome the world," said he, and he bore the cross as our Christian marker, as our Christian symbol, as our reminder and our challenge to "take it up and follow Him."

FAME

Arthur Krock, who used to work in Louisville where Henry Watterson became the great editor he was, closed a recent article in The New York Times concerning Henry Watterson's centenary with these words: "Obviously many things endure, and with them, happily, the fame of Henry Watterson." It is to be hoped so. But "Marse Henry" Watterson who lived until 1921 after his birth a hundred years ago was not so sure about this business of enduring fame. Arthur Elliot Sproul sent to The Times Watterson's own comment, as follows:

"I am a poet myself, my son. Did you never read my great epic on fame? I only completed one verse, which reads as follows:

'A mound a little higher graded—
Perhaps upon a stone a chiseled name;
A dab of printer's ink soon blurred and faded,
And then oblivion—that, that is fame.'

—News and Observer.

AN APPEAL FOR HELP

On Friday, February 9, about 7 a. m. fire was discovered in one of the buildings of the Glen Ayre public school near Bakersville, N. C. Though neighbors and WPA workers tried through bucket brigades to save the frame structure it was completely destroyed. This building housed the lunch room, class rooms and the library. In the short span of two years this library had been built up to almost a thousand books, nearing standardization as set by the State Board of Education. No books were saved from the fire.

Any books in good condition, published since 1900, for grades one to seven and suitable for circulation in the community can be used to replace the ones lost; such as grade readers, books of fiction, religious books, dictionaries and encyclopedias. Cash contributions also will be gratefully received.

As pastor in the Glen Ayre community I am making this appeal to the many readers of the Advocate. Individuals, missionary societies, young people's organizations and Sunday school classes are offered here a fine opportunity to do a valuable piece of Christian service. Send books or contributions to Mr. C. B. Bennett, Principal of Glen Ayre School, Route 1, Bakersville, N. C., or to me. R. C. Nimon,
Pastor Bakersville Methodist Church.

THE SEVEN PARABLES OF MATT. 13

The seven mysteries of the kingdom of heaven given in the parables of Matt. 13 tell us of seven different phases of the kingdom of heaven, or of things coming to the kingdom down through the ages to the end of the world (age).

The first parable, that of the sower, the seed, and the soil. The sower is Jesus, the seed the word of God, and the soil is humanity. Four kinds of hearers are given—wayside, stony ground, thorny ground, and good ground—with corresponding results. But only one class of hearers bring forth fruit to perfection; say one-fourth of all hearers matures into real salvation, and this does not mention the great mass of people who do not hear at all.

This parable teaches the normal work of the gospel and its results down to the end of the world (age).

The second parable, the wheat and the tares, or children of the kingdom and children of the wicked, verse 38, shows the mystery of evil in the world, and shows that both are to grow together side by side in the field (world) till the harvest; then the wicked cast into the fire and the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of good (v. 43).

The third and fourth of these parables, the grain of mustard seed and the leaven go together, and have been fulfilled and are being fulfilled now. When Constantine professed conversion he "the man" took this small seed of the kingdom of heaven and planted it in his empire (field), making it the state church. Then the fowls, unconverted state officials and heathen Romans, rushed into it, which started it downward. Then the woman, the church herself, went at putting the leaven (false teaching) into it, which hastened her to her fall into sin and darkness, engulfing it in the dark ages of Roman Catholicism, when the whole church was leavened—not the whole world, for it was the meal, the church or good thing, that was going to be leavened.

Now I am aware that many of the leaders of the church today have this in reverse—the leaven, the good thing and the meal the lost race; but the meal is pure and good and the word leaven is used twenty-six times in the scriptures and nowhere means anything good; hence it cannot have that application here, and the fact that that application of it here contradicts the plain teaching of three of the seven parables puts it clear out of the case. The first two and the last of these show clearly that all the world will not be saved, and many other passages teach the same thing. Jesus in Matt. 24:14 says: "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come." God alone is to be the judge as to the extent of the witnessing.

The fact is that the world is to grow worse and worse (2 Tim. 3:13), "But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived." And the church is to do the same way. Jesus said (Matt. 24:12), "And because iniquity shall abound the love of many shall wax cold." And Paul said in 2 Thes. 2:13, "For that day shall not come except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition." All these passages are on the second coming of the Lord and last days before his coming. See them in their connection.

A fallacious exegesis of the parables of the mustard seed and leaven used to support the false theory of post millennialism is hindering many people from seeing the truth as it is in Jesus and his word.

The teaching of Jesus in his ministry made the impression on his disciples that one of them expressed when he asked the question, "Lord, are there few that be saved?" "And he said unto them, Strive to enter in at the strait gate; for many I say unto you will seek to enter in and shall not be able." We find few and many all through his teaching.

The two mercantile parables in this list of seven are also misunderstood by many. Many preachers make the sinner the purchaser in both the parable of the pearl of great price and the hid treasure. Which exegesis is contrary to the plain teaching of the Bible and Methodism that of the doctrine of justification by faith. The sinner has nothing to sell and if he had he could not buy salvation. It is Jesus who sells out and buys first the field (world) to secure the hid treasure, the Hebrew people, his brethren in the flesh scattered over the world; and the second, the pearl of great price, the church which he purchased with his own blood (Eph. 5:25-27).

The woman, the church, is still putting the leaven of modernism and other false doctrines into the pure meal, the gospel, and preventing the salvation of souls, which is defeating her aim in the world for false teaching cannot save souls. Much that is called Christian education is anti-Christian as carried on in many church colleges and universities. And over the world this has helped to produce that chaotic state of unrest, fear, doubts and uncertainties, making war and other calamities not only possible but inevitable. And where the pure gospel is preached and lived these conditions cannot exist. John Wesley saved England from her calamities by the revival of the pure gospel.

The kingdom of heaven means four things:

1. The principles and experience of the kingdom in the heart. Jesus said, "Lo the kingdom of God is within you." Paul said, "The kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."

2. It is used with reference to the organized church, the dip net parable, and other passages.

3. The term most generally applies to Christ's millennial kingdom that he is going to set up here on earth, when he shall reign with his saints for a thousand years, and then deliver up his kingdom to God the Father after he has put all enemies under his feet (1 Cor. 15:24-25).

4. The kingdom of God up in heaven with God the Father ruling and reigning over all worlds.

If we could rightly divide the word of God we would not be always using the term kingdom of God for the church, for it seldom has that meaning. Jesus taught his disciples to pray thy kingdom come; we still do it and it will go on till the kingdom comes. Jesus used the term in this sense when he instituted his supper (Luke 22:13-18) in verse 16, "For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God"; in verse 18, "For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God come." Not until he went up to the kingdom of God, but until it comes here on earth; when the "kingdoms of this world will become the kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ" (Rev. 11:15). And that does not mean the subjugation of the world by the church, for that will never be done, but through the great tribulation wicked rulers and unrighteous governments will be destroyed and Satan's rule in the world stopped and be chained in the bottomless pit for a thousand years; so that righteousness may reign without an antagonist, Christ reign without a rival, and man without an enemy. Then shall the prophecies be fulfilled: "The knowledge of the glory of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea," and implements of warfare be turned into implements of husbandry, and nations shall learn war no more. No more war budgets nor standing armies, but everything used to the glory of God. Let us rejoice in the glorious truth and be ready and watching for his coming. Amen.

Ebenezer Myers.

GETHSEMANE—ITS TRUE LESSON

How much we dwell on the sorrow of Gethsemane and how little on its triumph, for the man Jesus was victor over life and death there!

Wherein does victory over anything lie? In one's ability to accept conditions as they are consigning his will to that of the Father, in firm belief of his infinite wisdom.

Jesus gave the world a heart rending lesson in obedience, a powerful portrayal of love, and the strength of unfaltering faith leaving an example of the greatest triumph ever to be achieved.

How utterly sincere was the whole scene. How deliberate his plea, "If it be possible let this cup pass from me," yet the finality of his submission in "nevertheless thy will, not mine, be done."

The strength of that hour in the garden must have swept over him as hours later he faced the ordeal of a shameful death on the cross with nothing but a great compassion for those who had placed him there.

Ever gentle in his manner his last words were as fittingly tender as this man who uttered them.

The indescribable beauty of a love unmarred by presence of sin and death, unquestioning in its consuming power, set forth in the most victorious prayer ever breathed, "Forgive them Father, they know not what they do!"

The centurion whose servant He healed, the Greeks whom He met at the instance of St. Philip, the Syrophenician woman, the judge who condemned Him, and the soldiers who crucified Him, are the few Gentiles with whom He is recorded to have had dealings during His earthly life.—Liddon.

God does not deceive. The vision of the future is not a baseless fabric. Call it a dream if you will, but oh! the time will come when "we shall awake from the dream, and find the dream again, because we have lost nothing but only the sleep."—Alexander Maclaren, D.D.

QUESTIONS FOR THE OVER-SIXTIES

Sir: The process of self-examination is sometimes commended by age to youth. It is suggested that certain questions of a searching character should be put and answered. It would be a pity if age should be robbed of the undoubted benefit which such a process brings. But there has been a serious neglect of the moral welfare of the older people, and youth cannot escape from the charge that it does not train them up in the way they should go.

But in the lack of the necessary material I venture to make some suggestions. Let all who are over sixty put these questions to themselves, without prejudice.

One: Do I find I take an increasing interest in myself? It is perfectly natural that when a man has lived three-score years he should have a story to tell which may have some matters of general interest. But the man himself is likely to dwell too much upon these back numbers with the assumption that other people are bound to be as interested in them as he is. Was it not Mr. Pott in *Pickwick Papers* who insisted on reading his own past editorials—and *Pickwick* went to sleep? Some of us as we grow old magnify the ego. We develop a curious hero-worship of ourselves. We quote ourselves. If we are preachers we sit under our own ministry with delight. Is that tendency growing?

Two: Do I find I take less interest in other people? Do I come to regard what they say as a brief interlude in my monologues? Do I look at them with a conventional smile? Do I wait till they come to see me, and never go to see them unless I need them for some scheme of mine? Do I complain of So-and-So that he must always be talking about himself, when all the time I cannot get a word in? These are, without doubt, symptoms to be taken seriously. It is not uncommon to find people made bitter in later years because, as they say, they are neglected. Am I in danger of this simply because I am treating others as if they had their part in my life as an audience or an auxiliary of my own? There are few more delightful experiences than to meet with old men who do not pretend to be young, but do genuinely enter into the lives of others younger than themselves, not playing a part but evidently able to go outside themselves. Am I like them, or——?

Three: Do I keep my mind open? It is perfectly true that we ought not to keep our mind like a corridor down which all and sundry may pass; open, it is justly said, but not at both ends. I am not really meant to be the scene of a procession. But do I keep a place for new ideas, or for new applications of old ideas? Between ourselves, I do not think that old men are suited to lead revolts or start heresies. They have not enough time to see the thing through. Indeed, there are few sadder spectacles than that of a man who after reaching the sixty mark finds that he must keep up with all the latest movements in art or letters or even religion, and who acts as if he could begin entirely afresh with no thoughts from his past to fetter him. But the other danger is the more serious—the danger of the mind which was stored, indexed and hermetically sealed, perhaps in the twenties or in the thirties, and now is never disturbed. This question amounts to this: Was I arrested at a certain moment and stereotyped there?

Four: Do I get angry with people who criticise me or do not agree with me? It is not easy for the elderly to find themselves contradicted or brushed aside by others younger than they are. But why am I angry? Is it be-

cause of the solemn trust of the truth committed to me? Or is it because my pride is wounded? Or is it—horrible thought!—because I feel I am getting the worst of the argument? Anyhow anger is almost always a silly, wasteful and superfluous luxury.—*Quintus Quiz*, in *Christian Century*.

HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

If we may be allowed to do so, we should like to use our space in the *Advocate* this week in which to republish an article written for Charity and Children by Rev. M. L. Kesler, D.D., while he was the manager of the Mills Home, Thomasville, N. C. This may do good for all three of our Methodist homes in North Carolina, and perhaps other orphanages.

A Word to Relatives

It is natural that children in the Orphanage should be tempted to write relatives asking them for money. We cannot allow this for two reasons. First, it cultivates the wrong spirit in the child. They must learn that they are not paupers. The relatives were either unable or unwilling to keep them; in either case they must be taught a self respect that will not stoop to begging for money.

And then if relatives are able to send money to children indiscriminately, they should have used this money to keep the children out of the orphanage. Small sums could be allowed occasionally, but it should be sent to those who have charge of the children and spent under their direction and advice.

There are relatives of children here who seem to be in the game to get out of the orphanage all they can and give to it as little as they can, and if they do give anything, plan to keep it out of the direction of those who are caring for the children they cannot or will not care for at home. A little correspondence with the general manager would settle all these matters to the satisfaction of all parties.

It is also natural that mothers and other relatives should want to send articles of clothing to their children. This is a good thing to do if it is properly regulated. I know of another institution in which this thing grew until a large number of the girls were wearing silk dresses, silk hose and fancy high heeled slippers. A fearful row was raised when the superintendent undertook to regulate it. The same abuse is creeping into our fold at Thomasville. I am writing this article as one means of getting word to the people that it cannot be tolerated.

We are probably as able to look after the dress of the children as we are to look after their health, their morals or their education. Some mothers want to see their children in finer garb than the average child wears. We try to dress all of them neatly and comfortably. We cannot allow wide difference in the appearance of children. If articles are sent in violation of this principle the chances are that they will be sent back by return mail. I repeat, it is all right, for relatives to help clothe children when they can, for it is one way of helping the Orphanage, but the management must be consulted about it. We claim no power to regulate the fashionable fooleries of poor young people after they leave us, but we will have control while they are with us.

M. L. Kesler, General Manager.

PARADE OF PLANETS

Astronomers the country over were more than ordinarily interested the other night in the vast stage of the heavens before whose multitudinous footlights appeared the all-star parade of planets which, according to one star-gazer, "hung one above the other in the twilight glow like a necklace of colorful jewels."

Mercury, Jupiter, Venus, Saturn and Mars take the spotlight, apparently ascending the heavens in almost a straight line from the horizon. This heavenly spectacle is rarer than a total eclipse of the sun.

There will be no return engagement of the parade of the planets in the time of this generation.—*Winston Journal*.

Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the *Advocate* campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The 1/2 will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum. In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

Asheville	
Central, W. A. Stanbury	20
Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton	9
French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler	2
Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Betha	1 1/2
Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham	2
Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman	1
Charlotte	
Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman	1
Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey	1
Ansonville, O. P. Ader	1
Elkin	
Boone, P. W. Townsend	9 1/2
Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner	9
Elkin, H. F. Duncan	5 1/2
W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood	5
Sparta, L. F. Strader	5
Yadkinville, John H. Green	4
Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint	4
Farmington, J. W. Vestal	3
Advance, P. L. Smith	3
Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene	3
Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley	3
Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt	2
N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock	2 1/2
St. Paul, L. C. Stevens	2 1/2
Mocksville, E. M. Avett	2 1/2
Davie, A. W. Lynch	2 1/2
Jonesville, D. B. Mullis	2
Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant	2
Ararat, G. B. Gwyn	2
Creston, J. R. Short	2
Dobson, R. G. McClamrock	2
Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt	2
Jefferson, Hugh D. Jesup	1 1/2
Green Valley, M. L. Chappel	1 1/2
Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles	1
Warrensville, J. G. Wootton, Jr.	1
Gastonia	
Fallston, J. M. Morgan	9 1/2
Cleveland, T. G. Madison	7
Boger City, E. L. Kirk	7
Belwood, G. W. Clay	1 1/2
Lowell, C. O. Kennerly	1
Greensboro	
Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	21 1/2
Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger	12 1/2
Calvary, R. C. Stubbins	5
Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee	4 1/2
Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess	3 1/2
Haw River, C. W. Bates	2 1/2
Grace, J. Elwood Carroll	3
Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy	2
West End, R. M. Andrews	2
St. Paul, A. D. Shelton	1 1/2
Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse	1
Stokesdale, W. T. Albright	1
Midway, E. P. Hamilton	1
High Point	
Shiloh, C. E. Ridge	7 1/2
Denton-Central, G. L. Curry	7
Denton, First, C. E. Williams	3
First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr.	2 1/2
Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trollinger	2
Central, J. W. Braxton	1

Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox	1
Coleridge, T. J. Huggins	1
Why Not, C. H. Hill	1
Marion	
Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward	1 1/2
Statesville	
North Newton, C. A. Morrison	28
Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham	6 1/2
Elmwood, Y. D. Poole	1
Maiden, J. G. Winkler	6
Central, John W. Moore	3
Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk	1
Salisbury	
Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner	6
Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt	5
Norwood, C. G. Hefner	4
Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins	3
Bethpage, R. W. McCulley	1
Waynesville	
Crabtree, W. H. Nease	2
Hayesville, J. C. Gentry	1 1/2
Bethel, J. W. Blitch	1
Winston-Salem	
Erlanger, J. O. Ervin	13 1/2
Grace, R. L. Forbis	6
First, Lexington, H. G. Allen	5 1/2
First, J. E. Pritchard	4
Forsyth, C. W. Kirby	2 1/2
N. Davidson, O. B. Williams	2 1/2
Community, J. C. Auman	2
West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree	1
Community, J. Clyde Auman	1
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris	1
First, J. T. Bowman	1
Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way	1
Centenary, G. Ray Jordan	1
Main Street, L. F. Tuttle	1
Durham	
Davis St., F. W. Paschall	11
Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox	6
Orange, C. P. Morris	3 1/2
Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds	3 1/2
Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr.	3
Milton, D. I. Garner	2 1/2
Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser	2 1/2
Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps	2
Brooksdale, D. A. Petty	1 1/2
Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love	1 1/2
Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth	1
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe	1
Person Ct., E. G. Overton	1
Elizabeth City	
Williamston, S. J. Starnes	14
Perquimans, J. D. Cranford	1 1/2
Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon	1
Currituck, J. C. Harmon	1
Windsor, H. F. Surratt	1
Fayetteville	
Person St.-Calvary, M. W. Warren	12
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins	5
Lane, J. D. A. Autry	1 1/2
Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons	1
Hay Street, R. E. Brown	1
New Bern	
Mt. Olive-Calypso, R. G. Dawson	4
Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison	2 1/2
Pink Hill, R. E. Walston	1 1/2
Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens	1
Raleigh	
Fairmont, H. M. McLamb	13
Henderson, B. C. Reavis	8
City Road-White Mem., J. K. Worthington	5
Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes	4 1/2
Granville, J. P. Pegg	3
Edenton St., J. C. Glenn	2
Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee	1 1/2
Fuquay, E. C. Durham	1 1/2
Hayes Barton, Leon Russell	1

Rocky Mount	
Enfield, B. D. Critcher	1 1/2
Marvin, N. W. Grant	1 1/2
Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington	1
Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer	1
Whitakers, A. M. Williams	1
First, E. L. Hillman	1
Wilmington	
Southport, R. S. Harrison	6
Fairmont, F. B. Joyner	1

BOARDS OF STEWARDS 100%	
Central, Asheville, W. A. Stanbury	
Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins	
Williamston, S. J. Starnes	
Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee	
N. Newton, C. A. Morrison	

REPORT IN ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN BY DISTRICTS	
District	No. Charges
Elkin	26
Greensboro	13
Durham	13
Winston-Salem	14
Raleigh	9
High Point	9
Asheville	6
Rocky Mount	6
Statesville	6
Fayetteville	5
Salisbury	5
Elizabeth City	5
Gastonia	5
New Bern	4
Waynesville	3
Charlotte	3
Wilmington	2

Why the wide variance in the number of charges that have reported in each of the districts up to the present? It certainly can not be on account of the cold weather. The Elkin is in the "freezingest" section of the state. We are looking for a big advance all along the line.

GLEANINGS OF TWENTY YEARS
By T. Paul Hickey

We do not know everything about anything.—Poincare.

No one can compel my adoration.

The battle of grandfathers vs. playmates, or the relative importance of heredity and environment, is going to be waged for many years to come.—Furnas.

The new resources of the nation are mental rather than metal, to be dug from minds, rather than from mines.

He could resist evil but unfortunately he could not also resist good.

'Tis looking downward makes one dizzy.—Browning.

When you are no longer criticised, you're through.—Fleishman.

The rest of your days depend upon the rest of your nights.

A job must be so done as to lead to another job.

There are two occasions when the mouth should be kept shut—when swimming and when angry.

As inviting as a truned-down bed.

No rights are so offensive as hereditary rights.—Napoleon.

A man needs but a small room to die in.—Napoleon, 1814.

One of the best things to have up your sleeve is a funnybone.

Only hell can be accelerated, not heaven.—Dr. Frank Crane.

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GOOD FRIDAY—A DAY OF FASTING

Last year many young people's groups in the Methodist Church observed Good Friday with a program appropriate to the day and with a sacrificial offering made to relieve human suffering around the world. It was not just an ordinary offering that was made. Each person who contributed was expected to do without one or two meals on that day and simply contribute the amount saved by this fasting. Small as the "sacrifice" was, for many young people it was one of the first deliberate acts of self-denial in which they had ever engaged, and it was full of meaning to them. Most of those who shared in this giving last year will want to do so again, and many others will likely want to join in such an endeavor this year.

In many churches pre-Easter services are held and the Good Friday service, with its fast and offering, may be made just a part of the series of services. Last year many adult groups were glad to have the opportunity to join with the young people in that which they were doing. In other churches regular Good Friday services are planned for the entire congregation or community, and here again the young people's service can be a part of regularly planned service. In churches in which no Good Friday services are planned, we do hope that the young people with their leaders will take the responsibility for such a service and make it meaningful to the entire congregation.

A "Good Friday Worship Service" will be found on page 27 of the March Epworth Highroad. This is a well planned service and can be used by any group, large or small. If a church would like to have copies of this service to put into the hands of each person attending, the copies in leaflet form may be secured from the Service Department, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.; 25 copies may be secured for 30 cents, 50 copies for 50 cents, 100 copies for 80 cents. Suggestions concerning "The Youth Crusade Good Friday Fast and Worship Service" will be found on page 26 of the March Highroad.

The fast and the offering should be a most important phase of the Good Friday program, the fast even more than the offering. It appeals to young people. Not one penny of the offering is used for administrative purposes. All goes for the relief of human need around the world. On pages 5 and 54 of the Highroad for March will be found described some of the ways in which the \$1500 contributed in the offering last year was used. It will be well to bring this information to the attention of the young people. On page 61 of the March Highroad is a remittance blank to be used in sending in the offering. It should be sent to Youth Headquarters, 810 Broadway, Nash-

ville, Tenn. Checks or money orders should be made payable to W. E. Hogan, Treasurer.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP BOOKLETS

New booklets to be placed in the hands of intermediates, older young people, and adults who join the church have just been prepared by our General Board of Christian Education and published by the Methodist Publishing House. These booklets are enclosed in glassine envelopes and will make attractive gifts for adults and young people who are uniting with the church.

The booklet for intermediates and middle teen age young people is "This Is Your Church." The one for older young people and adults is "The Church of Your Choice." The cost of the booklets is 25 cents each, and they may be secured from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.

CHURCH SCHOOL DAY, APRIL 21

April 21 has been set by our board of education as the date for Church School Day. We hope every church in our conference will observe this day this year, and as far as possible will observe it on the day set. There is some value in our having this observance on the same date throughout the conference although another date may be used if local conditions make this date unsatisfactory.

Some churches have already written to the conference office requesting copies of the program for Church School Day. We have been glad to send these and will send copies to any others who may request. By the fifteenth of March we expect to mail one copy of the program to each pastor and each general church school superintendent in the conference. Then additional copies will be sent on request to anyone desiring them.

We hope that each church will take an offering on Church School Day for the support of the program of Christian education in our conference. This support is needed to carry on the work that the board is trying to do throughout the conference. Offerings should be sent as soon as possible after the observance of the day to Rev. C. K. Proctor, Treasurer, Oxford, N. C.

CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY

For many years there has been a growing demand for a conference assembly for adult workers in the church school. Such an assembly will be held at Louisburg College July 8-10.

Who Can Attend?

In this first conference assembly the enrollment will be limited. This is an assembly for the adult workers in the three age-divisions in the church school—children's, young people's, and adult. In order to attend this assembly the district director of your age di-

vision must recommend your attendance. In this way we hope to have a small but interested group of workers make this a worth while venture.

What Will Be Done?

For three days leaders from the whole conference will meet together in group meetings and in separate sections to discuss the work of the church school. Miss Alma Cade and the district directors of the children's division will meet with all the children's workers present. Rev. R. W. Bradshaw and the district directors of young people's work will discuss plans for the young people's division. Rev. F. M. Patterson will meet with the district directors and all workers in the adult division.

Who Are the Leaders?

Bishop W. W. Peele will be present and will speak three times to the whole assembly. In addition to Bishop Peele Miss Lucy Foreman, assistant director of the adult division in the former M. E. Church, South, will be present. Miss Foreman will have charge of the class on adult work in the church school.

Write your district director or the conference office for further information. Make plans now to attend this important assembly.

BAPTIZING BABIES

Parents and pastors hold the dedication of young children in baptism one of the important sacraments of our church. It is one of the most beautiful and sacred of our services. When parents present their children for baptism they are declaring in the child's behalf a relationship to God which the child himself will later confirm when he takes the vows of church membership. The parent at this time accepts a responsibility for guiding them from the earliest days that their relationship to God and the religious life shall be vital and real to them year by year. The home must seek to provide an atmosphere of gentleness, love, appreciation and continuous recognition of relationship to God, so that the children will grow up in Christian faith and conduct.

The pastor will certainly have conferences with the parents preceding and following the baptism of young children. In these conferences he will want to do more than "explain the vows." He will in a friendly and sympathetic manner help the parents to see the need for and importance of family religious practices.

The nursery worker can render a very splendid service by her visits in the homes where there are babies and young children. Through these visits she can help the pastor learn of those who have not been baptized.

In the free leaflet which has recently been published on "Baptizing Babies" there are very fine suggestions that are worthy of the attention of parents, pastors and teachers. Let us each prepare ourselves so that we may meet this obligation and opportunity with understanding and preparedness.

Among the many things you expect to wear in the new year, give a thought to your expression.

"UNCLE MOSE"

To the young ministers with whom he counseled and worked in their professional education and pastoral work, Rev. W. A. Newell was affectionately known as "Uncle Mose." His intimates and friends, in and out of the Methodist church called him "Parson Bill." But from whatever angle the contact, everyone felt that he or she was in the presence of a sincere, conscientious soldier of the Lord.

Yesterday loving hands laid the body of Bill Newell away in the cemetery of the church his father founded, near the old home in Cabarrus county, there to rest in peace after a life of boundless energy, 37 years of which were spent as an ambassador of God.

Rev. W. A. Newell had served some of the most important charges of the Western North Carolina conference. Many of his appointments were as presiding elder to a number of districts, of which the Statesville district was one. Always he served them well. Bubbling with energy he got things done; with unusual diplomacy he enjoyed the fullest co-operation of laymen and ministers alike. Sometimes he had a friendly run-in with his bishops, because he never feared to speak his mind when he thought he was right—and he usually was. And when that occurred you could put it down that he was battling for some principle that involved some lowly preacher or backwoods church, dear to his heart.

Bill Newell was a sort of Abraham Lincoln of Methodism; he was a rugged philosopher who preached a "religion with a smile" and he practiced it too.

Once while on a camping vacation in the wilds of Western North Carolina he was called to hold service in a little nearby church. We heard that sermon for which there was no time for preparation. We don't remember the text, but along with the other commoners in his audience we understood when he told how a swarm of gnats back at his camp had been more worrisome than the presence of a bear—meaning that little sins in swarms are more dangerous than big ones.

An old warhorse of Methodism has gone to his reward, but the memory of him remains to inspire the thousands who came under his ministry. If he didn't leave the world better than he found it, it was not his fault—for that was what he earnestly and sincerely coveted above all else.—Editorial in The Statesville Landmark.

QUIET THINGS

By Mary Charlotte Billings

When days are full of discord
And every moment brings
Its share of strife and worry,
I think of quiet things—
Quiet things and calm things—
Lovely things like these:
Dim woods at nightfall,
Snow on hemlock trees,
A cherry tree in blossom,
Cobwebs hung with dew,
Yellow leaves drifting down,
With sunlight slanting through.
Behind closed lids I see them—
Again and yet again—
Curling wisps of wood smoke,
Violets in the rain.

Featured
in the
April-May-June
Adult Student
is a new
Elective Course

**"Understanding Ourselves"**

By DONALD M. MAYNARD

Many classes find it desirable to substitute the Elective Course for the Uniform Lessons. Some use them for extra study on Sunday evening or during the week.

The writer of this course states that he has "not thought of the course as one in which there would be a theoretical discussion of personalities and character and how they are achieved," but rather "as an opportunity to help the person who has never heard of psychology, catch a little glimpse of some of the more apparent reasons for his behavior and the behavior of his friends." Throughout the entire course will be emphasized the contribution that Christian faith and experience make to the development of a fine, wholesome, and normal personality, with particular attention in the final studies to the values of religion, for mental health. Dr. Maynard has been teaching a course in this same area at our summer leadership assemblies, and his instruction has met with most favorable response.

The McSwain Bible Class, Greenville, S. C., has used elective courses for the past five years. Using study courses which make a special contribution to meeting needs of adults is the best way to maintain interest in an adult class.

AVAILABLE! ELECTIVE COURSE REPRINTS

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RALEIGH DISTRICT ZONES

Mrs. T. R. Smith, leader of the Northern zone in the Raleigh district, announces that a zone meeting will be at Banks-Grove Hill church on the Creedmoor charge on March 15 from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m. Special attention will be given to officers' training. Mrs. H. A. Bizzell, leader of the Southern zone, announces that a meeting will be held at Four Oaks on March 13, beginning at 10 a. m.

A large attendance is urged at both these meetings.

PROVISIONAL MEETING

During the period of the Woman's Missionary Conference which will be held in Henderson on April 1, 2, 3, a provisional meeting will be held. Nine delegates from each district have been elected to this meeting, the purpose of which is to elect three delegates to the Jurisdictional Conference. Those who will attend the provisional meeting are: Durham district, Miss Florine Robertson, Burlington; Mrs. J. M. Ormond, Durham; Mrs. A. M. Gates, Durham; Mrs. M. T. Plyler, Durham; Miss Ruth Brooks, Woodsdale; Mrs. Margaret Teague, Roxboro; Mrs. Paul Garber, Durham, and Mrs. S. S. Holt. Elizabeth City district, Mrs. M. L. Sheep, Elizabeth City; Mrs. M. O. Fletcher, Washington; Mrs. H. C. Stokes, Hertford; Mrs. L. W. Evans, Edenton; Mrs. Earl Meekins, Englehard; Mrs. J. D. Cranford, Winfall; Mrs. J. R. Jenkins, Aulander; Mrs. George Holley, Colerain; Mrs. J. L. Delaney, Hertford. Fayetteville district, Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Sanford; Mrs. R. B. John, Fayetteville; Mrs. J. W. Lineberger, Gibson; Mrs. J. W. Covington, Rockingham; Mrs. H. R. Ashmore, Biscoe; Mrs. J. W. Dimmettee, E. Rockingham; Mrs. P. L. Johnson, Sanford; Mrs. A. G. Powers, Hamlet; Mrs. H. E. Stout, Siler City. New Bern district, Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern; Mrs. J. A. Russell, New Bern; Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern; Mrs. F. B. McKinne, Goldsboro; Mrs. R. L. Cox, Mt. Olive; Mrs. Amasa Fulcher, Ocracoke; Mrs. Frank Yelverton, Fremont; Mrs. C. S. Boggs, Newport; Mrs. A. S. Parker, Kinston. Raleigh district, Mrs. T. R. Smith, Henderson, Rt. 1; Mrs. C. L. Finch, Henderson; Mrs. T. P. Hester, Henderson, R. 3; Mrs. W. I. Wellons, Raleigh; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh; Mrs. W. W. H. Proctor, Varina; Mrs. Walter Davis, Clayton; Mrs. H. A. Bizzell, Newton Grove; Mrs. E. J. Wellons, Smithfield. Rocky Mount district, Mrs. Fred Johnson, Conway; Miss Josephine Dameron, Warrenton; Mrs. C. E. Blount, Wilson; Mrs. W. W. Bradley, Rocky Mount; Mrs. A. M. Newsom, Littleton; Mrs. M. Y. Self, Bethel; Mrs. J. E. Crute, Wilson; Mrs. G. H. H. Cutchins, Whitakers; Mrs. W. W. Grant, Wilmington district, Mrs. H. J. Faison, Faison; Mrs. J. P. Godwin, Swansboro; Mrs. B. A. Edens,

Rowland; Mrs. J. P. Brown, Fairmont; Mrs. E. L. Matthews, Wilmington; Mrs. B. Whieside, Clinton; Mrs. E. H. Cranmer, Southport; Mrs. G. H. Cannon, Bolivia; Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Whiteville.

ZONE LEADERS MEET

A note from Mrs. J. L. Delaney, Elizabeth City district secretary, states that the zone leaders of her district met on February 22 at the home of Mrs. J. G. White in Tyner, N. C. The work in general and plans for the spring zone meeting were discussed and those present voted it a good day well spent, anticipating a similar meeting next fall.

OCRACOKE AUXILIARY

The woman's missionary society of Ocracoke church met at the home of Mrs. Murray Tolson on February 13. Mrs. Amasa Fulcher presided. Our society has a membership of 35 or more. We celebrated the week of prayer by meeting in a home of a different member each afternoon. At first it seemed that few were interested, but as we continued to pray by the end of the week it had grown immensely in number and spiritually. The last meeting was held at the church. We are now trying to raise money to build a new church which is badly needed since the uniting of both congregations. We would appreciate any help any of the societies would extend to us. Pray for us in our efforts to carry on the work here, and may our theme be "A post for everyone and everyone at her post." Mrs. Ansley O'Neal.

WARREN ZONE MEETS

The Warren county zone met at Providence church on February 27. The theme for the day was "As every man hath received the gift even so minister the same one to another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." Mrs. J. C. Burwell, zone leader, presided and gave a thoughtful devotional. Middleburg charge with Middleburg, Cokesbury, Shocco and Tabernacle churches was welcomed into the zone. In the sectional discussions the following leaders were in charge: For presidents and vice presidents, Mrs. Fred Johnson; secretaries, Miss Lillie Dameron; treasurers, Mrs. F. B. McKinne; mission and Bible study, Miss Amma Graham; World Outlook and publicity, Mrs. M. M. Person; C. S. R., Miss Josephine Dameron; supplies, Miss Pannie Robinson; children's work, Mrs. John Dameron; spiritual life, Mrs. J. C. Burwell. Mrs. F. B. McKinne conference treasurer, talked on the best use of our talents and was in charge of the pledge service. After the luncheon and fellowship hour Miss Eva Asher, a Baptist missionary doing inter-denominational work in Foochow, China, gave a heartfelt address. (Continued on page 23)

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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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The many friends of Mrs. W. A. Newell throughout the Western North Carolina conference extend to her their deepest and most heartfelt sympathy in the passing of her husband during the past week. Mr. Newell was a prominent minister of our conference and had served many of the larger appointments and in all of his pastorates he won for himself hosts of friends who are saddened at his death. His funeral was conducted at Morganton on Wednesday and was attended by a large congregation of friends, many of whom were ministers in the W. N. C. conference. He is survived by his wife and a daughter, Mrs. Shepherd of Greensboro.

MISSION STUDY AT CENTRAL CHURCH, ASHEVILLE

Mrs. Clarence Bishop

The Woman's Society of Christian service of Central church, Asheville, has just completed a series of mission study classes, the topic for the course being "The World Christian Community," using the text book, "From Tragedy to Triumph" by Basil Mathews.

The members of the Central auxiliary feel indebted to Mrs. C. Fred Brown, who taught the class and to the young woman who gave the devotional and the little playlet, "Miss McKinnon at Madras." Those participating in the playlet were: Mrs. J. P. Sawyer as Miss McKinnon, Mrs. E. S. Van Sant as Mrs. Gomez of Brazil, Mrs. Clarence Bishop as Dr. Wu of China, Mrs. Thad Adams as Mrs. Ruby Manikam of India, Mrs. Thomas Heffner as Miss Loga of Africa.

The opening afternoon of February 6 Mrs. Adams gave the devotional, using the Scripture, John 14:6, leaving with the class as her outstanding thought, "He is the Way, let us walk in it; He is the Truth, let us believe it; He is the Life, let us live it."

In Mrs. Brown's definition of the World Christian Community she brought to her hearers very vividly the following ideals and attitudes necessary for individual members of the world Christian community—faith in God, in self, in mankind; in the Gospel to redeem mankind and remake society; love for God that makes man one with him in ideals and principles; courage, to bridge all differences of race, color, nationality and class; loyalty to the supreme Christ and a consecration of our talents to carry out Christ's program for the world redemption, and unity of purpose. The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Mark Brown.

At the meeting Thursday, February 8, after the opening hymn, Mrs. Brown discussed what the world Christian community faces. She spoke of the tragedy of choice, chaos, the result of modern civilization, of Western education and industrialism, the breaking

down of the old type of society based on religious sanctions, the lure of nationalism, communism and fascism. At this meeting the playlet was given and proved most effective.

Tuesday, February 13, Mrs. Reuben Johnson was in charge of the devotional, reading selections from the Gospel of John, leaving with us the thought that all life giving qualities of the Son are ours for doing good, if we will but yield to his love, through which we may become units of power for righteousness.

The theme for the afternoon study was "The Message of the Church for the World Today," and Mrs. Brown stressed the thought that church members must believe that God is the Father of all mankind, and that all men are brothers, one of another. The church must have a message that will transform life; it must teach that the world wide Christian community must work together for the extension of the kingdom of God.

The session closed with prayer by Mrs. W. R. Harris.

At the closing study on February 16 Mrs. Milton Nesbitt gave the devotional based on John 1:1-14, calling special attention to verse 5: "Amid the darkness the light shone, but the darkness did not master it" (Maffatt).

NEW ORGANIZATIONS WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

From Mrs. F. E. Branson, district secretary, comes the announcement of three new organizations on her district, as follows:

Delwood charge: Two societies, one at Dellwood with the following officers: President, Mrs. Ned Moody; vice president, Mrs. C. N. Newell; Rec. Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Ralph Kuykendall; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Wilbur Whidden; Supt. of study, Mrs. W. D. Ketner. P. O. address of all officers, Waynesville, Rt. 2.

Maggie: President, Mrs. Charles Ketner; vice president, Mrs. Grady Henry; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Albert Siler; Cor. Sec., Mrs. R. Henry; Treas., Mrs. Crockett Campbell; Supt. study, Mrs. A. K. Haughton. P. O. address of all officers, Waynesville, Rt. 2.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS ON MARION DISTRICT

Two new auxiliaries are reported from the Marion district:

Bostic auxiliary of Salem church, with Miss Alma Sue Hamrick as president; Mrs. C. C. Cooper, vice president; Mrs. George Irvin, treasurer; Mrs. E. M. Smith, Rec. and Cor. Sec.

(All addresses Bostic, N. C.)

Providence on Marion circuit recently organized with 15 members. President, Mrs. J. H. Reavis, Rt. 2, Marion; vice president, Mrs. W. E. Ruffy, Marion; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Tim Morgan, Marion. Other officers will be elected at next meeting.

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TODAY

The sun shines brightly at the Children's Home today. The mists have cleared away. Yesterday was filled with mist and rain. Going to and coming from church was attended with some difficulty. It was hard on clothes. Getting about over the campus was hard on shoes. But a transformation has come today. The mud is drying up and the clothes are drying out. Mr. Booze and the boys are scraping the roads and shaping up the walk ways. This is a better day.

TEN YEARS

It was ten years the first of March since this scribe came to the Children's Home. Ten years are of either long or short duration, depending on one's mental attitude. When thinking in terms of details it has been plenty long. When thinking in terms of generalities it seems only a short while since the cold March morning of 1930 when your humble servant came upon the scene, untried and uncertain. In the run of time the big debt has been lived down and finances have been kept balanced. Many human experiences have been recorded, most of them happy. A constant stream of boys and girls has come in and gone out. Living conditions, we think, have been on the mend. We have had a heap of living here during the past ten years.

DOING ONE'S PART

The story in the primary department of our Sunday school yesterday centered around a little boy's concern for the hard work his mother had to do. The story said that the boy prayed each night for the wrinkles to come out of his mother's face and then each day went out and dirtied his clothes for his mother to have to rewash. The little youngsters thought that the boy in the story was not doing his part, that praying without doing wasn't worth much. When the praying time came in that little Sunday school a little girl said, "Dear God, help us children to do our part. We are glad for our home mothers. I hope—I hope—they will do their part too."

Kind reader, this is especially for you.

FIRST CALL

This is the first March call for the fifth Sunday March offering. The October fifth Sunday offering was off because of coming so soon after the annual conference tug. Our people had not sufficiently recovered from the strenuous efforts of trying to balance budgets for the annual conference reporting time. The Children's Home's interests suffered some. The next fifth

Sunday came immediately following Christmas. Coupled with bad weather was the fact that many of our friends had spent much of their money for Christmas presents and had all too little left for presenting to the needs of our boys and girls. The Children's Home suffered again. The March fifth Sunday will come right after Easter.

HONOR SOCIETY

It is our observation that those congregations paying their Children's Home apportionment in full early in the conference year do best by our children in giving free will fifth Sunday offerings. The first call, that of major consequences, is placed as a challenge upon the entire church congregation, the ten per cent apportionment. The second call is that of supplementing the first with church school contributions, serving both the needs



In the Good Old Summer Time

of the boys and girls at the Children's Home and encouraging a properly motivated desire for giving on the part of boys and girls and men and women in the church school. The ten per cent honor roll recruits since last report are herewith recorded. Kindly join us in grateful thanks to them:

Draper, Rev. Paul R. Rayle.
New Mt. Tabor, Friendship circuit, Rev. E. A. Cook.
McKendree, Lincoln circuit, Rev. D. H. Rhinehart.
Pine Grove, Forsyth circuit, Rev. C. W. Kirby.
Rehobeth, Norwood circuit, Rev. J. A. Lindsey.

HIS MEMORY LINGERS

Rev. W. A. Newell is gone but his memory lingers. He loved most the unloved. He was a champion of the underprivileged. He was a great comforter to those who sorrowed. Positive and sometimes abrupt in his constructive dealings with every day problems, he was tender with mellow sympathy for those in trouble. It is no wonder

that a great concourse of Methodist ministers and Methodist laymen from various areas gathered for a few minutes in First church, Morganton, one day last week to pay their respects to this stalwart soldier of the cross. A man like W. A. Newell just can't die and go to nothing. There's bound to be a heaven for such a character.

THROUGH THE FOG

Our singing class went over across the Yadkin river last night to Advance to give a program in fulfillment of a promise to Rev. P. L. Smith, the up-and-going pastor of that charge. The night was very inclement, the fog hugged down close to the ground and the way of going was difficult. We wondered whether anybody would come out for the evening service. On arriving we found the church two-thirds filled and the people apparently more filled than that with interest in our youngsters. Delegations from other congregations on the charge were present. We not only came away from Brother Smith's people with some money but with the realization that they had an interest in the welfare of our boys and girls.

A BUNCH OF BOYS

The picture this week is that of a group of smaller boys, all that could get within the range of a kodak's eyesight. It was taken in the summer time. The boys were happy then and they are happy now. Another summer time is coming and probably another picture will be made. A year makes a lot of difference in the size and in the appearance of any group of children.

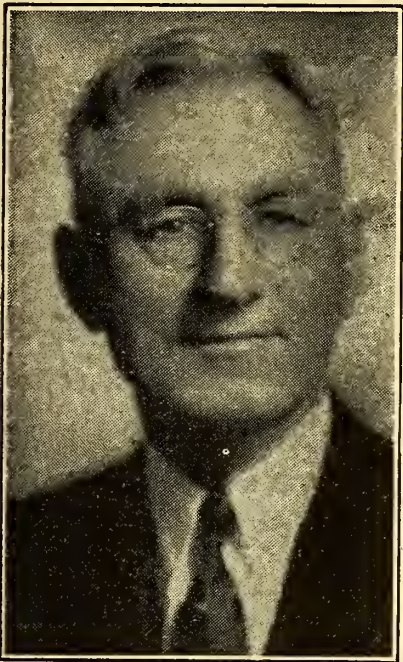
ABOUT COWS

We are a great deal more interested in raising boys and girls than we are in raising cows. But we can't do without cows. They assist a great deal in the raising of our boys and girls. Sometimes I jocularly state to Mr. Shaver, home father of our larger boys and our dairymen, that I believe he is more interested in his cows than he is in his boys. At any rate, this young man, a product of the Children's Home, knows his cows and is constantly improving the herd. The following letter has just been received from J. A. Arey, Extension Dairymen from the State Department of Agriculture and Home Economics: "Enclosed is your honor roll certificate. Let me congratulate you on the good production of 7,948 pounds of milk and 336 pounds of butter fat of your herd for the past testing year." This of course means that this is the average record of each cow for one year in our herd. We milk from forty-five to fifty cows.

PLANTING TIME

The boys were busy part of last week setting out onion sets and cabbage plants. They worked diligently until late in the evening, for it their habit to work overtime when the needs of the situation so require. The fall plantings of cabbage did not withstand the ravages of the winter and froze up. The new plantings have taken their place. Onions, cabbage and hotbed plantings are now ready to grow.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

GARDENING—During the last few days the superintendent of our farm has been busy preparing ground and planting our spring and summer vegetables. I have always been a great believer in planting vegetables as early as the season will permit. With reasonably good seasons we expect to make an abundance of fresh vegetables for our dining room. With an abundance of sweet milk and vegetables we hope to keep our operating expenses down as far as possible. There is nothing better for growing boys and girls than vegetables and milk.

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A WORD OF APPRECIATION — One of our older girls who has finished high school and a business course, left the Orphanage several days ago. She wrote me a personal note before leaving, and I quote part of her letter: "I wish to thank you for everything you have done for me during the 12 years I have been here, and I shall never forget you or the home as long as I live. I shall be thinking of you and your work, and will always think of you in my prayers every night." It is very encouraging to know just how much the boys and girls love the home and appreciate what is done for them.

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A DEEPER SPIRITUAL LIFE—For a long time I have felt that our greatest need at the Methodist Orphanage is a deeper spiritual life. To accomplish this end I am planning a series of special services immediately following Easter Sunday. The Rev. D. E. Earnhardt has been asked to lead in these special meetings. Brother Earnhardt is a splendid speaker and is immensely interested in young people. A great deal of emphasis is being put on

the importance of the meeting, so that everything will be in readiness at the appointed time. I feel confident that our many friends throughout the conference will ask God's special blessings to rest upon the series of meetings.

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BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES—It is highly gratifying to have the endorsement and support of the Board of Lay Activities. The following quotation indicates the attitude of the board toward the Methodist Orphanage: "That we continue to give our unqualified endorsement and wholehearted support to the conference program for the Methodist Orphanage; and that a free will offering be made in the church schools every fifth Sunday." It is sincerely hoped that all the church schools will give their fifth Sunday offerings to the Orphanage to be credited as specials, and not on the ten per cent apportionment. This month has a fifth Sunday, and I sincerely trust that every church school superintendent will not only call the attention of the teachers and classes to this important matter, but will urge them to make a generous offering on each fifth Sunday for the Methodist Orphanage.

OUR SCHOOLS AND CRIME

The average age of the criminal of the United States is 23 years. In all the prisons of the United States the largest age group is around 19, and the next largest group 18.

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VACATION AHEAD

By Elizabeth Mooney

Sue had stayed after Scout meeting to help Miss Sanders, the captain, put away some supplies. She was very quiet as she worked. This surprised Miss Sanders as Sue was usually jolly and talkative.

"You don't look very happy, Sue," she remarked. "It seems you would, with vacation only two weeks away."

"That's just the trouble," answered Sue. "I'm not going to have any vacation."

"Why, Sue!" exclaimed Miss Sanders, "you're not going to summer school, are you?"

"No, I mean I'm not going anywhere. I have to stay home all summer," she complained.

"Oh," said Miss Sanders thoughtfully, "but you can still have a vacation."

"But it won't be any fun," objected Sue. "I most always have gone to camp. Now mother says we can't afford any trips. We had a fire at our house this spring and that did a lot of damage."

"Yes," sympathized Miss Sanders. "I remember. Your mother burned her hands trying to save things, I believe."

"Yes, and of course I feel sorry about that. But I did so want to go to camp," mourned Sue.

"What do you like best at camp?" asked the captain.

"Oh, there are so many things. I like nature-study and campfire cooking. Swimming and tennis are my favorites. Then I shall certainly miss the council fires and stunts."

"It does sound good," agreed Miss Sanders, "but most of those things can also be done at home."

"Oh, but it wouldn't be the same!"

"No, not the same but equally enjoyable. Let's consider each thing you mentioned and see how it can be carried out. Take nature-study. Here in the city you have a wonderful opportunity. The parks are filled with birds, squirrels and various plants. Then there are opportunities for excursions into the country."

"But what about instruction?"

"Why not teach yourself? You can get helpful materials at the libraries."

"I believe I could do that," responded Sue. "Perhaps I could earn a merit badge."

"I'm sure you could. You should be able to earn one in cooking, also. It is almost as much fun to cook at home as over a campfire."

"I already know how to cook some. I'll get mother to let me cook a whole meal. If only there were some way to manage the swimming. I won't be able to afford to go to the pools much."

"Here is some good news for you, then. I happen to know that over at the East Pool they are looking for a girl to watch the small children's pool.

CLOSE TO MY HEART

By Harland E. Fitch

There are plenty of kittens all fluffy and puffy,

As cunning and cute as can be,
But my little white one is truly the right one

To be a companion to me.

There are millions of kittens all patterns and colors,

I am sure they are someone's delight;
I view them with pleasure; but always my treasure

Is this little bundle of white.

Though all the wee kittens have ways that are charming,

And each one is doing its part,
This sprite little, bright little, white little kitten

Just snuggles up close to my heart.

—Our Dumb Animals.

You have your junior life-saving badge. In return, you will get a season's ticket and free diving instruction."

"Oh, how wonderful!" cried Sue. "I'll see about it tomorrow. I do believe I'll be able to do everything I do at camp. Perhaps I can forget about the rest."

"That may not be necessary. Sue, there must be some other girls who are staying home."

"None I know very well. Judy, Beth and Jill are going as usual."

"You know, Sue, I've been thinking lately that it's too bad that you four always stick so close together. You are missing a lot by not becoming acquainted with the others. I've noticed Lysa, the new girl, looking at your group with wistful eyes."

"Why," said Sue in surprise, "I have thought I'd like to know her. But I didn't know how."

"Why don't you find out at the next meeting what girls are going to stay home," suggested Miss Sanders. "Then you can meet and form a club."

"Oh, that will be fun! Miss Sanders, you are lovely. I would never have thought of this myself."

"Yes, you would, if you had given yourself a chance. But you were like most of us; you were too busy thinking about what you couldn't have instead of what you might do. Now I'd like for you to do one more thing. Write out what you consider the objectives of a vacation, whether at home or away."

Sue was busy for a while. When she had finished her friend asked her to read what she had written.

"I believe that a vacation should help one to:

"1. Build good health through plenty of outdoor exercise;

"2. Learn something new;

"3. Make new friends;

"4. Participate in varied activities;

"5. Establish new enthusiasm that will last through the next year."

"That is fine, Sue. I'd like to read that to the girls next time."

"Thank you so much, Miss Sanders, for helping me. I can hardly wait for vacation to begin!"—The Girls' World.

THE MEANING OF OUR FLAG

If one asks me the meaning of our flag, I say to him: It means just what Concord and Lexington meant, what Bunker Hill meant. It means the whole glorious Revolutionary War. It means all that the Declaration of Independence meant. It means all that the Constitution of our people, organizing for justice, for liberty, and happiness meant.

Our flag carries American ideas, American history, and American feelings. Beginning with the colonies, and coming down to our time, in its sacred heraldry, in its glorious insignia, it has gathered and stored chiefly this supreme idea: divine right of liberty in man. Every color means liberty; every thread means liberty; every form of star and beam or stripe of light means liberty—not lawlessness, no license, but organized institutional liberty—liberty through law, and laws for liberty.

The American Flag was the safeguard of liberty. Not an atom of crown was allowed to go into its insignia. Not a symbol of authority in the ruler was permitted to go into it. It was an ordinance of liberty by the people, for the people. That it meant, that it means, and, by the blessing of God, that it shall mean to the end of time!—Henry Ward Beecher.

JUST FOR FUN

"Are your father and mother in?" asked the visitor of the small boy who opened the door.

"They was in," said the child, "but they is out."

"They was in. They is out. Where's your grammar?"

"She's gone upstairs," said the boy, "for a lay down."—Hartford Courant.

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After one of Alice's naughty periods, her mother said that, instead of punishing her again, she thought she would have to get a good little girl in her place. Alice started laughing, and when asked why, replied, "You can't do that, 'cause no lady would swap you a good little girl to get a worsor!"

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Teacher—By what is Australia bounded?

James—Kangaroos.

Sunday School Lesson

MARCH 10

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By Rollin H. Walker

Triumph in Surrender

Scripture: Matthew 26:30-56

The majestic calm of Jesus in the upper room was broken by a very tempest of agony as he entered into the garden. "My soul is exceeding sorrowful," said he, "even unto death. It seemed to him that he would die right there of the terrible depression that had settled down upon him. It is a comfort to know that even the Son of God at times writhed in the grip of destiny.

But let us remember that Jesus was as near to God when the bloody sweat was dripping from his brow as when his face did shine as the sun on the mount of transfiguration. Nearness to God is a matter of faith and loyalty, and not of feeling; although, of course, the man who is steadfast in the faith will often have times of exalted joy (Luke 10:21), and the usual weather of his soul will be serene (John 14:27).

We can get a key to the cause of our Lord's agony by asking how we would feel if we were confronting the cross. We, of course, would shrink from the horror and shame of the cross, and from the premature cutting off of our life plans. We would shrink from the bitter disappointment that our shameful death would give to all those who had trusted us and expected great things from us.

We would especially shrink from having this penalty inflicted on us by those whom we had loved, as a mother would draw back in horror from the thought of being murdered by her own son. And, of course, in a way far deeper than we can realize, Jesus shrank from the thought of the appalling sin that his people were about to commit.

Watching Alone

When Jesus felt the terrible tempest coming upon him, he realized that the apostles must not witness it, for they would take it to be a sign of weakness. But he must have some human sympathy, so he took with him Peter and James and John, hoping that they might in a measure understand. But although the three could hear the prayer of Jesus in their moments of wakefulness, they were always asleep when with a pitiful desire for human sympathy he came back to them. He trod the winepress alone.

The account is evidently true, for the early church with its disposition to glorify Jesus would not have invented a story that makes him so utterly human.

We have here a strange paradox. This story where Jesus seems, on the face of it, least divine, is the story from which the human race gains most divine power. If one wishes to

plug into the current of heavenly reinforcement, the socket is the human weakness of Jesus in the garden and on the cross. When we do that, we are at once in contact with the creative power of the living God.

We are grateful for the compassionate words, "The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." How perfectly those words apply to all of us! Our intentions are good; but alas, the moment we are off our guard the old automatic tendencies reassert themselves, and the flesh is in the saddle again.

How many readers of these words find their thoughts wandering most frightfully even when they are on their knees! But, thank God, persistence always conquers. Even Jesus had to pray three times before the angel came strengthening him, and no man should be dismayed as long as he keeps up the struggle and does not for a moment dally with the wrong thoughts.

"Watch and pray," said Jesus. The apostles desperately needed sleep; but there are times when all of us, no matter how complete our exhaustion, need prayer and watchfulness more than we need sleep.

When Jesus rose from his knees the third time, the victory was won, and there was something about him that made the soldiers who had come to take him go backward and fall to the ground (John 18:6). He had no sword, no kingly garments, perchance the bloody sweat still streaked his brow, but upon it was the majesty that comes through victory over the powers of darkness.

The story is a warning to us not to sleep when our friends are going through their Gethsemane. We cannot do much for them, but we can at least let them know that we are sympathetically conscious of their suffering. Sometimes an old mother informs the children that she is not feeling well; they express a superficial sympathy, and go about their business, or take to their beds, only to be summoned back to witness with deep remorse her last struggles.

"There come times," said Bishop McConnell, "when a swimmer's strength is so well nigh spent that the ability to touch even a few ounces of buoyant material will make all the difference between life and death. There come passages in spiritual experience so desperate that even the wondering sympathy of a little child's gaze will carry the man's soul through."

The Sacrament of Gethsemane

Every one of us must go through an experience analogous to Jesus' agony in the garden. We shall face conditions from which we draw back with shuddering supplications. Perhaps it will be the immediate prospect of being thrown out of employment, or it may be the loss of the savings of a lifetime.

Perchance it will be the prospect of permanent invalidism, or swift coming death by a torturing disease, or the day when the physician shakes his head and warns us of the speedy departure of one who is dearer to us than life; or it may be the wicked and treacherous opposition of those who

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District	Place	Time
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Fayetteville-Caledonia Church	April 17
Rocky Mount-Tarboro	April 17
Durham-Hillsboro	April 18
Asheville-Hendersonville	April 19
Winston-Salem-Fair Grove, Thomasville Ct., 9:30	April 19
Waynesville-Rockford	April 19
Gastonia-Rock Springs	May 8
Marion-Old Fort	May 8
Elkin-Friendship Church, Wilkesboro Ct.	May 9
Charlotte-Bethlehem Church, Prospect Ct.	May 10
High Point-High Point College	May 14
Greensboro-Gibsonville	May 14
Elizabeth City-Edenton	May 16
Statesville-Taylorsville	May 20

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March 11-31-First Church, Collingswood, N. J.
April 7-21-Trinity, Kannapolis, N. C.
April 22-May 5-Tabernacle, Martinsville, Va.
May 6-19-Green Street, Winston-Salem.

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High Point, May 20-30.
Draper (tent), June 2-11

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Bethune, S. C.-April 21 to 28
Clyde, N. C.-May 5 to 19.

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Lakewood, 7:30	.....	March
Duke Ct., Andrews Chapel, 11	.....	7
Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11	.....	10
Glen Raven, Fairview, 7:30	.....	16
Front Street, 11	.....	17
West Burlington, 3	.....	17
West Durham, 7:30	.....	25
Eno, 7:30	.....	28
Mount Hermon, Belmont, 11	.....	31
Saxapahaw, Concord, 3	.....	31
Durham Ct., Bethany, 3	.....	31
Mebane, Central, 7:30	.....	31
Davis Street, 7:30	.....	April 3
Graham, 7:30	.....	4
Person Ct., Lea's Chapel, 11	.....	6
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11	.....	7
Long Memorial and Brookdale, Long Mtn., 7:30	.....	7
Duke Memorial, 7:30	.....	0
Calvary, 7:30	.....	10

Chapel Hill, 7:30	.....	11
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 11	.....	14
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3	.....	14
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, HILLSBORO, 10	.....	18
Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11	.....	21
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 3	.....	21
Mebane, First Church, 7:30	.....	24
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 11	.....	28

Carrboro, Orange, 11	.....	May 5
Swepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3	.....	5

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Moyock, 11	.....	March 10
Currituck, Ebenezer, night	.....	10
Pasquotank, Mt. Herman, 11 and 1	.....	15
Manteo, 11	.....	17
Stumpy Point-Dare, East Lake, 2:30	.....	17
South Camden, Perkins, night	.....	17
Perquimans, Woodland, -- and 1	.....	23
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11	.....	24
North Gates, Kittrells, night	.....	24
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11	.....	31
Creswell, 3	.....	31
Roper, Mackeys, night	.....	31

Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11	.....	April 7
Kinnakeet, Rodanthe, night	.....	7
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11	.....	14
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3	.....	14
Belhaven, Hebron, night	.....	14
City Road, night	.....	17
South Mills, Newland, 11 and 1	.....	20
Plymouth, 11	.....	21
Williamston, night	.....	21
First Church, Elizabeth City, night	.....	24
Windsor, Cashie, 11	.....	28
Edenton, night	.....	28
Bath, Bethany, 11	.....	May 5
Washington, night	.....	5
District Conference, Edenton	.....	16

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11	.....	March 10
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 3	.....	10
Laurinburg, 7:30	.....	10
Caledonia, 11	.....	17
Maxton, 7:30	.....	17
Hamlet, 11	.....	24
Roberdel, St. Paul, 3	.....	24
Gibson, 7:30	.....	24
Siler City, 11	.....	31
Bynum Ct., 3	.....	31
Pittsboro, 7:30	.....	31

Mt. Gilead Ct., Ophir, 11:15	.....	April 7
Troy Ct., 3	.....	7
Mount Gilead, 7:30	.....	7
Rockingham, 7:30	.....	12
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 11	.....	14
Ellerbe, Jones Spring, 3	.....	14
Parkton, 7:30	.....	14
Troy, 11	.....	21
Glendon, High Falls, 3	.....	21
Biscoe, Candor, 7:30	.....	21
Red Springs, 11	.....	28
Stedman, Bethany, 3	.....	28
Hay Street, 7:30	.....	28

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Vanceboro, Epworth, 11	.....	March 10
Ayden, Macedonia, 3	.....	10
Greenville, 7:30	.....	10
Grifton, Sharon, 11	.....	17
Pamlico, Stonevall, 3	.....	17
Grimesland, Providence, 11	.....	24
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30	.....	24
Aurora, Campbell's, 11	.....	31
Oriental, Arapaho, 3	.....	31

Hookerton, Maury, 11	.....	April 7
Snow Hill, Bethel, 3	.....	7
Kinston, 7:30	.....	7
Seven Springs, Beston, 11	.....	14
Goldshoro Ct., 3	.....	14
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30	.....	14
District Conference, Rainbow Church, 9	.....	16
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11	.....	21
LaGrange, Trinity, 3	.....	21
Fromont, Black Creek, 7:30	.....	21
Goldshoro, St. Paul, 7:30	.....	24
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 7:30	.....	26
Mt. Olive Ct., 11	.....	27
Phuk Hill, Woodland, 11	.....	28
Dover, 3	.....	28

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Henderson, Christ Church, 11	.....	March 10
Granville Ct., Union Chapel, 3	.....	10
Henderson, First Church, 7:30	.....	10
Raleigh, Edenton St., 7:30	.....	13
Newton Grove, Mt. Moriah, 11	.....	16
Erwin, Erwin, 11	.....	17
Benson, 7:30	.....	17
Fairmont, 7:30	.....	20
Cary-Apex, Apex, 11	.....	24
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 3	.....	24
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30	.....	24
Franklin, 11	.....	31
Louisburg, 7:30	.....	31
Smithfield, 7:30	.....	April 3
Puquay, Kipling, 11	.....	7
Selma, 7:30	.....	7
Person Street, 7:30	.....	10
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, BENSON, 9:30	.....	11

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Wilson, 11	.....	March 10
Meeting District League of Stewards First Church,	.....	10
Rocky Mount, 2:30 p. m.	.....	10
Robersonville, Hamilton, 7:30	.....	10
Spring Hope, Stanhope, 7:30	.....	13
Littleton Ct., Littleton, 11	.....	16
Littleton, Bethel, 11	.....	17
West Halifax, Eden, 3	.....	17
Clark Street, Rocky Mount, 7:30	.....	17
Northampton and Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3	.....	24
Spring Church, Pleasant Hill, 6:45	.....	24
Garysburg, Garysburg, 8	.....	24
Warrenton, Macon, 11	.....	30
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11	.....	31
Warren Ct., Bethlehem, 3	.....	31
Norlina, Zion, 7:30	.....	31

First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30	.....	April 7
Whitakers, Battleboro, 7:30	.....	10
Euclid, 11	.....	14
Halifax, Pierce's Camp Ground, 3	.....	14
Marvin, 7:30	.....	14
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30	.....	17
McKendree, McKendree, 11	.....	21
Elm City, Hornes, 3	.....	21
Sandy Cross, 7:30	.....	21

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Burgaw, Watha, 11	.....	March 10
Wallace-Rosehill, Charity, 3	.....	10
Wilmington, Epworth, night	.....	10
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 11	.....	17
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3	.....	17
Whiteville, night	.....	17
Penderlea, night	.....	20
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11	.....	24
St. Pauls, Barker's, 3	.....	24
Rowland (place to be announced), night	.....	24
Wilmington, Trinity, 11	.....	31
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, night	.....	31

Scotts Hill, Scotts Hill, 11	.....	April 7
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3	.....	7
Southport, night	.....	7
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11	.....	14
Tabor City, Bethel, 3	.....	14
Bladen, Deems, night	.....	14
Lumberton Ct. (place to be announced), 11	.....	21
Pembroke (Indian work) place to be announced, 3	.....	21
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, night	.....	21

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Quar. Conf. Laurel-Barnardsville, at Barnardsville, 11	.....	March 10
Preach at Centrai, night	.....	10
Quar. Conf. Central, Haywood St. and French Broad	.....	10
Ave., at French Broad, night	.....	11
Quar. Conf. Asbury Mem., Hillside St. and Merimon	.....	12
Ave., at Merimon Ave., night	.....	12
Preach at Big Sandy, 11	.....	17
Quar. Conf. Leicester-Bell, Leicester, Grace and Sandy,	.....	17
at Brick Church, 3	.....	17
Marshall, 11	.....	24
Hot Springs and Paint Rock, 3	.....	24
Preach at Reeve's Chapel, 11	.....	31
Quar. Conf. Acton, Candler and Pisgah, at Montmo-	.....	31
renele, 3	.....	31

Tryon-Saluda, at Saluda, 11	.....	April 7
Fairview at Sharon, 3	.....	7
Fletcher, night	.....	7
District Conference at Hendersonville	.....	17

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Dilworth, 7:30	.....	March 8
Ansonville, Concord, 11	.....	10
Brevard Street, 7:30	.....	10
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30	.....	13
Lilleville, Lilleville, 11	.....	14
Central Avenue, 7:30	.....	17
Dorita, 7:30	.....	18
Prospect, Carmel, 11	.....	24
Peachland, Harmony, 3	.....	24
Monroe, Central, 7:30	.....	24
Huntersville, Asbury, 11	.....	31
Myers Park, 7:30	.....	31
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30	.....	April 1
Polkton, Wightman, 11	.....	7

ELKIN DISTRICT
J. S. Hlatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Dobson, Siloam, 11	.....	March 9
West Jefferson, 11	.....	10
Jofferson-Orion, 2:30	.....	10
Todd, Fairview, 11	.....	16
Boone, 11; Friendship, 2:30	.....	17
Sparta, Shiloh	.....	24
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11	.....	31
Warrensville, Lansing, 11	.....	April 7
Creston-Riverview, 2:30	.....	7
Traphill, Charity, night	.....	10
Helton, Grassy Creek, 11	.....	14
Green Valley, Mt. View, 11	.....	20
Watauga, Valle Crucis, 11	.....	21
Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11	.....	28
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 7:30	.....	28
Maravian Falls, Mt. Moriah, 2:30	.....	May 5
Ararat-Mt. View, Ararat, 11	.....	12

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

March

South Fork, Zion, 11

Casar, Palm Tree, 2:30

Gastonia, West End, night

Polkville, Polkville, 11

Cleveland, Marler, 3

Lowesville, Snow Hill, 11

Rock Springs, Webb's Chapel, 3

Belmont, Park Street, night

Lincolnton, First Church, 11

Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 3

Cherryville, First Church, night

April

Mount Holly, 11

Dallas, High Shoals, night

Lincoln Ct., Marvin, 11

Crouse, Lander's Chapel, 3

Hoger City, night

Bessemer, Concord, 11

King's Mountain, Central, night

Stanly, 11

Shelby, Central, night

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

SECOND ROUND (INCOMPLETE)

March

Brown Summit, Shady Grove, 11

Greensboro: Bethel, 7

Reidsville, Lindsay Street, 11

Spray, 3

Danbury, 7:30

Madison, 7:30

Leaksville, 11

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.

SECOND ROUND

(Subject to necessary changes)

March

Seagrove-Love Joy, Fairgrove, 2

Liberty Ct., 11

Richland, West Bend, 7:30

Denton, Central, 1:30

Randleman Ct., 2

Asheboro Ct., Central Falls, 11

Lehanon, 7:30

Linwood, Macedonia, 2

Randleman, Union, 7:30

Shiloh, Friendship, 2

April

Main Street, Hight Point, 7:30

Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethel, 2

Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11

Ward Street, 7:30

South Davidson, Pleasant Grove, 2

Trinity, Hopewell, 11

Archdale, 7:30

Denton First, Pleasant Grove, 11

Oak View, 7:30

Rankin Memorial, 7:30

Pleasant Grove, 7:30

Highland, 7:30

Welch Memorial, 7:30

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

March

Old Fort, 11

Old Fort Ct., Bethlehem, 3

Marion, First, 7:30

Cliffside, Avondale, 11

Sunshine, Pisgah, 3

Morganton Ct., Bethlehem, 7:30

Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11

Forest City, 7:30

Rutherfordton, 11

Gilkey, Gilboa, 3

Pleasant Grove, 7:30

April

Burnsville, 11

Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 3

Spruce Pine, 7:30

Elk Park, Newland, 11

Avery, Fairview, 3

Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30

Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windham, 11

Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3

SALISBURY DISTRICT

Charles N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

March

Roberta, Roberta, 2:30

Central, Spencer Central, 5

Pfeiffer, Misenheimer, 11

Stanfield, Love's Chapel, 2:30

Trinity, Trinity, 7

Gold Hill, Rockwell, 7:30

Westford, Westford, 7:30

Norwood, Norwood, 7:30

Main Street, Albemarle, Pine Grove, 7:30

Landis, Oak Grove, 2

Spencer-China Grove, Greer's Chapel, 2:30

Tabernacle, Tabernacle, 8

Midland, Center Grove, 11

Badin-New London, Badin, 2:30

Norwood Ct., Green Memorial, 3

Granite Quarry, Mt. Tabor, 3

Midway, Midway, 3

Friendship, New Mt. Tabor, 7:30

N. Kannapolis, N. Kannapolis, 3

April

Central, Albemarle, 6:15

Salisbury, First, 6:30

Epworth, Epworth, 7:30

Rocky Ridge, Rocky Ridge, 12:15

Ann Street, Ann Street, 2:30

Jackson Park, Jackson Park, 6

Bethpage, Bethpage, 7

Main St.-Rowan, Main St., 7:30

Salem, Salem, 3

Forest Hill, Forest Hill, 7:30

Albemarle, First Street, 7:30

Concord, Central, 7:30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

March

Mount Zion, Mount Zion, 11

McKendree-Williamson, Williamson, 3

Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, night

Mooresville: Central, 11

Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 3

Mooresville: Broad Street, night

Hudson, Hudson, 10 and 3

Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 11

Granite Falls, night

Catawba, Bethlehem, 11

Shepherds, Wesley Chapel, 3

Maiden, Maiden, night

April

Newton, 11

Hickory: Highland, Fairgrove, 3

Hickory: Westview, night

Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn, 10 and 3

Lenoir: First Church, 11

Hickory: Bethel, night

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

March

Webster, 11

Cullowhee, 7

Canton, 11

Rockwood, 3

Bethel, 7:30

Dellwood, 7

Pines Creek, 11

Crabtree, 3

Canton, First Church, 7:30

Junaluska, 11

Jonathan, 3

Morning Star, 7:30

April

Whittier, 11and 7:30

Special situations

District Conference, Rockwood

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SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Winston-Salem, Oghurn Memorial, 7:30

Porsyth-Maple Springs, Hickory Ridge, 11

Lexington, State St.; West End Thomasville, 7

Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30

Winston-Salem, Central Terrace, 7:30

Hanes-Clemmons, Bethel, 7:30

Winston-Salem, Green Street, 7:30

Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Morris Chapel, 11

Kernersville-South Winston, Pine Grove, 3

North Davidson, Union Ridge, 7:30

N. C. WOMAN'S PAGE

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Mrs. Fred Johnson gave a talk on "Rocky Mount District's Advance During 1940." The brass candlesticks donated by Miss Josephine Dameron for the largest per capita giving went to Littleton church. Jerusalem won the World Outlook subscription for having the largest attendance. The Providence auxiliary presented Howard and Harriett Daniels, twins, with a baby life membership. Rev. J. T. Draper dismissed the meeting with prayer.

Mrs. James Mustian.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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ought to be our friends. Perhaps, as in the case of Jesus, these afflictions will come not separately but together (Matthew 7:25).

Blessed we will be if we have cultivated the habit of prayer mingled with absolute submission to the divine will. Then out of our struggles we shall rise as Jesus did, calm, victorious, and divinely re-enforced.

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The Sublime Confidence of Jesus in His Word



JESUS had sublime confidence in the power, persuasiveness and permanence of his teaching. His words, he said, were more durable than heaven and earth, and would never pass away. Though unsubstantial as air they would prove so secure a foundation that any one who built upon them could weather all the storms and tempests of life. They were spirit and life; for he did not speak them from himself but was the voice of the Father and spoke his words. Such was their convincing power and authority that they cleansed the heart from sin, the mind from fear, the body from disease and the spirit from the power of darkness. The wind and the sea heard his voice and obeyed and the grave gave up its dead.

At the beginning, so still the chief means of spreading the glad tidings is the spoken voice. Our Lord's instrument for perpetuating his word was the Pentecostal gift. Another Advocate was to come, the Spirit of Truth, who should bring to remembrance what Christ had said, take of the things of Christ and show them to the disciples, and declare new things to them which up to that time the disciples had not been able to bear. He would thus not only furnish their mind and heart, but also give them the power of utterance that they should speak all the words of this new life. Pentecostal preaching founded the church, and only by Pentecostal preaching can it be maintained and enlarged. The agents set in the church for the building up of the body of Christ—apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers—are all, it will be noticed, ministers of the word. Along with the other members of the body they began as hearers, found it life-giving, received it with pure affection, believed with their heart on Jesus crucified for man's sins and raised from the dead for his justification, and moved by the Holy Spirit made the saving confession "Jesus is Lord." Then, upon some, the Spirit of Christ fell so powerfully, constraining them to herald the word, that the church felt they should be separated to the work of evangelization to which evidently they were called. And in every generation from the first until now the unbroken succession of the goodly fellowship of the prophets has proclaimed the word of the truth of the Gospel, carrying it to distant lands beyond the bounds of the church, so that all the ends of the world have heard the glad tidings and seen the salvation of our God.

—Methodist Recorder (London).

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Are there a hundred Methodists anywhere in North Carolina among whom \$2.00 cannot be found for the church paper? That question answers itself. In this good state Methodist preachers do not live among a people with no one to help.

We can win only by all doing our best!

WHY NOT JOIN THE HOUSEHOLD?

Nothing cheers the workers in the office at Greensboro so much as the increasing number of the Advocate family who write telling of the continued improvement of the paper. Some have been readers for years; others have come in more recently.

Especially refreshing are the favorable reports from those who were formerly Methodist Protestants. Some who were slightly hesitant when it came to changing papers are now enthusiastic about the North Carolina Advocate. The reports of new subscribers indicate they are lining up in a fine way.

We are much troubled about the thousands of Methodist who might be brought into the Advocate family and informed about the work of the church. This is the big work ahead of us in almost every church. A few from every charge would bring in a new day for North Carolina Methodism.

VALUE OF A BEGINNING

The finest illustration of the value of a start in any line of religious work is the campaign for the church paper. Once a pastor makes a start he is almost certain to add to the first report. We have watched it for years.

Some pastors, though they are recognized as agents for the church paper by getting it

free of cost, they never send in a new subscriber. They never quite get to the point of making a beginning. In fact, most all failures begin right at this point. The opportune hour never strikes. How a man with the vows of a Methodist minister upon him can get by his conscience with such a procedure we cannot understand. A good start makes a good ending.

The Pastor Head and Front

The head and front in the advance of every Methodist church is the pastor. No church ever goes ahead of its leader—the laymen always wait for the preacher to lead the charge. The man who has never learned this lesson may rely on the district superintendent and the bishop to promote him, but the promotion never comes. Other churches insist they want a leader and a preacher, so he falls by the way.

Every successful advance for the church paper depends on the spirit and the alertness of the pastor—on his ability to get into new homes, whether he does it himself or finds some one else to do it. This Advocate year in and year out strives to exalt the Methodist preachers in the estimate of the Methodist public by letting the people know what they are doing. We are always anxious—some think over much anxious to be a helper.

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Methodist papers of a quality to enter all Methodist homes is one of the big issues for the General Conference at Atlantic City in April. The big issue with the pastors of this state is to put the North Carolina Christian Advocate into the homes of our two conferences.

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Bishops and other leaders are going from sea to sea telling of the new order in our American Methodism. New wine must be put into fresh wine skins so that both may be saved. The new and developing life of our religion is left free to give shape and character to our institutions that are taking shape. Fortunate we be to come through this Easter time with a new sense of the power of the Resurrection.

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Greed, fear, lust, suspicion, hatred, and injustice are much to the front. Many bewail the indifference of men to the gospel and the unconcern of youth about religion. All of which is true as regards much present day religion in the pulpit and in the pew. But wherever there is a ring of genuineness—of blood earnest sincerity—of the reality of vital religion there is evidence of a return to religion. These are they who have ever dared to go with Jesus to the cross. Many of the homilies during Lent are worse than useless. An acute sense of need bowed the poor Publican.

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Building on the rock rather than on the sand is most familiar to us all. Over and over again we are urged to build on the rock. The main point of the parable, however, is often overlooked. "If anyone listens to this teaching of mine and acts upon it"—strenuously bestirs himself—he is the wise man. Such a one is diligent, serving the Lord. Our great need in the church is to overcome inertia, laziness, procrastination in the work of the Lord. The living God bestirs himself; a religious man works energetically. Saying Lord, Lord, with the wise man, gives place to doing the job.

Since there are fifteen candidates for governor in North Carolina, the editor of *Charity and Children* has abandoned his plan to let each of the men have a column to express his views. Though he hates to be forced to such a course, still he thinks it is fine to have so many candidates. It proves that no man nor group of men are carrying the state around in their vest pockets. Then, too, the state with so many to pick from should have the best ever. But think of the rush! Fifteen governors would last for sixty years.

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Moffatt translates Peter's words: "Go on growing in grace." This is the thrill of growing—yea, of passing on into Christ-likeness. Could there be a better provision against the encroachment of old age? This is the way to stay young. Young folks are interesting; so are those who are still learning. Not what a man knows makes him interesting, but what he is learning. The man who is fed up on the wisdom of the world—who has grown cynical and faces men with a frown—has ceased to grow. He is disgustingly old.

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We are approaching Palm Sunday, the day that celebrates the Triumphal Entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. That was a unique event in the life of our Lord. A number of unusual things happened. For example, Jesus was accustomed to go afoot. He walked wherever he went except a few very short passages in boats. But on this occasion he was mounted. A very humble mount to be sure. There were no trappings of royalty or military display. Only a clay colored mule carried the Master into the Holy City. Ordinarily the people who followed Jesus were asking help of some sort for themselves, but upon this occasion the people gave to him their garments and palm branches, and instead of asking favors they shouted "Hosanna to the King." All very interesting and unusual, wasn't it?

*Freedom of Thought in the Old South

MORE than an investigation of the freedom of utterance in the old South, in which slavery held such a dominant place, is Eaton's careful and exhaustive study of the freedom of thought in the Southern States. The liberal ideas cherished by early liberals up to the death of Jefferson in 1826 were followed by a want of tolerance with the emergence of the common man during the Jacksonian period. Calhoun so dominant later was an alarmist and agitator on the slavery issue, but his influence was not fully felt until ten years after Calhoun's death in 1850—the decade prior to the Civil War. Calhoun held that the only way to save his section was by suppressing the anti-slavery crusade and by giving the South a veto in Congress against hostile legislation. For the one subject most dangerous to discuss in the old South was the eradication of slavery. Such a situation did not permit freedom of the press, freedom of teaching and freedom of assembly.

The most intolerant period of Southern law making began about 1836 when the abolition societies of the North initiated an active campaign to deluge the Southern States with emotional propaganda such as the Walker pamphlets. These were regarded in the South as firebrands hurled by fanatics into peaceful communities to encourage servile insurrection.

In this careful and fairly exhaustive presentation of the forces moving in Southern life the folly of intolerance becomes manifest. Although "Freedom of Thought in the Old South" is largely confined to the intellectual history of this region between 1790 and 1860, the implication of the discussions have no such limitations. Note the chapter headings:

Aristocrats with Liberal Views. Plantation Life as a Moulder of Opinion. A Dark Cloud of Illiteracy. The Fear of Servile Insurrection. The Law and the Courts. The Calhoun Influence. Freedom of the Press in the Upper South. Academic Freedom Below the Potomac. Aliens in a Slave Country. The Free Lances of the Upper South. The Decline of Skepticism. The Intellectual Blockade.

Dr. Eaton says: "The two great taboos of the social life of the old South were the criticism of Southern slavery and heterodoxy in religion. They constituted issues of high emotional voltage. It is easy for men to tolerate things or ideas to which they are indifferent,

but the real test of tolerance comes in regard to issues that arouse deep emotions. Consequently the author has devoted much of his work to a study of Southern attitudes in regard to those two subjects."

The echo of the age of reason in Europe which resulted in deism and the skepticism of many following the Revolution passed out in a generation. Several forces account for this. But one of the most efficacious agents, insists the author, was the waves of evangelism in the South. Evangelists traveling through the back country preached the coming of the judgment day. Francis Asbury, Lorenzo Dow, Joseph Pilmoor and John McGehee were the heroes of the great revival movement that swept the South at the turn of the century. These general declarations about the revival movement doubtless are tenable, but this author is slightly off as to certain historic facts.

"Francis Asbury, one of the bright lights of Methodism, kept a homely journal of his crusade through the Southern States" (page 281). That Asbury journal is more than a "homely journal through the south." It covered his journeys as far north as Canada over a period of nearly fifty years of church organization and supervision.

"The ministers who preached to these rural congregations were frequently almost as primitive as their auditors. John Wesley felt the necessity of restraining the zeal of John King, a North Carolina preacher" (page 281). John King died and was buried in North Carolina, but King was an Englishman, a student of Oxford University and a physician. He was also a Methodist preacher but not a North Carolinian.

These historic references are not material, but along with others they do leave the impression that the author at times employs incidents of an extreme character from which he makes generalizations that do not necessarily follow. But notwithstanding these inaccuracies this is a most informing volume and of much value in a day when intolerance is so much to the front among the nations, to say nothing of the mistaken views that have been cherished as to the old South.

The list of fifteen illustrations accompanied by biographical notes and historical associations add much to the volume. So does the complete index.

The author is a native of Winston-Salem and a graduate of the University of North Carolina. He is now head of the history depart-

ment in Lafayette College, Easton, Pa. These facts are of interest to North Carolinians, but the book is of much value to all, since the author has given a well balanced account of the liberal and conservative elements of both the North and the South.

*"Freedom of Thought in the Old South." By Clement Eaton, Duke University Press, Durham, N. C. Price \$3.00. This volume won the \$1500 Centennial prize offered by Duke University Press in connection with the Duke University Centennial Celebration in 1938-39.

Edwin Markham Is Dead

EDWIN MARKHAM, 87, died of pneumonia at his Staten Island home Thursday, March 7. His fame as a poet rested largely, though by no means entirely, upon his poem, "The Man With the Hoe," which has been translated into forty different languages and up to 1932 had brought its author the snug sum of \$250,000.

Markham is reported to have been in failing health for the past year. A cold contracted March 2 developed into pneumonia Monday following and he died three days later. He would have been 88 April 23. The poet was a native of Oregon City, Oregon. He is survived by a son, Virgil Markham, New York City.

Edwin Markham is a name that promises to be secure among the great names not born to die. "The Man With the Hoe" was published forty-one years ago. These well known and in some respects disturbing lines have resounded in every part of the world and are destined to continue to arrest the thought of the world. Here is how it begins:

"Bowed by the weight of centuries he leans
Upon his hoe and gazes on the ground,
The emptiness of ages in his face,
And on his back the burden of the world."

Hollywood and the White House

THE White House in Washington and Hollywood in California are alike in one respect—too many divorces. We are not informed as to the number in Hollywood, but there are too many. In the last few years the White House family has had three, and that is too many.

The question arises what are the American people going to do about it? We are not now referring to what the pagan or immoral elements are going to do, but what are the people

who call themselves Christian going to do in the face of this deplorable situation? Upon no question did Jesus, when upon earth, speak with greater clearness than the question of divorce.

We are now addressing the question to the Christian ministry in particular. What are you going to do about it? Are there any preachers with the spirit of John the Baptist in the Baptist churches of America? How many in the Methodist Church are willing to live up to the standards of the early itinerant preachers by revealing the true spirit of prophecy? It should likewise concern all other churches and their ministers.

Jesus said, Why call me Lord, Lord, and do not what I command you? Why mutter prayers, or deliver religious essays, and at the same time remain silent about the grosser sins?

Is Finland a Good Risk?

THIS question of course is related to the recent loan of \$30,000,000 to that little country Russia is doing its utmost to destroy. William Allen White, the eminent editor of the Emporia Gazette, has answered in a way that ought to be conclusive for any man who has brains enough to grease a gimlet, to use an old expression, or has sufficient moral character to qualify him to run with tom cats at midnight. The Gazette editor writes:

"Now look: What if you had a lot of cheating, gouging, pie-faced, chicken-stealing, dead-beat neighbors who had beaten you out of your shirt on a technicality and all the time kept rolling their eyes piously and pretending to be your blood kin and good friends? And then if one sawed-off little fellow up on the northeast quarter of the north half of the northernmost section of the township had paid you all he ever owed you right on the dot, squeezing it out of his ice-bound land, and never even asking for three days' grace, and finally if some great big slab-sided bully had hopped on the little sawed-off fellow up in the northeast quarter of the township and threatened to stomp the tar out of him and he needed two-bits to buy him a pair of brass knucks, would you stop and thumb over Dunn's and Bradstreet's to look at his assets and cast a fishy eye over his liabilities and ask: 'Is Finland a good risk?'

"Jumping Jehosephat, what kind of a neighbor are we, anyway? Is not our hide worth more'n two bits?"

❖ People and Things ❖

Read carefully note of explanation at head of our Advocate Campaign report.

Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Traynham announce the birth of little "D. D." March 12, at Mary Elizabeth Hospital, Raleigh, N. C.

The meeting at St. Paul, Greensboro, will open Easter Sunday instead of the fifth Sunday in March as previously announced.

Rev. M. L. Chappell, Trade, Tenn., desires a copy of Dr. Wilbur Fisk's volume of Sermons on Predestination and Election. Write Rev. M. L. Chappell, Trade, Tenn.

The annual meeting of the Methodist Historical Society of New York City was held on Thursday night, March 7, at the Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew in New York City. The address of the occasion was delivered by Dr. Paul N. Garber of Duke University. "Methodist Portraits" was the title of Dr. Garber's address.

The work goes well on the Bald Creek charge. We have had eight Sundays of bad weather but have had large congregations and there seems to be a new spirit—a great desire for revivals. We are happy in the work here. While we were confined to the parsonage with the flu the people came in from all points and pounded us.—J. N. Snow P. C.

List of delegates from Elkin district to Provisional conference: Mrs. George Royall, Elkin; Mrs. J. T. Inskeep, Roaring Gap; Mrs. S. H. Atkinson, Siloam; Mrs. R. A. McLaughlin, Yadkinville; Mrs. Bernard Graybeal, West Jefferson; Mrs. Ronda Hardin, Boone; Mrs. J. G. Crawford, Cooleemee; Mrs. James Thompson, Mocksville; Miss Ruth Hubbard, Moravian Falls. Alternates: Mrs. W. D. Halfacre, N. Wilkesboro; Mrs. L. W. Beammer, Mt. Airy, R. 3.

A man once asked a tramp how he decided which way he would go when he started out in the morning. The man of the highway answered, "I always turn my back to the wind." That is what made him a tramp. And by the way, he has lots of company, though his partners are not all back-door callers or knights of the highway. People of means and social standing have a habit of going with the wind when an unusual test comes. Those who face the wind are yet in the minority. And that is why some things are as they are. The tramp family is a big one—in numbers.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Elkin district met on March 5 at the parsonage in North Wilkesboro during the lunch hour of the missionary institute. After a delicious luncheon served by the hostess, Mrs. A. L. Aycock, a short business session was held, with Mrs. J. S. Hiatt presiding. The two brides of the district, Mrs. H. H. Wood and Mrs. J. G. Wooten, Jr., were presented with attractive gifts. The following were elected: President, Mrs. J. S. Hiatt; vice president, Mrs. A. A. Kyles; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. H. F. Duncan. The next meeting will be held on the day of district conference.—Mrs. H. F. Duncan, Sec.

We are only a silent spectator with the other boys in the press gallery as the nine contestants for governor of North Carolina get off down the track, except to approve what the Charlotte Observer says about our good friend J. A. Bell. Here is the tribute of the Observer: "Candidate Horton could have put his hands upon no man in Mecklenburg county in whom our people have more confidence than Hon. James A. Bell, who will be attached to the state headquarters of the present lieutenant governor in his attempt to step up and into the governorship. Wherever Mr. Bell is known throughout the state, the same reliance in his leadership, personal integrity and clean-handed political activities has been developed. He will make Mr. Horton a capable adviser."

In a recent young people's meeting on the Sandy Cross charge we had young people from every church on the charge but one. Through our union many of our young people have become associated with the churches of this field, and many have become leaders in the various units of the church. The union met this year at Bethlehem church. Many took part. One of the outstanding addresses was by Miss Cora Alyce Coggin. It was so fine I send it to the Christian Advocate for publication. This young lady is only 17 years old. She is in her last year at high school.—C. B. Peacock, Pastor.

Mrs. Dutton became very ill with flu the last Sunday in February. I was obliged to be housekeeper, cook and nurse a week while she was ill. Then I took flu and had to stay in bed a whole week. That is difficult for me. The neighbors have been very kind to help us and we have had a generous pounding from our people at Midway. Best of all we are making progress at Midway and God is with us. We have received 42 new members since conference. Our attendance has been good and our offerings also. Ten of the members of our church school received credits in the training school at Forest Hill.—W. C. Dutton, Pastor.

The engineering faculty and students cordially invite all interested to attend the fourteenth annual engineers' show which will be presented by the Duke University College of Engineering on March 25-26. The show will be continuous from 7 to 10 p. m. on both evenings, and from 2 to 5 p. m. on the 26th. The purposes of the engineers' show are to illustrate by demonstration and exhibits some phases of engineering which are important factors in modern civilization, to offer an opportunity for all friends of the university to review the work and progress of all the College of Engineering, and to acquaint prospective engineering students with the facilities, surroundings, and the curricula of the college.—Howard O. Schmidt.

The provisional district meeting of the High Point district was held in the Archdale Methodist church last Sunday at 2 p. m. The meeting was largely attended and the business duly transacted. The nine delegates elected follow: Mrs. W. T. Powell, Mrs. W. H. McCain and Mrs. S. W. Taylor, High Point; Mrs. J. D. Ross and Mrs. W. C. Hammer, Asheboro; Mrs. J. P. Cox, Ramseur; Mrs. Fred Starr, Lexington; Mrs. George R. Brown, Liberty; Mrs. Coy Kearns, Denton. The reserve delegates are Miss Claudia Fox, Randleman, and Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., Asheboro. These delegates will attend the conference provisional meeting to be held in Salisbury April 18, 2 p. m., in First church.—S. W. Taylor.

On March 16, beginning at 2 E.S.T., the National Broadcasting Company, the Columbia Broadcasting System and the Mutual Broadcasting System, over their affiliated stations will present a program featuring nationally and internationally known political and religious leaders, in a nationwide Christian foreign service broadcast. Participating in the program will be: Bishop Henry George Tucker; President Franklin D. Roosevelt; Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands; Count Robert van der Straten-Ponthoz, ambassador of Belgium; Dr. George A. Butterick; Dr. John R. Mott; Dr. Charles R. Watson, Cairo, Egypt; Dr. Charles T. Leber; Miss Marian Anderson, soprano. While the program will originate in New York City, there will be some one thousand or more parallel convocations across the country. These convocations will have luncheon meetings and their own local programs previous to the 2 o'clock broadcast. Arrangements for such programs in North Carolina are being handled by the North Carolina Council of Churches, an organization which represents more than a million Protestant Christians in this state.

The New-Style Family Bible by the System Bible Company, Kansas City, has been called "a teachers' Bible for the whole family," for it contains the comprehensive, up-to-date helps of the teachers' Bible and also the large, self-pronouncing type and Family Record of the family Bible. This unusual Bible contains 1480 pages, yet it is only 1¼ inches thick. It is printed on this fine India paper which is thin but very tough and serviceable. One especially nice thing about this paper that is not true of most India, is that it can be written on so satisfactorily. Most India paper is so soft and delicate that even a light pencil mark does serious damage to the sheet.

Canaan, North Davidson Charge, V. B. Williams, pastor. We are a little band of workers trying to do good and be beneficial to our church. It seems every member is alert and wanting to do the will of God, so when the time comes to say farewell to this world they might reach that happy land on the other side. It is sweet to know that if we are his children when the end comes we will only close our eyes here to open them again in heaven. The Ladies' Aid is giving a hot supper March 16. Hope to have a large crowd out, especially those who have made a draw on our quilt which we are going to give away at that time. Also you may have the choice of many good things to eat such as weiners, oysters, chicken pie, ice cream, and other things which are appetizing, at a small cost. A new coat of paint which is badly needed is going on the outside of the parsonage in the near future.—Mrs. Carl W. Clodfelter.

NORTH CAROLINA LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOL

The time and place of the school is July 15-20 at Winston-Salem, Hanes Memorial Colored Methodist Episcopal church, 821 North Highland avenue.

Time of registration 1 p. m. Monday, July 15.

Entertainment and registration \$3.50—registration \$1.00; entertainment \$2.50.

Courses Planned

120b—How We Got Our Bible. Rev. N. H. Humphries, Durham.

211b—Guiding Children in Christian Growth. Miss Dora Zimmerman, Lexington.

311b—Guiding Youth's Approach to Religion. Instructor furnished by C. M. E. Board.

821b—The Christian Message for Our Present Day World. By Mrs. Annie M. Singletary, Centenary M. E. church, Winston-Salem.

920b—Preparing and Preaching Sermons. Bishop C. L. Russell, C. M. E. church, Washington, D. C.

Handicraft—Miss Viola Nethery, Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn.

Recreation—Mr. Banaker Roberts, Shelby.

Registrar—Mr. Banaker Roberts, Shelby.

Dean—J. S. Blaine, Winston-Salem.

Counselor—Mrs. L. V. Scott, Winston-Salem.

James S. Blaine.

BISHOP CLARE PURCELL WRITES

The attention of all our ministers and members in the Charlotte area is called to the special effort now being made by the friends of Dr. Franklin N. Parker to raise an endowment for the Candler School of Theology, Emory University. This special undertaking is for the purpose of creating a perpetual recognition of the rich contribution of Dr. Parker in his long teaching ministry at Emory. No man of the Methodism of this century has had more to do with training our ministers than has Franklin N. Parker. His service at Trinity College and at Emory will thus be given its well-merited acknowledgment. Lovers of excellence in ministerial training everywhere will do well to unite with Dr. Parker's friends in carrying this undertaking to complete success.

Clare Purcell.

DR. S. A. STEWART WRITES OF SITUATION IN JAPAN

Having been back in this country for some five months, I think possibly you would like for me to give you some idea of how the situation looks to me at present.

One thing that is quite significant is that the Christian church is in very good favor with the government. The reason of course is that Christian nationals have generally accepted the government position with regard to the China "incident" and are whole-heartedly co-operating to bring it to a successful conclusion. One has only to go back in his thinking a scant quarter of a century, and recall how we looked upon the World War—I mean American Christians, especially—to understand how Japanese Christians feel. Of course we think this conflict entirely different, but they have been given reasons which have convinced them that they are fighting in a righteous cause. And with no information save that which is given them in a controlled press we can understand why they should think and feel as they do. If by chance a different opinion or statement of facts slips in, it is regarded as enemy propaganda.

Another striking thing is the unanimity with which the people stand together. Young and old, high and low, they are all one in their desire for a successful termination of the present struggle. Perhaps one might say that the emphasis should be put on the word termination in the above sentence. They all long for peace. A complete change has come over their propaganda slogans. It has come so gradually and easily that the people have not noticed the change, but after a year's absence I notice it decidedly. As those of you heard me speak in the United States last year may recall, I said frequently that the two slogans were "To keep communism out of the Orient" and "to establish permanent peace in the Orient." Now little is said in regard to these. The thing one hears constantly over the radio and in speeches and sermons, is the "establishment of a new order in East Asia." So the real purpose of the China Incident is coming to the front, and all are seeing new visions of a glorious new day in the Orient, but whether it will spell "permanent peace" or not is a question.

There is no special suffering yet on the part of the common people because of scarcity of materials. Many things are growing scarce and prices are somewhat higher. Just now there is considerable squealing. Perhaps the popular clamor has led to the recent change of the Cabinet. It shows that the strain is beginning to be felt. The scarcity of coal is felt in the factories, and of charcoal by the people generally, for it is charcoal with which they cook and warm their rooms; so that this scarcity struck home. Sugar, eggs, butter, matches are hard to get. It is said that the scarcity is caused by excessive shipments to the "Yen-bloc" countries, Manchuria and China. As there has been a great rush of men to those parts, expecting to get rich over night, and as production in those areas is practically nil, these people as well as the large army over there must be supplied from home. And so the people at home who are paying for it in the dearth of necessities and in higher prices are praying for peace.

S. A. Stewart.

ROLLING CHAIR WANTED

Anyone having a used rolling chair for sale communicate with Mrs. Estelle Phillips, 913 Spring Garden Street, Greensboro, N. C. Chair needed for an invalid.

"The Kingdom of Heaven at Hand"

By OLIN ADER

Jesus had one thought; one idea filled his mental horizon—the kingdom of heaven. One purpose filled his soul, one passion fired his heart—to restore the rule of God to the earth. Satan in Eden got man to doubt God, to dislike God, to disobey God, and thus to destroy the reign of God in man. Jesus came with one aim, to bring back the heavenly Father to his rightful place in the mind, heart and will of man. It would cost him his last drop of blood to do that, but he set himself steadfastly to the high task.

The heavenly idea came down to Jesus from the inspired prophets, and he took as his first text, "The time is fulfilled; the kingdom of heaven is at hand; repent and believe the good news." This, the greatest announcement ever made on earth, thrilled all hearts in Israel with a divine thrill. He put the kingdom first in his preaching, first in his 38 parables, first in the prayers of his disciples—"Thy kingdom come on earth"; first in the program of his followers, "Seek first the kingdom of God"; and first in the providence of God, saying, "Seek first the kingdom, and all these things"—all necessities of life—"shall be added unto you" And the last words of Jesus, before he was lifted by a spiritual law of gravity back to the Father's side, were hopeful words "concerning the kingdom of heaven."

In the mind of Jesus what was the meaning of "The kingdom of heaven?" It may mean either one of three things: 1, The kingdom of heaven among the angels in glory; or 2, the kingdom within you, the rule of God in the life or man; or 3, the kingdom of heaven among Christians, the church idea, as expressed by the poet:

"I love thy kingdom, Lord—
The Church our blest Redeemer bought—"

Of these three ideas Jesus speaks almost continually of the second, as when he said: "The kingdom of heaven is within you" (Luke 17:21). Some would translate this, "The kingdom is among you." But it can never be "among you" until it is in you all. The kingdom is not in the air, but in the mind, heart, will of man, in his life.

"There was war in heaven" (Rev. 12:7) when Satan rebelled against the King of glory, but he was defeated and cast out; and then he came to earth to lead in a rebellion against the rule of God on earth. Jesus came to put down that rebellion "on earth." Jesus came not to take us home to heaven when we die, but he came to bring the kingdom of heaven down to earth. "I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven—a bride adorned" (Rev. 21:2). He promises later, at a second coming, "I will come and receive you unto myself, that where I am there ye may be also." The first coming of Jesus was to set up the kingdom of God within you, and to send you forth to build here below a better world; and in this creative task he says, "Lo, I am with you always."

There are four steps or stages by which every man enters the kingdom of God, or by which the kingdom of heaven comes into the heart of man; four spirits that open

the door of the kingdom of God to man. These four steps—or spirits—will be discussed in a later chapter.

If Christ should rule within my me,
Within the deep, wide inward sea,
Should take away my fear, my doubt,
Should cast all evil spirits out;
Oh, what a change that change would be,
If Christ should live and rule in me!

If Christ should reign from sea to sea,
What a good world this world would be,
What a Paradise for you and me—
Abundant life and liberty—
If Christ should live and rule in me,
And spread his reign from sea to sea!

This has been the dream of the ages and of the sages amid the black shadows of sin and death. Moses saw the coming kingdom, and he sought to build a theocracy, a rule of God, in Israel. Plato saw the vision of a better world order, and wrote his Republic. Prophets of old had the vision, and promised the coming of Messiah to bring in the kingdom of heaven on earth. Jesus came in fulfillment of prophecy, and set himself to the joyful work of restoring the rule of God to earth. Cromwell had the vision, and with his praying, Christian soldiers sought to bring in the kingdom by force of arms in old England. Sad error. Sir Thomas More saw it, and unbraced it in his Utopia. Russia saw a better world order should come, and has sought by force to bring about a world change that only faith in God and love for man can bring about. Here in Russia is a revelation of the supreme human folly of having the right end in view, but seeking to bring it about by the wrong means. The end does not justify the means, as Jesuits were disposed to claim. The principle of communism is divine; but communism without principle is devilish, a satanic counterpart of pentecostal and heavenly communism. O Communism! how many crimes have been committed in thy name.

"Thy kingdom come—on earth," we pray as our Master taught us to pray; and we have faith in prayer and in the Master who promised.

The King has come; the Kingdom is coming.

O let us build that city fair
That now hath stood so long a dream,
A castle all divine, but in the air,
That long hath stood—too long a dream.

Brotherhood can build it; the bludgeon and bloody purge, never.

TREASURER'S REPORT N. C. CONFERENCE

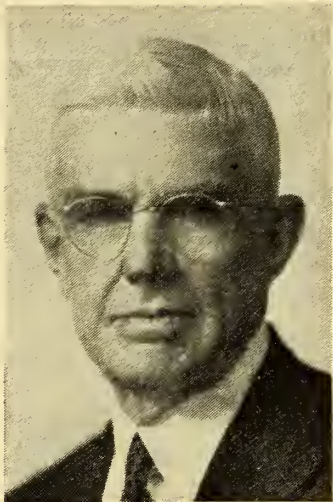
Summary of total receipts for first fiscal quarterly period, December 1, 1939-February 29, 1940:

District	D.S. Fund	Benev.	Jurisd'l Ex.	Gol.Cr.
Durham	\$ 821.80	\$1189.85		\$14.00
Elizabeth City	312.50	125.58	81.00	
Fayetteville	450.75	194.11	72.00	5.00
New Bern	549.87	503.25	51.55	7.00
Raleigh	592.42	26.25	12.50	1.00
Rocky Mount	636.34	274.00		
Wilmington	426.54	617.75	181.00	
Totals	\$3790.22	\$2930.79	\$398.05	\$27.00

C. A. Dillon, Treas.

THE PARKER RECOGNITION FUND

With solicitation of ministers already begun in four conferences and scheduled to begin in other areas throughout the Southeastern Jurisdiction and in Louisiana during March and April, the campaign to honor Dr. Franklin N. Parker and to provide additional funds for the training of young ministers at the Candler School of Theology is well under way, according to Dr. Edward G. Mackay, pastor of the Atlanta First Methodist church and general chairman of the campaign. Partial preliminary reports total in excess of \$6,000.



Dr. Franklin N. Parker

A sum of \$100,000 is being sought to endow a chair of Christian Doctrine, thereby releasing funds to be used in aiding needy ministerial students. Money raised will be counted as a part of the sum necessary to match a conditional grant of \$2,000,000 by the General Education Board to Emory University of which the Candler School of Theology is a part. The grant was made for the development of a great university center in the South. Other co-operating institutions are Agnes Scott College, University of Georgia, Georgia School of Technology, Columbia Theological Seminary, and the Atlanta Art Association.

Four conferences, North Georgia, South Carolina, Upper South Carolina, and Virginia, have begun their campaigns and report an enthusiastic response. North Carolina and Louisiana, home conference of Dr. Parker, will begin solicitation March 1. Mississippi, North Mississippi, South Georgia, Tennessee and Western North Carolina will make their appeal beginning April 1.

WHEN LOCAL CHURCHES MERGE

The act of merging churches under the Methodist union should always give the largest consideration to the "when" involved. Mergers should never be untimely. There should be patience with things as they are and avoidance of pressure from without. Forced fellowship may create antagonisms increased by proximity and the merger that comes too soon will certainly mean the loss of those who will not go along with the union. No idealism ought to ignore realities in community prejudices and preferences. There is no church building which is not the center of the love and memories of good people and to rudely cut these spiritual associations will do much harm. The matter should not be decided by ambitions to be the leader of a larger institution, to change from circuit to

station work, to furnish a more efficient ministry in a more compact field. As worthy as these desires may be they should not unduly hasten the union of local churches. The important act, the irrevocable deed, should come to pass only after long thought and study, the consideration of every aspect with particular attention to the personal elements involved, and never without an endorsement that is practically unanimous on the part of the leaders of all the churches concerned. That mergers will come are evident but they ought to come only when they should.
—The Methodist Protestant Recorder.

LEWIS A. ATKINSON

The final rites of Lewis A. Atkinson an esteemed citizen of Greensboro and for fifty-five years a locomotive engineer of the Southern Railway, were held Sunday afternoon, March 10, at Hanes Funeral Chapel, Greensboro. Mr. Atkinson died in Glendale, California, Tuesday, March 5. He was seventy-five years old and since retiring from active service two years ago had with Mrs. Atkinson spent most of the time with their married daughter in Glendale.

L. A. Atkinson made a great record as an engineer, was popular with all who knew him, was in every way a fine man and has a fine family. He will be greatly missed by his family and by a great host of friends in Greensboro.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. M. T. Smathers, superintendent of the Asheville district, a former pastor of Centenary church. The Smathers family and the Atkinson family are related by marriage. Assisting in the services were Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, pastor of Centenary church, and Rev. R. Murphy Williams, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of the Covenant. Interment was in Forest Lawn cemetery.

DRS. C. N. CLARK AND WALTER H. WEST TO RETURN TO THEIR WORK

Dr. C. N. Clark, superintendent of the Salisbury district, and Dr. Walter H. West, pastor of First Methodist church, Salisbury, who suffered injuries in an automobile wreck when on their way to the General Missionary Council in Charlotte, are now out of the hospital and expect before long to be back at work. Dr. West expects to be in his pulpit not later than first Sunday in April, and Dr. Clark by the beginning of his next round of quarterly conference appointments, which will be the first of May. These are the reports that we get from Salisbury.

The pastors of the district have been carrying on Dr. Clark's work and Dr. H. C. Sprinkle of Mocksville has been preaching Sunday mornings at First church for Dr. West.

BREVARD COLLEGE ACTIVITIES

Mr. John Hawkins, director of music at the college, has announced that the college choir will make its first tour beginning April 22. The group will give concerts each night in various towns.

The choir has been selected to represent the western district in the State Musical Festival at Elizabeth City on April 26. This will be the climax of the tour.

On Saturday night the Brevard College Masquers presented four one-act plays to a capacity audience. The plays, which were under the supervision of Miss Lucile Smith, dramatic advisor, used fourteen members of the club in their casts.

Improvements are being made on the grounds with students doing the work. Two rows of hedges and new flowers have been planted, which are already enhancing the appearance of the grounds.

Building a Christian Home

By H. C. SPRINKLE, JR.

The Christian home is the basic unit of the kingdom of God on earth. Religion that does not begin in the heart of a person does not begin at all; but, as has been wisely said, religion that ends with the individual, ends. Religion is social. The nature of the Triune God is social. The nature of human personality is social, and the social nature of personality is rooted and grounded in the social beginnings of human life—in God and in the human family. As the family is the unit of human society, so the Christian home is the life cell of the kingdom of God.

Granting that the revelation of divine truth has come through the philosophy and the art and the religious aspirations of every race, still it is true that Christianity originated in a Jewish setting and Jesus was born of a Hebrew mother. Why? Is not the answer to be found in the family religion of the Hebrews? Among no other people was a lofty conception of God so carefully taught in childhood. In no other nation of ancient times was religion in the home so vital a matter. The most suitable place in all the world for Jesus to be born was in Bethlehem, and the most suitable place for him to grow in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man was in the home of Joseph and Mary.

In the early history of Christianity, when disciples were often scattered abroad, when their public gatherings were often banned, and when their fellowship was the object of imperial persecution, the Christian church was kept alive by family loyalty. Paul's references to the church in the house of Priscilla and Aquila (Rom. 16:5; 2 Cor. 16:19), in the house of Nymphas (Col. 4:15), and in the house of Archippus (Philem. 2) reveal the intimate relationship between the church and the Christian home in apostolic times.

If it is not too much to say that the church could not have survived without the Christian home, today the Christian home cannot survive without the church. Changing conditions in modern life have too often made the home merely a place where members of the family go when there's nothing else to do. Children at school or the pictures, fathers at business or the club, mothers at work or at bridge sometimes scarcely see each other. The divorce rate seems to rise with the rate of automobile accidents, and consumption of alcoholic liquors plays a part in the wreckage of both. A return to religion is needful today as never before—and when it comes, it must be a return to the kind of religion that builds Christian homes.

In the building of a Christian home there are certain formal expressions of religious life and aspirations which cannot be neglected. Grace at table, for example, is a formal expression of religion. It may be an empty formality. It ought to be the expression of the spirit of thanksgiving without which there can be no Christian joy. It should be the sign of a sense of ultimate dependence on God, without which there can be no religion. The wise householder will make many sacrifices to keep his family together at meal times, and he will not neglect the opportunity to lead the family group to recognize the heavenly Father as the Giver of all good.

It is doubtful whether anything can do more to save the American home than the introduction or restoration of

the custom of family prayers. There are helps available today which can be used to give this service something of the vitality and power it had at its best in days gone by, and perhaps an even more effective application to the needs of modern life. Many a modern home has found in the use of the Upper Room, the quarterly magazine of daily devotions produced by the Methodist Board of Missions, Doctors' Building, Nashville, Tennessee, a stimulus and a guide of real value in restoring the family altar. Perhaps we should no longer call it the family altar, however. The old order which made the father a sort of priest, and the gathering at bedtime, when youngsters are apt to be tired and cross, too often a mere pious formality, has gone. Many a good man would hesitate to undertake its restoration, feeling incapable of making a go of it. Even parents who are absorbed in worldly things today are at least more sensitive than the old Scotch shopkeeper, who, it is said, each evening would call to his son and helper:

"Sandy, hae ye watered the whiskey?"

"Aye," the youth would respond.

"Hae ye sanded the sugar?"

"Aye."

"Then come upstairs and let us hae prayers."

There must be sincerity and truth in family worship; and hence no merely formal habit of piety is enough, nor is it desired in these days. The modern parent will be less likely to fall into hypocrisy if he regards the period of family devotions less a mark of piety than as an acknowledgment of the need of the whole household for guidance from the Scriptures, an acknowledgment of the need for the consciousness of God's reality and his power to help. Surely a brief period of selected reading, thoughtful meditation, and sincere prayer preferably in the morning, probably at the breakfast table, can become a part of the daily program in every well ordered home.

Where there are children the Christian home must provide for religious instruction, not sporadically but regularly. It is a fatal mistake to presume that the church or the church school can take the place of parental teaching; but church and church school literature is perhaps the best available material for modern parents to use in teaching religion to their children. The Christian Advocate should be in every Methodist home. The writer has tried out some of the children's stories and other materials in the Advocate on boys and girls in his charge with gratifying results. Our church school literature is excellent, but it is often ineffective and largely wasted because parents do not see to it that their boys and girls study and understand it. Parents who complain about the neglect of the Bible in the instruction of their children have themselves to blame. Mother Susanna Wesley with all her nineteen children had no graded lesson materials of the sort that are available to modern parents; but from the use she made of what she had, it is clear that she would have welcomed the help that our church school literature offers to almost every Methodist mother of our day. Children like to read the Bible if their parents will read with them, and the church school lesson materials will guide the reading of Scripture into the best of chan-

nels. Occasional Bible games built around the identification of Bible characters, the location of passages of Scripture, and the like, have their place, too, in the program of religious instruction in the home.

But of course formal religious worship and instruction is only a part of the business of building a Christian home. Informal expressions of religious life are more important even than customs of family worship and programs of religious instruction. Thoughtfulness and reverence are not learned in books. Unselfishness and respect for personality are not insured by having family prayers. The atmosphere of the Christian home is more important than the plan of activities or the materials available for cultivating the spiritual life.

At no point is there greater need for moral and religious effort in making the home Christian than in the exercise of parental authority and the teaching of respect for authority in general. The two things are bound together. The wise exercise of parental authority develops respect for authority, and it is doubtful if anything else can do it. In Paul's advice (Eph. 6:1-4), "Children, obey your parents," is followed by "And ye, fathers, provoke not your children to wrath." The popular modern version is apparently: Parents, obey your children; and ye, children, provoke not your fathers to wrath. But when parents so exercise authority as to make it clear that both parents and children are persons responsible to a heavenly Father, that the authority of the parent is delegated, reasonable, necessary, and to be exercised in the spirit of high regard for justice, truth, and personality, the habit of obedience and respect for authority will grow. And the truth is that the obedience of childhood is a virtue only as it grows into understanding of what is right, respect for law, and love for God.

The Christian home is a bit of heaven on earth; it is an organic unit of the kingdom of God. Here the will of God is sought and obeyed. Here persons are treated as ends and not as means. Here an individual is loved and valued not for his achievements or possessions or powers so much as for himself, his own embodiment of the ideals and the experiences of the family group, his own unique reflection of divine reality. The home is Christian where the giving and forgiving spirit of the Master dwells, where the love of the Father God is real, and where truth and justice and integrity are dearer than life itself. The home is truly Christian when it is a place where loyalty to Christ and his church are bred in the very home, where children grow up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord of life, and where are being builded into human character the principles and the spirit of a nobler society, a more enduring peace, and a more perfect happiness than the world has ever realized.

AFTER THE SNOW

By Ernest C. Durham

The great snow had fallen. Clouds were vanishing. The sun had been shining long enough to cause the snow to be moist and sticky. And I saw children in a friend's front yard busily making a big snow man. Soon the job was completed. There he stood—a handsome snow man. He was all dressed up—with a hat on his head and a pipe in his mouth.

It is always significant, I think, that when children go out in the yard to make something out of the snow they almost invariably make a man. I never see them trying to make a dog, or a horse, or a cow. They could make some

sort of tree, with a bird on a limb, but I never see them undertaking anything like that.

It is always a man that they make. Why?

Well, the child has a dream of what a man should be. And, doubtless, never a day passes that the child does not feel the great need of men—real men—for the world today. So the child makes his man. But the man he makes does not make any response to anybody, whatsoever the challenge or call may be. He simply stands there, only to be looked at by people passing by. He will not even tip his hat to the ladies. He will not so much as use his hand to strike a match with which to light his pipe in his mouth. He will not use a finger to point this way, or that, to indicate the direction to a certain destination as a stranger passes along that way making inquiry about it. This man, standing there motionless and in silence, has legs that could apparently be used to run errands for his fellowmen, but if a thousand requests should be made to him he would never move out of his place to be of service in this great world of opportunity.

His philosophy of life seems to be something like this: "I exist, but why should I care whether anybody else exists or not? Or if another does exist, or if millions exist, let them exist as they may. I stand where I stand; let the rest of the world do as it pleases."

But with such a philosophy of life he doesn't live long. Since he will not use his legs to walk in out of the sunshine and into the shadow of a barn, or something, he soon melts down. And he is gone. And all he did was to live for himself—unless just being seen could help anybody.

It is a good time to ask: How much like that snow man am I? How much like him are you?

We can't fool the children and youth about us. They know. They, too, would like to see real manhood in us, but how often they are disappointed! Some of us had rather be admired by them than to serve them well. And then we move off the scene, like the snow man, and people go on seeking to find another who will really be a man.

Isaiah had a dream, too. It was a great dream of what a man should really be, and a vision it was of what a real man actually is. Not everybody, by any means, has measured up to that high standard; but Isaiah, just as the child, would have every man be just that—and the call, the challenge, comes to every man, as we read what he says: "A man shall be as a hiding place from the winds, and as a covert from the tempest, as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land."

That's a beautiful dream. The child's dream, too, is beautiful—when he goes out to make a man in the snow.

After these dreams there are going to be some wonderful realities. The dreams of the Methodist Advance are going to materialize into some actual, qualitative manhood. Not all raw material is going to be turned into real manhood, but some of it is. Neither is any of it going to be done as quickly as a child can pile up enough snow to turn out some fashion of a man. In fact, it is going to be true that many of the real men we call are dreaming about now are going to have their places in the world as these very children and youth grow up to be just the men the world has been waiting for—these children and youth who are more seriously dreaming and planning as they look into the future than any preceding generation of youngsters who have ever lived upon this earth, where a million snow men have served equally as well as millions of actual human beings who "have eyes to see and see not, and ears to hear and hear not."

Perhaps the religious world is beginning to dream significant dreams, to be followed by glorious realities—and the early dream of Isaiah shall then be realized in actual manhood.

While there is one divorce out of every six marriages contracted in this country, there is only one divorce out of every 100 marriages where the couple maintain church connections.

One-half of the people of the world live in Asia, one-quarter in Europe, one-eighth in the Americas, one-eighth in Africa and Oceania.

A SUNDAY IN NASH COUNTY

Last Sunday morning found us at Red Oak, six miles north of Nashville, now a part of the Nashville charge of which Rev. E. R. Clegg is pastor. Red Oak church is certainly well equipped to render a good service in this fine community. The brick building is adequate for every present and future need. We have a feeling that this congregation with its many capable leaders has not yet realized their possibilities. Like so many churches, they are content to run along in the same old way with no determined and enthusiastic effort to move out on new lines. Some churches are limited in ability, but this is not true at Red Oak. It was a joy to be with them once again.

Brother Clegg is in his first year on the Nashville charge. We trust he will be able to lead in a great way for the Advance of every interest in both churches.

In the afternoon we got a "look in" on the district meeting of stewards in the Rocky Mount region. More than a hundred were present. District Lay Leader W. L. Knight was in the chair guiding the work of the afternoon. As we entered Brother Smith from Bethel had the floor telling of the fine record they were making at Bethel. He certainly told a story that should greatly hearten all others who are trying to get ahead in their church work.

District Superintendent L. C. Larkin gave a concise and comprehensive statement setting out the objectives for the year. That would have been enough in itself if the last man would have gone out and got busy to do something out of the ordinary. We talk and talk and plan in our many and varied meetings, then we fail to get busy on the job. At many places the benevolences are slipping each year. Some ask, What can we do? Well, only eager and sacrificial efforts on the part of pastors and officials are going to save the day. This calls for sweat and blood. Men satisfied with a pleasant and enjoyable time as leaders in the church are marked for failure. No advance can be made.

Professors F. S. Aldridge and W. K. Green of Duke were present to "do their bit" in promoting the Golden Cross and all other interests of the church. Notwithstanding the devotion of these conference leaders not much can be done unless the men and women in the local churches are eager, alert and consecrated to their tasks. The figures given by Brother Larkin should stir each one present.

Forced to meet another engagement at Nashville this reporter is not able to give a full account of the afternoon. What a field of service lies before the Methodists of the Rocky Mount district! Are they going to catch step with the Methodist Advance?

MUCH DOING AT SHILOH

The people at Shiloh church, C. E. Ridge, pastor, are working along. Attendance at church services is somewhat on the increase. We hope there will be a more noted change as the weather improves. We are pleased to note the improvement Mrs. Ridge has made since her recent operation on an eye at a Charlotte hospital. She will soon be able to be back at our church services. At our last regular appointment the pastor received three new members by letter—Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Ribelin, who came from Sheets Memorial Baptist church, Lexington, and Mrs. Lacy Sink from First Presbyterian church, Lexington. We feel that there are others who are coming shortly. We are always glad to receive members whom we know can be of great help to the church. Twenty-four of our young people attended the young people's rally at First church, High Point, March 5, and received quite a bit of inspiration from the address by

Rev. Dr. Stoves. And, too, two of the members of our church choir were in the choir for the rally, namely, Mrs. Homer Sink and Miss Beatrice Sink. In attending these rallies our young people become more interested in and more acquainted with the workings of the Methodist Church. We are now planning for an interesting and helpful Easter program for Easter Sunday night. It will be directed by Mrs. Floyd Leatherman, superintendent of the primary department, with the children presenting "The Ever Living Christ," and the adult choir rendering music. The second quarterly conference for Shiloh charge will be held on Saturday, March 30, at Friendship church by Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent. On Sunday, March 31, there will be a circuit rally held at Shiloh. An all-day program is being planned, with Dr. Taylor speaking at the 11 o'clock hour and a speaker for the young people's work and a speaker for the women's work in the afternoon. There will also be special music.—Mrs. Homer Sink.

HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

We are rather late in publishing results of our Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings, but quite a few of the offerings were late coming.

The campaign was managed by Mr. J. G. Rogers of Burlington, N. C., ably assisted by Mr. E. C. Kittrell of Henderson, N. C. These appointed captains in each of the 18 districts as follows. Of course this is following the old outline of districts used by the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

In the first district, Miss Blanche Hardee, Mrs. R. M. Robinson and Mrs. C. N. Davenport; second, C. B. Baskett; third, Kennett McAdams; fourth, Lynn Durham; fifth, R. C. Millikan; sixth, Mrs. Sallie Dixon Turner; seventh, W. M. Hanner; eighth, Mrs. W. C. Hammer and J. D. Ross; ninth, John Easter; tenth, Mrs. H. C. Nicholson; eleventh, Ray Leatherman; twelfth, Mrs. Coy L. Kearns; thirteenth, Rev. R. A. Hunter; fourteenth, Mrs. B. L. Heavener; fifteenth, Mrs. J. E. Gantt; sixteenth, R. S. Garmon; seventeenth, W. M. Hipp; eighteenth, Mrs. J. S. Williams.

These all rendered faithful service, for which they have our profound gratitude. The total amount of the Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings was \$5754.27, which was \$421.58 more than the same offerings one year ago. However, a number of churches combined their regular monthly offerings with the special this year. Be that as it may, you gave us a good special offering and we greatly appreciate it.

The Regular Offerings

The regular monthly offerings since Christmas have been unusually small because of bad weather on so many Sundays. Frequent report comes to us of Sunday schools which did not even meet. So in the coming Sundays be better, please remember to boost your offerings for the Children's Home. Within a few days we plan to mail to pastors and S. S. superintendents a printed sheet showing just what each church and Sunday school has contributed since conference.

A Kind Word Greatly Appreciated

During the last few days we have had in our home a gentleman who was a stranger to us, and to our work here, until less than a week ago. He saw service in France and has traveled much and been in many institutions, and when he bade farewell this morning he said: "I have seen people under many conditions and in many institutions, but never have I witnessed satisfaction as I have seen it here among your workers and children. They all seem so happy and so contented."

When one is bowed down from day to day with the work and wondering whether or not after all he is accomplishing anything, words like the above add comfort and cheer to his longing soul.

When our own daughter was a little girl she used to climb into her mother's lap when sad about anything and say, "Mother, please happy me." So if in work like this we can just "happy" a large group of children every day and all the time, then we will continue to rejoice in the privilege.

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The 1/2 will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum. In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

Asheville	
Central, W. A. Stanbury	20
Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton	9
Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham	4
French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler	2
Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea	2
Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman	1
Charlotte	
Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman	1
Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey	1
Ansonville, O. P. Ader	1
Calvary, S. M. Needham	1
Elkin	
Mocksville, E. M. Avett	11
Boone, P. W. Townsend	10 1/2
Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner	9
Elkin, H. F. Duncan	5 1/2
W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood	5
Sparta, L. F. Strader	5
Yadkinville, John H. Green	4
Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint	4
Farmington, J. W. Vestal	3
Advance, P. L. Smith	3
Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene	3
Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley	3
Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt	2
N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock	2 1/2
St. Paul, L. C. Stevens	2 1/2
Davie, A. W. Lynch	2 1/2
Green Valley, M. L. Chappel	2 1/2
Jonesville, D. B. Mullis	2
Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant	2
Ararat, G. B. Gwyn	2
Creston, J. R. Short	2
Dobson, R. G. McClamrock	2
Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt	2
Watauga, J. W. Parker	2
Helton, R. J. Starling	2
Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles	1 1/2
Jefferson, Hugh D. Jesup	1 1/2
Warrensville, J. G. Wootton, Jr.	1
Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr.	1
Gastonia	
Fallston, J. M. Morgan	9 1/2
Boger City, E. L. Kirk	9
Cleveland, T. G. Madison	7
Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey	2 1/2
Belwood, G. W. Clay	1 1/2
Lowell, C. O. Kennerly	1
Lowesville, J. A. Howell	1
Greensboro	
Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	21 1/2
Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger	13
Calvary, R. C. Stubbins	5
Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee	4 1/2
Randleman, J. R. Anderson	4 1/2
Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess	4
Haw River, C. W. Bates	3 1/2
Grace, J. Elwood Carroll	3
Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy	2
West End, R. M. Andrews	2
St. Paul, A. D. Shelton	1 1/2
Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse	1
Stokesdale, W. T. Albright	1
Midway, E. P. Hamilton	1
Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham	1

High Point	
Shiloh, C. E. Ridge	7 1/2
Denton-Central, G. L. Curry	7
Denton, First, C. E. Williams	3
Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox	3
First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr.	2 1/2
Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trollinger	2
Central, J. W. Braxton	1
Coleridge, T. J. Huggins	1
Why Not, C. H. Hill	1
Marion	
Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward	1 1/2
Bald Creek, J. N. Snow	1
Statesville	
North Newton, C. A. Morrison	28
Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham	7
Elmwood, Y. D. Poole	1
Maiden, J. G. Winkler	6
Central, John W. Moore	3
Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk	1
Bethel, E. H. Lowman	1
Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs	1
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Norwood, C. G. Hefner	7
Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner	6
Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt	5
Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins	3
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Bethpage, R. W. McCulley	1
Friendship, E. A. Cook	1
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Crabtree, W. H. Nease	2
Hayesville, J. C. Gentry	1 1/2
Bethel, J. W. Blitch	1
Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier	1
Winston-Salem	
Erlanger, J. O. Ervin	13 1/2
First, Lexington, H. G. Allen	7
Community, J. C. Auman	6 1/2
Grace, R. L. Forbis	6
First, J. E. Pritchard	5
Forsyth, C. W. Kirby	2 1/2
N. Davidson, O. B. Williams	2 1/2
First, J. T. Bowman	2
West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree	1
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris	1
Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way	1
Centenary, G. Ray Jordan	1
Main Street, L. F. Tuttle	1
Durham	
Davis St., F. W. Paschall	13 1/2
Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox	6
Orange, C. P. Morris	4 1/2
Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds	4 1/2
Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr.	3
Milton, D. I. Garner	2 1/2
Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser	2 1/2
Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps	2
Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson	2
Brooksdale, D. A. Petty	1 1/2
Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love	1 1/2
Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth	1
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe	1
Person Ct., E. G. Overton	1
Elizabeth City	
Williamston, S. J. Starnes	14
Perquimans, J. D. Cranford	1 1/2
Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon	1
Currituck, J. C. Harmon	1
Windsor, H. F. Surratt	1
Fayetteville	
Person St.-Calvary, M. W. Warren	12
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins	5
Lane, J. D. A. Autry	1 1/2
Hemp, J. D. Robinson	1 1/2
Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons	1
Hay Street, R. E. Brown	1
Carthage, W. G. Farrar	1
Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette	1

New Bern	
Mt. Olive-Calypto, R. G. Dawson	4
Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison	2 1/2
Pink Hill, R. E. Walston	1 1/2
Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens	1

Raleigh	
Fairmont, H. M. McLamb	13
Henderson, B. C. Reavis	8
Fuquay, E. C. Durham	7
Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes	5 1/2
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Hayes Barton, Leon Russell	1
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Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer	1
Whitakers, A. M. Williams	1
First, E. L. Hillman	1
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N. Newton, C. A. Morrison	
Saluda, E. M. Graham	

REPORT IN ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN BY DISTRICTS	
District	No. Charges
Elkin	29
Greensboro	15
Durham	14
Winston-Salem	14
High Point	9
Raleigh	9
Fayetteville	8
Statesville	8
Gastonia	7
Salisbury	7
Asheville	6
Rocky Mount	6
Elizabeth City	5
Charlotte	4
New Bern	4
Waynesville	4
Wilmington	3
Marion	2

MARCH

In ancient times March was the first month of the year and as late as the middle of the eighteenth century it was still so considered in England and in many European countries. And this in spite of the fact that almost seven hundred years before the birth of Christ, King Nuna had added January and February to the original ten-month calendar. However, it did not always bear the name "March." The ancient Saxons called it Lenct, which means spring. Later the Romans re-named it in honor of Mars, their god of war. From the old Saxon name Lenct we got our word "Lent," designating the season preceding Easter Sunday, which is the first Sunday after the first full moon after the 21st of March, and may fall in either March or April.

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THE CABARRUS COUNTY SCHOOL

The fifteenth annual training school for the churches of Concord and Cabarrus county was the largest and best yet held. Approximately 300 people attended the school and 211 of these completed credit work. This number shows an increase of 40 over last year, which was a record school. Pastors, general superintendents and other laymen supported the school in a fine way. Church school work is making excellent progress in the churches of Concord and in the surrounding territory. It is a real joy to direct a school such as we had in Concord.

The Greensboro School

The Greensboro school has also shown steady progress over the past three years. The number of local church workers in attendance showed a marked increase over last year. Eight teachers gave a fine variety of courses, and 177 people received certificates of credit on the closing night. The worship services were planned and conducted by Elizabeth Myers and other students at Greensboro College. Under the instruction of Dr. Raymond A. Smith, students in Greensboro College are receiving excellent training in the field of Christian education. Students who major in this work have demonstrated over and over their ability to render efficient service for the cause of Christian education.

The Lincolnton School

A successful school for Christian workers is an expected annual observance for the people of Lincoln county. During the week of February 25-March 1 these good workers came together for the eighth consecutive year, and the standard of work done was excellent.

There were three classes, led by Dean P. E. Lindley of High Point College, Rev. E. D. C. Brewer, and Miss Elizabeth Oliver. All three were enthusiastic and well attended, with a total of 80 people who were present and completed the work for credit. These workers came from the following churches: Asbury, Antioch, Bess Chapel, Bethlehem, Boger City, Cherryville, Crouse, Denver, Main Street, Gastonia, Laboratory, Lander's Chapel, Lincolnton (First), McKendree, Pleasant Grove, Pisgah. Much credit is due to the pastors, superintendents, teachers, and others who worked enthusiastically to make this school a success.

The Lenoir School

The first school for Christian workers in several years was held at First church, Lenoir, during the week of March 3-8. From the very first day it was evident that pastors and other leaders had done excellent work in getting ready for this school. The churches of Caldwell county were well represented in three classes which met to consider the work of the three divisions of the church school—adult,

youth, and children. These were led by Rev. Charles P. Bowles, Rev. E. D. C. Brewer, and Miss Elizabeth Oliver. There were 78 persons who completed the week's work and earned credit.

The work which had its beginning in the training school will continue as these workers carry out the plans they have made, and as they return to regular work in the home and in the church. It is encouraging to know that the work of the church is in the hands of leaders who were willing to make the very real sacrifices that were necessary to make this school the unusually fine one that it proved to be. Pastors, superintendents, teachers, and others worked with real enthusiasm and sincerity. Workers were from the following churches, Lenoir (First), Granite Falls, Collier, Hudson, Grace Chapel, Rhodhiss, Whitnel, and Mount Olivet.

MISSIONS IN THE CHURCH SCHOOL SUNDAY, MARCH 24

It so happens that our next fourth Sunday is also Easter Sunday. Because of the severe weather in January our fourth Sunday offering was \$400 short. Easter Sunday affords a fine opportunity for good programs and a liberal offering to this cause. It would be fine if we could recover a large share of the loss which occurred in January.

WORKERS WITH YOUTH: GASTONIA DISTRICT

Significant group meetings in the Gastonia district are worthy of honorable mention. March 3, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, in a downpour of rain, 25 workers met at Main Street church, Gastonia, to talk about young people's work. There were five pastors and 11 churches represented from Gaston county. For one hour and a half they talked about organization, literature, and activities for young people in the local church. It was a good meeting as planned for Lincoln and Cleveland counties in the Gastonia district.

METHODIST YOUTH ADVANCES

Beginning in Greensboro on February 29, our young people have been coming together with their adult leaders in large groups in every district. These meetings are designed to bring into one fellowship the youth of the former branches of Methodism. They have succeeded remarkably well to date. The following rallies have been held: Greensboro, February 29; Statesville, March 1; High Point, March 5; Salisbury, March 6; Charlotte, March 7. Those to follow are: Waynesville, March 11; Asheville, March 12; Marion, March 13; Gastonia, March 14; Elkin, May 14. The young people themselves have a prominent place in all of these

programs. They welcome the opportunity to commit their lives completely to the new church in building the kingdom.

PLANNING FOR C. M. E. LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

A regional committee met at Hanes Memorial Institutional church in Winston-Salem, February 22, to plan for the annual state-wide Colored Methodist Episcopal Leadership School. This year the school will be July 15-20. There will be five courses offered.

The boards of education of the two North Carolina conferences and the two conference woman's missionary societies co-operate with the general board of religious education of the C. M. E. church in sponsoring this school. Representatives from these various agencies were present to help plan the school.

EPWORTH TRAINING CONFERENCE

Good Fellowship Union

Seventy-four young people with their adult leaders met at Central, Mooresville, February 26-29. Excellent interest was shown, and 43 received credit. Instructors and courses were: Rev. J. H. Carper, teaching Evangelism and Church Relationship in the Young People's Division; Rev. R. W. McCulley, teaching Music in the Small Church. There were nine churches represented in the school. Rev. A. G. Lackey served as dean. (If any union or group of churches is interested in planning a school for your young people, please get in touch with M. Teague Hipps, Box 828, Salisbury.)

CHURCH SCHOOL LITERATURE FOR SPRING AND SUMMER

Now is the time to order church school literature for April, May and June. No finer service could be rendered to many of our schools at this season than a careful study of the literature needs of every department. Some schools waste literature, while many others do not have enough. With the coming of spring, with increased attendance and with the opening of schools that have been closed during the winter, literature orders should be placed with the utmost care. The general superintendent, superintendents of the group divisions, and in some case the pastor should be consulted. The Forecast gives an excellent preview of all literature. Copies have been mailed to pastors and superintendents from Nashville. Additional copies may be secured on request to the Publishing House, 810 Broadway, Nashville.

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TRIBUTE TO A PROPHET OF THE LONG ROAD

"So far as this world is concerned, it is finished!" were the softly spoken words of Rev. James Wilson Caudill as he closed his eyes in death. It was on the first day of September, 1939. His age was 77 years, three months and 22 days. He was born in Wilkes county May 10, 1862, the son of Rev. Jackson Caudill and Mary Laffoon Caudill.



Rev. J. W. Caudill and wife

Fifty-three years ago Mr. Caudill married Miss Callie Weaver of Ashe county. He was converted during the first year of his marriage and from then on he lived a life of service for his God. He was ordained deacon of the Western N. C. Methodist Church by Bishop Waterhouse at Emory, Va., some forty years ago.

There would be no way of even roughly estimating the number of revivals he must have held. Like Paul of old he followed a trade as he preached. Much of the time he was in other states working as contractor and carpenter. Everywhere he went it was to build and to preach; sometimes working ten hours a day and holding revivals at night. He laughingly remarked one time that he used to introduce himself to strangers by simply saying: "I build houses and preach the gospel."

He was a typical Methodist circuit rider. He had served churches 35 miles from home and has ridden horseback there every week-end. On the Laurel Springs and Todd circuits long before the day of even a few bridges in western North Carolina, he swam the rivers on the back of his faithful old horse "Charley." Even in winter was this true, because more than once the old shovel had to be heated in the coals to thaw his boots loose from the stirrups before he could dismount.

Having a large family Mr. Caudill was not in position to leave home and join the conference; therefore, in his ministry he served without benefit of the Duke or mission funds and in his retirement without the superannuate endowment. He never complained, however, because the joy he experienced from a life of Christian service was sufficient for him. He said he was only a stranger and pilgrim here, but there was a home and a crown awaiting him there.

His pastor had this to say of him: "He served his church with a perfect record and those who knew him could always depend on him to be on what he considered the right side of any question. God greatly blessed his min-

istry because his life was such a splendid example of Christian grace that he was loved, heard, and heeded much in his ministry to the glory of God and the welfare of those who would listen to the voice of the Almighty."

His loved ones commend his spirit to his Pilot in the words of Alfred Tennyson's beautiful poem:

CROSSING THE BAR

Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me,
And may there be no moaning of the bar
When I put out to sea.

Twilight and evening star,
And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell
When I embark.

For tho' from out our bourne of time
and place

The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar.

Names of his children are: Mrs. Walter Patton, Lansing, N. C.; Mrs. Lucy Wellons, Durham; Mrs. C. H. Ireson, Smethport; Mrs. G. C. Whitener, Warrensville; Mrs. A. G. Caudill, Smethport; Mr. J. H. Caudill, Durham; Rev. R. H. Caudill, Durham; Mrs E. G. Caudill, Bina; Mrs. J. L. Caudill, Elkin.

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DELEGATES! DOLLARS! DISTRICTS!

Are delegates from your auxiliary to the Woman's Missionary Conference elected? Have their names been sent to Mrs. R. S. Johnson, 209 Gholson Ave., Henderson, N. C.? Conference will convene on April 1, 2, 3 and it is imperative that our hostesses have these names and one dollar for each delegate as early as possible. When names are mailed, please state the district from which they come.

NEW BERN DISTRICT ZONES

Will meet as follows: Tri-County zone, Mrs. Marvin Aldridge, leader, at Riverside church, New Bern, March 15, at 10 a. m.

Carteret zone, Mrs. Joel Davis, leader, Newport, March 20, 10 a. m.

Wayne County zone, Mrs. D. Edgar Stevens, leader, Pikeville, March 26, 10 a. m.

Central zone, Mrs. W. P. Moore, leader, Greenville, March 29, 10 a. m.

A discussion on each department of Christian social relations, led by Mrs. Maude Foy, district superintendent of C. S. R., will be held during the morning session and an officers' institute will be conducted after lunch. Each auxiliary officer and superintendent is urged to be present with her handbook. Mrs. Gertie Mathews.

CENTRAL ZONE

Raleigh district will meet at Wendell on March 28 from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m. All auxiliary officers and as many others who are able are urged to attend. Mrs. A. W. Hoffman is leader of this zone.

OTHERS IN THE FOLD

Mrs. Gertie Matthews, secretary of the New Bern district, announces that on February 27 a new auxiliary was organized at Riverside church on the Newport charge. There were 12 charter members and Mrs. L. F. Williams, New Bern, Rt. 4, was elected president. Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Boggs were present and assisted in the organization.

PROFITABLE MEETINGS

All spring zone meetings in the Rocky Mount district have been held. Officers' training was the primary feature of each program. Northampton zone met in Lasker February 22, Mrs. B. F. Boone speaker. Warren zone, Providence church, February 27, Mrs. F. B. McKinne and Miss Asher, a returned missionary to China, speakers. Southern-Central and Johnson-Wilson zones uniting at First church, Rocky Mount, February 28, Miss Elizabeth Lamb speaker. Halifax zone, Scotland Neck, February 29, Mrs. A. N. Walker, Rocky Mount, speaker. The attendance was exceptionally good at all and the

district secretary feels very hopeful as to the accomplishments of each. Many new auxiliaries were contacted. We pray that the inspiration will live on through the years. The district is sending Viola Neathery a check for \$50 for her general expenses at Scarritt.

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson.

STUMPY POINT AUXILIARY

The Woman's Missionary Society of Stumpy Point Methodist church met on March 4 at the home of Mrs. Dewey Wise. The meeting was opened with the hymn "Awake, Awake to Love and Work," after which Mrs. Caddie Hooper offered prayer. The devotional was led by Mrs. Beaman Hooper, using as her subject "Living Creatively." A poem was read by Mrs. Thelma Best. The missionary topic was impressively given by Mrs. Willie Hooper, the topic being "Isabella Thoburn, Creator of Ideals." "O Master Workman of the Race" was sung. The Scripture was read by Mrs. Evelyn Meekins and meditation given by Mrs. Lill Midgett. There were 19 members present.

Mrs. M. V. Hooper, Supt. Pub.

PERSONALITIES CHANGED

"When I first landed in Korea," says Miss Nannie Black, home on her first furlough, "I was struck by the expressionless faces of the people around me. There was no sign of happiness or joy, contentment or satisfaction, no sign of hope. And then I saw the girls who had been to mission schools, and others who had had a chance to become Christians. There was such a difference! I have watched that thing since I have been in Korea, and I have found great satisfaction in seeing the masked faces of the girls who come to us change and fill with light as their personalities unfold in a Christian atmosphere. Sometimes it is hard to recognize them as being the same girls."

OUR TASK: STUDY AND WITNESS

We shall do well to heed the words of Rev. F. S. Love as he spoke at Edenton Street church recently. Said he: "We knew little enough of the Southern Methodist program; certainly we should thrill to the opportunity to study the new program. Our missionary program is moving definitely to an objective. There must be an outlook upon the world in which we live, and having seen that world there must be an uplook to God whose power is to transform and bring the grace of God to the world. We must look upon the task as an unfinished task. We believe implicitly that God will gain the victory. Our task is to translate this holy purpose of the heavenly Father into a common experience of mankind. We must have a great missionary program and an imperative, but that will not be until it is found in our own hearts."

THE AMERICAN MOTHER

The Golden Rule Foundation announces that nominations for the American Mother of 1940 will close at midnight Monday, April 1, and none bearing a date after that time can be accepted for this year by the Golden Rule Mothers' Day Committee, which early in April will begin canvassing the nominations preparatory to making a selection. Requirements of the American Mother are:

First—She must have an outstanding record as a successful mother. This standard is not to be fixed by the size of her family, but by the character, personality and worth while achievements of her individual children.

Second—She must embody those traits most highly regarded in mothers: courage, moral strength, patience, affection, kindness, understanding and home-making ability.

Third—She must have found time in addition to her home duties to help her own community or give some other service of public benefit.

Fourth—She must make friends readily and meet people easily in connection with her position as the American Mother.

The American Mother is annually chosen by the Golden Rule Mothers' Day Committee as representative of the best there is in motherhood, and as the official voice of millions of inarticulate mothers throughout the country. She assumes her position on Mothers' Day, spends a week as guest of the Mothers' Day Committee in New York, receives a gold medal as her insignia of office, participates in the Golden Rule observance of Mothers' Day and various affairs arranged in connection with her election as the American Mother.

Five distinguished women have been elected the American Mother, as follows: 1935, Mrs. Fletcher M. Johnson of Gainesville, Ga.; 1936, Mrs. James R. Smith of Claremont, Calif.; 1937, Mrs. Carl R. Gray of Omaha, Neb., and New York; 1938, Mrs. Grace Noll Crowell of Dallas, Texas; 1939, Mrs. Elias Compton of Wooster, Ohio.

ENCHANTMENT OF SPRING

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With glory to scatter about;
Come with your song,
And strew it along
As you put old Boreas to rout.

Dance from your rest,
With smiles you are blest
In beauty that's hidden away;
Bleak winter efface
With your bloom and its grace,
As you cheerily dance in your play.

All clearly can see
How welcome you'll be
When flowers you coddle to bloom;
And have the cold go
With its sting and its snow,
And nature to garland her loom.

Come with your zest
In bringing your best,
In beauty and mystery appear;
Awaken from sleep
The harvest to reap
The measure of gladness and cheer.

—Harry Troupe Brewer.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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FORGIVE

By Mrs. Ethel L. Kitchell

I pray, dear Lord, that thou forgive
My selfish heart, my blinded eyes,
The wayward feet that stumble on
Unheeding, ears stone-deaf to cries
Of children toiling in the night,
Of men grown old before their time;
Such wrongs must somehow be made
right!
Help me to say: "Their need not mine!"

From February World Outlook:
"First Methodist church, Charlotte, N. C., has set up its council of missions with both the general and missionary superintendents of the church school as members, in accordance with the Discipline."

PROVISIONAL CONFERENCE
SALISBURY, APRIL 18

The Provisional Conference meeting for the women of the Western North Carolina conference is called by Bishop Purcell to meet in the First Methodist church of Salisbury on Thursday, April 18, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Let those who have been chosen as delegates to this conference make a note of the place and date and be on hand for this important meeting.

WORLD OUTLOOK

Will be the name of the general missionary periodical of the united Methodist Church. As was stated in this column a few issues ago, the name "The World Outlook" was the unanimous choice of the Ad-Interim Joint Committee, representing the seven boards and societies involved in the merger, which met in Columbus, Ohio, January 2-5, 1940.

The World Outlook for March tells us that the first number of the new World Outlook will appear in September, 1940, and will be edited by the present editors of the old World Outlook, who will continue production of the magazine until the complete organization of the new board of missions and church extension. According to the action of the committee the subscription price of the new World Outlook will be the same as now, \$1.00 per year. The Outlook also says: "The Woman's Division of Christian Service of the new board will issue a monthly periodical called The Methodist Woman which will not be general in character, but will represent the work and progress of the woman's organization. The Methodist Woman will be three former periodicals combined in one, viz: The Missionary Record of the Woman's organization of the former M. P. Church; The Missionary Friend of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the former M. E. Church and Woman's Home Missions, published by the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the former M. E. Church.

SOURCES OF MATERIALS FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
STUDY GROUPS

From Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., chairman of International Relations and World Peace, in the Conference Bureau of Christian Social Relations we have the following article relative to program helps, sources of materials, periodical service and new bulletins, to be used in connection with the work of this department, giving a list of such available material. Because of the limited space we now have for our woman's page we can give only the Program helps in this issue but will carry further information in the issue of next week.

The crisis in Europe and Asia makes it more imperative than ever for the American people to study the issues behind the conflict, to understand the various alternatives before the United States in the present international situation, and to realize the responsibilities this country must accept towards the development of a more orderly world community. The Department of International Relations of the Woman's Missionary Society therefore recommends the following sources of inexpensive and free literature for study groups in the local societies:

Program Helps

1. Southern Council of International Relations, Box 568, Chapel Hill, N. C. Fortnightly memoranda on international relations, \$1.50 a year. Individual suggestions, speakers, and peace films can be secured through this organization for little cost.

2. "We Travel Though We Stay at Home," a set of five programs on world interdependence, by Ursula P. Hubbard; Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, 405 W. 117th St., New York City. One free copy to each club, and additional copies at 25 cents a set, plus postage.

3. "Round the World Cruise," together with a Selected List of Books, by Margaret Gledhill and Gladys Murphy Graham; American Association of University Women.

4. The Foreign Policy Association, 8 West 40th St., New York City, can supply program devices and study kits based on different Headline Books and World Affairs Pamphlets.

Cost of packets, 15 and 25 cents, including complete discussion program covering four meetings.

5. The Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., will lend "Commerce Around the Coffee Cups," a sound film, 30 minutes, without cost, except postage.

6. The Pan-American Union will supply slides, lectures, and program plans.

7. Leaflet, "Eleven Points on Which Women Interested in International Relations May Begin to Work Now," Foreign Missions Conference of North America, 156 Fifth Ave., New York.

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PLANTING TIME

The onion sets have been placed, the second lot of cabbage plants have been set out, some 60 bushels of Irish potatoes have been planted, the early garden peas are sprouting and the hotbeds are doing their stuff. Mr. Booze and the truck farm boys worked long and late last week. Mr. Angell and the farm boys have been busy sowing lespedeza and top-dressing the alfalfa, along with some new ground development. Preparations are being made not only for heavy planting but for careful cultivation. It is hoped that last year's good productive record can be surpassed this year.

THE SCOOTER SCOOTED

It is expected that where over 400 children are giving themselves to earnest play there will be some accidents. While we work on the idea of prevention, sometimes the idea does not work. Our smaller children who are particularly interested in their scooters and flexy racers, a number of each being given them during the Christmas holidays, have had a number of contacts with mother earth, causing skinned shins and bruised knees. But last week little Mildred Childress in some way got overbalanced, causing such a fall as to break a leg in two places. Now Mildred patiently waits on the healing process so as to be able again to scoot with the scooter.

MARVIN MENDS

For over three months 12-year-old Marvin Parker has been in the infirmary giving his heart an opportunity to catch up with his rapidly growing body. This lad could not be up during Christmas time, nor was he able to get out and throw snowballs when the snows came. It was even reported that the lad expressed some doubt as to whether there was a real Santa Claus anyway. But as the weeks have come and gone Marvin's disposition has mellowed and more of the spirit of Santa Claus has come into his being. His friends have remembered him. Last week when the weather permitted, his bed was moved out on the concrete walk in front of the infirmary where he could bask in the sunshine and listen to the birds sing. At no distant date it is hoped that Marvin may return to normal health and habits.

THE WILL TO WIN

Robert L. Coons, general secretary of the Winston-Salem Y. M. C. A., had the following to say in a recent radio broadcast: "We are sometimes prone to underestimate the effectiveness and value of an institution that is located close by. Your religious reporter

would like to take this opportunity of paying a tribute to the splendid work that Mr. Woosley and his corps of workers are doing at the Children's Home. I think that Thomas Boyette, known to the other boys and girls at the Children's Home as Tom, exemplifies the spirit of this great institution. Tuesday night this lad was on the Children's Home team playing in the finals in the Midget Basket Ball Tournament sponsored by the Y. M. C. A. Despite the loss of his right hand, caused by an accident several years ago, this boy has gone out for all sports. In basket ball, especially, two hands are thought necessary. Frequently players wish they had more than two. In the Midget tournament that has just closed with 16 teams entering and 175 boys enrolled, this lad was one of the five chosen as members of the all-star



Looking for help

team. Just another case where a boy with determination and wise guidance has been able to do something that was seemingly impossible."

BOTH DID WELL

Dandridge Price, treasurer of the intermediate department of Main Street Methodist church, Reidsville, writes as follows: "The intermediates of our Main Street church have asked me to send you \$10 as their spring payment towards the sponsorship of Chemis Stanfield. Therefore I am enclosing a money order for that amount. Our boys and girls had a contest to see which group would raise their part first. At first the boys were ahead, then the girls, but it ended with a tie. Now every one is happy, because both sides won and because we can send our money on time."

FEEDING LITTLE CHILDREN

The picture this week was printed in the October Home Chronicle over the statement, "Looking for Help." Last week the following letter signed as coming from "A Friend," enclosing a crisp bill of money, was received: "I came across this little picture in some papers that had been placed back since October. Will this help him any?

I wish I could send lots more. I was thinking one day what I had rather be doing if Jesus were to come and the answer came, 'Feeding little children.' I wish I was able to feed lots of them now."

IVEY ADDS ODDS

George F. Ivey, a charter member of the Children's Home board of trustees, is very much interested in the welfare of our boys and girls. Just before last fifth Sunday he forwarded the following suggestive letter to a number of church school superintendents in the Western North Carolina conference: "I am superintendent of the Sunday school here in Hickory, and for the past three or four years have been able to materially increase the fifth Sunday offerings for the Children's Home with very little effort. At the preaching service I ask the pastor to appoint a good man (or two, if there is more than one door) to stand at the door when the congregation is dismissed and receive gifts from those who did not contribute at the Sunday school. In some cases, I have personally asked those who were not present either at Sunday school or preaching service. On some occasions, when there was a small congregation present we have postponed this until the next Sunday. I know this plan works, for I have added from 30 to 50 per cent to the offering each fifth Sunday for a number of years. People like to give to this cause and if you were not a friend to the Children's Home you would not be superintendent of your Sunday school. Such a cause is certainly worth an honest effort."

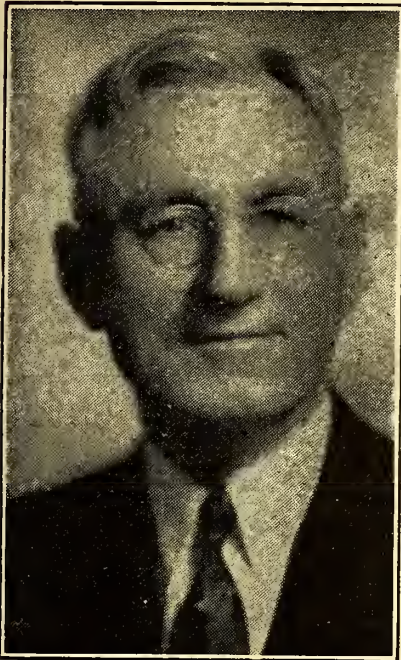
A GOOD GIRL

Foster parents, like real parents, become proud of their children when they do well. The following letter from President E. J. Coltrane of Brevard College, received some weeks ago, pleases us: "Virginia is one of our most acceptable students. All her teachers and the dean agree on this point. She is good looking, has good sense, and is genuinely interested in our program. She is now chairman of the program committee for our mid-week religious meetings. I have noticed her particular interest in religious activities."

THE FRIENDLY CHURCH

As is generally known, Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, has a membership of about 3,000. It is one of the leading congregations of Methodism. In its membership are some very wealthy as well as some very poor people. Its members are of varied interest, temperament and perspective. Such a situation presents a very challenging situation. Its minister, Dr. G. Ray Jordan, is doing a man-sized job in leading this congregation into such a fellowship as to not only make it co-operative and wieldy but also to make it friendly. He is ably assisted by a talented and consecrated staff. A challenge comes from the minister most every week for not only a closer walk with God but a closer walk with one's fellowmen. A striking sentence in Dr. Jordan's sermon yesterday (Continued on page 23)

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

BEAUTIFYING THE CAMPUS —

Nature has done much toward making our campus beautiful. Through the years we have put out shrubbery and flowers to make the campus still more attractive. Some time ago we put out more than a hundred Yaupon plants, which we got from near Beaufort, N. C. Recently we put out a great many dogwoods, Mimosas and Crepe Myrtles. We expect to make more improvements during this month. The dogwoods, Mimosas and Yaupons were donated to the orphanage. We expect to have roses and a great many annuals, which will add much to the appearance of the campus. After many years of effort we have almost a perfect stand of grass over our campus. All these things appeal to the ascetic taste of our boys and girls.

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JUST AROUND THE CORNER —

Another fifth Sunday is almost here. On the four fifth Sundays in the year the Orphanage has the right-of-way in all the church schools, not only because the annual conference has designated those days as Orphanage days, but by common consent of all the schools. Since our expenses have been unusually large this winter, I am hoping and expecting every church school in the conference to make a generous, free will offering to help meet our operating expenses. It may not be amiss for me to say that we need these fifth Sunday offerings as specials, and not to be applied on the ten per cent apportionment. It is absolutely necessary for us to have at least \$25,000 in specials in addition to the ten per cent Orphanage apportionment in order to have a balanced budget.

OVER THE TOP—We are a long ways from our objectives at this writing. The annual conference, by a unanimous vote, requested all the pastors and churches to make an honest effort to raise their Orphanage apportionment in the early part of the year. Less than 20 per cent of the apportionment has been paid to date. Several of the charges have gone over the top, while others have made good headway. A great many charges have not as yet sent anything to the Orphanage on their apportionment. I sincerely trust that by the district conferences all the charges will have gone over the top. I would not urge the churches to pay their Orphanage apportionment in the early part of the year were it not for the fact that we are badly in need of funds for operating expenses. Here's hoping that every pastor and church will co-operate with me in furnishing the sinews of war with which to carry on this Christ-like work.

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BENSON - BLACK'S CHAPEL —

Some time ago I received very pressing invitations from Brothers Leon M. Hall of Dunn and H. A. Chester of Benson for the singing class to be with them on the first Sunday in this month. At the 11 o'clock hour the singing class was at Divine Street Methodist church in Dunn, and at Black's Chapel in the afternoon, and at Benson for the vesper service at five-thirty. I considered it a great privilege to be with Brother Chester at the 11 o'clock hour in Benson last Sunday morning. The congregation was unusually large for a rainy morning. Brother Chester gave me the right of way, and I was happy to speak to his people in the interest of the Methodist Orphanage. I was with Brother Hall and the singing class at Black's Chapel in the afternoon, and had an opportunity to bring greetings to that congregation. Mrs. Rives reports a large and enthusiastic congregation at Divine Street church at the 11 o'clock hour, where she and the class were given a most cordial welcome. Brother Chester handed me his entire Orphanage apportionment for the year, which is sincerely appreciated. Black's Chapel has paid its Orphanage apportionment in full. Divine Street church will pay its apportionment within a few days. Mrs. Barnes and I enjoyed our visit to the parsonage in Benson with Brother and Sister Chester at the noon hour. Mrs. Rives reports a good sized congregation for the vesper service at Benson. I am highly gratified over the result of last Sunday.

Aunt Jeminma was brought into court one day for unmercifully beating her "orneriest" child. The judge after giving her a severe lecture, asked if she had anything to say.

"Jes one thing, Jedge. I wants to ax you if you was ever the parent of a puffedtly wuthless culled chil'?"

Have you heard the tale of one of our bishops visiting a negro clergyman who was dangerously ill? He quoted the old hymn, "Heaven is my home." "But, Bishop," was the reply, "I ain't onebit homesick."—Percy Sylvester Malone, in Churchman.

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Children's



Storyland

EARNING A PUPPY

By Le Von Poquet

Joe wanted a puppy. There were two for sale at Farmer Brown's. They were part Wirehair and part Collie. They were such babies and so fat that they wobbled when they walked.

One afternoon after school Joe went out to the farm to see the puppies. One of the puppies liked Joe very much and followed him wherever he went. Then and there Joe decided to buy it. But the price was one dollar! Joe knew he did not have that much. There was only twenty-five cents in his bank.

Joe told mother and father about the puppy.

"I used my new tools in making a dog house for a puppy, when I can buy him. I do not have quite enough money in my bank yet," he explained.

"Perhaps you could earn the rest of the money you need," suggested father. "You might run errands or do odd jobs for some of the neighbors."

"I want to earn the money as quickly as I can," said Joe. "I should not like to have the puppy sold to someone else."

For two weeks Joe ran errands for mother and the neighbors. Every day the money in the bank grew a little, thirty cents, forty cents, fifty-five cents, and finally sixty-five cents.

Then one day mother had to go shopping in the city. She tried to find an older girl to stay with baby Sue, but everyone was busy. Joe came in from play just in time to hear his mother's telephone conversation. Suddenly an idea came to him.

"Could I earn the quarter, mother?" he asked eagerly. "I am big enough to take care of Sue. I would be ever so careful."

Mother looked a little doubtful but finally agreed that if Joe would take good care of Sue and the house he could have the quarter.

Joe was delighted. That quarter would help his puppy fund mount up fast.

"Let me see, that will make ninety cents," added Joe joyfully.

After lunch when Sue was put to bed for her afternoon nap, mother left for town. Joe stood at the window to wave a last good-bye before mother turned the corner. Then while Sue slept, Joe tied mother's big apron around his neck and washed the dishes.

"It will be fun to surprise mother," chuckled Joe to himself as he put the dishes away.

Two hours later baby Sue awakened.

"I want to play in the snow—play in the snow—play in the snow," sang Sue as Joe bundled her up to play out of doors.

Joe and Sue thought it would be fun to make a snowman. Sue started a little snowball for the head. When it became too large for Sue to push any

BOBOLINK

By Lucile Prescott

He perches on the topmost twig
Of our young maple tree
And, swaying with the vagrant breeze,
He perks his head at me.

He helped his mate to build a nest,
And he will linger near
Until her brooding days are past
And little birds appear.

Meanwhile, in rich delirious notes
He pours his happy lay
Amidst the pomp and fragrance of
The joyous month of May.

father, Joe came to help. In the little path the snowball made Joe saw something shining.

He looked at it curiously. It was a coin. He rubbed it against his trousers.

"Why, Sue, that is a dime!" he cried. "That makes a dollar!"

When mother came home Joe told her about the exciting afternoon. "And mother," he finished, "will you drive the car out to the farm so that I can get the puppy tonight?"

That night a shining-eyed boy carried a sleepy puppy to the basement.

"You are to sleep here until it gets warm outside," Joe told the puppy. "Then you will have this nice house I made for you. Some day in the spring I want to take you to school for Pet Day. Won't that be fun?"

But the puppy was already fast asleep.—Selected.

WILD GOOSE A TAME "WONDER"

By Mrs. J. A. Cavanaugh

I have been told by those who should know that a wild "honker" or Canadian goose cannot be domesticated, also, that like their domestic cousins, they have "less than no intelligence." I claim that all those people were mistaken—on both counts.

These Canadian geese or "honkers" as we call them, pass over our farm in large flocks, traveling south or north, as the case may be. One morning I ran across a fine bird, almost grown, caught by one foot in a small steel trap. Leaves formed a cushion so that the honker's leg was not broken. Also, I found that a wing had been injured by a bullet. He was apparently healthy and well fed and able to fight fiercely, but I threw the coat I was wearing over him and managed to free him from the trap and get him home. I cared for the handsome bird until he was in perfect shape again, then turn-

ed him loose in the poultry yard with several tame geese, expecting him to take flight at once.

Imagine my surprise when he began to make overtures toward the tame geese and even fraternized with the ducks and chickens. He was well fed and seemed to recognize where his feed came from. I called him "Jim." Right from the start Jim never tried to "hog" the feed, but waited, like the perfect gentleman he was, until the greedier ones had dulled the edge of their appetites. Then he ate without haste.

By the time his injured wing was healed, he was on friendly terms with every living thing on the farm, including poultry, dogs, cattle, horses, and all human beings. But, seemingly, he never tried to fly, and I suspected that he had forgotten he knew how. But I was mistaken.

One day a hawk dropped onto a small rooster, but before he could get into the air again Jim was coming in full flight from the far end of the chicken lot. He alighted fiercely on the surprised hawk. The rooster escaped but the hawk (a big one) got away only after a sharp battle, minus a lot of feathers.

Jim became the best "watch-dog" we ever had. He attended to his self-appointed job with zest. No feathered marauder dared to match his valor with Jim's. After his battle with the hawk Jim often flew around the lot and over parts of the farm, but never very far, and he always came back. We had a nice pond for the ducks and geese and he seemed perfectly contented, and even when wild honkers alighted, though he "gossiped" with them, when they took wing Jim showed no desire to follow. When honkers flew overhead Jim often took wing and circled around a few times, but always returned. Each time he returns I am more thankful, for I certainly would hate to lose him.—Our Dumb Animals.

NAMING INDIAN CHILDREN

The Indian children were not named, as were white children—that is, by their parents—but their cognomens were chosen by a council of squaws. At the annual green corn festival all the papooses born within the year were named, the chief announcing the names during the festivities. Although new names could be tacked on, the original name could not be changed.

Teacher: "Johnny, can you tell me why we celebrate Washington's birthday?"

Johnny: "Yes, ma'am, because there ain't no school."

Pupil (bluffing): "You can't see time; no one ever saw it. You can't hear it, you can't touch it."

Teacher: "You are killing it, though."

Sunday School Lesson

MARCH 17

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By Rollin H. Walker

Triumph Through Service

Scripture: Matthew 26:57 to 27:56

We see in the story of the crucifixion the desperateness of the fight between good and evil. The chief priests were willing to go to any length to get Jesus out of the way, just as today the dictators abroad and the liquor power at home stop at no outrage in fighting Christ and his followers.

But also we note how Christ, impelled by the love of God, is held back by no cost of suffering in his efforts to redeem mankind. It is a struggle to the death on both sides.

Of course, the chief sinners were the scribes and the chief priests who hated one another, but who had united in a fiercer hatred of Jesus. The scribes, exponents of approved orthodoxy and fastidious keeping of the law, illustrate how easy it is for the salt to lose its savor and to be fit for nothing but to be cast out and trodden under foot of men. The shortest road to hell is from such teaching. Compare also the experience of Judas.

The Sadducees, on the other hand, cared little for the law. Like the Soviets, they had repudiated the doctrine of future rewards and punishments, and had been eagerly and greedily enriching themselves from the money changers graft in the temple and the selling of sacrifices. The one thing they feared was that the ascendancy of Jesus might put them out of office and cut off their revenues.

Pilate, although a bad man, was not so great a sinner as the chief priests. He was a heathen, and basely ignorant of Jesus and what he taught. One imagines that he may have been drinking too much at a dinner party the night before, and had been suddenly aroused, irritated, and confused early in the morning. But God was good to him, and warned him through his wife that he should have nothing to do with that righteous Man. It was not foreordained that all through the ages men should say, as they repeat the Apostles' Creed, that Jesus suffered under Pontius Pilate.

Pilate earnestly sought to release Jesus, but a howling mob is hard to handle, and the one thing that was liable to lose a Roman governor's job for him was that he failed to keep down the mobs. So he delivered up Jesus to be crucified. He has been followed by ten thousand politicians from that day to this who, for fear of losing the next election, have failed to stand for justice and clean conditions. The reason why Pilate condemned Jesus was not because he was so much worse than men today, but because he was so much like them.

As Pilate yielded to the demands of the mob, he called for water and washed his hands. It was a futile effort. One can picture him in later years going over the oft-repeated excuses. The poet pictures him washing his hands in hell. The dictators have lately been washing their hands before the world of the suffering they have inflicted, but all great Neptune's ocean will not make them clean.

One is always freshly impressed by the entire absence of exclamations and lurid rhetoric in the four accounts of the crucifixion of Jesus. The evangelists were awed into stern simplicity.

The refusal of Jesus to take the stupefying potion was according to his fixed habit of never dulling his soul to stern reality. He wished also to be conscious to the end so that he might utilize the last possible opportunity to glorify God and help his fellowmen. If he had been stupefied, he would not have been able to speak the comforting words to the thief who was crucified with him, or to commend his mother to the beloved disciple (Luke 23:39-43; John 19:26-27).

The faces of the group of his executioners, eager to see the result of the lot which determined who was to have his clothes, have been photographed on the minds of all four evangelists. They are a symbol of the way greed for gain dulls the soul to the pain of one's fellow mortals.

The soldiers, offering Jesus wine in mockery as though he were the king and they his cupbearers, and the chuckles of the chief priests as they said to one another, "He saved others, himself he cannot save," symbolizes humanity's tragic ability all through the ages to get amusement out of suffering.

We may cast aside the stern old words, "The human heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked"; but we cannot erase the facts that gave rise to that doctrine. On the other hand, we also find in this same scene evidence of the exalted heroism and holiness of which the human heart is capable as we hear Jesus pray, "Father, forgive them; they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34).

The cry of Jesus, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" seemed out of harmony with the early church's view of his divinity, and the fact that it is recorded for us shows that the evangelists were determined to give the facts instead of trying to prove a theory.

And it has turned out that the facts which apparently made against their theory vindicated it, for Jesus is more divinely powerful to save men in their uttermost extremities because he went through an experience where it seemed that God had deserted him. His cry, however, was not a cry of despair. Men do not call upon God in despair; and they do not ask him, Why? How wonderfully the Father answered that question on Easter morning!

After the death of Christ, the power of the cross began at once to be felt. The centurion exclaimed, "Surely this man was the son of God." At first the centurion seemed not to be impressed, for he allowed his soldiers to mock Jesus.—Christian Advocate.

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DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Glen Raven, Fairview, 7:30	16
Front Street, 11	17
West Burlington, 3	17
West Durham, 7:30	25
Ene, 7:30	28
Mount Hermon, Belmont, 11	31
Saxapahaw, Concord, 3	31
Durham Ct., Bethany, 3	31
Melbane, Central, 7:30	31
	April
Davis Street, 7:30	3
Graham, 7:30	4
Person Ct., Lea's Chapel, 11	6
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11	7
Long Memorial and Brookdale, Long Mtn., 7:30	7
Duke Memorial, 7:30	9
Calvary, 7:30	10
Chapel Hill, 7:30	11
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 11	14
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3	14
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, HILLSBORO, 10	18

Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11	21
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 3	21
Mehane, First Church, 7:30	24
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 11	28
	May
Carrboro, Orange, 11	5
Swepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3	5

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Pasquotank, Mt. Herman, 11 and 1	15
Manteo, 11	17
Stumpy Point-Dare, East Lake, 2:30	17
South Camden, Perkins, night	17
Perquimans, Woodland, -- and 1	23
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11	24
North Gates, Kittrells, night	24
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11	31
Creswell, 3	31
Roper, Mackeys, night	31
	April
Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11	7
Kinnakeet, Rodante, night	7
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11	14
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3	14
Belhaven, Hebron, night	14
City Road, night	17
South Mills, Newland, 11 and 1	20
Plymouth, 11	21
Williamston, night	21
First Church, Elizabeth City, night	24
Windsor, Cashie, 11	28
Edenton, night	28
	May
Bath, Bethany, 11	5
Washington, night	5
District Conference, Edenton	16

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Caledonia, 11	17
Maxton, 7:30	17
Hamlet, 11	24
Roberdel, St. Paul, 3	24
Gilson, 7:30	24
Siler City, 11	31
Bynum Ct., 3	31
Pittsboro, 7:30	31
	April
Mt. Gilead Ct., Ophir, 11:15	7
Troy Ct., 3	7
Mount Gilead, 7:30	7
Rockingham, 7:30	12
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 11	14
Ellerbe, Jones Spring, 3	14
Parkton, 7:30	14
Troy, 11	21
Glendon, High Falls, 3	21
Biscoe, Candor, 7:30	21
Red Springs, 11	28
Stedman, Bethany, 3	28
Hay Street, 7:30	28
	May
Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11	5
West End, 7:30	5

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Grafton, Sharon, 11	17
Pamlico, Stonewall, 3	17
Grimesland, Providence, 11	24
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30	24
Aurora, Campbell's, 11	31
Oriental, Arapaho, 3	31
	April
Hookerton, Maury, 11	7
Snow Hill, Bethel, 3	7
Kinston, 7:30	7
Seven Springs, Boston, 11	14
Goldshore Ct., 3	14
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30	14
District Conference, Rainbow Church, 9	16
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11	21
LaGrange, Trinity, 3	21
Fremont, Black Creek, 7:30	21
Goldshore, St. Paul, 7:30	24
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 7:30	26
Mt. Olive Ct., 11	27
Pink Hill, Woodland, 11	28
Dover, 3	28

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Raleigh, Edenton St., 7:30	13
Newton Grove, Mt. Moriah, 11	16
Erwin, Erwin, 11	17
Benson, 7:30	17
Fairmont, 7:30	20
Cary-Apex, Apex, 11	24
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 3	24
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30	24
Franklinton, 11	31
Loulsburg, 7:30	31
	April
Smithfield, 7:30	3
Fuquay, Kipling, 11	7
Selma, 7:30	7
Person Street, 7:30	10
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, BENSON, 9:30	11
Lillington, 11	14
Mamers, Spring Hill, 3	14
Princeton, Fellowship, 7:30	17
Stem, Calvary, 11	21
Loulsburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30	21
	May
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 11	5
Garner, Hollands, 11	5
Dunn, 8	8
Balyle, Shum's, 11	12
Tar River, Trinity, 7:30	12
Hayes-Barton, 8	15

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Littleton Ct., Littleton, 11	16
Littleton, Bethel, 11	17
West Halifax, Eden, 3	17
Clark Street, Rocky Mount, 7:30	17
Northampton and Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3	24
Spring Church, Pleasant Hill, 6:45	24
Garysburg, Garysburg, 8	24
Warrenton, Macon, 11	30
Midleburg, Tabernacle, 11	31
Warren Ct., Bethlehem, 3	31
Norlina, Zion, 7:30	31
	April
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30	7
Whitakers, Battleboro, 7:30	10
Enfield, 11	14
Halifax, Pierce's Camp Ground, 3	14
Marvin, 7:30	14
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30	17
McKendree, McKendree, 11	21
Elm City, Homes, 3	21
Saunders Cross, 7:30	21
	May
St. Paul, Rocky Mount, 7:30	8
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11	12
Walstonburg, 7:30	12
Farmville, 7:30	14
Stantonsburg, 7:30	15
Weidon, 11	19
Rosemary, 3	19
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30	19

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Chadburn, Evergreen, 11	17
Hallsboro, Shiloh, 3	17
Whiteville, night	17
Penderlea, night	20
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11	24
St. Pauls, Barker's, 3	24
Rowland (place to be announced), night	24
Wilmington, Trinity, 11	31
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, night	31
	April
Scotts Hill, Scotts Hill, 11	7
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3	7
Southport, night	7
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11	14
Taber City, Bethel, 3	14
Bladen, Deems, night	14
Lumberton Ct. (place to be announced), 11	21
Pembroke (Indian work) place to be announced, 3	21
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, night	21

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Preach at Big Sandy, 11	17
Quar. Conf. Leicester-Bell, Leicester, Grace and Sandy, at Brick Church, 3	17
Marshall, 11	24
Hot Springs and Paint Rock, 3	24
Preach at Reeve's Chapel, 11	31
Quar. Conf. Acton, Candler and Pisgah, at Montmo- rency, 3	31
	April
Tryon-Saluda, at Saluda, 11	7
Fairview at Sharon, 3	7
Fletcher, night	7
District Conference at Hendersonville	17

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Lilesville, Lilesville, 11	17
Central Avenue, 7:30	17
Derita, 7:30	18
Prospect, Carmel, 11	24
Peachland, Harmony, 3	24
Monroe, Central, 7:30	24
Huntersville, Asbury, 11	31
Myers Park, 7:30	31
	April
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30	1
Polkton, Wightman, 11	7

ELKIN DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. D. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Todd, Fairview, 11	16
Boone, 11; Friendship, 2:30	17
Sparta, Shiloh	24
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11	31
	April
Warrensburg, Lansing, 11	7
Creston-Riverview, 2:30	7
Traphill, Charity, night	19
Helton, Grassy Creek, 11	14
Green Valley, Mt. View, 11	20
Watauga, Valle Crucis, 11	21
Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11	28
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 7:30	28
	May
Moravian Falls, Mt. Moriah, 2:30	5
Ararat-Mt. View, Ararat, 11	12

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Polkville, Polkville, 11	17
Cleveland, Marler, 3	17
Lowesville, Snow Hill, 11	24
Rock Springs, Webb's Chapel, 3	24
Belmont, Park Street, night	24
Lincolnton, First Church, 11	31

Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 3	31
Cherryville, First Church, night	31
April	
Mount Holly, 11	7
Dallas, High Shoals, night	7
Lincoln Ct., Marvin, 11	14
Crouse, Lander's Chapel, 3	14
Boger City, night	14
Bessemer, Concord, 11	21
King's Mountain, Central, night	21
Stanly, 11	28
Shelby, Central, night	28

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND (INCOMPLETE)

Reidsville, Lindsay Street, 11	March	17
Spray, 3	17	
Danbury, Bethesda, 7:30	17	
Madison, 7:30	27	
Leaksville, 11	31	
Summerfield, 7:30	31	
April		
Bessemer, 7:30	1	
Haw River, 11	7	
Ruffin, 7:30	7	
Draper, joint conference with Draper-Wayside, 7:30	10	
McLah, 7:30	10	
Mt. Pleasant, 11	14	
Pleasant Garden, 7:30	14	
Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30	17	
Oak Ridge, 11	21	
Proximity, 7:30	21	
May		
Glenwood, 7:30	5	
Gibsonville, 7:30	8	
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 10	12	
Reidsville, Main Street, 5	12	
West Greensboro, Groometown, 11	19	

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

Randleman Ct., 2	March	16
Asheboro Ct., Central Falls, 11	17	
Lebanon, 7:30	20	
Linwood, Macedonia, 2	23	
Randleman, Union, 7:30	27	
Shiloh, Friendship, 2	30	
April		
Main Street, Hight Point, 7:30	3	
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethel, 2	6	
Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11	6	
Ward Street, 7:30	10	
South Davidson, Pleasant Grove, 2	13	
Trinity, Hopeville, 11	14	
Archdale, 7:30	17	
Denton First, Pleasant Grove, 11	21	
Oak View, 7:30	22	
Rankin Memorial, 7:30	24	
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	25	
Highland, 7:30	26	
Welch Memorial, 7:30	29	
May		
Calvary, 7:30	1	

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Cliffside, Avondale, 11	March	17
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3	17	
Morganton Ct., Bethlehem, 7:30	17	
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11	24	
Forest City, 7:30	24	
Rutherfordton, 11	31	
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3	31	
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	31	
April		
Burnsville, 11	7	
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 3	7	
Spruce Pine, 7:30	7	
Elk Park, Newland, 11	14	
Avery, Fairview, 3	14	
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30	14	
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windham, 11	21	
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3	21	

SALISBURY DISTRICT
Charles N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Pfeiffer, Misenheimer, 11	March	17
Stanfield, Love's Chapel, 2:30	17	
Trinity, Trinity, 7	17	
Gold Hill, Rockwell, 7:30	17	
Westford, Westford, 7:30	17	
Norwood, Norwood, 7:30	18	
Main Street, Albemarle, Pine Grove, 7:30	20	
Lendis, Oak Grove, 2	24	
Spencer-China Grove, Greer's Chapel, 2:30	24	
Tabernacle, Tabernacle, 3	27	
Midland, Center Grove, 11	31	
Badin-New London, Badin, 2:30	31	
Norwood Ct., Green Memorial, 3	31	
Granite Quarry, Mt. Tabor, 3	31	
Midway, Midway, 3	31	
Friendship, New Mt. Tabor, 7:30	31	
N. Kannapolis, N. Kannapolis, 3	31	
April		
Central, Albemarle, 6:15	1	
Salisbury, First, 6:30	3	
Epworth, Epworth, 7:30	3	
Rocky Ridge, Rocky Ridge, 12:15	7	
Ann Street, Ann Street, 2:30	7	
Jackson Park, Jackson Park, 6	7	
Bethpage, Bethpage, 7	7	
Main St.-Rowan, Main St., 7:30	7	
Salem, Salem, 3	8	
Forest Hill, Forest Hill, 7:30	8	
Albemarle, First Street, 7:30	8	
Cncord, Central, 7:30	9	
Mt. Mitchell, Mt. Mitchell, 11	14	
Albemarle Ct., Palestine, 2	14	
Woodleaf, Gay's Chapel, 3	14	

Kerr Street, Kerr Street, 7:30	14
E. Spencer-Yadkin, E. Spencer, 7:30	14
China Grove, China Grove, 7:30	14
Coburn Memorial, Coburn Memorial, 7:30	14
Park Avenue, Park Avenue, 7:30	15
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 3	21
Harmony, Harmony (to be announced)	
Mount Olivet, Mount Olivet (to be announced)	

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Mooresville: Central, 11	March	17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 3	17	
Mooresville: Broad Street, night	17	
Hudson, Hudson, 10 and 3	24	
Grace-Rhodiss, Grace, 11	24	
Granite Falls, night	24	
Catawba, Bethlehem, 11	31	
Shepherds, Wesley Chapel, 3	31	
Malden, Malden, night	31	
April		
Newton, 11	7	
Hickory: Highland, Fairgrove, 3	7	
Hickory: Westview, night	7	
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn, 10 and 3	14	
Lenoir: First Church, 11	14	
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WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Carlton, 11	March	17
Rockwood, 3	17	
Bethel, 7:30	17	
Dellwood, 7	20	
Pines Creek, 11	24	
Crabtree, 3	24	
Canton, First Church, 7:30	24	
Junaluska, 11	31	
Jonathan, 3	31	
Morning Star, 7:30	31	
April		
Whittier, 11and 7:30	7	
Special situations	14	
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WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Winston-Salem, Green Street, 7:30	March	14
Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Morris Chapel, 11	17	
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North Davidson, Union Ridge, 7:30	17	
Thomasville, First, 7:30	20	
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 7:30	21	
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Lexington, Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30	28	
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April		
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30	2	
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Rural Hall, Antioch, 11	7	
Mt. Airy Ct., Epworth, 3	7	
Winston Ct., Pisgah, 11	14	
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CHILDRDEN'S HOME
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day lingers: "It is not the size of the church but the size of the church's heart that counts." Centenary is becoming more entitled to be called "The Friendly Church." Following a carefully planned visitation this week, 40 local group meetings will be held in the homes of Centenary's membership. For a half hour Wednesday evening, 7:30 to 8:00, these groups will listen to a radio message from Dr. Jordan, after which a session of prayer and devotion will continue. Thus will Centenary tend to become more friendly with God and man.

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In Memoriam

CORN—Thomas Maxwell Corn, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Maxwell Corn of Hayesville, was born November 5, 1939, and went away January 31, 1940. His stay with his parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Cherry, was long enough to bring to their hearts the joy that a darling baby can bring. These parents were grieved by the sudden going of their darling; but their hearts were comforted by the faith in Christ who opens the way by the flaming swords by being "The Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." The funeral services were conducted by the pastor from the home of the grandparents, Brother and Sister Geo. W. Cherry. J. C. Gentry, P. C.

BRISTOL—On the night of January 20, 1940, Mrs. T. J. Bristol slipped away at the age of 65, leaving her husband of nearly 50 years, three sons, two daughters, a brother and two sisters, several grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was a good neighbor. We recall the Master's teaching of the "Good Samaritan" and the "Inasmuch as . . ." "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," and other of his teachings. It is a good thing to be and to have good neighbors. The funeral was held at the home by the pastor and local pastors in the presence of a host of friends and loved ones. She was a "home body." May we all be reminded of that home not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

HALL—On February 14, 1940, Malie English Hall passed to her eternal reward. She was the eldest daughter of Sarah Willis English and the late Oliver H. English of Madison county, N. C. She became a member of the Laurel Methodist church at the age of 14 and held a faithful membership in this church for 53 years until her death. She is survived by her husband, John Hall, and the following children: Mrs. Hicks Cole, Mrs. Harrison Hamlin, Mrs. Jess Wilson, Mrs. Albert Shelton, Mrs. Bernie Lewis, Mrs. Kenneth Wyatt, Edgar B., Ottis and J. Oliver Hall. Her mother and the following sisters and brothers also survive: Mrs. Edgar E. Bryan, Mrs. Robert Mears, Mrs. George Anderson, Overton H., Fred and Guy English. Thirty-seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren also survive. The funeral was conducted at her home on February 15 by her pastor. The body was interred in the English cemetery. William C. Sides, Jr., P. C.

SANDERSON—Mrs. Iva Moore Sanderson, one of the first registered nurses in the state and nation, has to her record 38 years of unbroken service as a bedside nurse. This is, no doubt, as long as any nurse has to her credit as a badge for rendering service to help the suffering in this world. Not only was Sister Sanderson an angel of mercy, she was faithful to her church and its institutions. She was converted when she was 12 years of age and joined the Methodist church at Hayesville.

On June 6, 1913, she was married to Mr. Claude Sanderson, and to this union was born one daughter, George, who is now Mrs. Ulyses Parham of Gastonia. When Sister Sanderson became unable to care for herself she went to stay with the daughter. In this

home she departed this life. The last time that her pastor visited her he asked: "Sister, if we do not meet here, shall we know where to find you?" She replied: "I have tried to live for my Lord, and shall trust him for that home beyond this life."

Besides the daughter and her husband, two sisters, Mrs. Mary Scroggs of Hayesville, and Mrs. J. J. Harris of Tallahassee, Fla., survive this dear loved one. J. C. Gentry, P. C.

PACE — Mrs. Mamie McPherson Pace died at her home near Rock Creek church February 11, 1940, at the age of approximately 64 years. Surviving are her husband, James H. Pace, one daughter, two sons, three sisters, one brother, one grandchild, and several nieces and nephews. Many friends and neighbors join the bereaved family in mourning her departure. In early life she was converted and joined Rock Creek Methodist church and lived a consistent member thereof to the time of her death. Her sweet, kind and peaceful disposition endeared her to all who knew her. Funeral service was conducted at Rock Creek church by her former pastor, Rev. H. L. Isley, and her body placed in the family burying plot in the church cemetery.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On February 5, 1940, God called from our midst to his heavenly home our beloved sister and co-worker, Mrs. Alice Wakefield Stuart. Mrs. Stuart was a member of Friendship missionary society. She was a devoted member of the Methodist church and endeared her life to them with whom she came in contact. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we express our appreciation of the life and character of our sister and co-worker. Her life was sweet and gentle, and in her going we have lost a faithful member of our missionary society and church.

Second, That we bow our heads in silent prayer that we may be submissive to the will of our heavenly Father, realizing that "some day we'll understand."

Third, That we unite with the family in their grief and assure them of our love.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy entered in the minutes of our missionary society.

G. A. Stamper, Pastor.
Mrs. J. W. Cummings, Pres.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our heavenly Father in his infinite wisdom and love has seen fit to call to her eternal reward our dear friend and co-worker, Mrs. Tuttle, January 14, 1940, and because of her Christian love and faithfulness to her church, family and community. Be it resolved:

First, That we feel deeply the loss of our dear friend, but bow in humble submission to the will of our Father, who doeth all things well.

Second, That we thank God for having known her and that through our memories of her we may be more faithful to the work in which she was interested.

Third, That we extend our sincere sympathy to her family and pray that the Lord may sustain them.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be placed in the minutes of our class and a copy be sent to the church paper.

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The Outreach for Loftier Levels

THE spiritual emotions at the center of the personal energy and the lure of worlds on high have ever held a chief place in the conquests of the Christian world. Obedience to the heavenly vision and eagerness to follow the gleam lift the individual above the dead level of the commonplace and make of a man more than a "finished, finite clod untroubled by a single spark." Such are ever eager to reach loftier levels.

The tints of the forests and the green of the fields in the spring time have their annual message for man. The haze on the hills and the softness over the level landscape and the delicate little flower here and there, a warm pulse-beat from the heart of mother earth, tell of the fresh resurgence in all the vast domain of nature. It is the hour of resurrection. This, the harbinger of spring, tells once more of earth in her most gorgeous attire. Soil, sunshine and air have now felt the touch divine and made their usual response.

Flower, fish, bird and beast have a life peculiarly their own, so each is fully at home in its own element. But man lives in two worlds—the natural and the spiritual. So it is for him to be at home in both. To act well his part, to be at home on earth, is to lift himself above the flower, the fish, the bird and the beast which are largely creatures of their own environment. A man who lives well in both his worlds can be at home with God. He rises above his material surroundings to the loftier levels of the soul. Lured by the higher cravings of the spirit he follows the gleam. Urged by the spiritual emotions within the center of his personality, he develops the saintly character; he knows the joy of living in two worlds as he is more and more at home with God.

Then he can sing songs at midnight. Prison cells are less horrible than the dungeon of oneself. Bunyan in Bedford jail could dwell in the Celestial City. Amid a shower of stones Steven caught a glimpse of heaven, and the prisoner on Patmos saw a new heaven and a new earth. The saints have ever dreamed of fellowship with the angels and the good in fairer worlds on high, for they expected nothing less than to gain new heights every day.

We Methodists have ever been on the outward bound, through the forests, over the prairies and across the oceans, insisting that from our low estate of degradation and sin we should rise to loftier things, going on to know the real joy of being made perfect in this life. The echoes of their songs still ring in our ears and the jubilations of their victories are not entirely forgotten. But how about the future with its dream of conquest? Are we eager to reach the heights? Do we cherish the spiritual emotions at the habitual center of our souls which result in saints at home with God!

The world service of which we dream and talk and for which we collect money will do little to bring in the new heaven and the new earth unless we have men and women to lead in pulpit and in pew who having been made anew within, have caught the vision and know the conversation of the third heaven. Truly, our main work is to rise to loftier levels.

M. T. P.

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CAMPAIGN GATHERS MOMENTUM

With the coming of better weather conditions the Advocate campaign gathers strength. Both in renewals and new subscribers new activity has been manifest. Following the special Easter services we fully expect renewed effort in every church. Conditions will be more favorable in both town and country. Note carefully the reports of this week.

The Leaders in Each District

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THE DAILY CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

(Reporting Proceedings of the First General Conference of The Methodist Church)

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TO ALL AUXILIARIES OF THE FORMER M. P. CHURCH

The annual meeting of the N. C. Branch of Woman's Work of the former M. P. Church will be held at Grace church, Greensboro, corner N. Edgeworth and W. Gaston streets, April 16-17.

A good program is being planned. This will be our last annual meeting and we are eager to finish well a work so worthily begun. The latest information from Miss Brittingham on uniting Methodist women's work is that it will be done in September.

I am authorized to say that all delegates who wish entertainment the night of April 16 by Grace auxiliary must send their names not later than April 9 to Mrs. R. L. Fogleman, 201 S. Mendenhall Street, Greensboro.

Mrs. R. M. Andrews, President.

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The cross and the empty tomb are closely linked in those wonderful days of the Easter time. These are days that changed the world and determined the destiny of the race.

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"When beggars die there are no comets seen; the heavens themselves blaze forth the death of princes." Such was the belief of the ancients. But this was not true when the Carpenter of Nazareth passed.

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Dr. Henry Crane says: "Christianity is Life. No subscription to a creed; not the adoption of a moral code; not the observance of rites and ceremonies; not loyalty to ecclesiastical forms and organizations; but personal contact with the life of God in Christ is the core of the Christian experience."

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Crown him with many crowns! The Carpenter who had not where to lay his head—in a borrowed birth chamber was he born and in a borrowed grave was he laid away—walked among men with little concern for the things that men seek after such as wealth and power and position. The germinating seed, the growing child and the lost son were forward themes of his as he went about doing good. This ended on the cross. Then came the head crowned with many crowns. Easter is the shout of triumph.

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Jerome K. Jerome said that people have been looking back to the good old days of fifty years ago since Adam's fifty-first birthday. This is a sign that those people are old no matter what may be the number of their days. With them all the good people, all the great preachers, all the learned lawyers belong to the days that are forever gone. No matter how few may be your birthdays you are old if your face is toward the past. Alas for the man whose golden days have already dropped into the sunset.

Bishop John M. Moore calls attention to the fact that Dwight L. Moody was a great preacher. He was never ordained. He was not a minister of the church. Gypsy Smith is a great preacher; he is not ordained. He is not a minister. Dr. John R. Mott is a great preacher but he is not a minister. The great Prophets of the Old Testament were laymen and were never set apart by a ceremony for the ministry of their church. These facts should serve as a reminder that the church needs great laymen rather than more ordained preachers.

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Those parts of the Bible—the Ten Commandments and the Golden Rule, for example—which are easy to understand give some people little concern, while the same folks make a lot of loud noise about those sections of the Bible which are a bit obscure. Why not study and practice those portions of the Holy Scriptures which are perfectly clear until knowledge should be given to fathom the mysteries of Revelation. A study of the Bible instead of research about the Bible is our immediate and urgent need. Preach the Word, rather than defend the Word.

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The fish swim, the bird flies, the beast roams. So does man sail the seas, cleave the air and pioneer the deserts; but he does more than fish and bird and beast. He thinks, he admires, he aspires, consequently he rises above the dead level of earth. Man really lives his highest and truest life in the realm of the true, the beautiful and the good. Thinkers, artists and saints make possible the libraries, the art galleries and the sanctuaries of the saints. It is not for man to remain in the dust or to be content with the best that earth can give. The poets and the prophets and the saints rejoice in the Easter anthems that tell of new life and the final conquest. The empty grave and the open heavens make possible for the soul of man the universal shout of victory.

An Easter Message

CHRISTIANITY is the religion of a person and of a fact. That person is Jesus Christ, and that fact is the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The incomparable personality of the centuries is the Son of Man, and the best attested fact of history is the resurrection of the Son of Man.

This one fact, let us not forget, overshadowed all others with the Apostolic Church. How do we know? By a look at the New Testament, which is the inspired Word of God and an accurate, though brief, record of the early Christian Church. What does the New Testament, simply by a glance at its pages, show in regard to this fundamental fact?

In the first place, it appears that the resurrection of Jesus Christ was the central theme of apostolic preaching. Not an ethical gospel, nor a crucified Christ, but a risen Lord, heartened those early disciples of the Master and set them to the task of witnessing for him. The empty tomb became their perpetual inspiration.

Even the doubts of Thomas, the skeptic, were dispelled by the presence of the risen Christ, and then with a clear and full perception of his deity Thomas joyfully and triumphantly exclaimed, "My Lord and my God!" A successor of Judas Iscariot was chosen for this one reason, "to be a witness with us of his resurrection." Peter's theme at Pentecost was the resurrection of Jesus, and he explicitly declared that the risen Christ alone made possible that day with its wonders and its matchless demonstrations of spiritual power.

The climax as well as the central theme of Paul's preaching on Mars Hill was the resurrection of Christ. Paul before Felix declared, "Touching the resurrection of the dead, I am called in question by you this day." Paul with all the passion of his great heart was speaking of the resurrection when Festus cried, "Paul, thou art beside thyself; much learning hath made thee mad." This same man on another occasion wrote, "If I have fought the beasts of Ephesus, what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not?" Paul went even further than all this. He staked the whole cause of Christ and Christianity upon the one fact, namely, the resurrection of Jesus Christ. "If Christ be not risen," says he to the Corinthian Christians, "then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain; yea, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that he

raised up Christ. . . . If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable. But now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept."

Not a letter of Paul to any of the churches (and these epistles compose about one-fourth of the New Testament) failed to present the resurrection of Jesus as the one outstanding fact of his gospel. In truth Paul's gospel was a gospel of the resurrection.

Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, the four Gospels that give the most complete account that we have of the Son of Man, who was the Son of God, reach the climax of that history of the resurrection story—a story that disheartened and scattered disciples, who wandered like sheep without a shepherd, were slow to accept. But when they did accept it these men turned the world upside down.

Such is the inspired record which comes to us from the first years of the Christian Church. And at least six of the epistles of St. Paul, First and Second Thessalonians, First and Second Corinthians, Galatians, and Romans, were written within less than thirty years after the crucifixion, which gives us authentic documents dated only a few years from that event which in the minds of the early disciples eclipsed all others.

To take the resurrection of Jesus Christ out of the New Testament would leave that monumental work of the Holy Spirit like unto a story of Hamlet with Hamlet left out.

It is evident as the sun at noonday that without the resurrection of Jesus Christ there would not have been a church of the first century, and there would not have been a New Testament, which is equivalent to saying that without the resurrection there would have been no Christian church.

Our Church Press

WHAT will the General Conference at Atlantic City do for our Methodist papers? Wise and constructive efforts certainly are needed that full use may be made of the printed page. Here are a few suggestions that are fairly well agreed upon:

1. That there shall be one National Methodist weekly as a uniting agency for the whole of American Methodism. The differences arise as to the character of this journal.

2. That there shall be provision made for local or regional papers in each of the juris-

dictions. Whether there should be jurisdictional organs or local papers under the supervision of a conference or a group of conferences is of much concern.

3. That these papers, general and local, shall be subject to church control and support so as to secure first class publications is most essential.

Our own conviction is that the one national paper should be a journal of opinion, carrying general news of interest to American Methodism. Of course this Methodist weekly should have a capable staff and should have support sufficient to make a paper that will appeal to the ministers and thoughtful laymen of the Methodist Church.

Since newspapers are primarily of local interest, the local and regional papers will be relied upon to furnish the church news of their sections or regions. So these papers will become the effective agencies for disseminating information about the institutions and the boards of the church. Consequently the boards by advertisements should aid the papers in return for the service rendered among the people. Since the annual conference is the organic unit in Methodism, a conference or a group of conferences should control the local or regional papers of the church. All the conferences within a jurisdiction might join in determining the character of the papers in that jurisdiction.

One paper for a jurisdiction, however, would be in competition with the national weekly and at the same time it would not be able to give the local church news of the conferences. The situation would be similar to that which obtained in the South with the Nashville Christian Advocate unable to give the news although subsidized by the Publishing House at no small cost.

In a word, let there be a national weekly for the whole church and then let the annual conferences determine the character of the papers in their several jurisdictions, provision being made for aid to come from the boards in keeping with the service rendered. Finally, let it ever be kept in mind that the value of a church paper is measured by the extent to which it gets into the homes of the local church. While caring for the unity of the whole church care should be given to preserve the local autonomy of the church. Any agency of Methodism that fails to promote the work of the local society counts for little in the advancement of the kingdom of God.

The Church Rings True

IN every generation the church has rung true in its unquestioned loyalty to the doctrine of the resurrection of Jesus. It has been incorporated into all the creeds of the church. The church fathers made the resurrection the theme of their learned and patient expositions of Christian truth. The reformers differed upon many things, but they were all agreed that Christ rose from the dead. The contest at times was sharp between the Eastern and Western churches as to the exact date for the celebration of Easter, but all have been agreed that there should be a celebration of that event of the resurrection.

It is impossible to imagine what the centuries would have been like without the resurrection story, but we know that they would have been drab. Whereas, with the glad Easter message, "He is risen," they have been resonant with praise and have resounded with notes of victory.

"Lives again our glorious King;
Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once he died our souls to save;
Where's thy victory, boasting grave?"

Soar we now where Christ has led,
Follow our exalted Head;
Made like him, like him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies!"

When Easter lilies bloom afresh, and anthems of praise fill the temple, there comes ringing across the years that holy desire of earth's greatest Christian, "That I may know him and the power of his resurrection." With this attainment as our own, the victories of Paul's life will come to all of us, and we will then be able to exclaim with him, "Thanks be to God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Be Patient

PATIENCE is a big word in the Bible, for our God is a God of patience. On the practical side of human experience James sums up the whole matter in one short sentence, "Let patience have her perfect work." Be patient amid life's trials, be patient with those who are worn and weary, be patient with the sick, be patient with the aged, be patient with youth, often hot blooded, headstrong and impulsive, be patient with the children, do not expect self-control that is impossible. Let patience have her perfect work that ye may be perfect and entire wanting nothing."

❖ People and Things ❖

Born at Wesley Long Hospital to Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Stokes, a son, James Carlisle, Jr., on March 18.

West Market Street church, Greensboro, last Sunday morning received 42 new members on profession of faith.

Seventy-three children united with Centenary church, Winston-Salem, last Sunday morning by the profession of their faith.

The Finns were the first among European peoples to grant rights to women. The biggest book store in Europe is said to be in Helsinki, the capital. In the libraries, books on theology, philosophy, history, and travel are in greater demand than novels.

The North Carolina Conference Minutes incorrectly shows in statistical table No. 3 a payment of \$1899 on benevolences by First church, Rocky Mount. The amount assumed is represented by this figure and the amount actually reported and paid was \$1949.—R. Dwight Ware.

Bishop W. T. Watkins of Atlanta, who has been seriously ill, is reported to be showing rapid recovery. He is now at his home, and attending physicians state that while absolute rest is necessary now, they feel sure that within six weeks he will be able to resume his official duties as bishop.

Here at the First Methodist church in Winston-Salem six members were received on profession of faith on Palm Sunday. Young People's Day was observed the first Sunday in February, with three short addresses by young people. The offering, which was for World Service, amounted to \$25. At the first check-up meeting we reported 28 per cent of budget raised.—J. E. Pritchard, Pastor.

Canaan, North Davidson Charge.—A short note on our Easter program which is to be presented next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The setting of the program is "The Crucified Lord." The Ladies' Aid took in around \$50 at the hot supper Saturday night. We greatly thank the people for their kindness and courtesy on this occasion. We are sorry to learn of one of our members, Mr. Harvey Berrier, being in the hospital at this time. We hope him a speedy recovery.—Mrs. Carl W. Clodfelter.

St. Paul church reported a week or so ago concerning our special series of meetings. The time announced then was the last Sunday in March. Due to the meeting at Carraway Memorial, we decided to change dates. To eliminate any possible conflict, in view of the proximity of the two churches, we hereby announce our meeting to begin on Easter Sunday morning, March 24. We hope for a good beginning and expect to see many of our friends out. Your prayers are solicited for the salvation of many souls.—Reporter.

"The Passion Play," given every ten years since 1640 by the wood carving villagers of Oberammergau, in Upper Bavaria, will have no performance in 1940. The reason for the postponement is the same as offered in 1870; although all of the Apostles and most of the leading characters are over military age, the new Christus and many of the supernumeraries are not. The committee of villagers, which controls the destinies of the play, adds that "the next performance will be given in the year following the end of the war."

Lovely in every detail was the tea given Thursday afternoon, March 14, by Mrs. M. T. Smathers, 20 Watauga street, Asheville, honoring the ministers' wives of the Asheville district. Assisting Mrs. Smathers in entertaining were Mrs. E. J. Harbison, Mrs. W. G. McFarland and Mrs. Ralph H. Taylor. Tea was poured by Mrs. G. D. Herman and Mrs. J. S. Williams. An arrangement of white snapdragons in a low crystal bowl and silver holders with white tapers were used in the living room. Arrangements of pink snapdragons beautifully graced the spacious living room.

We have just completed an undertaking at Franklinton, which has brought great joy both to the pastor and membership of the church. For many years our church has not looked well because it was so sorely in need of painting and repair. We have just repaired the roof and thoroughly painted the auditorium at a cost of about \$400. Interest and co-operation have been so good that we have sufficient money in the treasury to pay cash for the work. The church is very beautiful and worshipful and because of this we are ready to enter more courageously into the other phases of our work.—S. E. Mercer.

In connection with the Home Missions Exhibit at General Conference at Atlantic City, Rev. E. M. Conover will be present from April 25 to May 4 with sample blue prints and other material and will be glad to interview any concerned with church building or improvement problems. Those wishing this service will do well to send to Room 61, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York, for a questionnaire blank for use in studying and presenting their needs. Mr. Conover was director of the Methodist Episcopal Bureau of Architecture for ten years. In 1934 the present Interdenominational Bureau of the Home Missions Council was established with Mr. Conover as director.

Central, Albemarle, Rev. R. Dwight Ware, pastor, has substantially increased the salary of the pastor. This was done in the absence of the pastor and by a unanimous and hearty vote of the board of stewards, whose consideration had not been requested by the pastor. Capacity congregations regularly attend the morning services, and near capacity attendance is observed at night. Duplicate services are planned for Easter. Every financial obligation of the church was fully met March 1, including one-fourth of benevolences of \$2000, and the annual quota for the Children's Home, which was paid the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Methodism is vigorously alive in all the centers of Albemarle and Stanly county.

Plans have been made to continue American Red Cross aid to Finland until more normal conditions are restored, Norman H. Davis, chairman of the Red Cross, has announced. In line with this policy, two new shipments of relief supplies have gone forward recently to the Finnish Red Cross. By trans-Atlantic telephone conversation with Dr. H. A. Spencer, U. S. Public Health Service officer representing the American Red Cross in Finland, and a conference with Hjalmar J. Procope, Finnish minister to Washington, it was learned more than 200,000 Finns, formerly living in territory now annexed by Russia, will need help in finding new occupations and homes. In addition, about 400,000 women and children will require assistance, many of them medical care, until they are re-established in their homes that are now destroyed.

A legend of old St. Martin tells how he was busily engaged in sacred studies in his monastery cell when there came a knock at the door. "Enter," said the monk. The door opened and a stranger of lordly look and princely attire came in. "Who art thou?" asked St. Martin. "I am Christ," the stranger answered. "Let me see thy hands," demanded the monk. Then, as he gazed at the bejeweled fingers, he asked, "Where is the print of the nails?" Confused by this searching test, the imposter fled. It is not Christ who is perfect in example, wise in teaching, idealistic in profession alone who accomplishes salvation for sinners. These are merits which by themselves only reveal the glory of Christ. But when that sinless Man was nailed to the cross as the sinner's substitute, penitents everywhere were given the means of their salvation. A gospel without a Christ wounded to the death for our transgressions is no gospel at all.—The Watchman-Examiner.

LAYMEN AND MISSIONS FOR THIRTY-FOUR YEARS

Nation-wide observance of the 34th anniversary of the launching of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, one of the epochal events of Protestantism of the last century, will begin on March 15, it was announced today by F. J. Michel, executive secretary. March 15 marks the completion of a third of a century since the movement's activities began. In hundreds of churches and communities the occasion will be noted, preparatory to the most extensive event in the history of the movement, November 15-17. Community men's missionary dinners will be held in hundreds of cities in the United States and Canada on Friday, November 15, the 34th anniversary of the founding of the movement, and on November 17 of this year "Men and Missions" Sunday will be observed.

The national committee, under the leadership of its general chairman, Dr. Arthur H. Compton, with the co-operation of Dr. John R. Mott and other prominent laymen, is expanding the program of the movement. The committee is planning a conference for laymen soon.

"It is probable that no Christian movement in modern times has made such a deep, abiding and far-reaching impact on Protestant men as the Laymen's Missionary Movement. If it had not done more than to change the attitude of thousands of men towards Christian missions and influenced them greatly to increase their gifts in its support, it would have been eminently worth while, but it went further. It enlarged their vision; it sharpened their understanding of the primary task of the church; it called forth greater devotion to the Christian program; it introduced thousands of men to an inspiring inter-church fellowship without sacrificing denominational loyalty; and it permanently deepened their spiritual life.

"The movement's contact with men was made possible in the early years solely through literature and great men's conventions, and in more recent years through missionary field days, community missionary dinners for men, and the annual observance of 'Men and Missions' Sunday.

"Last year twenty-one of the great communions gave all of their ministers an opportunity to co-operate in the observance of the day. The national committee promoted the community-wide recognition of the day in 1601 cities and towns in which they were organized—an increase of 258 cities over 1938."

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE TO MEET IN HIGH POINT

The committee appointed by last conference to select a place of meeting assembled in Charlotte last week and accepted the invitation of High Point to hold its annual session in that city. Bishop Purcell met with the committee and it was decided, also, that it would be for the best interest of all concerned for the conference to meet between Sundays. Among the advantages of this plan would be a shorter session which would be less burdensome on the community that served as conference host. Furthermore, it would not take the pastors away from their churches one Sunday in October, which is a favorable time for church work. To take 400 men, the approximate membership of the conference, away from their work one Sunday is equal to the loss of one man for eight years or eight men for one year. That is too great waste of time.

The bishop fixes the time for the annual conference to meet and this will hardly be announced officially till after the adjournment of the jurisdictional conference in May, but Bishop Purcell has intimated that Tuesday, October 22, may be the date.

LITTLE GIRL ACCIDENTALLY HURT BY AUTOMOBILE

The five-year-old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R. G. Tuttle of Gibsonville, N. C., was hurt late Sunday afternoon, March 17, when struck by an automobile on a street of Durham, N. C. The child was seriously hurt, but the doctors think no permanent injuries will result from the accident.

It was an unavoidable accident that resulted from the little girl's thoughtlessly attempting to cross the street without being aware of the approaching car.

Rev. Mr. Tuttle is assisting Rev. R. M. Courtney in revival services at College Place church, Greensboro, and Mrs. Tuttle with her little daughter has been spending the time with Mrs. Tuttle's parents in Durham.

TO FORMER METHODIST PROTESTANT MINISTERS

A letter from Bishop James H. Straughn assures me that the Distributing committee appointed at the final session of the N. C. conference has the power to make rules for determining the service record of our ministers. To this end I have asked Dr. George R. Brown of Liberty to have his committee handle this matter and to announce in the Christian Advocate the number of probationary years allowed. Those whose service records need to be explained might confer with Dr. Brown.

J. E. Pritchard,
Former President of former N. C. Conference.

MINISTERS' WIVES OF N. C. CONFERENCE TO MEET

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the North Carolina Conference will hold its annual spring meeting on April 2 in Henderson during the missionary conference.

This is a luncheon meeting as usual and I urge you to send your reservations in to Mrs. B. C. Reavis, Henderson, if you plan to attend. Names will be checked at the door. At our last meeting in Fayetteville we had 106 present and had to turn quite a few away. We do not want this to happen again. Please, ladies, plan to attend and send your reservations in at once.

Mrs. J. Kern Ormond, Sec.

CHANGES IN PASTORS' APPOINTMENTS

By authority of Bishop Purcell the following changes are made in appointments, effective April 1, 1940:

Rev. F. O. Dryman from Hillside Street, Asheville, to Weaverville.

Rev. H. S. Williams from Franklin Ct. to Hillside Street, Asheville.

Rev. P. L. Green from Sandy Ct. to Franklin Ct.

Sandy circuit to be supplied.

M. T. Smathers,
Supt. Asheville District.
W. L. Hutchins,
Supt. Waynesville District.

MINISTERS' WIVES LUNCHEON APRIL 18

The luncheon for the Ministers' Wives' Association of the Western North Carolina conference will be held in the King's Daughters hut, Salisbury, April 18, at 12:40 o'clock. Tickets will be on sale at 50 cents each. Please send requests for reservations to Mrs. John F. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury, as soon as possible.

Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, Pres.
Mrs. C. O. Newell, Sec.

SUNRISE EASTER SERVICE

There will be a sunrise Easter service at Mt. Lebanon church in Randleman, Sunday morning, March 24, commencing at 5 o'clock. The services will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. R. Anderson, assisted by Rev. C. E. Otey and Dr. J. L. Stokes. Everybody is invited to attend.

UNIVERSALISM BEGINS WITH YOU!

By Robert Cummins

(Good also for Methodists)

That is where Jesus' religion began—with himself. Recall the occasion when he stood up in the Temple at Nazareth to read. Countless residents of the village had done it before. And hundreds of times they had read the same passage. But Jesus read with a new and vital emphasis: "The spirit of the Lord is upon me"; "He hath sent me to release the captives"; "He hath commissioned me to heal the broken hearted."

One of our spiritual forebears, a man named Benjamin Rush, conceived the idea that neglected children should be cared for. The project which resulted from that idea of his constituted the first church school in America. Others than Rush may have had the idea, too, but he did something about it, he assumed personal responsibility. That is what Florence Nightingale did for the wounded, what John Howard did for prisoners, what Jane Addams did for the people of the slums near Hull House, and what each of our mothers did for us.

One of the most tragic epitaphs ever written refers to those people gathered at the foot of the cross: "And sitting down they watched him. . . ." No one speaks a word of protest. No one lifted a finger to help. Just "sitting down they watched." There is only one really decisive battle in all human history: the battle within the soul of man between his urge to indifference and irresponsibility and his response to what someone has termed "the Divine Imperative." We may speak of Waterloo and the Marne as decisive battles, but such events are important only in the affairs of nations. What I am talking about is the battle behind the battles—the real meaning of the cross—the historic point where the soul of a man becomes the arena in which personal responsibility vanquished indifference.

Universalists may roughly be pigeonholed into three classifications: (1) those who dislike duty and refuse to do it; (2) those who dislike it and drag themselves to do it; and (3) those who do their duty voluntarily and enjoy it. No one forces them, it is what they want to do. They choose it deliberately. Select any particular juncture in the history of our church when or where something genuinely worth while has been achieved. You can rest assured that back of it has been someone who, under no special necessity to do anything about it, has nevertheless cared deeply enough to take it upon his shoulders.

We are, as a church, headed Forward Together. If any noticeable progress is to be made it is essential that every Universalist come on up into the front line and be Universalist out loud! It is no longer a question of going out and begging money. Either the Universalist Church is a luxury we cannot afford or it is a necessity we can not get along without. I hear a lot of talk about the church of the future and offer but one remark in reply. If 1940 Universalists fail to make the required sacrifice—sharing financially right now in proportion to their ability—it is not at all improbable that there will be no Universalist Church in the future.

A layman told me recently he was going to cut his subscription if others did not give more generously. That layman is a good man, but he is mistaken in what he pro-

poses doing. What his fellow Universalists give is not his responsibility, what he gives is. "What do ye more than others?"—The Christian Leader.

WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

Some people think obscurity is synonymous with profundity.

Too often Easter means flattened purses instead of fattened souls.

The grace of forgetting is as great a virtue as the gift of remembering.

The church's attitude toward the purpose of Jesus Christ is the measure of its grace or disgrace.

Why is it that pigskins filled with air draw thousands where men's heads filled with brains draw dozens?

As long as the world is only a neighborhood expect strife, when it becomes a brotherhood then expect the dove of peace.

If we are to judge by results many churches that sing loudly "Onward Christian Soldiers!" can't honestly sing "Hold the Fort!"

Some folks' Christianity would make a far greater appeal if in it there were fewer sad minors and more glad majors.

We are now entering the season when empire affairs go on the back page and umpire decisions get the headlines.

The D.D. may loom large to a preacher down here, but up there the S.S. (seeker of souls) is the only degree that passes muster.

Since trying to eat some steaks we now know what happens to the leather the shoemakers don't use.

Judging by the enthusiasm some folks show in attending church, every Sunday is Labor Day.

No "captain of industry" has anything on the preacher who can take a church nursery full of long haired babes and bald headed mollycoddles and make out of it a gymnasium for the exercise of godliness.

The mother who tells Johnny a "white lie" is dreadfully shocked when he tells her a "black lie." Why so particular about the color? How about getting together on pearl grey?

Uncle Rastus says: "When you see a Dee Dee a taggin' atah a fellow's name it means 'Diggin' an Doin' or 'Done Dead' accordin' to de fellow."

Some pulpit themes are just as near the old fashioned gospel as the consomme of a fashionable hotel is like that good old vegetable soup mother used to make.

The scientist who boasts he has dug up a skull a million years old and a half inch thick isn't so hot. We can dig up a number thicker than that in our town anytime.

RESOLUTIONS AGAINST LIQUOR

We, the Denton Ministerial Association assembled in Denton, N. C., in executive session March 11, 1940, do enact the following:

Whereas, there is a growing discontent throughout the state in the matter of the present liquor laws; and

Whereas, this is the election year, both state and national; and

Whereas, the historic American principle has always been to resort to the ballot for correction and redress, be it resolved:

1. That we favor a "bone dry" state throughout from city, town and every countryside; and

2. That we do call upon every qualified voter in the state to unite with us in "sounding out" and electing men and women to fill the various offices of the state from the great governor to the least office within the gift of the people who will live and vote dry themselves; and

3. That we call upon all ministers of the gospel and Christian workers to join with us in continuing to fight beer, wine and liquor wherever found; and

4. That copies of these resolutions be sent to the local papers, Greensboro News, Winston-Salem Journal, Charlotte Observer, News and Observer, the Christian Advocate, The Biblical Recorder, and that a copy shall remain with the secretary.

H. M. Stroup, President.
Geo. L. Curr, Secretary.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN

A large number of Sunday school scholars and church attenders. They answer to the name CHRISTIAN. If seen please show them the way back home. A reward is offered by Him who said, "We shall not lose our reward."

Most any church.

W. O. Reed.



BISHOP CLARE PURCELL



Bollinger's Chapel Church to be Dedicated by Bishop Purcell, March 31

Bishop Clare Purcell, bishop of Charlotte area and of the Western North Carolina conference, will dedicate Bollinger's Chapel church, Marion district, Connelly Springs charge, Sunday, March 31.

The program will begin at 10 a. m., when the cornerstone will be laid in place.

The building was erected in 1933 under the leadership of Rev. A. Burgess and Mr. E. J. Franklin, a trustee and chairman of the building committee, and has recently been completed.

In the summer of 1873, Jacob A. Bollinger built a brush arbor near where the present church now stands. This being the third building. The new church is a splendid plant equipped with electric lights, oak pews, furnace heated at approximate cost of \$6,000.

Participating in the dedication program in addition to Bishop Purcell and the pastor, C. F. Tate, and officials of the church, will be Rev. J. C. Cornett, district superintendent of the Marion district, and a former pastor, Rev. A. Burgess.

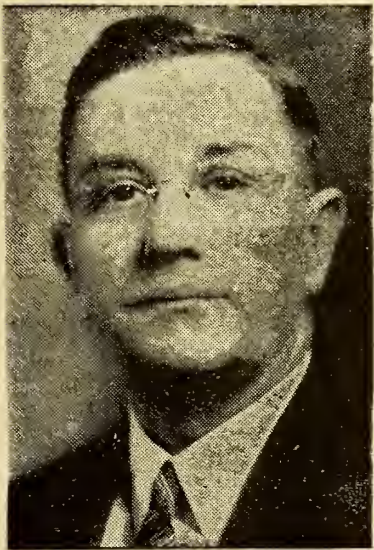
All former pastors and friends are cordially invited to attend the dedication service. C. F. Tate.

crumbling empire; Francis keeping alive true religion when the church had largely forgotten it; Huss dying for truth in a truth-starved world; Luther standing against the powers of evil; Calvin magnifying the will of God above that of earthly potentates; Wesley preaching a saving gospel to the working masses—these and countless others have differed in the content of their faith; but have all had that devotion which is the un-failing attribute of dedicated lives.

When we try to define the objects of faith we run into divisions. Deep gulfs of bitterness have been created by a word. Such disputes often center about the very topic of this paper. There is dynamite in it, though less now than at some other times, for the present seems in many ways to be a day of synthesis. We are forgetting trifling differences.

The Faith of our Fathers in detail has not always been the same. It has varied. It is not a static pond, but a stream of thought, growing as it moves majestically through the centuries. Religion is not something to be handed down unchanged from the fathers; it is something which each generation of sons must experience.

At the forefront of such faith stands Christ, the "light of our dark sky." It is he who has provided access to a forgiving God, has shown us ourselves as needing salvation, has given us the Christian ideals of brotherhood and peace and the vision of the kingdom, and offers us power to triumph over evil. His great commandments emphasizing love for God and man are an indispensable part of it. So any departure from theism is a denial of the fathers' faith, and Christians can never escape the obligations of doing justly, loving mercy, and walking humbly with God.



REV. J. C. CORNETT
District Superintendent



REV. C. F. TATE
Pastor

FAITH

By William K. Anderson

Faith deals with more than creeds and can never be wholly stated in syllogisms. It is life. "Faith is not belief in spite of evidence; it is life in scorn of consequences." Paul dying daily for Christ; Polycarp, at eighty, preferring a blistering death to denying his Lord; Jerome laboring incessantly that the "vulgar" might have the Scriptures; Augustine building the church on the ruins of the

Victorious Giving

By C. K. Vliet, Secretary General Commission on Benevolences

The year 1939 writes a new chapter for Methodism and the kingdom. There has been "a heap o' livin'" during the past year. The people called Methodists have been living victoriously. A new day dawns. We are on the verge of great and history-making happenings. A new spirit prevails. Our laymen are awakening to a sense of the supreme privileges that have come to them through a united Methodism. Not in a generation has the church been so alive to its mission and its opportunities. Not for a decade have our laymen been so willing to consecrate their talents and their possessions to the building of the kingdom. "Methodism Marches On" is the glorious and inspiring response of eight million Methodists in America as they face the difficult problems of a world torn asunder by war, hate and distrust.

During the past year reports indicate record breaking attendance at all church services, larger numbers received into membership of the church on profession of faith, more young people interested in and actively engaged in the work of the church than for many previous years, enrollment in and attendance upon church school greatly increased, hundreds of old church debts have been liquidated and churches dedicated, hundreds of thousands of dollars have been subscribed for the reduction of church debts, scores of new churches and church school buildings have been erected, salaries of the pastors in our smaller churches and rural sections have been increased. In spite of the confusion and uncertainties and changes incident to the uniting of three great churches into one body, there has been a marked increase in the interest in the world program of Methodism which we call the Benevolences. All across the church there are marked evidences of a new understanding of the meaning and significance of the Benevolences. A new vision has come to many of our laymen. In increasing numbers men and women are catching this vision of sharing with Christ in the redemption of the world through the Benevolences, and victorious living is more and more being expressed in terms of victorious giving.

During the past year out of the 38 conferences, 27 had increased in benevolent payments totaling \$70,991.51. These same 27 conferences also paid \$54,216.50 to the Uniting Conference fund. This latter fund, while a special, was one of the General Conference askings and thus we add it to the \$70,991.51; and we have a total of \$125,208.01 increase or new money paid by these 27 conferences. Eleven conferences paid a total of \$21,166.44 less into the benevolent fund this year than last; but the same 11 conferences paid \$16,112.29 into the Uniting Conference fund. Therefore these 11 conferences really paid only \$5,054.15 less this year than last.

From these figures it will readily be seen that for General and Conference Work and Uniting Conference a total of \$120,153.86 net increase was raised, which was divided as follows: \$49,825.07 net increase in General and Conference Benevolences and \$70,328.79 Uniting Conference fund.

It should be noted that as a result of two new causes, Searritt College and the Youth Crusade, added to our benevolent family by the last General Conference and be-

causes of the resultant necessary adjustment in the table of percentages, two of our boards, namely, the Board of Christian Education and the Board of Church Extension, received slightly less this year than last. The Board of Missions because of a reduction of 2.1 per cent received considerably less this year than last in spite of the nearly \$50,000 increase in benevolent payments. It is earnestly hoped and confidently expected that there will be a further increase in payments of benevolences this year that will more than offset these deficits of the past year.

Let us continue to express our victorious living in terms of victorious giving.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LOCATION OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

The committee on location of Boards and Commissions of the Methodist Church, composed of two members from each of the six jurisdictions appointed in accordance with the instructions of the Uniting Conference by the Council of Bishops at its session in Chicago in December, 1939, after a preliminary meeting in Columbus, Ohio, on January 12 and 13, at which it made a general survey of its task sent out a comprehensive questionnaire to every general board, society, commission and committee of the three constituent churches, seeking definite information bearing on the problem of location. Replies to these questionnaires were the subject of careful study on the part of each member of the committee for a period of ten days previous to another three day meeting in Columbus on March 11, 12 and 13, at which representatives of the boards and societies were given ample opportunity to register their views on location and to state their arguments in the matter. A group of four eminent attorneys also were questioned at length on the legal aspects of the committee's work. The case of each organization was then given careful consideration by the committee and after thorough discussion a conclusion was reached as to its location. In arriving at its decisions the committee scrupulously followed the example of the Uniting Conference in bringing the three churches definitely together as one church, and sought to apply the same principle of genuine unity in locating the boards and societies. The members of the committee on location were unanimous in each decision and also unanimously adopted the report as a whole:

The committee recommends to the General Conference of the Methodist Church that the boards and commissions of the Methodist Church be located as follows:

Board of Education—Nashville, Tennessee.
Board of Missions and Church Extension—New York City.

Board of Publication—Inasmuch as this board is to be an unincorporated body and is to operate through several existing corporations, it is recommended that the Board of Publication be empowered and authorized to continue the printing and manufacturing business of the church at New York, Cincinnati, Chicago, Nashville, Pittsburgh and Baltimore and later to combine the allocated activities into a smaller number of publishing units as the board may determine to be for the best interest of the whole church. Branch houses, distributing agencies, depositories and offices may be established or continued or discontinued in the discretion of the board.

Board of Hospitals and Homes, Columbus, Ohio.
Board of Pensions, Chicago, Ill., and St. Louis, Mo.
Board of Lay Activities, Chicago, Illinois.
Board of Temperance, Washington, D. C.
Commission on World Service and Finance, Chicago, Ill.
Commission on Evangelism, Nashville, Tenn.
Commission on World Peace, Chicago, Illinois.
Commission on Courses of Study, Nashville, Tenn.
Board of Trustees of the Methodist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio.

In arriving at its decisions the committee on Location of Boards and Commissions took into consideration the legal questions involved in existing corporations and will recommend that the changes involved in the new set-up and the location of boards be carefully worked out in view of the legal limitations involved and the proper conservation of financial and property interests.

THE INSTITUTION OF MARRIAGE

Genesis 2:22-23-24: God took a rib and made woman. And Adam said she was bone of his bones, and flesh of his flesh. Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife; and they shall be one flesh. (See Matt. 19:5) Jesus says the same and in verse 6 he says, "Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh." What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

Matt. 19:9: Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery; and whoso marrieth her which is put away, doth commit adultery. Mark 10:2-13: And the Pharisees came to him and asked him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife? He said, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses suffered to write a bill of divorcement." Jesus said, "For the hardness of your heart he did this." But from the beginning God made them male and female. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother and cleave to his wife; and they twain shall be one flesh. They are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

His disciples asked him again of this matter. He said unto them, "Whosoever shall put away his wife and marry another, committeth adultery against her. And if a woman shall put away her husband and be married to another, she committeth adultery (Luke 16:18).

Whosoever putteth away his wife and marrieth another committeth adultery, and whosoever marrieth her that is put away from her husband committeth adultery (1 Cor. 7:10-11). Let not the wife depart from her husband. But, if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband. And let not the husband put away his wife.

In Romans 7:2 a woman is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth. 1 Cor. 7:39 the wife is bound by law as long as her husband liveth. But if her husband is dead she is at liberty to marry again, only in the Lord. (See 2 Cor. 6:14) Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers, for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? You see, Christians should not marry unbelievers, let alone divorced men or women. Verse 15, And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

In Matt. 15:3-4-8 John the Baptist lost his head because he told Herod it was unlawful for him to have his brother's wife. (See Lev. 18:16).

Jesus preached against divorce, and said it was not lawful from the beginning, and they sent him to the cross. What a great sin divorce is getting to be. One out of every five marriages ends in divorce. More people are divorced in the United States than all other nations put together.

Satan entered the Garden of Eden and through the eye and the appetite caused Eve to break God's command. And now, through the eye and the lust of the flesh and divorce laws, cause men and women to break Jesus' law and commit adultery, and say they are living right.

There are today those who fail to accept him because he stands for truth and righteousness. Their desire is for those things he has sternly denounced. Their way is not his way. And, unless there is great moral and spiritual reawakening, the moral and sanctity of our homes and

church are gone, and the sanctity of marriage will be lost and there will be no real home.

Let the Bible be your refuge, guide, and prophet, and friend. And I pray to God that divorce laws and the lust of the flesh may not blind us to the commands of Jesus. (Matt. 7:21-22-23) Not every one that saith unto me Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Can people that are divorcing and marrying again say they are doing our heavenly Father's will? Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name, and in thy name have cast out devils, and in thy name have done many wonderful works. And then will I profess unto them I never knew you. Depart from me ye that work iniquity.

We are not saved by works, but by grace. Are you willing to pay the price to be one of his disciples? So many of us are not. May God help you, dear reader, and me, to search the scripture for truth and live by it.

A Searcher After Truth.

WHEN LEADERS DIE

One of the keenest problems of church life is to be found in the matter of the replacement of leaders. Quite often we hear when some saint passes away the expression, "What shall we do now?" Oftentimes the attitude of the church is an attitude of defense in the presence of such losses.

Harder than the problems of replacement of the dead dead is the problem of replacing of living dead in the field of leadership. Every pastor will know what this expression means, for frequently we find men in places of leadership who have not thought a new thought, nor grasped a new idea, nor made a new step in twenty years, and who yet continue to occupy places of leadership, whether they lead or not. One of the unique preachers of our conference expressed this well when at a session of conference he asked the man who had succeeded him on the charge about the health of one of the members of that charge.

The other minister replied, "Haven't you heard? He is dead."

"Well, he was that when I was there," the first minister replied.

The path along which the ministers must walk in the replacement of the living dead is far more dangerous than that of replacement of the dead dead. But surely the church cannot move or live unless its leadership stays alive.

The command which God gave to Joshua should ring in the ears of every minister and church leader, when we find ourselves in the presences of either the dead dead, or the living dead.

"Moses, my servant is dead now, therefore, arise and go over this Jordan." There is but one attitude possible in the presence of dead leadership, and that is for the living leadership to rise up and carry on the march.—J. O. J. Taylor, in Wesleyan.

Freedom is the consciously chosen identification of one's will with the will of God. . . . It is the end and goal of self-realization; we have not reached, but we are striving toward it.—Sir William Ramsey.

LIFE LIVED TO THE FULL BY FINLEY AND MARKHAM

Between sunset and dawn, March 7-8, two distinguished figures in American letters closed their eyes in the last sleep. One was the educator, humanitarian, editor, John Finley, and the other was the poet-recluse, Edwin Markham. Both came to New York out of the West. Both achieved success in spite of great obstacles. Both adorned their respective careers.

John Finley, in his seventy-seventh year, lived life to the full to the last. Edwin Markham in his eighty-eighth year was a pathetic shell of a man in these later years.

Longer than any of his works, poems, translations, narratives, essays, editorials, the warm, lovable personality of John Finley will last. He made a contribution of lasting value to the history of his times. When we think of his life we think of culture, charm, perennial hope and cheer. We who write count it a high privilege to have been somewhat associated with him.

In the case of Edwin Markham, interesting though he was as a personality, as a ranch man, sheep herder, teacher and lecturer, he probably will be remembered for his poem "The Man with the Hoe" long after details of his biography are forgotten.

Bowed by the weight of centuries he leans
Upon his hoe and gazes on the ground,
The emptiness of ages in his face,
And on his back the burden of the world.

Though he won many prizes in later years for poems, his first famous poem was never surpassed, and it gave him the title of the "Poet Laureate of Labor."

The New York Times of March 8 pays special tribute to Doctor Finley, for he was editor emeritus of that great paper. But in the same issue is a full account of Markham with his picture.

We put Finley and Markham together in this little tribute not because they belong together but because they died at about the same time. They were about as unlike as two men could be, but Finley could have understood Markham, whether Markham ever understood him or not.—The Christian Leader.

A GREAT PHILANTHROPIST

Edward S. Harkness of New York, who died recently at the age of sixty-six, gave over one hundred million dollars to various educational and welfare organizations. His bequests to Yale and Harvard were around fourteen million dollars each.

To the Commonwealth Fund for development of rural hospitals and general philanthropy he gave in the beginning eight millions, but large sums were added later.

Over four millions went to the library of Columbia University, a million and a quarter to the Union Theological Seminary, and smaller sums to Colgate, Vassar, Mount Holyoke, Wells, Teachers College, Fiske and other institutions.

He did highly important things for the New York Medical Center, various hospitals, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Presbyterian ministers' pension fund and a wide range of other philanthropies.

Much of this work was done during his lifetime. Most of it was done quietly so that news of important gifts leaked out long after they were made.

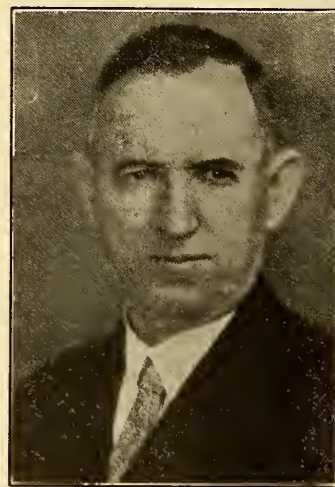
Going over the long list of gifts and bequests published after his death, one must be impressed with the

intelligence that he showed. He took infinite pains lest he do harm rather than good, and lest he tie up money in funds that become moribund and accomplish little except provide jobs for administrators.

That he wanted to serve the public at home and abroad, that inherited wealth did not make him selfish, and that he regarded himself simply as a steward of a great fortune, are highly significant and highly cheering facts in his career.—The Christian Leader.

A PASTOR WHO KNOWS HOW TO WORK

Rev. E. M. Avett, pastor at Mocksville, made a complete canvass for renewals and new subscribers which resulted in 19½ new subscribers in a membership of 370, which gives



Rev. E. M. Avett

Mocksville five times its quota. Total cash sent in, \$50 for new subscribers and renewals due.

If every charge in North Carolina would do as well as Mocksville we would have 20,000 new subscribers and we would have money to enlarge and otherwise improve the Advocate. Avett and Mocksville know how to do a good job in a fine manner.

RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK AT BREVARD

The Brevard College choir and glee club, under the direction of Mr. John Hawkins, sang before 1500 people at the Asheville District Youth Crusade rally in Asheville at the Central Methodist church on March 12. After singing at the rally the choir went to the municipal auditorium in Asheville to sing before 3000 people at a fashion show sponsored by Ivey's Department Store of the same city.

The Young People-Adult seminar for the Asheville and Waynesville districts will be held at Brevard College on March 25 and 26, under the direction of Rev. M. Teague Hipps, conference director of young peoples' work. The young people and adults who attend will use the college facilities. Wayne Kernodle, student leader at Brevard and conference president of young people, will assist Mr. Hipps with the program. Other people expected to help are: Revs. Luther A. Bennett of Brevard College, McMurray Richey of Asheville, and Earl Brewer of Salisbury. This will be the second such seminar at Brevard in as many years.

The majority of the students of Brevard were present at the opening of the Religious Emphasis Week program last Sunday at the Brevard Methodist church. This interest continued throughout the week, as Mr. Kale challenged the students to the Christian way of living. The students are indebted to Mr. Kale for his fine lectures, and the outstanding part he had in the program of the week. The services ended with a consecration service in the college chapel.

Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the Advocate campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The ½ will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum.

In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

Asheville

Central, W. A. Stanbury	20
Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton	9
Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wilkinson	7
Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham	4
French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler	2
Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea	2
Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman	1

Charlotte

Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald	35
Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper	4½
Polkton, C. W. Russell	3½
Calvary, S. M. Needham	2
Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman	1
Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey	1
Ansonville, O. P. Ader	1

Elkin

Mocksville, E. M. Avett	19½
Boone, P. W. Townsend	11½
Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner	9
Elkin, H. F. Duncan	5½
W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood	5
Sparta, L. F. Strader	5
Yadkinville, John H. Green	4
Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint	4
Farmington, J. W. Vestal	3
Advance, P. L. Smith	3
Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene	3
Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley	3
Watauga, J. W. Parker	3
Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt	2
N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock	2½
St. Paul, L. C. Stevens	2½
Davie, A. W. Lynch	2½
Green Valley, M. L. Chappel	2½
Jonesville, D. B. Mullis	2
Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant	2
Ararat, G. B. Gwyn	2
Creston, J. R. Short	2
Dobson, R. G. McClamrock	2
Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt	2
Helton, R. J. Starling	2
Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles	1½
Jefferson, Hugh D. Jesup	1½
Warrensville, J. G. Wootton, Jr.	1
Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr.	1

Gastonia

Boger City, E. L. Kirk	11
Cleveland, T. G. Madison 4NN	10½
Fallston, J. M. Morgan	9½
Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey	5
Belwood, G. W. Clay	1½
Lowell, C. O. Kennerly	1
Lowesville, J. A. Howell	1

Greensboro

Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	21½
Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger	13
Calvary, R. C. Stubbins	5
Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee	4½
Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess	4
Haw River, C. W. Bates	4
Grace, J. Elwood Carroll	4
Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham	3½
Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy	2
West End, R. M. Andrews	2

St. Paul, A. D. Shelton	1½
Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse	1
Stokesdale, W. T. Albright	1
Midway, E. P. Hamilton	1
College Place, R. M. Courtney	1

High Point

Shiloh, C. E. Ridge	9½
Denton-Central, G. L. Curry	9
First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr.	5½
Randleman, J. R. Anderson	4½
Denton, First, C. E. Williams	3
Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox	3
Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger	3
Central, J. W. Braxton	3
First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr.	2½
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, H. L. Isley	2
Central, J. W. Braxton	1
Coleridge, T. J. Huggins	1
Why Not, C. H. Hill	1

Marion

Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward	1½
Bald Creek, J. N. Snow	1
Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace	1
Spindale, F. J. Stough	1

Statesville

North Newton, C. A. Morrison	28
Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham	7
Elmwood, Y. D. Poole	1
Maiden, J. G. Winkler	6
Central, John W. Moore	3
Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk	1
Bethel, E. H. Lowman	1
Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs	1

Salisbury

Norwood, C. G. Hefner	7
Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner	6
Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt	5
Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins	3
Main Street, C. G. Isley	3
Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge	2
Bethpage, R. W. McCulley	1
Friendship, E. A. Cook	1
Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker	1

Waynesville

Crabtree, W. H. Nease	2
Hayesville, J. C. Gentry	1½
Bethel, J. W. Blich	1
Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier	1

Winston-Salem

Erlanger, J. O. Ervin	14½
First, Lexington, H. G. Allen	8
Community, J. C. Auman	6½
Grace, R. L. Forbis	6
First, J. E. Pritchard	5
N. Davidson, O. B. Williams	3
Forsyth, C. W. Kirby	2½
First, J. T. Bowman	2
West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree	1
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris	1
Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way	1
Centenary, G. Ray Jordan	1
Main Street, L. F. Tuttle	1
Winston Ct., V. A. Morton	1
Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison	1

Durham

Davis St., F. W. Paschall	15
Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox	9½
Orange, C. P. Morris	4½
Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds	4½
Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr.	3
Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser	3
Milton, D. I. Garner	2½
Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps	2
Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson	2
Brooksdale, D. A. Petty	1½
Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love	1½
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe	1½
Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth	1
Person Ct., E. G. Overton	1

Elizabeth City

Williamston, S. J. Starnes	14
Perquimans, J. D. Cranford	1½
Columbia, A. C. Thompson	2
Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon	1
Currituck, J. C. Harmon	1
Windsor, H. F. Surratt	1

Fayetteville

Person St.-Calvary, M. W. Warren	12
Sanford, Allen P. Brantley	10
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins	5
Hemp, J. D. Robinson	2
Lane, J. D. A. Autry	1½
Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons	1
Hay Street, R. E. Brown	1
Carthage, W. G. Farrar	1
Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette	1

New Bern

Mt. Olive-Calypto, R. G. Dawson	4
Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison	2½
Pink Hill, R. E. Walston	1½
Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens	1

Raleigh

Fairmont, H. M. McLamb	13½
Fuquay, E. C. Durham	12
Henderson, B. C. Reavis	9
Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes	5½
City Road-White Mem., J. K. Worthington	5½
Granville, J. P. Pegg	3
Selma, O. L. Hathaway	3
Edenton St., J. C. Glenn	2
Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee	1½
Hayes Barton, Leon Russell	1

Rocky Mount

Whitakers, A. M. Williams	2½
Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane	2
Marvin, N. W. Grant	2
Enfield, B. D. Critcner	1½
Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome	1½
Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington	1½
Warrenton, J. O. Long	1½
Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer	1
First, E. L. Hillman	1
Kenley, R. M. Hall	1

Wilmington

Southport, R. S. Harrison	6
Fairmont, F. B. Joyner	2
Trinity, R. L. Jerome	1
Grace, J. F. Herbert	1

BOARDS OF STEWARDS 100%

Central, Asheville, W. A. Stanbury.	
Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle.	
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins.	
Williamston, S. J. Starnes.	
Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee.	
N. Newton, C. A. Morrison.	
Saluda, E. M. Graham.	

REPORT IN ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN BY DISTRICTS

District	No. Charges
Elkin	29
Greensboro	16
Winston-Salem	16
Durham	14
High Point	12
Raleigh	10
Fayetteville	9
Salisbury	9
Statesville	8
Rocky Mount	8
Gastonia	7
Asheville	7
Charlotte	7
Elizabeth City	6
New Bern	4
Waynesville	4
Wilmington	4
Marion	4

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HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE

We are giving below the list of offerings to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise for the first quarter of the conference year, November, December and January. In one column are shown the fourth Sunday offerings sent to Rev. C. K. Proctor, Oxford, and in the other the amounts sent to Miss Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs, for the Young People's Special.

Durham District		
	4th Sun.	Y.P.M.S.
Bahama, Mt. Bethel ..	\$ 2.25	
Chapel Hill, Chp. Hill ..		2.56
Burlington, Front St...	30.99	20.00
Webb Ave.	13.74	
Bynum, Bynum		6.00
Carrboro, Orange ...	2.00	
Duke Ct., Duke's Chp.		3.00
Durham, Calvary ..		5.00
Duke Memorial	45.71	
Lakewood	2.13	
West Durham	6.46	
Graham, Graham	48.55	
Leasburg, Hebron		3.00
Leasburg	6.20	
Mebane, Central	11.49	
Person Ct., Concord...	3.57	
Warren's Grove		10.00
Roxboro, Long Mem...	32.03	
Roxboro Ct., Grace ..	1.80	
Longhurst	1.00	
Yanceyville, Shady Gr.		3.00
Yanceyville		8.00
Total	207.92	60.56
Elizabeth City District		
Aulander, Colerain ...	3.00	
Chowan, Anderson ...	2.25	
Center Hill .....	.20	
Evans	4.94	
Edenton, Edenton	12.42	
Elizabeth City, City Rd.	9.20	
Hertford, Hertford ...	15.46	
Kitty Hawk, Boaz....	8.76	
Duck	2.34	
Mattamuskeet, Englh'd	4.96	
Watson's	3.28	
N. Gates, Kittrells ...	2.00	
Pasquotank, Union ...		5.00
Perquimans, Epworth .	3.66	
S. Mills, McBride's ..	2.85	
Newland	3.00	
Trinity	5.92	
S. Camden, Sign Pine		6.00
Swan Quarter, Providence	3.46	
Wanchese, Wanchese .	10.00	5.00
Total	97.70	16.00
Fayetteville District		
Biscoe, Biscoe	5.80	
Broadway, Broadway ..	4.51	
Fayetteville, Hay St...	27.74	
Person Street	5.09	
Fayetteville Ct., Camp Gd.	2.13	
Hamlet, Hamlet	6.47	
Hemp, Bascom	1.00	
Jonesboro, Jonesboro..	6.00	
Lemon Springs	4.98	
Laurinburg, Laurinburg		4.50
Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead	60.00	9.00
Rockingham Ct., Trinity	13.84	
Sanford, Steele St. ...	18.01	6.47

St. John-Gibson, Gibson	8.76	
Stedman		3.00
Total	164.33	22.97
New Bern District		
Atlantic, Summerfield.	.50	
Ayden, Ayden	2:50	
Beaufort, Ann St.	7.00	
Dover, Asbury	1.00	
Dover	8.60	
Fremont, Fremont ...		25.00
Goldsboro, St. Paul ..		.60
Goldsboro Ct., Daniels Ch.	4.00	
Salem	2.84	
Greenville, Jarvis Mem.	4.15	
Grimesland, Salem ...	1.36	
Hookerton, Hookerton	2.59	
Rainbow	3.33	
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Mt.		
Olive	12.46	
Mt. Olive Ct., Providence	1.00	
Pamlico, Bayboro	1.09	
Pink Hill, Pink Hill..	2.53	
Webb's Chapel	1.50	
Seven Springs-Beston	1.40	
Vanceboro, Vanceboro	2.30	
Total	60.15	25.60
Raleigh District		
Banson, Banson	38.00	
Cary-Apex, Apex	2.50	
Cary	73.93	
Creedmoor, Banks....	8.50	
Bullocks	2.75	
Four Oaks, Antioch ..	8.42	
Franklin, Franklinton	5.27	
Mamebrs, Spring Hill..	5.36	
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion..	3.79	
Raleigh, Edenton St...	67.00	
Epworth	3.00	5.25
Fairmont	21.04	
Tar River, Plank Chp.	5.20	
Trinity	15.06	2.00
Total	259.82	7.25
Rocky Mount District		
Bethel, Bethel	6.00	
Conway, Bethany	7.35	
Severn	3.35	
Elm City, Mt. Zion ..	2.41	
Halifax, Halifax .....	.68	
Kenly, Lucama .....	.50	
Middleburg, Cokesbury	2.83	
Moncure, Moncure ....	.50	
Norlina, Zion	1.00	
No. Hampton, Jackson	50.02	
Rocky Mt., First Curch	32.34	18.00
Rosemary, New Hope..	8.12	
Scotland Neck, Hobgood	1.00	
Seaboard, Pleasant Gr.	.74	5.00
Sharon .....	.52	
Stantonsburg, Tabernacle	.95	
Warren, Providence ..	2.05	
Warren, Macon	9.00	
Warren Plains	2.89	
Warrenton	6.25	
Wilson, First Church..	17.86	
Total	156.36	23.00
Wilmington District		
Burgaw, Burgaw		3.25
Chadbourn, Chadbourn	3.00	
Elizabeth, Singletery .	1.06	
Elizabethtown, Wesley	.65	
Fairmont, Trinity	12.00	
Faison-Kenansv'l,Faison	6.37	

Kings	1.80	
Garland, Centenary ..	4.75	
Hallsboro, Hallsboro ..	2.15	
Jacksonville-Richlands,		
Richlands	3.50	
Lumberton, Chestnut St.		.80
Maysville, Mayville ..	2.00	
St. Pauls, St. Pauls ..	4.51	
Town Creek, Zion ...	2.21	
Whiteville,Whiteville ..		1.50
Wilmington, Epworth ..	12.35	
Fifth Avenue	9.00	
Grace	14.00	
Trinity	34.98	
Wesley Memorial ...	7.41	
Total	121.74	5.55

Summary			
District	4th Sun.	Y.P.M.S.	Total
Durham	\$ 207.92	\$ 60.56	\$ 268.48
Elizabeth City	97.70	16.00	113.70
Fayetteville	164.33	22.97	187.30
New Bern ..	60.15	25.60	85.75
Raleigh	259.82	7.25	267.07
Rocky Mount	156.36	23.00	179.36
Wilmington .	121.74	5.55	127.29
Total	1068.02	160.93	1228.95

MARCH 24

March 24 is the last fourth Sunday of the fiscal year of our Home and Foreign Misisonary Enterprise. Thus far during the year the offering in our conference for this enterprise just about equals the offering at the corresponding date last year. We think this is a fine achievement when we consider the bad weather on a number of our fourth Sundays during the winter.

We are very anxious that the fourth Sunday observance in March be on a wider scale than ever in our conference. Since the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise was inaugurated, our conference has made an increase each year in its offering to this Enterprise. It is one of the four conferences in the church that has made this record. A wide observance of the day and a prompt remittance of the offering will make it possible for this record to be maintained. To be included in this fiscal year's report offerings must be in the hands of our treasurer, Rev. C. K. Proctor, Oxford, N. C., not later than March 27.

We would like to call attention to the fact that 40 per cent of the contributions made on the fourth Sunday for this Enterprise goes to the support of our own Conference Christian Education program. Our conference board is dependent upon this source for approximately 40 per cent of its income; therefore, when a church contributes to this Enterprise, it is not only supporting our missionary program around the world but it is also helping to promote our program throughout the conference.

Who will show us how to find the eternal springs of peace and joy? Who will help us to draw upon the eternal resources of inward power? We may hold it as settled that we cannot change the world from ways of war to ways of peace, nor can we rebuild the social order on right lines for future generations without the influence and guidance and inspiration of vital religion.

—Rufus M. Jones.

HOW WOULD THIS DO FOR A GOAL?

By John Q. Schisler

No goal is worth much that does not represent the thoughtful choice of those who must attempt to achieve it. Therefore, in the effort which the general board and the conference boards of Christian education have made to increase church school enrolment and attendance during the past few years no goals have been assigned to local churches by these boards. The pastor and his workers in the local church school have been encouraged to study their own situation and to decide for themselves what their goal of increase during the year should be.

By all working together the total enrollment of our church schools has been increased by 185,000 in the last two years. We must continue this effort again this year. There are still multiplied thousands of our people in our two Southern jurisdictions who are untouched by the teaching ministry of the church and who never darken the door of any church. They must be reached for their own sakes and for the sake of the church.

As a local church board of Christian education or a workers' council faces the challenge of its own community to do something to build up its church school, it does like to have some suggestions as to a possible goal or aim of achievement. Merely as a suggestion, therefore, to be considered by each local church in the light of its own possibilities, we are proposing the following as a goal for this year:

EACH CHURCH MEMBER A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL.

EACH CHURCH SCHOOL MEMBER A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH.

Why such a goal?

In the first place, every member of the church ought to be a member of the church school, either as an attending member or as a home member. In the second place, every member of the church school should be either an actual member of the church or a potential member of the church. Of course, the church school should not confine its efforts to increase its enrollment and attendance to persons who are already members of the church. It should reach out after the multitudes who are not now members of any church and it should aim at leading them into membership in the church from the beginning of their contact with the church school.

It will be easy for any church to discover what its goal is by finding what is the difference between its church membership and its church school enrollment. That difference would constitute its goal for increase in church school enrollment for the year.

How can this goal be attained?

It would seem that there are only a few things necessary to be done in reaching this goal.

1. Enlist every member of the church as an attending member of the church school if possible.

2. Organize an active nursery department (cradle roll) for the babies who are too young to attend the church school, and an adult home department for the adults who cannot attend or

who are not yet willing to attend. (This will involve the careful selection of a superintendent of each of these departments and the ordering of the necessary literature for the members).

3. Solicit every person in the community who is not already a member of some church school to become a member of your school.

4. Put on a program of evangelism in your church school which shall aim at leading every member of the school to become a member of the church.

5. Report your goal for increase in church school enrollment to your district superintendent.

If you want to attempt this plan in your church, write to the Department of the Local Church, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., for free literature.

GOD'S EXTRA

Our calendar this year has an extra day—February 29. It is God's extra.

God wasn't satisfied with making a flower. He threw in the fragrance as an extra. Often he does the same thing. When he makes the bird, he adds the song. When he makes the sunset, he gets his paint brush and adds the coloring. When he sent Christ and gave us Christianity he made it the religion of extras. Real Christianity always shows God's extra touch. Our Saviour, who practiced every word that he ever preached, told us about an extra mile; extra forgiveness; extra love; extra service. Sir Rider Haggard's tribute to the Salvation Army has been singing down the years. Although he does not use the phrase he commends it for giving an extra touch. Because Christ is in it his tribute is true: "Wherever there is a broken, hopeless man or woman; whenever there is an outrageous, open offender, a persistent drunkard or drug fiend, a poor girl in trouble, a babe of shameful birth doomed to neglect, misery or death; wherever there is a starving stomach, a would-be suicide, a reviler of all that is holy, a doer of all that is ill, there, almost from pole to pole, you will find the Salvation Army to comfort, to uplift, to feed the body and the spirit and to prove that out of the foulest sinners may be fashioned the greatest saints." There you have Christ's extra touch through the Army. I have seen that same touch, operating through the agency from which the Army derives most of its material support, viz., the Christian church.—The United Presbyterian.

AN EASTER THOUGHT

The Easter time is a morning clime.
The shadows have flown away.
The darkness of night, with fear and fright

Brings refreshment and strength for the day.

If a man die, said Job with a sigh,
Will his spirit its life retain?
Perhaps in death it gets new breath
From the breeze of yonder domain.

Why should we pause to fathom the cause

Of frustration and fear, and fail
To hear in the depth, eternally kept,
The glad resurrection "All Hail!"

E. M. Avett.

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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DELEGATES VS. COURTESY

The Methodist women of Henderson are making plans for the entertainment of the delegates to the 28th annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, North Carolina Conference, on April 1, 2 and 3. Their plans will be much more easily accomplished if names of delegates, one dollar, and the name of the district for each are sent to Mrs. R. S. Johnson, 299 Gholson Ave., Henderson, as soon as possible.

MEMORIAL ROLL

All names of auxiliary members who have been deceased during the past year should be sent at once to Mrs. E. L. Hillman, 728 Eastern Ave., Rocky Mount, N. C. These names will be placed on the memorial roll and read at the memorial service, which is an established feature of the annual conference of the woman's missionary society.

PROVISIONAL CONFERENCE

Delegates to the Provisional meeting to be held during the annual conference in First church, Henderson, are expected to be present on Monday, April 1, at 4 p. m., when Bishop Peele will convene the meeting.

NORTHAMPTON ZONE MEETS

The Northampton zone in the Rocky Mount district met in the auditorium of Lasker school on February 22. Mrs. W. P. Stephenson presided. Mrs. Will Brown gave the welcome and the zone leader responded. Mrs. J. H. Ramsey led the devotional. At the roll call presidents of auxiliaries gave reports. Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary, gave her report, which showed progress in the zone and the entire district. Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference superintendent of study, was the principal speaker, using the topic, "Advancing the Kingdom of God." The afternoon session was devoted to officers' training. Mrs. Howard Long, on behalf of the zone, pledged loyalty to the new leader and expressed appreciation to the Lasker-New Hope auxiliary for the hospitality. Bringing the meeting to a close was an impressive pledge service led by Mrs. Fred Johnson.

Mrs. D. L. Boone.

A NEW CIRCLE AT MAXTON

The young women and the business women of St. Paul Methodist church, Maxton, met on Monday evening, February 6, for the purpose of organizing a new circle. It was decided that the name of the circle should be the Sallie Lou McKinnon circle, since this is Miss McKinnon's home church. The following officers were elected: Chairman, Mrs. T. R. Jenkins; co-chairman, Miss Lucy Wesley; secretary and treasurer, Miss Ruth Cottingham; ways and

means, Mrs. Morrison McKenzie. A very enthusiastic group were present at the first meeting and six new members were added at the second meeting.

Ruth Cottingham.

LIFE MEMBERS

At the recent meeting of the Northampton zone life memberships were presented to Mrs. J. E. Wall and Mrs. T. T. Stephenson. Baby life memberships were presented to Lettie Bridgers Deloatch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Deloatch, and to Medford Taylor, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Medford Taylor, the former a gift of Miss Mabel Garriss and the latter a gift of the Conway auxiliary.

SOUTHERN ZONE MEETING

A large number of women of the Southern zone in the Raleigh district braved the rain and sleet on March 13 and attended the spring meeting which was held in the Four Oaks Methodist church. The chief features of the program were the officers' training, the model auxiliary program presented by a group from the Dunn auxiliary and the noon day devotional. Leading the discussions of the officers' training were Mrs. B. G. Mattox, Smithfield, and Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh. Presenting the model program were Mrs. H. C. Turlington, Mrs. L. M. Hall, Mrs. H. O. Mattox and Mrs. Hugh Prince. Mrs. H. J. Faison, conference vice president, led the women in the noon day devotional, impressing them with the importance of the part of women in the advancement of God's kingdom and the necessity of looking forward to larger visions, higher ideals, divine outpourings, God's promises and the unfinished task. Solos were rendered by Mrs. I. S. Richmond, Erwin, and Mrs. Roy Johnson, Four Oaks. Rev. J. C. Whedbee led the opening devotional. Mrs. H. A. Bizzell, Newton Grove, leader of the zone, presided. A delightful fellowship hour was enjoyed during the luncheon hour.

JOINT STUDY CLASS

Mrs. Selma Harrell of Woodland church and Miss Doris Lewis, Oak Grove church—both on the Perquimons charge in the Elizabeth City district—write that these two auxiliaries held a joint Bible study class, using the book "Songs of Zion." The first meeting was held at Woodland on February 29 with Mrs. Selma Harrell, Mrs. Emmitt Stallings and Mrs. George Jackson taking part on the program. The last meeting was held at Oak Grove on March 7. Mrs. C. P. Quincy was in charge of the devotionals. A duet was sung by Mrs. Selma Harrell and Mrs. Evelyn Benton, accompanied at the piano by Miss Doris Lewis. Rev. J. D. Cranford, pastor, gave the closing chapter of the book. These meetings were well attended and were an inspiration to all.

CONTROL FAILS IN DURHAM

Why is it, a citizen of Durham asked, that people that make liquor, that handle liquor, cannot keep faith with the people?

He further said the voters of Durham, disgusted with the sale of whiskey here by blind tigers and bootleggers, a sorry condition at its best, were told that if they voted in the ABC stores that the sale of liquor in Durham would be restricted, that crime of drunkenness would decrease, that bootleggers would have to go out of business, that the sale would not be made a commercial proposition, that the question was a moral and not a political question and that politics would and should not enter into it, that the profits, if there should be any, would go to decrease taxes. Now the spenders of the ABC stores were on the whole honest and sincere in their statements; some of our most substantial church-going citizens assured the people that it was a moral question for them to decide, should they have liquor control or should they continue the shame of the many bootlegging joints in Durham.

But whatever the good intentions of the sponsors were, as soon as the election was over all of these promises were forgotten by those that were put in charge of the business.

The business was commercialized to the highest degree, advertisements were seen in our daily papers, and if reports are correct dozen and dozens of quarts of whiskey were and are being given away by the ABC management to customers, friends and political favorites.

All business firms advertise to increase business; they advertise in the daily papers, in other ways, and patent medicine people give away samples to increase their business. They do this to increase sales and make more money.

But the voters of Durham were told that this was to be an Alcohol Board of Control—to have the whiskey for the people if they wanted it, but it was understood, or the voters thought that it was not going to be a commercialized proposition.

One is forced to the conclusion that the claim of the prohibitionists that a man dealing in liquor can not keep his hands clean is correct.

That the stores here are doing a million dollar business a year is nothing to the credit of the people of Durham. The claim that some of this whiskey is sold to people living in Orange and other dry counties, our neighbors who have voted against it, is not to the credit of the good people of Durham.

It is also said that small bootleggers in the counties north and west of Durham (dry counties) buy their supply of whiskey here. That may be so and it may not be so, yet it is slightly hard to believe that the citizens of Durham consume one million dollars worth of whiskey per year.—Editorial in The News Journal.

Hooked crosses in the mosaic design of a synagogue floor, discovered recently by a Belgian archaeologist near Hama, in northern Syria, show that the Jews used the swastika about 1,500 years ago.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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THE LARGER VISION

By Hazel M. Kerr

Easter lifts our vision to the skies,
No longer seeking in the darkened tomb
For loves that we have lost, our up-
turned eyes
Behold a radiant Presence in the
gloom;
And through the resurrection light we
see
The beckoning hillcrests of Eternity.

"Truly life is part song, part sob; half jubilate, half miserere." The pendulum swings from a smile to a tear, from agony to ecstasy. Christianity's finest emblem blends two extremes; the cross of suffering and defeat, the crown of victory and triumph. "A cross encircled by a crown, a crown growing around a cross; a cross haloed by a crown, a crown won by a cross."—L. R. Akers, in Upper Room.

Jesus touched the cross and turned it from an emblem of shame to an emblem of victory; Jesus touched the tomb and turned it from an emblem of sadness and gloom to an emblem of release and gladness. As Thomas A. Kempis wrote: "In the Cross is salvation; in the Cross is life; in the Cross is strength of mind; in the Cross is joy of spirit."—Arthur Barner, in Upper Room.

Those who have loved longest love best. A friend may be often found and lost, but an old friend can never be found, and nature has provided that he cannot be easily lost.—Johnson.

PROVISIONAL MEETING PLANS

The committee on plans for the provisional meetings in the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church met in Greensboro January 30 with each of the three uniting churches represented.

The plan decided upon by the committee for meeting expenses of provisional meetings is for all auxiliaries to take a voluntary offering for the purpose in March and send it with other March payments to woman's conference or branch treasurers marked "For Provisional Delegate Fund."

We trust that all delegates to the Western North Carolina Provisional conference will be present at the meeting called by Bishop Purcell for 2 p. m. April 18, at First Methodist church, Salisbury.

Mrs. R. C. Kennedy,
President Woman's Work,
former M. E. Church.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver,
President Woman's Work,
former M. E. Church, So.

Mrs. R. M. Andrews,
President Woman's Work,
former M. P. Church.

DELEGATES TO ANNUAL MEETING IN SALISBURY

Each year at our annual meetings we find that the names of many delegates are not sent in until a day or two before the meeting and often not sent in at all. This neglect in sending in the names works a hardship on those who provide for our entertainment in the hostess city, which this year is Salisbury, date of Meeting April 16-18. Several weeks ago the district secretaries were supplied with blanks for names of delegates to be sent to the presidents of the auxiliaries and returned to the secretaries not later than March 15, so that they might reach the entertainment committee in good time and prevent any confusion in providing homes for those who might be sent as delegates. Has every president of every local auxiliary in our conference filled out one of these blanks and sent it in to her district secretary? If not, will you attend to it at once, please. It means so much to the entertainment committee to receive the names of delegates promptly.

MATERIALS

At the request of Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., chairman International Relations and World Peace of our Conference Bureau of C. S. Relations, we give the list of materials available to be used in the work of the department of C. S. Relations in the local auxiliaries:

1. The General Federation of Women's Clubs, Dept. International Relations, Mrs. Frederic Beggs, Chm., Low Chimneys, Wycoff, N. J., will have the following materials available: (1) One day programs, (2) Plans for series of programs, (3) Study and discussion outlines, (4) Suggestions for book reviews, (5) Recommended plays and pageants, (6) Children's games of other lands, (7) Building a world community, (8) Propaganda and democracy.

2. Foreign Policy Association reports are published bi-monthly. A complete list of publications may be secured by writing to 8 W. 40th Street, New York, N. Y.

3. Pamphlet material from the following sources is recommended: (1) League of Nations Association, 8 W. 40th Street, New York; (2) New Commonwealth Association, 545 Fifth Ave., New York; (3) Propaganda Analysis Institute, 130 Morningside Drive, New York. (4) Institute of Pacific Relations, 129 E 52nd St., New York; (5) Pan-American Union, Washington, D. C.; (6) Peace Section of the American Friends Service Committee, 20 South 12th St., Philadelphia, Pa.; (7) Methodist Board of Missions, Literature Headquarters, 712 Doctors' Building, Nashville, Tenn.; (8) "America's Stake in the Present War and the Future World Order." Reprint from Fortune for January, 1940.

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PALM SUNDAY

It was a beautiful day. The weather was fine. The children were well. The Sunday school service here on the Home grounds were interesting and the services over town at Centenary were challenging. Another time we reminded ourselves of the Triumphal Entry, of the adoration of the common people for Jesus and his love for them. In the afternoon our youngsters flew kites, socialized with one another and at the close of the day gathered in their respective places to thank their heavenly Father for the privileges they have, the joys that come to them and for their Saviour, Jesus Christ, the lover of children.

HAPPY JOINERS

Following a series of five Sunday afternoons of cultivation and explanation on the part of Rev. E. Wannamaker Hardin, our assistant minister and the children's friend, 42 of our boys and girls joined Centenary Methodist church on Palm Sunday. They joined with a group of other boys and girls who came from other areas of the congregation and were made happy over the realization that they belong to a church which provides for them. Already they are arranging to give little contributions out of their honorarium money "to help the church along." Church joining with our children is much sought after. It is not a question of hesitancy but rather of "When will I be old enough to join the church?" So it is no wonder that the children fittingly breathed the religious atmosphere that surrounded them as they were baptized into the church by their pastor, Dr. G. Ray Jordan.

MARY WAS OUT

Mary was a little older than most of the children who were candidates for church membership and at first felt a little out of place with so many smaller children. She had only recently come to the Children's Home from a situation where the church was not emphasized. But as Mr. Hardin went along with his teaching Mary became very much interested and her face beamed over the prospect of becoming a church member. It portrayed a re-kindled interest in her soul. As fate would have it, in the midst of the dark hours of the night Mary was stricken with appendicitis and had to be hurried to the hospital only a few days before she was to join the church. As she lay on the bed waiting for the anesthetic she keeps saying, "I wish this could have waited till after next Sunday when I was to join the church." Mary is recovering nicely from her operation and in the run of a few Sun-

days the girl snatched from sin can join the church, made possible by people whose lives have been more or less patterned after that of Jesus Christ.

A DOLLAR DRESS

Came a woman into a local department store asking for a dress for a child at an orphanage, not the Children's Home, but one somewhere else, as the story was reported. On looking at a bunch of dresses the potential purchaser was reminded by the saleslady that they had been laid aside for girls at the Children's Home. When told that they were marked at \$1.98 the lady said, "That's too much. A dollar is enough to spend on any orphan's dress." And away the woman went to buy a dollar dress.

CLOTHES CONSCIOUS

We here at the Children's Home have a variety of feelings relative to our children. We are never too cer-



Hands and marbles fill two pockets

tain when we have struck on the right one. Some of our mental concern centers around the clothing our youngsters wear. Since the older ones go to the city high school and from the beginning of the junior period they go over town to church, it is necessary to select their clothing with some regard to appearance. If "clothing makes the man" clothing has something to do with the make-up of a youngster. While some of our youngsters appear to have very little judgment about when to wear certain types of clothing, we are going through the process of helping them have good taste relative to the selection of their clothing, good sense relative to the care of them and some degree of pride relative to what they have to wear. Clothing has its place in doing away with an inferiority complex. Just any old garment is not good enough for our children.

COUNTING THE COST

There are those who on seeing the appearance of our campus and the wearing apparel of our children ex-

press some inquiry as to the cost of the up-keep of our children. To such inquiring friends we are always glad to state that our daily per capita cost is less than that of similar surrounding child caring institutions. While our clothing cost is in advance of the average of other similar institutions, according to the Duke Endowment report, our savings in other departments, particular administration, is such as to reduce the total to a less amount. Great savings can be had in proper purchases. Knowing how and where to buy is worth something to an undertaking such as ours.

NEW FRIENDS

On last Sunday evening in response to a cordial invitation from Rev. C. J. Winslow, our singing class visited the Morris Chapel congregation, near Walkertown, a station formerly listed as a Methodist Episcopal congregation. Since the uniting of Methodism Brother Winslow and his good people have entered wholeheartedly into the support of the Children's Home, and for that reason, as well as others, we were glad to visit with them and enjoy their hospitality. Our new friends at Morris Chapel are keeping up to date their contributions to the needs of our family and we are trying to keep up to date our thanks for their fine consideration. Brother Winslow is in great favor with his people.

WHAT'S POCKETS FOR?

There Wilbur stands with his hands in his pockets. There are in those pockets in addition to hands a lot of marbles rolling around between fingers and up and down in the enclosure. These are marble days and pockets are bulging. It is remarkable how many marbles can be collected among a large group of boys. This marble boy, Wilbur Horney by name, is not sponsored. To be sure, Vernon and Thomas, older brothers, have sponsors but Wilbur has only marbles.

WILLING AND READY

We not only receive many applications for the admission of children but also many applications come to us for those who wish to work here with our children. Most of the applications run along conventional lines, but the following one has an element of unusual interest in it: "I am writing you in regard to work in your institution for a nurse, matron, dining room, or anything else that you have. I have experience in all these lines which I have just mentioned. I finished high school, do not smoke or use snuff and am not nervous. Very fond of children and have lots of patience with them. Can furnish the best of references on hand."

REMINING OUR FRIENDS

A line or two are added in order to remind our friends that March has a fifth Sunday, a Children's Home Sunday. The Sunday following Easter will bring our church school friends an opportunity for giving free will offerings for the sustenance and direction of our boys and girls. We feel sure that the March giving will be very encouraging.

THE METHODIST
ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

REMEMBER—March has a fifth Sunday. All church schools are requested and urged to make a free will offering each fifth Sunday for the benefit of the Methodist Orphanage. Since our need is urgent, I feel confident that all church schools will do their best for the Methodist Orphanage this coming fifth Sunday.

Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows about the visit of our singing class to Stantonsburg charge last Sunday: "The class is quite happy to be out again in concert work. We have had few appointments during the cold weather. On March 10 we filled the 11 o'clock appointment in Stantonsburg. This is Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Goldston's first year there. We were at Evansdale, on the same charge, for the afternoon. The minister, his wife and the congregations were gracious in their reception of the class."

COACH COOMBS—Last Sunday afternoon Coach Jack Coombs of Duke University, addressed our young people. For thirty minutes he held them spellbound. He related many interesting experiences he had while playing big league baseball. The boys were urged to play the game of life fair and square. They will always remember hearing one of the nation's greatest players and an outstanding coach. The Orphanage is greatly indebted to Coach Coombs for his timely and helpful address. A warm welcome will always be extended him whenever he can come our way again.

EASTER—This coming Sunday is Easter, and we are looking forward to a large gathering of former sons and

daughters. For years it has been the custom for many of the old boys and girls to return to the home of their childhood during the Easter holidays. Many years ago an Alumni Association was organized for the purpose of creating greater loyalty to the home. Each year the Alumni Association sponsors some special project for the good of alma mater. As the Orphanage grows older, and our boys and girls succeed in life, the Alumna Association will be a valuable asset to the Orphanage from several standpoints.

CHALLENGE—The Methodist Orphanage furnishes a fine opportunity to people of means to make a permanent investment on a large scale. There are so many things beyond our reach when we depend upon our present financial system. It taxes my resources to the limit to raise sufficient funds for our operating expenses. There are many things needed at the Methodist Orphanage, which only people with means can supply. This situation presents a great challenge to our Methodist people who are in good financial circumstances. An investment in memorials of various kinds at the Methodist Orphanage would pay the largest dividends in the consciousness of the fact of service well rendered.

MACHINE SMASHED

The Huey Long machine of Louisiana was wrecked on the primary vote of the people. It was one of the most spectacular machines ever built and operated in this country. It was manufactured out of the disgust of the people of Louisiana with the rotten political regime that held undisputed sway in that state for years. That old regime became a breeding place for the discontent that brought Huey Long to the front. Out of gratitude to him the people gave him the power of a dictator. Which power he abused along with the patience of the citizens of the state. Once having given him that power it was no small task to regain it. Huey was killed, but the machines continued to operate even though lesser men fought each other for the driver's seat. Finally Huey's brother Earl became the undisputed driver and he was not the driver his brother was. The people finally saw that they had only swapped the pot for the kettle. The show-down came in last week's primary. The result of that primary was that the people of Louisiana took back the state. Now both rotten machines are in the junk yard and the present leader, Mr. Sam H. Jones, successful candidate for governor, declares that the state is and will be under the control of the people themselves. Louisiana has therefore passed from a dictatorship to a democracy. The new governor and his associates are going to have a hard time removing the obnoxious junk. They have been told to go ahead with the spring cleaning. There are laws to be junked, high-ups to be sent to prison and debts to pay. But all of this will be done in due time.—Charity and Children.

A man, sir, should keep his friend-ship in repair.—Dr. Johnson.

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WHEN THE WORLD WANTED TO PLAY

"I'm tired of washing dishes, of dusting and making the beds. I'm not going to help you today, mother," said Nell. "Mary and Margaret don't do any work at home and have so much more time to play than I have. I'm going to play with them today."

"All right," said mother, "you try your own way for the day. I want none but willing helpers about me."

Nell picked up her doll and her skates and gaily ran out to join Mary and Margaret who always could play. They skated and had lots of fun until Nell fell down and hurt her knee and started to run to the house so mother could doctor and bandage it just as she always had, but she stopped when she remembered that she wasn't helping mother today and couldn't ask her to stop and bandage her knee. It would have felt better but—

"Oh, well," she thought, "it soon will stop hurting if I just go on and forget it." Turning to Mary and Margaret she said, "Let's play dolls now."

Nell's doll had pretty dresses that her mother had made for it, but the other girls had only the dresses that they could make.

"Mother hasn't time to sew for our dolls," said Mary, "she has too much else to do."

Nell thought how tired their mother always looked and wondered if she could not look better and have more time for them, if they helped her sometimes as she helped her mother, but she didn't say anything because she was not helping mother now.

They had a good time, but Nell grew tired of her play long before the day was over. Of course she wouldn't say she was not having as much fun as she thought she was going to have, since she had been the one who had thought playing all of the time would please her best.

At night when she told mother good night, she felt a little bit sorry that mother looked tired, but she went on to bed without telling her so, and after falling asleep she had a dream—

The little moon fairies said:

"We're tired of oiling our lamp and hanging it out each night. Little Nell is playing all of the time, why can't we just play too?" So they didn't shine out.

The little stars said:

"We've been shining every night for years and years and we're tired, let's stop and play and not shine out tonight." What a dark night that was, without any moon and stars!

The raindrops came along and said:

"We want to play too. We've always been so busy making things grow that we haven't had time for play. Let's drop our work and join in the fun," and they didn't rain any more.

THE PERFORMING DOG

By Giralda Forbes



I watched a small performing dog,
A little frightened pup,
That missed a hoop, and whimpered
when
His master took him up.

And that sidelight revealed how near
Our pleasure is to pain—
The little dog was beaten so
He would not miss again.

But if we did not find it fun
To see dumb creatures do
The silly things that surely God
Did not intend them to,

They would not have to toil in fear
Their daily bread to win,
For showmen do not teach dogs tricks
That bring no money in.

—Our Dumb Animals.

All along the street that had been shaded with lovely green trees, there were only old stumps with dead branches. In the flower beds around the house and out in the garden where lately blooming flowers of beautiful reds and pinks, purples and gold had been, now there were withered stalks to show where they had grown.

What a strange place that was, without any green trees and growing flowers, and Nell didn't like it at all; and the darkness frightened her. Suddenly waking, she called:

"Mother, oh mother, I'm afraid!"

"I am here, darling," said mother, as she held Nell's hand in hers.

"Oh, mother! I thought you might have stopped mothering me, too," said Nell, as she told of the dreadful dream.

Then she told of the day spent entirely at play and of how tired of play she had grown before night; and she cried:

"Mother, I'm sorry you were so tired tonight because I didn't help you at all. I'll help you tomorrow, just see if I don't. I know now that play isn't fun if I play all the time. There is work to be done and if I don't do my share someone else must do more. I guess the moon and the rain, the stars and the flowers would like sometimes to play too, but they just keep on working, knowing that their jobs must be done and nothing and nobody can do their parts for them. How bad it would be for us all if they did stop their work to play."—The Presbyter-ian Advance.

THE ONE WHO WAS BRAVE

"Elton Tilton is just the bravest boy you ever saw, mother," said Winfred. "One day a big dog came along with his tongue hanging out, and we thought he was mad and scrambled over the fence; but Elton walked right along as calm as ever. He says he isn't afraid of bears or tramps or anything. I wish I were as brave as Elton, but I'm afraid I never will be."

"I heard a story about two boys the other day," said his mother, "and I thought one of them was very brave. They went to school together, and one day they thought it would be great fun to hide a frog in the teacher's desk; but the frog tipped over an ink bottle and spoiled a number of examination papers and other things, and the teacher was very angry. He asked the guilty boy to own his fault like a man and take the punishment he deserved. He put him upon his honor, you see. Well, the older boy, who found the frog and first thought of the joke, sat still in his seat without a blush; but the little boy, though he trembled with fear, went to the desk before the whole school and owned his fault. And he sat for an hour on the dunce's stool, a target for fifty pairs of eyes."

"O mother," cried Winfred, "I was so ashamed! I'll never do anything so mean again as long as I live. How did you know?"

"I heard two boys talking about it as I rode in the car. I was proud of my boy, Winfred; and I pitied Elton Tilton's mother, for I said to myself: 'My boy was brave, but her boy was a coward.'"

"Why, I never thought that was being brave!" said Winfred.—Youth's Companion.

JUST FOR FUN

Teacher—Johnny, what are the seasons?

Johnny—You mean in the United States?

Teacher—Yes, of course.

Johnny—Baseball and football.—Michigan Farmer.

* * *

At the orchestral concert.

Mother (to small daughter who is tying a knot in the corner of her tiny handkerchief): "What are you doing that for, darling?"

Daughter: "Oh, mother, I do want to remember that pretty tune."—Ex.

* * *

Little Betty, watching the farm hands spreading out a stack of hay to dry, could contain her curiosity no longer, so she politely asked:

"Is it a needle you're looking for?"—Ex.

Sunday School Lesson
MARCH 24

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By Rollin H. Walker
Triumph Over Death

Scripture: Matt. 27:57 to 28:15

We should never fail when we study the resurrection stories to take into account Paul's marshaling of the evidence which was written down before any of the Gospels were penned, by one who had personally known the first witnesses (1 Corinthians 15:1-7; Galatians 1:18-19; 2:9).

A pious attempt to reconcile into literal harmony the accounts of the resurrection at the end of the four Gospels lessens rather than increases faith. It is impossible to make them fit together like a picture puzzle. Why not frankly admit that what happened to these stories is the same thing that always happens when a number of people describe some great event, and their varied stories are passed from mouth to mouth?

Varied Views of Events

In a word, why not admit that the same thing has happened to the resurrection stories that has plainly happened to the stories of the crucifixion? They do not agree.

Luke tells us, for instance, that all our Lord's acquaintances and the women that followed with him from Galilee stood afar off, seeing these things. But John, on the other hand, tells us that there were standing at the cross of Jesus his mother and his mother's sister, Mary wife of Cleopas, and Mary Magdalene. Matthew tells us that the robbers also that were crucified with Jesus reproached him, whereas Luke tells us that one of the robbers reviled but the other rebuked him. No one doubts the fact of the crucifixion because these and other details conflict.

Of course, the resurrection is much harder to believe than the crucifixion, but it is also true that we have far more evidence for the resurrection than we have for the crucifixion. The proofs have piled up through the centuries as men have seen the wonderful way that the ascended Christ has re-enforced the proclamation of his victory over death. Any man today can have personal evidence that Christ is alive.

The principal difficulty in harmonizing the stories of the resurrection is found in the command at the end of Matthew and Mark that the disciples go into Galilee, while according to Luke they were commanded to tarry in Jerusalem until they received the power from on high. John, however, combines the appearances of Christ to the apostles in Jerusalem and subsequent appearances in Galilee.

The story of the command to go into Galilee and find Jesus there stresses

the fact that he is not to be deemed a ghost haunting the place where he was executed. They can find him back home, and everywhere. On the other hand, there is no doubt that the descent of the Holy Spirit did come on the day of Pentecost, and that some spiritual admonition had caused these disciples to gather together in Jerusalem and wait for the promised power.

The evidence of the resurrection of Christ is very broadly based. It does not rest merely on the accounts at the ends of the four Gospels, but upon the New Testament as a whole and upon the manifest fact that something altogether extraordinary must have happened to these writers to make their words such dynamos of spiritual and intellectual power for all the ages. It is based also upon the whole subsequent history of the Christian church.

The Gospels plainly show that faith in the resurrection was not the product of a vivid expectation. The women went to the sepulcher not to see if Christ was risen, but with perfumes and ointments with which they were to make a loving and pathetic effort to stave off the signs of decay; and their report that they had seen the angel and that Jesus had appeared to them seemed to the apostles but idle tales. Thomas would not believe the unanimous witness of all his fellow disciples who had seen their risen Lord (John 20:24-25).

The women departed from the sepulcher, we are told, with fear and great joy. Strange combination that! Fear would seem to be the opposite of joy, but not the kind of fear these women had. Their fear came from the sense of being in the presence of divine power and glory, and their joy came from the assurance that this power and glory was on their side and was enlisted for the glorification of Jesus, their Lord. One of the chief lacks of the modern church is the lack of this fear arising from the sense of being in the presence of the eternal majesties, and of the joy of absolute certainty that these eternal majesties are enlisted on the side of Jesus.

Oh, the unspeakable significance of that vision of the risen Christ! In Shakespeare's great tragedy, King Lear rushed in with his loved daughter in his arms, feeling that she was dead and yet hoping that a spark of life was left, said,

If she lives
It is a chance which does redeem all sorrows
That ever I have felt.

And so we say, If Christ is risen, then we have the keys of death and hell, and are not frightened by any tragedy that ever has befallen mankind, or ever will befall them in the future.

Matthew tells us that when Jesus appeared to the Twelve on the mountain some doubted. (Compare Luke 24:36-38). How grateful we are to the evangelists for their utter honesty! Their natural impulses would have been to say that the evidence was so compulsive that they all believed.

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Durham-Hillsboro		April 18
Asheville-Hendersonville		April 19
Winston-Salem-Fair Grove, Thomasville Ct., 9:30		April 19
Waynesville-Rockford		April 19
Gastonia-Rock Springs		May 8
Marion-Old Fort		May 8
Elkin-Friendship Church, Wilkesboro Ct.		May 9
Charlotte-Bethlehem Church, Prospect Chg.		May 16
High Point-High Point College		May 14
Greensboro-Gibsonville		May 14
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Thomasville, May 5-19.
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SECOND ROUND

West Durham, 7:30	March
Eno, 7:30	25
Mount Hermon, Belmont, 11	31
Saxapahaw, Concord, 2	31
Durham Ct., Bethany, 3	31
Mebane, Central, 7:30	31
Davis Street, 7:30	April
Graham, 7:30	4
Person Ct., Lea's Chapel, 11	6
Boxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11	7
Long Memorial and Brookdale, Long Mun., 7:30	7
Duke Memorial, 7:30	9
Calvary, 7:30	10
Chapel Hill, 7:30	11
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 11	14
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3	14
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, HILLSBORO, 10	18

Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11	21
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 3	21
Mebane, First Church, 7:30	24
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 11	28

Carrboro, Orange, 11	5
Swepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3	5

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Perquimans, Woodland, -- and 1	March
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11	24
North Gates, Kittrells, night	24
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11	31
Creswell, 3	31
Koper, Mackeys, night	31
Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11	7
Kinnakeet, Rodanthe, night	7
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11	14
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3	14
Bellhaven, Hebron, night	14
City Road, night	17
South Mills, Newland, 11 and 1	20
Plymouth, 11	21
Williamston, night	21
First Church, Elizabeth City, night	24
Windsor, Cashie, 11	28
Edenton, night	28

Bath, Bethany, 11	5
Washington, night	5
District Conference, Edenton	16

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
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Hamlet, 11	March
Roberdel, St. Paul, 3	24
Gibson, 7:30	24
Siler City, 11	31
Bynum Ct., 3	31
Pittsboro, 7:30	31

Mt. Gilead Ct., Ophir, 11:15	7
Troy Ct., 3	7
Mount Gilead, 7:30	7
Rockingham, 7:30	12
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 11	14
Ellerbe, Jones Spring, 3	14
Parkton, 7:30	14
Troy, 11	21
Glendon, High Falls, 3	21
Biscoe, Candor, 7:30	21
Red Springs, 11	28
Stedman, Bethany, 3	28
Hay Street, 7:30	28
Pinobuff, Hoffman, 11	May
West End, 7:30	5

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Grimesland, Providence, 11	March
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30	24
Aurora, Campbell's, 11	31
Oriental, Arapaho, 3	31

Hookerton, Maury, 11	7
Snow Hill, Bethel, 3	7
Kinston, 7:30	7
Soven Springs, Beston, 11	14
Goldshoro Ct., 3	14
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Goldshoro, St. Paul, 7:30	24
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 7:30	26
Mt. Olive Ct., 11	27
Pink Hill, Woodland, 11	28
Dover, 3	28

Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 11	May
Newport, Oak Grove, 3	5

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SECOND ROUND

Cary-Apex, Apex, 11	March
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 3	24
Italeigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30	24
Franklinton, 11	31
Louisburg, 7:30	31
Smithfield, 7:30	April
Fuquay, Kipling, 11	7
Selma, 7:30	7
Person Street, 7:30	10
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, BENSON, 9:30	11
Ellington, 11	14
Mamers, Spring Hill, 3	14
Princeton, Fellowship, 7:30	17
Stem, Calvary, 11	21
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30	21
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 11	May
Garner, Hollands, 7:30	5
Dunn, 8	5
Bailey, Simms, 11	12
Tar River, Trinity, 7:30	12
Hayes-Barlow, 8	15

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Northampton and Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3	March
Spring Church, Pleasant Hill, 6:45	24
Garysburg, Garysburg, 8	24
Warrenton, Macon, 11	30
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11	31

Warren Ct., Bethlehem, 3	31
Norlina, Zion, 7:30	31

First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30	7
Whitakers, Battleboro, 7:30	10
Enfield, 11	14
Halifax, Pierce's Camp Ground, 3	14
Marvin, 7:30	14
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30	17
McKendree, McKendree, 11	21
Elu City, Hornes, 3	21
Sandy Cross, 7:30	21

St. Paul, Rocky Mount, 7:30	8
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11	12
Walstonburg, 7:30	12
Farmville, 7:30	14
Stantonsburg, 7:30	15
Weldon, 11	19
Rosemary, 3	19
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30	19

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Fairmont, Bethesda, 11	March
St. Pauls, Barker's, 3	24
Rowland (place to be announced), night	24
Wilmington, Trinity, 11	31
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, night	31

Scotts Hill, Scotts Hill, 11	April
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3	7
Southport, night	7
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11	14
Tabor City, Bethel, 3	14
Bladen, Deems, night	14
Lumberton Ct. (place to be announced), 11	21
Pembroke (Indian work) place to be announced, 3	21
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, night	21

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11	May
Jacksonville-Richlands, Haw Branch, 3	5
Swansboro, Swansboro, night	5
Clinton, 11	12
Shallotte, Dixon's Chapel, 11	28
Wilmington, Grace, night	28

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
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SECOND ROUND

Marshall, 11	March
Hot Springs and Paint Rock, 3	24
Preach at Reeve's Chapel, 11	31
Quar. Conf. Acton, Candier and Pisgah, at Montmo- rency, 3	31
Tryon-Saluda, at Saluda, 11	April
Fairview at Sharon, 3	7
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CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
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SECOND ROUND

Prospect, Carmel, 11	March
Peachland, Harmony, 3	24
Monroe, Central, 7:30	24
Huntersville, Asbury, 11	31
Myers Park, 7:30	31
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30	April
Polkton, Wightman, 11	7

ELKIN DISTRICT
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SECOND ROUND

Sparta, Shiloh	March
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11	24
Warrensville, Lansing, 11	7
Creston-Riverview, 7:30	7
Traphill, Charity, night	19
Helton, Grassy Creek, 11	14
Green Valley, Mt. View, 11	20
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Aarat, Hunter's Chapel, 11	28
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 7:30	28
Moravian Falls, Mt. Moriah, 2:30	May
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GASTONIA DISTRICT
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SECOND ROUND

Lovesville, Snow Hill, 11	March
Rock Springs, Webb's Chapel, 3	24
Belmont, Park Street, night	24
Lincolnton, First Church, 11	31
Cherryville Ct., Boulah, 3	31
Cherryville, First Church, night	31
Mount Holly, 11	April
Dallas, High Shoals, night	7
Lincoln Ct., Marvin, 11	14
Crouse, Lander's Chapel, 3	14
Bogor City, night	14
Bessomer, Concord, 11	21
King's Mountain, Central, night	21
Stanly, 11	28
Sholby, Central, night	28
Belmont, Main Street, 11	May
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, night	5
Gastonia, Main Street, 11	12
Lowell, Bethesda, 11	17
District Conference, Rock Springs	8

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

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SECOND ROUND (INCOMPLETE)

	March
Madison, 7:30	27
Leaksville, 11	31
Summerfield, 7:30	31
	April
Bessemer, 7:30	1
Haw River, 11	7
Ruffin, 7:30	7
Draper, joint conference with Draper-Wayside, 7:30	10
Moriah, 7:30	13
Mt. Pleasant, 11	14
Pleasant Garden, 7:30	14
Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30	17
Oak Ridge, 11	21
Proximity, 7:30	21
	May
Glenwood, 7:30	5
Gibsonville, 7:30	8
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 10	12
Reidsville, Main Street, 5	12
West Greensboro, Groometown, 11	19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

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SECOND ROUND

(Subject to necessary changes)

	March
Linwood, Macedonia, 2	23
Randleman, Union, 7:30	27
Shiloh, Friendship, 2	30
	April
Main Street, Hight Point, 7:30	3
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethel, 2	6
Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11	7
Ward Street, 7:30	10
South Davidson, Pleasant Grove, 2	13
Trinity, Hopewell, 11	14
Archdale, 7:30	17
Denton First, Pleasant Grove, 11	21
Oak View, 7:30	22
Rankin Memorial, 7:30	24
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	25
Highland, 7:30	26
Welch Memorial, 7:30	29
	May
Calvary, 7:30	1

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

	March
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11	24
Forest City, 7:30	24
Rutherfordton, 11	31
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3	31
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	31
	April
Burnsville, 11	7
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 3	7
Spruce Pine, 7:30	7
Elk Park, Newland, 11	14
Avery, Fairview, 3	14
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30	14
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windham, 11	21
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3	21

SALISBURY DISTRICT

Charles N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

	March
Landis, Oak Grove, 2	24
Spencer-China Grove, Greer's Chapel, 2:30	24
Tabernacle, Tabernacle, 8	27
Midland, Center Grove, 11	31
Badin-New London, Badin, 2:30	31
Norwood Ct., Green Memorial, 3	31
Granite Quarry, Mt. Tabor, 3	31
Midway, Midway, 3	31
Friendship, New Mt. Tabor, 7:30	31
N. Kannapolis, N. Kannapolis, 3	31
	April
Central, Albemarle, 6:15	1
Salisbury, First, 6:30	3
Epworth, Epworth, 7:30	3
Rocky Ridge, Rocky Ridge, 12:15	7
Ann Street, Ann Street, 2:30	7
Jackson Park, Jackson Park, 6	7
Bethpage, Bethpage, 7	7
Main St.-Rowan, Main St., 7:30	7
Salem, Salem, 3	7
Forest Hill, Forest Hill, 7:30	8
Albemarle, First Street, 7:30	8
Concord, Central, 7:30	9
Mt. Mitchell, Mt. Mitchell, 11	14
Albemarle Ct., Palestine, 2	14
Woodleaf, Gay's Chapel, 3	14
Kerr Street, Kerr Street, 7:30	14
E. Spencer-Yadkin, E. Spencer, 7:30	14
China Grove, China Grove, 7:30	14
Coburn Memorial, Coburn Memorial, 7:30	14
Park Avenue, Park Avenue, 7:30	15
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 3	21
Harmony, Harmony (to be announced)	
Mount Olivet, Mount Olivet (to be announced)	

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

	March
Hudson, Hudson, 10 and 3	24
Grace-Rhodiss, Grace, 11	24
Granite Falls, night	24
Catawba, Bethlehem, 11	31
Shepherds, Wesley Chapel, 3	31
Maiden, Maiden, night	31
	April
Newton, 11	7
Hickory: Highland, Fairgrove, 3	7
Hickory: Westview, night	7
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn, 10 and 3	14
Lenoir: First Church, 11	14
Hickory: Bethel, night	14

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SECOND ROUND

	March
Fines Creek, 11	24
Crabtree, 3	24
Canton, First Church, 7:30	24
Junaluska, 11	31
Jonathan, 3	31
Morning Star, 7:30	31
	April
Whittier, 11and 7:30	7
Special situations	14
District Conference, Rockwood	19

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

	March
West Forsyth, Stony Knoll, 7:30	21
Thomasville, Trinity-Bethel, Johnstontown, 11	24
Davidson, Good Hope, 3	24
Mount Airy, Rockford St., 7:30	26
Erlanger, Yadkin College, 7:30	27
Oak Summit, Oak Summit, 11	31
Walnut Cove, Palmyra, 3	31
	April
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30	2
Thomasville Ct., Unity, 7:30	3
Rural Hall, Antioch, 11	7
Mt. Airy Ct., Epworth, 3	7
Winston Ct., Pisgah, 11	14
Pilot Mountain, New Hope, 3	14
District Conference and second check-up meeting, Fair Grove Church, Thomasville Ct., 9:30	19

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(Continued from page 21)

mathematics or in the physical and chemical laboratories. It is always possible for an objector to call in question even your faith that your mother loves you. Faith in God and goodness and in the wisdom of obeying the Golden Rule is always an adventure. So also is faith that Jesus has conquered death.

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In Memoriam

COOK—Winfield Cook was born October 26, 1851, died January 29, 1940. Spent in this life 89 years, three months, and three days. Brother Cook was married to Miss Margaret Ledford in 1873. To this union were born seven children. The wife and two daughters having departed this life, he is survived by four sons and one daughter. Brother Cook was a faithful member of the Sweetwater church on the Hayesville charge. He was converted when 18 years of age and joined the Methodist church. He loved his church and his Lord. Was a good neighbor, loved by all who knew him. He spent the last months of his life in the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Marr, on Shooting Creek, Clay county, N. C.

J. C. Gentry, P. C.

KOONCE—He lived, that when his summons came, he went with unfaltering trust. The subject of this sketch, Henry Bryant Koonce, oldest son of the late Hon. Francis Dowd and Hannah Rhodes Koonce, was born January 20, 1860; died November 10, 1939.

In former days he was very active in civic and church affairs. During a revival held by the late Thomas Page Rickard he felt his heart "strangely warmed" and gave his life to God and was ever faithful. He was a graduate of old Trinity College.

His funeral was conducted by his pastor, Rev. H. L. Davis, in the presence of his friends and sorrowing loved ones. Mr. Koonce had no fear of death when he met his Pilot face to face.

Mrs. Nettie deFord.

PUGH—W. A. Pugh died early Sunday morning, February 11, at his home near Sapling Ridge church on Alamance charge, at the age of a little more than 67 years. He was one of our most attentive members at Sapling Ridge, and his going leaves a vacancy in our ranks, not only in the church but in the community. He leaves a lifelong companion who before her marriage was Miss Lala Durham, also four children, six grandchildren, two brothers, and many friends and neighbors.

Funeral services were conducted at the church of which he was a member by his pastor, assisted by Rev. Mr. Swinney of Burlington. His body was laid to rest in the church cemetery and the grave covered with many beautiful flowers. The community, the church, the pastor, all join the family in mourning because of his departure. But we are comforted in the belief that our loss is his eternal gain.

G. L. Reynolds.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

In the early morning of December 3, 1940, the spirit of our dear sister loosed its earthly bonds and wended its way home to the mansions above.

Mrs. Carrie Swindell Cuthrell was a Christian woman and a worker in the vineyard of her Lord. She loved her church, her Sunday school and her work with young people was a dearly loved labor. She never forgot one whom she had taught and always reached out loving, helpful hands to hold them in the right way.

She loved and worked for the Methodist Orphanage and became a life long friend to one of its girls whom her Sunday school class had supported. She had the interest, love and pa-

tience with little children, humoring their little whims and making little friends of them.

We shall miss her hospitality, her neighborliness, her interests in all up-building activities.

We older ones will miss her loyalty in our missionary society, her interest and willing service in all its demands.

Be it resolved, That in realizing our loss, we strive for a better understanding and a more willing service to our missionary work.

Second, That we extend our love and sympathy to the family whom she so truly loved and served.

Third, That we recommend a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to our church paper and one to Hyde County Herald.

Mrs. A. B. Midyette,

Mrs. W. M. Credle,

Mrs. H. C. Jones.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God in his infinite wisdom to remove from our midst to mansions of rest our brother and fellow worker, H. L. Abbee; and

Whereas, we bow in meekness and humility to the will of our heavenly Father, nevertheless we realize that in the death of Brother Abbee, Malo Methodist church at Ranlo, N. C., has lost one of its most loyal members, one who for ten years was a faithful member of the board of stewards; and

Whereas, it is the desire of this board to provide some fitting recognition of his services; now therefore be it resolved:

In the passing of Brother Abbee the board of stewards has lost one of its most faithful members, whose thoughts and devotion to his church and its interests were uppermost in his mind, and whose example will long linger in the memory of the members of the board. He was a modest, unassuming Christian, a devoted husband, a loving father and a true friend. At the call of his Master he laid down his working tools of life and with firm faith and courage went to his reward.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our deceased brother and a copy to the church paper.

Signed by the pastor, J. N. Wise, and Board of Stewards.

Committee: C. E. Wilson, H. O. Crowell, Miss Ola Ballard.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our divine Creator in his infinite wisdom has called to her eternal reward, Mrs. Victoria Ferguson Crowson; and

Whereas, for a period of many years she was a devoted and loyal member of Front Street Methodist missionary society, proving herself faithful and efficient in every good word and work. Therefore, we wish to express our sense of loss and our grief at her passing in the following resolutions:

First, That we bow to the Master's will in humble submission, knowing that he doeth all things well.

Second, That we appreciate the beautiful Christian life and faith of our departed friend and co-worker who followed the example of Him "who went about doing good."

Third, That we extend to her family our loving sympathy in their bereavement.

Fourth, That a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, a copy be entered in the minutes of the missionary society, and a copy be sent to the family of the deceased.

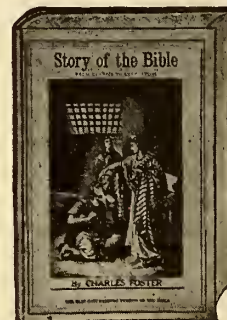
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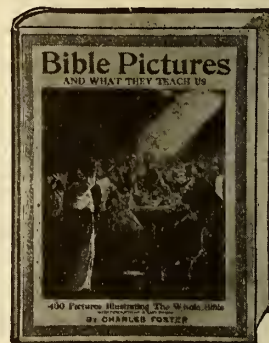
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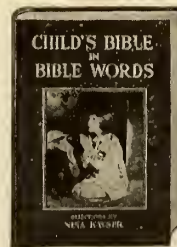
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The Gardens of God

BIBLE readers can hardly travel anywhere in the Holy Land of the Scriptures without coming upon gardens. There are gardens everywhere, both in the Old Testament and in the New. The Bible opens with a picture of a garden home and closes with a vision of a garden city. Between Genesis and the Revelation there are many other gardens, flower gardens and gardens of herbs, fruit gardens and gardens of spices, gardens for nourishing the living and gardens for the burial of the dead.

Some of these gardens are inseparably connected with the history of redemption. They can never be effaced without irreparable loss to the Christian religion. To remove them from the spiritual scenery of the Bible would be to transform the Christian Scriptures into a barren waste. They are, in a peculiar sense, the Gardens of God, the scenes of events of vast significance to the history of mankind.

There is first the Garden of Eden, man's original home, where immortality was conditioned on obedience. "And the Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden," a garden in which was planted every flower and shrub and tree "that is pleasant to the sight" and "good for food," and the mystical "tree of life" and "the tree of knowledge of good and evil." A serpent was there, too, the serpent of subtle temptation. The Garden of Eden became the garden of disobedience. Man lost his home with God and began his long hard journey through the ages, the victim of the serpent's poison.

Then at long last history focuses upon another garden, the blood-stained Garden of Gethsemane. It was the garden to which Jesus repaired on the night of the betrayal. He went there to face the crisis hour of his earthly life, and the crisis hour in the history of redemption, to face it alone with God. His human nature recoiled from the cross, but he won the victory, and became "obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." The Garden of Eden and the Garden of Gethsemane are ages apart, but ages apart only by the calendar; spiritually they are closely joined together. The tragedy of Gethsemane was the harvest of the seed sown in Eden.

Close to the Garden of Gethsemane, both in time and space, is Joseph's garden, the most amazing garden of all, where Easter flowers grow perennially and where Christian faith and hope have been nourished for two millenniums. Blessed be Joseph of Arimathea whose love prompted him to place the Saviour's body in his own garden tomb! It never occurred to him that he was doing anything unusual, or that he and his garden would be immortalized. He never dreamed that his garden would become the scene of the greatest event in all history, an event without which there would have been no New Testament, no Christian Church, no Christian religion, no Christian history, and no assurance of anything beyond death and the grave.

The seer of Patmos as he looked toward the sunset saw another garden, the garden city of God, having the same life-giving stream and the same mystical "tree of life" that first appeared in the Garden of Eden. The road which travels by faith through the Garden of Gethsemane, over Calvary and by the empty tomb runs toward the Paradise of God, where *there shall be no curse any more, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain any more; the first things are passed away.*

—THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN.

THE FRANKLIN N. PARKER RECOGNITION FUND A CHALLENGE AND A PRIVILEGE

About thirty years ago there came to the campus of Trinity College to deliver a series of Bible lectures a man by the name of Franklin N. Parker. In giving these lectures Dr. Parker made a profound impression upon the faculty and students, and because of his winsome personality and scholarly addresses he was to be later called to hold a professorship of Bible.

Dr. Parker Comes to Trinity

It was partially through the influence of Dr. W. P. Few, president of Duke University, that Dr. Parker left the Louisiana conference to come to Trinity. For four years Dr. Parker taught Bible at Trinity, rendering outstanding service in this field, and touching the lives of several hundred young men, some of whom are now preaching in both conferences of this state. Dr. Few has spoken most appreciatively of Dr. Parker's contribution to Trinity College and to the lives of the young men.

Receives Call to Emory

Then the call came to Dr. Parker to help organize the Candler School of Theology on the Emory University campus, and with deep regret he was released from Trinity to render this service to the Methodist Church. For twenty-five years Dr. Parker has been connected with the Candler School of Theology, first as professor, and then as dean, and now in his seventy-third year is still teaching Christian Doctrine and serving as dean emeritus.

Refuses the Bishopric

Perhaps there is hardly any man in the Methodist Church more representative of the Christian ministry than Dr. Parker. He was born in a Methodist parsonage and was the son of the late Bishop and Mrs. Linus Parker. He was first a circuit rider, a station preacher, a presiding elder, a professor, and was elected a bishop, but he refused this high honor. He chose to teach young ministers. His refusal of this honor gave evidence to his genuine interest in the training of young ministers. And he was peculiarly qualified for the work.

A Chair of Christian Doctrine

There are now two outstanding schools of religion in the Southeastern Jurisdiction, one at Duke University and the other at Emory University. To endow a Chair of Christian Doctrine in the Candler School of Theology in honor of Dr. Franklin N. Parker will do more than pay a lasting tribute to this beloved minister of Christ; it will tend to strengthen the resources of this school and enable it to render an increasingly larger service to the kingdom of God. The endowment of this chair will also perpetuate the blessed influence of Dr. Parker through the years to come. A sum of \$100,000 is required.

Bishop Purcell Writes

In the Advocate a few days ago Bishop Clare Purcell, speaking of Dr. Parker, said: "No man of the Methodism of this century has had more to do with training our ministers than has Franklin N. Parker. His service at Trinity College and at Emory will thus be given its well-merited acknowledgment. Lovers of excellence in ministerial training everywhere will do well to unite with Dr. Parker's friends in carrying this undertaking to complete success."

Solicitation Begins

During the next two weeks each minister in our conference will have an opportunity to pledge something to this noble cause. Solicitation is already in progress among the men who had work under Dr. Parker at Trinity and Emory, and one-third of the quota of \$6,000 assigned to this conference has been pledged. We are now making an earnest appeal to our other brethren and friends to join us in this worthy undertaking.

Cecil G. Hefner, Chairman.

Make April Count

Bishop Purcell has set the following as the goal for the Advocate:

The Christian Advocate in the home of every church official and at least 25 per cent of the other homes of the church.

April is the best month for the Advocate. Easter services have been held, winter is behind us, and expectation fills the air. These next four weeks each and every pastor should do something special for the church paper unless all quotas have been met. A fine start has been made in the midst of all other demands.

Surely all are now ready to set apart some time to make use of the printing press in the homes of their people. Think what a lift would come to North Carolina Methodism could all our people read some of the articles in this week's issue of the Advocate.

One Issue Worth a Year's Subscription

Again and again old subscribers tell us a certain number of the North Carolina Christian Advocate was worth the cost for a year. So many such testimonials have come to us of late that we are about ready "to fall for them."

We are much inclined to put this estimate on two or three contributions of this present issue. Read them and be convinced.

REV. E. C. DURHAM GOES HEAD

Rev. E. C. Durham started his Advocate campaign on the Fuquay charge awhile ago. He has already gone to the front in the North Carolina conference. Seventeen new subscribers, not to mention renewals, is a most worthy achievement. No one knows what the end will be when Durham gets well under way. Who will "cut him down" as we used to say in the old "spelling bees"?

Later we expect to have more to say of Durham and Fuquay.

THREE CHEERS FOR W. A. ROLLINS

Rev. W. A. Rollins, pastor of First church, Hickory, this week sent the Advocate a letter that contained twenty-three one year new subscribers, two renewals, and a check for \$50. When a man sends us a check for fifty dollars we raise the Indian war whoop. Rollins is a pastor who knows how to do things in a big way. May his tribe increase.

Good friend, we thank you for your good work in behalf of the church paper.

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"Ideals are like the stars," declare Carl Schurz, "we never reach them, but like the mariners on the sea, we chart our course by them." How true! Alas for a mariner who neglects the stars of heaven when he charts his course. Alas also for the man who in life fails to chart his course by ideals that are far beyond his reach.

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True riches can not be bought; they are won by toil, hardship and suffering. So the real benefactors of the race are those who have made a real contribution to the problem of human relations, the chief problem of the world. The money makers usually add to and make more difficult these veritable problems of the race rather than furnish contributions to their solution. The real wealth of a people is a conquest rather than a bequest. But most people prefer the bequest.

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In the olden times the perils and the isolation of life on the sea contributed to that sense of comradeship which comes to those who shipped before the mast. Of late years the radio has swept away the former isolation. Now the perils, isolation and the wide spaces which belong to the life of the air pilots make appeal to the imagination of men. The dignity of the craft as well as the perils tend to create a cherished fellowship among these men who live in the upper air.

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Here and there are young men in the ministry who long for the spiritual power that flowered through Jesus. They read: "He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater work than these shall he do; because I go to the Father." Why not, say these, the present spiritual leaders become new channels for the tides of the spirit? Really, are there not young men at Duke ready to spurn position and material resources so as to become a Brotherhood of the Spirit?

The Hebrew ever had with him a personal God. Far removed from this is a God as an abstraction of the Brahman; or Pantheism, which denies the personality of God and the freedom of man. Christianity begins where the Hebrew left off with a God disclosed in Jesus—one who can be loved. In him the human and the divine met. "I in the Father and the Father in me."

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In other days when North Carolina was more largely rural, the first Sunday in April was the time for the country Sunday schools to come out of "winter quarters" and begin work for the year. Not so many schools actually suspend for the winter these last days, but still the spring days of April bring new life to the country church. The children and the young people are ready for eager activity. Too often the old folks are actually in their way. They will not get out of the old rut and encourage the young. Nothing would do more for some of our church schools than for some of the old heads to resign.

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"Only the Spirit, if it breathe upon the clay, can create man." This is the closing sentence of "Wind, Sand and Stars," in which are vivid pictures of the life of the air pilots who carried the mails over the mountains and deserts of earth, especially of Europe and North Africa. Antoine De Saint-Exupery, the author observes: "To come to man's estate it is not necessary to get oneself killed around Madrid, or to fly mail planes, or to struggle wearily in the snows out of respect for the dignity of life. The man who can see the miraculous in a poem, who can take pure joy from music, who can break his bread with comrades, open his window to the same refreshing wind off the sea. He too learns a language of men. But too many men are left unawakened." In the words of Shakespeare such remain "finished finite clods untroubled by a single spark."

Caring for the Country Church

ONE hundred and ten were gathered about the luncheon tables at Duke University last week as guests of the university to consider together the interests of the church in the country places of North Carolina. In this gathering were Dr. J. M. Ormond, director of this work, President W. P. Few, Dr. Paul N. Garber, eight district superintendents from the two conferences, one editor, more than thirty pastors and the sixty-three young men of the Duke School of Religion who are to be with the pastors of country churches for ten weeks during the summer. These men will be scattered over the state from the Atlantic to the Great Smoky Mountain Park to give themselves to the work in the country churches under the direction of the pastors unto whom they are assigned by the Duke Foundation. Each is given a definite job to be done among the country people of North Carolina in their rural churches. So far as we know there is nothing else like it in all the land. There are, however, numerous sporadic efforts and inefficient ventures in dealing with the "rural problem," but these count for little. Here is a going concern that has been tested out for more than a decade in a vast field among the 350,000 Methodists of North Carolina by which a certain definite beginning has been made. The next few decades should see notable results in enlarging and perfecting this demonstration work.

President Few, speaking of the trend back to the country with the new interest in rural life, insisted that we should seek to live our lives in the country rather than to make a rush into the city to gain a fortune. That we have no cities in North Carolina to absorb the best of our life, the president regarded most favorable. The city is our peril. In the country we can count for more and life has a meaning impossible in the city, thought he. He also urged the young men not to be in a rush to get into the city churches since life would count for more among the country people. From the country places come most of the preachers and leaders that count. The well-to-do are turning to the country; the poor crowd into the cities. This does not augur well for the future.

Dr. Ormond gave most interesting and informing statistics of the work done last year in the circuits where the young men worked. He insisted that we have reason to expect

equal results this present summer. Aiding in revivals, training in the church schools, assisting in vacation Bible schools, in the circulation of literature, leading the young people, are some of the lines along which they work. Think how far-reaching such work is when it is reinforced by the eager enthusiasm of youth! We hope to report this year the results secured in circulating the church paper in these circuits as well as other achievements in a well balanced advance.

We are persuaded that only a beginning has been made in the work of the country churches in North Carolina though we have done more than in any other state.

Not until the bishops, the district superintendents and all who have to direct the work of the Methodist Church determine to keep many of our best men in the rural districts can we hope for the best conquests possible. The country circuits should be of such strength and importance as to become the training fields for district superintendents, bishops and other church administrators. With the relief that has come from the burdensome routine of district superintendents, why should not an effort be made by some of these men in this state to set up a new type of country charge? Instead of dividing up charges, why not work out certain consolidations that put them on a par with our larger stations? Then it might be possible for a master workmen to use half a dozen of these young college men in a constructive enterprise in a needy country district, where some man is willing to give his best instead of his going into some big town church. This is a field for constructive thought.

After the Resurrection

THINGS began to happen in Jerusalem and across the Roman world following that first Easter. In the twilight of that day which so many of his followers thought it was the end, some of them began to realize that this was the beginning of a new world. With hearts aglow following a new sense of his presence they went out turning the world upside down. What is this last Easter day going to mean to us?

All across the land the green fields and the tinted forests tell of the new life. Wherever there are alert farmers in the fields things are beginning to happen as they greet the new life with a cheer. Every man worth his salt is eager and alert, determined to be a worker with God

in claiming a part in the coming harvest. What part are we going to have as laborers in God's harvest fields? Have we set ourselves to come with rejoicing bringing in the sheaves?

Some report additions to the church, new subscribers to the church paper and contributions to the benevolences. Others have done nothing for either of these three causes. What a pity! Still, there is time and opportunity for all these causes except for the slothful and the fearful who are ready to bury their talent. "Watch lest coming suddenly I find you sleeping."

Our Chief Concern

THE local church, whether in the city or in the country, is the chief concern of Methodism. The real achievements are won here. A society that is barely holding its own should send preacher and laymen to their knees. Not a new member added, not a new subscriber secured for the church paper, no increase in benevolences for a whole year indicate a desperate situation. Too often the pastor and the lay officials do not even seem to care.

A church in which all these three things do not happen is on the way to the tomb. Personal testimony, the printing press and concern for others are the present agencies in our Christian conquest. In such a church none of these agencies are in evidence. How distressing the situation disclosed here in our two conferences by the conference journals and the reports of our Advocate campaign. Is it not time to bestir ourselves? Too many churches can lay no just claim to a part in the Methodist Advance. The best evidences of advance are not in sight.

This entire situation can be changed whenever each and every pastor is willing to pay the price. All those things could happen in every church before the summer has ended, but they will not so long as we are willing to live at this present poor dying rate. Alert, daring and devoted ministers of Jesus Christ will do the job.

We have never been able to reconcile the wealth and splendor and eagerness for titles that gather about the Pope and the Cardinals of Rome with all that we know of the Carpenter of Nazareth and the lowly fishermen who were gathered about him in those far off days as he moved to Gethsemane and Golgotha. How these later times are out of joint!

Affairs in Europe Are Deplorable

ON account of national jealousies, racial antipathies, and traditional animosities on the part of European peoples, not to mention the influence of two thousand years of almost continuous warfare much of it embellished in song and story, the situation in Europe appears to be almost if not altogether hopeless. As soon as one war is ended the parties concerned at once begin to prepare for another. This was what happened after the close of the World War, and it is a safe assumption that when the present war ends recent history will repeat itself.

What can we do about it? Little or nothing. They are willing to take our money, but not our advice. Woodrow Wilson broke his heart and shortened his days in an unselfish attempt to better conditions on the continent of Europe, but it was all in vain. The American people marshalled 4,000,000 soldiers and sent 2,000,000 across the seas and spent billions upon billions of American dollars in a vain hope to end wars in Europe. But it was all in vain.

If history teaches us anything at all it is that the American nation is on a fool's errand in any attempt to better affairs on the continent of Europe. And what we fear is that they will refuse to learn wisdom till it is too late.

The Vogue of This Spring

BRIGHT preachers with plenty of pep will have a wide vogue this season. The sermons like women's dresses will still be short. Long sermons and wide skirts, very popular in the mid-Victorian era, are now among the plunder of the garret. While long, heavy sermons are out of date the demand is for an amazing versatility. The popular demand is for more than the Pauline requirement of being all things to all men. For the minister must be a fundamentalist. He must be a modernist. He must believe in evolution and he must not believe in evolution. He must be a fearless preacher of righteousness, like some ancient prophet, yet he must not hit any of the pet sins of his "most principalist" members. The spring style of preachers promises to enjoy a wide popularity continuing late into the season. But best of all they will with the soul aflame get a friendly hearing.

❖ People and Things ❖

Rev. H. G. Allen at First church, Lexington, received by vows on Easter Sunday 23 new members.

Hay Street, Fayetteville, Easter Sunday packed eleven hundred in church. Forty-two new members were received and \$500 raised on benevolences.—R. E. Brown.

The Methodist ministers' wives of the Statesville district will meet for luncheon at the Race Street hut in Statesville Friday, March 29, at 11 a. m.—Mrs. F. H. Price. Sec.

During Holy Week First church, Asheboro, received 26 new members, 18 on profession of faith and eight by certificate. First church shows a net gain of 30 new members since conference, with a \$2000 reduction on its church debt.

Large crowds attended our Easter services. Fifteen young people united with our church in Jackson on profession of faith and three adults joined by certificate. Two hundred dollars was raised as an Easter offering for benevolences.—W. L. Maness, Pastor.

In 1440 it is probable that there were not a million books of any kind in Europe. The discovery of printing changed all that, and in the 124 years of its existence the American Bible Society alone has distributed over 290,000,000 copies of the Scriptures. People certainly buy Bibles even if they do not read them.

Rev. W. F. Walters, pastor, and W. A. McGirt, district lay leader, has arranged a special laymen's service for the Burgaw circuit next Sunday. All the churches are expected to join in this fifth Sunday meeting. M. T. Plyler of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is guest speaker. His theme is: After Methodist Union—What?

On Easter Sunday at Central church, Canton, we received 18 members on profession of faith and five by transfer. This makes a total of 36 new members thus far during this conference year, 19 on profession of faith and 17 by transfer. On Sunday, May 5, we begin a ten day series of revival services with Rev. Claude Moser doing the preaching.—W. R. Kelly.

The Christian religion and the Negro have an affinity for each other. The largest Protestant church in the world is said to be located in the Harlem district of New York City—the Abyssinian Baptist church. It was founded in 1808; has 15,000 members on its roll; worships in a \$400,000 edifice all paid for; and operates on an annual budget of \$41,000. Simultaneous worship services on Sunday accommodate 5,000 people.

The Mennonite Peace Committee points out that conscientious objectors in the United States who refused under any conditions to join the armed forces in the World War numbered only 1,060. About half of that number were Mennonites, and 117 were Quakers and Dunkers. The rest came from churches which did not officially teach the principle of non-resistance. The committee believe that in case of another war the number of conscientious objectors will be very much larger.

John J. Barnhardt, a native of Cabarrus county who has risen to prominence not only as a leader in the textile industry but also in civic, charitable and religious organizations, was recently awarded the 1939 Citizenship cup as Concord's "most valuable citizen" of last year. The cup—which in previous years had been awarded to Rev. I. Harding Hughes and Charles A. Cannon—is donated each year in recognition of outstanding community service by the Concord Lions Club. The presentation was made by Mr. Cannon at the third annual Citizenship cup meeting of the Lions Club.

Andrews is a nice place to be ill the Rev. G. N. Dulin believes after being confined to his home here for the past three weeks. He is now recovering from the flu and expresses his appreciation for the many favors shown him. During his illness flowers, fruits, vegetables and tempting meals were delivered at the parsonage and there were scores of phone calls and visits.

Bishop W. W. Peele will preach at Duke Memorial church, Durham, next Sunday morning. In the afternoon he will be with his brother, Rev. F. B. Peele, in a circuit-wide meeting of the churches of the Durham circuit. It goes without saying that the people of Durham and the surrounding country will greatly appreciate the visit of Bishop Peele, who has spent so many years in this community.

Elizabeth City District League of Stewards will meet in Plymouth the fifth Sunday, March 31, 3 p. m. John R. Jenkins, Jr., district lay leader, presiding. Theme, Stewardship. C. G. Morris, former district leader, B. W. Evans, associate district lay leader, Rev. B. B. Slaughter, W. L. Knight of Rocky Mount district, J. A. Holmes of Edenton, Z. V. Norman of Plymouth, and D. L. Berry, associate district leader, will have places on the program. A good meeting is expected.

We have passed a "White Easter" at Andrews. We had a "Good Friday" service well attended, community wide, also a sunrise Easter service well attended. It stopped sleeting long enough for our service, then started snowing and was soon three or four inches deep. We had a good congregation for our 11 o'clock Easter service and a packed house Sunday night for a special music service and pageant prepared by Mrs. I. B. Hudson and other helpers. On Easter we passed the half way mark on our conference benevolences. We expect to report half of our budget paid by district conference, April 19.—G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

Two cables have come and several air mail letters regarding the desperate condition of Finnish children. The appeals come from our Methodist women's missionary societies of Sweden. They have undertaken to build a home and to maintain it for at least a year; longer if necessary. If you as a friend are contemplating a gift for Finnish relief, will you not designate it, in part at least, to the appalling needs of homeless little children? The money can be sent through Mrs. J. Wesley Masland, 6701 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa., treasurer of The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. It will necessarily be an "over and above gift" if it comes from our society members, as we have already pledged from an empty treasury appropriations amounting to over \$1,000,000. We cannot, however, turn a deaf ear to such desperate need.—Mrs. Thomas Nicholson.

Bishop Francis J. McConnell, Dr. C. Y. Trigg and Dr. C. F. Jenkins are to be the commencement speakers at Bennett College this year, according to official announcement just received. Dr. C. F. Jenkins, who is pastor of the Second Baptist church of Columbus, and one of Ohio's most prominent citizens, will deliver the annual address on the occasion of the anniversary of religious organizations of the campus on Sunday, May 26. The Rev. C. Y. Trigg, pastor of the Metropolitan Methodist church, Baltimore, and a leader in the Washington conference of the Methodist Church, one of the distinguished sons of the late Dr. Frank Trigg, a former president of Bennett College, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon on June 2. The closing speaker, Dr. Francis J. McConnell, who will deliver the literary address to the graduating class on June 3, is one of the foremost men in the public eye today and too well known to need an introduction.

A SNOWY EASTER SUNDAY IN YADKIN

Last Sunday morning at 8:30 o'clock I headed toward Yadkin county to fill three appointments for Rev. John H. Green, pastor of the Yadkinville charge, one at East Bend at 10 o'clock, Antioch at 11 o'clock and Macedonia at 2:30 in the afternoon.

In the early morning the air seemed saturated with snow and by the time I reached Kernersville "hominy" snow began to appear, and by the time I arrived at East Bend the snow was between two and three inches deep and before the day ended several inches more had been added.

East Bend, Yadkin county, is an unusual name. Both the village of East Bend and the county of Yadkin get their names from North Carolina's most stately river, the head waters of which at Blowing Rock hurry away down the eastern slope of the Blue Ridge with rapidly gathering volume. Hastening past North Wilkesboro and Elkin it continues to flow eastward till it encounters a little mountain range which bends the river southward, with Winston-Salem and Lexington to its left and Salisbury and Spencer to its right as the river flows quietly across Piedmont North Carolina to the South Carolina line, where it becomes the Peedee and sprawls its way to the sea.

So much for the river, now a word about the three Methodist churches, East Bend, Antioch, Macedonia.

The congregation at East Bend was composed largely of young people who were well enthused with the Easter spirit and the service was quite interesting. At the close of the service Mrs. W. K. Routh turned over seven new subscribers to the Advocate. Mrs. Routh's husband is a son of the late Rev. O. P. Routh, who died March 22, 1939, just one year and two days before this Easter. I am sure that Mr. and Mrs. Routh are valuable members of this church, as preacher's families usually are.

When I arrived at Antioch five minutes before 11 o'clock the congregation was on the lookout for the guest preacher with doubts lingering in their minds as to what effect the snow would have upon his movements. The services were enjoyable and the congregation contributed one-half of their conference collections, as this was the day set apart therefor by the pastor, which was good for the snowy day and with the pastor absent elsewhere, as he had planned to have services in all his seven churches on this Easter day.

But we got snowed out at Macedonia at 2:30. And in my judgment that congregation acted wisely to stay indoors rather than attempt to reach the church. Macedonia was on my road home and I came by the church at the appointed hour to find no sign of a congregation. So I thanked God, took courage, while with fear and trembling I reached Greensboro without accident at 4:30, but saw one car bottom side up in a roadside ditch and another that had skidded in head foremost.

MRS. A. R. SURRATT

Mrs. Dora Surratt, wife of Rev. A. R. Surratt, died after a lingering illness at her home in Charlotte, March 20, aged 72 years. Her parents were David E. and Sarah Farrar Cannon, late of Gaston county, where she was born near Mount Holly September 23, 1867. In her youth she dedicated her life to Christ, joined the Methodist church, of which she was a devout member to the end of her earthly pilgrimage. On September 3, 1891, she was happily married to Rev. A.

R. Surratt. She was charitable to those who made mistakes, sympathetic to those in distress, the very soul of candor and sincerity and humble in spirit. In all relations, as daughter, sister, wife, friend, Christian, she was constant and true, and without knowing it, exercised a lofty influence upon all who knew her and appreciated her fine qualities of mind and spirit.

She lived nobly and well, was a comfort to many sorrowing souls, and made others happy through her holy influence. She was an inspiration to her husband and his faithful helpmeet through the long years of his active ministry, for she not only kept the home fires burning but gave him her help and sympathy in all his labors, and was loved by his parishioners in every field of his activity. For several years past she suffered much but was always patient in tribulation, and when the end came she was unafraid and passed in peace and triumph into the heavenly home.

She is survived by her husband, one son, Hubert Surratt, a brother, E. R. Cannon, and a sister, Mrs. Z. Paris.

The funeral service was held in First Methodist church, Charlotte, by her pastor, Dr. C. C. Weaver, assisted by Rev. G. T. Bond, Rev. C. E. Rozzelle and the writer, and the body was buried in Elmwood cemetery in that city.

May the Lord give comfort and strength to the stricken husband and all the relatives and friends.

William L. Sherrill.

BISHOP PEELE AT WELDON EASTER

Our Easter services began Good Friday evening with a special service and the administration of the Holy Communion. Rev. D. P. Moore, Episcopal minister, and his congregation joined in this service, Brother Moore assisting the pastor in the service and the communion. Special Easter music was rendered by both junior and senior choirs, and the two choirs combined, under the direction of Mrs. Sterling B. Pierce, our choir directress, and Mrs. M. A. Garriss, our organist. A large electric cross lighted the auditorium from the pulpit as the communion was administered to a large congregation. This was a most impressive service in which the people seemed to catch the significance and spirit of Easter.

On Sunday morning at 11 o'clock Bishop Peele preached to a congregation which filled both church and connecting Sunday school auditoriums. The two choirs again rendered special Easter music. The good bishop was at his best. His visit and sermon will long be remembered by our people in Weldon.

Sunday evening at 6:30 our usual Sabbath twilight service consisted of special Easter music by the choir and the reception of new members. Notwithstanding the inclement weather this service was largely attended. Eleven members were received upon profession and by certificate.

Our church is especially fortunate in having Mrs. Pierce and Mrs. Garriss in our choir work. We have 18 members in our senior and 76 in our junior choirs. Our every church service is featured by special music and our congregations are large both morning and evening. Easter 1940 was a red letter day in our Weldon work. B. P. Robinson, Pastor.

DR. ELMER CLARK AT DUKE

Monday morning of this week Dr. Elmer T. Clark of Nashville, Tenn., appeared before more than 100 in York Chapel discussing the theme: "The Psychology of the Sects and Its Significance for Evangelism." This clear, comprehensive and suggestive paper was much appreciated by the students and faculty of the School of Religion and the visiting ministers present.

Dr. Paul N. Garber presided and presented the speaker. He and Mrs. Clark had been the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Garber during the Easter holidays.

MINISTERS' WIVES LUNCHEON APRIL 18

The luncheon for the Ministers' Wives' Association of the Western North Carolina conference will be held in the King's Daughters hut, Salisbury, April 18, at 12:40 o'clock. Tickets will be on sale at 50 cents each. Please send requests for reservations to Mrs. John F. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury, as soon as possible.

Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, Pres.
Mrs. C. O. Newell, Sec.

The Advance Now Launched

By BISHOP CLARE PURCELL

This week sees the last of the great area-wide Advance meetings held in more than eighty cities in practically every state in the Union. It was the writer's privilege to participate in twelve of these meetings. Ten of them were held in the Northeastern Jurisdiction in the following cities: Boston, Hartford, New Haven, Bridgeport, Binghamton, Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Washington, New York, Wilmington. Two of them in my own area: Winston-Salem and Columbia. In looking back upon these meetings many impressions come to mind. First, the crowds. From Boston to Columbia we had capacity crowds. The cold weather did not affect the attendance. With the temperature hovering just above zero in Boston historic symphony Hall was filled to overflowing. In New York Carnegie Hall was packed to capacity. All churches used were filled all day, and the luncheon meetings sometimes had to be held in two sections to accommodate the crowds. The women's meetings in the afternoon were attended by an average of around 500, and sometimes the number was nearer 1000. The memory of those upturned faces will be with me throughout life's remainder. It was especially inspiring to note the immense crowds here in Winston-Salem and Columbia. Loud speakers had to be installed to carry the messages of the visiting speakers to two or three other large rooms in the churches.

Second, the sense of oneness. This was one of the objectives laid down at Kansas City—"to carry throughout the United States the sense of spiritual oneness so conspicuous at the Uniting Conference." It is true that a Southern Bishop felt somewhat like one feels visiting his wife's people the first time after the wedding, but he felt a warmth of kindly hospitality such as made him feel that he was among people who loved the things he loved. Manifest in all these meetings was the feeling of kinship in the spirit. The singing of the same old hymns, the fervent prayers, the gracious fellowship everywhere made us all feel justly proud that we were now one people. The visiting bishops from the North who came to this area were Bishops Hughes, Waldorf, Smith and Wade. They completely captivated our people. Everywhere they went they were invited to "come back." Their spirit was so winsome that our people felt that they were our very own. The Advance has certainly produced an advance in our sense of unity throughout American Methodism.

Third, the deep interest. No one could speak to the thousands of attentive listeners without being impressed with their interest in hearing messages on the essentials of our Methodist message. The old emphases, couched perhaps in modern language, still hold the attention of our people. They are eager to hear about Methodist history, Methodist polity, Methodist missions, Methodist education, Methodist evangelism. And this interest is not along sectarian lines, but is widely inclusive of a sympathetic interest in the success of all Christian communities. If we fail now to take advantage of this deep interest on the part of our people we will lose our greatest opportunity to capitalize upon the first great result of this significant movement.

Fourth, the expectancy. Following Methodist union our people find themselves in a state of expectancy. This

was in evidence at all our meetings. "What is our next big undertaking?" The people expect their leadership to challenge them with a worthy objective. They are expecting an advance in evangelism, an advance in missions, an advance in education. They are expecting not only an advance in the numbers received into the church and the improvement in our physical property, but they are expecting an advance in the "qualitative" character of the people now in our churches. Our people have a right to expect Methodism to begin to produce saintliness in the souls of her people. This expectancy augurs well for the future. We are at the dawn! Hail, the morning!

Definite Advance Goals

Now that all the area-wide Advance meetings have been held the all-important question for us is "How can we make an Advance in every local church?" The success or failure of the movement will be determined just here. Here is a list of goals which seem to me within reach of practically every local church:

I. The Minister

1. Careful re-study of his own religious life.
2. Intensive Bible study covering entire book.
3. Read at least one good book each month.
4. Introduce a note of evangelism in every sermon.
5. Preach at least one missionary sermon each quarter.
6. Rededication to the holy task of shepherding the flock of Christ with a visit and a prayer in every home.

II. The People

- 1 and 2. Same as above.
3. Attendance upon at least one worship service each week. Re-establishment of the family pew in the church.
4. Systematic support of church budget.
5. Re-establishment of family altar with The Upper Room as devotional guide.
6. Regular prayers for the pastor and all workers in the church organizations.

III. The Organizations

1. Church school, woman's society and Christian service, and youth organizations making steady progress toward the standards set for them.
2. All church school workers taking at least one course in training.
3. Board of stewards balancing budget monthly.

IV. Miscellaneous

1. Net increase in church membership of 10 per cent over last year.
2. Definite program of evangelism in all church organizations resulting in increase of 10 per cent in professions of faith over last year.
3. Salaries of all pastors fixed at figure to assure economic security.
4. Minimum of 5 per cent in acceptances for benevolences over last year with full payment.
5. The Christian Advocate in the home of every church official and at least 25 per cent of the other homes of the church.

6. Children's Home and Golden Cross askings in full.
7. Church property and grounds well kept. Name plates on every church.
8. Adequate program of recreation for children and youth.
- Some of these objectives might be assigned to different groups in the church as projects for the year. Let us achieve these goals in this good year 1940.



REV. B. C. REAVIS
Pastor-Host of the N. C. Woman's
Missionary Conference

HENDERSON ENTERTAINS THE WOMEN

The Woman's Missionary Conference of the North Carolina Conference will be in session at Henderson April 1, 2 and 3. This brings together a large company of fine women devoted to the work of the church. Henderson has entertained many assemblies; this, however, is one of the best. The union of Methodism has lent unusual interest to all of our conferences. This will be no exception. The women are all interested in the new adjustments to be made. Then, too, there are new acquaintances to be made. Not a few of the sisters from the former Methodist Protestant Church will be on hand to form friendships and to become an organic part of North Carolina Methodism.

Bishop W. W. Peele will contribute to the interest of the occasion by his presence and his words. But we will not go into the program of this occasion. The reporter will do that.

Bishop Peele will be present at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon to convene the delegates to the Provisional Meeting which has enlisted so much interest among the women in the set-up of the new organization of the Board of Missions. It is fully expected that this will be a record-breaking attendance of the conference.

THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME
A. G. Dixon, Supt.

During this week we will be mailing out to pastors and Sunday school superintendents of former Methodist Protestant churches a printed leaflet giving a complete financial statement of our Children's Home from November 1, 1939, to March 15, 1940. We are asking that they pass these around and make announcements concerning them until the facts reach our people.

The Totals

The public generally will be more interested in the totals than in the itemized accounts. But the itemized statement as shown in the leaflet will show what churches have and what have not contributed to the support of the Children's Home.

Total received from our churches and Sunday schools in North Carolina is	\$7,303.57
From relatives of the children, friends and out of state contributions	1,541.15
Grand total	\$8,844.72

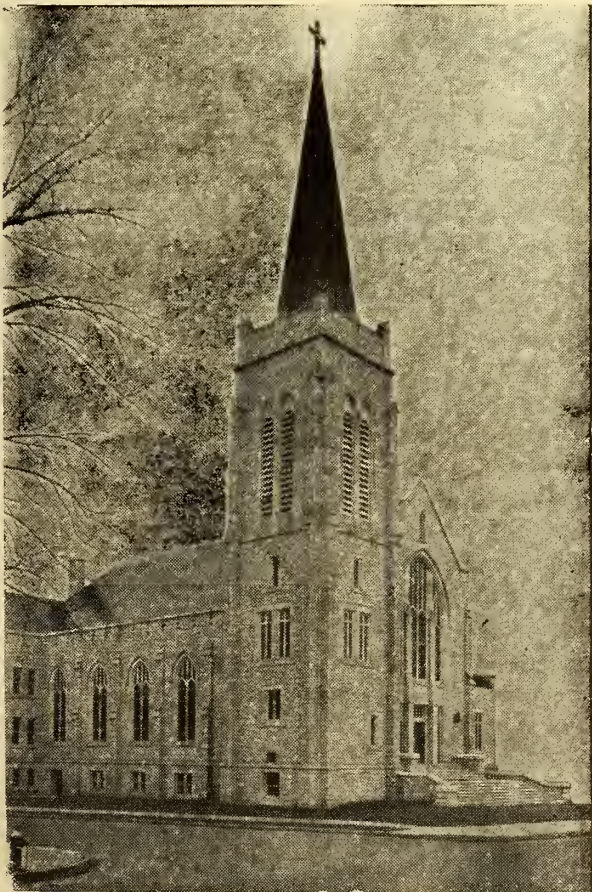
Of this amount \$5,754.27 came through the Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings. This will readily show that the regular monthly offerings from our Sunday schools have not been up to what they have usually been. This comes, we feel sure, from the fact that the winter has been unusually rough and because of this schools did not hold all their regular sessions, or were poorly attended.

Then, too, a number of churches have only sent their Thanksgiving offerings; but now that spring is opening and Sunday schools will be better attended we look forward to more and better monthly offerings.

This same cold winter has added materially to our current expenses in the way of food, clothing and fuel. For fuel we have had to buy one more car load of coal than usual. That item alone adds about \$300 to current bills.

Whose Work Is It?

May we repeat once more? This is your work as well as our work. We are your servants for Christ's sake, and can only administer what you send. If only each Sunday school will send us a regular monthly offering that will practically solve our financial problems. Suppose you do say to dependent children, "Go ye into the Children's Home, and be ye warmed and filled and trained; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful for the body: what doth it profit?" James 2:15-20.



Methodist Church, Henderson, N. C., in which the Woman's Missionary Conference meets April 1-2-3.

The Church an Indispensable Factor in the Building of a Community

By JAMES A. GRAY

The paper which follows was one of a series on the same topic by three members of the Rotary Club of Winston-Salem, February 27. It has occasioned so many expressions of deep appreciation that the earnest request has been made that Mr. Gray permit its publication. Dr. G. Ray Jordan, minister of Centenary church, Winston-Salem, of which Mr. Gray is a member, has secured this permission.

The editor is sure that the many readers of the Advocate will be genuinely grateful for this statement concerning the vital importance of the church, from one of our nationally known laymen.

Members of the Rotary Club:

In discussing the subject assigned by your program chairman—"The Church Is an Indispensable Factor in the Building of a Community"—I assume there is no member of this club who would for one moment have a desire to eliminate the church from our community life. At the same time, I wonder if in our daily routine we consider often enough the far-reaching influences of the church in every activity of the community, reaching down not only into the various contacts of home life but also into the very details of one's daily work.

In speaking of the church, I, of course, mean far more than the denominational institution. I refer to Christian religion and, therefore, faith in an all-wise God as an indispensable factor in one's daily life, as well as in our community.

Recently I had an opportunity of reviewing comments of certain prominent business men of the country on their own personal experiences as results of the benefits they received day by day from their church activities and I am going to take the liberty of quoting a few of these to you.

First, that of a manufacturer:

"As I have learned to count more and more upon Him, doubt has been resolved into faith; heart-peace has taken the place of restlessness; prayer has become a privilege instead of a duty, and God, who, before has seemed at times a long way off, becomes each day more close and intimate and real. Even when I fail him I am conscious of his love and his nearness. He is making life a new thing to me."

Also, the statement of an investment broker:

"The business man who puts first things first in his life will know first hand the great comfort of God's resources."

Then again, the comment of a man in Wall Street:

"Business can be thrilling or it can give one cause for despair, but Christ never fails. His love and power conquer every situation. He is a wonderful Saviour! Christ is as real a companion and Lord in a busy life every-day living in the heart of the financial district as he is when one is preaching his word or worshipping him on the Lord's Day with the Lord's people."

And last, the quotation from another manufacturer:

"To me, to be a Christian means a fixed hope for the future. It is an assurance of eternity in companionship with the Eternal Father and his Son, Jesus Christ.

"This hope is not one of a mystical future value alone. It is a great present help. In these days when the foundations upon which men build their futures are being shaken, there is a peace and assurance in knowing that the one foundation upon which rests the confidence of the

Christian—the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ—can never be shaken. This hope gives a purpose and objective to life otherwise unknown. Present values are seen as temporal and but the means whereby eternal values are obtained. Eternal assets can never be wiped out."

Some of us may have become negligent in our attendance upon church services. To my mind, only by regular attendance upon church services can one keep himself "recharged," just as we can only have electric lights in our homes and offices because of the power that comes from the central power house of the electric companies. Again, we could easily imagine that if everyone was as negligent in church attendance as we may be, there could be a condition where there would be no churches. In other words, we must all have a part if we don't want to live in a community without churches. When we are not selfish but have a part, we also will find it rounds out our sympathies as well, strengthening us to do good as outlined for us under the Golden Rule. Furthermore, as I see it, another tendency that has become quite prevalent in America in recent years, as has been the case in foreign countries which have deteriorated in the past, has been a drifting away from proper Sabbath observance, with consequently increasing absences from church services.

To my mind, one of the most necessary foundation stones of the Christian religion is a proper observance of the Sabbath and the exclusion therefrom of not only unnecessary business activities but commercial athletic contests and theatrical entertainments, together with social functions that can be held just as well on week days. Only as we preserve the foundation stones can we hope to preserve the Christian religion, and I am sure that all of us here agree that unless Christianity is preserved, democracy will fail in the United States as it has distressingly so in many other countries of the world.

As I come to the close of these remarks, I want to point out what to me probably is one of the greatest assets we can have daily from the Christian religion through our activities in the churches and that is the development of faith. It gives us a rod to lean upon day by day, and when one has real faith it does not fail him. In all of the trying days of the past decade, and with the many current problems surrounding us on all sides today, the one who has faith is in a much stronger position to go through the day and night calmly and in peace and overcome irritations, as well as many obstacles, accomplishing his varied tasks in a successful manner. Recently, in reading the New York Times, I noted on the same page two news stories on this very point:

One item referred to a sermon by Dr. Norman Peale, of the Collegiate Church of New York, in which he stated that people failed to realize that God will do anything for them if they will only believe in him and have complete faith in his teachings.

The other item referred to a sermon by Bishop William T. Manning of the Episcopal Diocese of New York, in which he stated that the Christian religion is not philosophy but that it is a personal faith in Christ—a personal, conscious relationship which is to guide, and in-

spire, and control, all our thoughts and acts and relationships with our fellowman.

And finally, I wish to quote a sentence I noticed last week while reading a copy of a Methodist Advocate, which quotation I think well illustrates another value of our today's program subject on the church or Christian religion as indispensable in the building of a community and essential to all of us in our daily lives: "That which we call morale springs from the consciousness that we are fighting for God and with God."

PROGRAM ANNUAL MEETING N. C. BRANCH OF
WOMEN'S WORK OF FORMER M. P. CHURCH

Grace Church, Greensboro, April 16-17, 1940
Theme: "Widening Horizons"

Tuesday a. m., 10 O'clock

Organ Prelude
Worship Service, Christ and Me Dr. T. M. Johnson
Roll Call of Officers
High Lights of the Year's Minutes.....Mrs. S. S. Holt
President's Message Mrs. R. M. Andrews
Special Music. Grace Church
Reports:
President Mrs. R. M. Andrews
Secretary of Missionary Education Mrs. J. E. Pritchard
Secretary of Literature Mrs. T. L. Speas
Secretary of Scholarships and Workers...Mrs. W. H. Neese
Secretary of Young People's Work Mrs. E. A. Lamb
Appointment of Committees
Announcements
Benediction Rev. J. Elwood Carrol
Lunch, 12:30 o'clock

Tuesday, 1:30 p. m.

Organ Prelude
Worship Service: Christ, Me and My Community,
..... Dr. T. M. Johnson
Address: China and Missions Miss Naomi Howie
..... (Returned missionary from China)

Reports:
Corresponding Secretary Mrs. J. T. Bowman
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..... Mrs. J. M. Millikan
Chairman of Districts Mrs. C. W. Bates
Secretary of Christian Education ... Mrs. George R. Brown
High Point College (ten minues) Dr. G. I. Humphreys
Benediction

Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.

Worship in Song High Point College Choir
Play, "The Color Line" Irene Taylor MacNair
Directed by Mrs. E. A. Lamb, Secretary Y. P. Work
Benediction

Wednesday, 9:30 a. m.

Organ Prelude
Minutes of Tuesday's sessions
Worship Service: Christ, Me and My Church,
..... Dr. T. M. Johnson

Reports:
Secretary Benevolence and Christian Stewardship,
..... Mrs. J. M. Stone
Children's Home (ten minutes) Dr. A. G. Dixon
Bethel Home (ten minutes) Rev. Homer Casto
Secretary Spiritual Life Mrs. E. O. Peeler
Special Music: Grace Church
Reports:
Secretary of Life, Memorial, Perpetual and Sustaining Mem-
berships Mrs. R. A. Hunter
Secretary of Thank Offering Mrs. W. C. Hammer
Secretary of Temperance and Christian Citizenship,
..... Miss Pearl McCulloch
Secretary of Exhibits Miss Myrtle Davis
Information about uniting Women's Work of The Methodist
Church
Lunch, 12:30 o'clock

Wednesday, 1:30 p. m.

Organ Prelude
Worship Service: Christ, Me, My Nation and the World,
..... Dr. T. M. Johnson

Reports:
Secretary of Pastors' Aid Mrs. E. L. Ballard
Custodian of Records Mrs. C. W. Bates
Committees: Resolutions, Finance, Nominating
Miscellaneous Business
Report of Committee on Credentials and Courtesies
Minutes of the day's sessions
Benediction

Theology and Education
(The Parker Fund)

In the past few months all of us preachers have been furnished with literature concerning the endowment of the Parker Professorship at the Candler School of Theology at Emory University. Several articles concerning the project have appeared in our Methodist press.

Although I am not a graduate of the Candler School of Theology I favor the endowment of a chair in honor of Dr. Franklin N. Parker. Dr. Parker's record is so well known that it is not necessary to even list his many contributions both as teacher, preacher and administrator to our Methodism. The endowment of a chair in his honor would be only a small tribute to this great churchman.

The only point that I regret as I read the liteature on the subject is that the appeal for funds for this professorship is based upon the premise that the Candler School of Theology is the only approved Methodist theological school for this section of Methodism.

In an article in the Virginia Methodist Advocate of December 28, 1939, a prominent member of the Virginia conference made such a reference when he called for the support of the Parker professorship on the ground that the Candler School of Theology was the only approved Methodist theological school east of the Mississippi river. He made the following statement:

"Is it not time that we threw more weight and more money behind the one school of theology which on our side of the Mississippi is approved by our church for the training of these young men. . . . Let us be ready to help with the Parker Recognition Fund and do this much at least in the near future to support the one official institution which our church has created to train its ministry."

It is not correct to state that Emory is the only approved Methodist theological school east of the Mississippi river. In addition to Emory there is Boston University School of Theology, Drew Theological Seminary, Westminster Theological School, Garrett Biblical Institute, Gammon Theological Seminary and the School of Religion at Duke University. West of the Mississippi river are the School of Theology of Southern Methodist University and Iliff Theological Seminary. All nine of these schools are official and approved schools of theology of the Methodist Church. There is no recognition in the Discipline of the Methodist Church of sectional, geographical or jurisdictional theological seminaries, nor the approval of one Methodist school to the disparagement of a sister institution. The Discipline states: "The theological schools of the church are established and maintained for the training of ministers. They exist for the benefit of the whole church and their support shall be provided by the whole church as part of its general benevolence giving." I am informed that representatives of our nine theological schools have had during the past year a number of meetings and it was the unanimous sentiment at these gatherings that these nine schools hold an equal place regarding official approval as Methodist institutions for the training of future preachers.

Some of us who are alumni of other institutions have not appreciated this recent literature, articles and some addresses at annual conference sessions which seem to give the impression that there is but one Methodist theological school in the Southeastern Area. Some of us, like myself, attended the School of Religion of Duke University. In fact there are now alumni of the School of Religion serving as Methodist pastors in forty-one annual conferences of the Methodist Church. There are two hundred and seventy-five of us who are pastors in the Southeastern Area. Twenty-three are in the Virginia conference. In addition, sixteen graduates of the School of Religion are teachers of religion in church-related colleges and universities while eighteen are representing the Methodist Church as foreign missionaries. It should also be remembered that all the contributions of Duke University to the training of ministers and religious workers was made without any financial support from the church.—Harry Rickard, in Virginia Methodist Advocate.

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The ½ will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum.

In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

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Saluda, E. M. Graham.

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Elizabeth City	6
Wilmington	6
Waynesville	5
New Bern	4
Marion	4

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BOMBS AND SERMONS

In our church, called the Church of Heavenly Peace, in Foochow, I saw on Sunday a most remarkable exhibition of self-control.

Pastor David Ling, a graduate of Drew, was about half way through his sermon when the warning siren shrieked. He kept on preaching. Then pretty soon we heard the sound of planes. He rounded out his sermon and announced the closing hymn. We were all singing on the third of the four stanzas when the crash of exploding bombs began. The pianist played the "amen" at the end of the third verse. Pastor Ling then asked for a period of silent prayer, and for someone to volunteer at the end of it. An elderly, retired preacher prayed most beautifully, not forgetting to mention the enemies of hsi country for whom he wished only that they might see the error of their ways and be reconciled to God. The benediction was pronounced. Not a person got excited.—Paul P. Wiant.

A COUNTRY TOWN

By Carl S. Weist

If I could ever settle down,
I'd choose a cozy country town,
A town that lies just in between
The throbbing world and fields of green.
There folks would know me as I am,
Without pretense, false pride or sham.
No mad crowds milling everywhere;
Soft drowsiness hangs in the air.
With friends enough to pass the day
And while the winter nights away.
Few strangers wander down the street,
You speak to every one you meet.
I like the friendliness that chats
In the gardens on the ways of cats;
The kindness that gives and takes
Raisins and flour, fresh pies and cakes.
One day a week in Sunday clothes
The whole town seeks divine repose:
Then peace and silence o'er me brood
And make me feel that life is good.
If ever I should settle down,
I'd find a friendly country town.
—The Congregationalist.

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WHY CHURCH SCHOOL DAY?

The purpose of Church School Day is twofold. First, it is a time when every church is requested to give a program emphasizing the work of Christian education in the church school and in the community. Secondly, it is an occasion when every member of the church school is given an opportunity to make a personal contribution to the cause of Christian education as sponsored by the conference board of education.

The Program Emphasis

The general theme for this year is Evangelism. Sowing and Reaping is a program which deals with evangelism from the point of view of the church school.

What is the Best Time for Program?

Sunday, April 21, is the date for the church-wide observance. This date or some other Sunday near thereto should be selected. Either the church school hour or the 11 o'clock service may be used, according to the wishes and best judgment of the persons responsible for the planning.

The Offering

The offering on this occasion provides one of the main sources of income for the conference board of education. The entire amount received is used for this purpose in the Western North Carolina conference. The goal for the offering should be at least ten cents per enrolled member. Not until some such amount as this is reached by a large number of our churches will the necessary funds be available for the demands of a constantly growing program. This money should be designated as the Church School Day offering and be sent to Mr. H. A. Dunham, 62 Patton Ave., Asheville, N. C.

The Offering Envelope

On request to this office, Church School Day offering envelopes like the enclosed sample will be sent in limited numbers to any church desiring to use them. These envelopes can be used to advantage for promotional purposes and should be handed out on the Sunday preceding the Church School Day observance.

Requests Received

Plans are under way for Church School Day observance in 59 churches. These requests were received up to March 22. The names of the churches and the chairmen of program committees from these churches are as follows from the different districts:

Asheville District

West Asheville, John E. Jones.
 Black Mountain, Mrs. R. R. Viverette.
 Hendersonville, Miss Bessie Jordan.

Charlotte District

Duncan Memorial, Miss Lillie V. Wood.
 Spencer Memorial, J. N. Randall.
 Pleasant Grove, Milford Pettus.
 Indian Trail, Miss Margaret Stilwell.

New Hope (New Hope-Bethel), Miss Jessie Griggs.

Moore's, F. A. Wilkinson.
 Rocky Mount A. M. E. Zion, Miss Violet L. Little.

Gastonia District

Bethesda, Kenneth L. Ford.
 St. Peters, Mrs. R. F. Tillman.
 Bessemer City (Bessemer-Concord), B. E. Callis.
 Concord, Mrs. R. L. Eaker.
 Asbury, E. D. Hovis.
 First, Cherryville, Dr. E. S. Wehunt.
 Mary's Grove, Mrs. John Black.
 East End, H. L. Davidson.
 Smyre, L. H. Whitener.

Greensboro District

Gibsonville, T. E. Stough.
 Mount Pisgah, Carl C. Willard.
 Centenary, George H. Roach.
 Glenwood, Mrs. W. T. Purgason.
 West Market, Kenneth Goodson.

High Point District

Ward Street, C. P. Evans.
 Old Union, C. L. Coggins.

Marion District

Avondale, Fred L. Barkley.
 Oak Grove (Bostic), Mrs. J. P. Randall.

Glen Alpine, J. H. Giles.
 Abernethy Memorial, L. C. Cornwell.
 Spruce Pine, Mrs. Rom Duncan.

Salisbury District

First Street, Albemarle, R. L. Kiser.
 Stony Hill, R. J. Shaver.
 Badin, M. F. Moores.
 New London, M. F. Moores.
 China Grove, Fred A. Sides.
 Bethel (Friendship), Mrs. E. E. Ingram.
 New Mt. Tabor, Mrs. Onnie Fraley.
 Bethpage, R. D. Clawson.
 Mt. Pleasant, Charles H. Thayer.

Statesville District

Concord, Mrs. Inez Felts.
 Cool Spring, D. F. Campbell.
 Providence, Thomas N. Crawford.
 Fairgrove, Mrs. R. W. Bunch.
 First, Lenoir, D. T. Smith.
 Centenary, Miss Faye Goodnight.
 Race Street, Miss Eva Baity.
 Trinity, David Massey.
 Whitnel, Mrs. George Stallings.

Waynesville District

Mt. Moriah Memorial, Mrs. D. T. Knight.
 Central, Canton, Miss Elizabeth Thompson.
 Patton's, Erwin Patton.
 Union, Mrs. J. W. Addington.

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 Pine Grove (Forsyth), Mrs. B. E. Alspaugh.
 Prospect, M. G. Maner.
 Oak Grove, Mrs. G. C. Hauser.
 Crews, Mrs. J. G. Alley.

LEXINGTON SCHOOL

Although no member of the conference staff was able to attend the Lexington school, reports indicate that fine

results were achieved. Mrs. W. R. Reed gave The Use of the Bible with Children and Charles W. Phillips taught Christian Service in the Community. Both instructors report responsive classes. Brother H. G. Allen and Mr. J. F. Spruill were the primary leaders in initiating plans and in carrying the school to a successful conclusion.

Union County School

For the first time in 11 years a three-teacher school was held at Central, Monroe, March 10-15. One hundred and six people, representing ten churches, enrolled superintendents and laymen were loyal in attendance and enthusiastic about the school. Definite plans were initiated for another school next year. Dr. G. R. Combs, Brother W. Z. Faulkner, and Mrs. Kate Capehart, representing our host church, did an excellent job of preparing for and entertaining the school.

Asheboro Epworth Training Conference

The first Epworth training conference ever to be held in Randolph county for young people 15 to 23 years of age was conducted at First Methodist church, Asheboro, March 10-13. Two courses were taught by Paul Hardin and J. L. Stokes, II. With an enrollment of 50 people, 27 completed credit work. Young people's work is definitely on the up-grade in the Randolph County Union.

YOUTH RALLIES

Youth rallies in Waynesville, Asheville, Marion and Gastonia, March 11-14, completed the list of ten meetings in the Western North Carolina conference. Bishop Purcell spoke to large groups of young people in all these services. In spite of nightly downpour of rain the attendance was excellent at every point. The district directors and young people themselves deserve a great deal of credit for planning and promoting these programs. I was impressed again with the fact that the youth of the church have a vital contribution to make to greater Methodism.

The people of the conference, I'm sure, will be interested to know that there were more than 6000 young people in attendance at the ten rallies held thus far.

The Elkin district rally will be held on the night of April 4. The place will be North Wilkesboro. The hour will be 7:30. The young people and their adult leaders of the district are urged to be present. The young people will have a place on the program with Bishop Purcell, who will deliver the main address. M. Teague Hipps.

EASTER SUNDAY MISSIONARY EMPHASIS

Contributions to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise have declined considerably during January and February. The reason for this decline was not a lack of generosity on the part of our church schools. The severe weather was definitely the cause. The January offering this year was \$438.01 less than in 1939. The February offering was \$96.45 less. Our Easter offering this year ought to enable us to pull up the record of 1939. We confidently believe it will.

“SEVEN-YEAR FAILURE OF REPEAL”

Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas, author of the Eighteenth Amendment and still a member of the United States Senate, continues his practice of observing the anniversary of the adoption of national prohibition by delivering an address on various phases of the subject before the United States Senate. Each year during these seven years of repeal, he has been heard with increasing respect and interest and maintains the confidence of his colleagues, even those who are not in sympathy with his cause. He shows his sincerity and his fidelity to his cause more in defeat than in victory, believing in its righteousness and its final triumph. We follow with a few characteristic statements from his last address on January 16, which gave particular emphasis to the subject, “Seven-Year Failure of Repeal,” beginning with this challenging statement:

“Mr. President, failure continues to be written across the pathway of repeal.”

“We cannot continue to pour nearly two billion gallons of alcoholic drink every year into the veins of our democracy and expect it to retain the vigor and efficiency so vitally needed in these critical times.”

“One of the major concerns of the people of the United States is the problem of national defense. An attitude of government which permits and encourages the expenditure of billions for useless intoxicants impairs the greatest material and moral resources of the nation, a resource most vital in time of war—its man power.”

“Our government is struggling with the problem of providing employment for youth. At the same time, an attitude of government favorable to liquor so weakens our basic economic structure that the chance for gainful employment are vastly decreased.”

“One of the most alarming developments of 1939 was the nation-wide invasion of the highways by drink joints that are luring multitudes of boys and girls in America to ruin.”

“America’s crime record is a national disgrace. The most serious phase of the crime situation is in the proportion of youthful criminals. So long as the greatest single crime cause—intoxicating liquor—is permitted, protected, and to a great extent promoted by government, crime in this country will continue to be as deadly and as costly as war.”

“Since repeal a wave of gambling has swept over America which threatens the economic and moral fabric of the nation. The affinity between gambling and liquor is well known. Drinkers are most easily influenced to gamble and gamblers are most easily influenced to drink, as a rule.”

“If there were as much money to be made out of the germs of tuberculosis and syphilis, as there is out of the drug

that germinates alcoholism, they, too, would have remained the scourge they were in other years.”

“Private institutions for cure of addicts are springing up in all localities. Right here in Washington one has opened its doors within the year.”

“Many who oppose prohibition as a method urge ‘temperance’ (i.e. ‘moderate drinking’) as a solution of the problem. The nature of beverage alcohol makes impossible such a solution.”

“The promise by those favoring repeal that there never would be a re-establishment of saloons certainly implied an attitude of government in the interest of sobriety, rather than an attitude of government that permits if it does not actually approve, practices that can only result in a constant increase in the drinking of intoxicants, with all the accompanying evils.”

“The ultimate solution of the liquor problem is the restoration of an attitude and policy of government that completely withdraws sanction of the government from the liquor trade.”

—Religious Telescope.

THE INCOMPARABLE CHRIST

More than nineteen hundred years ago there was a Man born contrary to the laws of life. The man lived in poverty and was reared in obscurity. He did not travel extensively. Only once did he cross the boundary of the country in which he lived; that was during his exile in childhood. He possessed neither wealth nor influence. His relatives were inconspicuous, unimportant, and had neither training or education.

In infancy he startled a king; in childhood he puzzled doctors; in manhood he ruled the course of Nature, walked upon the billows as if pavements, and hushed the sea to sleep. He never wrote a book or a song, never founded a college, never marshalled an army, drafted a soldier, nor fired a gun, and yet no leader ever had more volunteers. He never practiced medicine, yet has healed more broken hearts than all the doctors far and near. He stands forth upon the highest pinnacle of heavenly glory, proclaimed by God, acknowledged by angels, adored by saints and feared by devils, as the Living, Personal Christ, our Lord and Saviour.—The Roadside Beacon.

EASTER

I saw a cross upon a hill,
A place called Calvary.
I saw a form upon that cross;
It seemed to beckon me.

I saw a world upon a cross,
A cross of war and strife,
And on that cross I saw again
The Lord of Light and Life.

I saw a tomb on Easter morn—
Thank God, an empty one.
So Faith was born that Calvary’s King
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ADVANCE NEWS OF CONFERENCE

April 1, 2, 3 will be happy and memorable days for those attending the 28th annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, North Carolina Conference, in Henderson. Some high lights of the program will include: Devotionals by Mrs. Paul N. Garber on Monday afternoon, Tuesday and Wednesday morning; Holy communion and Bishop Peele's sermon on Monday evening; Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton's address on Monday afternoon and Tuesday evening; the president's message, conference secretary and district secretaries' reports on Tuesday morning; talks by our two deaconesses, Misses Zoa Anna Davis and Ruth Brooks on Tuesday afternoon; noon day devotionals by Miss Elizabeth Claiborne, a former missionary to China; Mrs. W. C. Chadwick's message from Council and a talk by Mrs. Clyde Finch of Henderson on Wednesday morning. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, conference president, will convene the first session on Monday afternoon, April 1, at 2 o'clock. All delegates should be present for the opening session.

NEW AUXILIARY AT BUXTON

Mrs. J. R. Regan shares with us the following interesting news: "On Tuesday evening, March 12, the ladies of Buxton church, Hatteras charge, Elizabeth City district, met in the home of Mrs. Sudie Jennette and organized a woman's missionary society. There were 13 charter members and Mrs. Nellie Barnette was elected president. Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Regan were present and assisted with the organization. Plans have been formulated to organize a society at Frisco church, also on the Hatteras charge."

A CIRCUIT AUXILIARY

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, secretary of the Rocky Mount district, writes: "On the afternoon of March 14 a group of ladies from the church of the Robertsonville charge met and organized a circuit auxiliary. It was inspiring to observe the fine co-operative spirit between these groups, as well as the interest manifested in perfecting the organization. Mrs. W. F. Stokes of Stokes was elected president; Mrs. George James Parmele, vice president; Mrs. R. K. Atkins, Robertsonville, corresponding secretary and treasurer; Mrs. W. C. Latham, Stokes, recording secretary. This organization was welcomed for many reasons, one of which is that we now have at least one auxiliary on every charge in the district."

LAURINBURG AUXILIARY BUSY

The Laurinburg auxiliary, Mrs. R. C. Dixon, president, is busy in all departments. We have had our spring mission study class, which was well attended. Mrs. C. A. Trollinger is mission study leader. Mrs. M. C. Taylor, agent for the World Outlook, reports

13 subscribers. The circles sponsor social meetings for the children once each quarter. Mrs. J. E. King is the efficient secretary of children's work. We are collecting books to be presented to the library at the community house at East Laurinburg.

Mrs. T. E. Bunn.

CITY ROAD ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Helen Smith, superintendent of publicity of the auxiliary at City Road church, Elizabeth City, writes that her auxiliary is doing some worth while work. The March meeting was especially interesting and featured a very impressive spiritual life service, led by Mrs. E. D. Weathers. One Sunday afternoon recently the auxiliary sponsored a religious service at the county home. The realization of hopes for a vested choir for the church is about to be fulfilled. The auxiliary clothes a child at the Methodist Orphanage and other projects are being planned.

STUDY AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

The spring mission study class of the Louisburg auxiliary was held by members of two circles at the parsonage on March 13 in a five-hour session in which the book "Through Tragedy to Triumph" was studied. The study began at four o'clock and the eight chapters were presented by different ladies under the leadership of Mrs. J. A. Hodges, superintendent of study. Between chapters there were lively discussions. During the supper hour sandwiches, cake and coffee were enjoyed. An impressive service was held at Louisburg College on February 9 in observance of The World Day of Prayer, sponsored by our missionary society and participated in by all the churches of the town. Mrs. J. A. Turner, president, has announced a series of quiet hour meetings at the church during Holy Week, at which time suggestions sent out for spiritual life groups will be used.

Mrs. T. C. Amick.

PERSON ZONE MEETING

The spring meeting of the Person zone, Durham district, was held at Oak Grove church recently with Mrs. W. M. Fox, zone leader, presiding. Mrs. Zelle Barnette extended words of welcome. Miss Florine Robertson gave a survey of last year's work. Rev. E. G. Overton in the opening devotional spoke of missions, stressing the thought "Saving the individual as the great task to be realized in all missionary work." Reports from various auxiliaries were heard revealing the fact that the zone is facing the year's work with vigor and enthusiasm. The loving cup was presented to Grace church auxiliary for having led the zone in winning new members since the last meeting. An instrumental duet was rendered by Mrs. Kendell Street and daughter. Mrs. E. G. Overton brought a message of information on mission stu-

dy. Mrs. J. D. Lee outlined the results of the essay contest on "Effects of Alcohol on the Human Body" and announced that the prize would be presented to the winner in April. Miss Ruth Brooks gave a report of eight months' service done in a community where she is greatly appreciated and loved. Mrs. Ivey Cridlin, Sec.

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THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Mold us, O Christ,
Beneath thy swift, creative hand,
To do thy will, to show God's love,
To make his world more free, more joyful,
To combat pain and wrong,
To pay, in our own flesh,
Our share of what it costs to help and save.
—J. S. Hoyland.

DEDICATION TO RENEWED BROTHERHOOD

By Marguerite Harmon Bro.

Relying on thine indwelling presence and power:

I will this day work with Thee in creating a better world here on this earth.

I will this day seek to create an atmosphere of faith, good cheer, and hopefulness in all around me.

I will this day do my tasks and duties cheerfully and thoroughly in the spirit of a free and loving child of God.

I will this day endeavor to follow the highest within me, and the highest in thy spiritual revelations in humanity.

So may I enter into the fullest fellowship with thee, now and evermore. Amen.

DELEGATES TO ANNUAL MEETING

We are requested by a member of the entertainment committee of First church, Salisbury, to insist that the names of the delegates who will attend the annual meeting April 16-18, be sent to the district secretary AT ONCE so that the secretary may send them to the chairman of entertainment committee by April 1. We also wish to remind our auxiliary presidents that only one delegate is elected from each auxiliary. Then another most important reminder, if an elected delegate finds that she cannot attend the meeting (as she had hoped to do) she will notify the chairman of entertainment committee, Mrs. C. O. Floyd, Milford Hills, Salisbury, N. C., of her inability to attend. May we urge our auxiliary presidents to look after this matter and grant this request from one of the committee looking after our comfort and pleasure during our stay in the hostess city.

OUR SUE BENNETT COLLEGE GIRLS

In a letter from one of our Western North Carolina girls at Sue Bennett College in London, Kentucky, we are pleased to note that two of them—Mildred Whitener of Shelby and Evelyn Hager of Charlotte—were chosen to represent the college at the recent meeting of the Methodist Student conference in Lexington, Kentucky. The girls are all so happy at Sue Bennett and are loud in their praises of everything connected with the institution. We were pleased to find from the Subomeco, the college paper, that all of our

girls are entering into the activities of the school with earnestness, interest and enthusiasm and are successful in their efforts. We are proud of our "Quintette of Sue Bennett girls."

HUDSON WOMEN ENTERTAIN ZONE MEETING

From the Lenoir News-Topic we have an interesting account of recent zone meeting of the Statesville district held at Hudson, March 12, with Mrs. A. D. Abernethy, zone chairman, presiding. The meeting was held in the beautiful new Lutheran church "graciously loaned to the Methodist women by their Lutheran sisters." The opening worship service was in charge of the pastor of the Hudson church, Rev. O. L. Robinson, and was followed by a musical trio, "My Task," by three young women from the Hudson school. Words of greeting were brought by Mrs. O. L. Robinson, who introduced the Lutheran women as special guests of the day.

A number of the district pastors were introduced and showed their interest in the woman's work by remaining throughout the entire session.

Mrs. W. I. Pitts was appointed secretary and called the roll of the 12 auxiliaries in the zone, seven having representatives present, who gave splendid reports showing marked improvement in membership and interest. Mrs. T. V. Goode, district secretary, was present and gave an interesting and instructive message, in which she showed a poster of the set-up of the woman's work in the united Methodist Church.

Mrs. J. T. Hornbuckle of Hickory, district spiritual life leader, stressed the necessity for prayer of a special nature and urged the organization of prayer groups in every auxiliary.

Christian social relations was presented by Mrs. W. I. Pitts, who used in her presentation of this department a significant poster, showing a hand reaching out for service. She defined Christian social relations as "Christianity at work." Rev. John W. Hoyle, district superintendent, stressed the importance of the enlistment of the womanhood of the church into the missionary society, designating it as Methodist Advance. He also emphasized the missionary cultivation derived from the missionary programs on the fourth Sunday in each month in the church schools.

Mrs. H. C. Cobb of Rhodhiss discussed the World Outlook, urging increased subscriptions to this great missionary periodical which is the missionary organ of the entire Methodist Church. Mission study and the supply department were stressed by Mrs. Abernethy and a contribution of \$5 was secured for expenses of delegates to Jurisdictional Conference in Asheville May 22. Mrs. J. G. W. Holloway of Granite Falls was appointed district superintendent of rural cultivation, with Mrs.

John Oakley of Lenoir as rural key woman of zone one. In a heart searching talk Mrs. George Greer of Lenoir brought the closing message of the day, What Spiritual Life Means in Every Auxiliary, and followed her talk with prayer. The meeting closed with benediction by Mr. Robinson. Mrs. Robinson extended an invitation for all present to remain for refreshments, which were served in the dining room of the church by the members of Hudson auxiliary. The St. Patrick and Easter season was emphasized in the lovely refreshments served from a lace covered table on which burned tall green candles.

A WORD ABOUT METHODISM IN CHINA

By Bishop Ralph A. Ward, after presiding over four Methodist conferences in China recently—Kalgan, North China, Shantung, and Central China:

Our Methodist Church in China is truly at the beginning of another period of great advance. Just what will be the details of that advance or its scope only the future will reveal. But that it is coming I soberly believe. And that it will be typically Methodist I also believe. It will be Wesleyan. Yet in saying that it will be Methodist or Wesleyan, I have certain reservations.

What is Wesleyan? What is Methodist? Who was Paul? Who was Apollos? Is Christ Wesley, Luther? Paul—anyone else with whom Christians have been associated or by whom Christians have been helped, only came closer to Jesus, only apprehended something more of that for which we have been apprehended of God through Jesus Christ. If we said Methodist or Wesleyan we mean, in the last analysis, that as other Methodists or as Wesley, so we, and those who come after us, shall be in certain ways again more clearly what Jesus intended us to be.

So I do not speak in terms of denominational ambition or sectarian aggrandizement when I say that the experiences of recent months, first at the Uniting Conference and then rather intensively in four Methodist conferences in North China and otherwise a crowded schedule of conversations and contacts and travel through a wide area—all of these experiences have brought me assurance that our Methodist Church is at the beginning of another era of much larger evangelism and service in China.

This does not depend on a greater financial help from our missionary sending communities, though I wish we could hope for that greater help. The churches in America would benefit even themselves if they would give more largely. And they would greatly enlarge the work in China if they would do so. The church in China, forced to re-adjustments long overdue, by the fierce and painful trials of recent years, is far better able to use wisely the help which might come from our older churches in other countries. Yet the ground for my growing conviction and hope lies within the churches in China itself.—The China Christian Advocate.

Holy Scripture is set as a kind of lantern for us in the night of this present life.—Gregory the Great.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE WEATHER

There has been plenty of reminders of the weather during the past two days. Easter morning opened with bright sunshine. A lone bird was singing, doing as best he could what many birds would be doing on our campus but for the severe winter which depleted their ranks. After the sun had peeped over the eastern hills for just a little while the clouds came along and the wind blew. We hurried up the hill to our Sunday school, shivering with each step, but dressed for our usual Sunday morning trip over town to church. While we were at our Sunday school services the snow completely covered the ground and our little youngsters hurried home somewhat bewildered because of weather changings. The loveliness of pansies, jonquills and hyacinths had changed within an hour to the loveliness of snow. Easter and Christmas weather had consolidated into one celebration. Before Easter was over three and a half inches of snow came to be with us for awhile. This Easter weather will be talked about for years to come.

OUR ALUMNI MEET

Came Easter Monday morning, cold and a bit uninviting. The thermometer certified to the fact that it was cold, the reading hovering around 22 to 25. We wondered whether our alumni would gather in great numbers for their annual Easter Monday reunion. Before ten o'clock cars lined up all along the road and the Brown Memorial building was comfortably filled with those who returned to renew their acquaintance with one another and to celebrate over the good fortune that was theirs. G. W. Kerr, a Southern Railway car inspector, called the meeting to order. Rev. J. E. Rink, assistant pastor of Wesley Memorial, High Point, gave the invocation. After this scribe had welcomed the home comers and a response had been made by Rev. J. E. Rink, J. W. Clay, now a printer and columnist, formerly a Methodist missionary to Brazil, made the principal address. Mr. Clay, always a favorite with our youngsters, he formerly having been in charge of our printing plant, challenged our alumni to make the most of their opportunity. "The Romance of Living" was his general theme and he was very effective in leading his hearers through thoughtful thinking.

Following the morning session and the noonday lunch hour the alumni played basket ball, boys and girls, the annual baseball game being snowed under, and then called it a happy day well spent. Officers elected for the ensuing year are Jack J. Heritage, Winston-Salem, president; Charles Curtis,

Greensboro, vice president; Mrs. Louie Cox Joyner, Harmony, secretary; and James D. Hartman, Winston-Salem, treasurer.

THE TOURNAMENT

The Winston-Salem Journal-Sentinel basket ball tournament, advertised as "the largest basket ball tournament in the world under one roof," provided a series of interesting games extending through nearly three weeks of play. Our girls' team entered this tournament and played to the semi-finals, losing by a four point margin to the Mineral Springs Forsyth county team, which, on the succeeding night was crowned champion. Our boys, who came out on top last year in this tournament, did not enter this year, preferring to give themselves to spring football and in preparation for the base-



Corky by name, sparkling by nature

ball season. Helen Hanes and Sarah Kate Maree, two of our girls, were placed on the all-tournament girls' team.

NOW COMES BASEBALL

With the passing of basket ball and spring football comes baseball to engage the interests of our youngsters during their leisure hours. The quick thinking and quick acting attendant to the mass movements of fall and winter playing will give way to more deliberate and painstaking care required in the game of baseball. One bonehead play, as the boys say, can lose a game. So both our boys and girls, as they come into baseball days, are talking in terms of careful practice in order to make the team. Baseball days are here again.

SCHOOL RECORDS

It is a matter of common observation among those of us who carefully scrutinize the school reports of our boys and girls that better records are being made this year than during re-

cent previous years. Very few of our youngsters are failing. More "A's" and "B's" are being made than ever before. It is mighty seldom that a youngster in high school comes in with less than "A" on his deportment rating. It is a sort of truism with us that any of our youngsters can behave well, even though they do not learn well. Our midwinter school record is good.

A GROWING LAD

The picture this week is that of Cornelius Blair, ten and a half years old and in the fifth grade. Cornelius, known to the boys as "Corky," has had two recent distinctions. For one thing he has moved from the Norfleet building to the Tise building where older boys stay. For another thing, and more important, he has recently joined the church and now feels that he is a full fledged Christian. This enthusiastic and dependable lad is sponsored by the Men's Bible Class of First church, Lenoir.

NEXT SUNDAY

Our mind keeps turning to next Sunday, a fifth Sunday and a Children's Home Sunday. There is within us the hope that on this Sunday our church school friends will want to give liberally to the needs of our boys and girls. No fifth Sunday has so far come in this calendar year and no other will come before late June. Much depends on the March fifth Sunday. We are confidently counting on our friends to be mindful of this.

HONOR SOCIETY

Since last report, made several weeks ago, the following congregations have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full. Carefully note them, together with their pastors in charge, and join us in grateful thanks:

First church, Charlotte, Dr. C. C. Weaver.

Central, Concord, Dr. E. K. McLarty.

May's Chapel, Maiden, Rev. J. G. Winkler.

Center Grove, Midland circuit, Rev. C. L. Heckard.

David's Chapel and Double Shoals, Belwood circuit, Rev. G. W. Clay.

New Hope, Lowesville circuit, Rev. J. A. Howell.

BUILDING A BARN

Thanks to our good friend, W. C. Boren of Greensboro, a good tile silo was constructed on our dairy grounds last fall by the Pomona Terra Cotta Company in time to be filled with ensilage. During the winter the silo has stood like a water tank ready to give forth what it contained in time of need. But a barn was needed to house our enlarged dairy herd, those cows which have been transferred from the Davie county farm to the Home farm. This need is now being met in the building of a suitable barn. We had to wait until enough funds could be collected for such construction. Such funds now being at hand, the carpenters make merry with their hammers and saws and the barn goes up. Good cows in a good barn with good treatment give good milk. Nearly 200 gallons of such are being delivered to our coolers each day.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

DESIRED—A generous free will offering from every Sunday school in the North Carolina conference on the fifth Sunday in this month.

BASEBALL — The Methodist Orphanage vs. the Catholic Orphanage. Our boys played their opening game last week and won by a score of 9-6. This is a good start to a successful season. Coach J. O. Sanderson is training them late each afternoon, and I believe he is going to have a very good ball team. I know of nothing that is finer to build physical stamina among young people than clean sports.

SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives gives the following account of her latest visit to churches: "When the class thinks of a visit to Rev. C. W. Robbins' charge, our thoughts run back to the three years he was our Orphanage pastor, and how much we all loved him and Mrs. Robbins. March 17 was a pleasant day that the class spent serving on his charge at Eureka, Yelverton and Black Creek churches. We were given a cordial welcome by members of these churches, and by Mr. and Mrs. Robbins."

A FINE OPPORTUNITY—I would like to enlist one hundred individual friends of the Methodist Orphanage who will agree to send me \$10 each month for twelve months. And I would also like to secure one hundred additional friends who would agree to send me \$5 per month for twelve months. We must do something to balance our budget, and I hope that this suggestion will register favorably with a large number of our friends who want to see the Methodist Orphanage put on a

more solid financial footing. We need \$25,000 annually to give us a balanced budget for our operating expenses.

IMPRESSIVE SERVICE — On Palm Sunday morning 35 boys and girls from the Methodist Orphanage, together with a large number of other young people, united with Edenton Street Methodist church. It was my happy privilege to assist Dr. John C. Glenn and Rev. F. D. Hedden in baptizing and receiving the large class into the membership of Edenton Street church. The church auditorium was packed and crammed on Palm Sunday morning. Dr. Glenn preached an inspiring sermon to the large concourse of worshippers. The religious education of our children is paramount with us. I know it is a source of great satisfaction to our Methodist constituency to feel that our children are being brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

WORTH PONDERING — We have never succeeded in getting the church schools of the North Carolina conference wholeheartedly and enthusiastically committed to fifth Sunday offerings. A limited number have done well, but an overwhelming majority have never taken seriously the importance of remembering the Methodist Orphanage on fifth Sundays. I am hoping that this coming Sunday, which is a fifth Sunday, will prove an exception to the rule. I have written to all the church school superintendents, urging them to request their church schools to do their best for us the fifth Sunday in this month. The reason for asking for fifth Sunday offerings is due to the fact that we lack \$25,000 of having a balanced budget to meet our operating expenses. I sincerely trust that there is not a church school in the conference that will fail to do its best for the Orphanage this coming fifth Sunday.

THE MAGNETIC CHRIST

By Mrs. Bob L. Pool

God sent the Magnetic Christ
Into this world of sin,
To show how his wondrous love
Could draw all the hearts of men.

God did not release this magnet
To be thrown aside by us,
Or trampled under our power
As Pilate threw away his trust.

God planned a most strenuous test
To prove the Magnet's perfection;
He allowed even the power of Satan
Test for flaws with his temptations.

God knew his Magnetic Son
Could be tried before all men,
Wear that crown of thorns—
Bear every heartache, even the Cross
to win.

God trusts supremely in the Magnet
For power to grip our willing souls
To hold us up as we bear the cross,
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SPOTTED TAIL

By Benedicite

Spotted Tail was a pet sheep. She was the only ewe in the flock that had a long tail. Her wool was white, but at shearing time the boy on the farm had noticed that the shorn tail of that ewe was dotted with black and white marks. And so he had given her that name.

Let me digress long enough to ask a question. In what country, where all the sheep have tails, do the sheep store up fat in their tails when the grazing is good, drawing upon that fat afterward when the grazing is poor? You know the camel does that with his hump, and there is a certain breed of sheep that does that with their tails. I have heard them called "Turkish sheep." You find them in Asia. One time I saw a large flock in Palestine.

Let us get back to Spotted Tail. When the writer of this sketch was a boy, one of his duties during the spring, summer and fall, was to salt the sheep. He did it once a week. Most animals crave salt and the sheep is no exception. A lady who used to live in Worthington, Pa., told me one day of a neighbor of hers who owned a large flock of sheep. One day he went to what he thought was the salt barrel and filled his little bucket. He went to the sheep field and the sheep, anticipating their weekly taste of salt, ran to him from all directions. As his custom was, he dropped the salt in little piles about ten feet apart. To his amazement the sheep put their heads down, took one whiff and then rushed after him with impatient "baa's." He couldn't understand it until he dipped his finger in the bucket and then put it to his lips. The taste was sweet. He had made the mistake of going to the sugar barrel instead of the salt barrel. Sheep love salt but have no taste for sugar. I wonder if God's sheep are the same way. Certainly we ministers should not be too sugary in our preaching.

Let us go back to Spotted Tail again. Our sheep field was two miles away. Armed with our little bucket of salt, my boyhood pal, Billy Larkin, and I walked across the fields one evening to salt the sheep. The sheep knew me and they also knew my call. They came running from all directions. The salt was dropped in little piles and soon a dozen sheep and lambs were gathered about each pile. Billy and I walked down the line after pouring out all the salt to count the sheep. One was missing. It took only a moment to realize that it was Spotted Tail. She was usually the first sheep to greet us when we entered the field, she was such a pet, and it stood out like a sore thumb when she wasn't there. And then began a hunt over a wide 66-acre field. Billy finally found her, lying dead under a tree.

THE FIRST EASTER MESSAGE



"Mother, please tell me a story,"
A dear little maiden said.
"Who told the first story of Easter;
Of Jesus, who rose from the dead?"
The mother turned to her smiling,
Glad the story to unfold.
"A woman bore the first message."
And earnestly this she told:
"In the dusk of the day's early dawn
Three women wended their way,
Bearing sweet spices to the tomb,
To anoint him where he lay.
But, 'Who will roll away the stone?'
They asked as on they hastened,
Not knowing it had been removed—
The seals all unfastened.
Surprised to see the open door,
They looked within and lo,
An angel in glistened white,
The sepulcher all aglow!
Affrighted, Mary turned away
Weeping, what had they seen!
'Woman, why weepest thou?' she
heard.

A man of quiet mien
And kindly face was standing near;
She raised her tear-wet eyes,
'Sir, if thou hast borne him hence
Tell me where,' she cries.
But looking down at her with love
He softly spoke her name.
And then she cried, 'Rabboni!'
Her soul caught all aflame.
She would have clasped him by his
feet;
But, 'Touch me not,' he said,
And bade her carry the wondrous news
To those who thought him dead.
And so the glad message
Was first told by a woman
At the will of our Saviour, dear."

Lillian C. Flowers.

What was wrong? We examined the body and found no mark of violence. Occasionally dogs would get among the sheep and kill some and wound some. But there was no evidence that any dog had molested Spotted Tail. One of our neighbors had dropped dead a few days before and wise little Billy declared, "Maybe Spotted Tail died of heart disease. If a man can die that way, why can't a sheep?" Maybe Billy was right. We left the field that evening, two saddened boys. Spotted Tail, one of our choicest pets, was dead and we'd never see her again. She left two good lambs to mourn her loss, but Billy and I mourned her departure more than they. For by this time they were more than half grown and were able to shift for themselves.

I'll hazard a guess as to what killed Spotted Tail. Nearly every field, and I know it was true of that 66-acre field, contains plants that are poisonous to

sheep. The sheep is counted the dumbest of all animals, but the Good Shepherd, Jesus, who loves the sheep, has put something in the sheep's makeup that causes it to eat only that which will do it good, and to reject that which will do it harm. Maybe Spotted Tail had become a little careless and had eaten a poisonous plant. And her life paid the penalty. I wonder if the Good Shepherd, who loves his human sheep and especially his lambs, hasn't put something in them that tells them what is good in reading and what is bad in reading, what is good in companionship, what is good and what is bad all along the line. O Christ, may no boy or girl make the mistake that was made by my pet sheep!—The United Presbyterian.

SPEED KINGS

By Dorothea Louise Gould

If one were brave and daring and rugged enough to climb the great heights of the Alps in Switzerland; if one were agile and graceful enough to make his way up a rock wall, where the pathway is tiny and rough, he would come, perhaps, in sight of a band of chamois feeding on this high place together. But in order to see the chamois he must be also more than rugged and agile; he must be sly and quiet. And he must creep and crawl so carefully as to make himself seem as far away as possible, and as lifeless. He must scarcely breathe.

For the chamois is always on the lookout for man. These animals detest being sought by camera hunters or anyone else. They have a marvelous sense of smell, and clever indeed is the man who can get near enough to take a picture successfully.

The chamois is the most famous animal in Switzerland. It is about the size of a goat. It is graceful and lovely to look at. Its horns are curved on the ends which give them the appearance of hooks. Because it is very sly and elusive it makes certain to keep itself on high mountains that are rocky and steep. It feeds on grass and moss. Often it has to dig down through glaciers and snow fields to find this food.

The old mother doe is always on guard while the little kids play and frolic. If a human being happens along, even though he might be a mile or more away, the doe is very keen to sense danger, and then things begin to happen. She gives a loud whistling call, and even the little ones know it is the danger signal. They run to their mothers, and there is great leaping and bounding in all directions until, after a comparatively few minutes, they have all disappeared.

Their speed and agility of flight is almost miraculous. And the way they skin a precipice would hold you spellbound.—Our Dumb Animals.

Sunday School Lesson
MARCH 31

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By Rollin H. Walker
The Continuing Task
Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20

The beginning of the great commission is our Lord's assurance, "All power is given unto me in heaven and on earth." Frankly, this is hard to believe, and indeed we are told that in his temptation in the wilderness it was difficult for Jesus himself not to feel that power over the world was at the disposal of Satan (Matthew 4:9). But all through history we note that after their temporary triumph bad rulers have headed for the ditch. Their victories made them so arrogant that they lost their common sense. We need only to look over the world today to find illustrations of this fact. The power of Christ, on the other hand, is like the power of a loving parent over a little child. The parent could take him by the throat and force him into submission, but love seeks patiently to coax out loyalty. Love is like the power of the sun. How weak it seems as it shines down faintly on the frozen ground in early spring! But before long it coaxes out the grass, and by the end of the summer it has lifted tons and tons of hay from the earth, and in autumn all the fruit trees render tribute to it. The question is, Are we really anxious to prove that Christ has all power? Some men say, I am impartial; come and prove to me that Christ has all power, and I will believe it. Columbus did not say that. He said, "Give me some ships and I will risk my life to verify my hopes." How are we to prove that Christ has all power in heaven and on earth? By boldly attempting his great task. We are to prove it as Columbus proved that there was a new world. We are to go. But to make disciples of all nations we shall need to reform at home. The Hindus are horrified by our lynching; the Mohammedans by our drunkenness. "Let your light so shine before men," said Jesus, "that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father in heaven." Good works are the best type of propaganda. Providence has made it easier for us to go into all the world than it was for the great pioneers. A great broadcasting system in America regularly sends short-wave messages to the mission fields, and a Chinese business man is now planning to put a Christian broadcasting station in every province of China. Today anything worth exporting is apt to be called for. If a man learned to make automobile fuel from cornstalks, the world would be eager for his secret. Let any town install an

ideal city government, or an ideal public school system, and its example would be studied by Calcutta and Shanghai. Someone says, Then why not confine our work to our neighbors? If you professed to have found a cure for cancer, and were not broadcasting it, your neighbors would not believe you. They buy articles that are "nationally advertised." Moreover, we owe the gospel to the nations beyond. Missionaries brought the gospel to our ancestors when they were drinking liquor out of their enemies' skulls. Not a man who reads these words would feel safe to have his remote Anglo-Saxon or Teutonic grandfather in his house overnight. World-wide evangelism would also contribute to our own enlightenment. If we learned to make automobile fuel out of cornstalks and told the secret to the Chinese, they might take the hint and show us how to make it out of weeds, and the agricultural papers would contain articles headed, Growing Ragweed for Profit. The physicians went to the jungles of the Amazon and brought back quinine, one of the most valuable drugs known to man. In our attempt to take the gospel to other nations we learn a lot about it. Try it yourself on some ignorant foreigner. You will be challenged to think into the essentials of the gospel as never before. Paul learned much about the gospel in attempting to commend it to the Greco-Roman world. He found that the Jewish rind of the gospel melon was not an essential part of it—men only needed to eat the heart. In R. L. Stevenson's Treasure Island, they make a costly voyage to find the gold and silver that was buried by the buccaneers. But every cannibal island is a treasure island because God has buried in the heart of the cannibals an ability to throw new light on the gospel if only we take it to them. We shall never know the gospel until we explain it to every tribe and nation. Jesus commands us to baptize. Men are to be ushered into conscious communion with the one God the Father who is revealed in Jesus, and whose Spirit enters into our hearts to guide us in all the adventures in thought and deed to which we are to be challenged by changing conditions. And then we are to teach them all the commandments of Jesus. We are not to soft pedal any unwelcome requirement. Whenever we do that we shut off the power. Five-leaved ivy is harmless woodbine, but three-leaved ivy is poisonous. Any part of the gospel isolated from its complementary truths becomes poison ivy. Do you notice the "alls" in the great commission: "All power is given unto me. . . . Make disciples of all nations, and teach them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you alway"? The "lo" is an exclamation of glad surprise. As you land on a God-forsaken shore, lo, there is Christ, a living Presence! What a wonderful discovery is that! And it is for everyone who lives a life of broad sympathies and does his humble part in the great work of bringing in the kingdom of God on earth.—Christian Advocate.

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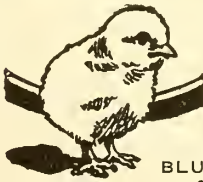
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Durham-Hillsboro		April 18
Asheville-Hendersonville		April 19
Winston-Salem-Fair Grove, Thomasville Ct., 9:30		April 19
Waynesville-Rockford		April 19
Gastonia-Rock Springs		May 8
Marion-Old Fort		May 8
Elkin-Friendship Church, Wilkesboro Ct.		May 9
Charlotte-Bethlehem Church, Prospect Chg.		May 16
High Point-High Point College		May 14
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Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Eno, 7:30	March	28
Mount Hermon, Belmont, 11		31
Saxapahaw, Concord, 3		31
Durham Ct., Bethany, 3		31
Mebane, Central, 7:30		31
	April	
Davis Street, 7:30		3
Graham, 7:30		4
Person Ct., Lea's Chapel, 11		6
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11		7
Long Memorial and Brookdale, Long Mtn., 7:30		7
Duke Memorial, 7:30		9
Calvary, 7:30		10
Chapel Hill, 7:30		11
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 11		14
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3		14
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, HILLSBORO, 10		18
Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11		21

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11	March	31
Creswell, 3		31
Roper, Mackeys, night		31
	April	
Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11		7
Kinnakeet, Rodanthe, night		7
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11		14
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3		14
Belhaven, Hebron, night		14
City Road, night		17
South Mills, Newland, 11 and 1		20
Wilmington, 11		21
Williamston, night		21
First Church, Elizabeth City, night		24
Windsor, Cashie, 11		28
Edenton, night		28
	May	
Bath, Bethany, 11		5
Washington, night		5
District Conference, Edenton		16

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Siler City, 11	March	31
Lynum Ct., 3		31
Pittsboro, 7:30		31
	April	
Mt. Gilead Ct., Ophir, 11:15		7
Troy Ct., 3		7
Mount Gilead, 7:30		7
Rockingham, 7:30		12
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 11		14
Ellerbe, Jones Spring, 3		14
Parkton, 7:30		14
Troy, 11		21
Glendon, High Falls, 3		21
Biscoe, Candor, 7:30		21
Red Springs, 11		28
Stedman, Bethany, 3		28
Hay Street, 7:30		28
	May	
Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11		5
West End, 7:30		5

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Aurora, Campbell's, 11	March	31
Oriental, Arapaho, 3		31
	April	
Hookerton, Maury, 11		7
Snow Hill, Bethel, 3		7
Kinston, 7:30		7
Seven Springs, Beston, 11		14
Goldboro Ct., 3		14
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30		14
District Conference, Rainbow Church, 9		16
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11		21
LaGrange, Trinity, 3		21
Premont, Black Creek, 7:30		21
Goldboro, St. Paul, 7:30		24
Mt. Olive-Calypto, Calypso, 7:30		26
Mt. Olive Ct., 11		27
Pink Hill, Woodland, 11		28
Dover, 3		28
	May	
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 11		4
Newport, Oak Grove, 3		5

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Franklinton, 11	March	31
Louisburg, 7:30		31
	April	
Smithfield, 7:30		3
Fuquay, Kipling, 11		7
Selma, 7:30		7
Person Street, 7:30		10
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, BENSON, 9:30		11
Lillington, 11		14
Mamers, Spring Hill, 3		14
Princeton, Fellowship, 7:30		17
Stem, Calvary, 11		21
Louisburg Ct., Hunn, 7:30		21
	May	
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 11		5
Garner, Hollands, 7:30		5
Dunn, 8		8
Bailey, Simms, 11		12
Tar River, Trinity, 7:30		12
Hayes-Barton, 8		15

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Warrenton, Macon, 11	March	30
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11		31
Warren Ct., Bethlehem, 3		31
Norlina, Zion, 7:30		31
	April	
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30		7
Whitakers, Battlboro, 7:30		10
Enfield, 11		14
Halfax, Pierce's Camp Ground, 3		14
Marvin, 7:30		14
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30		17
McKendree, McKendree, 11		21
Elm City, Hornes, 3		21
Sandy Cross, 7:30		21
	May	
St. Paul, Rocky Mount, 7:30		8
Kauly, Buckhorn, 11		12
Walstonburg, 7:30		12

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Wilmington, Trinity, 11	March	31
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, night		31
	April	
Scotts Hill, Scotts Hill, 11		7
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3		7
Southport, night		7
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11		14
Tabor City, Bethel, 3		14
Bladen, Deems, night		14
Lumberton Ct. (place to be announced), 11		21
Pembroke (Indian work) place to be announced, 3		21
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, night		21
	May	
Maysville, Tabernacle, 11		5
Jacksonville-Richlands, Haw Branch, 3		5
Swansboro, Swansboro, night		5
Clinton, 11		12
Shallotte, Dixon's Chapel, 11		28
Wilmington, Grace, night		28

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Preach at Reeve's Chapel, 11	March	31
Quar. Conf. Acton, Candler and Pisgah, at Montmo- rence, 3		31
	April	
Tryon-Saluda, at Saluda, 11		7
Fairview at Sharon, 3		7
Fletcher, night		7
District Conference at Hendersonville		17

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Huntersville, Asbury, 11	March	31
Myers Park, 7:30		31
	April	
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30		1
Polkton, Wightman, 11		7

ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11	March	31
	April	
Warrensville, Lansing, 11		7
Creston-Riverview, 2:30		7
Traphill, Charity, night		19
Holton, Grassy Creek, 11		14
Green Valley, Mt. View, 11		20
Watauga, Valle Crucis, 11		21
Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11		28
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 7:30		28
	May	
Moravian Falls, Mt. Moriah, 2:30		5
Ararat-Mt. View, Ararat, 11		12

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

Lincolnton, First Church, 11	March	31
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 3		31
Cherryville, First Church, night		31
	April	
Mount Holly, 11		7
Dallas, High Shoals, night		7
Lincoln Ct., Marvin, 11		14
Crouse, Lander's Chapel, 3		14
Boger City, night		14
Bessemer, Concord, 11		21
King's Mountain, Central, night		21
Stanly, 11		28
Shelby, Central, night		28
	May	
Belmont, Main Street, 11		5
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, night		5
Gastonia, Main Street, 11		12
Lowell, Bethesda, 11		17
District Conference, Rock Springs		8

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

SECOND ROUND (INCOMPLETE)

Leaksville, 11	March	31
Summerfield, 7:30		31
	April	
Bessemer, 7:30		1
Haw River, 11		7
Ruffin, 7:30		7
Draper, joint conference with Draper-Wayside, 7:30		10
Morlah, 7:30		13
Mt. Pleasant, 11		14
Pleasant Garden, 7:30		14
Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30		17
Oak Ridge, 11		21
Proximity, 7:30		21
	May	
Glenwood, 7:30		5
Gibsonville, 7:30		8
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11		12
Reidsville, Main Street, 5		12
West Greensboro, Groometown, 11		19

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SECOND ROUND

(Subject to necessary changes)

March	
Shiloh, Friendship, 2	30
April	
Main Street, Hight Point, 7:30	3
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethel, 2	6
Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11	7
Ward Street, 7:30	10
South Davidson, Pleasant Grove, 2	13
Trinity, Hopewell, 11	14
Archdale, 7:30	17
Denton First, Pleasant Grove, 11	21
Oak View, 7:30	22
Rankin Memorial, 7:30	24
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	25
Highland, 7:30	26
Welch Memorial, 7:30	29
May	
Calvary, 7:30	1

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

March	
Rutherfordton, 11	31
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3	31
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	31
April	
Burnsville, 11	7
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 3	7
Spruce Pine, 7:30	7
Elk Park, Newland, 11	14
Avery, Fairview, 3	14
Linnville Falls, Altamont, 7:30	14
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windham, 11	21
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3	21

SALISBURY DISTRICT

Charles N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

March	
Midland, Center Grove, 11	31
Badin-New London, Badin, 2:30	31
Norwood Ct., Green Memorial, 3	31
Granite Quarry, Mt. Tabor, 3	31
Midway, Midway, 3	31
Friendship, New Mt. Tabor, 7:30	31
N. Kannapolis, N. Kannapolis, 3	31
April	
Central, Albemarle, 6:15	1
Salisbury, First, 6:30	3
Epworth, Epworth, 7:30	3
Rocky Ridge, Rocky Ridge, 12:15	7
Ann Street, Ann Street, 2:30	7
Jackson Park, Jackson Park, 6	7
Bethpage, Bethpage, 7	7
Main St.-Rowan, Main St., 7:30	7
Salem, Salem, 3	7
Forest Hill, Forest Hill, 7:30	8
Alhemarle, First Street, 7:30	8
Concord, Central, 7:30	9
Mt. Mitchell, Mt. Mitchell, 11	14
Albemarle Ct., Palestine, 2	14
Woodleaf, Gay's Chapel, 3	14
Kerr Street, Kerr Street, 7:30	14
E. Spencer-Yadkin, E. Spencer, 7:30	14
China Grove, China Grove, 7:30	14
Coburn Memorial, Coburn Memorial, 7:30	14
Park Avenue, Park Avenue, 7:30	15
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 3	21
Harmony, Harmony (to be announced)	
Mount Olivet, Mount Olivet (to be announced)	

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

March	
Catawba, Bethlehem, 11	31
Shepherds, Wesley Chapel, 3	31
Maiden, Maiden, night	31
April	
Newton, 11	7
Hickory: Highland, Fairgrove, 3	7
Hickory: Westview, night	7
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn, 10 and 3	14
Lenoir: First Church, 11	14
Hickory: Bethel, night	14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

March	
Junaluska, 11	31
Jonathan, 3	31
Morning Star, 7:30	31
April	
Whittier, 11and 7:30	7
Special situations	14
District Conference, Rockwood	19

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

March	
Oak Summit, Oak Summit, 11	31
Walnut Cove, Palmyra, 3	31
April	
Lewisville, Sharon, 7:30	2
Thomasville Ct., Unity, 7:30	3
Rural Hall, Antioch, 11	7
Mt. Airy Ct., Epworth, 3	7
Winston Ct., Pisgah, 11	14
Pilot Mountain, New Hope, 3	14
District Conference and second check-up meeting, Fair Grove Church, Thomasville Ct., 9:30	19

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Whereas, for sixty years "Uncle Tommie," as he was affectionately called, was a leading spirit in the church and a member of the official board for most of those years; he was superintendent of the Sunday school for 30 years. As a Methodist he worked untiringly to promote the spread of Christianity in his community and by his right living and daily example he preached a sermon at least 60 years long that will live in the hearts of those who came under his influence.

Now, therefore be it resolved:

First, That the board of stewards cherish his memory and commend his Christian practice to all men.

Second, That we extend to his family our deepest sympathy.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes and copies be furnished the North Carolina Christian Advocate, the Smithfield Herald and the Johnston County Record.

Ira C. Whitley, Chm.

Eva Hood Hooks, Sec.

Committee on Resolutions: John A. Wallace, Virginia Puckett.

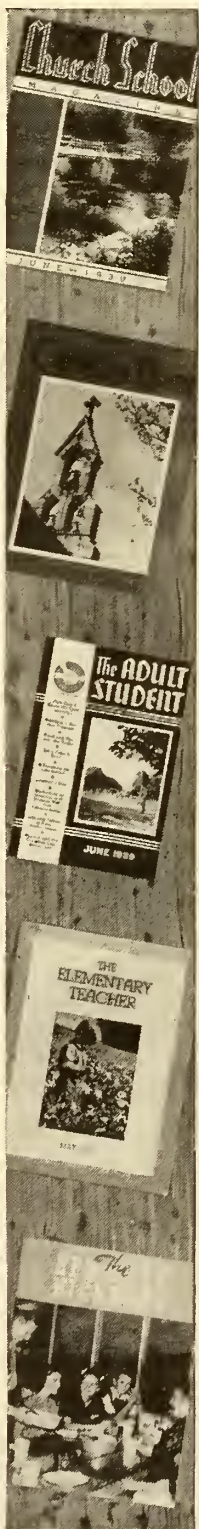
FENTRESS—On March 4, 1940, God took from our midst one who for 50 or more years had made himself a servant of the church. Most of his nearly 70 years Mr. J. H. Fentress spent in Franklinville, N. C., where he served the Methodist Church in every official capacity except in the ministry. For a number of years he was a member of the board of stewards, for more than 20 years he was a teacher in the Sunday school, and during his later years there was superintendent of the Sunday school. When, in 1912, the Methodists of Franklinville moved into their

new quarters Mr. Fentress was responsible for the organization of the young men's Baraca class and served as its first teacher.

Mr. Fentress is remembered not alone for his service to the church, but as well for his Christian leadership in the community life. As a member of the school board and of the town commissioners he displayed a large interest in social and civic improvements.

The last 13 years of his life he spent in Randleman, N. C., where he was loved and respected by all who knew him. Shortly after his arrival he became superintendent of the Sunday school at Naomi Methodist church and held this position until failing health forced him to relinquish it. His heart was in the church and in the building of a better world. Randolph county has lost one of its most honored citizens and the Methodist church one of its most valued servants.

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Life of God Disclosed Within Us



LIFE flows free in seed and sower. In these life is organized and embodied and finds its freedom. In the words of Jesus: "My Father worketh hitherto and I work." In the seed, the life-germ is encased and protected; in the sower, life is organized and able to act owing to the free spirit of man.

The chaff protects the wheat. The sower as a child of God scatters the seed for the welfare of the world. So God in Christ; God in us; God working in and through us; these are the familiar and fundamental facts of Christianity. The life of God in man is the light and the life of men, enabling men to do their part in shaping the world for the betterment of men. Thus in man life becomes organized, free and effective.

Christianity is life—a life to be organized, protected and developed. What the chaff is to the grain and the hull is to the kernel, the externals of religion are to the growth and development of the religious life. This finds its source and substance in personal fellowship with God in Christ. As he held fellowship with the two on the dusty road in the twilight of that first Easter day, and as he met with John Wesley in Aldersgate Street, they each came to experience the glowing heart. The externals substituted for the essentials of religion work havoc in any and every age. How the words of Jesus blistered and burned the formalists in religion as they prayed on street corners, gave alms and displayed their fastings to be seen of men! Creeds, moral codes, rites and ceremonies, ecclesiastical forms and organizations have their place, but not the chief place in Christianity. These are but the chaff, the hull.

Our present anemic religious life and our faltering Christian pulpit is due largely to the emphasis put upon "the things that perish with the using." A red blooded Christianity gets its vigor from a vivid realization of man's relations to God. Oh, the folly of striving to bring in the new heaven and the new earth by dividing estates and by setting up satisfactory relationships between man and man, as though life consisted in the abundance of things that we possess and the positions we hold! None such can speak with authority. Jesus spake with authority and not as did the quibbling scribes.

Man's unity with God and man's life from God through Jesus Christ call for a stirring message from God. As good ministers of Jesus Christ we can never be content with ethical dissertations and religious homilies. Prophets with a fire in their bones will have a living message on their tongues. The Bible, the historic church and the human reason do then become sources of authority as God reveals himself within us.

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SEE THAT NORTH CAROLINA WINS

The number of Methodists, the character of our colleges and our university, our summer Assembly, our orphanages and our country churches are such as to put us in the forefront in this Southeastern Jurisdiction. Not even Virginia can go ahead, although the Old Dominion has a Methodism that does things in a great way. They can beat us in the work of missions. This is our humiliation. The fault, however, is in ourselves and not in our resources. Virginia is rich in noble traditions.

It will be to our disgrace and prove most humiliating for the record to go out to the world that there is even one charge in North Carolina that can not get at least one new subscriber for the church paper. Not much can be expected for other causes in such a situation. So long as this spirit prevails there will be churches with not a single addition in a whole year—no, not one. No wonder that in so many places we are slipping in our benevolences, to the embarrassment of our bishops and loyal leaders.

ELKIN DISTRICT CROSSES THE LINE FIRST

The thirty charges in the Elkin district have made a report in the Advocate campaign and the end is not yet, as to the quotas. What Elkin has done can be done in any other district. Right there under the shadows of the Blue Ridge where the mercury went below zero again and again this past winter, the work went on from week to week. Most of these churches are in the open country and back in mountain coves. Were this a district of town and city churches, we would not count this such a fine record. So much for leaders that do not falter. These men have pointed the way for the leaders of every church in both conferences.

Brother Hiatt in sending in two new subscribers says of the campaign in the district: "This does not mean that the campaign has come to a close. Watch the score board!" In these words is a ring of victory.

Yes, Our Banner Year

This first year of Methodist union is expected to be the banner year of Methodism in all the land. Here in North Carolina we should make this a year of triumph for every interest of the church. The Advocate campaign should be the first to win in every charge, for it is to aid every other cause. Our askings are so modest that none need to fail to make a record. That which has been done in the Elkin district can be done in every other district.

In every charge of both conferences are good and loyal Methodists who are not willing, if properly approached, to see their banner trail this victory year. One or more new sub-

scribers for the church paper can be secured and the report made as has been done around Elkin. We can not admit that there are more devoted and loyal Methodist among the high hills up there than in other sections of the mountains or in the wide flat lands of eastern Carolina.

District Superintendent Hiatt went away from conference with the will to win. So far the reports have been refreshing.

STUDY COMMITTEE ENDORSES MISSIONARY LEGISLATION

The Study Committee on New Missions Legislation of The Methodist Church met in Louisville, Ky., March 28-29, 1940. The committee was organized by the election of Dr. J. D. Piper, district superintendent of the Pittsburgh district, as chairman, and Dr. Paul N. Garber of Duke University, as secretary.

The Study Committee was composed of four persons from each jurisdiction (two men and two women) and one person from each Central conference. Representatives from the following Central conferences were present: Southern Asia, Philippine Islands, Latin America and China.

This Study Committee was authorized by the Uniting Conference and appointed by the bishops to make a study of all the legislation of the Uniting Conference concerning missions and church extension; to ascertain if there were any inaccuracies or contradictions in the legislation of the Uniting Conference and especially to study the property interests of the various mission and church extension boards involved in Methodist unification.

After careful and detailed examination of the disciplinary provisions concerning missions and church extension the study committee prepared a report to the General Conference recommending certain changes in the legislation. The basic structure of the Methodist missionary program was approved by the study committee. Before adjournment the study committee adopted the report of the Findings Committee, which stated that the plan of organization of the new Board of Missions and Church Extension will prove eminently practicable and will provide adequately for the continuation and growth of the Methodist missionary program. The study committee also found that under the new plan the property and financial interests of the constituent organizations will be adequately safeguarded if the provisions of the new legislation are followed.

The final meeting of the Study Committee will be held at Atlantic City on April 22.

MOST PREVALENT OF SERIOUS INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Syphilis and gonorrhea still are the most prevalent of all serious infectious diseases. A recent survey by the American Social Hygiene Association has revealed that one in twenty of the population of the United States has syphilis. Blindness, paralysis, insanity and heart disease are in many instances traceable to syphilis. But a happy thought is that syphilis in a very high percentage of cases can be cured, but only by medical science. Self-treatment is futile. The delay in securing proper medical aid often lowers the chance of cure. Warfare against this major social evil must go on. The campaign requires destruction of the prostitution racket, passage and enforcement of adequate pre-marital laws, sound sex education for the young, exposure of unethical and illegal practitioners, co-operation of parents, teachers and pastors, and, subscription of funds for all this work.

Don't merely be glad that you are not infected. Take some small part at least in the organized educational effort to beat back the advance of syphilis. One way is to make a donation to the Anti-Syphilis Campaign. You can send your gift to Mr. Price in care of the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company, Greensboro, N. C. Do it today and help guard against syphilis.

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"De Scriptural rule," said the colored brother, "fo givin' was one-tenth of what yo' had. If yo' feel yo' caint afford dat much, jes give er sixth or er fo'th accordin' to yo' mean-niss." White folks frequently complain about the difficulties in figuring out the tithe, but no white man ever made a blunder like that. They all know how to play safe.

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It is said that the Soviets of Russia withdrew a propaganda relief film which showed the women in said line wearing silk stockings. It amazed the Russian masses to behold women on relief in America wearing silk stockings, and they reasoned that fortunate indeed were the working people if those on relief could be clad in such a manner. These innocent Russians had glimpsed the truth, for the relief line in the United States is to be preferred to a so-called job in Russia. In fact the jails and penitentiaries in America offer greater freedom and better food than the Soviets have given the people of Russia and that they are seeking to thrust upon the people of every other land of the whole earth.

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As late as seventy-five years ago a large part of this country was strictly backwoods and greenhorns were as plentiful as long horn cattle on a Texas range. The events of a life time for these unwashed denizens of the backwoods was an opportunity to explore the wonderful things of a big city and to purchase occasionally a gold brick from some smooth tongue trickster. But the automobile, the motion picture and the radio have changed all this. We now go everywhere and see everything on the screen without leaving town while daily messages from Berlin, London, Paris and New York, reach the most remote cabins of tenant farmers and the adobe huts of the western plains. We are now sophisticated world citizens even if horse sense and mother wit are at a premium.

We hear it said that the spirit of brotherhood and good fellowship among Methodist preachers is not what it once was. How could it be in this day with the passing of those long and lonely rides of the men on horseback along the wilderness trails and over the country roads? They knew similar experiences that bound them together in a genuine brotherhood that enabled them to speak a common language in song and in prayer. Fifty miles an hour in a car is not conducive to quiet meditation and a fellow feeling born of weariness and suffering. Our real trouble at present lies deeper than the stipend fixed by the stewards. The former dignity and joy of the itinerant craft won in the school of suffering and hardship is no more. Those experiences created a fellowship that bound men together in a companionship that was in no respect formal or pretentious.

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The Raleigh Times tells us that of every 100,000 boys and girls who will enter the schools of North Carolina in the fall of 1940, it is estimated that one-half of these will be out of school at the age of fourteen and will stop after the seventh grade; about one out of five will finish high school; and one in thirty will finish college. So most of our people get their training in the school of life, the average citizen ranking as a seventh grader so far as schools go. The three thousand who finish college should give themselves eagerly to become real leaders among their people. In other words, the college trained men and women should put stress upon service rendered in their day and generation rather than to count themselves the fortunate ones who can outdistance their fellows in the race of life. Fortunate are we in having many who never were in college that make leaders in their many lines of work. After all the history of a people is largely the record of their leaders, with the many of less ability who are willing to profit by following their leaders.

Extending Efforts for the Country Church

LAST week we gave editorial approval of the work being done for the Methodist churches in the country places by the sixty-three young ministers on the Duke Foundation from the Duke School of Religion. Working with the pastors of the state, these young men are rendering a valuable service. For more than a decade this work has gone forward. A good beginning has been made.

Thursday of last week at the call of the North Carolina Council of Churches, a small group met at Duke University in the interest of the country church in North Carolina in its larger and more varied aspects than those considered the week before. More than Methodist churches were of special concern on this occasion. All country churches of all denominations were carefully considered. The children, the young people and the adult work was passed in careful review by men who are giving their lives to this cause. A fairly comprehensive view of the needs of the present situation was secured and a start was made to meet the needs of our rural populations.

Two of the specific recommendations made to the church people of the state were:

1. That the executive secretary of the Council give full information concerning the 4-H Club Church Sunday, to the denominational papers and urge the churches throughout the state to observe April 28 as "Rural Life Sunday."

Think of this vast opportunity with these 50,000 young people in these clubs of this state! What an uplift might come with the proper observance of this day in the country churches.

2. That the committee on Christian Activities of the North Carolina Council of Churches set up a small representative group to investigate possibilities of holding a few co-operative rural life institutes throughout the state.

These institutes are to bring together the pastors of rural churches for fellowship and study of the present situation. A start can be made this present year under proper leadership.

Few of our people begin to realize the possibilities of the "4-H Church Sunday" in North Carolina. It exalts the place of religion in country life and gives the young people a place in the services of the day.

"Last year 39 of these 4-H Church Sunday programs were reported to the State College office," State Club Leader Harrill says, "and many other members took part individually in religious services."

The club leader suggests that 4-H members prepare and distribute the church bulletin, have charge of the Scripture lesson, act as ushers, take up the collection, give talks, or present special music at regular church ser-

vices. He expressed the opinion that ministers will welcome the opportunity to have rural boys and girls take an active part in church services on that day.

Harrill said that all boys and girls participating in this holy observance must be bona fide club members, and must be dressed in their club uniforms. The uniform for the club boy consists of white duck trousers, white shirt, dark coat, black shoes, black tie, and black belt. The 4-H girl's uniform is a green dress, with a white collar and facing, white belt, and white shoes.

Some clubs already have reported making arrangements for county-wide vesper services, young people's services, placing flowers in the church, and the beautification of the church grounds, other recommended ways of participating in 4-H Church Sunday.

Rev. Ernest J. Arnold, extension secretary of the N. C. Council of Churches, was asked to preside over the meeting. Instructions were given for promoting the work.

Among those present were:

Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, executive secretary Board of Christian Education, Durham.

Rev. Earl Brewer, promotion secretary Western North Carolina Conference, Salisbury.

Dr. W. R. Cullom, Wake Forest.

Rev. Carl King, executive secretary Western North Carolina Conference, Salisbury.

Rev. J. O. Mann, director of religious education, Presbyterian Church, U. S., Maxton.

Dr. J. M. Ormond, professor practical theology, Duke University.

Rev. Floyd M. Patterson, extension secretary and director of adult work, North Carolina Conference.

Rev. B. B. Slaughter, district superintendent, Elizabeth City district.

Dr. M. T. Plyler, Durham.

North Carolina Baptists, a Catholic Church and Football Players

IN a recent issue of this paper appeared the following paragraph:

The News and Observer gives out the highly interesting story that the Baptists of Wake Forest have built a Roman Catholic church right in their midst. It appears that the lions and the lambs are to lie down together. And that is as it should be. The Catholics have a big part in winning Wake Forest's football games, and it is nothing but right for these boys to be provided a place to say their prayers.

While not asked to do so we hasten to correct one grave error that appears herein. There is a Roman Catholic church at Wake Forest, but the Baptists did not build it, and so far as we know they had no part in it. The Roman Catholics built that church, as they had a right to do. It goes without saying that Wake Forest College had nothing to do with the erection of the church in question, for who can recall a single instance where a college or university has contributed to building churches for an ecclesiastical organization.

Apart from the above error we see nothing wrong with the paragraph. It was intended as a bit of pleasantry concerning the football situation and a number of the papers of the state so regarded it and gave their readers the benefit thereof.

We all know that what has been said about Wake Forest's football players is true also at Duke, Carolina, State and numerous other colleges in all sections of the country. There is no reason why the pot should call the kettle black.

And so far as we are concerned we have no objection to Roman Catholic boys coming south. Neither have we any objection to helping a poor boy pay his expenses if he does his other college work in a satisfactory manner. This is not advocacy of a professionalized college sport.

Rural Life Sunday

RURAL Life Sunday was first observed in 1929. The fifth Sunday after Easter is the day fixed, Sunday, April 28, this year. We are not a strong advocate of special Sundays for the city churches. They have too many. But it is different in the country. Why not put this Rural Sunday on a parity with the Thanksgiving of the autumn time? The spring time is the season when God comes close to the farmers. Special programs for this day can be had for its observance by writing office of Executive Secretary of N. C. Council of Churches, Durham, N. C.

We would do well to ponder the words of Thomas Jefferson: "Let the farmer forever more be honored in his calling." And also those of Daniel Webster: "The cultivation of the earth is the most important labor of man. Unstable is the future of the country which has lost its taste for agriculture."

One Aspect of the Paper Situation

DR. RAYMOND H. HUSE in Zions Herald says: "When a paper lengthens its editorials and shortens its personals, it is bound to shorten its subscription list." This is an utterance as true as the multiplication table. Then he adds: "If this seems unworthy of a church paper, read the last chapter of the book of Romans. Paul did not hesitate to conclude his most profound theological discussion with about forty personal items and news of his own contemplated itinerary."

Albums and Bibles

CAN any of our readers remember the big photograph album—the plush covered album with iron, let us say, silver clamps—that lay on the center table in the company room, a fit companion of the big Bible that was never used except at family prayers when the preacher came to stay all night.

The Bible—the dust covered Bible—seldom was called into service, but not so with the family album—that thesaurus of beauty which assisted in the entertaining when company came, especially when sister had her first callers. And it was an entertaining volume. For in lines of light had been written the physiology and the physiognomy of all sorts and conditions of the genus homo who with due self-consciousness had perched before the camera while the photographer in order that the picture might lack nothing in mechanism had repeated the magic words, "Look pleasant just a moment, look pleasant just a moment."

If you remember the photograph album, you can recall that even more interesting volume of childhood, the autograph album. Some of these were in plush but many of them were not at all pretentious, being little more than a pocket memorandum. But they contained much more than any memorandum could boast, for humor and sentiment and the choice expressions of sincere hearts found expression in those places of record.

Here are samples of what those old albums carried in as many different autographs:

"If you wish to laugh
Glance at my autograph."

Well said by one who giggled her way through life.

"Remember me when far away and only half awake;
Remember me on your wedding day and send a slice of cake."

The sentimental lad scrawled:

"When I, poor elf, have vanished in vapor,
May still my memory live on paper!"

Here fickle youth asks:

"Remember me early, remember me late.
Remember Alice, your old schoolmate."
"Lock up your heart, keep safe the key,
Forget me not, till I do thee."

How true is this:

"I look these pages o'er and o'er
To see what others wrote before,
And in this quiet little spot
I plant a sweet forget-me-not."

❖ People and Things ❖

Rev. J. A. Tharpe writes: "My address has been changed from Harmony, N. C., to Graham, N. C., R. 2"

The Easter offering for South Mills charge, Elizabeth City district, for benevolences amounted to \$217. Trinity paid its entire acceptance.—E. W. Downum.

We had 20 persons to unite with our church in Graham Easter. Three hundred and thirty-nine were present at Sunday school last Sunday.—J. R. Edwards.

First Methodist church, Charlotte, since conference has received on profession of faith 40 and by certificate 43, making a total of 83. Paid during February on church debt \$26,000 in cash.—Reporter.

Caledonia church, in which the Fayetteville district conference is to be held April 17, is located three miles south-east of Laurinburg on Route 501 which branches left from Route 15-A on the southern edge of Laurinburg.—W. V. McRae, D. S.

We received 20 new members into the Archdale church on Easter Sunday morning—17 on profession of faith and three by transfer. Also baptized two babies. We have received 39 new members since annual conference. We have had no revival yet.—O. B. Mitchell.

We received 13 new members into Trinity church, Troy, on Easter Sunday. This makes 25 new members this year to date; more to follow in the near future. Our work is going fine. Much new furniture for the parsonage; large congregations; Advocate is not forgotten.—O. P. Fitzgerald.

The program for Wilkesboro home coming Sunday, April 14, will consist of a sermon at 11 a. m. by a former pastor; 12:30 to 2:30, renewing acquaintances; 1:00, dinner on premises; 2:30, young folks' hour (half hour); 3:00, addresses by former pastors and members; 5:30, supper in homes; 7:45, sermon by a former pastor.—W. J. Plint.

The past week of special services at Centenary, Greensboro, brought a real spiritual uplift. Attendance grew from day to day till on Sunday morning chairs were brought in to seat the overflow. The preaching of Ken Goodson was interesting and at the same time deeply spiritual. The people heard him gladly. Thirty-eight joined the church and there was a fine spirit of co-operation in the membership generally. We thank God and take courage.—C. S. Kirkpatrick.

Rev. H. L. Creech, pastor of Mount Pleasant Methodist church, Mount Pleasant, N. C., was the guest speaker at the Religious Emphasis Week at Wood Junior College, Mathiston, Miss., during the week of March 11-17. Rev. Mr. Creech rendered a splendid series of sermons and proved to be one of the most popular and influential speakers to ever visit the campus. He rapidly won the faith and confidence of both staff and student body and his week spent on the campus was marked by success in every sense of the word.

Rev. Fletcher Nelson, appointed to succeed Rev. W. A. Newell, deceased, as pastor of First Methodist church, Morganton, occupied his pulpit last Sunday morning for the first time. The News-Herald carried the following story in Friday's issue: "With the decision of the church to construct a new parsonage, the minister and his family will not occupy the present parsonage but will move into the residence at 103 Terrace Place known as the Heilhecker house. Definite plans for the construction of the new parsonage have not been announced by the building committee of the church, but steps are being taken toward starting the building work."

Friends of Rev. G. A. Holderby, 46, West street, Asheville, will be pleased to know he is steadily improving. He was taken ill February 25 while attending services at Central Methodist church. Mrs. Rudolph Pfister of Chicago, Ill., and Mrs. W. E. Goodison of Rochester, Mich., have been at the bedside of Mr. Holderby, their father.

There were 117 persons killed in the state last year as the result of drinking and driving. The drunken driving death rate is high enough to bring from Ronald Hocutt, director of the Highway Safety Division, the statement that the drunken driver is the most dangerous, if not the most numerous, type of offender on our highways today.—News and Observer.

Correction: Benevolences reported by First church, Rocky Mount, appear as follows in the conference journal: Apportioned \$1899, assumed \$1899, paid \$1899. The last item should read, paid on benevolences \$1949. Acknowledgements to the former pastor and apologies to the good people of Rocky Mount, who assumed all of their apportionment on benevolences and paid \$50 more.—W. Carlton Wilson, Statistical Secretary.

The Methodist Advance evangelistic services conducted by Rev. Charles P. Bowles in Central church, Kings Mountain, closed Sunday night with an overflowing congregation and a magnificent response. More than 50 young people who had participated in round table discussions with Brother Bowles during the week joined scores of others in reconsecration, and a good number of children, young people and adults made profession of faith and will come into the church. The pastor will train a class for church membership to be received on Mother's Day.—H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.

Wesley Memorial church, High Point, has had a most successful observance of the Lenten and Easter season. Seventy-five new members were received into the church in the Easter class. At 10 o'clock on Easter Sunday in a beautiful service Dr. Blackard christened 22 infants and baptized a number of children. The High Point College and the Wesley Memorial choir, assisted by the leading singers of the city, presented Felix Mendelssohn's "Elijah" on March 31 at 7:30 p. m. to a full house. The chorus was composed of 80 voices, and was under the direction of Janet Russell Owen of the High Point College department of music.

Things out of the ordinary are happening in the First Methodist church at China Grove. We have had a revival without a series of services. Two weeks before Easter Sunday our pastor, Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, baptized nine children and received into church membership 20 at our morning service. This same Sunday evening a most stirring pageant, "Terrible Meek," was presented by Rev. and Mrs. Wilson Weldon and Mr. Curtis Bivens. It put us into a mood to enjoy the true meaning of Easter perhaps as never before. A mimeograph machine for the church was given by the men's Bible class; an outdoor bulletin board has been purchased; our heating plant which was installed last fall has been paid for. Hymnals, given in honor and in memory of loved ones and friends, were presented to the church Sunday with an effective service by our pastor. Circles No. one and five, under the splendid leadership of Mrs. Max Whicker and Mrs. Van Frye, have added much to the beauty of our church and parsonage by putting out shrubbery and having the lawns fixed. The girls' circle, with Miss Aliene Bostian, Mrs. Judd Parrish and Mrs. Wilson Weldon as advisers, has as their project raising money for carpeting the church. Another asset is our junior choir, recently organized under the leadership of Miss Willie Saunders.—Mrs. H. A. Shinn.

Brother, Why Not Give One Solid Hour When at Your Very Best for Your Church Paper?

To the members of the Waynesville district, Western N. C. conference, coming to district conference April 19 at Rockwood church: Coming south of Canton, turn left at fire department, go over bridge, then follow signs for about two miles to a stone Methodist church.—W. F. Beadle, Pastor.

Dr. George W. Carver, distinguished scientist of Tuskegee Institute, after donating his life's savings as a nucleus for a scientific foundation recently urged the South to continue the chemical and agricultural research he began more than four decades ago. In announcing his plans for the George Washington Carver Foundation he said that he hoped his own Southland would lead in contributing toward the proposed \$2,000,000 foundation "to serve all the people." "I am only a trail-blazer for those who come after me," said the 76-year-old Negro, who has discovered more than 300 uses for the peanut and who was largely responsible for raising that crop from nothing to a \$60,000,000 industry.

Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Swafford were hosts Friday evening, March 29, at their parsonage home in Polkville to ministers and their wives of Cleveland county and Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Jones of Gastonia. Bowls of spring flowers were attractively arranged in the home. Guests found places at small tables and enjoyed a delicious supper. Betty Swafford, talented young daughter, entertained the group with several piano selections. The following were present and enjoyed an evening of fellowship together. Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Swafford, Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Jones, Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Goforth, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Rayle, Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Clay, Rev. T. G. Madison and Rev. and Mrs. G. B. Clemmer. —Mrs. G. B. Clemmer, Sec.

The construction of the new \$20,000 gymnasium at Wood Junior College, Mathison, Miss., is nearing completion. The construction of the gymnasium is of brick and steel and is a wonderful addition to the already modernistic plant. Wood Junior College is owned and operated by the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the former Methodist Episcopal Church. It was founded in 1882 and since that time has had as its sole purpose the Christian education of young men and women. Mr. Edward W. Seay is president of this thriving junior college. The college is named in honor of Dr. and Mrs. I. C. Wood of Omaha, Nebraska, whose interest and generosity have made possible the fine buildings and equipment that are to be found at the institution today.

The meeting of the district conference with the Benson Methodist church on April 11 next served as an incentive to the pastor, Rev. Harley A. Chester, and the entire membership of the church in a concerted effort to finish work on the recreation room in the basement of the church building. Completion of the basement unit this week at a cost of approximately \$500 provides adequate space and facilities for the preparation and serving of meals to large groups. About 300 guests are expected to attend the district conference in April. A formal opening of the newly finished rooms will be held Wednesday evening, March 6, at which time all members of the church and many friends are invited to be present. For general use the recreation room will be utilized for the worship service of the children's division of the Sunday school. Seats have been provided for the 75 children who will assemble there each Sunday morning. Rev. Mr. Chester, with the help of several men of the church, has done the major portion of the carpenter work in connection with recent improvements. In addition Mr. Chester has done an expert job of replacing felt on the doors to the main auditorium of the church. The Benson church, of which Mr. Chester is serving his second year's pastorate, is progressing along spiritual as well as material lines.—Stella Creech.

DEDICATION AT GRIMESLAND

The Methodist church in Grimesland is to be dedicated at 8 o'clock on the night of April 7, with Bishop William Walter Peele presiding. All former pastors and others who may be interested in this service are invited to be in attendance on this night.

GOVERNOR HOEY SPEAKER AT CHURCH BANQUET IN THOMASVILLE

A religion of power was the theme of Governor Hoey's address Monday evening, April 1, at the banquet given by the men of Main Street Methodist church, Thomasville, at the woman's club where 200 men of the church and a few invited guests assembled for what proved to be a delightful evening of good fellowship.

The ladies of the church served the dinner, which was as delightful meal as one could desire. The tables were beautifully decorated with flowers, the service perfect, and the food both tasty and abundant. Too much cannot be said in praise of the Main Street women who served this banquet.

George D. Finch, chairman of the board of stewards, was toastmaster. Rev. Lee F. Tuttle, pastor of the church, offered the invocation. Walter Vassar of Greensboro College, accompanied by Mrs. Vassar, provided special music for the occasion.

R. L. Pope, a Thomasville banker and teacher of Wesley Baraca class, introduced the speaker and the quality of that introduction merited special praise for its brevity, goodtaste, and interesting contacts. His reference to the fact that Governor Hoey will close his term of service the most popular and best loved governor of North Carolina called forth a most enthusiastic round of applause on the part of the entire audience.

The governor told humorous stories, intermingled with practical common sense, but the greater part of his address was on the subject of spiritual religion, which is the religion of power. This eminent Sunday school teacher is so familiar with the essential things of our religion that he is at home in discussing such a theme. That big assembly of men heard him with great interest and obvious satisfaction.

The benediction was pronounced by Dr. W. A. Lambeth, the district superintendent.

Church Notes

Rev. Lee F. Tuttle, the new pastor at Main Street, has things moving in his new charge. The congregations overflow the church, James Lambeth says they raised the mission special of \$500 one morning in less than three minutes, and new members have been received every Sunday except one since the annual conference. Among the new members received last Sunday was Bolo Perdue, a Duke senior, and a widely known football star.

The banquet Monday evening was the first of a series to be held at intervals during the year, and it was a tremendous success in every way.

DURHAM DISTRICT BOARD OF CHURCH LOCATION AND BUILDING

The Durham District Board of Church Location and Building held its initial meeting in the Union of Duke University on March 27 and organized, with Dr. J. M. Ormond as president and Mr. E. S. Yarborough as secretary. Other members of the board are Rev. A. J. Hobbs, Rev. H. C. Smith, Rev. S. F. Nicks, M. B. Smith, and Prof. B. G. Childs, all of whom were in attendance. The duties and responsibilities of the board were given careful study. Pastors and laymen in churches planning building programs are asked to review paragraphs 785 to 788 of the 1939 Discipline and submit their plans to the board for consideration. The next meeting of the board will be held in Hillsboro, April 18, on the day of the district conference. Correspondence should be addressed to Mr. E. S. Yarborough, Secretary, Durham, N. C.

SIZE OF CHARGES IN W. N. C. CONFERENCE

United W. N. C. conference has 1136 churches on 393 charges, according to a study of data in the 1939 Minutes, pp. 81-95. Average size charge for entire conference is 2.8 churches; for 206 preachers the average is 1.2 churches and for 187 preachers is 4.7 churches.

One point charges number 155 and two point charges 51, giving 206 preachers 257 churches. There are 46 three point charges, 47 four point, 41 five point, 32 six point, 13 seven point, 7 eight point, and 1 nine point charge. So 187 preachers shepherd 879 flocks. Largest single grouping of churches is 205 on 41 five point charges.

Asheville district has 13 one point charges, 1 two point, 3 three point, 8 four point, 3 five point, 1 six point, 2 seven point, and 1 eight point, making a total of 32 charges and 99 churches.

Charlotte district has 19 one point charges, 4 two point, 3 three point, 5 four point, 2 five point, and 4 six point, making a total of 37 charges and 90 churches.

Elkin district has 5 one point charges, 2 two point, 1 three point, 1 four point, 6 five point, 8 six point, 5 seven point, and 2 eight point, making a total of 30 charges and 145 churches. This district has the smallest number of one point charges, the largest number of six and seven point charges, shares with Waynesville the smallest number of charges, and boasts the largest number of churches.

Gastonia district has 13 one point charges, 8 two point, 1 three point, 3 four point, 6 five point, 2 six point, 2 seven point, and 1 eight point, making a total of 36 charges and 108 churches.

Greensboro district has 21 one point charges, 5 two point, 6 three point, 4 four point, 3 five point, and 2 six point, making a total of 41 charges and 92 churches.

High Point district has 15 one point charges, 1 two point, 5 three point, 4 four point, 3 five point, 2 six point, 2 seven point, and 1 nine point, making a total of 33 charges and 98 churches. This district has the only nine point charge in the conference.

Marion district has 10 one point charges, 5 two point, 5 three point, 3 four point, 8 five point, 2 six point, and 2 seven point, making a total of 35 charges and 113 churches.

Salisbury district has 23 one point charges, 7 two point, 5 three point, 4 four point, and 3 five point, making a total of 42 charges and 83 churches. This district has the largest number of one point charges and second largest number of two point charges. It ties with Winston-Salem for the largest number of charges and has the smallest number of churches. It is the only district having nothing larger than a five point charge.

Statesville district has 13 one point charges, 6 two point, 5 three point, 5 four point, 3 five point, and 3 six point, making a total of 35 charges and 93 churches.

Waynesville district has 8 one point charges, 5 two point, 4 three point, 4 four point, 2 five point, 5 six point, and 2 eight point, making a total of 30 charges and 103 churches.

Winston-Salem district has 15 one point charges, 7 two point, 8 three point, 6 four point, 2 five point, 3 six point, and 1 eight point, making a total of 42 charges and 113 churches.

Possibility of error in this study is readily admitted. Also the rapidly changing situation may make some of the data out of date.

E. D. C. Brewer,
Extension Secretary.

LOVE'S METHODIST CHURCH

Love's Methodist church, Walkertown, has good reason to be proud of a newly furnished living room in its parsonage. This spacious room has been completely refurnished by Mr. P. Frank Hanes, in honor of his wife, who is president of the woman's missionary auxiliary.

Our gratitude is threefold—that one of Love's laymen would do honor to his wife through the church, that he would take pride in the church parsonage as a place of community significance, and that he would be thoughtful for the comfort and needs of his pastor and family.

The woman's auxiliary of which Mrs. Hanes is president and through which the gift is made has passed the following resolutions in recognition of Mr. Hanes' signal generosity:

Whereas, Mr. P. Frank Hanes has generously furnished the entire living room in the parsonage of Love's Methodist church, thus honoring his wife, the president of the woman's missionary auxiliary; and

Whereas, by his gift he has recognized the local work which the woman's missionary auxiliary is doing and has emphasized their interest in the parsonage as a place of peculiar importance for church and community gathering; and

Whereas, this is another of his numerous demonstrations of interest and loyalty to the church and to the auxiliary projects:

Be it resolved, that we tender to him these expressions of appreciation, recognition, and thanks.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be filed in the permanent records of the auxiliary of Love's

Methodist church, a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy sent to Mr. P. Frank Hanes.

Committee on Resolutions:

Mrs. H. C. Hawkins,
Mrs. I. W. Straughn,
Mrs. C. S. Waggoner,
Mrs. H. C. Martin.

"NAUGHTY FUN"

Some folks act like all fun was wicked. They are 100 per cent mistaken. Fun, hilarity, physical and social activity are as much a part of all normal youths as eating, sleeping, walking and breathing and just as religious.

The church that denies such to her young people exposes them to an almost irresistible temptation to find these essential ingredients in the devil's playhouse while the wise church which sponsors New Year's parties, Halloween socials, weiner roasts, dramatic and athletic activities for its Christian and potentially Christian boys and girls and youth is not only doing a wise thing and demonstrating to our fine young people their genuine love but also doing a very religious act and salvaging them from the pitfalls of the devil's gay parties. I think they are well worth saving, don't you? Why shouldn't the church give the rising generation the opportunity to be genuine Christians and normal humans at the same time.

And speaking of fun, it wouldn't hurt some of us grayer heads to play with them a little. Getting old I believe is just a bad habit some folks get into quite early in life. The individual who's religion is ruined by a little clean fun and hilarity has in my opinion the wrong brand of religion and one originated by some misguided source and not by God himself.

God made the fragrance of flowers to please the olfactory organs, the beauties of nature to delight the eye, the rhapsodies of music to entrance the ear and fun and laughter to be a general all round human tonic. May God give us lots of "tonic."—Paul W. Cox, in Religious Telescope.

"WHY I BELIEVE IN MY CHURCH"

Because from the beginning the church has held up before men the spirit of Jesus Christ. There has been an influence within the fellowship of the church that has spread out into the community. If someone were in trouble, members of the church have helped. Tonight as we sleep, the sun will be shining upon hospitals, schools and settlements on the other side of the world, which the church in the spirit of the Master has built.

The church has rendered the noblest, most far-reaching, continuous and consistent service of any institution or agency that has ever existed. From the time Jesus explained who one's neighbor is, until the present hour, Christians have been trying—though sometimes feebly—to live unselfishly and helpfully. J. F. Spruill.

THE SHADOWS OF COMING EVENTS

The assurances from a number of pastors as to lists of new subscribers are most refreshing. They are like unto flowers by the wayside when a touch of spring is in the air. All such shadows of coming events are refreshing as a breeze across the hills of summer. All North Carolina Methodists have much to be thankful for in these last days. Act well your part; there the honor lies!

DEDICATION METHODIST CHURCH AT STOKES BY BISHOP W. W. PEELE, SUNDAY, APRIL 7

In 1914 Rev. J. H. Warren of Washington, N. C., organized and built the first Methodist church at Stokes. Students from the Washington Collegiate Institute erected this first building in June, 1914. The church was under the jurisdiction of the M. E. Church (North) until 1919 when the church was sold to a group of men of the M. E. Church, South, at Stokes.



Methodist Church, Stokes, N. C.

In January, 1939, under the leadership of the present pastor, Rev. Daniel Boone, the old building was removed and during the spring and summer months the present brick church was constructed. With the aid of the Duke Endowment and the generous gifts of the small membership this lovely church is now completed, furnished and free of all debt.

Sunday, April 7, will be observed as dedication Sunday for this church. Dr. J. M. Ormond will preach at the 11 o'clock hour. Dinner will be served on the grounds. Bishop Walter W. Peele will preach and dedicate the church at the afternoon service. All former pastors, the editor of the Advocate and all friends are invited to share in the fellowship and inspiration of this program.

L. C. Larkin, District Supt.

LAYMEN TO THE FRONT AT BURGAW

Representatives from the five churches of the circuit came together last Sunday for a special service with the laymen in the forefront. Special music was furnished by a special group from Rocky Point and also one from Watha. The charge leader presided.

District Lay Leader W. A. McGirt in a carefully prepared and vigorous utterance disclosed the depths into which we have fallen as a people. He urged that the laymen in the church take their stand against the sins of the present day—especially the stewards who in the church are in such places of distinct honor and great responsibility. Brother McGirt is one lay leader who is putting the best he has into the work of his church.

We counted it a high privilege to meet once more with so many of the good Methodists of Pender county on such a glorious day as was this last day of March in a section of the state noted for its brilliant spring days.

Getting out at five o'clock from Goldsboro, the early Sunday morning trip fitted me to enjoy the delicious ham, eggs, etc., in the home of Sheriff Brown and family. This was followed by a long walk under those brilliant skies.

Following the full morning came the hurried lunch at the parsonage with the Walters household. Brother McGirt and W. A. McGirt, junior, and Waters junior, two Duke students, being fellow guests added much to the pleasure of the day. This was marred only by the haste to catch a bus for Durham.

The more we are privileged to be in these lay meetings, the more anxious are we for our laymen to realize this as the day of their opportunity. Could we get the laymen to catch step with the young folks in the youth crusade, united Methodism could advance to the conquest.

COLLEGE GROUPS AT BREVARD FUNCTION FINELY

On Saturday of this week the Clarion-Pertelote banquet will be held in the dining hall of Virginia Lodge. The Clarion is the college newspaper of which Lenore Matthews is editor, and the Pertelote, headed by Bill Jenkins, is the college annual. The members of both staffs are very enthusiastic about the affair, which will be formal. Special guests for the occasion will be Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Coltrane of the college. The speaker for the banquet will be Mr. C. M. Douglas, who owns and operates the Transylvania Times, which is the weekly paper for Transylvania county.

The third annual presentation of the Brevard College Follies was given last Saturday night in the college auditorium. Including talent from both the students and the faculty, the program attracted most of the college population as well as a great number of townspeople. The production, which was under the direction of Prof. Charles Schoenkecht, was a benefit show and the proceeds went toward the construction of a greenhouse in which botanical experiments will take place. The presentation was well received by a capacity audience who are interested in enhancing the program of the school.

Mr. John W. Hawkins has announced that the college choir will give several selections at the morning service of Hendersonville Methodist church on April 7. This is one of the last trips before the choir tour, which will begin on April 21. As a part of the choir work, the college quartette will sing before the Western North Carolina district meeting of the Kiwanians on Friday, April 5. Several requests have been made for the choir and the quartette since the concert given in the Asheville auditorium last month. The boys in the quartette are Buck Barden, Hoyle Blanton and Fred Willis.

GOOD NEWS FROM SALUDA AND TRYON

We are happy to state that, since the passing of the very extreme winter weather, Saluda and Tryon churches are taking on new life and added interest in all departments. The auditorium of Tryon church has just been re-ceiled and painted, and a new carpet graces the rostrum and floor aisles. Although a snow storm was on Easter Sunday morning we had a record attendance for both the church school and preaching hour. In addition to the regular offering, a special was made on the church's pledge for World Service amounting to \$25. The evening of the same day, with weather conditions much worse than at the morning hour in Tryon, we were greeted at Saluda with an increased number of the worship service. Here we received around \$8 on World Service offerings.

Evangelistic services will be conducted by the pastor at Saluda April 8-14, and at Tryon April 15-21. We are praying for and expecting victory in these special meetings, and an ingathering of souls to God and the church. Please join us, Advocate family, in earnest prayer for a gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon pastor and people.

May we also say that we are now located in the parsonage at Saluda, where all mail for us should be addressed (P. O. Box 44). Our churches are co-operating through our boards of stewards in the financial program of the annual conference, and we have been successful in meeting in full each month our budget for ministerial support, which includes pro rata amounts for pastor, district superintendent, conference claimants and episcopal fund. We have also received several members into the churches and two others yesterday requested the pastor to ask for their certificates of transfer to our church at Tryon.

Blessings on our editor and publisher and the entire great family of Methodists. Edward M. Graham, Pastor.

If Jesus Held a Pastorate

By R. EDIS FAIRBAIRN

Sudden Flurry at Nazareth

If Jesus were the minister of a church today what would be the reactions to his actual methods of his members, local officials including the treasurer, and general church officers?

There was, for instance, that unfortunate incident in the Nazareth synagogue, when the congregation, after first listening with delight to his preaching, became so incensed that they hustled the preacher out of the building with the intention of throwing him over the cliff. What in the world was it that Jesus did to bring about that sudden flurry of mad fury? One has to read between the lines. The brief narrative does not indicate the course of his thought, but only the illustrations that brought the people to their feet and started them down the aisles, fingers clawing, murder in their eyes. Very simple matters of historical fact, those illustrations. Miraculous benefactions wrought for two foreigners while similarly afflicted persons in Israel were left unhelped. Why should such apparently simple references have turned a group of worshippers into a maddened mob? Obviously Jesus had touched their national pride on the raw.

Remember Local Prejudices

Can't you hear friendly local officials, older ministers and church officers, gently remonstrating with the young preacher? "You will learn, my dear boy, in the course of the years, that there is a great deal of human nature in church people. They have traditions which they dearly love. Among other things they are intensely patriotic. You know how strong the local branch of the Daughters of the Maccabees is, and how potent is their influence. Of course they, and all of us, need to enlarge the horizon of our sympathies, but you must lead them gently, step by step. Go along with their patriotism rather than oppose it. After all, is it not of the very nature of religion? Here is a great pastoral principle which we all have to learn, the earlier the better—we must state truth positively while avoiding stepping on anyone's toes. Now in my own case" (popular, successful metropolitan church pastor speaking!) "I have always said openly in my pulpit whatever I felt it necessary to say, and I have never yet had any trouble with my people—not once! A little more tact, and sympathy and gentleness. . . ."

Then there was the matter of Sabbath observance. Again the critics are friendly as well as frank. "We do know, of course, that human need must come before ritualistic correctness. We have said so, ourselves, often. But was it necessary to cure that man on the Sabbath, right there in the synagogue? He had been sick a long time; he was not in pain; surely one day more would not have hurt him. Why not have waited until the morrow? You see, it gave the impression that you intended to be provocative. That is very unwise strategy. If you make a habit of doing things in that way you will not only offend pious local sentiment; you will become known as a crude and rash person. Your future in the church will be jeopardized. What congregation will call a man known to flout the feelings of his people?"

Dealing with Nicodemus

There was the old man who came along one evening to have a talk, whose inquiry is recorded in a very fragmentary fashion in the third chapter of John's Gospel. What he had in the back of his mind must have been something like this: "It appears as though you might be the Messiah. In that case will you please tell us what is your plan and policy, especially in regard to the burning hope of national deliverance from the Roman oppression?" Jesus stopped him short with a demand for so complete a revision of religious thinking that it would amount to being born again.

We sometimes wish we could know what the old man replied. We can imagine a modern Nicodemus answering something like this: "Now, Jesus, you must have a little consideration for us. We of the older generation may be old-fashioned in our ideas. In fact, we pride ourselves on that. You see, we have been trained to think and feel and believe as we do by generations of preaching and teaching by saintly men greatly used and blessed by God in the work of the church. Naturally our ways of thinking are sacred to us. They are associated with the inspiration of Holy Scripture and the faith once delivered to the saints. So no matter how essentially right you may be—and we are not sure of that yet—it is simply impossible for us to change the basis and structure of our beliefs overnight on demand."

Recall Jesus' cavalier treatment of members potential and actual. One, suffering the pain of a recent bereavement, to whom Jesus spoke with an apparent shocking lack of sympathy. Another, a scribe (say the equivalent of a high school teacher) whom Jesus rebuffed with the suggestion that he could not stand the conditions of discipleship. And then there was the rich young ruler!

Expostulation from the Treasurer

Along comes a deputation consisting of a representative of the elders' session, and one of the stewards or board of management, probably the treasurer himself. "We feel that we must have a very frank talk with you. We think you ought to modify the harshness of your attitude toward very well meaning people. How is the church to survive if we not only repel possible members but drive away those we already have? You must have patience with the imperfections of human nature. If you put too drastic a demand upon people you will force them out of the church, and then what chance will they have to develop in the Christian way at all?"

The treasurer is deeply distressed. "It is difficult enough now to meet our obligations in these times of financial stringency and declining interest in religion. And the church simply must have an income or it cannot carry on. You can see that for yourself, can't you? I had great hopes of that young man. His family are well connected, influential and generous. Think of what they could have done for our church repairs and improvements fund, for our young people's work, and our missionary cause! Because you did not welcome him he has gone away deeply hurt. I expect to hear any day that Rever-

end Proselyter has got hold of him, and he is so attractive a young chap that I fear others of our young people may follow him."

A Futile Gesture?

When the time came that "many of his disciples went back and walked no more with him," there would be serious conversation among informal groups of church members and officials. Things were really becoming impossible. Something would have to be done. Unless things changed rapidly for the better someone would have to suggest, kindly, to the preacher that it would be advisable, for the benefit of all concerned, for him to look around for a change.

Two startling episodes brought the story to its sad end. First there was that public demonstration, staged upon the open street at the time of the annual fair. Such a futile gesture! Like a red parade! A few countrymen from the preacher's home town, and a bunch of shouting children, and then the pitiful anti-climax. It was meant to connect with an old prophecy about the king coming not in a chariot or on a war-horse, but on an humble ass, symbol of the workaday world. But who remembered the particular scripture anyhow?

Far more serious was the attack upon the cattle-selling racket run by community leaders in the outer court of the temple. In fact that was the immediate cause of Jesus' arrest on a charge of sedition. It is always sedition when community leaders are charged with graft. If only he had taken counsel with some wise old church leaders beforehand, they could have told him it was both hopeless and dangerous to antagonize the Sanhedrin.

"You won't get anywhere if you rouse opposition in that quarter. They have too many ways of countering your efforts, both directly and indirectly. Speak to some of the leaders privately, if you like; but don't do anything rash. If you stick your neck out you may easily lose your head." Think what a good case the authorities had! "After all, cattle have to be bought somewhere for the sacrifices; why should we not organize the sale and get the profits? Oh yes, it may be technically illegal, but then we only allow it to be done in the court of the Gentiles, and that is a semi-unclean place anyhow."

Do Explanations Explain?

Jesus did all of these ill advised things. But Jesus was not a minister of a church, and a modern minister is not in the position of Jesus. True, when we look at the things he did from this angle, they do look queer, and take quite a bit of explaining. We say that the time was short, history was mounting swiftly to its climax. The kingdom of God was at hand, and that meant that so was the destruction of the nation if it did not respond to the gospel of the kingdom. Jesus had to be drastic; he was obliged to make his point clear by contrasting the truth with its opposite; he had to deny the negative in order emphatically to affirm the positive. He had to force the issue.

All of which is quite true. But what if our time also is one of crisis? What if the sands are running low for us too? What if the kingdom of heaven is still at hand and the destruction of our civilization an imminent alternative possibility?—Christian Century.

Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the Advocate campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.

SENATOR BORAH AND PROHIBITION

Senator William E. Borah was a friend and supporter of the Eighteenth Amendment. To the day of his death he never wavered in his attitude to the cause of prohibition. When his body was transported from Washington to his home in Idaho, the funeral car was met at Chicago by a committee from the National Temperance and Prohibition Council who placed a wreath upon the casket in behalf of many church groups and temperance organizations representing a constituency of more than twenty million members. The inscription on the wreath read: "A tribute to a great champion of the people had a stalwart leader in the cause to liberate mankind from the curse of alcohol. From his temperance and prohibition friends.—National Temperance and Prohibition Council, Charles R. Jones, President."

We include here a few utterances of Senator Borah touching the cause of prohibition, some of which date back to the prohibition period. Here is a significant one spoken before the Presbyterian General Assembly in 1926:

"The man in the automobile may be opposed to the 18th Amendment but he will instantly discharge a drinking chauffeur. The train may be crowded with delegates to an anti-prohibition convention, but they would mob the engineer who would take a drink while drawing his precious freight. The industrial magnate may talk critically of sumptuary laws, but he will apply them like a despot to the man who watches over the driving power of his vast establishment. When safety is involved, we are all drys. Where the exigency of modern life demands a clear brain and instant decision in order to save thousands of lives and millions of properties, we are all drys."

"I believe the liquor traffic to be a curse to the human family. Whether sold in the open saloon or in the brothel, its natural haunt, or secretly purveyed in defiance of law, the stuff works its demoralization and ruin to individuals, communities and states."

"From the time it issues from the coiled and copper-colored worm in the distillery until it empties in the hell of crime, dishonor and death, misery and poverty and remorse mark its maledict course. Not only is the record of the centuries made up against it, but now the modern industrial world with its complex and delicate machinery, with its demand for security, safety and fitness, asks that it be banished."

Others which have been selected from a long list of quotations are given somewhat promiscuously as follows:

"There never has been a law placed upon the statute books of any civilized nation on earth with reference to liquor that the liquor forces did not undertake to break down, to violate, to undermine, and to corrupt the officials."

"What the liquor interests crave is the right, uncontrolled and unhampered, to prey upon the human race to its full, insatiable appetite."

A companion who tells thee thy faults privately whenever he meets thee, is better for thee than a companion who hands thee a gold coin whenever he meets thee.—Gabriol.

Let whoso desireth that his friends be glad and his foes confounded endeavor to abandon his faults.—Plato.

GENERAL MINUTES AND YEARBOOK, 1939-1940**Edited by Dr. Curtis B. Haley**

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WESLEY MEMORIAL SPONSORS CLINIC ON MARRIAGE AND CHRISTIAN HOME

Wesley Memorial church, High Point, is sponsoring a "Clinic on Marriage and the Christian Home" April 7-12. Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton of Ann Arbor, Michigan, will speak at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday, and at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. each day of the following week. Among the special groups outside of Wesley Memorial who will hear Mrs. Overton are: The Junior Service League, the Rotary, Kwanis, and American Business Clubs, the public school teachers and officials, the city employees, and the student body of High Point College.

Mrs. Overton will meet with various groups of the church to discuss problems of boy and girl relationships, courtship and marriage, and the principles on which a Christian home is established. Mrs. Overton will take some time at the conclusion of each service to answer questions.

Mrs. Overton is recognized as an authority on the problems of marriage and the Christian home. In 1936-37 she was a member of the National Preaching Mission of the Federal Council. In 1938-39 she participated in the University Christian Mission. She is the author of a number of books on marriage and the Christian home. Dr. Embree H. Blackard, the pastor, invites the public to all the meetings.

FEATURES OF THE DUKE INSTITUTES

At the Duke institutes, June 3-8, there are two important features which will be of interest to a large number of people. One of them is the morning worship from 8 to 8:30. Bishop W. W. Peele will conduct this service each day on the general theme, "At School with the Pro-

phets." The daily topics are as follows: (1) Learning Justice with Amos; (2) Learning Mercy with Hosea; (3) Learning True Religion with Micah; (4) Learning Liberty with Jonah; (5) Learning Optimistic Faith with Isaiah.

Another feature of special interest will be a series of addresses delivered by Bishop Clare Purcell dealing with the qualifications and responsibilities of the district superintendent in the Methodist Church.

These institutes will be the North Carolina Pastors School, sponsored by the Methodist Church, and the Rural Church Institute, sponsored by a board of directors composed of representatives of some ten major denominations in North Carolina. The institutes have usually been attended by some four to six hundred ministers.

SHALL WOMEN BE ORDAINED?

Ordination itself is a function of the church. The bishop as an individual does not ordain. The person to be ordained is always first officially chosen by the church and the bishop as its agent ordains that person by instruction. In Romanism and Anglicanism the Episcopacy is the official church. In Presbyterianism the Presbytery is the official church. These ordain their ministry of the church. The ministry is an ordained agent for performing the functions of the church and unless one performs these functions, and is performing them, he is not a minister. The minister is the church in action, rendering its service to persons as the authorized bodily representative of Christ.

Shall women be ordained to this ministry of the church? Shall women be charged with this responsibility? Shall the labor of being the agents of the church in ministering to the sick and the dying, of administering the sacraments, of burying the dead, of solemnizing matrimony, of shepherding the flock of Christ, be committed to women? These are the real questions that are involved. One person will answer, Why not? and another will answer, Why? Ordination and the ministry are regarded from two legitimate viewpoints, one that of an honor and privilege, the other that of duties in carrying out and on the sacred functions of the church. One's answers to the above questions will be affected by one's overbalancing viewpoint.

Those who answer, why not? will say: "Woman has the intelligence, the piety, the energy, the tact, and the ability for the ministry, and therefore is entitled to the honor, the privilege, and the position of an ordained minister." Those who answer, why? will not deny that woman has these qualifications. They will set forth certain practical considerations which has to do with the proper and adequate discharge of the duties which are required of ordained ministers as representatives of the church in the community.

The Methodist minister must be able to go wherever he is sent. Only unmarried women as a rule can do that, and unmarried women cannot carry into the community the family unit which has always been the effective force in ministerial service to the community. Married women who can move easily usually have physically, mentally, or specially low value husbands, whose chief labor would be that of nurse or caretaker. Congregations and communities do not choose to be served by ministers who are deficient in person or family, as the agents of the church in its sacred functions. Experience has abundantly established this fact. Whether these facts should carry weight is met by the fact that they do carry weight. This is one of the strong, practical considerations.

There are enough men in the ministry now to supply the need of the church. There are enough men ministerial candidates to meet any need of the future, which can now be seen. The minister of today is the best trained in the history of the church, and the training now being accepted by the ministerial candidates is the broadest, finest and strongest ever given. The men ministry of Methodism is ample, capable, and can move, and can carry the family unit, and can give leadership of every high kind which the community may wish or demand. There seems no need for this ministry to be displaced or increased. This fact is another strong practical consideration, when it is proposed to increase the supply by ordaining women.

Ordination is not a decoration; it is a commission. Its privileges are all duties. Its purpose is to mark and endue with power those who are to perform the functions of the church in its ministry to the souls of men and women. It should be and will be reserved for those who are capable in body, mind and soul to represent the church in its holy service, and will be bestowed upon those who can fully fill its high office. Whether or not women should be ordained is more practical than academic and it will have to be so considered and decided.—Southwestern Advocate.

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The 1/2 will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum. In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

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Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea	2
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Lileville, H. R. Cornelius	4
Calvary, S. M. Needham	2
Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman	1
Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey	1
Ansonville, O. P. Ader	1

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Dobson, R. G. McClamrock	2
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Helton, R. J. Starling	2
Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr.	2
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Cleveland, T. G. Madison	11 1/2
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Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace	1
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Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham	7
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Maiden, J. G. Winkler	6
Central, John W. Moore	3
Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk	1
Bethel, E. H. Lowman	1
Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs	1

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Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner	6
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China Grove, W. O. Weldon	4
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Currituck, J. C. Harmon	1
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PLAN NOW FOR YOUR VACATION SCHOOL

1. Begin preparation now. Decide upon date and start to work.
2. Read the pamphlet, "The Vacation School in Your Church"; 5 cents.
3. Enlist the help of every regular with children and intermediates. Secure as many of them as possible as regular teachers in the vacation school. Select one worker to serve as director of the school.
4. Invite a few capable young people to serve as helpers.
5. Choose from the list of vacation school materials for 1940 one course for each age group.
6. Order textbooks.
7. Find out from the district about date and places of vacation school institutes in the district. Urge workers with children and intermediates, and all prospective workers to attend.
8. Interest parents in the vacation school through visits to the homes and through announcements from the pulpit, in church bulletins and newspapers.
9. Call all workers together for at least one general meeting.
10. Urge teachers to meet in small groups to study texts and make definite plans before opening the school.
11. Read articles on vacation schools in the April issues of the Elementary Teacher and the Church School Magazine. Discuss these articles at workers' meetings.
12. Arrange for transportation of children, if necessary.

During the coming months many pastors and workers in the church school will have a part in planning for and working in vacation church schools. The continued growth in number of schools and interest in continuing such a program leads to the realization that they can be very meaningful in the life of each individual of the church and those who attend who are not yet members of the church school. Realizing that there is a definite need for more time with children in the church the vacation school has proved a very helpful factor along this line. Workers in the North Carolina conference who have participated in vacation schools have made statements such as these: "This was a most inspiring experience. It proved interesting. We arranged for a truck to bring the people from remote communities and we spent the morning in study, song and play."

"A beginner worker was discovered during the school and we feel she will be a great help to our church school."

"Much of the success of our school was due to the good work that is done in the church school every Sunday. All of the work had been well planned and the first session was good."

From the requests for help in planning for and working in vacation schools which have come to the conference office we realize that many

churches are now planning for their school for this year. Workers who have helped in vacation schools before have found it necessary to plan early so that the teachers can prepare themselves for teaching and a school that is meaningful can be held.

Time

As plans go forward for such a school the planning group would want to consider the time. When is the time when the greatest number of children can be reached? When are they ready for a vacation school? When can a sufficient number of workers be secured to guide the children? In many instances the week after the close of public school has been the advisable time. In the rural communities consideration will be given to the crops, so that a time can be chosen when the children can be away from home.

How long will the school continue? In some instances where a one week school has been held in the past, plans are going forward for a two weeks' school this year. Others find it advisable to continue with a one week school for this year.

In making out a daily schedule the local group of children should be kept in mind. Two, two and a half, or three hours provide time to be divided into study, work, worship and play. In the vacation school texts are suggested schedules. One that has been the happy experience of a number of school setups is:

Work and study, 45 minutes.

Assembly for conference and worship, 45 minutes.

Play, one half hour.

Workers conference, one half hour.

Where the space is limited the daily schedule for the various groups will need to be arranged so that the worship room and the play ground will be available for all groups. (This may be done by having one group worship while another is at play).

Since the vacation school is planned as a continued part of the Sunday session in the church school, the regular workers would want to assist at this time in so far as possible. Where it is not possible for the regular teacher to teach during the vacation school she can give valuable assistance in planning for it. There are many things a person can do which are helpful other than actually teaching such as collecting pictures and other materials; advertising the school; bringing in some of the children who would not otherwise be able to get there. If the regular teacher is unable to teach during the school she will want to consult with the teacher in the vacation school and in the regular Sunday morning sessions continue to work begun in the vacation school.

If we anticipate before the school begins the probable number of children who will be in attendance, it will help in choosing the number of work-

ers for the various groups. In planning early, good workers may be secured before they make other plans.

The Units

When units are chosen for the various groups, the leaders will want to keep in mind the needs and interests of the children.

The 1940 list of suggested units is:

For Beginners—

"Let's Go Out-of-Doors," Jennie Lou Milton.

"Our Happy World," Esther Freivogel.

For Primaries—

"To Market, to Market," Lina A. Rauschenberg.

"Child Life in Bible Times," Florence M. Taylor.

"Our Daily Bread," Lula Doyle Baird.

"Bible Homes and Homes Today," Elizabeth Reed.

"Learning About Our Church," Ellen Fraser.

"Exploring God's Out-of-Doors," Rebecca Rice.

For Juniors—

"Discovering the Lands of the Bible," Lola Hazelwood.

"The Land Where Jesus Lived," Barnett Spratt.

"What Is in Your Bible?" Edith Kent Battle.

"Far Round the World," Grace McGavran.

"Living in Our Community," Florence Martin.

"Friends at Work," Elsie Ball.

For Intermediates—

"Understanding the Bible," Mosier.

"O Come, Let Us Worship," Elizabeth Stinson.

"Discovering God in the Beautiful," Nathana L. Clyde.

"We All Need Each Other," Mary Jenness.

"Boys and Girls Learning About Alcohol," Skidmore.

In these texts which are planned for the leaders' use, are detailed suggestions for the daily sessions as to making and doing things which help accomplish the purpose of the unit. Plans for the worship services are worked out. Stories, pictures, songs, Bible references, games are included as well as materials for use by teacher and student.

Other Helps

The 1940 list of vacation school materials has been sent to each pastor and children's division superintendent in the conference. Additional copies may be obtained from the conference office without charge. An eight page spread of pictures which is included in the April issue of the Elementary Teacher will be available without cost to the churches which are planning a vacation school and can make use of these excellent pictures to make up a poster advertising the school or to be used during the school. These will be sent upon request to the conference office. If you are having your first vacation school you will find the charge pamphlet on "The Vacation School in Your Church," price 5 cents, very helpful. This pamphlet gives detailed information with reference to setting up, preparing for and conducting a vacation school. This may be secured from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond.

GOD'S RAINBOW

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Let us consider more in detail the significance of God's rainbow. When does the rainbow appear and how does it happen? First of all there must be a sun, a radiant source of light. And the sun must be not too high nor far away and moreover it must be a very clear atmosphere through which its rays may be reflected. This alone makes for brightness and when this sun sends its light through millions of tiny droplets of rain a miracle appears. Think of the magnificent power and glory of myraids of individuals all together letting their lives be illumined and transformed by the Supreme Light that is high above, yet not too distant.

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Long ago there arose a legend of a child seeking the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. How wonderful to know that the child of God who earnestly and faithfully searches for the way will find his reward. He who follows fearlessly and wisely the trails of life and who is constantly renewed in strength of spirit by the Master will find his treasures. The promise has been given unto him that is faithful and loyal to the end.

At the end of the trail—even better than that—all along the way, once we have chosen the right way, and earnestly search for its hidden treasures, we may find our golden riches, a wealth undreamed, of "righteousness, and peace, and everlasting joy in Christ Jesus."—Mary Ade, in Religious Telescope.

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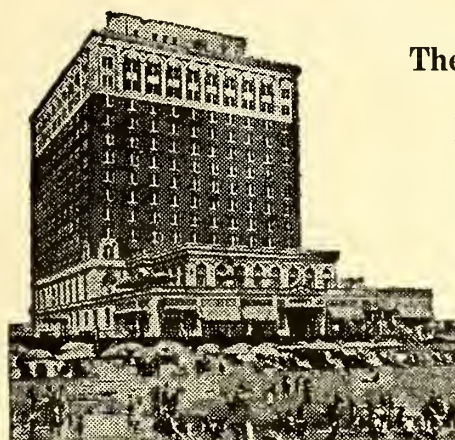
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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

CHRISTIAN MISSIONS WORTHY

In recent days many Christians in America have thought of Kagawa, the great Japanese Christian, and have sensed some of the suffering which must come to him as he realizes what his nation is doing to China. Particularly do we think of the thing he did when in 1932 Shanghai was first invaded by Japan. Following the trail of suffering which this nation's soldiers had caused, he stood in the little Chinese Christian church in Shanghai whose pastor had been killed, and asked China to forgive Japan and to forgive him because his life and work had not been strong enough to keep peace in his part of the world. Surely it makes a difference when Christian missions can produce even one man like this in a generation.

MRS. McFARLAND HONORED

After the March meeting of the Alice McFarland auxiliary of Central Methodist church, Mebane, the entire group was invited to the parsonage, where Mrs. M. J. McFarland was guest of honor. Mrs. W. T. Phipps and Mrs. M. B. Miles received at the door and the ladies were invited into the living room, where Rev. W. T. Phipps led in prayer and Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary, paid tribute to Mrs. McFarland, who has been one of the outstanding members of the church, church school and missionary society for 30 years and has served in many fields. Mrs. McFarland was then conducted into the dining room, where she found a table loaded with lovely gifts. When she had opened the packages and had spoken words of gratitude, assuring those present of her complete surprise, Mrs. J. E. Shaw, assisted by several ladies of the auxiliary, served tea wafers and mints. Miss Mabel Riggs, accompanied on the piano by Miss Florine Dunn, gave several vocal numbers during the social hour.

NORTHERN ZONE MEETING

Mrs. T. R. Smith, zone leader, convened the meeting of the Northern zone in the Raleigh district at Banks-Grove Hill church, Creedmoor charge, on March 15.

Rev. E. B. Craven, pastor, led the worship, using the theme "Evangelism." Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, district secretary, welcomed the new members of the former Methodist Protestant churches and also spoke on district work. The officers' training was directed by Mrs. A. B. Deans, Henderson, and was very effectively done in the form of a radio skit. Mrs. Deans, as "Professor Quiz," and the following others participated in the discussions: Mrs. J. W. Jenkins, Mrs. R. H. McLean, Mrs. Mary Green, all of Henderson; Mrs. Holt, Louisburg; Mrs. J. A. Martin, Kittrell; Mrs. F. M. Shamberger, Oxford; Mrs. John Moss and Mrs.

P. W. Smith, Plank Chapel; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh; Mrs. Walter Patten, Louisburg; and Mrs. E. B. Craven, Creedmoor.

A dramatization of the March program theme: "Isabella Thoburn, Creator of Ideals," written by Mrs. A. B. Deans and Mrs. T. C. Gill, was enacted by Miss Addie Young, Mrs. Johnnie Moss, Mrs. W. A. Rowland, Mrs. M. B. Brown, Mrs. T. L. Fuller, Mrs. P. S. Fuller, Mrs. Robert Hayes, Miss Alice Smith, Mrs. T. C. Gill and Mrs. Robert Lassiter, all of Plank Chapel auxiliary, with Mrs. T. R. Smith as narrator. Mrs. Walter Patton closed the session with a noon day devotional, basing her remarks upon the thought, "Living Creatively." A most delightful fellowship luncheon was enjoyed.

HALIFAX ZONE MEETING

Mrs. Joe L. Riddick sends the following account of the Halifax zone meeting: An all day meeting of the Halifax zone in the Rocky Mount district was held at the Methodist church in Scotland Neck on February 29. Mrs. S. E. Butler welcomed the guests. In the absence of Mrs. H. M. Lynch, zone leader, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary, presided. Rev. W. R. Dixon led the morning worship, which was followed by a brief talk by Rev. C. T. Thrift of Halifax. Officers' training classes were held, after which an inspirational talk was given by Mrs. Walker of Rocky Mount. Rev. Mr. Thrift pronounced the benediction and those present assembled in the social room for a delightful lunch. During the afternoon session it was reported that the \$50 gift to Viola Neathery, a student at Scarritt College, had been completed by contributions.

A DELIGHTFUL STUDY CLASS

On March 13 a large number of women of the Edenton Street auxiliary met at the church for a day of study, which was interspersed during the noon hour with a fellowship luncheon. Mrs. James Allison, superintendent of study, presided. Mrs. L. E. Blanchard led the worship and prayer was led by Mrs. O. F. McCrary and Mrs. John C. Glenn. Leading the discussions on the book "Right Here at Home" were: Mrs. Sam Hall, Mrs. E. Y. Floyd, Mrs. F. D. Hedden, Mrs. James L. Hales, Mrs. G. E. Pickett, Mrs. L. A. Watts and Mrs. James Allison. Each talk was given in a most interesting and helpful manner, bringing new visions of responsibilities in the home field.

A NEW BABY LIFE MEMBER

At the meeting of the Northern zone in the Raleigh district recently, a baby life membership certificate was presented to Jennie Sue Parrott, daughter of Mrs. F. E. Parrott, Creedmoor. Mrs. E. B. Craven made the presentation on behalf of the zone.

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PRESIDENT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL HONORED

The Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Church, in its opening business session at New Orleans on Thursday morning, March 7, honored its president, Mrs. J. W. Perry of Abingdon, Va., by voting to establish and endow a chair of Christian Life and Thought at Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn., to be named Clara Tucker Perry Chair.

The resolution which came from a joint committee on home and foreign mission fields was as follows:

"In appreciation of the service rendered by Scarritt College in training missionaries and deaconesses, and in recognition of a great need, we recommend that the Week of Prayer offering in 1940 be used:

(1) To establish and endow a Chair of Christian Life and Thought at Scarritt College.

(2) That the chair be named Clara Tucker Perry, in honor of the Council's president, Mrs. J. W. Perry."

We are sure the friends of Mrs. Perry will rejoice in the honor bestowed upon her by this committee which realizes the value of her leadership during the past years over this great body of Southern Methodist women, through her efficiency and wonderful ability and her great interest and devotion to the work.

DEACONESSES CERTIFIED FOR EMERITUS RELATIONS

Friends in our conference of Miss Florence Blackwell, formerly deaconess at Winston-Salem, will be interested to know that she was one of the two deaconesses (Miss Eugenia Smith the other) having fulfilled the continuous service permitted by the Council certified for the emeritus relation. Miss Mary Culler White, missionary, was also one of the number thus honored. These workers brought messages of great interest of their love and enjoyment of the work during the years they have so faithfully served in the fields to which they have been called. Best wishes to each of them.

CLIFFSIDE SOCIETY IN INTERESTING MEETING

Miss Annabelle Logan writes us of interesting meeting of the woman's missionary society of Cliffside Methodist church on March 19, at the home of Mrs. M. G. Feimster at the Duke power plant, with Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Erskine and Mrs. Abernethy as joint hostesses.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Clyde Edwards, who presided over the business session, after which the meeting was in charge of Mrs. James Tinkler, who had charge of the afternoon's program. The devotional was led by Miss Una Edwards and Mrs. G. O. Moss in a most interesting manner, gave the missionary topic: "Isabella Thoburn,

Creator of Ideals," whose life as a teacher, endowed with power to impart both knowledge and character, and as a missionary in India, where she gave herself unstintingly for others, created beauty, truth and goodness in the lives of those about her. The program closed with prayer by Mrs. E. A. Blanton.

WORK IN HUCHOW, CHINA

The Missionary Bulletin for April carries an interesting letter from Miss Louise Avett, one of our Western North Carolina conference missionaries, located in Huchow, China, who tells of her activities since her return from her furlough in the States.

She writes: "My work in Huchow has been largely in the institutional church of Haito Center, where I had last winter and spring a large English class at the church and a normal class for the junior and intermediate department teachers of the church school. As they had no suitable teaching materials I tried to prepare materials for them and taught them each Friday afternoon. During the summer I procured graded materials in Chinese to show my teachers and these materials are being used, and it is gratifying to know how anxious the people are for proper material.

The sixth grade pupils have made their own Bibles, as they have studied the history of how the Bible was made and developed, and there has been an unusual interest in the Bible throughout the whole department.

We are reaching some of the best homes in the city and are getting acquainted with the families of the students. My work in Haito Center is largely of a recreational nature."

TWO NEW ORGANIZATIONS IN MARION DISTRICT

From Mrs. F. R. Barber, wife of the minister at Cross Mill church in Marion, we have the announcement of a woman's missionary society recently organized at her church with the following officers: President, Mrs. Acie Carraway, Cross Mill, Marion; vice president, Mrs. Curtis Murray, Cross Mill, Marion; secretary, Mrs. H. A. Summey, Box 502, Marion; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. C. McKelvey, 550 W. Henderson St., Marion; Treas., Mrs. Ray Murray, Cross Mill, Marion.

The second society recently organized comes to us through card from Mrs. W. I. Pitts, acting district secretary of the Marion district. This society is at Pleasant Grove church on the Marion circuit and the following are the officers: President, Mrs. E. P. Crawford; vice president, Mrs. W. H. Wilson; secretary, Mrs. Bob Simmons; treasurer, Mrs. Laura Bright. P. O. address of all officers Marion, Rt. 2.

We extend a cordial welcome to these new auxiliaries and wish for them abundant success in their new work.—(Editor).

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TRUSTEES MEET

The semi-annual meeting of our board of trustees, held in the directors' room of the Administration building on the Children's Home grounds Thursday, March 28, was attended with interest and several constructive decisions. While only two hours were consumed in the meeting, this time was filled with the assumption of constructive responsibility. Those members in attendance were R. G. Stockton, Winston-Salem, vice president; George F. Ivey, Hickory, secretary; E. R. Bucher, Charlotte; Rev. R. M. Courtney, Greensboro; T. Austin Finch and Rev. T. B. Johnson, Thomasville; James A. Gray, James G. Hanes and B. S. Womble, Winston-Salem; Charles W. Gunter, Gastonia; George L. Hackney, Lexington; Rev. Joe S. Hiatt, Elkin; Rev. J. W. Moore, Mooresville; and J. Raymond Smith, Mount Airy.

WE MISSED THEM

Members of the board unable to be present were greatly missed. For the first time during his administration Dr. T. F. Marr, chairman of the board, was unable to be present, because of temporary illness. The same was true relative to Dr. H. K. Boyer, J. Paul Lucas and Fred N. Tate. R. O. Lindsay was in Florida and Thurmond Chatham had a business engagement which prevented their being present. It is earnestly hoped that the sick members of our board will soon be in normal health again.

IMPORTANT RESOLUTION

The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the board:

"Resolved that the Children's Home, Inc., of Winston-Salem is willing to undertake the construction of two new dormitories to take care of the children now in the High Point Children's Home from the territory of the Western North Carolina conference and to take care of the support of the said children, provided the High Point Children's Home deeds to the Children's Home, Inc., a corresponding percentage (approximately two-thirds) of its value in real estate and other assets situated near High Point.

Resolved further, that the board of trustees of the Children's Home, Inc., include in its membership members of the present High Point board in proportion to the membership in the Western North Carolina conference of former members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Protestant Church."

ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITY

It is evident from the foregoing resolution that our board of trustees proposes to assume the financial responsi-

bility for the construction of two buildings on the Children's Home grounds, an outlay estimated at some \$70,000, and to fittingly provide for 80 children, more or less, in the event they are transferred from the present High Point Children's Home to the Winston-Salem Children's Home. A long-time friend of the Children's Home has already agreed to provide for one of the necessary buildings. Funds for the other proposed building will be borrowed until such time as other arrangements can be made.

WILLING AND READY

It is the position of our board of trustees that it is willing and will as soon as possible become ready to provide for all the enrolled orphan children sponsored by the Western North Carolina conference into one Children's Home, where, through a consolidation of interest and a unification of purpose, it is thought they can best



Some of our offerings will go to these little ones

be provided for with the least outlay. It is not the position of our board to in any way dictate to the Western North Carolina conference any action in this matter, but to open the way for a consolidation of orphanage interest into one plant whose assets will give reasonable security for a prolonged life of altruistic service.

OTHER ANGLES

Any solution of the orphanage situation in the Western North Carolina conference has connected with it rights and privileges connected with the North Carolina conference and the former Methodist Protestants in both conferences. It will be recalled that the former Methodist Protestants are located in the two named conferences on the numerical basis of about one-third in the North Carolina conference and two-thirds in the Western North Carolina conference. A proper solution of the orphanage consolidation, in our opinion, will carry with it the as-

sumption of about a third of the responsibility, including enrolled children, and assets above existing obligations by the trustees of the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, and two-thirds of the same by the trustees of The Children's Home, Inc., at Winston-Salem. Therefore various interests and responsibilities are tied up in the matter. It is hoped that in the process of time a proper solution of all questions involved can be consummated. It seems evident to all parties concerned that the arrangements under which the three North Carolina Methodist orphanages are now operating should not continue beyond the present conference year.

IMPROVED ROADS

Another matter of interest and value was passed upon by the board in directing that the leading roads on our grounds should be paved with a bituminous covering. For years our roads have been kept up with a gravel substance secured from our own grounds. This supply having been exhausted, it is now thought well to place a substantial tar and gravel coating on top of the gravel which has served us so long and so well. Construction of the roadways will begin at an early date.

LITTLE YOUNGSTERS

The picture of the little boys and girls herewith shown was taken over a year ago. Another series of pictures will soon be made. The kodak we have been using got out of fix and for quite awhile the likenesses of little boys and girls were not taken. But now that the springtime is here and the new clothes and new foliage are appearing some new pictures will be secured. All the little youngsters in this picture are well, happy, and growing in a very fine way.

BOYS' BANQUET

When some 200 visitors come to the Children's Home, as was true when our annual alumni visited us on Monday of last week, it is necessary to make some different arrangements for feeding our children. This arrangement called for the providing of a cold dinner—milk, sandwiches and fruit—to be sent to several cottages to be therein enjoyed. It is reported that when the food came to Tise I, where some early teen-age boys live, they placed their study tables together, secured from the clothing room clean sheets and carefully arranged their food on the covering, adorned with some flowers and some other banquet features. One of the boys acted as toastmaster, another as a visiting minister who asked the blessing, and still others responded to different toasts having to do with the welfare of the Children's Home. It is reported that the boys had a delightful banquet. They then carefully cleaned up their tables and rearranged their house so as to secure the hearty approbation of their home mother, Mrs. J. R. Barbour, on her return home from hobnobbing with the alumni. We have some early teen-age boys who are climbing fool's hill without becoming foolish. What a gang!

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

CLOTHES — The Orphanage feels genuinely grateful to the auxiliaries of the conference for sponsoring the clothing of our children. Many of the societies have already sent clothes for the children whom they have agreed to clothe. I am happy to say that the clothes are both attractive and adequate for the needs of our children. I wish to commend the good women of our church for the worth while service they are rendering our home by clothing our children so comfortably and so nicely.

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A WORD OF WARNING—There are young men traveling over the state who claim to be representatives of different orphanages. They tell people that they are former pupils of the orphanages, and that they are selling magazines to make money with which to attend college. The Methodist Orphanage has no agents selling magazines or working for us. If any of our Methodist people are approached by such agents they may rest assured that they are frauds, and are taking advantage of our people to further their own selfish interests.

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WEEK OF RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS —All our children above six years of age are members of the Methodist Church. I have felt for some time that we needed a week of special services to deepen and enrich our religious experience. I was very fortunate in securing the services of Brother D. E. Earnhardt to lead us in these special meetings. Throughout the week he held the undivided attention of our young people. He is an unusual preacher and knows how to grip and hold the attention of the entire group. I feel confident that his ministry among us has resulted in much good to our

boys and girls and workers. We have never had anyone to visit us who captured our student body as thoroughly as Brother Earnhardt. Speaking for both the Orphanage staff and children, I wish to express my deep appreciation for the contribution Brother Earnhardt made by his timely, helpful sermons.

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RESPONSIVE CORD—It is sincerely hoped that the suggestion in last week's Advocate to the effect that a hundred individuals agree to be responsible for ten dollars per month for a year, and a hundred friends be responsible for five dollars per month for a year, in order to give the Methodist Orphanage a balanced budget, struck a responsive cord in the hearts of many of our friends. It is absolutely imperative that something be done looking to this end. To continue our present policy of operating the Orphanage with an unbalanced budget of \$25,000 is poor business to say the least of it. In order to make buckle and tongue meet, \$25,000, in addition to what we get from the ten per cent Orphanage apportionment, Orphanage endowment and Duke endowment, must be raised through specials. When I speak of specials for the Orphanage a great many people have an idea that specials are for extras, or for luxuries, whereas they are for bare necessities of life. I hope our Methodist constituency will seriously ponder our financial situation.

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ORPHANAGE REUNION—Following a custom of long standing, we held our Orphanage reunion during the Easter holidays. Sons and daughters began to arrive Saturday afternoon, and continued to come until noon Sunday. In spite of the cold weather and snow, we had the largest attendance at this year's reunion we have ever had. All told there must have been at least 250 who returned to the home of their childhood for the reunion and alumni meeting. The Raleigh alumni chapter gave a weiner roast on Saturday night, and there must have been at least 75 who enjoyed the occasion. Mr. B. G. Holsomback, president of the General Alumni Association, in co-operation with the Raleigh chapter, did much toward making the reunion the greatest success in the history of the organization. Had the weather been more favorable I feel safe in saying that we would have had at least 350 to return to the Orphanage on that happy occasion. A year ago the Alumni Association took for its project the sending of a monthly allowance to every child in the orphanage, ranging from ten cents to twenty-five cents per child. The undertaking worked so well, and brought so much pleasure to our children, that the association voted unanimously to continue the plan for at least another year. I do not know of anything that has ever brought so much pleasure to our children as the monthly allowance which the former sons and daughters of the Orphanage are sending them. The Easter egg hunt, which is an annual affair given by the association, had to be postponed on Monday due to the snow. It was a real joy and privilege to have our fine young people to return to the campus.

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ZOOMING THE COWS

The fellows were all seated on the bench in front of the hangar watching the two planes that were humming at a thousand feet altitude. In each of those planes was a student in the front cockpit. Behind him, and giving instructions through the head phones, was a pilot of experience. Such remarks were heard as: "He's not clipping on the corner"; "Guess he's getting the hand of that with that new chap, I guess; see him try to keep the plane level."

Some particular bit of work caused favorable comments and the students on the bench were learning a lot from the criticisms of the older pilots. Suddenly one of the thirty-four students exclaimed:

"Look at those cows!"

Instantly every face turned toward the middle of the flying field, where a dozen or more cows were seen, wandering slowly across the area.

"Signal Hanson to keep in the air," called Prop Jordan. "I'll try to shoo those cows away."

"If a plane ever tried to land in the middle of that bunch of beef," remarked Sandy Ferguson, "it would just be too bad. Come on, fellows, let's help Prop."

But ten minutes of "shooing" only caused more trouble. Those cows simply would not go back into the pasture that bordered the north side of the flying field. Meantime, Jerry, the flag man, was waving his checkered flag and keeping the student planes in the air.

"Signal them to climb upstairs!" exclaimed Sandy. "I'm going to zoom those cows!"

I was one of the students and had never seen any cows zoomed. Naturally I was all interest, and I wondered what was going to happen. Sandy ran over to the line where the planes were nosed in toward the hangar. Climbing to the cockpit, he called to one of the fellows to spin the prop.

That familiar call, "Contact!" came after a couple of downward pulls on the propeller. Then one more spin and the roar of the motor was heard. It took a moment or two for the engine to get sufficiently warmed up to enable Sandy to taxi over and get into the wind. Then he let loose and, with a roar, he was off. He made a quick getaway, climbing into the air for perhaps five hundred feet. Those cows watched him take off with no uneasiness, for they had often looked at the planes at fairly close range from the right side of the pasture fence.

We, too, watched Sandy and some one remarked, "See those critters when he comes down; they won't feel quite so good."

Sandy turned and came back toward the field, dipping downward as

WHEN YOUR DOG IS DEAD

By Carolyn Spencer

Oh, when your little dog is dead
The house is very still—
No pattering of eager feet,
No barking glad and shrill.

There is no small, brown form to hold,
No moist, warm tongue that licks
Your hand in love—no half-gnawed
bones,
No scattered balls and sticks.

The cunning tricks he used to do
Are aching memories:
"Sit up" and "chase your tail" and
"speak,"
"Play dead," "shake hands" and
"sneeze."

The days are desolate and bleak,
I have no wish to talk—
When evening comes I have no heart
For the accustomed walk.

I reach to pat a little head
Once close beside my knee,
I whistle, call, forgetting that
He'll come no more to me.

Oh, you who've known a small dog's
love
Devoted through the years,
You'll not misunderstand my grief
Nor ridicule my tears.

he approached. Usually, when a pilot comes in, he shuts off the motor, at least partly, and glides down easily; but there was no shutting motor for Sandy. He was coming like an express train, and headed straight for those cows. His motor roared as he gave her the gun. What a racket! A thousand feet away he still came on, in a long slide, and when he was almost over the far end of the field he dipped sharply and seemed to drop to within twenty feet of the ground.

I gave an involuntary scream, for I thought surely he would hit the ground; and just then he swooped upward and passed over the cows. The creatures now headed for the pasture fence, with tails, like banners, streaming out back of them. Two or three bawled loudly and I guess they did not relish having a speeding plane come quite so close.

The first cow to reach that fence leaped over it without touching the top bar. The next one tried to do so but crashed that top bar and knocked it down. The others did not even attempt a jump, but plunged through the gap and made for the far side of the pasture. It was a comical sight for us, for no two cows had the same

"form" as they raced along. Some trotted and some galloped.

An old cow, perhaps feeling the dignity of her age, refused to run fast, but just eased along until she carefully stepped over the broken fence; then, safe in the pasture, she kicked up her heels and went madly off and up on a knoll, where she stood, mooing again and again, as if to scold us for trying to hasten her departure.

We all went over and mended the fence, for we did not wish the farmer who owned those cows to be made extra work. We also repaired the fence where the cows had left the pasture to trespass upon the flying field. Then we returned to the business of the day—flying and taking lessons.

That was one of those little things that come into a student aviator's life, one of the comical features of training. Where pastures are adjacent to aviation fields, cows always think the fodder on the other side of the fence is better than that of the pasture; and so long as fences will break down, cows have to be zoomed.—Ella V. Oddger, in *The Lutheran Standard*.

JUST FOR FUN

Charles, aged eight, had a baby sister, of whom he was very proud. So great was his enthusiasm over the new arrival that he continued bringing great numbers of children to see the baby, until the mother was forced to call a halt.

"How is your baby, Charles?" inquired one of the mother's friends, shortly after admittance had been refused a bevy of boy friends.

"Huh, she's not my baby," sulked Charles. "I don't think she's even a third mine any more."—*Indianapolis News*.

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School Doctor: "Heyton, your vision is impaired by astigmatism; you should have glasses."

Heyton: "I have a pair at home, Doc. But I don't wear them because ma's afraid I'll break them. Besides she wears them all the time herself."

Doctor: "Were the glasses prescribed for you or your mother?"

Heyton: "Neither one, Doc. They're pa's."

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Three-year-old Nancy's father had installed a new radio. Nancy listened with rapt attention to everything—music, speeches and station announcements.

That night she knelt to say her "Now I lay me." At the end she paused a moment and then said: "Tomorrow night at this time there will be another prayer."—*Journal of Religious Education*.

Sunday School Lesson

APRIL 7

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By Rollin H. Walker
Amos Pleads for Justice
Scripture: Amos 5:7

Amos is the first of the literary prophets—that is to say, he is the first of the prophets whose message has come down to us from his own hands. He is also one of the clearest and plainest of the prophets.

If one gives his book a time exposure, his meaning becomes manifest without the aid of a commentary, although a commentary is immensely helpful in lighting up the historical situation. It is impossible for the modern man, reared in an atmosphere in which Jesus' law of love has been constantly proclaimed, to appreciate how startling and revolutionary the message of Amos must have seemed to his contemporaries.

Amos was not a professional prophet. I am no "Reverend," said he, "but a herdsman" (7:14). We must picture him coming down from lonely Tekoa on the shores of the Dead Sea, and going north out of his own Judea to prophesy at the great sanctuary of northern Israel at Bethel. Amos was a foreign missionary. The country through which he he passed was dotted with palaces (3:15). There was luxury everywhere (6:3-6). The people, especially the rich, were very religious, bringing abundant offerings to the sanctuary (4:4). Fine orchestras accompanied the singing of the psalms (5:23). It was indeed a pious country.

Only a Veneer

But alas! the piety was only a veneer. The poor man had no chance. If one went to the city gates where the law courts were held, and demanded a square deal for the poor, he was abhorred. Indeed, it was as much as his life was worth. "He that is prudent," said the prophet, "shall keep silence in such a time." And hence Amos chocked the people by proclaiming as a message from God, "I hate, I despise your feasts, and I will take no delight in your solemn assemblies."

Note those two expressions of hate. The rulers hated a man who was a champion of the oppressed; hence the Lord hated their elaborate and ceremonious worship. They were so accustomed to using lying propaganda on the people that they tried it upon the Lord, but he was not deceived.

For Amos to say that the Lord despised their worship seemed to many shockingly irreligious. In modern phrase, Amos was an enemy of the church. Hence the high priest complained of him to the king, and he was deported (7:10-12). Always the well-paid representatives of formal religion are hostile to the prophet who breaks over conventions and conveys a mes-

sage hot from the heart of God. Witness the attitude of the English bishops to John Wesley.

As we look back upon Amos, his message seems to be so simple and obvious that it is hard to see why people did not receive it. He merely said that God, being a righteous and holy God, and the Father of the poor as well as the rich, could not endure worship from people who, like wild beasts, were devouring the poor. But it is the obvious that all through the ages is rejected by men who are blinded by selfishness and greed.

Amos had no joy in predicting judgment. It is utterly unfair to call him harsh. He was praying passionately against the fate that was moving on Israel. The thought of its impending doom was so constantly with the prophet that it entered into his dreams.

In one dream he saw the locusts coming to devour the last vestiges of the grass, and prayed pitifully against the starvation that would result; and he seemed in his dream to hear God relent and say, This shall not be. Then he had another frightful dream; the fire came and burned up the ocean and was about to burn the land. Amos cried out against the calamity, and Jehovah relented again.

But finally he had a dream less terrible, and yet more terrible. God was standing by a wall as straight as a plumb line could make it, and the plumb line was in his hand. He said to Amos, This plumb line of uprightness and downrightness, this standard of decency and honesty and purity, I am applying to my people, and I will not again pass by them any more. That plumb line is like the law of God. Its operations seem so weak and intangible, and yet it proves to be so strong and inexorable.

It was not a great while before the prophet's prediction was fulfilled. When a country is invaded, it is the common people that must do the fighting; and when the common people are so oppressed that they have little to fight for, the land is an easy prey. Contrast Hitler's easy victory in Poland where the poor were oppressed, and Stalin's hard fight to conquer the free Finns.

The application of the prophet's message to modern times is vivid and ominous. Amos said that oppression and cruelty practiced by a nation that has received the revelation of God is certain to be severely punished. He would say that the atrocities that are being practiced today on the Jews, and the murders inflicted by ambitious nations simply to enlarge their borders, are as certain of condign judgment as that two and two make four.

It will not be for our souls' good, however, to spend must time in contemplating the sins and coming judgment on the Fascist and Communist nations. Let us rather inquire whether as a nation we are guilty of drunkenness and selfish luxury, and the sins against the poor which Amos condemns; and let us remember that to whom much is given from him much will be required. A nation that has received the revelation of Jesus will be brought to a much stricter account than eighth century Israel (Amos 3:1-2).

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Raleigh-Benson		April 11
New Bern-Rainbow Church, 9		April 16
Fayetteville-Caledonia Church		April 17
Rocky Mount-Tarboro		April 17
Durham-Hillsboro		April 18
Asheville-Hendersonville		April 19
Winston-Salem-Fair Grove, Thomasville Ct., 9:30		April 19
Waynesville-Rockford		April 19
Gastonia-Rock Springs		May 8
Marion-Old Fort		May 8
Elkin-Friendship Church, Wilkesboro Ctg.		May 9
Charlotte-Bethlehem Church, Prospect Chg.		May 16
High Point-High Point College		May 14
Greensboro-Gibsonville		May 14
Elizabeth City-Edenton		May 16
Statesville-Taylorsville		May 20

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Thomasville, May 5-19.
High Point, May 20-30.
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District Superintendent
Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hebbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Graham, 7:30	4
Person Ct., Lea's Chapel, 11	6
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11	7
Long Memorial and Brookdale, Long Mtn., 7:30	7
Duke Memorial, 7:30	9
Calvary, 7:30	10
Chapel Hill, 7:30	11
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge, 11	14
Alamance Ct., Sapling Ridge, 3	14
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, HILLSBORO, 10	18
Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11	21
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 3	21
Mebane, First Church, 7:30	24
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 11	28
Carboro, Orange, 11	May 5
Sweepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3	5

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11	7
Kinnakeet, Rodanthe, night	7
Mattamuskeet, Engelhard, 11	14
Swan Quarter-Fairfield, Soule, 3	14
Belhaven, Hebron, night	14
City Road, night	17
South Mills, Newland, 11 and 1	20
Plymouth, 11	21
Williamston, night	21
First Church, Elizabeth City, night	24
Windsor, Cashie, 11	28
Edenton, night	28
	May
Bath, Bethany, 11	5
Washington, night	5
District Conference, Edenton	16

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Mt. Gilead Ct., Ophir, 11-15	7
Troy Ct., 3	7
Mount Gilead, 7:30	7
Rockingham, 7:30	12
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 11	14
Ellerbe, Jones Spring, 3	14
Parkton, 7:30	14
Troy, 11	21
Glendon, High Falls, 3	21
Biscoe, Candor, 7:30	21
Red Springs, 11	28
Stedman, Bethany, 3	28
Hay Street, 7:30	28
	May
Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11	5
West End, 7:30	5

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Hookerton, Maury, 11	7
Snow Hill, Bethel, 3	7
Kinston, 7:30	7
Seven Springs, Beston, 11	14
Goldshoro Ct., 3	14
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 7:30	14
District Conference, Rainbow Church, 9	16
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11	21
LaGrange, Trinity, 3	21
Fremont, Black Creek, 7:30	21
Goldshoro, St. Paul, 7:30	24
Mt. Olive-Calyppo, Calypso, 7:30	26
Mt. Olive Ct., 11	27
Pink Hill, Woodland, 11	28
Dover, 3	28
	May
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 11	4
Newport, Oak Grove, 3	5

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Fuquay, Kipling, 11	7
Selma, 7:30	7
Person Street, 7:30	10
DISTRICT CONFERENCE, BENSON, 9:30	11
Lillington, 11	14
Maners, Spring Hill, 3	14
Princeton, Fellowship, 7:30	17
Stem, Calvary, 11	21
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30	21
	May
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 11	5
Garner, Hollands, 7:30	5
Dunn, 8	8
Bailey, Simms, 11	12
Tar River, Trinity, 7:30	12
Hayes-Barton, 8	15

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
First Church, Rocky Mount, 7:30	7
Whitakers, Battleboro, 7:30	10
Enfield, 11	14
Halfax, Pierce's Camp Ground, 3	14
Marvin, 7:30	14
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30	17
McKendree, McKendree, 11	21
Elm City, Homes, 3	21
Sandy Cross, 7:30	21
	May
St. Paul, Rocky Mount, 7:30	8
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11	12
Walstonburg, 7:30	12
Farmville, 7:30	14
Stantonsburg, 7:30	15
Weldon, 11	19
Rosemary, 3	19
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30	19

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Scotts Hill, Scotts Hill, 11	7
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3	7
Southport, night	7
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11	14
Tabor City, Bethel, 3	14
Bladen, Deems, night	14
Lumberton Ct. (place to be announced), 11	21
Pombrake (Indian work) place to be announced, 3	21
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, night	21
	May
Maysville, Tabernacle, 11	5
Jacksonville-Richlands, Haw Branch, 3	5
Swansboro, Swansboro, night	5
Clinton, 11	12
Shallotte, Dixon's Chapel, 11	28
Wilmington, Grace, night	28

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Tryon-Saluda, at Saluda, 11	7
Fairview at Sharon, 3	7
Fletcher, night	7
District Conference at Hendersonville	17

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bend, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Polkton, Wightman, 11	7

ELKIN DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Warrensville, Lansing, 11	7
Creston-Riverview, 2:30	7
Traphill, Charity, night	19
Helton, Grassy Creek, 11	14
Green Valley, Mt. View, 11	20
Watauga, Valle Crucis, 11	21
Aarat, Hunter's Chapel, 11	28
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 7:30	28
	May
Moravian Falls, Mt. Moriah, 2:30	5
Aarat-Mt. View, Aarat, 11	12

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Mount Holly, 11	7
Dallas, High Shoals, night	7
Lincoln Ct., Marvin, 11	14
Crouse, Lander's Chapel, 3	14
Boger City, night	14
Bessemer, Concord, 11	21
King's Mountain, Central, night	21
Stanly, 11	28
Shelby, Central, night	28
	May
Belmont, Main Street, 11	5
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, night	5
Gastonia, Main Street, 11	12
Lowell, Bethesda, 11	17
District Conference, Rock Springs	8

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, O.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April
Haw River, 11	7
Ruffin, 7:30	7
Draper, joint conference with Draper-Wayside, 7:30	10
Moriah, 7:30	13
Mt. Pleasant, 11	14
Pleasant Garden, 7:30	14
Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30	17
Oak Ridge, 11	21
Proximity, 7:30	21
	May
Glenwood, 7:30	5
Gibsonville, 7:30	8
Mt. Pleasant Ct., Union, 10	12
Reldsville, Main Street, 5	12
District Conference, Gibsonville	14
West Greensboro, Groometown, 11	19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Tayler, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND
(Subject to necessary changes)

	April
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethel, 2	6
Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11	7
Ward Street, 7:30	10
South Davidson, Pleasant Grove, 2	13
Trinity, Hopewell, 11	14
Archdale, 7:30	17
Denton First, Pleasant Grove, 11	21
Oak View, 7:30	22
Randkin Memorial, 7:30	24
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	25
Highland, 7:30	26
Welch Memorial, 7:30	29
	May
Calvary, 7:30	1

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fert St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	April
Burnsville, 11	7
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 3	7
Spruce Pine, 7:30	7
Elk Park, Newland, 11	14
Avery, Fairview, 3	14
Liville Falls, Altamont, 7:30	14
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windham, 11	21
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3	21
	May
Valdese, 11	5
Tablo Rock, Liville, 3	5
Glen Alpine, 7:30	5
Bostic, Salom, 11	12
Broad River, Providence, 3	12
Spindale, 7:30	12
McDowell, Trinity, 11	19
Old Fort, Bethel, 3	19
Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30	19
	June
Henrietta, 11	2
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3	2
Marion, First, 7:30	2
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11	8
Rutherford College, 11	9
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 3	9
North Forest, 7:30	9
Forest City, 11	16
Sunshine, Golden Valley, 3	16
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	16
Old Fort, 11	23

Gilkey, 3	23
Rutherfordton, 7:30	23
Connelly Springs, Friendship, 11	30
Shady Grove, 3	30
Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30	30
July	
Spruce Pine, 11	7
Micaville, 3	7
Linville Falls, 7:30	7
Bakersville, 11	14
Bald Creek, 3	14
Burnsville, 7:30	14
Elk Park, 11	21
Avery, 3	21
Climside, 7:30	21

SALISBURY DISTRICT	
Charles N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
April	
Rocky Ridge, Rocky Ridge, 12:15	7
Ann Street, Ann Street, 2:30	7
Jackson Park, Jackson Park, 6	7
Bethpage, Bethpage, 7	7
Main St.-Rowan, Main St., 7:30	7
Salem, Salem, 3	7
Forest Hill, Forest Hill, 7:30	8
Albemarle, First Street, 7:30	8
Concord, Central, 7:30	9
Mt. Mitchell, Mt. Mitchell, 11	14
Albemarle Ct., Palestine, 2	14
Woodleaf, Gay's Chapel, 3	14
Kerr Street, Kerr Street, 7:30	14
E. Spencer-Yadkin, E. Spencer, 7:30	14
China Grove, China Grove, 7:30	14
Coburn Memorial, Coburn Memorial, 7:30	14
Park Avenue, Park Avenue, 7:30	15
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 3	21
Harmony, Harmony (to be announced)	
Mount Olivet, Mount Olivet (to be announced)	

STATESVILLE DISTRICT	
John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
April	
Newton, 11	7
Hickory: Highland, Fairgrove, 3	7
Hickory: Westview, night	7
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn, 10 and 3	14
Lenoir: First Church, 11	14
Hickory: Bethel, night	14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT	
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
April	
Whittier, 11and 7:30	7
Special situations	14
District Conference, Rockwood	19

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT	
W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
April	
Rural Hall, Antioch, 11	7
Mt. Airy Ct., Epworth, 3	7
Winston Ct., Pisgah, 11	14
Pilot Mountain, New Hope, 3	14
District Conference and second check-up meeting, Fair Grove Church, Thomasville Ct., 9:30	19

IN MEMORIAM

SAPP — Mrs. Eva Lindsay Sapp, daughter of William A. and Lydia Hunt Lindsay, was born in Davidson county, N. C., on September 12, 1871, and departed this life from her residence in Winston-Salem, N. C., on February 21, 1940. Her girlhood days were spent in Davidson county, and while in her youth she professed saving faith in Jesus Christ and united with Mt. Pleasant Methodist Protestant church. On reaching maturity she came to Winston-Salem to live and she transferred her membership to the First Methodist Protestant church, now the First Methodist, where she became one of the most loyal, dependable and faithful members the church ever had. She was interested in every department of the work of the church and it was her joy and crown to be active for her Lord. In such high esteem was she held by the members of the church that one of the circles in the woman's auxiliary was named for her even while she was yet alive.

On June 25 she was united in marriage with Mr. H. O. Sapp, a prominent attorney in Winston-Salem, with whom she lived happily until his death in 1937.

Mrs. Sapp is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Howard Barnes of Winston-Salem and Miss Pearl Sapp of Washington, D. C., and by four sons, W. Lindsay, Henry O., Odell and Malcolm B. Sapp, all of Winston-Salem; by one brother, J. A. Lindsay of Lexington, N. C., and one half-brother, Paul Lind-

say of Sedge Garden, and by three grandchildren.

The funeral services were conducted by her pastor, assisted by Rev. C. O. Weber of the Fairview Moravian church on the afternoon of February 23 in the First Methodist church, where a large number of people came to pay their respects to her fine, consecrated Christian life. Surely a mother in Israel has fallen asleep in Christ.

J. E. Pritchard, Pastor.

HOOD — The recently deceased Thomas Ruffin, son of John Cogdell and Martha Young Hood, was born September 29, 1857, in Wake county, N. C., and died January 16, 1940, in Summerfield, N. C., just past 82 years of age.

On February 9, 1881, he was married to Lucy Ann Woodall, Smithfield, N. C. Unto this union were born three daughters, Mrs. Thel Hooks, Mrs. Ralph Stevens, Mrs. Wallace E. Coltrane, and two sons, Will D. Hood and Hal C. Hood, all of Smithfield and all of whom with their mother, his sister, Mrs. Dora Hood Kirkman of Smithfield, and D. Henry Hood of Dunn, N. C., survive him.

In 1874 Brother Hood joined the Smithfield Methodist church and fitted so well into its religious activities that it kept him as Sunday school superintendent 32 years, as steward from 1885 and recording steward from 1890, both till his death.

In 1871 with Dr. L. E. Kirkman as a partner he engaged in the drug business, and in 1887 he and his brother formed a partnership and continued the business under the firm name of Hood Bros. Later his sons acquired the business and are continuing it. During his activity as a druggist he became a charter member of the State Pharmaceutical Association and was honored with serving as its 26th president.

While his first emphasis, in his strength, was on his drug business, he found time to join others in organizing the First Citizens Bank and Trust Co., as whose president he served for nearly 20 years, honorary chairman and director until death.

As a citizen, his county expressed its confidence in him by electing him as its treasurer for two terms. With some details omitted, thus runs the story of a life which is a leap from a diversified volume of honor, usefulness and human confidence.

But the great climax of nobleness in this life of so many unusual virtues was the devoutly calm, truly Christian spirit of its liver that crowned the name of Thomas R. Hood, affectionately called "Uncle Tommie" by many with a reverence that forbade any word of disrespect to him, even by the foulest tongue. So I think it can be most truly said of Brother Hood, as we bid him peace: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord" (Rev. 14-13).

J. D. Bundy.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON
(Continued from page 21)

We see from the pages of the Old Testament how exceedingly hard it was at any given time for people to believe that God actually punished oppression and rewarded righteousness (Psalm 73). It is equally hard for us today. The chief sinners seem to prosper, and the righteous are sent to their fate. But the Old Testament bears equally positive evidence to the fact that sooner or later the oppressors of mankind go down, and when they fall, they fall with a mighty crash (Matthew 7:26-27).—Christian Advocate.

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In Memoriam

WILLIS — Mijaman Frank Willis passed to his reward February 27, 1940, at the ripe age of 89 years, six months. He was a life long member of St. Peter's church and a very faithful father and Christian. He married Annie Alice Osborne in 1873. She and two children preceded him in death. He is survived by six children, Doras of Shelby, N. C., Marium of Pentleton, Oregon; Burgin, Steel, Floyd and Mrs. Annie Queen, all of Bellwood, N. C.

Brother Willis had been a patient sufferer for three years and was ready and willing to go. His future was bright and he went home with a smile.

May God bless his loved ones who attended him so affectionately.

G. W. Clay.

WHITE—Baxter Gill White was born February 11, 1911, and departed this life February 24, 1940. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. White of Vance county. Since boyhood years the deceased had been a member of Union Chapel Methodist church. He was greatly loved by many friends and his tragic passing was a sorrow to all. Besides the parents he is survived by two brothers, John C. and Samuel F. White, and two sisters, Misses Mamie and Doris White.

The funeral was held February 26 at 3 p. m. and was largely attended, marking the high esteem in which he was held. The pastor, Rev. J. P. Pegg, officiated, assisted by Rev. C. L. Spencer and Rev. C. M. Carter. We extend our sympathy and prayers to the bereaved family. J. P. Pegg, Pastor.

GROSE—On Sunday morning, March 10, James I. Grose, son of the late Philip Harrison Grose and Martha Jane Pickens Grose, peacefully slipped away from the shadows of time to the realm of immortality. He was 79 years, nine months and 20 days of age.

Brother Grose was united in marriage with Mamie Taylor. To this union were born two sons: Claude H. of Asheville, and J. Chalmus, now pastor of the West End Methodist church of Gastonia. In addition to these, the deceased is survived by a sister, Mrs. C. L. Williamston, a brother, A. P. Grose, and a great concourse of relatives and friends.

This brother was one of the oldest members of Pleasant Grove Methodist church, he having been a member here for nearly 70 years. He was a steward in the Methodist church for nearly 40 years. He gave the best years of his life and the best life of his years in serving God; and then he gave to the Methodist church and to God a minister of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

HOBBS—Warren Billie Hobbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hobbs of Whiteville, N. C., was born July 25, 1931, and died January 6, 1940, in James Walker Memorial hospital, Wilmington. Billie was sick six weeks, four of which he was in the hospital. He could not stand the effects of complications after scarlet fever, though the best of medical care was given and numbers of blood transfusions were tried. Billie was in the third grade in school and thought there was nothing like the Methodist church and Sunday school of Whiteville. Doctor Sidbury said of Billie, "I have never had a patient who tried harder to co-operate with me in treating him." He was a grand playmate,

not fussy or contentious, and was liked by young and old. He was especially thoughtful of older people. His maternal grandmother, Mrs. L. K. Fuller of Whiteville, walks with a cane and Billie was the first to pick up or hand her the cane for her use. He was such an exceptional boy that neighbors spoke of his unusualness and maybe he was just lent to this world for such a short stay.

Besides his parents Billie is survived by two brothers, Fuller Strowd and Clyde Hobbs, both students of Davidson College.

Funeral services were conducted January 7 at 3:30 p. m. from the home of his parents by Rev. R. G. L. Edwards, pastor of Whiteville Methodist church, and burial followed in the Whiteville cemetery.

"Safe in the arms of Jesus" and "Sometime we'll understand," songs used during the service are very fitting and comforting thoughts for the bereaved family.

R. G. L. Edwards, Pastor.

BUNCH—Mrs. Elizabeth Hurdle Perry Bunch was 101 years old December 25, 1939. She was a member of the Methodist church 86 years. She was active in body and mind until she passed 91 years. Her mind was active until just before she died. The writer had the pleasure of visiting her after she had passed the 101 milestone. She met me with that sweet bright smile with which she had greeted many pastors and pastors and was active in Christian work until her health failed. Mrs. Bunch spent her last few years in the home of Mrs. Ida Reed in the town of Center Hill. Mrs. Reed watched by her bedside with tenderest care for many months.

She was born in Perquimans county near old Hickory Cross church, December 25, 1838. She joined Hickory Cross church in her early womanhood. She transferred to Center Hill church many years ago.

Mrs. Bunch leaves three children to mourn their loss—Mrs. Annie Twine, Mrs. Ida Reed, and Herbert Bunch. They all live in Chowan county.

Sister Bunch lived through most of the changes which have come to our Republic. There have been many such. She was a mature woman before the Civil War. Her parents were slave holders. She saw many slaves put upon the block and sold. She could remember well the four wars through which our country has passed. She lived at a time when most of the inventions of our civilization were made. She saw our Methodist Church divided and lived to see it united. But few people have lived to see so many changes and such rapid changes.

J. T. Stanford, P. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Resolved, that the Greensboro district express its appreciation of the stalwart leadership and effective ministry of the Rev. W. A. Newell, who for four years was presiding elder of our district, and who for many years was a personal power and a unique preacher, possessing possibly the most intimate knowledge and widespread knowledge of the churches and men of any one amongst us in the Western North Carolina conference.

Also that we send sympathetic and affectionate greetings to his family by personal letter and to his many friends through the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

L. B. Hayes,
J. P. Hipps,
T. V. Crouse,
G. A. Stamper,
A. C. Swofford.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Once more the heart of the men's class of the Raeford Methodist church school has been saddened by the hand of Providence in the passing of one of its most faithful members.

On Friday morning, January 19, 1940, the hand of God touched Brother Bennette L. Cox while his body slept and caught away the spirit which he needed in the heavenly home.

Therefore be it resolved: That while our church and its school has suffered a loss, the community has lost a good citizen, and his family a devoted husband and father, we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who knoweth best.

Be it further resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the school, one each be sent to the News-Journal and the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication, and one to his family with the condolence of the class and commending them to Him who said:

"Let not your hearts be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am there ye may be also."

J. M. Downum,
T. D. Potter,
R. J. Hasty.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased God in his infinite wisdom on February 5, 1940, to remove from our midst our beloved neighbor and friend, Mrs. Mary J. Mann, we, the members of the Mary Moose Missionary Society of Brown's Chapel church, do hereby resolve:

First, That we humbly bow in submission to his will, although we feel our loss deeply and know her place here cannot be filled.

Second, That her quiet, gentle manner has been a blessing to this community, where her words of comfort and deeds of kindness were for all with whom she came in contact.

Third, That we extend our sympathy to her family and rejoice with them in the knowledge that their loved one is now at rest.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent the family, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy spread upon our records.

Mrs. R. G. Perry,
Mrs. E. J. Dark,
Mrs. H. F. Durham.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

With sorrow we, the members of the Tabernacle Methodist missionary auxiliary, desire to offer a tribute of love and esteem to the memory of Mrs. Mary Trogon, who was called to her heavenly home December 24, 1939.

We have lost a true Christian member, who possessed Christian virtues of love, kindness and sympathy. To know her was to love her. We feel that it may truly be said of her, "She has fought a good fight, she has finished her course, she has kept the faith." Therefore be it resolved:

First, That this auxiliary hold her in loving remembrance and that her life be an inspiration to each of us.

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, The Missionary Record for publication, and a copy recorded in the minutes of our auxiliary.

Mrs. Ora Garrett,
Mrs. Will Smith,
Mrs. E. T. Coble.

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The Conquests of Spiritual Pioneers

THE spiritual pioneer greets us on the threshold of history and in the end of the ages the seer of Patmos gives a vision of the company in white which no man can number. Early out of Chaldea came Abraham, led of God, journeying to a land he knew not of. The smoke of his altar fires and the angel visits by the way indicate the spiritual sensibilities of this early pioneer of vast possessions having assurance that God would make him the federal head of a mighty people in whom all the nations of the earth were to be blessed. Even when his son of promise lay bound on the altar, Abraham's faith failed not.

Later, Moses became a spiritual pioneer able to lead a nation from serfdom to the land of promise. As he turned aside to see the unusual sight on the desert horizon, then came the call of God that rendered the place on which he stood holy ground; this constrained him to cover his face and to walk with unsaddled feet in the divine Presence. So did Isaiah come to know the spiritual cleansing and the divine commission that made him the great court-preacher of Israel. In after times, under the blazing Syrian sun, God revealed his Son in Saul of Tarsus so that he went afar, a spiritual pioneer of the first Christian centuries.

Whether it be angels by the way, a fiery bush on the desert horizon, the splendors of the Temple with its quaking foundations, or the blazing sun on a desert highway, an unusual experience with God makes gloriously effective for conquest the spiritual pioneers of earth. Those pioneers that our fathers knew are no more, and the earthly resources so relied upon by many have failed us. The material mocks us and the earthly towers by which we would climb to the skies end in confusion. Our serious moral and spiritual collapse is entirely too recent for us to rely on the things that do appear. Truly, only the unseen abides and soul-qualities win.

Spiritual pioneers in the home, in the school and in the church—in these three citadels of our civilization—are needed as never before. Men such as William Penn in Pennsylvania, Roger Williams in Rhode Island and Francis Asbury in America embody the deepest longings for God of Quakers, of Baptists and of Methodists. Such spiritual pioneers are the chief need of this hour.

M. T. P.

The High Hour for Us Has Struck!

WISE WORDS FROM BISHOP PEELE

May I suggest that the pastors of the North Carolina conference who have not already done so put forth special effort during the weeks now in the immediate future to place the North Carolina Christian Advocate in the homes of our people. Information creates enthusiasm. It is very difficult to be loyal to something about which one knows but little. The Advocate is a medium through which the total program of the church is presented and support of the causes of the church is urged. Possibly the most important step in the advance along all lines in the local church is to inform our people of the causes of the church and the machinery for the promotion of these causes. This can be done best through the official conference organ—the Advocate.

W. W. Peele.

GOAL SET BY BISHOP PURCELL

“The Christian Advocate in the home of every church official and at least 25 per cent of the other homes of the church.”

Are we ready to follow our bishops as they lead in our Methodist Advance in North Carolina? Who will make reply? The records will ultimately tell the story.

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Among other things these three are at the front:

1. New subscribers from every charge for the church paper.
2. Additions on profession to each church.
3. An increase in benevolences from every church.

These are reliable yardsticks by which to measure our advance in our two conferences. Failure to reach these goals means agony of soul for every conscientious pastor.

Lack of information, failure to enlist new recruits and refusal to help others means slow but certain death for any church. The pastor certainly must lead and his helpers aid in all three of these lines of conquest.

LOOK! LISTEN! ACT!

1. One month remains to get the new subscribers.
2. Three months this summer to get those new members.
3. Six months to secure the benevolences.

Instead of saying “we will come out at conference” get busy at once for a MONTH, for THREE MONTHS, for SIX MONTHS and then make reply in all good conscience to your bishops.

DUKE SCHOOL OF RELIGION SPRING SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT

The Duke University School of Religion held its spring spiritual life retreat March 26, 27, 28, with Dr. Hornell Hart as preacher. This was the second spiritual life retreat of the year. The first was held in the fall and was led by Dr. Rufus Jones.

Dean Elbert Russell has for some two years held before the school of religion the idea that it could become one of the centers of a revival of religion that might sweep the nation. Growing out of this realization that the school of religion could and should be the scene of a revival of religion, there have been a number of student movements to this end. The first of these was the inauguration of the student journal Christian Horizons last year. During this year the realization of spiritual possibilities has grown steadily. The two retreats have been a part of this growth. The message delivered in the school of religion by Rev. John Church on February 15 was a timely and invaluable contribution to spiritual awakening.

Dr. Hart's preaching on Pentecost, the kingdom of God, Christian community, repentance, the transformed life, and evangelism in the recent retreat has so intensified interest and concern for the spiritual quest that the divine spark may kindle a revival flame in the school of religion.

Such spiritual movements are becoming evident in many places in the nation. The long awaited revival may be near at hand. The heavens are full of Pentecost, awaiting our becoming ready to receive it.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT TARBORO

The district conference of the Rocky Mount district assembles at 9:30 April 17 in Tarboro. Rev. L. C. Larkin has provided a full program with eight committees to report, one dozen speakers presenting special causes, a layman's program, a sermon by Dr. B. M. Persinger, pastor of Epworth, Norfolk, and also many miscellaneous causes to consider. This will be a well worth while day—full to overflowing.

RAILWAY FARES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE ATLANTIC CITY

Dr. Garber has asked me to send to you the following rates, by train, quoted from Charlotte to the General Conference, Atlantic City. I am sure the brethren will be anxious to know:

First class fare, with Southeastern Clergy Permit, round trip \$17.20; coach fare, with Southeastern Clergy Permit, round trip \$13.40. These tickets must be purchased on April 17, 18 or 19 ONLY; but are good for 45 days.

First class fare, for lay delegates or those without clergy permit, round trip \$28.20. Tickets good for 30 days.

E. H. Nease.

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The "time business" has been the economic curse of the cotton growing sections of the South. It has made paupers if not slaves of the farm tenants of those sections. Another form of slavery is engendered by the installment plan of buying radios, automobiles and other semi-luxuries that people could get along without.

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The problem of the ancient man was scarcity. Men did most of the work. In this new era of abundance machines do most of the work. A man's energy amounted to about one-tenth of a horsepower. At present the use of working machines has increased the output of a man's hands more than a thousand fold and, explains why not scarcity but abundance, even superabundance, is our present day problem.

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"Anywhere, so it is forward" became David Livingstone's motto after he got his vision of duty when Robert Moffatt, his father-in-law, took him to a hill top in Africa and showed him the smoke curling from a thousand villages in not one of which the gospel had ever been preached. And as it was with Livingstone, so it is with every conscientious man when he gets a vision of the world's need and is willing to pay the price.

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It is a commonplace of these times that a man's religion can be judged by the effect that it has upon his pocketbook. When taking a collection in the big meeting puts a stop to the shouting there is something wrong with those who shout. But St. James, the practical genius among New Testament writers, tries out the quality of religion by another method. It is by the control of the tongue. In fact, he makes that the test of perfection. Hear him: "If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man." That test of James is more trying even than the test of the pocketbook, for we use the tongue oftener than the pocketbook.

A headline reads, "Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes, at 78, is a man dedicated to his work." So is every other man who succeeds. Here is a noble spirit filling a high and honorable position in the nation. How about the lowly men in the obscure places of earth? Well, they are just as worthy of honor as is the Chief Justice when they are as faithful to their tasks. There is where all the honor lies.

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Somebody whose name is here unknown has stated the qualifications of a preacher in the following terms: "At the risk of being considered exacting, I venture to say that a preacher should have the innocence of a lamb; the courage of a lion; the vision of an eagle; the agility of a panther; the complacency of a camel; the patience of an ox; the adaptability of a chameleon; the cheerfulness of a cricket; the wisdom of an owl; the friendliness of a squirrel; the simplicity of a sheep; the diligence of a beaver; the tenacity of a bulldog; and the endurance of an elephant."

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The round of district conferences begins this week. The limit for each of these is one day. This means all should be present on time and alert all the time. Reports should be short and concise. All accustomed to move at a snail's pace should remain at home. The failures will not have time to tell their tale of woe. Successful men usually make their reports short and snappy. With them so many things have happened that they do not try to tell all they know. No one is interested in the many lions by the way and the numerous things that have been neglected. Past history of the woman's work and future plans for the young people can very well go over to another time. One day is ample when pastors, laymen and visitors make the best use of each passing moment and the district superintendent does not make too many comments. Why not all be able to go home able to report that this was more than "just another meeting, dull as ever?"

THE METHODIST ADVANCE FALTERS

THE Methodist Advance falters on the threshold of our homes, at our altars, in our pulpits, and at the borders of our neglected areas. These vantage points are either the citadels of our strength or they become the weakness of our advance. Our bishops in the wider fields have given the best of their efforts this year to leading the advance all across the land; but many leaders in the local situations have failed woefully to infuse new life into the vast mass of our Methodism.

Humiliating Record

Our two conferences in this state are equal to any, yea, better than many, but their record for the first half of this historic year is shamefully below the demands of a heroic conquest. We are too nearly on the level of slothful mediocrity, fully content with the ordinary routine of the years. More than half of our churches have not reported a cent for the benevolences, have not secured a single new subscriber for the church paper, and nothing startlingly unusual has happened in the pulpits so that it was noised from the churches: "Truly we never heard it on this wise—he speaks as one having authority."

The really successful men of affairs manifest a spirit of energy and enterprise not found in the average Methodist church. Too many Methodists move on a level with men on WPA rolls. Even many in the places of leadership know little of Paul's racers eager for the laurels. This accounts for the many who are counted out; and also for the few who win in the race. As a result, instead of a steady advance in the homes, at the altars of our churches, in our pulpits and in the neglected fields, we are gradually slipping with the Methodist Advance faltering at our doors.

Spiritual Daring Necessary

Out from Pentecost at great peril went the early Christians telling of the new way of life. Indeed, this has been the record of the centuries. The Methodist tradition tells of the daring men of God able to do exploits in the conquests of the years. Such counted not their lives dear unto themselves in the weary struggle. Now we are found loitering, making a pretense of holy daring in a cause that falters. This, too, with half the world at war, when America and the churches are the chief hope of the nations. In such a day as this pulpits are content to dis-

cuss social reforms, the plight of tenant farmers, the disgrace of city slums and the needed adjustments of mankind. Good themes these! But first pulpits must flame with a gospel of spiritual renewal as they cry out against war, lust, drunkenness, laziness and human greed that make possible these hurts and hells of humanity. Then will follow that renewal in city and country place that comes with the Christ of the Indian road and of every road. God in Christ is our only hope in this hour of defeatism as we falter on our own doorsteps.

Put Aside the Ordinary

Something unusual must happen if we are to secure a victorious advance. A gentleman from the North at the Charlotte Missionary Council this year remarked that the mass of the Methodist people up his way were entirely ignorant of Methodist union and indifferent to this great opportunity for America. He insisted that the press and the pulpit had failed. "The average Methodist," said he, "had not caught the spirit of the movement. He does not see the church paper and he hears little from the pulpit, and even when he does he fails to get a message for his soul." Practically the same situation prevails in the South as we come to deal with the local situation.

The church papers get into but few of our homes and then some of these papers count for little so far as spirit and contents go. Furthermore, the preachers this year have not been more diligent as pastors, more enthusiastic for the church paper, and more insistent for the benevolences. They have not spent additional hours in prayer; neither have they made their pulpits thrones of power from which they would not step down to pick up a monarch's crown. Too many of us have dawdled at our tasks and shied off from the lions in the way until we are failing to win the coveted victories. Busy about this and that and the other things of slight moment, the big hours of life never come. So in this great hour of Methodist Advance that lies at our very doors we, as leaders, have faltered where we should have firmly trod the upward way, gaining new heights every day.

Only with that eager anxiety and distress of soul that sends us to our knees can we hope to rise out of the depths to the lofty heights of soul conquest. As we trudge the weary way of life, conscious of His Presence, real advance will be ours.

Paul Buried in Abstractions

THE theologians have contended much over the theology of Paul. Fierce battles have been waged over the abstract teachings of this great missionary of the first century. These metaphysicians and theologians have filled libraries with their dissertations, leaving Paul buried under a mass of useless plunder.

Paul was primarily a traveling missionary and his writings in the New Testament are chiefly letters to the little groups of Christians scattered over the Roman Empire. These came out of deep spiritual experience of the divine life in his soul which he identified with the "Spirit of Jesus." This was at the core of all he said, as he dealt with the practical problems which he faced in these mission churches. Were we to deal with Paul primarily as a missionary and with his writings as missionary letters to the early groups of Christians, we would be saved from many a blunder. The theologians have much to answer for in the way which they have obscured the vital things of Christianity with their abstract discussions. Paul was not primarily a metaphysician—he was a traveling missionary ready to die for the Christ.

Tells of His Conversion

WHAT an interesting book it would be if somebody should gather into a volume the stories of how God's servants were converted—especially the Methodist people who have a great wealth of material of this sort.

Bishop Quayle tells of his conversion years ago in a little wind-swept school house on the open prairie of his adopted Kansas home in the following sweet simplicity so characteristic:

"The preacher came over to me and said, 'Billy, you belong to Jesus'! He was a kind of a farmer fellow, and grew all crops but hair, and he wore farmer's clothes, and spoke about farming and sowing; and he said there was a sower that went out to sow, and there was a great harvest. And everybody paid heed. And then he came and put his hand on my shoulder and said, 'Billy, God wants you to be one of his farmers,' and I came up the aisle of the school house, not to the chancel—there wasn't anything but the dictionary in the school house—so I came and bowed at the dictionary. And, O me, the wind was wild that night! It was as stormy as on a wide sea, the storm that beat

upon that prairie school house. The wind had its chance, and it blew like it did on the Sea of Galilee; and Christ came over and said, 'Boy, what do you want down here?' and I said, 'I want thee, O Christ,' and he said, 'I have come.'"

The Bible Calls Him a Fool

CALLS who a fool? The farmer who cares for nothing but bigger barns in which to store his goods. But this rather ugly word can easily be transferred and applied in other spheres of human endeavor. It may be applied to the man who will try to preach a sermon, write a poem, or paint a picture just for the money that may be in it.

Preachers and poets and artists are not made that way. The preacher must have an eye single to the kingdom of God, the poet to the kingdom of literature, and the artist to the kingdom of beauty. The world is right when it damns a man who would dare to seek his reward for preaching in dollars and cents. But it should not allow the man to go unwhipped who fails to give honest returns for his pay envelope, or who refuses to give more than the value of his salary in return for the same. And the corporation which is unmindful of the welfare of humanity has the stain of blood upon its unrighteous dividends.

Selecting a Library

DR. J. M. BUCKLEY, the famous editor of the New York Christian Advocate, was fond of telling of the newly rich man who wanted some books for the library in his new home and being perplexed as to what he should buy instructed the book dealer as follows: "O, send some blue books, some green books, some black books and a few red ones." Another, according to Dr. Buckley, gave this order: "I have sixty feet of shelving. I want ten feet of poetry, ten feet of history, ten feet of science, ten feet of religion, the same of novels and fill up the rest with any kind of books." Books are not measured with a yardstick nor chosen according to the prevailing colors of the rainbow, but one wishes sometimes that people might adopt the method of selection that characterized Buckley's men. For by such a method of selection some of the books would be really worth while if chosen at random or by the color of the binding.

❖ People and Things ❖

The second quarterly conference of the Elk Park charge will be held at Elk Park church, 11 a. m. April 14, instead of at Newland as previously announced. Dr. Cornett will preach and the women of the church will serve dinner.

The ministers' wives of the W. N. C. conference will lunch together April 18, King's Daughters Hut, Salisbury, 12:45. Send reservation cards to Mrs. John Kirk, box 828, Salisbury.—Mrs. C. O. Newell, Cor. Sec.

We had our revival at Parkton the week following Easter. With the pastor preaching and the congregation co-operating we had a fine meeting—large crowds, deep interest, souls saved. There were, first and last, about a dozen who joined the church.—K. F. Duval.

Rev. C. Freeman Heath conducted a ten day series of pre-Easter services at Jonesboro. His preaching was most effective. There were 22 additions to the church, 19 by profession of faith and three by letter. Mr. Heath is conducting a series of services at Lemon Springs this week.—D. L. Fouts, Pastor.

Road to the Fayetteville district conference: To find Caledonia church on the Caledonia charge, come to Laurinburg and follow highway No. 501 three miles south. If coming from south following same highway from Rowland and the church will be found two miles north from Johns. The church is near highway and visitors will find no difficulty in locating it. A cordial welcome awaits all who will come.—M. F. Hodges, P. C.

Report for Bethany church, Randolph charge, Rev. H. L. Isley, pastor: We were pleased to have H. E. Dowd, Jr., of High Point present to speak to us at 10:30 Sunday morning. Mr. Dowd is assistant chief executive of the Uwharrie Boy Scout troops. The Boy Scouts from Worthville were present. At 11 o'clock the pastor filled his regular appointment. The communion service was also observed.—Doris Wood.

Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, popular former pastor of First Methodist church here, who retired as superannuate after the last conference, has been serving as substitute pastor of First church at Salisbury for the past three months while the pastor, Rev. Walter B. West, was recovering from automobile wreck injuries. Mr. West yesterday returned to his pulpit. Mr. and Mrs. Sprinkle now reside at Mocksville, which is Mrs. Sprinkle's native home.—The Dispatch.

The Advance meeting and quarterly conference for the Hayesville circuit will be held in the Hayesville Methodist church, Sunday, April 14. Dr. W. L. Hutchins will preach at 11 o'clock and hold the business session of conference after lunch. Dr. Dumont Clark will speak on the Lord's Acre work in the afternoon. Mrs. W. L. Hutchins will bring a message to us on church loyalty. On Monday evening, April 15, Dr. Hutchins will lecture on his tour of the Holy Land. The lecture will be given in the Hayesville school auditorium.—J. C. Gentry.

"Our Bob" continues to live up to his record as a prophet. The Associated Press of April 9 says: "The Congressional Record cast doubt today on the ability of Senator Reynolds, Democrat, North Carolina, as a prophet. Senators read in their morning papers of the nazi invasion of Norway and Denmark. In the record of yesterday's proceedings they found these remarks by Reynolds: 'We recall that Norway did not get into the last world war. They were within a stone's throw of the war for more than four years and they did not get into it. Norway, Sweden and Denmark are today within a stone's throw of a repetition of the same thing, and they are not going to get in it.'"

On Sunday, March 31, we received 14 new members at St. Paul church, Randleman, 12 on profession of faith and two by letter. This membership gain came as a culmination of evangelistic efforts during the two weeks previous. Dr. S. A. Maxwell of Aberdeen served as the visiting preacher during the second week. His messages were built upon a high intellectual level while carrying with them a depth of spiritual fervor. We feel that our church was greatly benefited by his presence in our midst.—J. L. Stokes, II.

Revival services began at Pleasant Garden church Sunday morning, April 7. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Frank Starr, who on this same day celebrated his 84th birthday. Brother Starr preached an inspiring sermon from the text, "What will you do with Jesus?" At the close of the service there were three young men and one young woman converted. Services will continue through this week, the pastor, Rev. E. E. Snow, being assisted by Mrs. C. L. Steidley.—Reporter.

Rev. C. Freeman Heath of Siler City, associate director of young people's work, Fayetteville district, led in the organization of a young people's union in Chatham county on March 29, at a meeting of the young people and pastors in Pittsboro. Officers of the union are: Irvin Ellington, Siler City, president; Dalton Gunter, Pittsboro, vice president; Hilda Walker, Pittsboro, secretary-treasurer; Cara Marley, Siler City, publicity chairman; and Rev. C. Freeman Heath, adult counselor.—D. L. Fouts, District Director.

The Sunday school and church work at Canaan, North Davidson charge, is growing rapidly. The pastor filled his appointment Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. There were 100 in Sunday school and we are striving to reach the 200 mark. Our pastor, Rev. O. B. Williams, and Mrs. Williams spent last week end in Washington with their daughter, Mrs. Lowell Wells. Our member, Mr. Harvey Berrier, who was in the hospital for appendicitis, has got back home and was able to be out for church services Sunday.—Mrs. Carl W. Clodfelter.

The transfer of Rev. Harry S. Williams from the Franklin circuit to the Hillside Street church in Asheville is a promotion and on that account his Macon friends are glad, but his departure is a source of deep regret. During his stay of more than two years in this section Mr. Williams has endeared himself to the people of all denominations. He has not only given most effective service to the churches in the circuit, but has been of great assistance in the work of the Boy Scouts, the Red Cross and every movement for the common good. He will be missed by his churches and by the entire community. Mr. Williams' successor, Rev. Philip L. Green, will be given a cordial welcome in Franklin and throughout the circuit.—The Franklin Press.

Inspiring and thrilling indeed was the scene at Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh on Palm Sunday when 51 junior boys and girls and two primary girls gathered around the altar and assumed the vows of church membership, many of whom were also baptized. On Easter Sunday a group of intermediates and young people were received into the church, making a total of 62. These children and young people had received training in church membership. On Friday afternoon, April 5, these new members met at the church, where a special service was held for them. Dr. John C. Glenn and Rev. Forrest D. Hedden were in charge of the very impressive service, which was climaxed with the celebration of the Holy Communion. Truly we cannot place too great an emphasis upon the training preparation and recognition of church membership for our boys and girls of junior age and above.—Mary Gardner.

Brother, Why Not Give One Solid Hour When at Your Very Best for Your Church Paper?

All ministers' wives of the Asheville district are asked to meet directly after lunch at the district conference in Hendersonville, April 19. This is an important call meeting and all members are urged to attend.—Mrs. Ralph H. Taylor, Sec.

I like the Advocate because: It's educational, excels many other church papers in depth and beauty, clean, truthful, instructive, inspiring, entertaining, deeper, fuller, richer, most profitable investment for the home, builds the mind, feeds the soul, hits the hungry spot, never misleading. Somewhat like a rose plucked from a rich garden amid the morning sparkling dew drops, its fragrance lingers with us through the day of hard mountain toil.—M. L. Chappell.

Rev. G. B. Ferree, pastor of Baltimore church, West Forsyth charge, delivered an able and eloquent message last Sunday on the theme, "Leaving God Out of Life's Picture," based on the text in 2 Chronicles 26:16, "But when he was strong, his heart was lifted up to his destruction." When we turn our hearts from God and have left him out of our present and future lives, we have lost all there is to gain in this world. And certainly we have lost our welcome into the heavenly city, declared the preacher.

Rev. A. A. Kyles, pastor at Cooleemee, sends us a list of new subscribers and renewals and adds the following note: "No credit is due the pastor for this fine work. Mr. T. C. Pegram, our lay leader, got out and personally solicited these new and renewal subscriptions while I was in the hospital in Elkin recently. Revival services are in progress in our church this week. Rev. H. C. Sprinkle of Mocksville is doing the preaching and he is delivering some wonderful messages. Attendance is good. Interest is high. Everybody is highly pleased with his services."

The News and Observer carries the best political campaign story of the present season. Here it is: "Tom Cooper undoubtedly has more 'color' than any of the other six Democratic gubernatorial candidates. He's out touring the state now with a sound truck. As he toured, Capitol Hill laughed at one of the stories he is getting off over the loud speakers. It runs something like this: Governor Hoey is a fine man and a fine governor. But look at the poor old man now. He's getting stoop-shouldered because four candidates for governor are riding on his coat-tails. I love him so much I won't ride there, for fear another would be the last straw that broke the camel's back. The governor, who is neutral in the race, laughingly denies his shoulders are getting stooped. 'If anything,' he explains, 'I stand straighter now than ever before.'"

BREVARD COLLEGE NOTES

Prof. R. C. Pellet, professor of philosophy and dean of men at the State Teachers College at Kalamazoo, Michigan, spoke to the students of Brevard at the Monday chapel hour.

Mr. Pellet was in Brevard several days, being the guest of Prof. Charles Schoenknecht of the college, who was at one time his pupil. While at Brevard Mr. and Mrs. Pellet were entertained at the home of Rev. C. M. Jones, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Brevard.

Wallace Thompson, celebrated negro tenor of Boston, gave a recital before the students and faculty on Wednesday morning. The singer has appeared before many large audiences in the North, where he received high acclaim in the music world. The program at the college on Wednesday was one in a series of recitals being given by Wallace Thompson on a tour that will include the greater part of the South.

Dr. E. J. Coltrane, president of the college, and James O. Rogers, bursar, attended the meeting of the Southern Association of Junior Colleges which was held this week at Atlanta. Dr. Coltrane and Mr. Rogers left on the trip last Sunday and returned to the campus on Wednesday.

NEW BERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The New Bern district conference will be held in the Rainbow church on the Hookerton charge April 16, beginning at 9 o'clock. Those representing the various interests of the church will be given an opportunity to speak. Rainbow church is located on the Kinston-Snow Hill highway, about 10 miles north from Kinston and about five miles south from Snow Hill.

J. A. Russell.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

The Greensboro College Players, in association with the school of music, announce a production of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" to be presented on two evenings, Friday, April 19, and Saturday, April 20, at 8:15 o'clock in Odell Memorial auditorium. The play is being directed by Miss Elba Henninger, founder and director of the Players. The acting company is made up of 45 players, many of whom have been seen in former productions and others who make their first appearance in this play. Miss Charlotte Searle, assistant instructor in this department, is in charge of the costuming of this elaborate production.

Dr. Hornell Hart, well known speaker and professor of sociology at Duke University, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon before the graduation class of Greensboro College at West Market Street church Sunday, May 26, at 11 o'clock, has been announced by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president. Commencement exercises will begin Saturday, May 25, and continue through Monday morning, May 27, when the graduation exercises will be held in Odell Memorial auditorium.

Misses Mildred Town and Blanche Burrus, members of the Greensboro College school of music, entertained at a party on Saturday evening, April 6, at 8:30 o'clock at 14¢ College Place, honoring Mrs. Cynthia Ivey, mother of Dean Mary Swank, and Mrs. Town, mother of the hostess.

Misses Georgia Dees, Greensboro, and Peggy Brown, Asheville, were hostesses at a buffet supper served yesterday in the home economics department, of which Miss Grace Hinchliff is acting head. Members of the first year foods class assisted the hostesses in preparing the meal to which six students were invited.

PRE-EASTER SERVICES, CENTRAL, SHELBY

The highest point in the calendar of the Christian church is Holy Week, and surely Easter was made more meaningful in Shelby Central this year by our pre-Easter services. Our pastor, Rev. George B. Clemmer, had been quite active in the weeks preceding the services in awakening us to our great spiritual privileges and responsibilities by his most forceful and deeply spiritual meetings with personal workers, and class meetings of the children who were coming into the church Palm Sunday.

Rev. Wilson O. Weldon of China Grove came to us Wednesday evening, March 13, as our guest preacher. Not often is one privileged to hear a more challenging presentation of the gospel of Christ than that by this young minister. All who heard him, both young and old, were pleased and inspired by his sincere and eloquent preaching. During Holy Week services were held at 8 o'clock each morning and at 7:30 each evening, culminating with a great Easter service. The attendance at these services was most encouraging and an increased interest was manifest throughout the meeting. The music under the direction of Mrs. Robert Gidney contributed much to each service.

Fifty-six persons were received into the church during the Easter season, 35 by vows and 21 by certificate. Shelby Central is really experiencing a rising tide spiritually, and we feel that under the consecrated leadership of our new pastor, and Mrs. Clemmer great things will be accomplished in this church. The church attendance has increased remarkably, especially at the evening and prayer meeting services. We are really becoming church conscious.

Mrs. Wilbur Baber.

FINE REVIVAL AT BELMONT PARK, CHARLOTTE

Last night, April 7, we closed one of the most successful revivals in the history of Belmont Park Methodist church. Rev. Charlie Reichard, Duke school of religion, assisted the pastor in the preaching. No one could have done it better than Charlie. Large crowds attended every service, even to the limit of seating space. Rev. H. M. Patrick, religious director of Hawthorne Lane church, had the young people each evening from 45 minutes in a discussion of problems peculiar to young people. Approximately 50 young people attended these services with an interest that proved to us their desire to be effective Christian workers in the community. It is the general belief of those who attended these services that a type of work was done which will bear fruit for many years to come, and they know now by experience that Christian education and evangelism are inseparable. Approximately 100, mostly young people, were at the altar in dedication of their lives to Christ and the task of the church; 14 were received on profession of faith. This makes a total of 37 members received since conference, 28 by vow and nine by certificate.

J. W. Fitzgerald.

The First Year of the Western North Carolina Conference

By REV. W. M. CURTIS

Since the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, no longer exists, its fiftieth and final session having been held in Greensboro, N. C., in October, 1939, it occurred to me that the readers of the Advocate might be interested in some facts about the first year of this conference.



Rev W. M. Curtis

The first session was held in Concord in 1890. The conference convened Wednesday morning, November 26, and closed the following Monday night. Bishop John C. Keener presided and C. G. Montgomery was elected secretary.

The bishop was growing old, but the ease with which he presided and the wisdom of his decisions greatly impressed me. I was present at the conference as an "applicant for admission," and having never attended an annual conference before, I was naturally interested in all the proceedings. It was my good fortune to be entertained

in the home of Mr. J. M. Odell. I had known him all my life. He and my father were both born and reared in Randolph county, only a few miles apart, and had been associated in business. Those who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Odell cannot fail to remember the dining room table which was always loaded with an abundance of good things to eat. At the beginning of the conference a very unusual thing happened at Mr. Odell's home. In the back yard Mr. Odell had a large pen filled with thirteen turkeys. He also had a very large dog—a Saint Bernard, and that dog in some way got into the pen of turkeys and killed all but two. It is needless to say that Mr. Odell's original intention that his guests should have plenty of turkey to eat was carried out to the satisfaction of everybody.

Recently when looking through the minutes of this first conference, I was interested naturally in seeing what was being done at that time for the cause of Christian education. One thing that caught my attention was a full page advertisement of "Greensboro Female College."

Those of us who read advertisements, or hear them on the radio, naturally expect to find a good deal of "bragging," and so I was not surprised to find the virtues of "G. F. C." set forth in grand style in this "ad," as the following quotations testify:

"A reputation unsurpassed by any female college in the South."

"The mother of chartered Female Colleges in North Carolina."

"Holds its place in the front rank of those institutions which aim at the higher education of women."

"We have the largest school building in the state."

This last statement brings to mind the great advance made in college plants since that day. In 1890 the schools owned by the conference were: Davenport Female College, Weaverville College, and Hayesville College. Trinity College was owned jointly by the Western North Carolina Conference and the North Carolina Conference. Greensboro College and Asheville Female College, owned at this time by private individuals, were considered Methodist schools and were recommended by the conference.

The board of trustees of Trinity College reported to the conference that they had decided on the removal of the college from Trinity in Randolph county to Durham, N. C., and the conference ratified their action.

In the minutes of the conference the following year (1891) Hayesville College is called "Hayesville Male and Female College." The board of education reported that the quarterly conference of Hayesville circuit, in which the title to the college was vested, had transferred the college

to the trustees of Trinity College. After 1892 no further mention is made of Hayesville College by the Conference Board of Education.

In 1894 the word "Female" was dropped from the name of Davenport College.

The following educational statistics are submitted:

	No. Colleges	No. Students	Value of Property	Endw't
1891—	4	424	\$ 211,000	\$ 50,000
1939—	3	7284	29,624,673	24,917,236

The report of the committee on Books and Periodicals reveals the fact that three Methodist papers were published in the state at that time. They were the Raleigh Christian Advocate, The Western North Carolina Conference Methodist, and the Statesville Christian Advocate. All of these were recommended to the Methodist of the conference.

The class admitted to the conference at this its first session was quite large, larger in fact than the class admitted at its last session—1939. They were fourteen, as follows:

W. S. C. Cherry, J. T. Crocker, J. F. Crowell, W. M. Curtis, H. T. Hoover, T. B. McCurdy, Ebenezer Myers, W. H. Nelson, P. E. Parker, W. H. Perry, J. M. Rice, W. L. Sherrill, R. D. Sherrill, T. E. Weaver.

At the conference in 1894, Dr. J. F. Crowell, having resigned the presidency of Trinity College, was located at his own request. Five members of this class are now living—Cherry, Curtis, Myers, Parker, and Sherrill, W. L. All are superannuated. Probably the best known of this class is W. L. Sherrill, who was for a great many years secretary of the conference

One member of this class had a rather long name—W. S. C. Cherry. At the conference held in Charlotte in 1893, Bishop Duncan presided and when the name of W. S. C. Cherry was called the bishop remarked, "Well, that is a Cherry with a long stem." A year or so after this I noticed that Cherry had dropped one of his initials—the letter C—and I wonder if Bishop Duncan's remark did not have something to do with the shortening of Cherry's stem.

The salaries paid the first year of the conference were small compared to the salaries paid at the present time. The charge paying the largest salary was Central church, Asheville, \$1,800. The smallest salary, not including missions, was paid by Spring Creek circuit, Asheville district, \$110. Only four charges paid the pastor over \$1,000:

Asheville—Central	\$1800
Charlotte—Tryon Street	1600
Winston—Centenary	1500
Greensboro—West Market	1350

Four charges paid \$1000 cash each—Concord, Monroe, Reidsville, and Salisbury.

The highest salary paid a presiding elder was \$1305 paid by the Greensboro and Charlotte districts. The smallest was paid by the Franklin district—\$519. The average salary paid the presiding elders was \$1051.

The average salary paid the pastors was \$464.

The following comparative statistics on membership and property are of interest:

	No. Charges	No. Members	No. S.S.	No. Pupils
1891—	134	59,038	615	40,973
1939—	311	167,029	830	130,845

	No. Parsonages	Value	No. Churches	Value
1891—	84	\$ 104,032	604	\$ 620,212
1939—	287	1,503,775	850	13,157,598

It is interesting to note the tremendous advance made in the value of church property. In 1891 the value of all the churches in the conference was in round numbers \$620,000, while at the present time there are two single churches each one of which is valued at much more than \$620,000. These churches are Centenary, Winston-Salem, value \$1,285,304, and First church, Charlotte, value \$750,000.

Now that three branches of Methodism have united and become "The Methodist Church," we trust the progress which shall be made during the next fifty years will greatly out distance that of the past half century.

METHODIST UNION IN SILER CITY BECOMES REALITY

On Sunday morning, March 31, the vision of united Methodism in the town of Siler City, N. C., became a reality as the two churches affirmed and declared their union completed. For over two years the pastors of the First M. E. Church, South, and the Methodist Protestant Church have been working toward a united church. Certain programs have been carried on jointly, such as revivals, vacation church schools, young people's division meetings, occasional joint meetings of the adult church school classes, and joint meetings of the woman's missionary societies.

After the Uniting Conference at Kansas City thought and discussion in the interest of the union Methodist church in Siler City began to crystalize. On May 14, 1939, the membership of First church voted unanimously to merge with the membership of Second in the formation of a new congregation. On June 5, 1939, the members of the Second Methodist church accepted the invitation of First church and voted unanimously for such a merger. It was suggested by the members of Second church that the First church building be used for the new congregation.

The actual merger of the two churches was thought to be unadvisable until adequate preparation could be made to care for the new church. In order to work out plans and programs for the merger, the congregations voted the appointment of an Inter-Church committee. This committee was composed of the following members: First church, Rev. C. Freeman Heath, pastor, C. A. Shelton, Mrs. T. D. Bynum, Mrs. Junius Wren, M. M. Fox, and Russell Williams; Second church, Rev. Aubert M. Smith, pastor, L. L. Wren, Mrs. D. L. Johnson, W. E. Sharpe, Miss Sallie Smith, Herbert Andrew, Irving Ellington, T. L. Smith.

On Tuesday evening, June 20, 1939, this Inter-Church committee met in the First Methodist church and adopted the following plans: (1) Union worship services; (2) a union young people's division; (3) a union adult choir; (4) the woman's work to remain separate until the meeting of the Uniting Conference of Woman's Work in September; (5) the Sunday schools to remain separate until the actual physical merger; (6) the two churches to keep their budgets separate until the merger is completed. The action of this committee was unanimously accepted when presented to the congregations.

In a union worship service on the last Sunday in July, 1939, the congregation voted approval of a new educational plant to be built on the lot adjacent to First church. In connection with such action the pastors appointed a general building committee. When the general building committee met in February, 1940, H. N. Haines, church architect from Duke University, was selected architect for the new building.

By action of the first quarterly conference, a selling committee was set up to dispose of the Second church building, and the merged church was given authority to build an educational plant. The Second church building has been sold for four thousand dollars and this sum together with four thousand and twenty-five dollars has been placed in the building fund. The new building will cost approximately sixteen thousand dollars.

The united church is confidently looking forward to the completion of the educational plant within the next few months.

C. Freeman Heath, Pastor.

FULL DAY AT SHILOH

March 31 was a full day for us at Shiloh and we really gained inspiration for the Methodist Advance. At our rally Dr. Taylor, district superintendent, preached at the eleven o'clock hour and brought a wonderful message on the Methodist Advance, using John 6:67, 68, 69, as a basis, stating very forcibly that the Methodist Advance is doomed without us as a people remaining close to the pulsating heart of him who is the great head of the church. Miss Viola Brigman, director of young people's work in the High Point district, was with us all day and gave us an inspiring message in the afternoon. Rev. J. L. Ingram, pastor of the Welcome circuit, was also with us in the afternoon and brought a very helpful message. Our two church quartets, the Harmony Four and the Berrier quartet, furnished special music for the day. Our Sunday school attendance was 293. The first Sunday in April being the beginning of a new quarter, we started a new roll of 283 with an attendance of 297. In the absence of our pastor, who is assisting Rev. Joe Coble in a revival at Haw River, Hon. L. A. Martin, popular Lexington attorney, filled his appointment, and we should say preached a sermon from the text Micah 6:8, "What doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" Our people appreciated and enjoyed his message. All readers and those who are interested in the Advocate, I am sure, are watching the progress of the campaign. Shiloh was still leading the district in the number of subscriptions in the last issue and we hope that she shall continue to lead with a very easy slogan suggested by the pastor of one subscription per week. Personally I like the paper better each week and am sure any one would be

who reads it regularly and is really interested in the Methodist church and its activities. We are preparing for the last meeting of the Methodist Protestant branch of the woman's work of our church to be held in Greensboro next week and have elected Mrs. Floyd Leatherman, Mrs. Raymond Fritts and Mrs. Homer Sink as delegates. We are anxious for plans in the new church to be completed so that our women may go right ahead in the work. Pray for our success in the Master's service. Mrs. Homer Sink.

HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

Things are moving along in this Home as well as could be expected under the circumstances. All are well and moving, for which we are thankful. Spring has opened, our campus is beautiful and our gardens are beginning to show promise of vegetables for our tables.

The members of our board of trustees came to see us on Thursday, April 4, and a goodly number of them took dinner with us. We are sorry that not all of them could be present, but a large majority of them were present. Sickness kept Mrs. W. C. Hammer and Mr. Lonnie McPherson from coming, business engagements held Mr. J. D. Ross, and we did not hear from Mrs. H. C. Nicholson and Mr. Harry B. Finch. There were 13 members of the board present. Those present had before them a proposition which was presented by the board of trustees of the Winston-Salem Children's Home, which proposition has already been published before our trustees had an opportunity to consider and make reply. Under these conditions our board thought wise not to take any definite action, but to appoint a committee to confer with the board of trustees of the Winston-Salem Children's Home. That committee is composed of George T. Penny, J. D. Ross and Dr. R. M. Andrews, and I am supposing that the committee will make its own expression through the Advocate. So as superintendent of this Children's Home I have nothing to say at present. But if the editor will be so kind I would like the following published. It is a clipping from the High Point Enterprise of Saturday, April 6:

"The possibility of a merger of the High Point Methodist Children's Home in Winston-Salem is still a thing of the future, it was pointed out here today in response to questions being asked about plans for the proposed consolidation.

"The merger was proposed in a resolution adopted by the board of trustees of the Children's Home in Winston-Salem and not by the board of the High Point Home, and the proposal is still merely in a tentative stage. No action could possibly be taken on such a suggestion before the annual Methodist conference will be held here about the middle of October, and even if the proposal were given approval it would be some time after that before such a change could be effected.

"Supt. O. V. Woosley of the Winston-Salem Home has pointed out that: 'It would seem that it will take some time yet before a consolidation can be completed, in the event such comes to pass. It would seem that the matter could not be definitely passed upon before the meeting of our annual conference in High Point in October. As yet we have no information as to what the attitude of the North Carolina conference will be to the intent of the resolution adopted by our board in its recent meeting.'

"It is understood that there is a considerable difference of opinion regarding the proposed merger, particularly in view of the exceptionally crowded conditions which exist at the Children's Home in Raleigh, where, under the plan proposed, a third of the children in the High Point Home have to go."

There is also another quotation which is so much in keeping with my own experience in the work that I would also like to pass it on to the readers of the Advocate. This I clip from the Thornwell Orphanage Messenger, published at Clinton, S. C., by Dr. L. Ross Lynn, superintendent of Thornwell, and Dr. Lynn quotes it from Dr. C. K. Proctor, superintendent of the Oxford Orphanage:

Applications at Oxford

"Some years ago it was predicted that, under the new scheme of things in the field of social welfare, there would be a falling off of applications for the admission of children into the orphanages. Such, however, has not been the case. I am constantly making inquiry of other orphanages, not only in this state, but elsewhere, and I find that here in North Carolina all of our orphanages are really 'snowed under' with requests for the admission of children into our orphan homes. At the present time, we are filled to capacity, have a waiting list of applications and other applications are coming in every week. We are trying to be as selective as possible and admit those children who can properly respond to the program which is arranged here and our case work, therefore, is of a more careful and cautious nature.

"Our aim here at the Oxford Orphanage is to see how well we can do our task and place the emphasis upon excellence rather than numbers. We are proud that we can render a large service to the childhood of North Carolina and feel that we represent a real force in the field of social service in our state.—Oxford Orphanage Journal."

Famous Young People

By BENEDICITE

One of Russell H. Conwell's favorite stories dealt with worms. It goes back to the colonial history of Connecticut. The governor of that colony, a Church of England man, one Lord's Day attended a certain church that was outside the pale of his own communion. It was a church rigidly Puritan in its traditions and customs. The Puritan pastor made only one reference to his royal visitor. In the course of his prayer he informed the Lord that a certain official was present and then asked the Lord "to remember his excellency, the governor of Connecticut colony." An exasperated elder, when the service was over, sternly brought his pastor to beck. "Why single out for special attention?" he demanded, "we are all worms." The preacher, usually a meek soul, was stung by the criticism. For he fired at the fuming elder this shot, "I would have you know, sir, that there is a difference in worms."

Dr. Conwell used that story by way of introduction to his lecture, "Personal glimpses of famous men and women." His acquaintance with the great and the near great covered a wide range. For in his list he used—and I heard him give that lecture twice—such notables as John Brown, W. L. Garrison, Wendell Phillips, Charles Sumner, W. H. Seward, Emerson, Beecher, Hamlin, Greeley, and last but not least, Abraham Lincoln. "Maybe we are all worms," said he, "but these worms were different."

This week, in our musings, let us look at some young "worms," especially upon those that are different. It is not hard to make a list. Alexander the Great was outstanding when he was 23, and he had conquered the then known world when he was 30. Like many a young fellow—and many an old fellow, too—he failed to conquer himself and at 33 he died from his dissipations. Columbus had it all figured out at 28 that the "ne plus ultra" carved on the Pillars of Hercules was a lie, and soon pushed his dreams to realization. John Smith—was there ever a more prosaic name?—proceeded to make that name shine in the days of his youth, for at 27 he had staked out a colonial empire in Virginia. Martin Luther, who while toiling up the sacred staircase in St. John's Lateran in Rome had that famous flash of spiritual insight that the just shall live by his faith, was only 30. John Calvin was an acknowledged mental giant at 21. Joan of Arc was famous as the maid of Orleans, had accomplished all her work and died at the stake when she was 19. Patrick Henry was the leading orator of Virginia and had paid his respects to George the Third in a notable utterance when he was 28. Aaron Burr was the most brilliant lawyer of his day at 26, and Alexander Hamilton, whose career Burr brought to an untimely end, was doing big things in Washington's cabinet when he was but a little past 30. Isaac Newton discovered the law of gravitation when he was 26. Roger Williams, who unfolded to skeptical Puritan ears the principle of real civil and religious liberty, was banished from Massachusetts Bay colony and found shelter in the lodge of an Indian chief when he was 29. Our divine Lord and Saviour—please forget the word "worm" when applied to him, although David puts it in his mouth in the twenty-second Psalm—began his minis-

try at 30 and was crucified at 33. Think of it, our redemption was completed and the grave was conquered by One who has eternal youth!

Do you know that only two of the 102 "Pilgrim Fathers" were over 50 years of age? Do you know that only nine of them were over 40? Do you know that 39 of them were under 21? Truly that was a great band of young people. Do you know that Thomas Lynch, Jr., and Edward Rutledge, two of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, were only 27? Of the group of 56 immortals who signed that document, Benjamin Franklin was the oldest. He was 70, while Thomas Lynch, Jr., was the "kid" of the party, just a few months younger than Rutledge. The average age of the 56 was 43 years and ten months.

Query: Who was the youngest member of the twelve, the apostolic band of Christ? It is quite certain that it was John, the beloved. We know that when he was banished by Domitian to Patmos in the year of our Lord 96 he was physically able to work in the copper mines of that island. It is probable that he was a man of 85 at that time, and so when Jesus called him to apostolic honors he was scarcely 20. Jesus loved the boy of the band best of all!

Despite the fact that crowds of young men and young women are without employment, youth still has its opportunities. They fill our schoolrooms as teachers. Some of our college presidents and professors haven't had their faces washed by Burma shave very long; in other words, they are so young that their beards haven't stiffened. The majority of our pulpits prefer young men. From the standpoint of worldly prudence, it is too bad that some of our old Protestant preachers are not old Roman Catholic priests. Rome gives her old priests the preference and they have real security in their old age. But, God be praised, youth has its day and we are glad. The snows of many winters are in our hair—what we have left—and by the help of the eternally youthful Christ we are living the philosophy of the only preacher President this country has had, James A. Garfield: "If wrinkles must be written upon our brow, let them not be written upon the heart. The spirit should never grow old."—The United Presbyterian.

WATCH YOUR SPEED—AND SING

In the safety sermon delivered at the Mennonite church, Manitou Springs, Colorado, according to a news report, the Rev. L. C. Miller suggested that the motorist who has any "regard for his future obode" should sing hymns as he steps on the gas. Mr. Miller's suggested songs:

At 25 miles an hour, "I'm but a Stranger Here, Heaven Is My Home."

At 45 m. p. h., "Nearer My God, to Thee."

At 55 m. p. h., "I'm Nearing the Port and Will Soon Be at Home."

At 65 m. p. h., "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder I'll Be There."

At 75 m. p. h., "Lord, I'm Coming Home."

—Religious Telescope.

"The Kingdom of Heaven at Hand"

By OLIN ADER

When Satan whispered into the mind of man in Eden doubt of God, and into his heart dislike for God, and into his will disobedience to God, man listened to this evil gossip, and then and there became, like Satan, a rebel against God. Then and there was the kingdom of Satan set up in the soul of man, and the kingdom of heaven was set aside—till Christ should come, cast out the enemy, and restore the rule of God.

When Jesus came and made the thrilling announcement, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand," he said virtually, "The latch string is on the outside; pull it, and come in"—the warm, friendly invitation that one good friend gives to another.

How may man get into the kingdom?

How does the kingdom of heaven come into the soul of man? The kingdom is spiritual; four spirits stand as door-keepers to the kingdom.

1. The Spirit of Obedience brings man into the kingdom, or brings the kingdom into man. By disobedience man shut the reign of heaven out of his life; by obedience he brings the kingdom in. The obedience of Christ was perfect; he was obedient unto death. He was a Son in the kingdom. So he wants every man to be. The holy spirit of obedience alone makes a man a son of God, a loving subject in his realm. Disobedience is the apple that brings spiritual death to man: "In the day thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die"—spiritually.

Prayer cannot take the place of obedience: "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom, but he that doeth the will of my Father." "Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?"

The heavenly Father is a King, and rules by law. "Love fulfills the whole law." "Sin is lawlessness." "The law is holy" and stands as a sign post to point us the right way to go. "This do, and thou shalt live." "The kingdom of heaven is within you" when you obey God; never otherwise.

2. But before any man can obey he must love. Dislike for God led man to disobey God. Love obeys always. The spirit of love stands as a second door-keeper to the kingdom that we must possess if we pass in. Forced obedience is false at heart, and is not pleasing to the Father above. Man under law is not in grace; grace lifts man above law so that he is constrained by love to fulfill the law and is not compelled by fear to do what he has no heart to do. The greatest commandment is "Thou shalt love," because love fulfills the whole law. Jesus says obedience is a proof of love: "If a man love me, he will keep my commandments." "Every one that loveth is born of God"—obeys God and is in the kingdom of heaven.

3. But before man can love he must have faith in the object of his love. He must believe in the person, or he cannot love him. He must believe in God, or he cannot love him. It was man's doubt of God that made him dislike God and disobey him. Jesus came to remove all doubt from the mind of man, and so to reconcile him to God by a new birth of love. Faith comes before love; faith is the father of love. Hence we are saved by faith, which gives

birth to love; which gives birth to obedience which gives birth to the kingdom within.

"The kingdom of heaven is at hand; . . . believe the good news." Faith saves; doubt damns. To doubt God is to dislike him, to disobey him, and to be a rebel against his rule in life. No rebel has a place in the kingdom of heaven. Doubt shuts the kingdom out.

"There's a stranger at the door"; doubt keeps him out. Faith opens the door and lets him in. When the King comes within, he brings his kingdom in.

4. But before we can believe on Christ as Saviour and Lord, and let him rule in our lives, we must do something else—we must let go of something else we have been holding on to that keeps us from taking hold of Christ. Letting loose of that other thing is repentance, a change of mind that must come before the prodigal is willing to leave the "far country" and return to the father. When Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand," he tells us the first thing to do, to get in, is to repent. "Repent," said he, "and believe the good news." No man can take hold of Christ as Saviour until he is willing to turn loose of something that separates him from his Saviour. Repentance is man's first step in personal salvation; and until he takes that step, he can take no other step.

The preacher wanted to shake hands with a little boy; the boy refused, kept his hand closed tight. He had a penny in his hand, which he was not willing to let go. To get a man to let go the little god he holds in his heart and take hold of God with loving, living faith, is a divine task too much for mortal man alone.

Before man will repent he must be convinced of sin, the triple sin of doubt, dislike, and disobedience to God—a trinity of unclean spirits. Doubt, the prince of devils, must be cast out. Enmity to God must be changed to friendship. Disobedience to God must be abolished, so that the Father's will shall be done on earth as in heaven.

Regeneration includes all this mental, moral, spiritual, miraculous change in man that transforms the whole human personality, and brings man into the kingdom of heaven.

How shall Jesus, by his Holy Spirit, cast out all doubt from the mind, heart and will of man, and make him a new man?

Here is the divine problem. The divine solution calls for another chapter.

WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

Blind tigers exist only where blind citizens live. No matter how keen a man is for a trade he doesn't like to feel cheap.

Continually straining after the new in due time will effectively empty the pew.

While the minister is speaking of the robe and the crown his member may be thinking of her hat and her gown.

The Bible is in just as much danger of being destroyed by its enemies as Gibraltar is of being pulverized by the toy hammer of little Willie.

Has any reader of the Advocate ever heard of a man dying in the poorhouse because of giving too much to the church?

The most popular religion—stomachic Christianity. Proof: Twenty people at the church supper to one at the prayer meeting.

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The ½ will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum. In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

Asheville	
Central, W. A. Stanbury	20½
Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton	9
Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wilkinson	7
Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham	4
French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler	2
Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea	2
Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman	1

Charlotte	
Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald	40
Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle	15
Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie	7
Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper	5½
New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren	5
Polkton, C. W. Russell	4½
Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius	4
Calvary, S. M. Needham	2
Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman	1
Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey	1
Ansonville, O. P. Ader	1

Elkin	
Mocksville, E. M. Avett	19½
Yadkinville, John H. Green	12
Boone, P. W. Townsend	11½
Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner	9
Todd, W. W. Hager	8½
Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles	6½
Elkin, H. F. Duncan	5½
W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood	5
Sparta, L. F. Strader	5
Advance, P. L. Smith	5
Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint	4
Farmington, J. W. Vestal	4
Creston, J. R. Short	3½
Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene	3
Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley	3
Watauga, J. W. Parker	3
Warrensburg, J. G. Wooten, Jr.	3
Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt	2
N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock	2½
St. Paul, L. C. Stevens	2½
Davie, A. W. Lynch	2½
Green Valley, M. L. Chappel	2½
Jonesville, D. B. Mullis	2
Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant	2
Ararat, G. B. Gwyn	2
Dobson, R. G. McClamrock	2
Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt	2
Helton, R. J. Starling	2
Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr.	2
Jefferson, Hugh D. Jesup	1½

Gastonia	
Cleveland, T. G. Madison	14
Fallston, J. M. Morgan	12½
Boger City, E. L. Kirk	11
Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey	6
Belwood, G. W. Clay	1½
Lowell, C. O. Kennerly	1
Lowesville, J. A. Howell	1

Greensboro	
Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	21½
Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger	13½
Grace, J. Elwood Carroll	7½
Calvary, R. C. Stubbins	5½
Haw River, C. W. Bates	5½
Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee	4½
Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham	4½

Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess	4
West End, R. M. Andrews	2½
Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy	2
St. Paul, A. D. Shelton	1½
Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse	1
Stokesdale, W. T. Albright	1
Midway, E. P. Hamilton	1
College Place, R. M. Courtney	1
Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick	1
Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow	1

High Point	
Shiloh, C. E. Ridge	15
Denton-Central, G. L. Curry	11
First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr.	9
Randleman, J. R. Anderson	4½
Central, J. W. Braxton	4
Denton, First, C. E. Williams	3
Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox	3
Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger	3
Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley	3
Coleridge, T. J. Huggins	2
Why Not, C. H. Hill	1

Marion	
Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward	2½
Bald Creek, J. N. Snow	2
Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace	2
Spindale, F. J. Stough	1

Statesville	
North Newton, C. A. Morrison	28
First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins	25½
Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham	7
Elmwood, Y. D. Poole	1
Maiden, J. G. Winkler	6
Central, John W. Moore	3
Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk	2
Bethel, E. H. Lowman	1
Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs	1

Salisbury	
Norwood, C. G. Hefner	7
Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner	6
Midway, W. C. Dutton	6
Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt	5
Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge	4
China Grove, W. O. Weldon	4
Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson	4
Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins	3
Main Street, C. G. Isley	3
Woodleaf, G. W. Williams	2½
Badin-New London, M. F. Moores	2
Bethpage, R. W. McCulley	1
Friendship, E. A. Cook	1
Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker	1
Westford, T. W. Hager	1

Waynesville	
Hayesville, J. C. Gentry	7½
Crabtree, W. H. Nease	2
Bethel, J. W. Blich	1
Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier	1
Webster, G. A. Hovis	1

Winston-Salem	
Erlanger, J. O. Ervin	14½
First, Lexington, H. G. Allen	12
First, J. E. Pritchard	10
Community, J. C. Auman	7½
Grace, R. L. Forbis	6
West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree	5
N. Davidson, O. B. Williams	3
First, J. T. Bowan	3
Welcome, J. L. Ingram	3
Forsyth, C. W. Kirby	2½
Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison	2
Main Street, L. F. Tuttle	2
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris	1
Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way	1
Centenary, G. Ray Jordan	1
Winston Ct., V. A. Morton	1

Durham	
Burlington, Davis St., F. W. Paschall	17½
Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox	10½
Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds	6½
Orange, C. P. Morris	4½
Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr.	3

Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser	3
Milton, D. I. Garner	2½
Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson	2½
Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps	2
Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson	2
Brooksdale, D. A. Petty	1½
Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love	1½
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe	1½
Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth	1
Person Ct., E. G. Overton	1
Chatham, Chas. Sharpe	1

Elizabeth City	
Williamston, S. J. Starnes	14
Perquimans, J. D. Cranford	1½
Columbia, A. C. Thompson	2
Currituck, J. C. Harmon	1½
Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon	1
Windsor, H. F. Surratt	1

Fayetteville	
Person St.-Calvary, M. W. Warren	12
Sanford, Allen P. Brantley	10
Carthage, W. G. Farrar	5½
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins	5
Hemp, J. D. Robinson	2
Lane, J. D. A. Autry	1½
Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons	1
Hay Street, R. E. Brown	1
Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette	1

New Bern	
Mt. Olive-Calypso, R. G. Dawson	4
Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison	2½
Pink Hill, R. E. Walston	1½
Newport, C. S. Boggs	1½
Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens	1

Raleigh	
Fuquay, E. C. Durham	20
Fairmont, H. M. McLamb	13½
Henderson, B. C. Reavis	12
Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes	6½
City Road-White Mem., J. K. Worthington	5½
Granville, J. P. Pegg	3
Selma, O. L. Hathaway	3
Edenton St., J. C. Glenn	2
Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee	1½
Hayes Barton, Leon Russell	1

Rocky Mount	
Marvin, N. W. Grant	3½
Kenley, E. M. Hall	3
Whitakers, A. M. Williams	2½
Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane	2
Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer	2
Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome	2
Enfield, B. D. Critcher	1½
Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington	1½
Warrenton, J. O. Long	1½
First, E. L. Hillman	1
Northampton, W. L. Maness	1

Wilmington	
Southport, R. S. Harrison	6
Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson	4½
Burgaw, W. F. Walters	3½
Fairmont, F. B. Joyner	3
Trinity, R. L. Jerome	1
Grace, J. F. Herbert	1
Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift	1
Chadbourn, E. C. Maness	1

REPORT IN ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN BY DISTRICTS

District	No. Charges
Elkin	30
Greensboro	18
Winston-Salem	16
Durham	16
Salisbury	15
High Point	11
Charlotte	11
Rocky Mount	11
Raleigh	10
Fayetteville	9
Statesville	9
Wilmington	8
Gastonia	7
Asheville	7
Elizabeth City	6
Waynesville	5
New Bern	5
Marion	4

Funds for World Service

The decision of the Committee on Adjustments is as follows:

"That all funds designated 'World Service' raised by former M. E. and M. P. charges or churches be forwarded to their former treasurers."

Former M. E. charges and churches should send all World Service funds to Dr. Orin W. Auman, 740 Rush St., Chicago, Ill.

Former M. P. charges and churches should send all World Service funds to Mr. J. H. Allen, Treasurer, Reidsville, N. C.

If any of the above funds have been sent to me the charges or churches should send me at once a request that same be forwarded by me to Dr. Auman or Mr. Allen, giving the names of the charge, church and district, with the exact amount to be forwarded. I will forward these amounts on June 1. I hope there will be no need for making these corrections after that date. It will be impractical to make any switch of funds at conference. All concerned should be very careful not to use the term "World Service" except as above.

Another decision of the Adjustment committee is as follows:

"That when separate apportionments for 'Conference Work' are placed upon former M. E. and M. P. charges or churches, such funds shall be collected and sent to E. O. Cole, Treasurer, 1225 The Plaza, Charlotte, N. C., to be used solely in support of the program of the conference to which such charges or churches now belong." These funds will go entirely to conference work, which includes conference expense, the expense of the General and Jurisdictional conferences, Christian education, church extension, conference claimants, conference missions, lay activities, Wesley Foundation, and N. C. Council of Churches.

In my report published in the Advocate this week the amounts credited to former M. E. and M. P. charges will go to conference work alone, except amounts that may be forwarded for World Service as explained above. Let me know about any discrepancy or correction desired. This is very important.

E. O. Cole, Treasurer.

"WHOLE MEN" ARE NEEDED

"Our present task is to persuade the American people that Whole Men are worth while," declared President Dixon Ryan Fox of Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., in delivering the Phi Beta Kappa address at Duke University.

Dr. Fox said that we must persuade the professions and youth itself, that "being a Whole Man" is worth while, that is, better doctors and lawyers and better business men will result if Whole Men are produced first and then trained in some specialized branch.

To educate youth to be Whole Men, Dr. Fox explained, the liberal arts college should train each student so that as a graduate he will be (1) a scholar, possessing "an inquiring mind, a mind that delights in inquiry"; (2) a gentleman, "one with whom ethical and aesthetic concerns have weight and one who is too proud to do mean and nasty

things"; (3) a good citizen, "one who knows what is going on in the world and what types of organization, governmental and otherwise, may be relied upon to remedy or encourage social and economic tendencies"; (4) a philosopher, "a man accustomed to reflective thinking, to integrate reasonable impressions into reasonable convictions. . . One who has stepped through the door of religion and contemplated what religion has done and is doing for man"; and (5) a healthy man, "one who has developed habits that will conserve and improve his physical health in all practicable ways."

And since man will have to assume some specific function in our complicated society, Dr. Fox would have a liberal arts college become an "Interpreter's House" and through its various courses parade the vocations before him. And recognizing special aptitudes in him, the college should counsel him in his choice. "This would be a far cry from the present tendency to take a student with his mind made up and serve his special interests for years," added Dr. Fox.

Another ideal situation, continued Dr. Fox, would be "if every teacher in a college of liberal arts could ask himself what bearing his course had on the production of a scholar, a gentleman, a citizen and philosopher and honestly answer that it served this complex end in every part."

THE PRICE OF WAR

By George W. Wiseman

Debt is the price of war:

An overwhelming debt none can escape,

Impoverishing the purse, the mind, the soul,

By way of murder, treachery, and rape.

Hate is the price of war:

A hate that dwarfs the soul—holds love at bay,

Transforming kindly men to hardened brutes,

To skulk as beasts prepared to kill their prey.

Doubt is the price of war:

A doubt that laughs at God and scoffs at right,

Destroying that which only can give peace

To righteous, yearning hearts; the soul's swift blight.

Death is the price of war:

A devastating death, direct and sure, And with it death of every worth while thing

That makes both life and happiness secure.

War is the price of war:

And some day men will learn what history proves—

That war but sows the seed from which will spring

A greater war; and to this end war moves.

—Zions Herald.

I care not so much what I am with others, as I respect what I am in myself. I will be rich by myself, and not by borrowing.—Montaigne.

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SIX FOURTH SUNDAYS GONE

Snowy Easter Sunday was the sixth opportunity since conference to have a missionary program and to send an offering to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise.

First three Sundays—October 22, November 26, December 24—brought normal returns in the number of churches observing fourth Sunday for missions and in the amount contributed to that cause. Our churches are to be congratulated on this record in the face of extra demands at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Everything indicated that this loyal support of the Missionary Enterprise would continue throughout the year.

But Mr. Bad Weather interfered! Remember the snow bound January 28? the blustery February 25? and the snow on Easter fourth Sunday? Returns are not complete for March, but we contributed \$534.46 less in January and February this year than last! If March reports are in keeping with the weather we will be \$700 or \$800 short for this quarter.

But Six More Fourth Sundays Remain Before Conference

And in this next half year we will have an opportunity to regain lost ground. Doubtless the bad weather has affected the total financial program of our churches so that lost ground must be recovered all along the line. We only ask you to tell your church school classes about the deficit in the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise contributions, to use the rich program materials in our literature, and to give all classes and groups an opportunity to send the missionary offering each of the remaining fourth Sundays this year to H. A. Dunham, Asheville, N. C., treasurer of the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise. With every church school consecrating each fourth Sunday to this task it can and will be done—in the next three months! What we lost in January, February and March we can gain in April, May and June! What about it?

ARE YOU ONE OF THE 27?

Only 27 station charges, out of the 155 in our conference, have not observed fourth Sunday for missions with a program and offering so far this year. If each of these church schools would begin next fourth Sunday, April 28, with a fine program and offering for missions and continue the practice each fourth Sunday, according to our 1939 Discipline, it would be a real Methodist Advance for all concerned. We are counting on you!

DO YOU HAVE A UNIFIED BUDGET?

Many churches have a unified budget with pledges and collections through the church school. Most churches have allotted a certain amount to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise each month in this

budget. Please see that this amount is as much as would have been contributed through the regular fourth Sunday offerings for missions and insist that it be sent in each month. Unless we give it special attention this vital opportunity to have a program on missions each fourth Sunday and to contribute to the missionary enterprise may be lost in the midst of other pressing matters.

NEXT FOURTH SUNDAY (APRIL 28) IS ALSO RURAL LIFE SUNDAY

Many pastors in city and country will lift up the values and beauties of rural life on this Sunday. Some suggestions for a Rural Life Sunday program may be had from the North Carolina Council of Churches, Duke Station, Durham, N. C.

Missionary Leaflet, Here and There, contains a story of one project in rebuilding soil and social life in one broken down plantation. Also, there are references to many articles on missions in all our church school literature. Here and There may be obtained from the Board of Education, Box 828, Salisbury, free upon request.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO ARTICLES IN CHURCH SCHOOL MAGAZINE

April issue of Church School Magazine, pp. 189-197, carries a series of articles telling about the work done by the contributions to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise. Discuss these articles in your classes and at the workers' council or board of education meeting. This is a fine opportunity to let our people know what we are doing with the regular fourth Sunday missionary offerings and why it is so important to maintain and increase these contributions.

ARE YOU IN THIS GROUP?

A check up shows that a number of churches participated in the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise last year but have not done so during the first six months of this year. Last year these churches contributed \$903.24 to this cause. This year so far they have not contributed anything! One-half of \$903.24 would almost wipe out our deficit! During the next six fourth Sundays, beginning April 28, we appeal to these church schools to join again in a regular observance of each fourth Sunday with a program and an offering to this great missionary enterprise. Thank you!

CHURCH SCHOOL DAY, APRIL 21

Our first Church School Day offering last year came from Brother A. L. Aycock and our church school friends at North Wilkesboro. We are grateful to Brother Aycock for starting this good work and we are wondering who will be first this year. The following churches have requested programs since March 22:

Asheville District

Central, Asheville, McMurry Richey.
 Swannanoa, W. H. Benfield.
 Edneyville, Sam Rhodes.
 Flat Rock, J. E. Creech.
 Fruitland, A. A. Prestwood.
 Moore's Grove, Robert Johnson.
 Upward, Frank Capps.
 Oakley, E. E. King.

Charlotte District

Calvary, W. K. Price.
 Harrison, Mrs. E. W. Russell.
 Thrift, J. H. Carper.
 First, Charlotte, Miss Clara Short.

Elkin District

Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles.
 Advance, P. L. Smith.
 Friendship, M. F. Bumgarner.
 Millers Creek, Van Caudill.
 West Jefferson, Mrs. Hoyt Wood.
 Warrensville, W. H. Jones.
 Elkin, Mrs. Elmer F. McNeer.
 Bethany, G. W. Edwards.
 Jefferson, Miss Mary Colvard.
 Orion, Mrs. W. G. Little.
 Zion, James Houck.
 Sparta Charge, L. F. Strader.

Gastonia District

Central, Kings Mountain, B. S. Peeler.
 Pleasant Grove, Marshall Brown.
 Lowell, C. O. Kennerly.
 Shelby Circuit, J. L. Rayle.
 South Point, F. E. Ellington.

Greensboro District

Bessemer, William R. Crowder.
 Muir's Chapel, Mrs. R. O. Lee.
 Grace (Lee's-Grace), S. R. Vaughn.
 Summerfield, Mrs. Dewey L. Trogdon.

High Point District

Archdale, O. B. Mitchell.
 Wesley Memorial, James E. Rink.
 Calvary, Mrs. N. F. Bundy.
 Liberty, Mary Thomas.

Marion District

Higgins Memorial, Fred Proffitt.
 Rutherfordton, Mrs. W. E. Swarngen.

Jonas Ridge, W. M. Shuffler.
 Spindale, Glenn James.
 Pleasant Grove, Miss Ozelle Moore.
 Valdese, T. J. Watkins.
 Salem (Bostic), E. G. Walker.

Salisbury District

Norwood, O. B. Mabry.
 Salem, Miss Nora Hatley.
 Trinity, Kannapolis, R. M. Cochran.
 Jackson Park, Wm. J. Clayton.
 Landis Charge, Clegg W. Avett.
 Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner.
 Cedar Grove, Miss Letha McSwain.
 Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker.
 Central, Spencer, Mrs. J. A. Cooke.
 Central, Albemarle, R. Dwight Ware.
 Park Avenue, G. Q. Miller.

Statesville District

Granite Falls, Reid Wall.
 Bethel, Hickory, E. H. Lowman.
 Stony Point, Miss Jessie Alexander.
 Central, Mooresville, Joe D. Thompson.

First, Newton, R. D. Huitt.
 New Salem, Raymond Mayes.

Waynesville District

Cullowhee, Walter Lee Lanier.
 Waynesville, Miss Louise Campbell.
 Andrews, W. A. Reece.
 Sylva, A. P. Ratledge.
 Jonathan Charge, J. D. Pyatt.
 Louisa Charge, L. W. Hall.

Winston-Salem District

Marvin Chapel, Miss Phillis Armfield.
 Love's, Walkertown, P. Frank Hanes.
 Erlanger, J. O. Ervin.

Western N. C. Conference Amounts Paid on General
and Conference Work to April 1, 1940

Asheville District	
Acton	\$ 71.75
Asheville: Asbury Memorial	43.40
Biltmore	44.79
Central	208.30
French Broad Avenue	16.65
Haywood Street	188.00
Hillside Street	43.00
Merrimon Avenue	47.71
Oakley	67.80
West Asheville	100.00
Asheville Ct.	35.40
Black Mountain	89.32
Brevard	80.71
Candler	131.68
Fairview	29.41
Flat Rock	67.29
Fletcher	112.25
Hendersonville	81.04
Hot Springs	51.12
Laurel-Barnardsville	18.50
Leicester-Bell	2583
Leicester-Grace	17.71
Marshall	24.53
Mills River	27.20
Oteen	10.71
Pisgah	11.91
Rosman	37.40
Saluda-Tryon	33.40
Sandy	5.93
Swannanoa	61.11
Weaverville	278.97
Weaverville Ct.	32.00
Total	2094.82

Charlotte District	
Big Spring	20.00
Charlotte: Belmont Park	100.00
Dilworth	500.00
Derita	10.00
Hickory Grove	120.96
Huntersville	46.00
Lilesville	34.00
Monroe: Central	283.32
North Monroe-Grace	25.00
New Hope-Bethel	115.00
Thrift-Moores	121.90
Total	1376.18

Elkin District	
Advance	10.00
Cooleemee	75.00
Elkin	100.00
Jonesville	50.00
North Wilkesboro	275.00
Saint Paul	9.30
Surry-Yadkin	5.00
West Jefferson	50.00
Wilkesboro Ct.	41.05
Yadkinville	40.00
Total	655.35

Gastonia District	
Belmont: Main Street	200.00
Boger City	264.00
Gastonia: Bradley Memorial	62.50
Main Street	825.00
Maylo-Smyre	100.00
West End	122.50
Kings Mountain: Central	125.00
Grace	42.00
Lowell	100.00
Rock Springs	141.00
Total	1982.00

Greensboro District	
Brown Summit	10.00
Gibsonville	116.00
Greensboro: Carraway	150.00
Centenary	300.00
St. Paul	50.00
West Market	4000.00
Guilford	10.00
Haw River	16.50
Midway	4.12
Mt. Pleasant	12.50
Pleasant Garden	200.00
Reidsville: Lindsay St.	50.00
Main Street	425.00

Ruffin	97.75
Summerfield	93.00
Total	5534.87

High Point District	
High Point: Archdale	38.75
First	84.00
Lebanon	100.00
Rankin Memorial	8.23
Ward Street	43.75
Welch Memorial	65.00
Wesley Memorial	3800.00
Liberty	5.70
Liberty Ct.	5.25
Linwood	50.00
Oak View	37.50
Pleasant Grove	100.00
Randleman-Union	250.00
Randolph-Gray's Chapel	63.31
Richland	15.00
Shiloh	10.00
Total	4676.49

Marion District	
Bakersville	20.00
Bostic	42.00
Cliffside-Avondale	145.00
Henrietta	29.00
Linville Falls	19.00
Marion: Cross Mill	74.00
McDowell	19.00
Mill Springs	25.00
Old Fort	90.00
Rutherford College	150.00
Rutherfordton	250.00
Spindale	150.00
Total	1013.00

Salisbury District	
Albemarle: Central	500.00
Main Street	20.00
Badin-New London	75.00
China Grove	165.00
Concord: Ann Street	16.00
Forest Hill	700.00
Kerr Street	38.50
Friendship	2.25
Kannapolis: Midway	75.00
North Kannapolis	31.50
Trinity	145.84
Landis	87.46
Mt. Olivet	162.50
Pfeiffer Ct.	34.48
Roberta	100.00
Salisbury: First	53.00
Total	2206.53

Statesville District	
Balls Creek	22.00
Catawba	61.25
Davidson-Fairview	12.00
Elmwood	4.00
Grace-Rhodhiss	71.00
Harmony	6.75
Hickory: Bethel	42.00
First	525.00
Hudson	193.25
Maiden	80.00
Mooreville: Central	225.00
Mt. Zion	150.00
Shepherds	62.50
Statesville: Broad Street	337.50
Troutman's	75.00
Total	1867.75

Waynesville District	
Andrews	69.00
Bethel	45.81
Bryson City	8.00
Canton: Central	400.00
Clyde	22.09
Cullowhee	43.21
Dellwood	7.35
Hayesville	6.80
Highland	2.00
Jonathan	.88
Louisa	4.00
Morning Star	47.33
Murphy Ct.	2.50

Rockwood	65.69
Shooting Creek	4.29
Waynesville	100.00
Webster	28.19
Whittier	15.84
Total	872.98

Winston-Salem District	
Davidson	110.00
Doubs	26.04
Forsyth-Maple Springs	12.50
Lexington: Erlanger	70.00
First	525.00
Mt. Airy: Central	550.00
Thomasville: Community	50.00
Main Street	537.50
Trinity-Bethel	63.00
Walkertown-Loves	140.00
Walnut Cove	30.00
Welcome	165.00
West Forsyth	15.00
Winston-Salem: Burkhead	306.00
Centenary	4000.00
Central Terrace	93.75
First	10.00
Green Street	144.00
Hiatt Mem.-Sedge Garden	65.50
Oak Summit-Shiloh	43.66
Total	6956.95
Grand total to April 1, 1940,	\$29,236.92
Grand total to April 1, 1939,	20,800.64
Increase	8,436.28

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SAFEGUARD THE SABBATH

Support should be given to those who earnestly sacrifice in order to obtain for the American people a day of rest and worship. It often happens that those who labor to save our sacred first day of the week from those who would commercialize and degrade it are ridiculed and persecuted. Frequently these faithful ones must serve without salary. Their zealous efforts meet far too much obstructive indifference from some professing Christians. How can our evangelical faith survive if, by our indifference, we close the doors of opportunity to evangelism? Crowds thronging into movie houses and dance halls on Sunday nights, while churches are full of empty pews, does not augur good for the future of the cause of Christ. The Lords Day is, after all, our greatest Christian opportunity. Besides this, a day of real rest is a social necessity for the people.—Watchman-Examiner.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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OUR 28TH ANNUAL MEETING

As a prelude to the 28th annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, North Carolina Conference, the officers and zone leaders met in executive session at First Methodist church, Henderson, on the morning of April 1. Upon adjournment a delightful luncheon was enjoyed by the group at the Vance Hotel.

At 2 p. m. Mrs. E. L. Hillman convened the first session of the conference. One official guest, 20 officers, 20 zone leaders and 199 delegates were registered for the first session, the delegates including 82 women who had never before attended an annual conference. The total registration later recorded reached 248.

Rich indeed were the experiences of those present as they came under the influence of the gentle and charming personality of our presiding officer; the presence of the other officers; the dynamic forces of the presence and contributions of Bishop W. W. Peele, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, Mrs. Paul Garber, Miss Elizabeth Claiborne, Mrs. A. M. Gates and others; the heavenly music of the rich voices of the choir and individuals who made like contributions and of the mellow toned organ; the unsurpassed hospitality of the Henderson folk and many other features. For the next several weeks, as rapidly as space will permit, certain outstanding features of the conference will be published on our woman's page.

MRS. FAISON HONORED

Mrs. H. J. Faison, Faison, N. C., has been an earnest, zealous and consecrated worker in the cause of missions for many years. For the past 14 years she has rendered a distinct and inestimable service as vice president of the conference. As a token of the love and esteem in which she is held in the hearts of the women throughout the conference, the executive board has voted to dedicate the minutes of the 1940 conference to Mrs. Faison.

ORGANIZATION SUPERLATIVES

The report of Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference secretary, given at the annual conference last week revealed that there are 431 auxiliaries in the N. C. conference with a membership of 15,341. During 1939 the district superlatives included: Largest number of auxiliary members, Durham district; largest number of new auxiliaries, Wilmington district; largest number of new members, New Bern district; largest number of young women's circles, Durham district; largest number of baby specials, Rocky Mount district; largest increase in efficiency aim, Rocky Mount district; largest increase in World Outlook subscriptions, Elizabeth City district; largest increase in spiritual life groups, Durham district, with Wilmington district second; lar-

gest number of auxiliaries making the efficiency aim, Durham district; largest number of auxiliaries observing the week of prayer, Wilmington district.

MAMIE WEBB AUXILIARY

The Mamie Webb auxiliary of Queen Street Methodist church, Kinston, observed its annual birthday meeting on March 16. Mrs. E. C. Rountree conducted the program. Mr. Howard Farley sang Kipling's "Recessional" with Mrs. R. A. Thompson as accompanist. Mrs. Rountree presented an inspirational devotional and an interesting paper on "Creative Living." Mrs. Arthur Wilson continued the theme with a paper on the life of Isabelle Thornburn. Mrs. Paul Bennett, president, presided at the business session. During the social hour punch and wafers were served to approximately 60. The table was beautifully decorated with silver candelabra holding yellow tapers and crystal vases filled with giant jonquils. The cake, decorated in yellow and white, was presented to Mrs. E. V. Webb, who organized the auxiliary.—Mrs. J. W. Montgomery.

A PROFITABLE STUDY CLASS

Recently the woman's missionary society of Fairmont Methodist church in Raleigh sponsored a Council study class, meeting on four evenings in various homes, under the leadership of the study leader and taught by Mrs. J. W. Cell. "Homeland Harvest" and "Right Here at Home" were the text books used and the theme throughout the class was "Christian Missions at Home." Aims of the study were: To understand the historical and geographical background of missions in America; to realize the essence of the missionary enterprise is evangelism and to consider the task of educating men and women to accept the full consequences of Christian discipleship; to study the need for continued financial support of home missions; to know in what ways the work of home missions is affected by economic and social changes in national and community life and to consider our immediate opportunities for service. Thirty-five of the women enrolled in the class read the text; 75 per cent attended each meeting and there were 15 visitors.

Mrs. R. C. Kirk, Study Leader.

ALAMANCE ZONE MEETS

The Alamance zone in the Durham district met on Sunday afternoon, March 10, in the Saxapahaw Methodist church, with Mrs. T. B. Hough presiding. Miss Bessie Holmes, Graham, had charge of the devotional period. Mrs. W. W. Bowman gave the address of welcome and Mrs. D. N. Webster of Burlington responded. The following persons gave brief talks dealing with the aims of missionary work: Mrs. S. L. Steele, World Outlook; Mrs. C. M.

Way, baby specials; Mrs. J. D. Lee, Christian social relations; Miss Florine Robertson, district specials. Miss Robertson also checked on all officers of the various auxiliaries, telling each her duties. The inspirational address was given by Rev. T. B. Hough, Swepsonville. Rev. M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw, pronounced the benediction.

Mrs. D. N. Webster.

WHAT IS LIFE?

By Bishop Charles Edward Locke

The grouchy old French essayist Montaigne miserably complained in 1592, "The world has seen its best days and things are not as they used to be"; but even then Shakespeare was not quite thirty years old, and was later to write Hamlet and Macbeth.

Truly all evil is temporary. Whatever ought to happen, will happen. Wherever there is a moral imperative there is a moral possibility. In Abt Vogler, Robert Browning said,

There shall not be one lost good! What was shall live as before;

The evil is null, is nought.

And Tennyson in Locksley Hall:

I doubt not through the ages one increasing purpose runs;
And the thoughts of men are widen'd with the process of the suns.

And in the last stanza of In Memoriam:

One God, one law, one element,
And one far off divine event
To which the whole creation moves.

The survival of the fittest must be irrevocably basic in creation. God must have made man to redeem and perfect him.

THE BOY KNEW BETTER THAN HIS PAP

"Are you going to the lecture to-night, Harold?" "Not if I can get out of it," came the reply. "He came to lecture us at school last term and he's the rottenest lecturer I've ever heard. Don't you go, if you can help it." Not being a big man, though somewhat famous, the preacher said to his host on the way to the church for the afternoon service, "There was a boy called Harold playing with your boys this afternoon. Who is he?" "Oh, he's one of our minister's boys," said the host. "Somehow, I thought he was," said the preacher, who in the vestry grimly complained to the boy's father about what he had overheard. Naturally, Harold's father was deeply grieved, and so angry that when he returned home he gravely rebuked his son and, as a punishment for not keeping a guard over his tongue, sent him to bed without tea. At nine-thirty he was home again from the lecture and, so I am told, without even waiting to remove his hat and coat, hurried up to his son's bedroom to awake him and apologize!

I have well forsaken my residence in the city as the source of a thousand evils; but I have not been able to forsake myself.—Basil.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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We are glad to give the major part of our space this week to the program of the twenty-eighth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Society, Western North Carolina Conference, to be held in First Methodist church, Salisbury, N. C., April 16-18, 1940:

Tuesday Morning, April 16

10:30. Meeting of the executive committee.

Tuesday Afternoon

1:00. Luncheon for conference officers.

2:30. Hymn 189, "The Year of Jubilee."

Worship, Mrs. A. C. Waggoner.

2:50. Organization.

3:00. Group meetings.

4:00. Hymn 414, Bread of the World.

Communion, Dr. C. N. Clark.

Hymn 528, There Is a Land.

Memorial service.

Tuesday Evening

8:00. Hymn 279, God of Grace and God of Glory.

Worship, Rev. W. B. West.

Special music.

Message from China, Miss Nina Troy.

Special music.

United Planning for our United Church, Miss Noreen Dunn, Nashville, Tenn.

Announcements.

Benediction.

Wednesday Morning, April 17

8:50. Meditation, Mrs. W. H. Bobbitt.

Hymn 165, Look, Ye Saints.

9:30. Reports of officers:

Vice President, Mrs. C. N. Clark.

Supt. of Literature, Mrs. A. L. Thompson.

Supt. of Supplies, Mrs. J. W. Harbison.

Supt. of Study, Mrs. J. W. Payne.

Conf. Secretary, Mrs. W. R. Harris.

Treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock.

Hymn.

10:00. President's Message Mrs. Chas. C. Weaver.

11:15. Messages from foreign fields:

Miss Nina Troy, China.

Miss Josephine Dameron, Korea.

11:50. Announcements.

Special music.

12:00. Worship and Meditation, Miss Noreen Dunn.

Wednesday Afternoon

2:00. Hymn 482, Heralds of Christ. Scripture and Prayer, Mrs. W. W. Hagood.

2:15. Report of Status of women, Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr.

Report of Council, Mrs. P. N. Peacock.

3:00. Secretaries' hour:

Asheville district, Miss Amy Hackney.

Charlotte district, Mrs. C. E. Wakefield.

Gastonia district, Mrs. Wilbur Baber.

Greensboro district, Mrs. W. T. Powell.

Marion district, Mrs. W. I. Pitts.

Salisbury district, Mrs. Z. V. Moss.

Statesville district, Mrs. T. V. Goode. Waynesville edistrict, Mrs. F. E. Branson.

Winston-Salem district, Mrs. J. G. Sterling.

4:00. Announcements.

Benediction.

Wednesday Evening

8:00. Hymn 45, Now on Land and Sea Descending.

Worship, Rev. Frank Jordan.

Special music.

Address, "The Methodist Woman." Bishop Clare Purcell.

Special music.

Announcements.

Benediction.

Thursday Morning, April 18

8:50. Meditation, Mrs. J. I. Singletary.

Hymn 148, When I Survey.

9:20. Reports:

Bureau of Christian Social Relations Supt.

Mrs. H. W. McCain.

Mrs. E. L. McKee.

Mrs. H. W. Courtney.

Mrs. L. V. Scott.

Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.

Mrs. Reid Wall.

Mrs. W. A. Newell.

10:10. Secretary Children's Work: Mrs. George Hoyle, Miss Noreen Dunn.

11:00. Council Institutions:

Sunny Acres, Miss Hyda Heard.

Bethlehem House, Mrs. L. V. Scott. Scarritt College, Mrs. A. L. Thompson.

Messages from foreign fields:

Miss Nina Troy, China.

Miss Josephine Dameron, Korea.

Hymn 486, From Ocean to Ocean.

Worship and Meditation, Miss Noreen Dunn.

Benediction.

Numerous friends in North Carolina of Rev. and Mrs. G. A. B. Holderby of Asheville will be gratified to know that Mr. Holderby is improving from an illness following a stroke sustained on February 25 at Central Methodist church while in attendance upon Sunday school services. His friends and loved ones are encouraged at his improvement and are hoping for a complete recovery in the near future. Mr. Holderby was an active member of the W. N. C. conference for many years, and is now one of our conference superannuates. Both he and Mrs. Holderby have many friends throughout the conference who will wish for him an early restoration to health. Mrs. Holderby is the chairman of the Spiritual Life Group of Central Methodist church and is doing a most effective work in that circle of Central's membership. They live at 46 West Street, Asheville.

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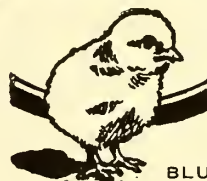
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IT IS RAINING

This is one of those mornings that can be called dark and dreary. The rain is peppering down from clouds hovering close to the ground. While it is dark, necessitating lights in all rooms, it is far from dreary in our thinking. The gentle rains, associated with the warm atmosphere, will make early vegetables grow rapidly. Mr. Booze and the boys got the early vegetables worked out late last week and now the warm rains will hasten their growth. One can almost see the bursting of the dogwood blossoms as each day witnesses a growing whiteness on the boughs of the trees. Truly spring is here. Let the warm rains continue.

GEORGE AND BILLY

This dictating will just have to stop for a little bit while a visit is made to George and Billy, our nine-year-old errand boys, who are making so much fuss out in the lobby. Ordinarily these boys are out in the yard flying kites or playing marbles. But this morning the rain keeps them inside, but it has not served to keep their voices on their inside. Well, it has been found that George and Billy were making paper bird houses and when they cut out the smooth, red cardboard paper for these houses it was found that George, the loquacious one, did not have a bottom to his house. So George was talking and laughing about how the birds would fall out of the house. What would we do without George and Billy, our errand boys, whom we have to seek most every time we have an errand to run?

WATCHING RETURNS

We are very much interested in opening the mail these days. We want to know what our church school friends did for us on last fifth Sunday. Indications point to a larger total offering from the March fifth Sunday than came from either the December or the October fifth Sundays. A number of schools have forwarded offerings which have not heretofore favored us. A larger number of schools having formed the habit of helping us have helped more liberally this time. Pending a complete survey of all returns, which usually takes a month or more, we will not be in position to know the total amount of the March fifth Sunday offering.

GENERAL CONFERENCE LEGISLATION

Among other memorials to the General Conference which Rev. C. W. Bates and the writer have tabulated for forwarding for the evaluation of the various members of the General Conference Memorial Committee the

following is listed: "In view of the fact that no direction is given in the Discipline for financing Homes for Children, Homes for the Aged and Homes for Deaconesses, the General Conference is memorialized to add paragraph 3 to Section II of Chapter VI of the new Discipline as follows: 'The Annual Conferences are authorized to employ such means for financing their philanthropic institutions as may be determined by their respective memberships.'"

FIVE HUNDRED

Most of the reactions to the action of our board of trustees in setting itself on record favoring the enlargement of the Children's Home plant so as to accommodate a consolidation of the major part of the High Point Children's Home family into a Western North Carolina Conference Children's



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Home family at Winston-Salem have been favorable. In the event such a consolidation is made it will probably take a year or so to complete it. It is thought that the total number of children sponsored by the Western North Carolina conference will not exceed 500, probably a few less. It would seem that such a number would be in keeping with the needs of the situation and with a proper balance of financial outlay. However, one cannot sit in an office and determine the needs of children coming within the range of the guidance of over 200,000 Methodists located in 44 counties.

NEW HOPE

Our newly organized singing class, the newness having to do with the smaller members of the group, visited the New Hope congregation on the Doubs circuit, located nearby, Sunday night, April 6. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. A. C. Kennedy, Supt. Gray Leinback directed the proceedings. We had a lovely time with our New

Hope friends and shall look forward to accepting their kind invitation to visit them again at some future time. This congregation is not only full of new hope but is celebrating a lot over new activity. Among other good accomplishments it can be said that our New Hope friends always remember their Children's Home family with liberal fifth Sunday offerings and their ten per cent apportionment paid in full.

HIS NAME IS SMITH

Pending the time that we get some new pictures, we want to again run the likeness of Bobby Smith, taken from a picture made over a year ago. Bobby is now the only one of the smaller members of our singing class who has been connected with it for a year or more. Bobby not only sings well but he recites well. Bobby, an apt and dependable boy, is ten years of age and in the fourth grade. He is sponsored by the Sigma Theta class of Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte.

BARN BUILDING

The construction of our nice new dairy barn is proceeding with dispatch. The building is enclosed and the roof is on, thus permitting the workmen to continue their labors during a rainy day like this. This new barn will afford ample facilities for the storing of the spring hay crop, for the housing of our young cows and for a general enlargement of our dairy facilities. For the first time in the history of the Home our milk supply has reached 200 gallons per day.

HONOR SOCIETY

Since last report the following congregations have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full.

First church, Newton, Rev. W. B. Davis.

Pleasant Grove, Forest City, Rev. C. H. Peace.

Siloam, Dobson circuit, Rev. R. G. McClamrock.

Gay's Chapel, Woodleaf circuit, Rev. G. W. Williams.

Brookstown, Doubs circuit, Rev. A. C. Kennedy.

East Spencer, Rev. F. L. Setzer.

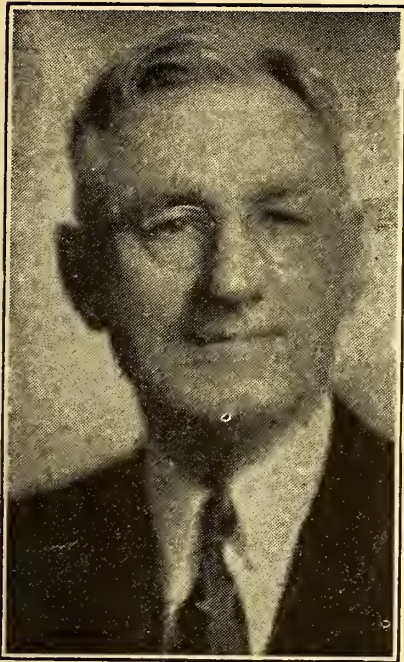
Mt. Zion, Norwood circuit, Rev. J. A. Lindsey.

Friendship, Mount Pleasant - Cold Springs circuit, Rev. H. L. Creech, Jr.

GETTING WELL

It is a pleasure to be able to state that all the sick youngsters in the infirmary are getting well. A visit just made reveals that the infirmary is almost empty. Margaret, who for a year or more was confined to her bed with a heart ailment, is up and about, pursuing almost normal living. Marvin, who for three months was confined to his bed so that his heart could catch up with his body, is now up walking through the halls. Mildred's broken leg is almost healed and Jeanette is able to be up some each day following six weeks' confinement. Outside of these children the only visitors to the hospital are those who have slight cold ailments. It is very pleasing to be able to state that the family is practically well, following the winter's sickness.

THE METHODIST
ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

SOMETHING TO PONDER — One day last week I asked my secretary to count the applications which we have on file for the admission of children into our home. We have 142 children who are knocking at our door for a home and Christian training. Preachers and laymen are writing and visiting me, urging that we do something about relieving the needs of these orphan children, but the Orphanage is utterly helpless to do anything in the face of this overwhelming situation. We lack \$25,000 of having a balanced budget to meet the needs of the children who are already here. I think this distressing situation should cause our Methodist constituency to do something about remedying the matter.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives gives the following account of the latest visits of our singing class: "Some little time has elapsed since our last visit with the two churches we served on the fifth Sunday in March. It was a pleasant visit we had in Four Oaks, on Rev. J. C. Whedbee's charge. Our association with these friends was short, as we had to hurry home after the service for lunch, so the class could be in the afternoon service held by Rev. D. E. Earnhardt, who has been preaching each evening for a week at the Orphanage. The class filled his appointment at Calvary church in Durham in the evening, as he closed the series of services at the Orphanage. We enjoyed his congregation that so graciously received us."

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A SURPRISE—It may surprise our readers to know that less than 30 per cent of the Orphanage apportionment has been paid at this writing. Five months of the conference year are be-

hind us, and we are facing the spring and summer months with a depleted treasury. The conference in Fayetteville urged all the pastors and churches to put forth every possible effort to raise their Orphanage apportionment during the early part of the new conference year. I am hoping that by the time the district conferences meet the charges will have paid at least 50 to 75 per cent of their apportionment. Unless this is done, we shall be forced to borrow large sums of money to meet our operating expenses during the summer. Our bills must be paid monthly, and I do not want to impair our credit by asking for large loans. I think our friends understand and appreciate the reasonableness of this urgent request.

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A GREAT GIFT—For the past several years I have had my heart set on getting a gymnasium for our Orphanage. At the last meeting of the board of trustees the matter was presented, and the board recommended the erection of a gymnasium whenever funds became available. I am happy to announce to our Methodist constituency of the North Carolina conference that one of the leading Methodist laymen of the conference sent me a check several days ago to erect a gymnasium for our boys and girls. Work has already begun, and we expect to have it completed by the first of June. The donor, at his urgent request, withholds his name. A gymnasium has been one of our most imperative needs for several years, and our young people are rejoicing with me over this wonderful gift. The building will be of brick veneer, hardwood floor, and ample seating capacity to meet our needs. The gymnasium will meet a long felt need for the physical training of our boys and girls. The donor has been a staunch friend of the Orphanage for many years. He expressed great satisfaction over being able to do this for our young people. It is needless for me to say how happy I am over securing such an adequate and up-to-date building for the recreation of our sons and daughters.

HOW TO LIVE TO BE A HUNDRED

This story will prove interesting to many who have a desire to live beyond the allotted three score and ten:

In Oklahoma City an organization whose 800 members are 70 years or more, are maintaining a "school of maturates" to learn how to live to be 100 years old. These are the rules if the objective is reached:

Take a walk in the open daily.

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Not less than once a week attend church or make a social call once a week.

Have some engaging interest so as not to get in grooves.

Above every thing keep cheerful.

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THE BRISK AND FRISKY CHIPMUNK

By Walter A. Dyer

The burrowing squirrels, though closely related to the tree squirrels, are classed as a different group—the *Tamias* family. They are small and striped, their tails are furred rather than bushy, and they have capacious cheek pouches. The commonest one in the East is the chipmunk (*T. striatus*). Its natural habitat extends from Maine to Georgia and it is a near relative to the Western marmots and gophers. The chipmunk is also called ground squirrel, striped squirrel, chipping squirrel, and hackee. Chipmunk and hackee, like chickaree, are Indian names.

Perhaps the most interesting thing about the chipmunk is his cleverly constructed burrow. This consists of an entrance tunnel that goes straight down to a point below frost line, a horizontal tunnel perhaps twenty feet long, and a sloping tunnel that leads up to a back door. The main tunnel is enlarged at intervals. One of these enlargements is warmly lined with leaves and grasses and is used as the bedroom and nursery. The others are for the store-rooms. Food may also be stored in short side galleries. The chipmunk does not leave a telltale pile of dirt at the mouth of his burrow as the woodchuck does, but carries it off to some distance in his pouches and often scatters it about in the grass. The opening which is smooth and round, is just big enough for the chipmunk to dive through. Below this the tunnel is large enough for two to pass each other and the walls are packed hard to prevent caving in. The back door is usually located under a building or stump or stone wall or in some other hidden place and is used chiefly as a means of escape from enemies, the front door being used for bringing in food and for the ordinary purposes of ingress and egress. The weasel is the chipmunk's worst enemy, being the only one that can follow him into his den, and the back door therefore becomes often very important.

The chipmunk sleeps through the cold weather, and as he seldom comes out of his burrow after frost he needs a goodly supply of food. There under the snow he fattens himself on nuts and grains until it is time for him to fall sound asleep. In the summer he lives on oats and other grains and seeds. He also likes berries and apples. Sometimes he is accused of digging up newly planted corn. When October comes he begins laying in a store of corn, small nuts, and acorns, and beech mast when he can get it. His children—four to six of them—are born in May or June and spend their infancy in the dark. When they

SPEEDIN' UP

My brain's a lazy pony—
I wish it were not so!
I'd have to whip and whip him
To really make him go.

But if I whip and whip him
He'll be too lame to pace;
Now how would you advise me
To help him win the race?

I b'lieve I'll pat him gently
And whisper gently in his ear
Some magic words of kindness
To fill him full of cheer.

I bet you then he'll hurry!
And Oh, I do so hope
He'll beat the wind a-runnin'—
Be first beneath the rope!

—Henrietta R. Smedes.

first emerge they are weak and defenseless and half blinded by the light, and where there are cats the mortality among them must be great.

Though naturally shy and timid, chipmunks soon become accustomed to the presence of man. They seem to like the proximity of the house and barn and I have often found their nest, round holes in the lawn. For several seasons now a family of them has built its home close to my house and they have become almost tame enough to touch. Their front entrance is within ten feet of our kitchen door and their rear exit is, I think, under my study, which is a small building without a cellar connected with the house by the woodshed. Often when I pass between house and study they scamper along ahead of me, to dive under my doorstep or to disappear down their hole.

One day last summer, as I opened my study door to come out, I nearly stepped on three helpless little chipmunk babies. They were quite bewildered and seemed not to know what to do or where to run. One of them scrambled over my foot and started into my room, but I gently brushed him out. Then an anxious little face appeared at the mouth of the burrow and bright little eyes peered out at me. I stepped quietly aside, and presently a low chittering came from the burrow mouth. One by one the little ones heard it and waddled toward it. I went into the house to call my wife, but when we came out there were no baby chipmunks to be seen. Mother had called them home and I have no doubt that she gave them a good scolding for their foolhardy behavior. On several subsequent days, however, we saw them near the hole, and before we

knew it they had grown so big and lively that we could scarcely tell them from their parents.

There is a sad sequel to this tale which I suppose I must tell. I caught one of those young chipmunks in a rat trap in the woodshed. If I had supposed that cheese would offer any attraction to them I would never have left the trap there. It was a real shock to discover the poor little corpse. Of course a chipmunk is a rodent like a rat, and yet somehow there seems to be a great difference. Curious, isn't it? Well, I took the trap away and left the rats to make merry over my soft-heartedness.

Vachel Lindsay called the chipmunk "the monkey of the squirrel tribe, quivering with monkey shins," and indeed he is playful and mischievous, though not as much as the red squirrel. He is very pretty, with his striped sides and nervous tail. Very intelligent, too, I think. Since I have come to know the chipmunks through such intimate daily association, I have come to like them the best of all the squirrel clan. I love to watch them busily harvesting nuts and carrying pouchfuls of provender into their holes, or sitting on the stone wall or the woodpile, chattering or silent and motionless as miniature statues.

No doubt there are people who prefer lawns without holes in them, but I shall be sorry if the time ever comes when there is no chipmunk's hole in mine.—Our Dumb Animals.

JUST FOR FUN

An electrician returned home from work one night to find his small son waiting for him with his right hand swathed in a bandage.

"Hello, sonny!" he exclaimed. "Cut your hand?"

"No, dad," was the reply. "I picked up a pretty little fly and one end wasn't insulated."—Answers.

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"Dad, are there lions in Africa?"

"Yes, son."

"Have they got a zoo?"

"No, they have no zoo."

"Then what do they do with the lions?"—Frankfurter Illustrierte.

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"But, dear, why do you want more building blocks? You have so many now."

"But, mummy, I want to build a ceiling scraper."—Christian Science Monitor.

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Several of Lois's first-grade playmates had moved away. She announced the fact to her mother thus: "Mother, our teacher is running out of children."—Christian Register.

Sunday School Lesson

APRIL 14

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By Rollin H. Walker
God's Forgiving Love
Scripture: Hosea 6; 11; 14

In the days of Hosea, Israel was going to pieces. Anarchy was everywhere. "They break out," says the prophet, "and blood toucheth blood." One pool of a murdered man's blood runs into the blood from another victim. The nation had rejected Amos's eloquent and stern warnings, and as a result had gone blind. The prophet knew that the great carrion bird of that day, the Assyrian empire, would soon smell Israel's decay and be on hand to devour it.

One cannot appreciate the prophecy of Hosea without pondering the opening chapter where he tells how his young wife had been caught in the current of the prevailing corruption, and had been swept away into vile adultery. And as he looks back on this experience that had rent his heart he was led to believe that God had permitted it so that he also might realize how Jehovah felt when Israel deserted him to bow down to the beastly Canaanitish gods.

He had seen God's wounded love through the lenses of his tears, and his own longing for the repentance and return of his wife had made him realize that God was willing to take Israel back if only they turned from their evil ways. He seems to hear God say, "How shall I give thee up, Ephraim? how shall I cast thee off, Israel? . . . my heart is turned within me, my compassions are kindled together." At once we think of our Lord's words on his last journey to Jerusalem when, coming over the brow of Olivet, he caught sight of the beautiful towers of the city and exclaimed, "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem . . . how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not."

The more we ponder over the message of Hosea, the more wonderful he seems. How could a man, in that depraved age, who had never seen Jesus, have such a sense of the yearning love of God? It is a miracle!

The book of Hosea is "a succession of sobs." It is impossible to outline it, and yet no book holds to its main point more inexorably. It salutes no side issue by the way. Hosea seeks to save the nation from its doom by warning it of the coming judgment, and from despair by proclaiming the love of God.

To preach God's forgiving mercy one must first make the people feel the need of forgiveness. To do this the preacher, like Hosea, must have in his own heart a terrible anxiety over the lost condition of the sinner. One cannot serve up the doctrine of forgive-

ness like a dapper attendant at a soda fountain.

Then, too, to convict men of their sins, the preacher must be eloquent in his portrayal of all God's past mercies. This is characteristic of Hosea, and of the Hebrew prophets in general. Hosea heard God say, "When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my Son out of Egypt. . . . I taught Ephraim to walk; I took them on my arms; but they knew not that I healed them. I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love; and I was to them as they that lift up the yoke on their jaws; and I laid food before them" (11:1-4).

But portrayal of the love of God is not enough to move hardened men to repentance. They must be warned of coming judgment. Hosea is at once the tendered and the most terrible of the prophets. He is a combination of lightning and tears. And he is terrible just because he is tender.

In this respect he makes one think of Jesus. Some people have an idea that Jesus came with a fire extinguisher to put out the flames of the Old Testament severity, but no impartial study of his words would convey that impression. The man who bore the cross for our sins said some of the most terrible things ever uttered by human lips (Matthew 23:29-36; 22:13; 21:93-44; Luke 16:19-26).

This conception of the severity of God is borne out by his dealings with us through nature. Nature is full of beauty and glory; nevertheless physical law is very severe. And nature punishes not only deliberate vice, but carelessness and ignorance.

That Hosea was a true prophet was quickly demonstrated by the outcome. The Assyrian Emperor Sargon devastated the land in 722 B. C., and deported the population.

"Our religion teaches us that Hosea is alive today. As he looks down from the other world, what would he most wish us to say concerning him and his prophecy?

First of all, he would have us note that when, as today, death and destruction were everywhere, and there was little or no hope that Israel would repent before the destruction came, nevertheless he held to a confident faith in a final glorious future. Behind the flock of vultures that he saw coming to tear the carcass of Israel, he saw in the distance a flight of angels coming to restore the ancient glories.

He was so sure of it that amid the turmoil and anarchy he wrote down his rejected message for future generations. It was as though a Polish prophet should have written oracles of hope amid the explosion of dropping bombs. Writing was so difficult in those days as compared with us, with our cheap paper, fountain pens, and typewriters, that we scarcely realize how much we owe to these lonely seers for inscribing for us the messages that were so scorned by their contemporaries. Doubtless also Hosea would have us remember the faithful few who amid the wreckage preserved his prophecies.

But most of all Hosea would have us note that amid the tragedy that rent his own heart and the apparently com-

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SECOND ROUND	
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May	
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SECOND ROUND	
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Biscoe, Candor, 7:30	21
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SECOND ROUND	
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May	
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SECOND ROUND	
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Mamers, Spring Hill, 3	14
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Dunn, 8	8
Ralley, Simms, 11	12
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L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
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SECOND ROUND	
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Elm City, Hornes, 3	21
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May	
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Kenly, Buckhorn, 11	12
Walstonburg, 7:30	12
Farmville, 7:30	14
Stantonsburg, 7:30	15
Weldon, 11	19
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Roanoke Rapids, 7:30	19

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SECOND ROUND	
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Tabor City, Rethel, 3	14
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Lumberton Ct. (place to be announced), 11	21
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Swansboro, Swansboro, night	5
Clinton, 11	12
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J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
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SECOND ROUND	
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May	
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E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
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SECOND ROUND	
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L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
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SECOND ROUND	
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Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30	17
Oak Ridge, 11	21
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May	
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HIGH POINT DISTRICT

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MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Carnett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.
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THIRD ROUND	
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Avery, Fairview, 3	14
Livville Falls, Altamont, 7:30	14
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Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3	21
May	
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Glen Alpine, 7:30	5
Bostic, Salem, 11	12
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Spindale, 7:30	12
McDowell, Trinity, 11	19
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Charles N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

SECOND ROUND	
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Woodleaf, Gay's Chapel, 3	14
Kerr Street, Kerr Street, 7:30	14
E. Spencer-Yadkin, E. Spencer, 7:30	14
China Grove, China Grove, 7:30	14
Coburn Memorial, Coburn Memorial, 7:30	14
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Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 3	21
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John Hoyto, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.
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SECOND ROUND	
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Whitnel, Shiloh, 3	21
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May	
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Taylorsville, Marvin, 3	12
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IN MEMORIAM

RUSSELL—David Samuel Russell, 83, pioneer resident who was largely instrumental in the building of Andrews, died after an illness of several months March 19, 1940.

This pioneer citizen had many widely diversified occupations, including farming, the mercantile business, the private study of law, hotel owner and manager, commercial traveler, and real estate and insurance broker.

When Andrews was incorporated in 1906, Mr. Russell was its first mayor. He was elected to several terms after that.

He was born in Carteret county, June 4, 1856. On September 14, 1881, he married Miss Hattie Blackwelder, who died here May 22, 1933. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1931.

He is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Luther Nicholson, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Edna Tatham of Andrews, Mrs. Carmon S. Johnson of Asheville, Mrs. Mary Barnes of Eugene, Oregon, and a son, J. Dillard Russell of Lynchburg, Va.

His funeral was held in Andrews Methodist church March 20 by Rev. G. N. Dulin, assisted by the other local pastors, and burial was in the Andrews cemetery. G. N. Dulin.

SETZER—On February 20, 1940, Mrs. John W. Setzer passed to her eternal home. Because of her going Littlejohn's church on the Lenoir circuit has lost one of its best beloved and most useful members. Sister Setzer was a faithful member of the Methodist church from early childhood. She loved her Lord, her church and her neighbors. She took special interest in her pastor and his family. She had also been a long time member of the woman's missionary society of her church. She loved with her heart, served with her hands, and also her means.

She was fortunate enough to marry a good man who was a good provider, so when he passed away 11 years ago he left his companion well provided for. She has gone from us, but before going she willed the sum of \$5000 to the Children's Home at Winston-Salem. She also left the home and farm to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Oliver, a young man and wife who have lived with her and tenderly cared for her in her declining years. We shall miss her here but hope to meet her in the Father's house above.

The Rev. J. W. Combs.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON
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plete triumph of evil in his own day, he held to faith in the love of God. And he would say to this generation, How much more ought you to believe, who have received the message of the Son of God, and heard him say from the cross, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do."—Christian Advocate.

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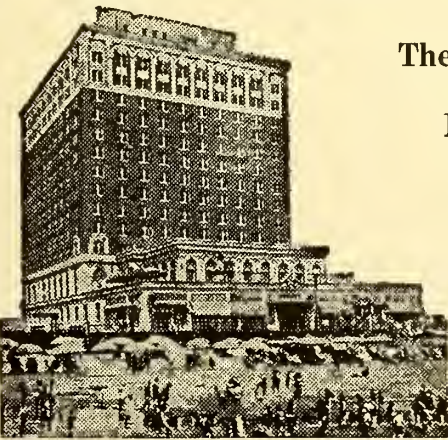
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PEGRAM—F. M. Pegram was born April 1, 1860, and was called home on November 20, 1939. On June 1, 1886, he was married to Mary E. Pegram. He leaves his life long companion and eight children to mourn their loss. In his young manhood he accepted Christ and connected with Bethel church on Flat Rock charge. He held various offices in the local church. He was always a leader in all the activities of his church. As he was faithful here over afew things, now he is ruler over many things. J. A. Burgess.

DILLINGHAM—Mrs. Sarah Jane Dillingham, 88, one of the oldest residents of Andrews and members of Andrews Methodist church, passed to her reward February 23, 1940. Her husband preceded her in 1932. She is survived by three sons and a daughter, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Having been the wife of an old time Methodist exhorter, she was a radiant and cheerful Christian. She lived a fine Christian life, a life of daily prayer. She suffered long, but cheerfully and patiently. The funeral was conducted by her pastor and her body laid to rest in the Andrews cemetery to await the resurrection of the just. G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

BULLOCK—Miss Mary Jane Bullock was born May 8, 1870. She lived a most useful life, serving faithfully in her home and in her church. When she was called to rest on February 22, 1940, Salem Methodist church lost one of its most loyal members.

Miss Bullock was one of the older children, and at the death of her mother she assumed the responsibility of caring for the younger members of her family. She discharged her duties in a spirit of kindness, and the sweet memory of her shall ever be cherished by her family and her friends. We are comforted by the thought that when the doors opened to admit her into the presence of her Lord she was greeted by her Master's "Well done."

The funeral service was conducted in the home by her pastor and interment was in the family cemetery. There was a lovely floral offering, and many friends and relatives attended.

J. C. Williams.

STRICKLAND — Funeral services were held Saturday at 3:30 p. m. from the Smithfield Methodist church for George B. Strickland, 67, who died early Friday morning in Parkview Hospital, Rocky Mount. Interment took place in the Smithfield cemetery with the Rev. Howard Powell, a cousin of the deceased and pastor of Dilworth Methodist church of Charlotte, officiating. He was assisted by Rev. Mr. Boone, pastor of the Smithfield church. Music was in charge of H. Grady Miller, brother-in-law of the deceased and director of music at the Centenary Methodist church of Winston-Salem. He was assisted by the local choir of Smithfield.

Mr. Strickland is survived by his mother, Mrs. R. L. Strickland; his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Anderson Strickland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Anderson; one daughter, Elizabeth Anderson Strickland, a member of the Murphy school faculty; one son, Franz M. Strickland of Asheboro. He also leaves six brothers and three sisters, W. B. of Dunn, M. R. of Benson, A. B. of Falcon, J. B. of Lake City S. C., N. B. of

Stonewall, M. B. of Smithfield, Mrs. Ellen Newell of Grantham, Mrs. Clarence Upchurch of Four Oaks.

The deceased is a son of Mrs. R. L. Strickland and the late Mr. Strickland of near Four Oaks in Johnston county. He has been twice married, his first wife being Miss Christine Miller of Asheboro, who died in 1907. He was educated at Turlington Institute in Smithfield and was a member of the class of 1902, University of N. C., and returned to teach at Turlington Institute. For 36 years Mr. Strickland was active in public education in North Carolina, being considered a pioneer in this service. At the time of his death he was principal of Cleveland school, Johnston county. He was also a devoted member of the Methodist faith since boyhood and held membership in the Odd Fellows lodge.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The board of stewards of the First Methodist church at a meeting thereof on March 5, 1940, appointed the undersigned committee to formulate resolutions reflecting the sentiment of the board with regard to the life of C. Lee Hege, which resolutions are as follows:

Brother Hege was a quiet, unassuming, kind-hearted Christian.

He never attempted to interfere with the business of others or with the life of others which would in any way do damage to anybody.

He was at all times and in all places the essence of politeness and affability.

He never spoke violently or unkindly about anyone else. He was a good man, a good husband and father, and a good Christian.

He came about as near being a model man in all the aspects of life as this community has ever seen.

We regret his departure from us, miss his companionship and his services to his church and Sunday school, in which he took a deep and abiding interest.

The sympathy of this board of stewards is extended to his family and friends in their great bereavement and loss.

J. Ray McCrary,
H. G. Allen,
W. F. Sparger.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the board of stewards of Tabernacle Methodist church, submit the following in honor of one of our beloved members, William S. Richardson, who joined Tabernacle church early in life. Brother Richardson served as chairman of the board of stewards for a number of years. His passing will be felt most keenly in this capacity. He lived for all the staunch and true ideals that go for the upbuilding of a community. He was faithful and loyal to his home and church. We are grateful for the inspiration of the faithful and kindly life.

Conscious of the fact that the church and its board of stewards have lost a loyal and highly respected member in the going of W. S. Richardson, be it resolved:

That the members of this board of stewards do hereby extend our sincere congratulations for his devoted life and our heartfelt sympathy to his brother.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, that a copy be spread upon the minutes of the church, and a copy be sent to the Biblical Recorder.

Board of Stewards: J. H. Brewer, G. R. Brewer, E. C. Howard, J. E. Riggan, Mrs. J. D. Yancey.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God to call into his celestial chorus our beloved friend, co-worker and choir director, Miss Jean Lawrence Clarke; and

Whereas, her radiant personality, beautiful voice, unfailing cheerfulness, and her outstanding ability, splendid leadership and unswerving devotion to duty will be sadly missed; and

Whereas, during her illness she set an unforgettable example for all who knew her by bearing the great burden of suffering without complaint and with unquenchable faith, hope, courage and Christian fortitude; therefore be it resolved:

That the board of stewards of Hawthorne Lane Methodist church unanimously desire to give expression to their profound sorrow over her passing; and be it further resolved:

That a copy of these resolutions be placed upon the minutes of the church, a copy be forwarded to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and that a copy be sent to the family with assurance of our deep love and abiding sympathy of the board of stewards.

H. B. Asbury,
L. W. Beaty,
J. R. Smith.

Adopted unanimously by the board of stewards of Hawthorne Lane church, Charlotte, in its meeting March 4, 1940. Charles H. Litaker, Sec.

STRICKLAND — The Smithfield Methodist church was crowded on Saturday afternoon, February 17, for the funeral of Mr. George B. Strickland, whose spirit the Father of us all had received to himself on Friday morning, February 16. Among those present were a number of his students of the yesterdays; while those of more recent years shared with them a sense of deep appreciation for one of God's gentlemen whose life had influenced them beneficially.

Mr. Strickland was a teacher. Like the Master Teacher, he was an impressive example of the content of his teaching. Evidenced by those who spoke of his impressively beautiful life one could easily see how fine it is for one to live through the years in touch with the higher things of life.

In his home, in the school room, and in the business and professional world Mr. Strickland lived a life of unspotted integrity. He has left to those who loved and respected him an influence for good which cannot be too widely recognized. This should keep us busy for the rest of our days doing what he taught by precept and example to be the Master's way of life.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On February 20, 1940, the gentle spirit of Mrs. W. M. Perry slipped away to be with her Maker, leaving a devoted family and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her passing. Her interest and devotion were indicative of a deep-rooted, genuine Christian character, so we of the Mary Moose Missionary Society of Brown's Chapel church do resolve:

That in Mrs. Perry's death we have lost a valuable member, but we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

That we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family and commend her life to you as an example of Christian fortitude and faithfulness.

That a copy of these resolutions be inscribed on our records, a copy sent to the family and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. R. G. Perry,
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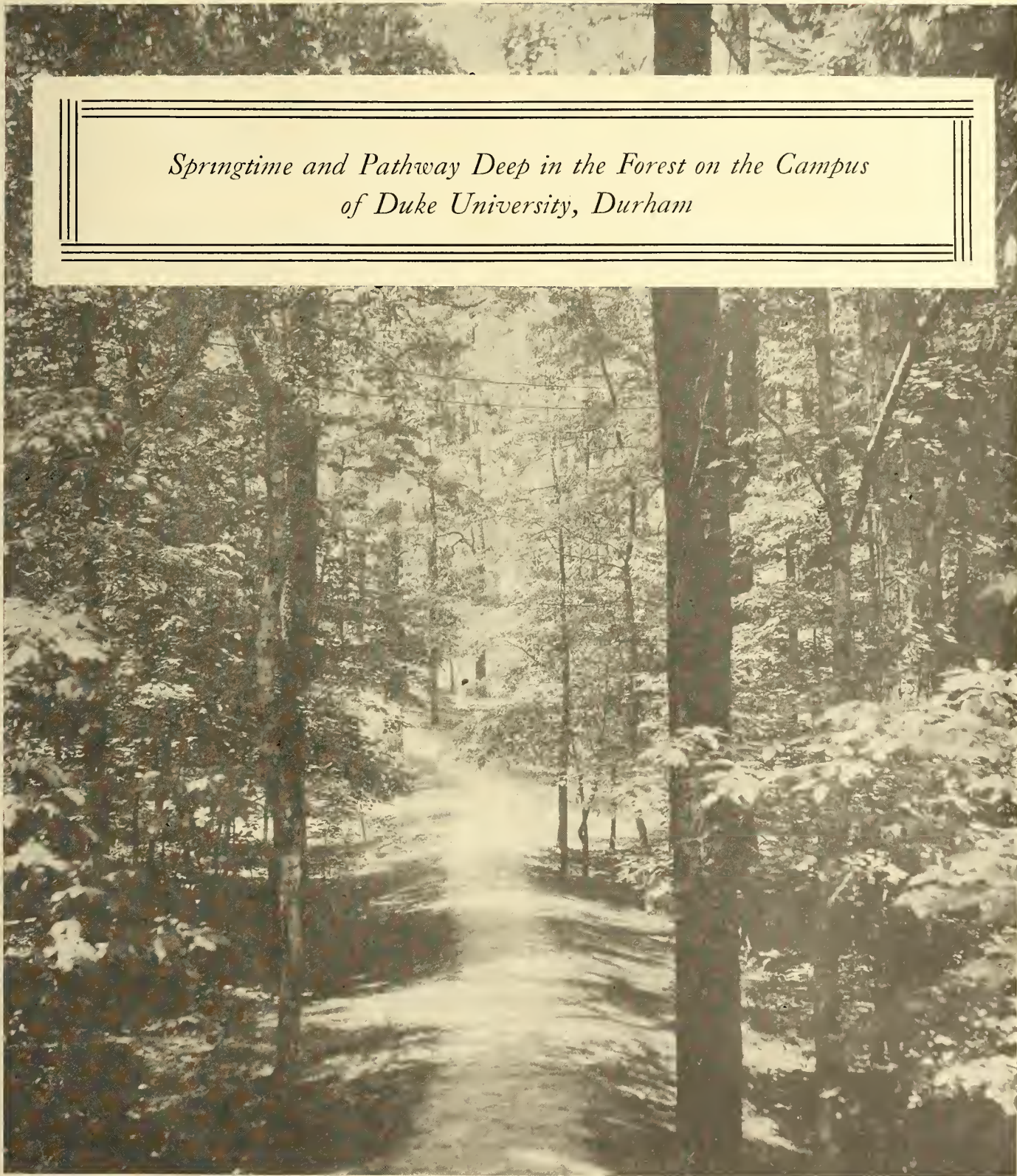
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Are we ready to follow our bishops as they lead in our Methodist Advance in North Carolina? Who will make reply? The records will ultimately tell the story.

MEETING OF UNUSUAL INTEREST AT GRACE CHURCH, GREENSBORO

The eleventh annual meeting of the North Carolina Branch of Women's Work of the former Methodist Protestant Church met in Grace Methodist church, Greensboro, April 16-17. The sessions were largely attended and many subjects of interest discussed.

The general subject was "Widening Horizons." Among those present on the program was Mrs. R. M. Andrews, president of the society, who on Tuesday morning delivered the president's address. One of the speakers Tuesday afternoon was Miss Naomi Howie, returned missionary from China. Another prominent speaker was Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College.

Tuesday evening a play, "The Color Line," was a feature of the session. It was directed by Mrs. E. A. Lamb, secretary of young people's work.

Dr. A. G. Dixon and Mrs. W. C. Hammer were among the prominent speakers of Wednesday morning. After two busy days the meeting closed Wednesday afternoon.

RALEIGH DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Raleigh district conference met in Benson Thursday, April 11, for a one day session. Rev. H. I. Glass, serving his first year as the district superintendent, was in the chair and directed the affairs of the conference so that an unusual

amount of business was transacted before the day was over.

Following a carefully planned program, the conference presented every phase of the church program and gave emphasis to a well balanced church life. Committees did their work well so that the reports on Christian education, missions, evangelism, stewardship, young people's work, and temperance and social service were to the point and were well received. Representatives of the church and conference institutions spoke to the reports after the committee chairmen had presented them.

The conference theme was "The Methodist Advance in Every Church," and the worship services led by Rev. B. F. Boone, Rev. T. J. Whitehead, and a group of children from the Methodist Orphanage contributed to a spiritual emphasis that was apparent to all who were present.

During the layman's hour in the afternoon Mr. A. M. Noble, who was re-elected district lay leader, presided and called attention to the program of the conference board of lay activities. Mr. O. A. Oaks of Weldon spoke on Christian stewardship and Prof. F. S. Aldridge of Duke University spoke on the Golden Cross.

The church at Benson was crowded for the conference. Every pastor in the district, which includes 38 churches, was present and many of the charges had full delegations.

At the noon hour a barbecue luncheon was served in the Benson Community House, and this along with many other courtesies called attention to the splendid hospitality of Rev. H. A. Chester and the people of Benson church and community.

Leon Russell, Secretary.

PFEIFFER JUNIOR COLLEGE, ALBEMARLE, RECEIVES \$150,000 FROM MRS. PFEIFFER

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer of New York City has given Pfeiffer Junior College at Misenheimer an additional endowment of \$150,000.

The gift brings the total endowment of the college up to \$175,000, a gift of \$25,000 having been made by Mr. and Mrs. Pfeiffer two years ago. Income from the recent endowment, we are informed, will be used exclusively for teacher salaries and administrative expenses.

Through the benefactions of the Pfeiffers, college authorities have been able to erect new dormitories, an administration building, a president's home and dining hall, involving the expenditure of approximately \$500,000.

Pfeiffer College is provided with an adequate physical equipment, but was in need of enlarged endowment. This is a timely gift and will serve toward making it a great junior college.

REV. D. A. PETTY TOPS THIS WEEK

Twenty-two and a half new subscribers and a check for \$42 puts Rev. D. A. Petty, pastor of the Brooksdale charge, at the top in this week's Advocate campaign reports. The board of stewards is 100 per cent in the Advocate campaign. Good for this alert pastor and good for Brooksdale. Who will lead the parade next week?

NEW ADVOCATE SUBSCRIBERS

Many of the pastors and some of the district superintendents are giving due attention to the interests of the church paper and with gratifying results. Page 12 of this issue of the paper becomes an interesting study. Look it over and see what you get out of it.

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With more than 600 of the youth of North Carolina in Greensboro this week in their annual music festival, one is impressed with the fact that one of the fine arts is not being neglected in the Old North State. These boys and girls from every section of North Carolina gather at the Woman's College for all sorts of contests in vocal and instrumental music. They are fine representatives of our schools.

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The Christian religion does not rely upon its age. Twenty centuries or forty centuries of history are the same with the Christ. The pristine glory of our faith was in the first century when Pentecost with flaming tongues marked a new era in religion and when apostolic men were turning the world upside down. In those ever memorable and incomparable days it was not an old religion, but a new religion. And to be successful in its world task our faith must ever be young and march forward over the hills of the morning. Not death but life is the big word in Christianity. As one has well said: "Christianity has died many times and risen again; for it had a God who knew the way out of the grave."

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"And Hezekiah commanded to offer the burnt offering upon the altar. And when the burnt offering began, the song of the Lord began" (2 Chron. xxix:27). Sacrifice and song go together. Sacrificial service sets the joy bells to ringing in the hearts of men and amid the arches of heaven. Crosses and crowns are necessarily related in God's universe. An ancient Jewish altar with the bleeding and burning sacrifice amid the melodies of some sacred song becomes a parable with its lesson to every generation. It would teach the slave a song and the child of toil to be glad. For the cross has become a symbol of victory.

"In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time."

"While the bairn lived they could na gie him bread. When he deed, they could gie him a stane!" This was the exclamation of "Bobbie Burns' mother when she looked upon the monument which had been erected to the memory of Scotland's great bard. Too often has this story been repeated in the lives of poets and prophets. While living they are "destitute, afflicted, tormented," but when dead tombs and monuments become memorials to their names.

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The cave man in the castle and the cloister explains why brutality has stalked across the stage of history with its so-called civilization which bore a veneer of culture, but was really savage to the core. War with all its trappings among those who profess to be civilized and enlightened is but an exchange of the machine gun for the club and the adoption of the law of the jungle which is enforced by tooth and claw, for reason and justice which alone govern civilized peoples. Only when the nations learn war no more can they lay claim to being truly civilized. There are no Christian wars and never have been.

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Coach Wallace Wade speaking to the father-son banquet in Thomasville last Tuesday evening, pointed out that for a boy to achieve something worth while, ambition, character and intelligence are necessary. "The accomplishments are measured by the goal you set," he declared. "Most students in school make the grades they want to make. In football we try to persuade our boys to set out to be the best players anywhere. I believe the same is true in life. After the goal is set it must be followed up with character. Character is the quality in a man or boy that makes it possible for him to do something he wants to do, but which is very hard for him to do. In most cases the boy who is the best player is the one who tried the hardest to be the best player."

Joy of Getting and of Giving

LIFE is a struggle—prior to birth and on to the finish. The “shell shocked” of earth are those unable to face the sore ordeals and harsh demands in life’s struggles. Such persons are not able to make it out in the world. For the more favored, normally endowed and healthy, life becomes a joy in the midst of activities on the journey. Then work is not looked upon as a curse—it is of God and counted a blessing. “My Father worketh hitherto, and I work.”

Those who follow the line of least resistance are courting failure. Not thus does development come; for such the joy of conquest is a stranger. The athlete travels another road in making ready to down one on first or to knock a homer. Long hours of struggle make possible victory on diamond or gridiron. The same is true of the artist and the artisan. Back of the achievements of successful life lie long lines of stress and struggle and suffering. The old mother with years of care and sacrifices for her children makes possible the sweet comfort and jubilant joy she finds in her grandchildren.

Pathological investigation has given work a larger place in therapeutics. Work is good for both body and mind. Life is not a hand-out; for all valuable achievements are to come in a realm of active conquest. The giving of a cup of cold water has two values: (a) the act of giving; (b) the water. So to give is more blessed than to receive. Not quite so selfish is it as is the receiving of gifts.

Most rich men and women, even when they are willing to leave large blocks of their estates to education and other charities, fail to get the joy out of life they might. For much of life’s joy comes from a realization of the achievements of the day’s labor. So with the athlete, the artist, the benefactor. Too often the rich fail to make their gifts in life so as to see something of the results to accrue. Instead, they put their bequests in their wills. Often the government gets more than half of the benefaction instead of the school, the hospital or what not. All such refuse to let go until the “silken cord is loosed.”

A life long friend of Mr. Washington Duke, late in life, remarked to Mr. Duke: “It must be a great joy to you to see the good you are able to do with your money.” Think of the joy that is coming to Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer who has done

so much for Bennett College in Greensboro, for Pfeiffer College in Stanly county, and for the many schools throughout our Southland, not to make mention of the money she has given to good causes in mission fields all around the world. She is now able to watch the progress that is coming to the objects of her benefaction.

There is real joy for many in accumulating. But many become so taken up with this they fail to get the higher joy out of giving—yea, out of living. Personally, we have ever rejoiced in having a job and the physical and mental ability to go about the work, but even better than this is the joy of giving the best we have to others.

Conferences in Methodism

THE Methodists are one people organized as a church with the annual conference as the fundamental unit of the Methodist organization. The General Conference and the six Jurisdictional conferences of the united Methodist Church are composed of delegates duly elected by the annual conferences under certain prescribed provisions. These came in with the first delegated General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1808. They have continued until this day, undergoing needed changes that naturally came with the growth and development of Methodism.

The first General Conference of the Methodist Church assembles April 24, 1940, in Atlantic City. The Jurisdictional conferences will assemble the weeks following the adjournment of the General Conference, the Southeastern assembling in Asheville, May 22, 1940. Speaking generally, the General Conference is the legislative body; the Jurisdictional is the elective body. The election of bishops, the election of members of the general boards and of the general commissions belong to each of the several jurisdictions. This provision gives assurance that the Council of Bishops, the personnel of the boards and commissions will come from all sections of the church, duly selected by the representatives of the annual conferences rather than to be appointed by the Council of Bishops or by committees on nomination.

It will be well for the delegates to have a care that this balance is preserved between the General Conference and jurisdictions. This will make for the national unity and also for the local autonomy that abides in the annual conference. In this way the episcopacy is made

secure and the membership of the general boards properly distributed. For the old and persistent tendency of Methodism is to put too many appointments into the hands of the bishops. Guard this as we may the Council of Bishops will be able to name a plenty. Have a care to exalt the annual conference and thus to make secure the rights of delegates elected to the General and Jurisdictional conferences.

Future of the Methodist Press

CERTAIN views cherished:

1. All hold that American Methodism would do well to have one great weekly.

Division arises as to the type of journal this should be.

2. Some hold that along with this one weekly, there should be a jurisdictional paper confined to each jurisdiction.

3. Others hold that the annual conferences in each jurisdiction should control the local or regional papers of the church, since the conference is the unit of Methodism.

Our own view is that the General Conference should permit each jurisdiction to determine for itself whether it will have one paper or a number of papers under the control of the annual conferences.

The situation is so different that no general rule will fit each jurisdiction. To illustrate: The Western Jurisdiction which covers most of the western half of our church has but few more Methodists than does North Carolina with its 340,000 members in this Southeastern with its two million Methodists. Conserving the local autonomy is of utmost importance in a nation wide church. This is of supreme concern for the newspaper.

Not fewer but better papers—properly supervised and supported by the boards of the church in return for service rendered—is the urgent need of Methodism. Efforts at consolidation of papers usually means a funeral rather than a marriage. For with the union of two papers comes a big loss from former subscription lists. To subsidize a few papers and thereby doom the local papers to starvation would be a suicidal policy for Methodism. This would breed discontent in many sections of our church and also fail to meet the local demands for church news. A broad liberal policy with due consideration of local needs is the one demand that must be met.

Jesus, a Sacrificial Brother

ROMAN CATHOLICISM has put its earthly representative of Jesus Christ to dwell as a recluse in the Vatican. The papal throne is his seat of power and the papal robes are his garments of state, and devoted, though deluded, disciples make obeisance to him by kissing his feet.

But none of this is truly representative of the Nazarene. The symbol of Christianity is not a throne, nor vestment, nor even an altar. Christianity's symbol is a cross, a rugged cross, and the place of power is not in the gardens of the Vatican where dwell pretended infallibility, but on Mount Calvary and at the empty tomb. We find Christ, our brother, not apart from men in regal state, but in the midst of men he is really and truly a friend and brother and Saviour.

Eloquently has Dr. James I. Vance declared: "He is still to be found amid the simple and homely and rugged scenes of our common humanity. If you would find him, seek him not so much in the galleries of art, not so much in the palaces of power and pomp, not so much in vast cathedrals, whose stepped silence and Gothic splendors cast a spell on the senses. Seek him, rather, in some carpenter's shop, on some humble street, in some fisherman's boat, where men worn with fruitless toil long for a better day. Seek him beside some well where waits a thirsty heart. Seek him where there are little children who need a friend, and sick people who need a physician, and burden-bearers who cry for rest. Seek him where there are souls to comfort."

Holiness of the Right Sort

THE Virginia Advocate last week carried the following:

"The other day the Advocate received a letter from a lady who said that she had been going to church (a Holiness church, by the way), and the preacher said that all Christian people should pay their bills. She said that she recalled receiving the Advocate for one year about 1931 or 1932 and had never paid for it. The matter was getting on her conscience so she sent us \$1.50."

This was in Virginia. Why not some of the same sort of holiness preaching in North Carolina?

❖ People and Things ❖

News and Observer readers of recent issues of that paper are doubtless convinced that Mayor Tom Cooper of Wilmington should not be in politics. He belongs to the platform of a first class humorist.

Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, Dr. John C. Glenn, minister, during the Easter season received 80 new members. Since December 1, 136 members have been received into the church. The Sunday evening services are largely attended. The Sunday morning services overflow the church.

Dr. L. R. Akers, pastor of the First Methodist church, Bedford, Ohio, and contributor of that interesting column, "Whittlings" to this Advocate, writes: "I received 72 new members on Easter Sunday, making a total of 232 new members within the past 18 months; baptized 32. Special offering almost \$1000."

On last Sunday evening a junior Epworth League was organized at the Methodist church, Williamston, by Mrs. S. J. Starnes. Twelve members were enrolled. This organization is to provide for the group who are not old enough to be enlisted in the regular league. Meetings will be held each Sunday evening at the same time the regular league meets, which is 7:15.

Since conference we have received a total of 33 into the church, 17 of them by certificate and 16 on profession of faith. Benevolences, paid 57.8 per cent; Children's Home apportionment, paid 60 per cent. Approximately 30 per cent gain in Sunday school enrollment in Boger City church, with a corresponding gain in attendance. The Methodist Advance is on.—E. L. Kirk.

At Louisburg Methodist church a very successful spring revival was conducted the second week after Easter. Rev. H. I. Glass, Raleigh district superintendent, did a fine job as visiting preacher and leader in his first evangelistic meeting as superintendent of the district. Twelve members have been received on profession of faith and 11 by certificate. Through the co-operation of Dr. Walter Patten and the college, the meeting was carried effectively to the college group, as well as to the local church. Two of those received on profession of faith were students in the college, one from Massachusetts and one from eastern North Carolina.

Eighteen months ago I retired from the active ministry—43 years invested in a great calling—no regrets but great joy; 18 months learning the retired way; 15 months caring for and nursing beloved wife in our little home at Norfolk, who went home 1-14-40. Hard blow, but sustained by an unseen hand. Son came by plane from Los Angeles for the funeral. Two busy weeks disposing of library and other belongings other than what could be packed in automobile, and six days driving put us in Los Angeles, where I found a delightful home prepared for me. I am still amazed at the goodness of the Lord. New jobs at hand and a kingdom project—enough to keep me busy.—John W. Harrell.

Work is to begin this week on the new parsonage at Williamston. Material is already on the ground, and it is hoped the building will be completed within the next three months. A modern seven-room building will be erected and will, when completed, be one of the best parsonage homes in the conference. The pastor has been active in this enterprise since conference and has met with a fine response. More than two-thirds of the benevolences have been raised and the revival meeting is scheduled to begin the first Sunday in May. A mid-week prayer meeting has been started with an average attendance of around 30 each week. Each member of the board of stewards also receives the Advocate.

Rev. and Mrs. D. M. Sharpe of Mount Gilead announce the engagement of their daughter Frances to Vergil Erwin Queen of Morganton. Miss Sharpe is a member of the faculty of Roanoke Rapids public schools. Mr. Queen is pastor of Carrboro charge Methodist church. The wedding will take place in June in Duke University Chapel.

Dr. Parrot R. Hardee of Durham, the father of Rev. R. M. Hardee, pastor of Glenwood Methodist church, Greensboro, died in a Durham hospital last Sunday. For over 50 years he had been a practicing physician in Granville county. He retired from active practice three years ago. The funeral services were held Monday afternoon in Calvary Methodist church, Durham. Rev. Ed Earnhardt, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. Belton Holton of Fairmont, conducted the services. Interment was in Maplewood cemetery, Durham.

At the second quarterly conference of the Skyland charge a committee was appointed, with W. S. Burge as chairman, to begin work toward raising funds and selecting plans for the building of a parsonage for the charge. A lot for the parsonage has been given by Mrs. W. E. Poteat adjoining the church property at Fletcher. The Epworth League of the Fletcher church reported that it had completed fitting a room in the basement of the church for meetings and recreations. The Lorena Kelly circle of that church has made plans for redecorating the interior of the auditorium and Sunday school rooms.

In St. Paul church, at Vine street and 12th in Greensboro, we have just completed a two weeks' campaign for souls. Rev. Jordan Carter from Wilmore, Ky., was here to help with the preaching. We had the real old time gospel preaching, for which there goes out such a broad cry. All who were able to attend the meetings were certainly justly rewarded for their efforts. The messages were divinely inspired and came sincerely from the heart of the man of God. As for visible results we may not have realized so much, but we are all confident that the effects of the revival will be felt in the hearts of people on down through the years. The work of the church is going on nicely. We have had some sickness among our people. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie A. Wilson and three girls met with a serious automobile accident Easter Sunday. We are glad to report, however, that they are improving.—Reporter.

Rev. E. O. Peeler of Concord presided over my second quarterly conference at Midway at two o'clock yesterday afternoon, April 14. It proved to be one of the best quarterly conferences we have had at Midway since the W. N. C. conference sent me here as pastor almost 18 months ago. All items of our church budget were paid in full for half of our present conference year. The reports of all phases of the church program were very encouraging. We have 12 new tithers and at the present time about one-fourth of our members are tithers. The membership has almost doubled in numbers since October, 1938. At that time there were about 220 members on the church register at Midway. Last conference year, 1938-39, 83 united on profession of faith in Jesus Christ and 57 came by church certificate, making the total additions for the conference year of 140 new members and a net gain of 131. This conference year we have received 50 new members—39 on profession of faith and 11 by certificate. I have now the names of three more, who have been saved and desire to take the church vows at an early date, and also the names of two fine young people who were reclaimed in the evening service last night and have requested me to write for their church certificates. God is with us!—W. C. Dutton, Pastor.

Brother, Why Not Give One Solid Hour When at Your Very Best for Your Church Paper?

Grace church, Greensboro, received 20 persons into membership on Palm Sunday, thus bringing the total to 34 for the conference year, which is a ten per cent increase. Our 49th anniversary will be observed with a fellowship banquet on Friday night, May 3, and appropriate services on Sunday morning, May 5.—J. Elwood Carrol, Pastor.

The Forest Hill church bulletin says that Forest Hill church leads. Here is the story: "A report of the treasurer of the W. N. C. conference, Rev. E. O. Cole, as of April 1 shows that Forest Hill leads the Salisbury district in the amount paid to date on the benevolences. We have every right to feel proud of this splendid financial showing. Are you one who has helped in this? You are missing a genuine blessing if you have not signed a pledge card and are not contributing regularly to the church budget."

Once more the good people of Newport have put my wife and me under lasting obligations. During my recent illness of pneumonia they seemingly vied with one another in interest and ministration. There was hardly a wish but they anticipated and answered. From Brother Boggs, our "sky pilot," to Dr. Mason, our beloved physician, who painstakingly watched by my bedside, and also the nurse who kept the midnight vigil, we are under everlasting obligations. I would like to name all the rest but space will not permit. Newport people are noted for their ministrations to the sick and afflicted. I believe that some sweet day they will hear the Master say, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me. Enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." I'm inclined to think of Newport citizenry as Tennyson expressed in one of his characters: "I remember one who perished, Sweetly did she speak and move; Such an one as I remember, Whom to look at was to love." In this spirit of thankfulness may I paraphrase Psalm 137:5-6: "If I forget thee, Newport, let my right hand forget her cunning. If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth." Let me offer this little prayer of Tiny Tim: "God bless you every one." Many thanks to all.—F. E. Dixon.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

The Greensboro College Players will present their last production of this season on April 20 and 21 at 8:15 in Odell Memorial auditorium. The play, *Midsummer Night's Dream*, by William Shakespeare, promises to be an absolute spectacle of beauty. Tickets may be obtained by writing or calling Miss Carrie Lupton, Greensboro College, 2-1171.

The department of home economics held its annual fashion show Monday night, April 15, from 7 to 8 o'clock in Main building. Over half the costumes shown have been made from material designed and woven by students at the State College school of of textiles. They will be entered in the fashion show in Raleigh next week. Miss Frances Coleman, associate in the department of home economics, supervised the making of clothes in the fashion show.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president, attended the Southern Association of Colleges conference in Atlanta, Ga., last week.

Miss Carolyn Smith of Goldsboro and Miss Grace Osborne Clayton of Roxboro have been elected editor and business manager, respectively, of the Greensboro College Handbook. This publication contains a section for each organization on the campus, rules and regulations for the four classes, and school songs.

Miss Ruth Slocumb of Goldsboro and Miss Frances McColl of Albemarle have been elected presidents of the two societies at Greensboro College for the incoming year. Miss Slocumb will serve as president of the Emerson Society, and Miss McColl president of the Irving Society.

Other Emerson officers include: Vice president, Miss Mary Jon Thomas, Jonesboro; recording secretary, Grace Osborne Clayton, Roxboro; corresponding secretary, Mary Hester Austin, Roxboro; treasurer, Hilda Way, Waynesville; censor, Anna Rue Hauser, Mt. Airy; critic, Virginia Bowden, New Haven, Conn.; pianist, Frances Kelly, Mt. Airy; marshals, Martha Cline, Concord; Jackie Hardin, Boone; Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury; Ruth Fowler, Winston-Salem; Wilma Wall, Thomasville.

Irving officers include: Vice president, Miss Katherine Thompson, Aurora; secretary, Carolyn Stansel, Maxton; treasurer, Virginia Boren, Greensboro; critic, Rosemay Reed, Greensboro; censor, Catherine Gibson, Gibson; chaplain, Helen Cunningham, Greensboro; pianist, Mary Noble Angel, Winston-Salem; marshals, Misses Frances Hallum, Rockingham; Margaret Skinner, New Bern; Alice Kennedy, Kingston; Lamar Spencer, Carthage; Betty Gray Best, Goldsboro; Jean Rook, Bethel.

LAST SUNDAY ON THE ASHEBORO CIRCUIT

The textile industry in North Carolina began in good earnest about the beginning of the present century forty years ago. But before that date there had been a line of cotton mills with the consequent mill community on Deep River in Randolph county. These were Randleman, Worthville, Central Falls, Cedar Falls, Franklinville, Ramseur and Coleridge, all within a few miles of each other. All these mills continue to this day and are up to date textile plants.

Central Falls and Cedar Falls are among the smaller of these Deep River communities. I was in Central Falls at 10 o'clock and Cedar Falls at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Brother J. O. Cox and his people at Central Falls are pushing to completion a practically new church. The old church has been jacked up and enlarged, with the addition of a Sunday school department with seven rooms in the rear and a big assembly and dining hall under the church auditorium. The entire building is brick veneered and the memorial windows in the church auditorium will be quite attractive and the new church will serve every need of the community for many years.

Methodist union at Cedar Falls is now in process with its completion in sight. The church schools are already united. Preaching services were held the first three months of this conference year in the former M. E. Church, South, and at present these services are in the former Methodist Protestant Church. A revival meeting is to begin the fourth Sunday in this month, Dr. R. A. Taylor, district superintendent, preaching. This will probably conclude the union. From what I was able to gather it appears that they will sell the former M. E. Church, South, and enlarge the former Methodist Protestant church, in order to make adequate provision for the united church.

I greatly enjoyed the noon hour at the parsonage. Mrs. Cox is a delightful hostess and very graciously provides for her guests. Brother Cox is greatly interested in his work and evidences of progress appear at all the churches. At 2:30 in the afternoon it was my privilege to preach for Brother Cox at West Chapel, a church I have known since the long ago when a pastor at Asheboro. West Chapel is making progress as the years go by.

MRS. HENRY PFEIFFER AND PARTY VISIT BENNETT COLLEGE

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer, New York philanthropist and benefactor of Bennett College, together with a party of relatives and friends, visited the college two days this week, and expressed their appreciation for the forward looking program of education with which they were greeted.

Mrs. Pfeiffer, and her late husband, have together contributed \$460,000 to Bennett College for permanent improvements and endowment, which amount has been matched by the General Education Board of New York City.

Mrs. Pfeiffer and her party were welcomed to the city by Mayor Ralph Lewis and Mr. John S. Patterson, secretary of the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce, and to the Bennett College campus by Dean Pritchett A. Klugh, in behalf of the faculty, and by Miss Bessie Bullock, a senior of Henderson, on behalf of the student body. Mrs. Garfield D. Merner, niece of Mrs. Pfeiffer of San Mateo, California, responded to the welcome addresses saying, "We are all weavers," as she likened the work of Bennett College to design, color, pattern and workmanship which go into the construction of an intricately woven garment.

Wanted—A good church bell. Anyone having such for sale write size, condition and weight to W. F. Beadle, Canton, N. C.

Washington Observations

By JOSEPH SIMPSON PAYTON

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Survival of the Fittest

Just now when the chief concern of all congressmen and a third of our senators is how to survive the coming elections, a glance at the career of Morris Sheppard, veteran senator of Texas, is interesting. Among the 531 lawmakers on Capitol Hill he has been there longest, having succeeded his father in the House in 1902, and Senator Joseph W. Bailey in the Senate in 1913. Although Senator Sheppard's term does not expire until 1942 he has already announced that he will run for re-election, prompted by an ambition "to break the all-American record for length of service in Congress." If re-elected and alive in 1948, at 72 years of age he will have advanced several milestones beyond those passed by his nearest contenders.

As a mere endurance test the ambition of the Texas senator is interesting. To have met all comers across the space of two score years and still retain a strong grasp upon the prize, and to have outridden the passing political storms that have swept some men into office and others into oblivion, are strong evidences of superior hardihood and wisdom. The most interesting feature of the career of Senator Sheppard is that it gives the lie to the claim that no member of Congress can be an out-and-out advocate of prohibition without succumbing to the death blow of the liquor interests. The truth is that in his many senatorial campaigns the candidate from the Lone Star State has never been caught on a platform supported by beer kegs, or reeking with gin, and he has been among the most uncompromising focs of the rotten wet plank which his party slipped into its platform in 1932.

A Texan Unafraid

As evidence of this, one needs only to refer to the addresses he has delivered before the Senate on each recurring anniversary of the enactment of the Eighteenth Amendment, legislation which he framed, fought for and of whose parentage he is still proud. It will be recalled that on January 16 he observed the twentieth anniversary of the amendment by pronouncing a withering indictment against repeal in which he pointed out that there are now 400,000 drinking places in America as compared with 200,000 in 1936. Not only has the number doubled in four years, but as it moves towards the half-million mark, it contrasts ominously with the 177,791 saloons before national prohibition. And as for the elimination of the bootleggers, a plea for which the optical brine of the repealers once flowed freely, Senator Sheppard quoted figures from Wesley A. Sturges, director of the Distilled Spirits Institute, a high sounding title of distiller-financed organization to increase and insure sales of its wares of slow poison. Although the Institute, headed by an ex-Harvard pundit, has donned the robes of reform, underneath is the same old attire taken from the trade's ample wardrobe of wickedness. Quoting the director's figures and those of the Bureau of Internal Revenue for 1939, Senator Sheppard revealed the government's failure to eliminate the bootleggers by showing that the 284 "legal distillers have 28,400 illegal competitors."

Nor did the senator from Texas fail to show how the moonshiners had set up shop, and bilked the government out of revenue in President Roosevelt's own beloved country. He said: "A smaller gang was found guilty of defrauding the United States government of two and a half million dollars in taxes through the operation of eleven illicit liquor stills in Dutchess county, N. Y." Declaring that "What alcohol needs is another torpedo from the good ship Constitution of the United States," Senator Sheppard concluded with this parting broadside: "We cannot continue to pour nearly 2,000,000,000 gallons of alcoholic drink ever year into the veins of our democracy and expect it to retain the vigor and efficiency so vitally needed in these critical times."

Across all the years of his political life Senator Sheppard has helped man the barricades of the dry forces. Following repeal when temperance workers seemed dazed, and dry sentiment dormant, the senator remained a warrior who never muffled the battle cry. And he has remained in the Senate. Long is the congressional casualty list of those who have sought to play safe on this issue which is again rising to a commanding position. It contains the names of pussy-footers, soft-peddlers, turn-coats, straddle-bugs and other victims who saw darkly through the mists of political expediency.

They Never Change

The tactics of the wets is the same. They have their lobbyists deployed as skirmishers here at the national capital and before all state legislatures, and like Hitler they are out for more territory. Here in the District of Columbia where there already appear to be more bars than bakeries they have moved up their line of grog shops, defying schools and churches, and at times the very government agencies

that one naturally would expect to heed the protests of educators, ministers and residents, have seemed arrayed on the side of the army of gin invaders. It is no exaggeration to say that Washington has literally been captured by the wets, or perhaps to speak more accurately, surrendered to them.

One of the most glaring inconsistencies of the two Roosevelt administrations is the planning, research, money, workers, and conscience it has employed to improve the home life and protect the children of America, while at the same time it has unleashed the rapacious liquor venders to prey upon these family circles with less restraint than has been exercised for generations. Judged from the manner in which encouragement has been withheld from the citizen who has sought to curb the free riding and ubiquitous gin dispensers, it would seem that America's forgotten man is the reformer.

WORDS OF APPRECIATION FROM BISHOP HUGHES

Just a word of appreciation from our Methodist Advance committee for the splendid co-operation and help given the Methodist Advance movement by the editors of our church press.

With few exceptions, the meetings held throughout the country were remarkably well attended. Except where extreme weather conditions interfered, the congregations packed the buildings in which the meetings took place. We feel sure that the publicity given by our church press was responsible for this to a marked degree.

The movement of necessity has been an inspirational one. The permanency of it lies in what will be done in the local churches. We trust it has caught the imagination of the people and that its effects will be shown in the work of our church.

Again we thank you for your hearty co-operation, and with every good wish for your paper, I am,

Edwin H. Hughes.

CHARITY AND CHILDREN SPEAKS OUT IN MEETING

The following clipping is from that good paper issued each week by the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, N.C.:

"Mr. Jim Farley has announced his candidacy for the nomination for President. That is about as far as he will go. Possibly he may be nominated but he will not be elected. It is hardly possible that President Roosevelt established diplomatic relations with the Church of Rome, contrary to the constitution of the United States, simply to block Mr. Farley. That is one thing he did. We do not know whether the President double-crossed Mr. Farley or the constitution. We have an idea he did both. The little that has been heard of that illegal act on the part of the President is nothing to what will be heard when the political pot begins to boil in earnest. If the Republican party does not cash in on that trick the President pulled, it is made up of a bunch of dumb-bells."

STATESVILLE MINISTERS' WIVES' ASSOCIATION

The Association of Ministers' Wives of the Statesville district had a luncheon meeting at the Race Street Methodist church hut Friday, March 29, with 25 ladies present. Wives of the ministers of Statesville were hostesses to the group.

Mrs. J. G. Winkler, president of the association, presided over the business session. A musical program included piano solos by Mrs. R. V. Martin of Harmony, voice selections by Mrs. R. F. Snider of Olin, with Mrs. Martin accompanying her. Luncheon was served in the hut and an hour of fellowship followed. Next regular meeting will be a family picnic during the summer. Mrs. F. H. Price, Sec.

F. E. HOWARD'S NEW PARSONAGE AT FARMER

Rev. F. E. Howard is the most versatile young pastor within my knowledge. If there is anything he cannot do, and do it well, I have never heard about it. His latest task has been erecting a preacher's home at Farmer, which is about the last word in parsonage building. It is located on the highway in the midst of a big new lawn of fertile soil freshly seeded, which in a few weeks will be as green as the proverbial meadow. In the rear of the house is a heavily wooded glen where at this season the dogwood reigns in regal beauty. At the foot of the hill is a spring of cold water that has been enclosed with terra cotta casings, and an electric moter has been installed to pump the water from the spring into the kitchen and the bathroom of the new parsonage. The control is automatic. As a result hot and cold water is on tap whenever desired. And the equipment of the kitchen is in every particular up to date. The same is true of the bathroom fixtures and the house is furnished throughout in the best of taste. In this respect it is strikingly different from a big majority of Methodist parsonages. This seven-room house has hardwood floors and the workmanship is first class. There is also a new garage and a new woodhouse, too, with wood enough already split to last till conference, according to Mr. Howard's estimate. Mrs. Howard says that during the extreme cold weather of the past winter none of the water pipes froze, which proves that the plumbing is satisfactory in this important respect as well as all other particulars. Best of all this property is free from debt.

But this is only one big job to place to the credit of F. E. Howard since he came to the Farmer charge 18 months ago. For a decade or more before his arrival this pastoral charge had been served most of the time by college students who lived in Durham and attempted to keep up their studies and at the same time serve a pastoral charge 75 miles distant. No one need be told that such a plan was marked for failure at one end of the line, and probably at both. The result was the Farmer charge had struck bottom. But the present pastor has wrought a revolution in one year and a half. We expect to find men now clamoring to be sent to this desirable pastoral charge.

BREVARD COLLEGE NOTES

One of the best programs ever to be given at Brevard College was presented this week by Mr. Roy E. Dickerson of Kansas City, Mo. Mr. Dickerson, who is an author, lecturer, and consultant in the field of mental hygiene and personality development, opened a new course of thinking to the student and faculty members of Brevard College through a Personality Guidance Week program.

Having wide experience with youth in councils, summer camps, and on college campuses, Mr. Dickerson was able to present his material to the young people in a most wholesome and competent manner. The speaker showed in a scientifically accurate, and yet popular approach, that an understanding of ourselves is the first requisite of personality development, during which we must become objective in our living.

Mr. Dickerson's series of lectures and discussion groups, supplemented his numerous personal conferences during his week's stay on the campus here have already proved a great help to the lives of the students. Mr. Dickerson is well known throughout the church for his work on the youth program at the Uniting Conference and his service with the International Council of Religious Education.

Student council officers and members were elected last week. As a result of the election Bill Greene of Crossnore is the new president of the council group. Other officers are vice president, Jack Donnell, Climax, and secretary-treasurer, Clara Brinkley of Charlotte. Representatives of the rising sophomore class are: Wayne Kernodle, Greensboro, who was chosen as president of the class; Max Hoyle, Charlotte; Bill Dunnagan, Yadkinville; Lillian Zachary, and Mildred Maxwell of Brevard. Three students to represent

the freshman class will be elected next fall after the beginning of school.

On Monday night the Brevard College Masquers presented over WWNC, Asheville, the one-act play, "Inquest." The play is one of the many written in Miss Craig's creative writing class and being contributed by Miss Elizabeth Yeates, a sophomore at the school. Members of the dramatic club taking part in the radio production of Miss Yeates' play were: Winfield Robertson, Charles Rector, James Rowe, Ralph Chambers, and Wayne Kernodle. Miss Lucile Smith, faculty adviser of the Masquers, directed the play, which was one of in a series of programs to be given over the Asheville station by the college.

GRIMESLAND CHURCH DEDICATED

The Grimesland Methodist church was dedicated in an impressive service on the evening of April 7 with Bishop William Walter Peele presiding.

Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent of the New Bern district, read the scripture and offered a prayer of supplication. He then introduced his life long friend, Bishop Peele, to the large congregation of people assembled from a wide area, extending from Washington to Wilson and from Rocky Mount to New Bern.

The dedication sermon was delivered by Bishop Peele on the text, "But we have this treasure in earthen vessels," found in 2 Cor. 4:7. Following the sermon the trustees, J. P. Wilson, J. J. Elks and J. H. Vlark, presented the church to Bishop Peele, who led the congregation in the dedication ritual.

The first building erected on the site of the present structure was known as Jones' Chapel, and was erected in the year 1835. It was a rough, board structure with a fireplace in one end and a pulpit in the other, and served the twofold purpose of a church and a free school. This old building survived the Civil War with little more damage than a few bullet holes and continued to serve the community until the year 1892.

In this year Mr. Joe J. Tucker gave the sum of \$500 for the construction of a new building. This building was dedicated by Rev. M. T. Plyler. This second building continued to serve as a meeting place of the Methodist people of Grimesland until the year 1928.

In this year the women of the missionary society succeeded in raising the initial \$500 toward the building of the present brick structure, which was completed in the following year under the ministry of Rev. W. B. Humble.

The pastors who have served the Grimesland church since 1929 are: Rev. W. B. Humble 1930; Rev. I. J. Strawbridge 1931-34; Rev. F. E. Dixon 1935; Rev. F. R. Davis 1936-37; Rev. W. A. Crow 1938-39.

Mrs. J. J. Lewis, the widow of the Rev. J. J. Lewis who served this church in 1923 lives in Grimesland and is an active member of the Grimesland church.

DR. J. L. STOKES AT MONROE

A series of daily services at Central Methodist church, Monroe, with Dr. J. L. Stokes, II, pastor of the Methodist church of Randleman, conducting, has been announced by Dr. Gilbert R. Combs, pastor of the local church. The series began Sunday evening, April 14. Two meetings will be held daily, one at 8:30 a. m. and the other at 7:30 p. m. The morning service will be one-half hour in length. Members of all congregations are invited to take part in the services. Dr. Combs said. Dr. Stokes is a member of a family which has long been actively engaged in church work, especially in the missionary field. He was born in Korea in 1908 and spent the major part of 18 years there. His parents are missionaries and are still in Korea after 33 years of service. He attended Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky., and later attended the Duke school of religion, where he was awarded a degree in 1932. The next four years he spent at Yale and in 1936 he received a Ph.D. degree in the field of Christian origins. At Yale he was a classmate of Rev. P. B. Upchurch of First Baptist church here.—The Monroe Enquirer.

LAY LEADER AND ASSOCIATE LAY LEADER APPOINTED

Subject to confirmation of the district conference, M. B. McEwen, High Point, has been appointed district lay leader for the High Point district, and Dr. P. L. Feezer of Southmont and W. F. Redding, Jr., of Asheboro, associate lay leaders. These, with the 33 charge lay leaders, constitute the district board of lay activities. The chairman and his associates are deeply interested and active. They have planned a supper meeting to be held in the Central Methodist church, Asheboro, Thursday, April 25. This get-together meeting will enable the brethren to get acquainted with each other and will provide an opportunity to talk over the program of the district conference and to get lined up for the general work of the district. We are expecting a great deal of efficient and effective work from our district board of lay activities.

S. W. Taylor, D.S.

Religion and the Family

By MASON CRUM

In the first place, some explanation should be made of the meaning of religion as it is related to family life. Religion, of course, finds expression in a wide variety of ways among different individuals and agencies. Our task at the moment is to give some definition to the meaning of religion as it is used in connection with courses of study related to marriage and family social relations. It may be best to begin in a negative way and state what this conception of religion is not. We do not mean sectarianism nor doctrinal statements nor creeds. When using the term religion in connection with family life we mean a renewal of interest in spiritual values; the cultivation of a sense of loyalty to the highest we know. We are not thinking in terms of diversity of belief or peculiarity of doctrine, but of that lowest common denominator of religion which is the common possession of the great masses of Americans—a belief in the superiority of the good life based upon the principles of the Christian ethic.

It appears that we are beginning to take the third step in the evolution of courses in the family. It seems to me that there are three steps represented in this evolution.

The first step gave attention merely to the history of the family. Well do I remember such a course in my college days. None of the immediate questions of youth were answered. Marriage was treated with cold dignity and little information.

The second step represents the stage in which we are now busily engaged—that of fact finding. All the facts have been laid bare and the mystery of sex, of marriage and the family dissipated. Students now discuss these matters with great freedom. I doubt not that the net result has been good. The rising tide of books and pamphlets in this field is amazing. Surely there is no lack of knowledge. If the youth of today do not establish better homes than their fathers, their neglect will constitute a strong indictment of the virtue of knowledge. Not only is there a growing body of factual knowledge by competent men and women who have a right to speak, but there is also the flood of popular articles appearing in magazines of various shades of excellence, constituting what may be termed the apocryphal writing in this field. They are perhaps the chief obstacles to enlightenment.

The third step in the evolution of courses in marriage and the family we are just beginning to take. Its emphasis will be interpretation. In this stage we shall not only present the facts but we shall try to give them meaning. It has been said, "Youth needs interpretations, inspirations and guidance which help individuals meet sex situations wholesomely and constructively." Knowledge is not all; there must be wisdom. Our educational progress is of doubtful value if we acquaint students merely with the facts of life. A youth may know all the facts and still be unwise, ungracious and unlovely. The wealth of knowledge so recently unearthed regarding the facts of marriage and the family must be so interpreted that it is directed to the highest values of life. It is important to remember that the task of education is not completed with the impartation of knowledges and skills, but must deal also with motives, attitudes and the will. I believe students would like to know those great principles of life

which make for noble living. This sort of guidance, I think, should accompany the facts.

The question naturally arises as to the difference between a course on "Religion and the Family" and one just on "The Family." There would, I believe, be little difference in the content of such courses. The main difference would be that of emphasis. In the former, more attention would be given to ideals and spiritual values. The teacher obviously would be the most important factor in such a course, granted the facts were all there. There can, of course, be no compromise in scholarship and the search for truth.

In my undergraduate course in Duke University we are using as a text Professor Groves' *The American Family*. Goodsell's *Problems of the Family* and other texts have been used in former years. For a few years we used no text at all, making use of library materials wholly. I believe, however, that for undergraduates the use of a textbook is advisable. It at least places in the hands of the student a concrete body of knowledge which he is expected to know thoroughly. It remains then for the teacher to supplement the course with other materials which will relate the facts of science to the highest goals of living.

It seems that we have come to a point in our teaching where it becomes more and more essential to lay emphasis upon the spiritual values of life. And, I do not feel that when we speak of spiritual values we are talking about something unreal; something that does not exist. Spiritual culture is as real as personality, and is the product of vital religion and a wholesome philosophy of life. It flourishes only where there is high purpose, and is a by-product of religious aspiration. There is always danger in a scientific age of losing our goals. "The first step toward building our new society," says Rufus M. Jones, "is in the direction of the recovery of a truer and more spiritual quality in the home. . . ." "A home penetrated with spiritual culture and spiritual ideals is the highest product of civilization."

But we ask, From whence comes this spiritual quality of life; what agency if any has been promoting it? Without doubt it is the product of Christian culture, including the Hebrew ethic, which has so profoundly affected the American life in the past. The best we have in America today can be traced directly to the influence of the Christian church. To be sure, there has arisen in this country another stream of culture which has been termed "secular idealism." This idealism is reflected in worthy institutions like the public schools, state supported colleges and universities, various idealistic youth organizations and a host of charity and benevolent agencies. But this so-called "secular idealism" is the child of the Christian Church. Its roots run deep into the stream of Christian culture and its life is dependent upon it. Unhappily this modern idealism has forgotten its parentage and sometimes even bites the hand that feeds it. Often youth is a little ashamed of the church and religion, forgetting that many of the good things of our present day culture are the direct product of the work of the church and the influence of religion.

(Continued next week)

LEADING THE SHEEP

By Ernest C. Durham

Fellow Shepherds, how are you getting along leading the sheep?

Are they all right up close to you, as one grand flock, each one pressing hard to get a little closer to you? And do they look like they are kind of smiling at you, expressing supreme appreciation of all you are and of all you seek to do for them?

Do they love to hear your voice when you call? And when you call, do they come running to see what you have for them, and to receive your directions as to what they should do next?

Or do they recognize your voice? When you call, do the sheep know that you are their shepherd?

Personally, if all my sheep hear my voice, it must not be very attractive to some of them, to say the least. For I have never seen them all together at one time after I called. I look far out across the fields sometimes when I call, and I notice two or three in one place, six or eight in another, and one now and then walking in back in the other direction altogether—completely away from the place to which I am calling the sheep to meet. As to the little groups I see out across the fields, their attitude seems to be: "Ah, shucks, if I go I won't get as good as I'm finding right here; why bother about it? That shepherd has some modern ideas about food that don't appeal to me one speck. In fact, he's got to where he talks more about giving your life away than he does about what sort of food he's going to serve."

And when the sheep hear that sort of challenge—the challenge for service and sacrifice—do they see in you, the shepherd, the great example of "the good shepherd giving his life for the sheep"?

That question rolls over and over in my mind, Am I really putting out for the sheep? Do I honestly love them? Do they just plumb know that I love them?

Here's another good question, Do I care a straw for the sheep I haven't seen in six months? Still another, Do I have one speck of concern for my sheep which I have never seen? Or could such a thing as that be possible in any shepherd's life?

Yes, two years ago I had two sheep in China, and certainly for a whole year I didn't see them. I also had some in New York and California. Just why they get off like that and still claim me for their shepherd, I don't know. Maybe it's for the simple reason that they have come to where they don't feel particularly interested in any shepherd, and so that they can say to the shepherd of a flock over there as he seeks to call them into his fold: "Well, really, I belong to a flock back in North Carolina, and they have a mighty good shepherd over there and I would sort of hate to pull out from that flock of the old home community; and, really, I owe my support to the shepherd and the fellow sheep over there."

But, in most cases, a confession of the debt is all that happens; they never pay it. It was different, however, with two sheep in China—they had a good way of expressing their interest in the home community.

And yet, I'll have to make a confession—which may be true in the case of almost any other shepherd of these modern times: I've got sheep within ten or twenty miles of me, I'm very much afraid, which I have never seen.

So here is a good place for a sort of final question: Am I, as a shepherd, too much inclined to be satisfied with the responses that are made by the big number of my sheep which do come when I call, and whose homes I do find because I know them to be sheep very much interested in me?

What about the sheep back yonder which are eating trash instead of real food? What about those that are beginning to drink a lot of poisoned water? What about those that are crippled and with no one near to heal the wounds? What about those that are tumbling down, with a mighty fall, into outer darkness?

I'd better quit this writing; for if I don't, I'm afraid I'll mighty soon decide that I'm not worthy of being called a shepherd at all—of any flock. But if all the shepherds and all the sheep will become as serious as I, a shepherd, seem to be right now, while writing this little bit—well, maybe it was good, after all, that I sat down to write this little piece today.

At any rate, it's the world's biggest business—any way you look at it, especially if we go out and bring lost sheep into our folds.

JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCES

Southeastern—Asheville, May 22.

South Central—Oklahoma City, May 28.

Northeastern—Atlantic City, June 18.

Central—St. Louis, June 21.

North Central—Chicago, June 26.

Western—San Francisco, July 9.

A GREAT SCOTCH MISSIONARY

Dan Crawford, the noted Scotch missionary to Central Africa for 32 years, died at Luanza, Belgian Congo, June 3, 1926. From Greenock, Scotland, he went to Central Africa and remained 22 years without coming back to civilization. He was one of the immortals whose dauntless spirit never failed to do pioneer work for Jesus.

Stupid as an ox is the man who is not thrilled by the following which was written by Dan Crawford's friend, Peter Fleming, for the Scotsman.

"For twenty-two years he labored without a break, 'thinking black,' entering into the thought and language and life of the natives, building up a Christian community, establishing a large, well laid-out sanitary town on the bluff overlooking the lake; making sixty miles of roads, erecting bridges, preaching, teaching school, reducing the language to writing, translating the Bible, and becoming the people's last court of appeal on everything that affected their lives.

"When Crawford emerged from his life of 22 years in the long grass, he journeyed for 23 days to the furthest point to which the railway penetrated. He saw his first railway train in 22 years. He had never seen a lift, or an aeroplane, or a motor car. But it was not a stilted dwarfed mind that came out of the long grass."

"His reading, his ideas, his eloquence were the wonder of all who heard him. He captured the imagination of Great Britain, America and Australasia. Though he had accomplished so much practical work, he was still a philosopher with his head in the clouds.

"I had the honor of arranging his Australian tour. It was a triumphal progress. I can see the Town Hall, Melbourne, on a week day at one o'clock crowded on the floor and the galleries with business men. He began by spinning a florin in the air. He told how, when leaving Africa, his carriers came with him to the rail head.

"One night as they sat by their camp fire he boasted to them of the wonderful country to which he was returning. He showed them a two-shilling piece, and explained its value and the means of exchange that obtained in Great Britain. They passed the coin in silence from one to another, and then the last man, handing it back, said, 'The face that never smiled.' Such was the face on the metal. From that there came a marvelous analysis of the hardening effect of materialistic conceptions and motives, and a plea for the true idealism of life. The climax came when he exclaimed, 'What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his smile?'

"My last picture of Dan Crawford is standing on the deck of the ship that bore him to Africa on his return there ten years ago. It was at the Outer Harbor, Adelaide. We had said good-bye. The ship was moving off from the wharf.

"He stood with his hat in his hand, and called out the words of Sir Richard Burton, himself an African traveler:

"Friend of my youth, a long farewell.

Perchance some day we'll meet again,

But not the self-same men will meet;

The years will make us other men.'

"That some day is not to be in this world.

"The ship got quickly under way, and sailed out of the harbor and down the Gulf of St. Vincent. He stood with uncovered head and pointed upward. And it is thus I see him."

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The ½ will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum.

In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

Asheville

Central, W. A. Stanbury	20½
Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton ...	9
Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wilkinson	7
Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham	4
French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler ..	2
Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea	2
Hendersonville, D. E. Camak	2
Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman	1

Charlotte

Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ...	40
Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle	15
Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie	7
Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper	5½
New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..	5
Polkton, C. W. Russell	5
Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius	4
Calvary, S. M. Needham	2
Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman	1
Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey	1
Ansonville, O. P. Ader	1
First, C. C. Weaver	1
Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins	1

Elkin

Mocksville, E. M. Avett	20½
Yadkinville, John H. Green	20
Boone, P. W. Townsend	11½
Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner ..	9
Elkin, H. F. Duncan	7
Todd, W. W. Hager	8½
Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles	6½
W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood	5
Sparta, L. F. Strader	5
Advance, P. L. Smith	5
Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint	4
Farmington, J. W. Vestal	4
Creston, J. R. Short	3½
Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley	3½
Warrensburg, J. G. Wootton, Jr. ...	4
Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene	3
Watauga, J. W. Parker	3
Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt	2
N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock	2½
St. Paul, L. C. Stevens	2½
Davie, A. W. Lynch	2½
Green Valley, M. L. Chappel	2½
Jonesville, D. B. Mullis	2
Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant	2
Ararat, G. B. Gwyn	2
Dobson, R. G. McClamrock	2
Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt	2
Helton, R. J. Starling	2
Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr. ...	2
Jefferson, Hugh D. Jesup	1½

Gastonia

Cleveland, T. G. Madison	14
Boger City, E. L. Kirk	14
Fallston, J. M. Morgan	12½
Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey	6
Belwood, G. W. Clay	1½
Lowell, C. O. Kennerly	1
Lowesville, J. A. Howell	1

Greensboro

Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	21½
Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Torllinger ..	15
Grace, J. Elwood Carroll	7½

Calvary, R. C. Stubbins	5½
Haw River, C. W. Bates	5½
Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee	4½
Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham	4½
Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess	4
Guilford, J. B. Trogdon	4
West End, R. M. Andrews	2½
Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy	2
St. Paul, A. D. Shelton	2
Gilkey, C. R. Ross	2
Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse	1
Stokesdale, W. T. Albright	1
Midway, E. P. Hamilton	1
College Place, R. M. Courtney ...	1
Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick	1
Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow	1
Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams	1

High Point

Shiloh, C. E. Ridge	17½
Denton-Central, G. L. Curry	11
First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr. ...	9
Randleman, J. R. Anderson	4½
Central, J. W. Braxton	4
Denton, First, C. E. Williams	3
Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox	3
Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger	3
Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley ..	3
Coleridge, T. J. Huggins	2
Why Not, C. H. Hill	1

Marion

Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward	2½
Bald Creek, J. N. Snow	2
Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace	2
Gilkey, C. R. Ross	2
Spindale, F. J. Stough	1

Statesville

North Newton, C. A. Morrison	28
First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins	25½
Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham	7
Elmwood, Y. D. Poole	1
Maiden, J. G. Winkler	6
Central, John W. Moore	3
Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk	2
Bethel, E. H. Lowman	1
Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs	1

Salisbury

Midway, W. C. Dutton	12
Norwood, C. G. Hefner	10
Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner	7
Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..	5
Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton	4½
Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge	4
China Grove, W. O. Weldon	4
Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson ..	4
Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins	3
Main Street, C. G. Isley	3
Woodleaf, G. W. Williams	2½
Badin-New London, M. F. Moores	2
Bethpage, R. W. McCulley	1
Friendship, E. A. Cook	1
Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker	1
Westford, T. W. Hager	1

Waynesville

Hayesville, J. C. Gentry	8
Crabtree, W. H. Nease	2
Bethel, J. W. Blich	1
Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier	1
Webster, G. A. Hovis	1
Canton, W. R. Kelly	1
Rockwood, W. F. Beadle	1

Winston-Salem

Community, J. C. Auman	19
Erlanger, J. O. Ervin	15½
First, J. E. Pritchard	12½
First, Lexington, H. G. Allen	12
Grace, R. L. Forbis	6
West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree	5
N. Davidson, O. B. Williams	3
First, J. T. Bowan	3
Welcome, J. L. Ingram	3
Forsyth, C. W. Kirby	2½
Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison	2
Main Street, L. F. Tuttle	2

Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ...	1
Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way	1
Centenary, G. Ray Jordan	1
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Durham

Brooksdale, D. A. Petty	22½
Burlington, Davis St., F. W. Paschall	17½
Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ...	10½
Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds	6½
Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks	5
Orange, C. P. Morris	4½
Sweepsonville, T. B. Hough	4½
Durham Ct., F. B. Peele	4
Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr.	3
Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser ...	3
Milton, D. I. Garner	2½
Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson	2½
Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps	2
Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson	2
Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love ..	1½
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe	1½
Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth	1
Person Ct., E. G. Overton	1
Chatham, Chas. Sharpe	1
W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish	1
Mebane, C. L. Spencer	1
Hillsboro, J. V. Early	1

Elizabeth City

Williamston, S. J. Starnes	14
Windsor, H. F. Surratt	5
Aulander, J. R. Poe	3
Columbia, A. C. Thompson	2
Perquimans, J. D. Cranford	1½
Currituck, J. C. Harmon	1½
Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon	1
Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis ..	1

Fayetteville

Person St.-Calvary, M. W. Warren	13
Sanford, Allen P. Brantley	12½
Carthage, W. G. Farrar	5½
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins	5
Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams ...	5
Siler City, C. F. Heath	3
Hemp, J. D. Robinson	2
Lane, J. D. A. Autry	1½
Hay Street, R. E. Brown	1½
Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons	1
Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette ..	1
Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe	1

New Bern

Mt. Olive-Calypso, R. G. Dawson ..	4
Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison ..	2½
Pink Hill, R. E. Walston	1½
Newport, C. S. Boggs	1½
Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens	1
LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr.	1
Dover, R. N. Fitts	1

Raleigh

Fuquay, E. C. Durham	20
Fairmont, H. M. McLamb	13½
Henderson, B. C. Reavis	12
Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes	6½
City Road-White Mem., J. K.	
Worthington	5½
Granville, J. P. Pegg	3
Selma, O. L. Hathaway	3
Edenton St., J. C. Glenn	2
Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee	1½
Hayes Barton, Leon Russell	1

Rocky Mount

Marvin, N. W. Grant	3½
Kenley, E. M. Hall	3
Farmville, D. A. Clarke	6
Whitakers, A. M. Williams	2½
Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane	2
Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer	2
Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome	2
Bethel, M. Y. Self	2
Enfield, B. D. Critcher	1½
Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington	1½
Warrenton, J. O. Long	1½
First, E. L. Hillman	1
Northampton, W. L. Maness	1
Spring Hope, G. W. Blount	1

Wilmington

Southport, R. S. Harrison	6
Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson	4½
Burgaw, W. F. Walters	3½
Fairmont, F. B. Joyner	3

Jacksonville-Richlands, I. T. Poole	2
Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews	1½
Trinity, R. L. Jerome	1
Grace, J. F. Herbert	1
Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift	1
Chadbourn, E. C. Maness	1
St. Paul, A. C. Lee	1

MINISTERS' WIVES MEET AT
HENDERSON CONFERENCE

By Mrs. J. Kern Ormond, Sec.

The regular meeting of the Ministers' Wives Association of the North Carolina conference was held at a luncheon at the Vance Hotel in Henderson on April 2, during the session of the Woman's N. C. Missionary Conference, with the president, Mrs. L. C. Larkin, presiding.

The meeting opened with the hymn "Father in Heaven Who Lovest All," after which all joined in reading the Collect. A lovely musical program followed. This included a vocal solo, "I Shall Not Pass This Way Again," by Mrs. N. O. Holloway, a violin solo, "The Old Refrain," by Miss Dickerson, a duet, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," by Mrs. W. B. Speight and Miss Eulalie Thompkins. Mrs. George W. Holden was the accompanist.

Mrs. B. C. Reavis brought greetings to the association and Mrs. George Blount responded.

Mrs. Onstadt of New York and Mrs. Paul Garber of the W. N. C. conference were introduced and spoke, briefly.

Full district reports were dispensed with—only a few items being reported by the district chairmen. Mrs. Perry of the Durham district called attention to the Pastors' Summer School and urged the wives to attend. Mrs. Strawbridge of Fayetteville district announced the birth of a baby to the E. C. Crawfords. Mrs. J. A. Russell of New Bern district reported a bride, Mrs. W. H. Brady. Two other brides from Rocky Mount district were introduced—Mrs. G. W. Blount and Mrs. C. W. Goldston. Mrs. J. D. Cranford of the former Methodist Protestant Church was also introduced.

Mrs. Larkin urged the chairmen to send items to the Advocate for publication concerning the meetings and work of the association in their districts. She also announced that each district is to be responsible for a stunt at the regular social meeting of the association at the Duke pastors' school in June.

Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference superintendent of study, stated that a course would be given at the pastors' school using the current fall mission study book, "Shifting Population." This is to be taught by Mrs. Cram.

Mrs. H. I. Glass spoke on the scholarship project—a loan fund to be established for children of preachers in the conference. She asked that each member drop her a card expressing her opinion on the subject, how to finance it, etc. It was voted to take up the subject of a scholarship loan for further study at the June meeting.

A collection amounting to \$5.96 was taken.

The president, Mrs. Larkin, expressed appreciation to the hospitality, to Mrs. Reavis, to the music committee, to the florist and others for the splendid entertainment given us while in their city.

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CHURCH SCHOOL DAY

Once each year the church school has an opportunity of planning and giving a program to acquaint the entire church with some of the work being done in our church schools. At the conclusion of the program an offering is generally taken to help support the conference program of Christian education.

The Church School Day program for 1940 is called "Sowing and Reaping." This program has for its theme evangelism in the home and in the church. This theme is developed by four short episodes, each of which is intended to exemplify some phase of the work carried forward by our program of Christian education. An alternate program, prepared for churches which do not find it convenient to work out the four episodes of the main program, can be found near the back of the program printed for use at the church school service.

April 21 has been designated as CHURCH SCHOOL DAY, but if it is not possible to have the program at that time select the date most suitable to the people of your church school. Any offering taken at that time should be sent to Rev. C. K. Proctor, Oxford.

WORKERS' CONFERENCE

A conference assembly for adult workers in the church school will be held at Louisburg College July 8-10. This is the first time such an assembly has been planned and we are anxious to have an excellent representation of church schools in this conference.

The enrollment for this first assembly will be limited. Each district will have 15 delegates eligible to attend the conference. Of these 15 delegates, five will be workers with children, five with young people, and five with adults.

The district director of each age division in every district will be re-

sponsible for the enrollment from that age division. Application blanks will be distributed soon and it is hoped that you will return these application blanks to your district director at an early date so that the delegates may be selected early.

Bishop W. W. Peele will be the main speaker at the assembly. In addition to the platform services there will be periods for the three age-division workers to meet in separate groups.

Remember the date—July 8-10. Write your district director for more information about this important assembly.

A CORRECTION

For some time the Tabernacle church on the Snow Hill charge has been making regular contributions to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise through its fourth Sunday offering. In fact, this church for the past two years has been one of the most regular contributors in our conference. Due to a confusion of charges the amount sent in by this charge was credited to the Tabernacle church on another charge and this particular charge has not received credit for its offerings for some time. We wish at this time to acknowledge the receipt of \$7.88 from this church during the past year and through the first quarter of the present conference year. We wish also, to express our regret for this error, and our appreciation for the fine interest of the Tabernacle church on the Snow Hill charge in our missionary enterprise.

YOUTH WORKERS' MEETINGS

Last week in the Elizabeth City district a series of meetings for the workers with young people were held. To these meetings came pastors, young people's division superintendents,

teachers, and parents of young people for the purpose of considering the work of the church with young people. Most of the charges in the district were represented, and we felt the time spent considering this important phase of our church work was well worth while.

In the coming weeks similar meetings are to be held in other districts of the conference. Two hours will be spent in each meeting in an informal discussion of the needs of young people, responsibility of workers with young people, the church's program for young people, and materials for use in young people's work. We trust that workers with young people in the conference will attend the meeting nearest them. It should be clearly understood that these are not meetings for young people, but for adults who work with young people.

RALEIGH DISTRICT MEETINGS

Three meetings have been scheduled in the Raleigh district for workers with young people. These are not big, general meetings at which we expect a great crowd of people, but meetings to which we invite pastors and workers with young people who want to think together about the young people in our churches and of ways in which the church might better serve them.

These meetings are centered in the areas in which sub-district training schools are being planned for the fall. We are hoping that tentative plans for the fall schools may be made at these meetings. The dates and places for the Raleigh district meetings are:

Smithfield—April 25, 3:30-5:30 p. m.
Edenton Street, Raleigh—April 25, 7:30-9:30 p. m.
First Church, Henderson—May 1, 3:30-5:30 p. m.

One Sunday night a Nebraska preacher sternly roared: "When those young men in the rear get through flirting with the girls, I hope they will give me a chance," and he wondered why the congregation laughed.—Santa Fe Magazine.

The man who thinks he is too big for his job need not worry, for his attitude will soon make him too small for it.

A STUDY OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS TO CHURCH SCHOOL DAY FOR THE YEAR 1938-1939

Contributions by Districts

District	Church Schools	Per Cent Contributing	No. Church Schools Not Contributing
Durham	(36) \$144.52	35%	67
Elizabeth City	(18) 122.91	19%	74
Fayetteville	(7) 44.03	7%	88
New Bern	(22) 92.93	20%	86
Raleigh	(11) 52.94	12%	80
Rocky Mount	(22) 123.69	26%	63
Wilmnigton	(20) 92.59	17%	97
	(136) \$673.61	19%	555

(Number of Church Schools in parenthesis)

The Advance for Youth on Sandy Cross Charge

By CORA ALYCE COGGIN

My mind is ever wandering back to that beloved old story of Jesus as a lad when he roamed the streets of Jerusalem; even then he was often found conversing with men of great intellectual capacities.

The youth of Jesus offers the youth of today a great inspiration, for he was always about his Father's business. He felt the call of God as the basis for his purpose in life.

In this mad, clamoring world of ours today we are prompted to follow and make many examples, standards and models that are most insufficient. If we must model our lives after someone or something, let's base our lives on the principles of "right" and "wrong" upon which civilization has laid its cornerstone, the principles of Jesus Christ. With Jesus as our one and only goal we can't fail. He has never failed anyone.

The perilous conditions of our complex society, crooked politics, drinking, gambling and many other things that are saturated with corruption and pollution, offer the youth of this generation an irresistible challenge. We have got to strike and strike hard to eradicate these conditions, for the spiritual morale of our race and world tomorrow lies in the hands of the youth today. We must not fail, for it is our duty to make the world a better place in which to live, and we can do it with God as our helper. This is one of the steps in the Advance for youth on the Sandy Cross charge.

Jesus paved the way for his followers and he was always going about doing good. Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

"Light of the world, thy beauty
Steals into every heart
And glorifies with duty
Life's poorest, humblest part.
They robest in thy splendor
The simple ways of men,
And helpeth them to render
Life back to thee again."

On a rainy, dreary day a father followed by his son, walked along a muddy street. Finally, the boy called to his father and said, "Look, dad, I have followed in your footsteps all the way." Yes, that little fellow had followed his father. Why? Simply because he was influenced by his dad. In the same way someone is being influenced by our lives. So let us strive to invest our best in Christian influence. We need Christian influence in our advancement for youth's crusade and a new life in Christ will give us this influence. The investment of Christian influence is one of our most effective weapons in our fight against sin.

Young people should take time to do good. Going to church, attending Epworth League and many other organizations that are wholesome and helpful for youth.

Getting diplomas and seals are not enough. There are the sick to be vis-

ited, the weak to be strengthened, the faltering to be encouraged, the lost to be found, and the lonely hearts to be cherished. All these are to be done as our days are flying by. Many of our young people are now visiting the prisons and alms houses, hospitals and shut-ins, seeking to enlist the unenlisted and bringing good cheer to the fallen.

"Take time to speak a loving word
Where a loving word is seldom heard,
And it will linger in the mind
And gather others of its kind."

A new life in Christ gives us new Character that will shine like the stars of the darkest night. But character is not bought. It is the old life of the world fashioned after the new life in Christ. Character is capable of many developments, but it must have its roots deep in the soul and not spread over the surface of one's life. It has been truthfully said—

"Character is what we are and
Not what people think we are.
Where wealth is lost, nothing is lost;
Where health is lost, something is lost;
Where character is lost, all is lost."

If character is everything and is a reality as Beecher said it, surely it is a gift of God, and should shine into the foremost corners of the earth. Let's remember that every thought we think, every act we do, it has its effect on our character.

"There is a destiny that makes us
brothers,
None goes his way alone;
What we send into the lives of others
Soon comes back into our own."

INVESTMENTS

In times like these, invest in boys and girls. Men talk about buying stock at the bottom. When you invest in a boy or girl, you are always buying at the bottom. You are sure that the youngster is going up, and there is no telling who far. I invite every man and woman in America to take a flyer in Childhood Preferred. I predict a great future for this security. It has investment merit combined with the most exciting speculative possibilities. You are sure to get a man or a woman; you can get a great man or a great woman.—Bruce Barton.

AUTO INTOXICATION

A prize essay, by a Georgia school girl, had this telling statement: "Take one regular, natural-born fool, add two or three drinks of bootleg liquor (any other may be substituted) and mix the two in a high-powered motor car. After the fool is thoroughly soaked, place his foot on the gas and release the brakes. Remove the fool from the wreckage. Place in a black, satin-lined box and garnish with flowers."—The United Presbyterian.

WOMEN

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RALEIGH DISTRICT WILL MEET

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, district secretary, announces that the Raleigh district meeting will be held in the Methodist church in Smithfield on Thursday, April 25, beginning at 10 a. m. An interesting program has been arranged, including the presentation of important items gleaned at the recent annual conference.

FINANCES FOR 1939

The report of Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, which was given at the annual conference in Henderson, revealed that last year the women of North Carolina conference gave of their means to the cause of missions with a spirit of loyalty and sacrifice. The general report included: Received by the treasurer, \$43,866.41; local work, \$47,833.07; grand total, \$91,699.48. Pledge to Council over paid by \$39,500. Week of prayer offering \$2,888.08. Conference superlatives in finance last year were: Largest amount sent to conference treasurer, Durham district; largest increase, Raleigh district; largest amount of offerings for baby specials, Rocky Mount district; largest amount of week of prayer offering, Rocky Mount district; largest number of baby life members, Rocky Mount district (21); largest number of adult life members, Fayetteville district (12); only junior life member, Wilmington district; life membership offerings to conference \$1,450.

THE PLEDGE SERVICE

Because the pledges which the women of the North Carolina conference make each year to the cause of missions mean cheerful and sacrificial giving to the cause of the advancement of the kingdom of God on earth, the pledge service each year at the annual conference is fraught with solemnity and thanksgiving. This service is directed by Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer. As the district secretaries reverently gathered around the altar at the First Methodist church in Henderson on April 2, they pledged for their respective districts as follows: Durham district, \$7800; Elizabeth City district, \$4300; Fayetteville district, \$6500; New Bern district, \$6500; Raleigh district, \$5000; Rocky Mount district, \$6500; Wilmington district, \$4500. The total pledged was \$41,100.

A MATTER OF REPORTING

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary, announces that that district has raised \$55, which has been donated to Viola Neathery of Halifax, who is a student at Scarritt College. This project may be reported in the supply department of the auxiliaries having had a share in it and should by all means be reported to Mrs. W. L. Knight, conference superintendent of supplies, Weldon, N. C.

NEEDS VS. OPPORTUNITIES

Mrs. W. L. Knight, conference superintendent of supplies, is most desirous that the auxiliary superintendents of supplies are acquainted with the needs and opportunities of that department. This year Council asks that we help in furnishing refrigeration for China. All funds for this purpose to be sent to Mrs. Knight, who will in turn send them to the Council treasurer. We are urged to aid with supplies at our Methodist Student Center at E. C. T. C. in Greenville, N. C., the Bethlehem House at Winston-Salem, and our rural deaconess, Miss Ruth Brooks, Rt. 1, Woodsdale, N. C. At Vashti School, Thomasville, Georgia, comes a plea for spreads for single beds, pillow cases, thread, dresser scarfs to be embroidered, toilet articles. All articles should be sent directly to the institutions and reported to your conference superintendent of supplies.

CHAPEL HILL AUXILIARY

The auxiliary of University Methodist church, Chapel Hill, began the year with an executive meeting at the home of the new president, Mrs. E. E. Peacock. The spiritual life committee, Mrs. K. H. Fussler, chairman, planned a series of pre-Easter devotional meetings. These were held in the homes of members on Monday afternoons. After the March business meeting tea was served by the Walter Patten circle. At this time the secretary, Mrs. J. V. Jordan, was presented with a corsage in honor of her 83rd birthday anniversary. Tea was poured by Mrs. J. M. Culbreth and Mrs. Jordan cut the birthday cake and received the congratulations of her friends. For several years Mrs. Jordan has served as recording secretary and has had charge of World Outlook subscriptions. Mrs. H. F. Munch.

ZONE MEETING AT WENDELL

The Central zone in the Raleigh district met on March 28 at the Methodist church in Wendell with Mrs. A. W. Hoffman, zone leader, presiding. Rev. B. F. Boone, pastor, led the opening worship. During the discussions of officers' training, qualifications for presidents was discussed by Mrs. B. F. Boone; vice presidents, Mrs. H. B. Baum; recording and corresponding secretaries and treasurers, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood; literature, children's work and baby specials, Miss Mary Gardner; young women's circles, Mrs. Sutton; study, Mrs. B. F. Boone; supplies, Mrs. A. E. Woltz; spiritual life groups, Mrs. H. L. Stearn. Other features were: An address on crime prevention among juveniles, Mrs. O. F. McCrary; high lights of Council meeting, Mrs. A. W. Hoffman; interracial relations, Mrs. H. B. Baum; suggestions for building programs, Mrs. A. C. Jones; "Why I Am a Member of the Missionary Society," Mrs. J. E. Rudy. After the noon day

devotional, led by Mrs. Leon Russell, a delightful fellowship luncheon was enjoyed. Significant were the interested visitors which included: Rev. Leon Leppard, pastor of the Baptist church of Wendell, and Mrs. Leppard; Mrs. Fred Pierce, president of the missionary society of the Baptist church of Wendell, and several members of that society and Mrs. Augusta Ward, president of the missionary society of the Christian church in Wendell.

MY RELATION TO THE BENEVOLENCES

By Forney Hutchinson

In the summer of 1899, immediately upon my graduation from Hendrix College, I went to fill a vacancy on the Des Arc and De Vall's Bluff charge until the annual conference. The charge consisted of the two above named towns, both of which were located on the banks of the beautiful White river, and both were fairly prosperous. My last appointment before leaving for conference was at the De Vall's Bluff church. I went from De Vall's Bluff to Brinkley, where I was to catch the Cotton Belt train to Fordyce, the seat of the conference. Between trains, in the hotel lobby, I made up my report and discovered to my dismay that I had a shortage in my conference claims.

It was too late to do anything about it, so I had to suffer the embarrassment of making an incomplete report. As I faced those figures, I made up my mind that however long my ministry might be, that would never happen again. For forty years now, without a single exception, I have reported "everything in full" from the various charges I have served.

Somehow, my conscience got involved in the matter, and I could not be content to do less for the interests I represented than my official boards have invariably done for me. My stewards have always paid me in full and I have always seen to it that the benevolences were paid in full. I have thought of myself as the steward of those sacred causes. It has pained me from time to time to hear preachers report salaries in full, and shortages on benevolences. It impressed me that the salaries had better stewards than the benevolences.

Now, as I wait here on this mountain and watch the world go by, I have great comfort in my record, so far as the benevolences are concerned. I have not failed to do my best, or at least all that was expected of me, for the cause of the superannuate preacher, and the other interests involved in these sacred claims. The benevolences constitute the base line of our obligation to others. As pastors and people, we dare not do less than our best to see that they are all paid in full.

Forney Hutchinson.

Mt. Sequoyah, Ark.

To remove any excuse for the aggression of the state upon the realm where loyalty is due to Christ alone, the Christian citizen must go out of his way to render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's. He must be notably and sacrificially patriotic.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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NEW SECRETARY FOR MARION DISTRICT

It gives us pleasure to announce that Miss Claudia Harbison of Morganton, Route 1, has accepted the leadership of the Marion district, which was made vacant by the transfer by the annual conference of Lenoir, the home town of Mrs. W. I. Pitts, former district secretary, and who during the first quarter of 1940 has been keeping in touch with the work.

Miss Harbison comes to us highly recommended, is capable, interested and willing to give of her time and service for the advancement of the work. We extend to her a most cordial welcome and wish for her and her co-workers a most happy and successful year together.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS ON ELKIN DISTRICT

Our new district secretary of Elkin district, Mrs. J. S. Hiatt, sends us the announcement of the following new societies:

Wilkesboro Circuit — Miller's Creek Society. President, Mrs. Hattie Gaither, Wilkesboro; vice president, Mrs. Van Caudill, Wilkesboro; recording secretary, Mrs. P. W. Greer, Miller's Creek; corresponding secretary, Miss Daisy McNeil, Miller's Creek; treasurer, Mrs. P. W. Greer.

Green Valley—Roundabout Society. President, Mrs. Maybelle Brown; vice president, Mrs. Adella Graybeal; secretary, Miss Velma Jenkins; treasurer, Miss Ruth Stewart. Address of all officers, Ashland, N. C. We extend a most cordial welcome to each of these auxiliaries and wish for them abundant success.—Editor.

From Marion district we have the following announcement through letter from Mrs. R. E. Ward, and we wish for this new circuit society the greatest of success in their new venture.

Mrs. Ward says: "At least we have organized a missionary society on the Old Fort circuit. While we cannot carry on all the departments of the work we hope to grow. Following are the officers chosen: President, Mrs. Rena Noblett, Old Fort, R. 1; Rec. and Cor. secretary, Mrs. William Tisdale, Old Fort, R. 1; treasurer, Mrs. Gus Paggett, Old Fort, R. 1."

ZONE MEETING, MARION DISTRICT

From Mrs. Pitts we have the following account of zone meeting held at Marion March 27, with Mrs. A. T. Abernethy, zone leader, presiding, and which proved a most enjoyable and helpful occasion.

The opening devotional was led by Rev. J. C. Cornett, district superintendent, and special music for the day was furnished by the Marion church choir and added greatly to the enjoyment of the day's program.

Mrs. F. O. LaFevers acted as secretary, and at the calling of the roll it

was found that only six auxiliaries were represented but "they were well represented."

Mrs. Abernethy spoke on Christian Social Relations, stressing especially international relations and world peace, urging each auxiliary to have a study class on this subject. Mrs. C. N. Lail represented the rural work, read the recommendations for this work, and urged the larger auxiliaries to adopt the smaller ones. Mrs. Pitts followed with suggestions for the small church auxiliaries, viz: keeping the church, church grounds and cemetery clean; each rural woman to have a "missionary hen," the men to have wood shopping parties for needy families, arrange to get rural people to church (those who do not have ways of transportation), visit shut-ins, assist the pastor in taking communion to these, and furnish quilt scraps for the county home inmates who desire them. She also suggested a zone officer for reporting, for baby specials, Y. W. secretary, children's work, spiritual life, mission study, supplies, etc., giving more women something vital in connection with the zone work. The latter suggestion was accepted and leaders for the various departments were appointed by the leaders. The meeting was followed by a social hour in the hut where refreshments were served by the Marion auxiliary members.

DAVIDSON COUNTY ZONE MEETING

Mrs. Stuart W. Burton

The Davidson county missionary zone No. 3 of the Winston-Salem district met in First church, Lexington, Wednesday, April 3, with Mrs. Robert Williams of Thomasville, zone chairman, in charge of the program, which had for its subject spiritual life.

The meeting was opened with an organ prelude by the church organist, Mrs. Ruth Walser. The hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" was sung and was followed by welcome greeting given by Mrs. J. Lee McCain, with response by Mrs. Clyde Auman of Thomasville. The devotional by Mrs. J. T. Bowman was on prayer, and at the close of the service Mrs. Elmo Cruse sang "There's a Blessing Waiting at the Place of Prayer."

Mrs. J. G. Sterling, district secretary, conducted the question hour. She called attention to the training school for Negro women to be held in Winston-Salem in July, when each district is urged to send a representative. "Sweet Hour of Prayer" was sung by Mrs. Elmo Cruse and Mrs. Cliff Waitman. Mrs. E. J. Poe presented the World Outlook and stressed its value in helping us to be better informed members of the Methodist Church. She spoke also on Scarritt College, our training school for Christian workers, asking our support of this great institution. Mrs. O. C. Wall, assisted by Mrs. A. E.

Brannock, Mrs. H. C. Nicholson and Mrs. H. G. Allen, conducted a panel discussion which was enjoyed by all.

Offering for World Outlook and Advocate subscriptions amounted to \$6.02. "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" was sung by a trio of voices, Mrs. E. A. Easton, Mrs. H. C. Leonard and Mrs. Wade Phillips. Rev. Clyde Auman and Rev. H. G. Allen closed the meeting with short prayers.

WHAT IS CHRISTIANITY?

By Dr. Charles Stelzle

If we insist that we are a "Christian nation" then it's worth while discussing what Christianity is. That there's a difference of opinion on this subject is nothing against Christianity nor against the men who may disagree about certain theological questions. The difference of opinion regarding the nature of Christianity is due to the fact that it has to do with life, with men. And as no two men are exactly alike in all of their opinions, it is natural that they should disagree about some aspects of Christianity.

While the fundamental basis of Christianity must always remain the same, and while the fundamental principles of men's characters are eternal, both are capable of infinite expansion. They cannot be limited to the ecclesiastical expressions of the theologian in the one case, nor to a narrow interpretation of life in the other.

"Religion" is not necessarily Christianity. Some men are very religious, but they are not very good Christians. You have heard of men who have become insane because they had "too much religion," but you never heard of a man who became insane because he had too much Christianity.

Christianity is not merely a scheme to increase the population of heaven. Its purpose for its followers is not primarily to get to heaven, but to bring heaven down to earth. Jesus himself once said that he came to give men a larger, fuller life.

The healthy Christian life is lived in the world among men and is interested in their everyday affairs. It is lived at the primary and in the labor union. It is lived in the shop and in the office. There is nothing which concerns the well-being of men which can be alien to the Christian life or to Christianity as such.

It does not involve a belief in an impossible dogma. It asks merely that a man shall bring his life into conformity with the life and purpose of Jesus, helping to carry out his will and plan for the redemption of the world.

When enough men actually believe in this plan and try to put it into effect, so that it will be the dominating purpose in the life of the nation, then it may truthfully be said that this is truly a "Christian nation."—Michigan Christian Advocate.

The best things are nearest; breath in your nostrils, light in your eyes, flowers at your feet, duties at your hand, the path of God just before you. Then do not grasp at the stars, but do life's plain, common work as it comes, certain that daily duties and daily bread are the sweetest things of life.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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GOOD MORNING

The week will be far spent when this is read, but now it is Monday morning with us, the day following the busy activities of Sunday. The responsibilities connected with three services, two in the morning and one at night, together with an afternoon completely filled with exacting duties, leave one running for awhile on a flat tire. But the morning is beautiful. It is a good morning.

THE SWEETNESS OF SONG

Our nine-year-old Harold Falls said yesterday in the primary Sunday school that the birds sing sweeter on Sunday morning than any other. When others in the group said "They do not," Harold stuck to his opinion. Certainly the birds sing sweeter to Harold. It is the morning that provides an opportunity to dress up, go to Sunday school and discuss matters that he is vitally interested in. A lot of the value of hearing depends on the condition of our receiving sets.

DEEDS DO FOLLOW

Checks are coming in each day from sponsors of our children providing funds for the purchasing of their children's clothing. To be sure, the clothing has already been purchased and a lot of it has been fitted so that the alteration process can go along dispatchfully. We have had the belief that in those cases where the money has not been forwarded that it will eventually come. We never send out any personal reminders. The matter is left to the desire and willingness of sponsoring groups to look after the matter with their preference. But, kind reader, believe it when it is said that the money is coming.

DISTRICT CONFERENCES

This week brings the first district conferences. Three of them will come on one day. The district superintendents write that those representing conference interests will be welcome but their speeches must be short. Well and good. This scribe claims the honor of setting the pace some 25 years ago of presenting his cause briefly but with a lot of main strength and awkwardness.

HITTING AND MISSING

Our boys and girls played a lot of baseball last week, the varsity boys playing three games, winning two and with their two games and the varsity losing one. The junior boys split even girls won their single game. This week the very small boys will begin their practice. The junior girls have already

been practicing for their soft ball contests. Baseball is in the air. It is being hit and it is being missed. It is being caught and it is being missed. Sometimes it is stopped and thrown somewhere. At other times it is runned down to its resting place. But baseball is here and our youngsters are learning the process of keeping their eyes on the ball.

HONOR SOCIETY

Some new members have joined our Children's Home honor society. Their joining has carried with it the payment of all fees, the Children's Home quota in full for the present conference year. Note the new members and join us in welcoming them into our select society:

Rutherfordton, Rev. F. C. Smathers.
Park Avenue, Salisbury, Rev. J. S. Gibbs.

Bethpage, Rev. R. W. McCulley.
Salem, Lowesville circuit, Rev. J. A. Howell.

Bethany, Liberty circuit, Rev. D. A. Bailey.

SIGNAL FOR SINGING

Hanging on the fence on each side of the entrance from Reynolda Road into the Children's Home grounds are two signs similar to the one whose picture is herewith presented. It has become a tradition with our youngsters that when any group returns from any athletic contest, or from any other journey in which a team represented the Children's Home, such group always begins singing the Children's Home song when passing between the signs, the last line of the song being "For I am proud of the Children's Home, And I'll make her proud of me." The girl in the picture, taken several years ago, is Virginia Daniel, now enrolled at Brevard College.

MARBLE SHOOTING

These are marble days for our boys. Their nimble fingers, good vision and steady nerve serve as a present help in time of contest. When Rev. J. S. Hiatt recently came down to the meeting of our board of trustees he brought with him another lot of 1200 marbles which he and A. O. Bryant, an Elkin layman, provided for the boys. So little round marbles share with larger round balls the interest of our youngsters as playtime follows work time.

THE CHILDREN SING

Answering the cordial invitation of Rev. C. D. White, pastor of the Oak Summit-Shiloh charge, our singing class visited the Oak Summit congregation yesterday at 11 o'clock and Shiloh at night. Good congregations were present. Following the conclusion of the Sunday morning program, the Oak Summit congregation raised their ten per cent apportionment in full. The Shiloh congregation raised most of theirs. Things are happening on this charge. Brother White and his people are advancing with "the sound of going in the top of the mulberry trees." Pastor and people work together constructively.

TAKING PICTURES

Rev. N. E. Davis, executive secretary of the Board of Hospitals, Homes and Deaconess Work of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, writes as follows relative to some Children's Home exhibit at the approaching General Conference at Atlantic City: "If you could secure several groups of pictures of your children and have them mounted on a card 18x25 inches this would help us very much in setting forth the work of our institution. You have the largest home for children in Methodism. Your report shows that a most excellent piece of work has been accomplished through the years."

In compliance with this request, we spent most of yesterday afternoon in taking pictures of our cottage groups. To be sure, it was Sunday, but this is the only afternoon in the week in which we can readily get all our children together. After all, it is not so bad to dress up and look pretty on Sunday afternoon.

BIG, STRONG AND DEPENDABLE

The Western North Carolina conference now numbers 518 ministers and 201,290 church members. Of this number 39 ministers and 11,901 church members came from the former Methodist Episcopal Church within the Western North Carolina conference. The former North Carolina Methodist Protestant Church within the same territory contributed 74 ministers and 22,361 church members. The others came from the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, located within the bounds of the 44 western counties of North Carolina.



To the children this is the sign for singing

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

WENDELL—It was my privilege Sunday a week ago to worship with the Wendell congregation. Wendell has a lovely church and a splendid membership. I was glad to hear the pastor, Rev. B. F. Boone, preach. His message was very practical and helpful. The Methodists of Wendell are good friends of the Methodist Orphanage.

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CHARLOTTE—I met Supt. O. V. Woosley, from the Children's Home, Winston-Salem, and Miss Morris of the Epworth Orphanage, Columbia, S. C., in Charlotte recently. The purpose of the meeting was to make a program for our Southern Methodist Orphanage conference, which meets in Columbia the latter part of June. I was glad to see my good friends from Winston-Salem and Columbia, and I think a very attractive program was arranged at that meeting.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE—The Raleigh district conference convened in the Methodist church at Benson last Thursday morning. The attendance was large, and the conference was a decided success. Brother Glass, the district superintendent, presided over the conference with ease and dignity. A sumptuous dinner was enjoyed by more than four hundred delegates and visitors. Brother H. A. Chester and the membership of the Benson church had made elaborate preparation for entertaining the conference. Immediately following dinner four of our children gave a short program, which was enjoyed by the conference. Thirty per cent of the apportionment in the Raleigh district has been paid since conference.

GRATIFYING—Within the last week or two a number of charges have sent in part of their ten per cent apportionment, which is highly gratifying. I am persuaded to believe there will be many others to do likewise within the next few weeks. If we could get in a good part of our apportionment now, it would give the Orphanage a feeling of security during the lean summer months, which are just ahead of us. I am 'dead set' against borrowing money to pay operating expenses. It is much easier to collect money before you have to pay it out than it is to pay back loans after the money has been spent. One of my major objectives during the last 25 years has been to pay as we go, which I think is a wise and sane course to pursue.

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JUST NORMAL—It is not the policy of the Methodist Orphanage to take sub-normal or abnormal children, since we do not have facilities for training such types of children. Children who have an I. Q. below 75 or 80 need highly specialized teachers to give them guidance. The children in the Methodist Orphanage are just normal children, both mentally and physically. At times great pressure is brought to bear on the executive committee of the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage to accept border-line or moron children who are in destitute circumstances. In the past we have taken a few such children, who have proven a hindrance to the success of other children, and a menace to the morals of the Home. From bitter experience we have learned that it is utter folly to undertake the training of such children along with normal children.

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THE APPROVAL OF OUR SUPPORTING CONSTITUENCY — Orphanages have undergone a marked evolution during the last 25 or 30 years. There was a time in the history of many orphanages when the people thought all that was necessary was to give the children a "staying place," and they had little regard for the type of work that was done. Individuals and churches that donate buildings and contribute most largely to the maintenance of the children not only expect, but demand, a high type of work. It is not how many you can crowd together and give a bare subsistence, but how well you can do the job for those who find a home with us. It would be a tragedy to do a shoddy piece of work for orphan children and send them out into the world unprepared to become self-supporting and independent. People who think and are reasonable endorse the high standard which is maintained at the Methodist Orphanage for its children.

The choir boys were organizing a cricket team and, being short of equipment and money, decided to ask the vicar for his assistance. So the leading choir boy wrote to the vicar, saying: "We should be glad of any financial assistance you could give us. Also, could we please have the use of the bats the verger says you have in your belfry?"

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MARY WONG CATCHES UP

By Ella M. Gerrish

Elizabeth came slowly around the house to the back door. Her mother was sweeping the back porch.

"What's the matter?" she asked, when she caught sight of Elizabeth's face. "I thought you'd gone to club meeting."

Elizabeth swallowed painfully. "I got some mud on my dress. I came back to change it."

"Oh, did you fall down? Did you hurt yourself?"

"No-o-o." And then it all came out in a rush. "You know, mother, we've been studying about world friendship in our club. So on the way I happened to see Mary Wong in front of the laundry and I thought the teacher would like it if I brought her to tell us about China. So I ran right over and tried to tell her. She couldn't understand very well and—and—she chased me out of the yard and threw mud at me." Elizabeth was sobbing now. "What's the use of studying world friendship if they won't be friends?"

"Wait a minute, dear. Think. When was the last time you saw Mary?"

"Why—er—when we all went nutting this fall. Yes, that was the time. I remember because some of the boys—" Elizabeth was blushing painfully.

Her mother finished for her. "Some of the children threw mud and stones at Mary when she wanted to go with you. Now, remember, Mary is thinking of that when suddenly, a month later, one of those children comes running into her yard, jabbering so fast she can't understand her, and begins pulling her by the arm. What would you expect her to do, young lady?" Her mother gave a little tug at her ear.

Elizabeth laughed and blew her nose violently. "I'd forgotten all about that. I'll go back and begin all over again now. Guess I won't change my dress."

It was nearly five-thirty before Elizabeth came home. She burst into the kitchen with such a rush she nearly fell over old Fido, who was sleeping on the door-mat.

"Oh, mother, we had more fun today. Mary Wong is awfully nice. After she got over being afraid we were playing a trick on her, she just joined right in with everything. She taught us a game they play in China, and even wrote some Chinese characters on the blackboard. Of course, she hasn't been there since she was little, but her father teaches her and tells her about everything. Miss Johnson was so pleased that I brought her; she said it was a fine idea. The girls made Mary a member and she's coming every time now."

All through dinner Elizabeth chattered on till no one could get a word in edgewise. "We're going to have an

THE EAGLE

By Judy Van Der Veer

Yesterday I saw an eagle
High above the hill.
Easily he scaled the sky,
Wings outspread and still.

Above him sky was turquoise blue,
The hill was dark below,
I watched him circle as he climbed,
Deliberate and slow.

A waxen moon was in the sky,
He soared towards its face,
Until at last he disappeared
In corridors of space.

And then I felt myself to be
Small and bound to earth,
And all the tasks I do each day
Seemed of little worth.

—Our Dumb Animals.

election of officers next month, and maybe I'll be president now. Miss Johnson said today to be thinking of some one. She said it ought to be a person who has done something outstanding for the club, and Mary is the most interesting thing we've had happen since we began this fall."

In the days that followed, Mary Wong, under Elizabeth's protecting wing, began to enjoy school. She had always felt like an outsider, but now she found herself in all the games, and even the teachers began asking her things about China in the geography class. At first she stayed close to Elizabeth, always turning for her smile of encouragement, but gradually, as she became more and more popular, she seemed to be always in the center of an admiring chattering group. No more was she the sullen-faced little girl who drew back when people spoke to her, but a laughing girl with glowing cheeks and pink cheeks.

Elizabeth was happy and proud as she watched her. She cheered all her plays in basket-ball, and drilled her for her part in the class program Friday afternoons. That is, she did the first two; after that some one else seemed to be there first. And once, when Elizabeth called for Mary to go skating, she was just leaving with Winifred Dean.

"Well, Mary," Elizabeth blurted out rather crossly, "I thought you promised to go with me."

"Oh, leave her alone," snapped Winifred. "I guess she doesn't have to go with you all the time. You think you own her because you brought her to the club first."

So gradually Elizabeth stopped talking about Mary at home. Her mother wondered, but decided not to mention

it. And then came the great day of the club election. Elizabeth started off in high spirits. About four o'clock she came back, closed the door softly, and stood looking at her mother.

"We had the election. Mary is president."

"Oh, Betty!" breathed her mother, dropping her sewing on the floor, and the next moment Elizabeth, big as she was, was flinging herself in her mother's lap.

When she could speak again, she began gasping out her rage and disappointment. "I'll never go to that club again! I know she did it on purpose—she planned it. She just pushed me out of everything. It's been going on like that for a long time. She never talks to me any more. She's just an old dirty Chi—"

Quickly her mother's hand pressed over her lips. "Wait a minute, dear. Don't say things just because you're disappointed. Let's take a look back at what has really happened. You were studying world friendship and decided to put into practice in your own neighborhood. Many Wong was miserable and unhappy, you've helped her to become popular and very happy. That was what you set out to do. Now, it has cost a lot; more than you expected. Do you mind, dear, if I put it pretty plainly? As long as Mary was a forlorn little thing tagging along behind you it was fun. Then she caught up with you, and maybe ran ahead of you a little, and then—"

Elizabeth wiggled uncomfortably. "You mean I'm not a very good loser! Well," with a long sigh, "I'll try to be. I guess I was more mad than hurt, anyway. I felt as though I'd brought Mary up by hand and—"

The door was flung open. Mary stood on the threshold. "Elizabeth, I couldn't get away before. I came as soon as I could. I'm not going to be president. I told them so. You were second in the voting, so you must be it. I couldn't take it anyway. You're the best friend I ever had. Besides, they don't want me, not really. Just now. I am new, so every one makes a fuss. But they don't fool me. By and by, I'll do something they don't like, then I'll be a 'dirty Chink' again. You know what I mean? I don't want to go too high now, then I won't have so far to fall."

Elizabeth had been staring at her, seeing for the first time the old look of fear that haunted her eyes.

"Why, Mary Wong, you ole fraid-cat," she said, shaking her gently by the shoulders. "I didn't know you felt like that. Of course you're going to stay president. The girls are all crazy about you, and if anybody ever gets mean, I'll be right there to back you up. You just run along ahead, because I'm going to drop out. I'll be right behind you." And Elizabeth smiled at her mother.—Zions Herald

Sunday School Lesson

APRIL 21

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By Rollin H. Walker

Micah's Vision of Peace

Scripture: Micah 4:1-5; 5:2-5a

One day a distinguished biologist took the writer to see a riot of blue-bells in a secluded nook by a river. As we sat on a log wearied by our long walk, I talked of the ideal social order for which we hope. "Is such a thing possible," asked he, "human nature being what it is?"

I looked at him squarely in the eye, and I said: "You are an evolutionist, and believe that man has ascended from the lower animals. If he has come such an amazing distance, is it scientific for you to suggest that he cannot go much farther?"

After a moment's pause he said, "I think perhaps you have scored."

Nevertheless, in view of the fact that after 2700 years the world is still the scene of carnage, it does seem as though Micah's dream of the day when men shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks, was "the unsubstantial fabric of a vision." But the trouble is, we have never been willing to give the Lord time to accomplish his holy purpose. Think of the ages it took for our race to emerge from their caves! Why should we give up our faith if the vision tarry?

Then, too, we are apt to discount the attainments to which God in his mercy has already led us. It was not very far back when every man felt it necessary to carry a weapon. It is not likely that a single person who reads these lines carries a gun. In view of the long history of our race it was only yesterday that Salem was burning its witches. Who would think of such a horror now? And some who read these lines were alive when in America black men were sold as chattels!

But, says someone, if men could only live on through the generations the punishment that war inflicts might beat some sense into them, but always there is a new generation coming on whose impulse is to say to the man of wisdom, "Go up, thou bald head." Youth is apt to believe that violence can accomplish good ends. The young conspirators who assassinated Caesar waved their red weapons over their heads and cried, "Peace, freedom, and liberty!" were all unconscious of the fact that their bloody deed was to end the republic and usher in a line of dictators. Frankly, this is the greatest argument against the possibility of an ideal day.

And yet properly trained and educated youth are not so eager to try warlike experiments as one may think. The colleges of our country would probably be the hardest places in the nation to rouse war enthusiasm.

Then, too, we keep forgetting that we have not as yet learned the rudiments of educational effectiveness, either in the home or in the school. Bishop McConnell says that the greatest proof of the vitality of the American people is seen in the educational systems they have survived.

But the great thing we forget is that God has resources of which we do not now dream, any more than our grandfathers dreamed of the telephone and the radio. Look at the past. History had reached a stalemate. The ingenuity of God had seemed to fail. And then all at once the angels sang; Jesus had come! A startlingly new thing had happened in the sad old world. And all through his ministry Jesus kept telling men that they should look for great surprises from God.

True it is that God will accomplish his purpose in a way very different from that which the old prophet conceived, or in which we, with our boasted enlightenment visualize. Micah envisaged great caravans of pilgrims coming up for guidance and inspiration to Zion's holy hill.

But later Jesus, instead of predicting that all nations should come to Jerusalem, commanded his disciples to take Jerusalem to all men. "Go ye into all the world, and make disciples of all nations." The circulation of Micah's prophecy and the rest of the Holy Scripture in all languages is one of the fulfillments of his prediction, although of course Micah never thought of it in that way.

In spite of many facts that seem to mock our dreams, we stand with the supreme Realist of all history, who was so little disposed to "lay a flattering unction to his soul" that he plainly predicted his own crucifixion and the terrible persecution that would scatter his disciples; and yet he remained steadfast in the faith that the heaven which he had introduced into society would quietly work, and at last the whole lump would be leavened. There were to be wars and rumors of wars, but at length all men would see that Christ alone is the solution of their difficulties and that he is Saviour of the world.

What a wonderful day that will be when men will turn their tanks into tractors, and become hunger fighters rather than fighters of their fellow men. Some of the best brains of the world are now concentrated on the problem of making battleships and submarines and bombing planes; but the prophet said, "Neither shall they learn war any more." West Point shall become an agricultural college. And hence hunger will no more drive men to military conquest.

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It is noticeable that Micah's vision of the ideal day is surrounded by the sternest warnings of the destruction of the social order in which the prophet lived. He calls the rulers cannibals who eat the flesh of my people, and

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J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

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IN MEMORIAM

Pausing in reverant submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, we note the passing of our esteemed fellow member and co-worker, Charles V. Layton.

We deem it fitting that we render our sincere testimony to the Christian character of our brother and our admiration of his humble walk in our midst, a truly upright and righteous man. We know that his was the faith that overcometh the world; that in life his spiritual ear was attuned to the whisper of the still small voice, and was listening trustfully to the summons, "It is enough, come up higher."

In our earthly relations we are prone to shed tears of sadness when death intervenes. Mr. Layton's departure leaves a void in our class, and we feel it a lost when we no longer have his brotherly fellowship and faithful aid in Bible study. But this sense of seeming loss is termed as one of blessed gain when we reflect that he has left us the influence of a noble life. The class is richer because of having had Charlie Layton in membership; we are encouraged to carry on in the faith that was his.

The class, collectively and individually, shares the feeling of bereavement with his children.

In regular class assembly March 3, 1940, the Wesley Bible class of Pleasant Garden Sunday school adopts the foregoing tribute for record.

B. L. Osborne,
E. B. Hockett.

NEWMAN—On the night of November 20, 1939, the spirit of Mrs. Sallie McPhail Newman passed over to the great beyond. She was 80 years of age, the widow of Marshall J. Newman, and was a member of a prominent Sampson county family. Mrs. Newman was a faithful and devoted member of the Clinton Methodist church, having united with the church as a small child. She was always in her place at church and active in the various organizations of the church until the last few years of her life. Truly a great spirit has left us. Mrs. Newman is survived by five daughters: Mrs. E. J. Turlington, Mrs. O. A. Turlington, Mrs. Leon Boney of Clinton; Mrs. Frank Robinson, Weldon; Mrs. C. W. Barbee, Elizabethtown; three sons, E. C. and A. L. Newman, Clinton; Joe M. Newman, Louisville, Ky.; five sisters, Mrs. Art Vann, Mrs. R. A. Herring, Mrs. Blake Warren and Mrs. J. C. Weeks, Sr., Clinton; Mrs. Henry Brewer, Red Springs, and 30 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted from the home by Rev. R. F. Munn and Rev. H. C. McQueen of Presbyterian church. The pallbearers were grandsons of the deceased.

B. H. Houston, Pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON
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flay their skin from off them, and break their bones and chop them in pieces as for the pot.

Your true prophet of the ideal day is always a valiant fighter against the corruption of his own times. But it must be added that no denouncer of the present social order is anything but a sour cynic unless, like Micah, in the midst of his denunciations there is a fair garden of immortal hope.—Christian Advocate.

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In Memoriam

DELLINGER—Brady Herbert Dellinger, Jr., passed to his reward Saturday, March 9, 1940. B. H., as he was called, was a sturdy, hard working boy. He married Miss Edna Lingerfelt, who with a small son, Herbert Dean, survive, besides his father and mother and three sisters and one brother. B. H. was a member of Kadesh church, where the funeral was held Tuesday, March 12, by his pastor, assisted by Rev. R. C. Goforth, a former pastor. A very large crowd was in attendance. May the God of grace comfort the bereaved.
Geo. W. Clay, Pastor.

HINSHAW—Sarah Almira Redding Hinshaw was born October 10, 1852; died January 31, 1940, age 87 years, three months and 21 days. She was the wife of the late Renne A. Hinshaw. She had been a member of Bethany church for more than 60 years. She loved her church and the many church duties were a pleasure for her to engage in. She was the oldest member of the Ladies' Aid Society. Mrs. Hinshaw was a talented Christian lady. Surely a good woman has been called to her reward. One daughter and four sons survive. Rev. H. L. Isley, the pastor, conducted the funeral at Bethany on February 2.

LAMBERT—Roger Leon Lambert, infant son of Martha and Ida Routh Lambert, budded on earth February 3 and blossomed in heaven March 17, being permitted to bless the home for only six weeks. The hearts of the community go out in tender sympathy to these young parents in the loss of their darling baby. May they be resigned to the will of Almighty God and he able to say, "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord."

The writer conducted the funeral at Gray's Chapel on March 18, and the little body was deposited in mother earth, the grave being literally covered with flowers.
H. L. Isley.

BUCHANON—John S. Buchanon was born October 13, 1863, died March 19, 1940; spent 76 years, five months and six days in this life. Brother Buchanon was married to Miss Lillie Tatham March 23, 1884. To this union were born ten children, six boys and four girls. Two of the children have departed this life. He is survived by his wife and eight children and four great-grandchildren. Brother Buchanon was a faithful member of the Wesleyan church on the Webster charge. He was converted and joined the Methodist church early in life. He loved his home, church, and was a good neighbor.
G. A. Hovis, P. C.

JULIAN—Jesse Gaston Julian, one of the leading members of Bethany Methodist church, near Worthville, passed to his reward on January 29, 1940, having reached the age of 76 years. For a long period of years he had charge of the music at Bethany church and it was a great joy to him to sing the gospel. His home going leaves a great vacancy in the church and community, both being poorer because of his translation. The pastor was assisted in the funeral at Bethany church by Revs. Geo. L. Reynolds and A. O. Lindley, former pastors, interment being made in the church burial ground. His widow and eight children survive.
H. L. Isley.

WARD—Abram Ward, son of Eli and Huldah Ward, was born February 19, 1851; departed this life February 3, 1940, age 89 years, 11 months and 14 days.

Early in life he became a member of Cool Spring church, later moving his membership to Randolph Methodist church, where he remained a faithful member until he was stricken with ill health.

Mr. Ward is survived by his wife, the former Miss Maggie York; three daughters, Mrs. J. W. Brower, Liberty, Route 1; Mrs. B. J. Gregson, Liberty, and Mrs. C. E. Brady, Rural Hall; two sons, Ross W. Ward, Liberty, and Ed Ward of the home; one brother, O. P. Ward, Liberty, Route 1; 19 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and a host of friends.

The funeral was conducted at Gray's Chapel by the writer, assisted by Dr. Geo. R. Brown, and burial took place in the church cemetery.

In his passing Randolph county loses one of its finest Christian gentlemen.
H. L. Isley.

JOHNSON—Arthur Gordon Johnson, son of Robert and Mary Anne Johnson, was born June 15, 1886; died March 5, 1940, being 53 years, eight months and 19 days of age.

He was married to Miss Claudia Madeline Jones, February 5, 1913, and to this union were born seven children—one son, John Gordon, and six daughters, Mildred Louise, Virginia Anne, Cora Lucille, Mary Carolyn, Margaret Elizabeth and Frances Eleanor.

For twenty years he has been an active member, steward, Sunday school teacher, charge lay leader of the Methodist church.

He is survived by his wife, seven children before named, three brothers and three sisters.

Arthur Gordon Johnson was a friend of man and friend of God. His life while here was a blessing to many, his memory a benediction to all who knew him, and his fellowship we expect to regain once more when we too are absent from the body and present with the Lord.

J. H. Wootton, Jr., Pastor.

BUNCH—In the quietness of the last few minutes of January 31, 1940, the soul of our beloved brother, L. R. Bunch, took its flight heavenward and went home to live with God.

He was 82 years and 10 days old. He joined with Evans' Methodist church in early boyhood and remained a faithful and consistent member until he was confined at home by ill health. He loved his church and Sunday school. He also served his church as steward for a number of years. He never missed a class in Sunday school or church service unless prevented by some special cause.

He lived in unselfish devotion to worthy ideals. His radiant and jovial life won for him many friends who remember him with kindest regards.

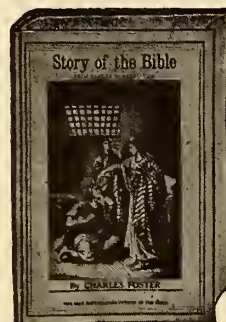
He was a resident of Chowan county. In November, 1885, he was united in marriage to Miss Donnie M. Brown of Gatesville, who preceded him to the grave 19 years. To this union were born seven children, four of them having died in infancy. The living ones are: Mrs. Noah Felton, Sr., of Hertford, T. C. Bunch of Asheville, and Mrs. Vertie Wilson of Philadelphia, Penn. There are two grandsons, four granddaughters and two great-grandchildren.

In November, 1922, he was married to Mrs. Richardson Bunch, who now survives him. Funeral service was conducted at Evans church and his body was laid to rest by the side of his wife in the family burying ground.

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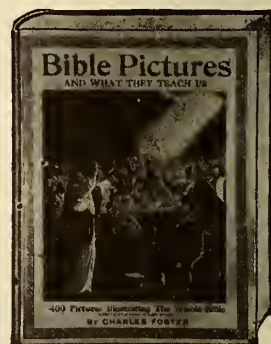
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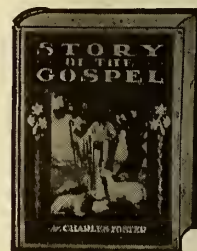
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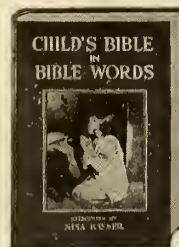
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The Day of the Laymen

WITH the emergence of the new Methodist Church as a result of the union of the three branches of the denomination, the laymen is in a very real sense coming into his own. The history of organized Christianity is marked by the gradual extension of increasingly larger rights, powers, and privileges to its lay members. In the early years the priests ruled the church with almost autocratic sway, and the laymen simply followed and obeyed their clerical leaders. Even in Protestantism, until modern times, the ministers not only preached and taught the people but also shaped policies, organized institutions, and in general managed the financial interests of the church. But more and more, in the spirit of genuine democracy and Christian brotherhood, there has developed through the years closer co-operation between the clergy and the laity. The laymen have been given a voice and a vote in the councils of the church and in many instances positions and offices of large authority and influence. In the Methodist Episcopal Church a number of years ago they were admitted to General Conference membership. They were given places on general boards, societies, and committees.

It should be remembered, however, that this enlarging opportunity for lay expression involves also the hard, laborious program of preparation for the task and solemn responsibility for the discharge of it in such a way as will really advance the kingdom of God. There is very grave danger just now that, in the enthusiasm of the new day when the laymen are "trying their wings," they may forget that they must learn also to run without being weary and even to walk without fainting.

The coming of laymen into greater power in Methodism is a development of large and inspiring promise. They should face their new opportunities and responsibilities, not in the mood of "Now we will show the ministers how to run the church," but in the spirit of deep humility, open-mindedness, and teachableness. If the church is worth while, and if it is indeed the instrument that God proposes to use to change men and nations and to bring in a new order of things upon the earth, Christian workers ought to be willing to take their task seriously enough to prepare for it. Great problems in this field can be solved neither by intuition nor altogether by training and experience in the business world. Hard study is needed. Prayer that is prayer is required. Why is it that so many laymen think it is unnecessary for them to read books on religion and the church in order to prepare for effective Christian leadership? Why are they content to rest on the old traditions, to repeat the old slogans, to think in old ways, when a great new day is dawning and God is preparing a new world in which our children and our children's children are to live? "Read, study, prepare, pray." This is our four-word exhortation to laymen as they face their new day.

—ZIONS HERALD.

One Hundred and Fifty-Five Years Afterwards

(Editorial Correspondence)

The first General Conference of the Methodist Church convening in Atlantic City is organically related to the "Christmas Conference" held in Baltimore 155 years ago. Of the 83 Methodist preachers in America at that time sixty reached the conference assembled in Lovely Lane meeting house, Baltimore, December 24, 1784. These were young men. Only sixteen had served as much as five years in the Methodist itinerancy. Not one of them had been ordained. Their authority proceeded from the spirit of God in them and the conscious presence of the living Christ with them.

What a notable occasion was this conference in session during the Christmas season! In those chaotic times, three years after the surrender of Cornwallis and four years before Washington was elected President, assembled these Methodist preachers in Baltimore. They came at the call of Coke and Asbury for American conquest. They came for conference and guidance. In the words of Asbury, "The voice of the preachers shall be to me the voice of God." From New York to the Carolinas on all the Atlantic Seaboard they hurriedly assembled. More heroic than they knew were these men in that notable "Christmas Conference" in which the "Methodist Episcopal Church" was born. The colonies so recently separated from the mother country and the new government not yet organized, made a situation most perilous. English-born preachers, except Francis Asbury, had returned to England and many of the English sympathizers had gone north into Canada and south into the West Indies. Yet these Methodist preachers never faltered. The first day after Asbury left the Christmas Conference he rode fifty miles through mud and snow. Thus he set the pace for the itinerants in the new Methodist Church. They went forth to reform a continent.

Just now from the ends of the earth beyond the seas and from all sections of every state in this Republic come the preachers and the laymen to Atlantic City for the first General Conference of the Methodist Church. They represent millions of members and billions of treasure but, man for man, they are not equal in high and holy daring to the man who on horseback left Baltimore one hundred and fifty-five years ago. Ocean liners, airplanes, streamlined trains and automobiles are bringing these Methodists from afar. The chief work for these delegates is to perfect the union effected at the Uniting Conference last year. Would that every one might go from Atlantic City in the spirit of Francis Asbury, who on the long road from Baltimore at the head of the daring men on horseback as they went forth to spread scriptural holiness over the lands.

Some insist that this General Conference of 1940 is to be dull and of little real interest in its larger aspects. These put the Uniting Conference above all other Methodist gatherings. Doubtless all will admit that the spirit manifest, the unusual features in evidence, the high hours enjoyed, and the momentous issues involved set apart the Kansas City convocation from those that have gone before, but much of interest remains to be done.

It has been my good fortune to get a look-in on all the General Conferences of the Southern Methodist Church since that at Asheville in 1910, to observe the Ecumenical

conferences at Toronto, London, and Atlanta, to report the General Conference of the Northern Church at Atlantic City in 1932, and also to be in the Uniting Conference last year. I certainly shall watch the present proceedings with sustained interest. Then, too, the legislation of this General Conference will be far-reaching in its implications for the future as well as for its present enactments.

Tuesday was a most busy day in Atlantic City. Though the General Conference opened Wednesday morning, the incoming of delegates and visitors kept things lively about the hotels. More than a dozen commissions and sub-committees were in session putting final touches on the reports to be submitted to the General Conference. There are too many of these to seek a list of them.

General Conference Personals

I ran through from Raleigh on the S. A. L. Monday night. The first "old acquaintance" met in Philadelphia were Dr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Morgan of Oklahoma. Then came a glimpse of Tennesseans and Texans to be joined by the two cars from the Carolinas. Among these were J. B. Craven, W. A. Lambeth, W. P. Few, G. T. Rowe, J. M. Ormond, G. Ray Jordan, G. P. Hood, Dr. and Mrs. H. N. Snider, G. W. Paschal, C. W. Bates, G. T. Bond, C. C. and Mrs. Weaver, E. A. Cole, Paul F. Evans, A. J. Kirby, Mrs. E. D. Mouzon, Mrs. Clare Purcell, Edgar Nease. A few names I failed to get.

Many of the Carolinians drove through in cars. Their names I do not have. Every prospect pleases here Tuesday night and eagerness prevails.

M. T. P.

SUCCESS MARKS THREE PASTORS' FOOTSTEPS

In the above headline we refer first to Dr. H. P. Powell, now pastor of Dilworth Methodist church, Charlotte. The results of his superb leadership are manifold on every hand in that big congregation. Among other interests of the church that have been affected by his leadership is the church paper. Dr. Powell sends this week 45 1-2 new yearly subscribers and a check for \$95. This man will likely pace Charlotte's Methodism.

A second pastor of Charlotte who succeeds magnificently with big hard jobs is Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald, who has built and paid for more Methodist churches than any other living member of the Western North Carolina conference. He has secured 40 new subscribers to the Advocate.

The third man who always does his work quietly but in a fine manner is M. Q. Tuttle of Brevard Street church. To use the language of Isaiah, he does not "cause his voice to be heard in the streets," but his works praise him. He has 18 new subscribers to his credit which, when we consider the size of his church, is equal to the best in North Carolina.

CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD NOTICE

We are issuing call number 71 on account of the death of Rev. John M. Wright. All whose salaries are above \$2000 will pay \$3; those with salaries \$1001 to \$2000 will pay \$2; those with salaries \$1000 or less will pay \$1. Each non-beneficiary member will pay \$1. This is the first death we have had in over a year. Let us pay promptly.

R. L. Jerome, Treas.
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Coach Bob Neyland says that his Tennessee Vols. will be much weaker this year than last. Now if Coach Wallace Wade can discover that his team will be below par everybody will be set.

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Politics, plural in form, is used in the plural or singular. Plural, we assume, when politicians are climbing on the band wagon, and singular when they are "strange bedfellows" in a political unity.

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John Wesley said in the dark days when wickedness was rampant: "Give me one hundred men who fear nothing but God, hate nothing but sin, and are determined to know nothing but Christ and him crucified, and I will turn the world upside down." How would that work today?

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The editor of the Charlotte Observer has been jesting with the truth, an exceedingly dangerous thing to do unless all men were endowed with a sense of humor. Here is what he said: "Mr. Martin Dies has heard that 'Communism' is very strong' at the University of North Carolina, but the fact is that the strongest sentiment prevailing at Chapel Hill is that of Beat-Dukeism."

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Ready wit after all is just about as useful as book learning. Bill Jones while attending a lecture on diatetics was dreaming of something else as usual when the professor said that a balanced diet consisted of carbohydrates, proteins, and fats. After a bit the professor asked, "Mr. Jones, what are the essentials to man's physical welfare?" "Breakfast, dinner and supper" was the prompt reply. Bill was taking an examination in literature when one of the questions was, "What two books have helped me most?" Bill wrote: "My mother's cook book and my father's check book." That boy today is headed for the United States Senate.

Quintus Quig in this week's Christian Century says: "I heard the other day of a rebuke administered by a very great theologian to a class of restless students for the holy ministry. He was a man of gentle and humble ways. His students were plainly inattentive and did not disguise the fact. At the close of his lecture the scholar said in his high piping voice: 'I must detain you gentlemen one minute more; I have still one more pearl to cast.'"

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The story is going around that father found a big plug of tobacco in young hopeful's hip pocket. "Son, what does this mean?" asked dad. The young American replied, "Didn't you know to smoke is 'sissy'? And since the girls are smoking cigarettes, we boys have gone to 'chawing.'" It's manly to "chaw" tobacco, but "sissy" to smoke. If the boys have really taken to chewing and spitting it won't be long until the girls, too, will arm themselves with a plug and go to chewing and spitting. What are we coming to?

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Dr. John Spencer Bassett's declaration in the South Atlantic Quarterly a few years ago that, with the exception of General Robert E. Lee, the South had produced no greater man than Booker T. Washington is gaining new standing of late with many. Then rabid Southerners foamed at the mouth in their rage demanding that this professor of history at Trinity College go. Note recent pronouncements. Last Sunday on the occasion of Washington's birthday, "Wings Over Jordan" and other broadcasts pronounced panegyrics of unusual laudation of this great Negro educator, this Moses of his people. Barrett never said anything quite the equal of these. Postmaster General Farley in purchasing the first "Booker Washington stamp" declared Washington was "a Solomon in the way he interpreted his people to white men and . . . there is a parallel in his refusal to accept personal gain with that of Robert E. Lee."

Freedom of the Press and Our Courts

IN St. Louis on April 3, Circuit Judge Thos. J. Rowe imposed fines and jail sentences upon Ralph Coughlan, chief editorial writer of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, and Daniel R. Fitzpatrick, cartoonist of the same paper. Coughlan received a \$2000 fine and 20 days in jail, Fitzpatrick \$100 fine and ten days in jail. Both men promptly appealed and were released on \$500 bail.

The contempt proceedings arose out of a charge by the Post-Dispatch that Judge Rowe had released men who were unquestionably guilty of extortion. And the charge had been trumpeted abroad by the crusading Post-Dispatch in a manner that became exceedingly annoying to Rowe, who acting as prosecuting attorney, jury and judge imposed the fines and jail sentences as already stated.

The Post-Dispatch has in good earnest entered war upon this effort to throttle the press. The publisher in his first signed editorial wrote: "If a newspaper is to be gagged whenever a judge has felt the sting of editorial criticism, that means the end of freedom of the press. The Post-Dispatch will continue to criticize the courts." And the press of the country has uttered vigorous criticism of the St. Louis judge.

The American people are exceedingly jealous of the freedom of the press. And for any man to attempt to throttle it even in the name of legal procedure is like casting firebrands into dry stubble. Many North Carolinians can recall the time when a judge whose name we are unable to recall, sent Hon. Josephus Daniels to jail for some criticism of this judge that appeared in the News and Observer. Daniels promptly set up his editorial office in the jail. And any man in jail with truth on his side is very difficult to handle. Fortunately for that judge and for the peace of North Carolina, Hon. Jeter Pritchard employed his good offices to stop the whole procedure. If the editor of the News and Observer had been kept in the Raleigh jail as long as John Bunyan stayed in the Bedford jail he would have been as famous, even if he had not written another "Pilgrim's Progress." On the other hand the American people are just as jealous of the rights of our courts as they are of the freedom of the press.

Everybody can recall a few years ago when the Supreme Court of the United States did

not suit the taste of President Roosevelt and he proposed to pack it with men of his own choosing. Up to that time Mr. Roosevelt had been allowed to have his own way about the affairs of the government. But when he attempted to lay strong hands upon the Supreme Court the people with surprising unanimity said "No."

Fortunately, we hold sacred the freedom of the press and the legal rights of our courts. "So mote it be."

"Saints in Caesar's Household"

REV. R. G. DAWSON in his recent sermon before the New Bern district conference had for his theme "Saints in Caesar's Household." This was a most refreshing utterance in this day when the land rings from side to side with the voice of reformers crying their panaceas. On lecture platform and in many pulpits we hear little save the horrors of this present age in which the world is "falling to pieces." Too often the remedies suggested do nothing more than add to the confusion of the situation so serious.

In dealing with the "Saints in Caesar's Household" the preacher could have followed the tendency of these times and portrayed the situation in the court and recited the horrors of the Roman world as he drew a parallel between that and the conditions in this present age. The entire half hour could have been so used in a parade of history and of present world conditions. But this good Methodist preacher took the more effective way to do good. He urged in a clear and concise way the elements that go into making saints as disclosed in Paul who was now in bonds at Rome.

A preacher whose soul yearns for more saints in the church, even though they are forced to endure trials and afflictions of prisoners in bonds, will certainly do much to make saints who can sing songs at midnight. This dear brother closed with the challenging plea that the chief need of our new Methodist Church is more saints. Such is what we call real preaching. Sainly men in the pulpit will do much to fill the pews with saints rather than with worldlings. Greetings from the "Saints in Caesar's Household" are entirely too rare in a church that relies on earthly resources or in a pulpit devoid of the godliness that wins to sainthood.

Some Methodist Minorities

WE have in mind just now the cry babies, the invalids and cripples and the spiritually dead. These suggest a nursery, a hospital, a morgue, rather than a church, but they constitute three Methodist minorities of considerable proportions.

And they have been in the Christian church from the beginning. Paul found these babes in Christ at Corinth and he had to give them a bottle of milk rather than a working man's diet.

Then there are the chronic cripples and invalids who require the attention of doctors and nurses, while some of them with the best attention and nursing show only temporary improvement. They are always a great care upon the local church. These must have been among the cares of the churches which the apostle to the Gentiles regarded the crown of all his troubles.

Another minority is composed of the dead church members who frequently constitute a formidable minority that develops a hopeless situation when the pastor of the church is among the spiritually dead. Paul found this class in churches of his day, for he cried out, "Awake thou that sleepeth and arise from the dead and Christ shall give thee light."

There are of course other minorities in the church and there are the great majorities composed of those "who do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with their God," but these are reserved for another day.

About Dogs

THE dog in the East is an outcast, a scavenger of the streets, and still held in abhorrence as he has been from time immemorial. Unquestionably, this explains why in the Bible there is no expression that tells of the fidelity, love and watchful care of the dog. On the contrary we read, "Is thy servant a dog, that he should do this thing?" "Beware of dogs" and in Revelations, "without are dogs." But in mediaeval art there is a different story. To symbolize fidelity a dog is represented as lying at the feet of St. Bernard, St. Benignus and St. Wendelin, and as licking the wounds of St. Roch. The dog is placed at the feet of women in monouments to symbolize affection and fidelity. As in Western art so the dog fares better in Western literature than in the literature of

the East. Ulysses' dog Argos recognized him after his return from Troy, and died of joy. Sir Walter Scott called his jet black greyhound Hamlet. Mrs. Browning's pet dog was named Flush and about him she wrote a poem. Charles Lamb had a dog named Dash. Pope's dog was named Bounce, all of which serves to bring these names in literature with the familiar names of their dogs close home to the heart of the small boy of the present day. Alexander Pope gave the Prince of Wales a dog on whose collar was inscribed: "I am his Highness' dog at Kew; Pray tell me, sir, whose dog are you?" In view of the record that the dog has made, why should we find fault with one who insists upon having a 'possum or rabbit dog, a foxhound, a setter, or pointer, or collie, or a poodle? But we do insist that the bark of a dog should be kept on the owner's side of the fence and the bite should be confined to home consumption.

"Hoein' Cotton When He Comes"

FOR some time negro spirituals have enjoyed a marked popularity in most cultured and intellectual circles and they give promise of eventually becoming classics of hymnology. But most of us are accustomed to think of them as being lost in the realm of fancy, or at any rate out of touch with the affairs of every day life. But they are not so far removed from practical Christianity as some may think.

Take for example the following:

There's a King and Captain high, who'll be comin' by-and-by,
And he'll find me hoein' cotton when he comes;
You will hear his legions chargin' in the thunders of the sky,
And he'll find me hoein' cotton when he comes!
When he comes, when he comes,
All the dead will rise in answer to his drums,
While the fires of his encampment star the firmament on high,
And the heavens are rolled asunder, when he comes!

There's a Man they thrust aside, who was tortured till he died,
And he'll find me hoein' cotton when he comes;
He was hated and rejected, he was scourged and crucified.
But he'll find me hoein' cotton when he comes!
When he comes, when he comes,
He'll be ringed with saints and angels when he comes;
They'll be shoutin' out hosannas to the Man that men denied,
And I'll kneel among my cotton, when he comes!

❖ People and Things ❖

Rev. and Mrs. A. M. Williams of Whitakers announce the arrival of Atticus Morris, April 20, 1940.

Rev. E. E. Snow has just closed revival services at Pleasant Garden church, where he added 37 new members to the church. Mrs. C. L. Steidley assisted in this meeting.

Wesley Memorial church, High Point, for the third successive year has paid its benevolent apportionment of \$5800 in full at the end of the first half of the conference year.

Home coming day will be observed at Mt. Zion Sunday, May 26. All friends and former pastors are invited to be present and to share the fellowship with us in things temporal and spiritual.—W. S. Smith.

There will be home coming day observed at White Memorial church on Sunday, May 26. All former pastors are cordially invited to be with us, and all former members. There will be lunch served at the church.—J. K. Worthington.

Dr. Embree H. Blackard was the guest preacher last week at the Church Street Methodist church, Knoxville, Tenn., where 84 Methodist and Baptist churches co-operated in simultaneous evangelistic services under the direction of Dr. Harry Denman.

"Prisoner at the Bar" is scheduled for Charlotte on May 19. It is a thrilling drama—the trial of a young husband and father for killing his wife in a drunken debauch. All who saw it at the Uniting Conference will urge our people to avail themselves of the opportunity to see this. Pastors would do well to urge their people to see this.

On next Sunday at the evening worship service, the young people's choir of the First Methodist church in Asheville will bring us an evening of sacred music. The young people will be host to them. Let us show our interest and appreciation by being present to enjoy this program of inspiration.—Dilworth Church Bulletin.

Hay Street, Fayetteville, has received 83 members since conference, 47 by faith. Raised \$650 for benevolences, \$390 for orphanage. New parsonage lot is located on Hillside avenue. Plan new educational building on site of old parsonage. Have preached for 21 Sundays from "Cape New Hope," the point where the bishop stood during conference.—R. E. Brown.

Dr. William H. Simpson of Duke University has completed a survey of the small loan business in South Carolina and his findings show that in seven prominent towns and cities interest rates for loans under \$10 run anywhere from 363 to 598 per cent. The chief victims are negroes and cotton mill workers. Aroused by these "outrageous practices," Governor Maybank and various organizations are pressing for the passage of a bill now before the legislature which would outlaw excessive charges on small loans.

Cedar Cliff church, Mt. Hermon charge, is moving along nicely. Attendance at Sunday school and church service has been good, with some five messages from our pastor. On fifth Sunday in March at Belmont church all our four churches were together for layman's day. Our second quarterly conference was also held in the evening. We are planning home coming day the second Sunday in May. The morning service will consist of speakers and singers; afternoon will be singing. Dinner will be served on the grounds. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the day. May is set for Golden Cross month. Our pastor will preach a sermon the fourth Sunday in April about the Golden Cross.—Mrs. R. M. Boger, Reporter.

Two members of the faculty of Union Theological Seminary have recently received their final papers for naturalization as citizens of the United States. Dr. Paul Tillich, professor of philosophical theology, was a German citizen and fled the Third Reich for his theological and political beliefs shortly after the coming to power of Hitler in 1933. He had taught at the Universities of Berlin, Marburg, Dresden, Leipzig and Frankfurt-am-Main in Germany. Dr. Cyril Richardson, thirty-year-old associate professor of church history, was a British subject before his naturalization in April.

The Wilkesboro church had its home coming Sunday, Sunday, April 14. Rev. J. L. Reynolds, a former pastor, preached a most acceptable sermon at 11 a. m. An old fashioned picnic dinner was served in the Community building across from the church at 1 p. m. At 2:30 p. m. Rev. J. H. Brendall, Jr., of Ardmore, Winston-Salem, brought a message to young and old from the text, "Remember now thy Creator." Most favorable comment was heard covering both addresses. Owing to sickness Rev. S. M. Needham, a former pastor, did not preach at night, so the pastor had to pinch hit. Altogether it was a notable day. We are still on the map, though not saying over-much.

Miss Maggie Renn, former Advocate employee, died April 18 after a long illness in Hendersonville, N. C., and was buried in Hendersonville April 19. Miss Renn was for years associated with Dr. H. M. Blair in the editorial work of the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Brother Blair was accustomed to say that he could not get on without "Miss Maggie" and it was no empty compliment. Miss Renn's devotion continued till she literally wore herself out in the long hours she gave to her work. This Advocate and the Methodists of Western North Carolina owe her a debt they never could pay. Miss Renn was a daughter of Dr. J. J. Renn of the Western North Carolina conference and a sister of Miss Kate Renn of Greensboro.

Easter of 1940 will long linger in my memory. It brought to us a rare scene such as we seldom have—sleet, snow, rain and beautiful flowers. I was recuperating in the hospital Easter Sunday, but I wasn't lonely. We had with us the great "weapon of spiritual warfare," our church paper—always an inspiration. It brought to us conference news, district meetings, zone meetings, etc. Lovely words of sympathetic friends with lovely Easter flowers. The pastor came with Easter service and prayers at our bedside, where we talked about God and his wonderful mercies to the children of men. All this brought cheer and comfort and we were able to concentrate upon the Infinite rather than my misfortune, a fractured limb, which we are bearing up under with as much patience and Christian fortitude as possible, and hope to be up and going soon.—Mrs. Nettie deFord.

At a meeting held recently at the home of Mrs. J. W. Watts of Williamston a young woman's circle of the missionary society of the Methodist church was organized. This organization is to be known as the Wesleyan Guild in accordance with the new plans of the Woman's Missionary Society of the North Carolina conference. It is thought perhaps this society in Williamston is the first to be organized in the conference under the new plan. Mrs. L. C. Larkin of Rocky Mount was present and assisted in the organization. Fourteen charter members were enrolled. The group will meet each month and will be an auxiliary of the local missionary society of the Methodist church. Officers elected were: President, Mrs. James M. Ward; vice president, Mrs. Geo. H. Gurganus; secretary, Miss Martha Leggett; treasurer, Miss Sarah Cook; recording secretary, Miss Vashti Starnes.

Brother, Why Not Give One Solid Hour When at Your Very Best for Your Church Paper?

Mrs. Grace Loucks, author, consulting psychologist, and wife of Prof. Harrison Elliott of the faculty of Union Theological Seminary, was elected national president of the Young Women's Christian Temperance Association at its Atlantic City convention on April 15.

A Christian Century correspondent from the Carolinas writes of a South Carolina preacher as follows: "Revelations tells us that just before the end chariots will be seen, out of the sea will rise the devil, and on the foreheads of people will be seen the 'mark of the beast.' The devil is John L. Lewis and the mark of the beast is communism." Asked about the chariots, the preacher replied triumphantly, "Automobiles." It should be said in fairness that, while such eccentrics are often seen among us, this preacher is no more typical of religion in South Carolina than Father Divine is typical of religion in New York or Aimee McPherson of religion in California."

I would like to say that the Murphy circuit is very much alive notwithstanding the winter. The Murphy circuit as it is in the Methodist Church is becoming self-conscious. That is to say, the people are becoming conscious of what can be done with a more compact charge. You cannot imagine what a change is possible here for the former M. E. churches—Unake, Reid's Chapel, Culberson, and Hampton Memorial—since their pastor no longer has to come all the way from Shooting Creek. The spirit of advance is here. The spiritual advance begins on the mountain tops. May it roll on to the sea. About the finest thing which has come our way besides our district superintendent is the Lord's Acre plan. Disguised as a new thing we take to it very readily. But we are not sorry to learn from Rev. Dumont Clark, the propagator of the plan, that it is the Bible plan. Four acres have been given for group projects at Ranger and there are many individual projects at Belview.—G. W. Bumgarner.

Dr. J. G. Garth of Charlotte, former editor of the Presbyterian Standard, in a letter to us says: "It has been my privilege for a week to attend services at Myers Park Methodist church, Charlotte, and hear a series of sermons in a Bible mission by Rev. John W. Pearson, D.D., pastor of Centenary church, Lynchburg, Va. Dr. Pearson was invited to preach this series by the pastor of the Myers Park church, Rev. R. L. Ownbey, D.D., and his board of stewards. As I am a Presbyterian minister of 45 years experience in Tennessee and North Carolina, I may be pardoned if I submit to your columns my sincere appreciation of the work done by Dr. Pearson. I heard all of the discourses from start to finish, and can say without hesitation that he has all the marks of a true evangelist, and that his exegesis and delivery of his sermons are marked by unusual perspicacity and unction." Dr. Garth adds this postscript: "May I also say that Dr. Ownbey holds an almost unique place in public and church life in Charlotte. He is in the forefront of all social betterment, and his church admires and loves him and follows his leadership with confidence and effectiveness."

The Stanfield charge is growing steadily in every phase of its work. The people are standing behind their pastor 100 per cent. Two young people's divisions have been organized at Love's Chapel and at Love's Grove. We have about 75 fine young people here who are spiritually stirring the entire church membership. Forty young people met at the parsonage for a social a few nights ago. Don't tell me the young people are going to the dogs! The Stanfield charge now boasts two of the largest young people's divisions in Stanly county. One new woman's society for Christian service has been organized at Love's Chapel and they are very enthusiastic about their work. The Love's Grove women are very active also. We have purchased a supply of the revised Methodist Hymnal at Love's Grove, and the congregation first used these new hymnals last Sunday. Although no revivals have been held, 26 have been baptized and 20 have united with our churches, all by vows and professions of faith. At our regular service at Love's Chapel last Sunday 14 were baptized and received into the church. Others so stated their desire to follow. Methodism will continue to advance on this charge!—John R. Hamilton, P.C.

CONFERENCE WIDE MEETING AT GOLDSBORO MAY 9

There is being held a conference wide missionary conference in connection with the mid-year meeting of the board of missions at Goldsboro on May 9. The program will call for a careful discussion of benevolences, evangelism and missions. Bishop Peele will be present to discuss in an address "Evangelism," which discussion will be followed with a forum led by him on this subject. At another hour in the day he will present the question of our benevolences and direct, at length, a discussion on the various phases of this question. While the program is not complete we are expecting Bishop Arthur J. Moore and Bishop Guerra of Mexico to appear during the day. Will you be good enough to take this data, weave it into a brief announcement and urge the pastors to reserve the day? It ought to be a great day and will. It is hoped that every pastor and a host of our laymen will be present for the entire day. The hours will be 10 a. m. to 3:30 p. m.

F. S. Love.

THE BIG THREE OF WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

J. C. Auman, J. O. Ervin and J. E. Pritchard are the big three in the Advocate campaign. J. O. Ervin wherever he happens to be in an Advocate campaign never fails to be among the leaders. J. C. Auman and J. E. Pritchard are former Methodist Protestant pastors, and these former Methodist Protestants are leading also in other districts. We are much gratified to see how these new readers of the N. C. Christian Advocate are rallying to their church paper. With the exception of R. G. Tuttle, who is at the top in the Greensboro district, J. L. Trollinger, J. Elwood Carroll, R. C. Stubbins and C. W. Bates are leading the rest. In the High Point district C. E. Ridge and G. L. Curry lead.

Elkin District

Rev. E. M. Avett when sending in half a dozen new subscribers this week from Mocksville remarked that some of the brothers in the Elkin district were trying to crowd him off the top rung of the ladder in this campaign, and he was not willing to surrender the top place. While not frightened nor mad he was simply playing safe. A man with as much good humor as Avett cannot be beat.

RESOLUTIONS TO RECALL AMBASSADOR MYRON C. TAYLOR

Whereas, the idea of the separation of church and state is a principle upon which this country was founded;

Whereas, both the church and state have prospered throughout the history of the United States on this principle;

Whereas, in the appointment of Myron C. Taylor as a representative to the Vatican, the President has violated this sacred American principle, and this act foreshadows incalculable danger to both church and state;

Be it resolved, therefore, that we, the members of the New Bern district conference of the Methodist Church, in annual session, April 16, 1940, do condemn this act of our President, and urge him to take the proper steps to correct this un-American act and to maintain the complete separation of church and state.

We furthermore urge him to continue to work for international peace, and assure him of our hearty and prayerful co-operation in those methods that do not violate the principles of our church.

T. M. Grant,
A. S. Parker,
W. F. Elliott,
C. W. Robbins.

Methodist Laymen to Give Financial Assistance to School of Religion of Duke University

Laymen Helping to Train Ministers in the School of Religion at Duke Wins at Once the Admiration of All. Many Will Have a Part in Building Here a School of the Prophets.
In Durham, But for the Nations.

A campaign for securing additional funds for the School of Religion of Duke University was launched on Thursday, April 18, at the annual banquet of the faculty and students of the School of Religion. This campaign



CAMPAIGN DIRECTOR
Mr. N. Edward Edgerton

will be directed by Mr. N. Edward Edgerton, a prominent Methodist layman of Raleigh, N. C. The securing of \$500,000 has been made the goal of the campaign.

President W. P. Few in discussing the project pointed out that through one hundred years of the history of Trinity College and Duke University loyal Methodist laymen had from time to time made financial contributions toward the education of preachers. He then stated that Mr. James B. Duke in his deed of indenture in 1924 had put the training of preachers as one of the first objectives of Duke University. President Few also reviewed the founding and growth of the School of Religion, showing that since 1926 five hundred alumni had become pastors, teachers and missionaries.

Financial Needs of Students

Dr. Paul N. Garber, registrar of the School of Religion, in explaining the financial needs of the school pointed out that Duke University had assumed the entire responsibility for the general expenses of the School of Religion but that funds were needed for additional self-help scholarships for the many students desiring to prepare for the Methodist ministry. He referred to the large demand for educated preachers in united Methodism and explained that this appeal for funds was an attempt to make possible a larger service of the School of Religion in answering the demand for trained religious leaders.

Mr. N. Edward Edgerton Director

Mr. N. Edward Edgerton, the first donor of the campaign, declared that the laymen were sponsoring the cam-

paign because of their faith in the program of the School of Religion. He declared that there were three outstanding features that appealed to laymen, namely, the self-help scholarship, the clinical experience of the students during the summer vacation and the fact that for the first time in the history of the South a university had become sufficiently equipped to undertake graduate study and research in the field of religion beyond the Bachelor of Divinity degree. Mr. Edgerton pledged the support of the Methodist laymen in providing funds in order to make it possible for the School of Religion to assist worthy students preparing for the ministry.

President Henry N. Snyder of Wofford College, who delivered the main address of the banquet, also praised the program of the School of Religion and the leadership of President W. P. Few in providing at Duke University a school for the training of future leaders of Methodism.

A resolution was adopted unanimously by the student body of the School of Religion thanking the administration and the Methodist laymen for their interest in the school and pledging the support of the students in the campaign. Dean Elbert Russell read a letter from the Rev. A. C. Holler of Laurens, South Carolina, president of the School of Religion Alumni Association, which pledged the loyalty of the alumni in the campaign and expressed the gratitude of the alumni to the laymen who were leading in the movement.

One of Nine Theological Schools

The School of Religion is one of the nine official theological schools of The Methodist Church. Since 1926 five hundred students have enrolled. There are now three hundred and twenty alumni serving as pastors in forty-one annual conferences in The Methodist Church. Nineteen of the alumni are missionaries, while eighteen are faculty members in church related colleges and universities. Alumni are now found in many parts of the world and are making their contributions through various channels of religious activity.

One of the most conspicuous features of the program of the School of Religion is the requirement that all students who are granted scholarships must serve ten weeks each summer in a rural Methodist church in North Carolina. Not only do the students render valuable service to the rural churches, but they also become acquainted with the practical aspects of church leadership. This combination of theoretical training and practical experience has been highly praised by educational leaders. It also gives dignity to theological education in that it makes impossible the charge that ministerial students tend to become pauperized by free scholarships. It is in order to expand this program of self-help scholarships that the laymen are raising additional funds for the School of Religion. None of the funds raised in the campaign will be used in the form of gifts to students, but each recipient of financial

aid will serve during the summer months in a rural or urban Methodist church in North Carolina.

The campaign has the endorsement of many prominent Methodist laymen who by their distinguished records in many walks of life have honored their church. The director of the campaign, Mr. N. Edward Edgerton, is a prominent figure in the business, educational and religious life of North Carolina. He is president of the Raleigh Bonded Warehouse, a member of the board of directors of the North Carolina State Hospital in Raleigh and of the Eastern Carolina Training School in Rocky Mount. He has served as president of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce and has been director of the Raleigh community Chest. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Trinity College in 1921 and is now president of the Alumni Association of Duke University. He is a steward in the Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh.

THE NEW BERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The New Bern district conference convened at 9 a. m. on Tuesday, April 16, 1940, in the historic Rainbow church on the Hookerton charge with Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent, presiding.

The devotions were conducted by Rev. L. A. Tilley and Rev. C. E. Hix.

Rev. W. A. Crow was elected secretary and called the roll. Committees were nominated and elected to serve. The pastor, Rev. J. H. Miller, gave a word of welcome.

Reports were heard from the district trustees, the several district workers, and from the pastors.

Dr. M. T. Plyler, editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, emphasized the importance of the Advocate in the life of the church, and assured the success of the Advocate campaign in the New Bern district.

Rev. Walter Patten, president of Louisburg College, presented the cause of that institution. He emphasized adequate training in nursing as one of the new features in the curriculum at Louisburg. This training, he said, will be of such a nature as to insure the graduates entrance into such schools of nursing as the one at Duke University. A new feature in the curriculum for boys is to be scientific training in farming to meet the needs of students who are not privileged to attend such schools as State College.

Rev. R. W. Bradshaw spoke for the report on evangelism, using the text in Zechariah 9:23: "We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you."

The conference sermon was delivered by Rev. R. G. Dawson of Mt. Olive on the subject, "Being Saints in Caesar's Household." He convincingly presented the truth that there are no conditions under which a man cannot be a Christian. He pointed out in proof of this contention that it was possible under the most unfavorable conditions imaginable in Nero's court.

The afternoon session opened with some selections of song and poetry by four children from the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh.

The laymen's hour was presided over by Mr. W. C. Chauncey, district lay leader. The main feature of the laymen's hour was a speech by Dr. C. K. Vliet of the General Commission on Benevolences. Dr. Vliet pointed out that the several causes included under the heading of benevolences represents the effort of our church to carry out the command of Christ: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

The conference next year will be held in the Asbury church on the Dover charge in response to the invitation of Rev. R. N. Fitts.

The members of the New Bern district conference and the visitors to the conference are grateful to the people of the Hookerton charge and to the people of Rainbow church for the entertainment and hospitality which made the day of April 16 a most pleasant one. W. A. Crow, Secretary.

REV. JOHN M. WRIGHT DEAD

Just as we go to press Rev. W. L. Maness sends us the following:

"Brother John M. Wright died at his home in Jackson early Tuesday morning. The funeral will be conducted from the Methodist church in Jackson at one o'clock Thursday afternoon and he will be buried in Goldsboro that afternoon."

Next week we expect to carry an account of this brother's life and services.

SUGGESTIONS FOR SANCTUARY SERVICE ON ASCENSION DAY, MAY 2

On May 2, Ascension Day, there will be held at the General Conference in Atlantic City a Sanctuary Service. The request has come to call the attention of the young people and others to this emphasis. Such a service held in the local church should do much toward creating the proper attitude toward and reverence for our places of worship.

May I suggest one or two sources of material for building programs around this important theme. The young people are already familiar with the service in Series I in the Epworth Highroad for May. The particular program which should prove helpful is the one for May 12. It would be a fine thing if pastors and adult counselors would help the young people at the point of planning such a meeting. If this service could not be held on May 2, then special attention could be given to this matter on the following Sunday evening.

It would be especially helpful if the Methodist Hymnal could be used throughout this service. Such hymns as "Be Still, My Soul" could be used as a prelude, suggestive of the quiet and peace of the sanctuary. Then there certainly would be a place for "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord," "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken," and "The Church's One Foundation."

If poetry is needed in the service, I know no more beautiful words than those of hymn No. 308, taken from the Scottish Psalter:

"How lovely is thy dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts to me!
The tabernacles of thy grace
How pleasant, Lord, they be!"

(Also stanzas 2, 3, 4, 5).

Litanies are always helpful because they give the congregation an opportunity to participate in the service. Hymn 380 may be used effectively.

Minister: "Jesus, with thy church abide;
Be her Saviour, Lord, and Guide,
While on earth her faith is tried;

People: We beseech thee, hear us."

(Also stanzas 2, 3, 4, 5, 6).

The reading of the scripture can do more than any other one thing, except prayer itself, to set the tone of a service of this kind. Passages such as Isaiah 6, Romans 12, and Matthew 28 are suggestive of the significance of the church. In fact, these three passages in their entirety would make an excellent reading for a sanctuary service.

Prayer, of course, is a phase of the service about which suggestion cannot be made except that it should be sincere and heart-warming, lifting the people close to God. The Book of Common Prayer can be very helpful, certainly on special occasions. The following taken from this source illustrates this point:

"O Gracious Father, we humbly beseech thee for thy holy catholic church; that thou wouldst be pleased to fill it with all truth, in all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in anything it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, establish it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of him who died and rose again, and ever liveth to make intercession for us, Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. Amen."

M. Teague Hipps.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA PROVISIONAL CONFERENCE

On Thursday, April 18, at First Methodist church, Salisbury, at 2 p. m., the Western North Carolina Provisional Conference was held.

The conference met at the call of Bishop Clare Purcell, and was convened by Dr. C. N. Clark, district superintendent of the Salisbury district. The object of the meeting was to secure the nominations of three women for possible membership on the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, the nomination of one woman for possible membership on the Jurisdictional Board of Missions and Church Extension and the election of three delegates to the Provisional Jurisdictional meeting.

The three women nominated for possible membership on the Board of Missions and Church Extension are: Mrs. C. C. Weaver of Charlotte, Mrs. R. M. Andrews of Greensboro, and Mrs. R. C. Kennedy of Bessemer City.

The one woman nominated for possible membership on the Southeastern Jurisdictional Board of Missions and Church Extension is Mrs. C. C. Weaver of Charlotte.

The three delegates elected to the Provisional Jurisdictional meeting are: Mrs. W. A. Newell of Greensboro, Mrs. W. C. Hammer of Asheboro, and Mrs. P. N. Peacock of Salisbury, with Mrs. C. C. Weaver of Charlotte and Mrs. C. N. Clark of Salisbury alternates.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Chairman.
Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Secretary.

Religion and the Family

By MASON CRUM

(Continued from last week)

We now raise the question as to means of achieving this quality of life, this fineness of fibre so necessary to happy, satisfying family experience. The answer seems to be in the cultivation of ideals, the training of the motives so that men and women will desire to follow the highest they know.

Practical minds often think of ideals as dreamy and impractical. On the contrary, ideals are highly functional and play a large part in human endeavor. One of the chief functions of religion is to hold up ideals of better and more satisfying living. Because ideals are difficult of attainment is no reason for their abandonment. The committee on Marriage and the Home of the Federal Council of the Churches says:

It is the nature of an ideal never to be completely attained, yet always to be in process of attainment. The ideal itself can never be definitely lowered without personal and social degradation, no matter how often men fail or how far the experience of daily life falls short of its realization. A man must hold to his vision of perfection though he never fully attains it.

The custody of the ideal and of the spiritual forces which act redemptively in the soul of man is a supreme although not exclusive responsibility of organized religion, and this is also true with regard to ideals of love and marriage. Whatever the church may do to adjust its practical ministries to the actualities of human weakness and need, or whatever measures the state may take to safeguard welfare, the church's teaching ideal must be kept as high as the doctrine of Christ and the noblest dream of youth. That this ideal is practical in a work-a-day world is shown in every generation by countless numbers of husbands and wives who have lived beautifully together.

I think a course on Religion and Family Life would normally give some attention to the teachings of Jesus regarding marriage and the family. There is a tendency to think of the teachings of Jesus as restrictive and limiting. On the contrary they are found to be liberating; tending to produce the deeper satisfactions and joys of life. Jesus' teachings concerning the value of persons is a far-reaching principle. In an age tinged with cynicism, this estimate of the untold worth of the individual comes to youth with a freshness most agreeable. Many are coming to believe that the cardinal principle of Jesus' philosophy is reverence for human personality. One could hardly overestimate the influence of such a principle when applied to the problems of marriage and family relationships.

It is not necessary to say here that the home is the most potent of all agencies for the development of the character and personality of the child. There is nothing like it for influencing the motives and attitudes of children. The public schools may develop intellectual processes and influence in some areas the social development of the child, but it is in the home that the quality of his life is determined. Hartshorn and May in their study of children found a high correlation between parent and child in knowledge of right and wrong; a correspondingly low correlation between the public school teacher and the child, in knowledge of right and wrong. The correlation between parent and child was as high as .545. That between teacher and pupil .028. Like father like son. The

attitudes of parents are imbibed by the child. Children learn more at home through indirect instruction than through direct. It is the informal learning that goes deepest into personality. It is in the home that the "mental set" for living is fashioned. The type of men and women who will occupy places of leadership tomorrow is being determined in the informal relationships of thousands of humble homes.

Again, we ask, How may this quality of life be engendered? I know of no ways beside the old ways that we have used for generations. They are the old techniques. We know from observation that spiritual values spring from parents whose lives are motivated by the dynamic of religion; parents who have abiding convictions about life and human destiny, and who follow their nobler impulses. And we know also that they do not have to worry about the transmission of these traits to their children. The children understand, for what parents are thunders so loud in their ears they do not hear what they say. Children learn most through the power of suggestion and example.

I have observed that this quality of life is typical of parents whose lives are projected upon the Christian hypothesis of God. Usually these parents relate themselves to some branch of the Christian church and take their place in the various activities of the community. Usually they attend upon the ordinances of the church and encourage their children through example to do likewise. Like the preacher in "The Deserted Village" these parents not only allure to a fairer world but lead the way. They daily "practice the Presence of God," make grace at meals an occasion for genuine thanksgiving and join their children in conversation concerning the fundamental issues of life.

The old practice of family prayers seems difficult in our day. The spiritual fruit of the family altar have often been extolled and I doubt not that the return of family prayers would be a vitalizing force in many homes today. Its decline has been noticeable in this generation. Some of my students feel that the ennobling influences which come from old fashioned family worship might be attained in some other ways. Some of these ways I have indicated above.

But I do feel that our contemporary society owes a debt to the religious homes of the past, and I shall close with that familiar picture of family religion in "The Cotter's Saturday Night":

The priest-like father reads the sacred page—
How Abram was the friend of God on high;
Or Moses bade eternal warfare wage
With Amalek's ungracious progeny;
Or how the royal bard did groaning lie
Beneath the stroke of heaven's avenging ire;
Or Job's pathetic plaint, and wailing cry;
Or rapt Isaiah's wild, seraphic fire;
Or other holy seers that tune the sacred lyre.

From scenes like these old Scotia's grandeur springs,
That makes her lov'd at home, rever'd abroad;
Princes and lords are but the breath of kings,
"An honest man's the noblest work of God."

THREE WORTH WHILE DISTRICT CONFERENCES

On as many days last week the New Bern, the Rocky Mount and the Durham district conferences enjoyed sessions with certain features that set them apart from many such gatherings. The attendance, the entertainment and the sustained interest to the end were especially notable with each of them. These features alone contribute largely to the success of such conferences.

At old Rainbow, one of the notable old country churches of eastern Carolina, the New Bern clans came from all the lower valley of the Neuse; at ancient aristocratic Tarboro assembled the tribes from the Rocky Mount district, which lies largely in the valley of the Tar, rich as the region of the Nile; and at old Hillsboro up on the head waters of the Neuse gathered the Methodists from Durham, Orange, Person, Alamance and Chatham counties, in which are the two universities of the state, Duke and Carolina. The entertainment at each place sustained the best traditions of Southern hospitality under the guidance of pastors Miller, Ruark, Lewis and their helpers. Attendance from town and country of ministers and by laymen and lay women of different ages and stations in life indicate the wide sweep of the Methodist constituency. The well fed and well dressed congregations that filled the churches and the wonderful array of shining automobiles everywhere indicate that the Methodists are no longer poor and helpless, limited to the pioneer stage. We do not begin to appreciate the possibilities which are ours here in North Carolina.

Rev. J. A. Russell, first year district superintendent, leading the New Bern, Rev. L. C. Larkin in his third year on the Rocky Mount, and Rev. A. J. Hobbs, a second year man, on the Durham district, had most carefully prepared programs and they gathered detailed reports from pastors, so that every interest received attention and a rather full exhibit was made of this first half of the year's work. Special care to enlist all in the conference was apparent. This is not easy in a one day conference, but these three leaders succeeded admirably because of the excellent co-operation of all fellow workers.

Are our Methodist people in the pulpit getting better service from men with a passion for preaching? We do not care to venture a guess, but we are sure that the sermon of Rev. R. G. Dawson at Rainbow church on the theme, "Saints in Caesar's Household," the thrilling utterance on missions by Dr. B. M. Persinger at Tarboro and the message of Rev. T. B. Hough at Hillsboro were above most of those heard on such occasions. Dr. B. M. Persinger, pastor of Epworth church, Norfolk, Va., was a stranger to most of our people, but from this time forth to those so fortunate as to hear him at Tarboro he will be a brother beloved; sure of a warm welcome whenever he comes our way.

The conferences lived up to the long record of Methodism in its fight against the ravages of alcohol and the curse of the liquor traffic. They urged that education as to the physical, mental and moral hurt of habit forming alcohol be pressed by church and school. They insisted that a crusade be waged against the social as well as the personal degradation that results from liquor. And they called for a referendum in North Carolina on the liquor question. More and more the people of the state are insisting that the electorate of the state be allowed to speak.

The efficient secretaries—who are the servants of all in these conferences—will give the details of the proceedings. We were not able to reach the Fayetteville conference, so we are relying on the secretary at Caledonia to furnish a full report.

ANOTHER ENDORSEMENT OF CARROLL'S BOOK

In October the Rev. J. Elwood Carroll made a real contribution to Methodist literature by the publication of his most timely volume, *History of the North Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church*. This volume traces the history of the Methodist Protestants in North Carolina from 1828 to 1939. Although the Methodist Protestant Church is no longer a separate entity yet the former Methodist Protestants are destined to play an important role in our united Methodism. The members of the former Methodist Episcopal Church and the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, should especially read Carroll's book, for it will give them an accurate and inspiring picture of their new Methodist brethren. The Methodists are one people, but all of us can be better Methodists if we know more about the history of the three groups which in 1939 became one people. The price of the book is only fifty cents. Copies can be obtained from the author, 222 N. Edgeworth Street, Greensboro, N. C.

Paul Neff Garber.

NEWS OF PINE GROVE CHURCH

A young people's organization effected a short time ago with 26 members. Officers elected: President, Edna Kelley; vice president, Roby Burleson; secretary, Maxine Burleson. Several committees were appointed to carry on the various activities. At the next meeting a program will be mapped out for the work during this year.

The young people gave a very interesting and impressive Easter service at 5 a. m. The young people's choir gave musical numbers under the direction of their adviser, Mr. Randall Burleson. A musical reading, responsive readings and a talk by the pastor, Rev. C. G. Isley, concluded the program. This is the first of the sunrise services which we hope will be an annual affair.

Since the combining of the Methodist churches Pine Grove has been made a part of the Main Street charge. Under this arrangement we have a new minister, Rev. C. G. Isley of Albemarle. We are proud to have him and our hopes are that he will enjoy being with us.

At the last quarterly meeting a grand report was given for both Pine Grove and Main Street churches. All claims of Pine Grove were paid. Also several improvements have been made on the church building. At the beginning of the year the church was put on a budget system and all bills and obligations are paid up monthly. This plan has proven highly successful and it is certain that if it is continued it will prove more so.

Our Sunday school is going forward, attendance is above average, and during the spring months we expect a much larger enrollment and attendance. The superintendent, Mr. Burleson, is arranging a campaign, assisted by the teachers and council workers of the church, for building up the Sunday school.

Edna Kelley, Reporter.

FIRST LADY OF NORTH CAROLINA AGAINST SOCIAL DRINKING

Social drinking has no place in the life of North Carolina's First Lady and she does not hesitate to admonish young folks to leave it alone. Mrs. Hoey gave such admonition to the girls of the Smithfield senior class in an address here Tuesday night at a B. and P. W. club banquet honoring the high school group.

If a mediocre person, one lacking in the popular conception of "social standing" or one characterized as an old fogey, had advised the senior girls to turn down cocktails at parties or elsewhere, the advice would have carried less weight. But the wife of the Governor of North Carolina to urge total abstinence could not help but impress them with the fact that social drinking is not essential to moving in the best circles.

When girls use their influence against liquor drinking to the point that those who drink are ostracized, it will be a step toward control that will count.—Editorial in Smithfield Herald.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT FAIRGROVE

When I arrived at 11 o'clock Friday morning, April 19, the conference had jammed the big Fairgrove church from door to pulpit and Dr. Fitzgerald, member of the faculty of the school of English of Duke University, was closing his representation of Duke, and he was followed by President Sharpe of Pfeiffer College, who was in fine spirits because his institution had received \$500,000 to be added to the endowment, and he gave assurance that money was in sight to build two or three additional buildings, among them a college chapel. Dr. Sharpe was followed by three other college presidents in the afternoon.

Dr. W. A. Lambeth, the district superintendent, was in charge of this big, busy conference and he performed his duties with skill and commendable patience as some of the speakers trespassed upon his time. This writer spoke two minutes and it made the conference shouting happy. People can endorse anything two minutes. A man can hold his breath that length of time.

An interesting forty minutes period of the conference was devoted to the financial reports from forty-two pastoral charges. Think of it—a financial report entertaining a conference. Paul F. Evans, the lay leader, by the way he handled the matter was responsible for this success. The Winston-Salem district is approximately half out on everything. Some charges are overpaid, some not quite up, but so near that they will come out in full at the end of the year. Paul Evans is a great lay leader.

At 12 o'clock Dr. J. E. Pritchard, who was president of the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Protestant Church at the time of Methodist union, delivered a good 30 minute sermon, and at 3:30 in the afternoon Dr. J. B. Craven, who was born and reared within six miles of the seat of the conference, preached another good sermon. In addition to Dr. Craven's sermon in the afternoon, Dr. J. S. Hiatt most effectively represented the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital.

Dr. E. J. Coltrane represented Brevard College. Dr. L. L. Gobbel Greensboro College, and Dean P. E. Lindley High Point College. There were reports from the woman's work, from the young people and several other interests of the church, but the details of this session as well as of the morning session will be given by Rev. W. J. Miller, the secretary.

Brother Van B. Harrison and his people served in the big high school gymnasium close by a lunch that for quality and quantity is seldom equaled in this or any other country.

Fairview Church

In the vestibule of this new \$23,000 church is a big bronze tablet with the following names and dates in bas-relief:

IN MEMORIAM

Shadrack Lambeth
1707-1853

Jane Thomas Lambeth
1803-1888

David Thomas Lambeth
1830-1899

Caroline Simmons Lambeth
1838-1900

John Walter Lambeth
1868-1834

Daisy Sumner Lambeth
1869-1933

This is the fourth church building. The first three were built largely by the three families represented in the tablet in the vestibule, and the descendants of John Walter and Daisy Sumner Lambeth figured largely in the erection of the present new church, which is one of the very best country churches in North Carolina.

HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon, Supt.

All who are interested in our progress here will be glad to know that we had a balanced budget as of April 1, 1940. We all are happy about that and we are very thankful to the many friends who have helped by their contributions to make that possible.

On April 1 about five months of the conference year were behind us with about seven months yet to come. And with the passing of April certainly some of our channels of income will be closed. Besides that conditions have arisen, over which we had no control, which make it doubly difficult to finance this Children's Home for the remainder of this conference year. So we are asking our friends everywhere to be more careful and more liberal in your offerings for the support of this home than ever before.

The Branch Meetings

Tuesday and Wednesday, April 9 and 10, found the women of the North Carolina Branch of the former Methodist Protestant Church in session in Grace church, Greensboro. Their very last session was held on Wednesday afternoon, so this home, a child of that organization, now passes over into other hands for support. Yet we urged those good women, as we now urge all the women whom they represented, to be careful to give support and urge others to give support to this home.

The Work Here

The work here goes on just as before, with its 120 children to be fed, clothed and trained. Our task has not been lessened one whit by changing conditions in Methodism, and by the disbanding of organizations which have stood nobly by us in the work. The same individuals who formed these organizations are still living and breathing, and are also still sharing with others. We beg of you that you will give just a little larger portion of your sharing here for the coming months. Just now the way looks dark; but we face the future with our heads up, with our trust in God and with a firm belief that his faithful ones will stand by his work here.

Our Scouts

This is the season of year that brings special attention to our Boy Scouts and their work. Just last week end we sent a troop of two patrols to Uwharrie camp, and though the weather was very unfavorable for camping they report a fine time. During our stay here the Boy Scout work has meant much to scores of our boys. Seven of them have advanced to the rank of Eagle Scout—the highest rank—and every one who has belonged to the troop has benefitted physically, mentally and morally. J. W. Wright, one of our boys from Pleasant Hill, was awarded the Eagle Scout badge just a few evenings ago. The Kiwanis Club of High Point sponsors our troop.

Our Congratulations and Our Sympathy

We congratulate Dr. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of our Raleigh Orphanage, on the fact that he can build a gymnasium for the boys and girls gathered there, and we commend that big-hearted, open-handed Methodist layman who sent the check making the gymnasium possible. God bless him a hundredfold, and may his tribe increase. But we deeply sympathize with Dr. Barnes with his "142 children who are knocking at our door for a home and for Christian training." And with his "lack of \$25,000 of having a balanced budget to meet the needs of the children who are already here." We are so glad he can have the gymnasium, and we appreciate his position as people beg of him, with a pressing need back of their begging, to take the precious little ones. We sympathize all the more because here we have to say "No" so often to those in dire need.

We boast that the Methodist Church in North Carolina is a great church. But I am wondering how great the dear Lord thinks we are when something like 350,000 Methodists in North Carolina are groaning under the load of taking care of about 900 orphan children in three children's homes, and even then somebody keeps talking and writing about closing one of those.

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The ½ will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum. In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

Asheville

Central, W. A. Stanbury	20½
Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton ...	9
Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wilkinson	7
Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham	4
Fletcher, H. E. Bolick	2½
French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler ..	2
Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea	2
Hendersonville, D. E. Camak	2
Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman	1

Charlotte

Dilworth, Howard P. Powell	45½
Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ...	40
Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle	15
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F. Womble	15
Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie	7½
New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ...	7
Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper	5½
Polkton, C. W. Russell	5
Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius	4
Calvary, S. M. Needham	2
Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman	1
Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey	1
Ansonville, O. P. Ader	1
First, C. C. Weaver	1
Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins	1
Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr.	1

Elkin

Macksville, E. M. Avett	26
Yadkinville, John H. Green	20
Boone, P. W. Townsend	11½
Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner ..	9
Elkin, H. F. Duncan	7
Todd, W. W. Hager	8½
W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood	7½
Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles	6½
Sparta, L. F. Strader	5
Advance, P. L. Smith	5
Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint	4
Farmington, J. W. Vestal	4
Creston, J. R. Short	3½
Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley	3½
Warrensville, J. G. Wootton, Jr. ...	4
Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene	3
Watauga, J. W. Parker	3
Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt	3
N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock	2½
St. Paul, L. C. Stevens	2½
Davie, A. W. Lynch	2½
Green Valley, M. L. Chappel	2½
Jonesville, D. B. Mullis	2
Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant ...	2
Ararat, G. B. Gwyn	2
Dobson, R. G. McClamrock	2
Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt	2
Helton, R. J. Starling	2
Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr. ...	2
Jefferson, Hugh D. Jesup	1½

Gastonia

Boger City, E. L. Kirk	15½
Cleveland, T. G. Madison	14
Fallston, J. M. Morgan	12½
Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey	6
Belwood, G. W. Clay	2
Folkville, T. H. Swofford	1½
Lowell, C. O. Kennerly	1
Lowesville, J. A. Howell	1

Greensboro

Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle	21½
Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger ..	15
Grace, J. Elwood Carroll	7½
Calvary, R. C. Stubbins	5½
Haw River, C. W. Bates	5½
Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee	5
Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham	4½
Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess	4
Guilford, J. B. Trogon	4
West End, R. M. Andrews	2½
Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy	2
St. Paul, A. D. Shelton	2
Gilkey, C. R. Ross	2
Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse	1
Stokesdale, W. T. Albright	1
Midway, E. P. Hamilton	1
College Place, R. M. Courtney ...	1
Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick	1
Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow	1
Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams	1

High Point

Shiloh, C. E. Ridge	17½
Denton-Central, G. L. Curry	11
First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr. ...	10
Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox	7
Randleman, J. R. Anderson	4½
Central, J. W. Braxton	4½
Denton, First, C. E. Williams	3
Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger	3
Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley ..	3
Coleridge, T. J. Huggins	2
Why Not, C. H. Hill	1
Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor	1
Farmer, F. E. Howard	1
First, J. C. Madison	1

Marion

Elk Park, J. J. Wood	7
Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward	3½
Bald Creek, J. N. Snow	2
Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace	2
Gilkey, C. R. Ross	2
Spindale, F. J. Stough	1

Statesville

First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins	30½
North Newton, C. A. Morrison	28
Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham	7
Elmwood, Y. D. Poole	1
Maiden, J. G. Winkler	6
Central, John W. Moore	3
Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk	2
Bethel, E. H. Lowman	1
Lenoir Ct., J. W. Conibs	1
Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith	1

Salisbury

Miaway, W. C. Dutton	14½
Norwood, C. G. Hefner	10
Salem, Lee Roy Spencer	7½
Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner	7
Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton	5½
Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..	5
Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge	4
China Grove, W. O. Weldon	4
Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson ...	4
Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins	3
Main Street, C. G. Isley	3
Woodleaf, G. W. Williams	2½
Badin-New London, M. F. Moores	2
Bethpage, R. W. McCulley	1
Friendship, E. A. Cook	1
Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker	1
Westford, T. W. Hager	1

Waynesville

Sylva, A. P. Ratledge	9
Hayesville, J. C. Gentry	8
Bryson City, A. L. Rayle	2½
Crabtree, W. H. Nease	2
Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..	1½
Bethel, J. W. Blitch	1
Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier	1
Webster, G. A. Hovis	1
Canton, W. R. Kelly	1
Rockwood, W. F. Beadle	1

Winston-Salem

Community, J. C. Auman	19
Erlanger, J. O. Ervin	15½
First, J. E. Pritchard	12½
First, Lexington, H. G. Allen	12½
Grace, R. L. Forbis	6
West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree	5
Lewisville, G. C. Graham	4
N. Davidson, O. B. Williams	3
First, J. T. Bowan	3
Welcome, J. L. Ingram	3
Forsyth, C. W. Kirby	2½
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ...	2½
Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison	2
Main Street, L. F. Tuttle	2
Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way	1
Centenary, G. Ray Jordan	1
Winston Ct., V. A. Morton	1
Trinity, L. E. Mabry	1
Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter	1

Durham

Brooksdale, D. A. Petty	22½
Burlington, Davis St., F.W.Paschal	19½
Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ..	12½
Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds	7
Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks	5
Bahama, M. C. Dunn	5
Orange, C. P. Morris	4½
Sweepsonville, T. B. Hough	4½
Durham Ct., F. B. Peele	4
Leasburg, F. A. Lupton	4
Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr.	3
Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser ...	3
Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson	3
Milton, D. I. Garner	2½
Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps	2
Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson	2
Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth	2
Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love ..	1½
Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe	1½
Graham, J. R. Edwards	1½
Person Ct., E. G. Overton	1
Chatham, Chas. Sharpe	1
W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish	1
Mebane, C. L. Spencer	1
Hillsboro, J. V. Early	1

Elizabeth City

Williamston, S. J. Starnes	14
Windsor, H. F. Surratt	5
Aulander, J. R. Poe	3
Columbia, A. C. Thompson	2
Currituck, J. C. Harmon	2
Perquimans, J. D. Cranford	1½
Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon	1
Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis ..	1

Fayetteville

Person St.-Calvary, M. W. Warren	13
Sanford, Allen P. Brantley	12½
Carthage, W. G. Farrar	5½
Maxton, T. R. Jenkins	5
Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams ...	5
Siler City, C. F. Heath	3
Hemp, J. D. Robinson	2
Lane, J. D. A. Autry	1½
Hay Street, R. E. Brown	1½
Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons	1
Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette ..	1
Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe	1

New Bern

Mt. Olive-Calypto, R. G. Dawson ..	4
Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison ..	2½
Pink Hill, R. E. Walston	1½
Newport, C. S. Boggs	1½
Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens	1
LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr.	1
Dover, R. N. Fitts	1
Grimesland, W. A. Crow	1

Raleigh

Fuquay, E. C. Durham	20
Fairmont, H. M. McLamb	15½
Henderson, B. C. Reavis	13½
Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes	6½
City Road-White Mem., J. K. Worthington	6½
Princeton, J. W. Bradley	4
Granville, J. P. Pegg	3
Selma, O. L. Hathaway	3
Edenton St., J. C. Glenn	2
Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee	1½
Hayes Barton, Leon Russell	1
Tar River, J. A. Martin	1

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HOME AND FOREIGN OFFERINGS

Semi-annual report of contributions to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise has been mailed to all pastors and general superintendents. Below are some interesting facts gleaned from the report.

Totals by Districts

	Amount	No. Chs.
Asheville	\$ 317.95	26
Charlotte	1292.32	23
Elkin	164.64	15
Gastonia	734.80	30
Greensboro	729.33	30
High Point	435.31	15
Marion	300.33	20
Salisbury	311.73	32
Statesville	569.96	34
Waynesville	232.57	11
Winston-Salem	399.44	28

Fourth Sunday Offerings on Circuits

Many circuits are enthusiastically supporting the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise through the fourth Sunday offering. Following is a list of three-point charges and over which have all the churches on the charge participating in this enterprise:

Asheville district: Mills River, Swannanoa. Elkin district: Farmington. Greensboro district: Bethel - Battleground, Reidsville circuit, Summerfield. High Point district: Randleman-Union. Marion district: Bostic. Salisbury district: Landis, Woodleaf. Statesville district: Catawba, Cool Springs, Shepherds. Winston-Salem district: Welcome. There are other charges where almost all of the churches participate.

Observing Every Fourth Sunday

We have emphasized regular monthly contributions to this enterprise. The following churches have observed every fourth Sunday since conference, with program and offering:

Asheville district: Biltmore, Haywood Street, Swannanoa, Tabernacle. Charlotte district: Belmont Park, First, Charlotte; Myers Park, Central, Monroe. Elkin district: Advance. Elkin, Farmington, Mocksville. Gastonia district: Park Street, St. Peters, McKendree, Central, Shelby. Greensboro district: Centenary, Rehobeth, Main St., Reidsville; Summerfield. Marion district: Connelly Springs, Forest City. Salisbury district: Central, Albemarle; New London; Central, Concord; Jackson Park, Unity. Statesville district: Concord, Providence, Central Mooresville; Vanderburg, Whitnel. Waynesville district: Central, Canton; Sylva. Winston-Salem district: Mount Tabor, Central, Mount Airy; Love's Chapel, Center (Welcome).

A large number of churches have sent in offerings for four and five of the six fourth Sundays since conference.

Eleven Highest

Any comparison of amounts contributed to this enterprise is unfair to many churches which give sacrificially in proportion to their ability. Yet, it

might be helpful to list the churches contributing the most in each district during the past six months.

Asheville—Central	\$136.38
Charlotte—First	608.49
Elkin—Elkin	56.53
Gastonia—Central, Shelby	124.15
Greensboro—West Market	126.43
High Point—First, Asheboro	132.39
Marion—First, Morganton	72.80
Salisbury—Trinity, Kannapolis	112.50
Statesville—First, Hickory	86.96
Waynesville—Central, Canton	108.80
Winston-Salem, Centenary	193.92

CHURCH SCHOOL DAY RETURNS

Reports are coming from various sections about Church School Day. Our friends of First church, Charlotte, have responded in their usual fine way. Concord, Bessemer City, and Kerr St., Concord, are also among the first to report.

Kerr Street	\$ 1.75
Concord, Bessemer City	3.25
First, Charlotte	135.00

Requests for Programs

Asheville District

Asbury Memorial, Miss Clara Ross.
 Weaverville Ct., Robert M. Varner.
 Brevard, E. P. Billups.
 Fletcher, C. H. Lance.
 Bell, Mrs. Geo. M. Schreyer.

Charlotte District

Ansonville, O. E. Ross.
 Brevard, M. Q. Tuttle.
 Homestead, Mrs. Elbert Bowman.
 Myers Park, Miss Amy Holland.
 Hawthorne Lane, Harold M. Patrick.
 Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber.
 North Monroe, M. W. Heckard.
 West Monroe, M. W. Heckard.

Elkin District

St. Paul Charge, L. C. Stevens.
 Helton, J. E. Roe.
 Grassy Creek, E. R. Duvall.

Gastonia District

Dallas, J. L. Jordan.
 Double Shoals, G. W. Clay.
 Kadesh, Mrs. W. C. Dixon.
 Park Street, Mrs. R. F. Fisher.
 McKendree, Mrs. J. B. Shrum.
 Lafayette Street, Miss Annie Hughes.
 Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill.
 Poger City, E. L. Kirk.

High Point District

First, Asheboro, E. C. Faulkner.

Marion District

Bethlehem (Old Fort), Mrs. Nena Noblitt.
 Connelly Springs, D. W. Alexander.
 Salem (Morganton), Iverson M. Brendle.
 Bethel (McDowell), Mrs. C. B. Queen.
 Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward.
 Mt. Pleasant, Miss Rata Throneburg.
 First, Morganton, Fletcher Nelson.
 Zion (Morganton), L. H. McNeeley.
 Gilboa (Morganton), Mrs. Lucy Duckworth.
 Concord (Linville Falls), Otis Franklin.
 Cross Mill, F. R. Barber.
 Bethlehem (Mill Spring), Moir W. Edwards.

Salisbury District

Kerr Street, L. L. Stough.
 Mount Olivet, Mrs. H. A. Scott.
 Union Chapel, G. L. Wilkinson.
 First, Salisbury, Mrs. W. W. Weant.
 Gold Hill, L. S. Furr.
 Harmony, Concord, A. A. Lyerly.

Statesville District

First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins.
 Boulevard, G. F. Hood.
 Ebenezer, Miss Mindie McRary.
 Cedar Valley, Mrs. C. W. Hickman.
 Hudson, Mrs. Muri Haas.
 Colliers, O. L. Robinson.
 Mt. Herman, O. L. Robinson.
 Grace, G. E. White.
 Rhodhiss, G. E. White.
 Mt. Zion, Miss Edna Atwell.

Waynesville District

Mt. Zion, Wm. H. Neese.

Winston-Salem District

Lewisville, G. C. Graham.
 Green Street, A. H. Kimel.
 Ogburn Memorial, Miss Elizabeth Day.

LET'S HAVE A VACATION SCHOOL

"And let's start planning early." The vacation school that means most to teachers and children alike is the one that is planned carefully and early enough to be sure that the work is well done. So—

Ask for Materials

Within the past week, pastors and children's division superintendents were sent a letter about vacation school plans. Please return the card which was enclosed, and give us the name of someone to whom we can send materials which will help you as you plan for your school.

Were Your Children Included?

Last year more than 17,000 children were enrolled in vacation schools in our Western North Carolina conference. There were 308 vacation schools reported, which are listed below, as of new district boundaries:

Asheville district	29
Charlotte district	18
Elkin district	29
Gastonia district	27
Greensboro district	20
High Point district	22
Marion district	33
Salisbury district	37
Statesville district	33
Waynesville district	29
Winston-Salem district	30

Let's increase this number in every district, so that more of the children will have the privilege of added time for planned religious growth, and so the church can mean as much as possible to this religious growth.

Group Meetings of Workers

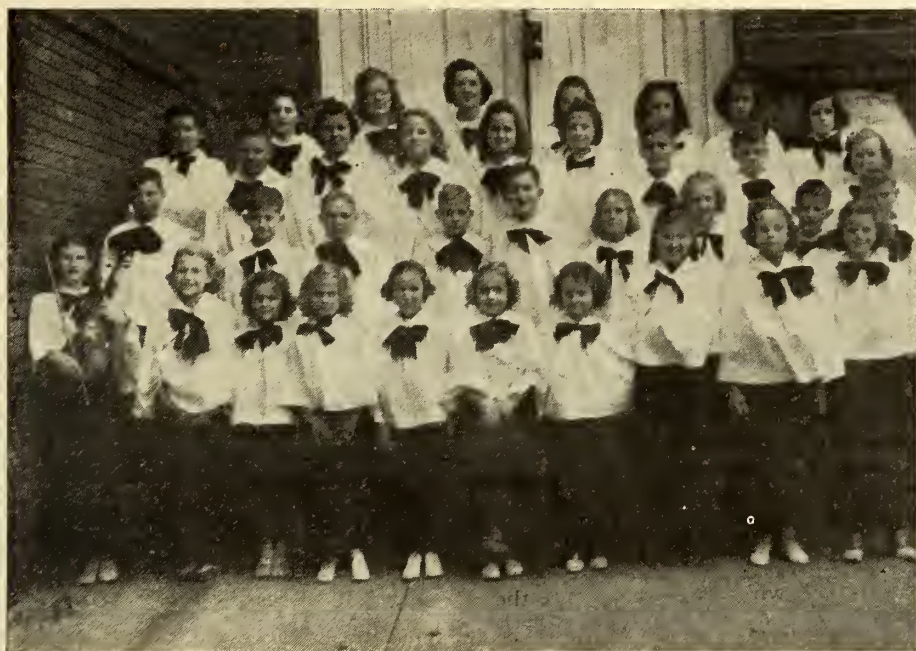
Institutes to help vacation school workers are being planned to reach every district in the conference. These are planned as follows:

Charlotte and Gastonia districts—During the week of May 6-11.

Elkin, Greensboro, High Point, Salisbury, Statesville, and Winston-Salem districts—During the week of May 20-25, at Sunny Acres.

Asheville, Marion, and Waynesville districts—May 31-June 1, at Camp Carlyle.

Begin now to select workers to attend these meetings, so that every church can be represented by pastor and vacation school workers.



Junior Choir Group of Spray Methodist Church

On Easter Sunday a group of our young people at the Spray Methodist church gave a two-part choir cantata entitled "Redemption's Song" by Holton. This cantata was given at the morning 11 o'clock service and, by request, was repeated on Sunday afternoon, April 7, at the auditorium of the Spray graded school.

Mrs. Roy T. Houts, wife of the pastor, assisted by Mr. Houts, trained the group. Miss Gwendolyn Fulcher directed the cantata and Miss Louise Thomas was pianist. Miss Betty Moore gave a violin selection and Misses Dale Bateman, Mary Hancock and Gwendolyn Fulcher and Lamont Garrett gave vocal solos.

The accompanying photograph gives a view of the group. The names of the boys and girls are, left to right, front row: Betty Moore, Julia Ann Miles, Joan Martin, Nancy Ramsey, Mary Shinn, Lorna Garrett, Glenna Thomas, Dorothy Jean Robertson, Merle Howe, and Vivian Thomas; second row, Donald Austin, Bobby Talley, Lamont Garrett, James Garrett, Roy Meadows, Evelyn Elliott, Helen Harris, Numa Reid Martin, Jr., and James Austin; third row, Virginia Frazier, Eugene Boyte, Mary Alice Hancock, Gwendolyn Fulcher, Louise Thomas, Eunice Spencer, Garvis Ramsey, Hal Shinn and Dixie Martin; fourth row, Dale Bateman, Louise Harris, Marie Gillespie, Judith Goldston, Patsy Mabes, Lois Thomas, and Dorothy Howe.

LIFE AT BREVARD COLLEGE

The public speaking class of Brevard presented the third in a series of programs being given weekly by the college over WWNC, Asheville, on Monday night, April 22. The program this week was a forum discussion of the refugee problem, and was let by Professor Trowbridge of the Brevard faculty. Members of the speech class participating in the forum were: Jack Kendall, Thomas Baise, B. C. Moss, and Miss Jean Summey.

The main emphasis of the discussion was placed on the following questions

presented by Mr. Trowbridge: "What is the attitude of America toward the refugee?" "What is the number and conditions of the refugees?" and "What are the plans of some of the humanitarian groups of the world for the refugees?"

The first formal dinner to be given this year for the entire student body was given last Saturday night at the school. A formal banquet was given in each of the college dining halls, after which a short program was presented under the auspices of the student council. Buck Barden, president of the student group, acted as master of ceremonies for the occasion. Rev. E. P. Billups, pastor of Brevard Methodist church, entertained the group with a series of anecdotes which was the main speech of the evening. Mrs. Billups was also present for the dinner as an honor guest. Students appearing on the banquet program were: George Roberts, Charles Rector, Jack Young, Winfield Robertson, Henry Ridenhour, B. C. Moss, and Wayne Kernodle.

Following the banquet a musical program was given in the college auditorium by the concert choir and members of the faculty in the department of music. Solos were rendered by Buck Barden, Miss Julianna Davis, John Hawkins; and Miss Irene Clay displayed an unusual talent at the piano in her presentation of three well known musical selections.

Several students and faculty members braved the blowing gale last Sunday to take a planned hike to Maiden Hair Falls, which is about six miles from the college campus. The trip which takes all afternoon proved to be a very interesting experience. During the spring and summer seasons when the weather permits, a hike to surrounding points of interest is taken each Sunday afternoon as a part of the social activity of the college. The hikers are planning next Sunday to make the trip to Glenn Cannon Falls, which is a greater challenge to their abilities as plodders and climbers of the mountains of Western North Carolina.

Representatives of Brevard College attended three of the district conferences held last week in the various districts of the Methodist church of the Western North Carolina conference. Dr. E. J. Coltrane and Mr. Kin McNeil attended the Winston-Salem district conference, at which time Dr. Coltrane spoke to the group for a few minutes concerning the work of Brevard College through the years. B. C. Moss and Wayne Kernodle, two of the ministerial students on the campus, attended and spoke at the Asheville and Waynesville district conferences respectively. Prof. Luther A. Bennett of the college faculty also attended the Waynesville meeting at which David Stentz, student at Brevard, renewed his license as a local preacher.

A COUNTERFEIT PRESENTMENT

By R. H. Bennett

Chicago's famous preacher, Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus, told some good stories. One was about a small Indiana town on the Wabash, which was on his first "circuit" as a young Methodist preacher. Most of the people there were Irish Catholics. One of them died, and as usual they had a wake and got drunk. There was no priest in the village, but hearing that the popular young Methodist preacher was in the neighborhood, they decided to get him to conduct the funeral. There was a big crowd of tipsy Irish folk at the house when Gunsaulus arrived. He went in and took his stand at the head of the coffin, but instantly had to control himself. They were evidently drunk when they put the corpse in the casket, and reversed its position, putting the feet where the head should have been. What Gunsaulus saw was a pair of big brogan shoes under the glass. Keeping himself under control, he went through the service, and at the close said, as usual, "The friends of the deceased may now take a last look at him," and stepped aside to watch the result.

One by one they passed by, saw the big feet sticking up, put their hands to their mouths to keep from laughing, and went out. But Pat took it differently. He stopped, looked at the corpse for some time sadly, and then went on. At the door he met Mike coming in, and earnestly and tearfully said to him, "Mike, Mike, go back. Don't go in. Don't look at him. The poor fellow is so changed you wouldn't know him!"

WHAT DO YOU SEE?

One day a certain old, rich man of a miserly disposition visited a rabbi, who took the rich man by the hand and led him to a window, and told him to look out and tell him what he saw. "I see men, women, and little children," replied the rich man. Again the rabbi took him by the hand, and this time led him to a mirror. "What do you see now?" "Now I see myself," the rich man replied. Then the rabbi said, "Behold, in the window there is glass, and in the mirror there is glass. But the glass of the mirror is covered with a little silver, and no sooner is silver added than you cease to see others, but can see only yourself!"—The Moody Monthly.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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OUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The following excerpts from the timely and meaningful message of Mrs. E. L. Hillman at the recent annual meeting in Henderson are worthy of our especial note and heed. Said she: "The past year has been one of activities, accomplishments and a steady growth. The goals set for last year were: An interested and informed membership and an increase in per capita giving. We must keep these goals before us. We need to be alert to the young women in our churches who might be interested in giving themselves for full time service. Women have been given new and larger responsibilities in the new church. If the plans materialize at the General Conference in Atlantic City this month, the new organization known as the "Woman's Society of Christian Service" will be set up in September of this year. Too many capable women have failed to be members of the missionary society. We should make every effort to enlist them in the new organization. Much depends upon our attitude toward the new organization. The Woman's Missionary Society has been dear to our hearts, but we enter just as heartily into the new church. May God grant us vision, courage and love sufficient for this task."

HONOR WHERE HONOR IS DUE

Many women have made definite and lasting contributions to the work of the missionary enterprise in our conference and two outstanding shining examples are Mrs. A. M. Gates, immediate past president and present chairman of the conference committee on candidate work, and Mrs. J. C. Wooten, who has served as secretary of children's work and in other capacities. The conference has honored each of these two beloved women with life patron memberships. Presentation of the pins was made at the annual conference by Miss Florine Robertson and Mrs. H. J. Faison on behalf of the conference.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND AWARDS

Each year at the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of North Carolina Conference awards for certain accomplishments in district work are presented. This year the Korean urn was awarded to the Durham district for having the largest number of auxiliaries making the efficiency aim. The coveted Lillie Moore Everett Study Jewel was given to the Raleigh district for having the largest number of auxiliaries reporting standard study classes. The Korean candlesticks, a gift to the conference last year from Miss Josephine Dameron, was presented to the Durham district for having the largest increase in per capita giving.

Next week we will publish the account of awards for children's work.

WORLD OUTLOOK GUIDE BOOK

Mrs. B. C. Thompson, conference superintendent of publicity and World Outlook, announces that a very timely and helpful guide book for World Outlook superintendents has been published and that she is most desirous that the person who is responsible for the promotion of World Outlook subscriptions in each auxiliary in the conference secure one. These booklets contain definite and interesting information concerning this superb magazine—"talking points," blank record pages and other features—all of which, if used, will greatly increase the number of subscriptions and readers. They may be secured without charge from World Outlook, Box 509, Nashville, Tenn.

BABY LIFE MEMBER

At the meeting of Central zone, Raleigh district, on March 28, at Wendell, Willie David Harper, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harper of Moncure, was presented a baby life membership, a gift of Mount Zion auxiliary, Moncure charge.

CARTERET ZONE MEETS

The spring meeting of the Carteret zone, New Bern district, was held in Newport Methodist church on March 20. Mrs. Joel Davis, zone leader, pre-

sided. Eight auxiliaries answered the roll call with 77 members present. Morning worship was led by the spiritual life group of Atlantic auxiliary. Speakers on the morning program were: Mrs. Gertie Matthews, district secretary; Mrs. Maude B. Foy, who talked on Christian social relations; Mrs. F. B. McKinne, whose subject was Stewardship. The topic of the afternoon session was Officers' Training. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference secretary, led the devotionals. Officers chosen from the various auxiliaries directed the discussions. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. C. W. Guthrie of Marshallburg-Straits charge.

Mrs. Luther Willis, Sec.

CENTRAL ZONE MEETING

The Central zone, New Bern district, met in Jarvis memorial church, Greenville, on March 29 with a large attendance from the various auxiliaries. Mrs. W. P. Moore of Greenville presided. Mrs. Gertie Matthews, district secretary, brought inspiring messages and helpful information concerning the work being done in the district. Miss Zoa Anna Davis, deaconess, who had just returned from Council in New Orleans, gave the highlights of that great meeting.

Mrs. T. G. Worthington.

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ANNUAL MEETING IN SALISBURY

Another great meeting of our Woman's Missionary Conference was held April 16-18 in First church, Salisbury—the Golden Jubilee meeting celebrating the 50th anniversary of our organization as a conference society. It was most fitting that this meeting, the final one of our conference, should be held in Salisbury, for it was there in 1890 that a small group of women, pursuant to a call, met and organized the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference of the M. E. Church, South. Only four of that number of 24 women still survive, and it was a great joy to have two of these pioneers—Mrs. W. W. Hagood and Mrs. C. C. Kennedy, both of Charlotte—present at the Salisbury meeting, and their presence was a benediction and an inspiration.

The hospitality of our hostess city was unbounded, nothing had been overlooked in planning for the pleasure and entertainment of the visitors, which was, perhaps, the largest attendance of delegates yet recorded, and the cordiality and welcome expressed through the messages of Mrs. C. O. Floyd, president of the woman's auxiliary of First church; Mr. Miller, representative of the City Council; Rev. W. B. West, pastor of the hostess church, and Dr. C. N. Clark, superintendent of Salisbury district, were much appreciated.

The meeting was featured by the presence of a number of visitors of prominence in the work, who contributed to the success of the program: Miss Noreen Dunn, Council representative from Nashville, Tenn., who led the worship and meditation services each day at noon, and who brought two most important messages to the conference, speaking on Tuesday evening, on "United Planning for a United Church" and on Thursday morning on the Children's Work in Southern Methodism; Miss Nina Troy, missionary to China from our own conference, and Miss Josephine Dameron, missionary to Korea, from the North Carolina conference, the messages of both breathing not only a spirit of love, loyalty and fidelity to the people whom they had served, but also deep concern for these nations, in whom they were so interested. Other visitors were Bishop Clare Purcell, who was the speaker for Wednesday evening on the subject, "God's World," and Deaconess Hyda Heard, who told of the activities at Sunny Acres where she is resident worker. Most impressive were the morning worship services with which each day's session opened and which were conducted by Mrs. A. C. Waggoner of Coburn Memorial church; Mrs. W. H. Bobbitt of Charlotte and Mrs. J. I. Singletary of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. W. W. Hagood of Charlotte.

Attractive programs bearing cuts of Mrs. Lucy Robertson and Mrs. Charles C. Weaver, the two presidents of the

conference during the 50 years (Mrs. Robertson from 1890 to 1926 and Mrs. Weaver from 1826 until 1940) were distributed announcing the program for the three days' meetings.

The theme of the meeting was "Advance," which was emphasized by a poster in a conspicuous place in the church, with the dates 1890 and 1940 and the single word "Advance," reminding us that the future must mean for us in advancement along all lines of work in the new Methodist Church.

Following an executive meeting at 10:30 on Tuesday morning, and a delightful luncheon at one o'clock tendered the conference officers, district secretaries and visiting speakers, the opening session was at 2:30 in the afternoon. The chief features of this program were the communion service conducted by Dr. C. N. Clark, assisted by a number of Salisbury pastors, and the Memorial service by the district secretaries, honoring those members who had passed away during the year in a most beautiful and impressive manner.

Wednesday was given over to reports of a number of the conference officers, which showed advancement in all lines of the work. Spiritual life groups, distribution of literature, supplies, missions and Bible study, organizations and membership and finances being the departments reported.

The president's message given during the morning hour was full of interest as she gave some of the activities of the past half century, and of happenings of the past year which has brought the union of the three Methodisms into one great body, The Methodist Church, urging her hearers to fall into line with the new work which will open to us new and greater opportunities for service. She closed her splendid message with a farewell to the Conference Woman's Missionary Society and saluted the Conference Society of Christian Service, with the audience joining in the salute and singing with one accord "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Messages from the foreign fields were given by Miss Nina Troy of China and Miss Dameron of Korea, followed by special music, which during the sessions added so much to the enjoyment of the programs.

(To be concluded in next week's issue)

MARION DISTRICT ZONE MEETING

A meeting of the western zone of the Marion district was held at Bald Creek church March 28. Rev. J. N. Snow, local pastor, opened the meeting with prayer and Mrs. C. W. Burton welcomed the guests.

Mrs. Charles Greene, zone leader, presented the Bakersville group, who gave the following interesting and thoughtful program on the requirements of an efficient, consecrated aux-

iliary of the Woman's Society of Christian Service: Devotional, Rev. R. C. Nimon, discussions; Study, Mrs. Raymond Ashley; Service, Mrs. Charles Ramsey; Children's Work, Mrs. Taylor Blevins; Spiritual Life Work, Mrs. R. C. Reed; A Post for Every Woman and Every Woman at Her Post, Mrs. R. C. Nimon.

MINISTERING SISTERS

By Guy Edward Mark, D.D.

We are informed that God made woman to be a "helpmeet" for man. Some one—probably a woman—has said that the men in the church have always been strong for the "meet" part of the partnership, meeting frequently for sociability; while the women have always been strong for the "help" part, working hard and late for love's sake only. It is true that from the very beginning of the Christian era women have occupied a place of leadership in service within the church. They have earned the degree of M.S., Ministering Sisters.

There is pungent truth in the following lines:

The old bell had long been cracked;
its call was but a groan.
It seemed to sound a funeral knell
with every broken tone.
"We need a bell," the brethren said,
"but taxes must be paid.
We have no money to spare; just ask
the Ladies' Aid."
The shingles on the roof were old; the
rain came down in rills.
The brethren slowly shook their heads
and read the monthly bills.
The chairman of the board arose and
said,
"I am afraid that we shall have to lay
the case before the Ladies' Aid."
The preacher's salary was behind; the
poor man blushed to meet
The grocer and the butcher as they
passed him on the street.
But nobly spoke the brethren then:
"Pastor, you shall be paid.
We'll call upon the treasurer of our
Ladies' Aid."
"Oh," said the men, "the way to heaven
is long and steep.
With slopes of ease on either side, the
path is hard to keep.
We cannot climb the heights alone;
our hearts are sore dismayed!
We ne'er shall get to heaven at all
without the Ladies' Aid."

—The Watchman-Examiner.

FORMATION OF CHARACTER

The formation of character is a process similar to that which we see going on in the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky. The stalactites and the stalagmites are formed because certain minerals are deposited, either by evaporation from a solution that trickles slowly down from above, or by slow consolidation from fusion. Thoughts passing through our minds constantly drop a solution in our souls that solidifies and makes a definite monument which we know as "character." So youth, and we all, should be careful about the small, trivial and frivolous things that are continually cropping up in life, for all these will, perhaps unconsciously, but certainly, affect the formation of Character.—Herbert W. Virgin, in Bridge Building.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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EXPRESSION WITH IMPRESSION

"I have just finished reading with much interest your page in the N. C. Christian Advocate. I was glad to learn that we have the largest home for children in Methodism. Some time ago I told you that we were giving a special offering in our church to the Home. I have purposely waited until a second was taken so we might show a better record. At our regular communion service each member lays on the altar an offering for the children at our Methodist Home. At first there was not a great response because it was new, but on the second communion service the offering was more than doubled. I am sending you at this time the offering for both services, amounting to \$11.62. Not only are we hoping for this to be of value financially, but with it goes our prayers for a greater care of motherless and fatherless children."

So writes Rev. Lee R. Spencer, Jr., the young pastor of Salem Methodist church, near Albemarle. Friends, that young man has more than an idea.

IN DADDY'S MEMORY

"I want to sponsor a little boy for Daddy. Won't you choose one you think will make a man some day? I will let you decide about the age. Do not let him be too old, though. Thank you so much and hoping that before so very long I can add another one for myself." So writes Mrs. Carolyn W. Kunklee, the daughter of the late Rev. T. E. Wagg.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

The opening service at the Waynesville district conference, led by Rev. W. L. Hutchins, the district superintendent, was deeply spiritual. I sat in the beautiful new church at Rockwood and listened to the old time story of Jesus and his love, put in such a way as to be stirring and convincing. It is yet possible to do official acts with spiritual fervor. Reports indicated that much stimulation and improvement are taking place in the Waynesville district. Churches are being built and improved, parsonages constructed and refinished, abandoned congregations re-enlivened and a spirit of dare and do generated among the people. In spite of rain the church was taxed to its capacity. The Rockwood congregation, one of the most liberal this scribe knows about, was entertaining the conference in grand style. I regretted to have to leave such a meeting before it was concluded.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

Hastening through the downpour of rain, Dr. R. A. Smith, the Greensboro College representative, and this scribe came to Hendersonville, the seat of the Asheville district conference. Arriving soon after the beginning of the afternoon session, we came upon a group that comfortably filled the spacious and beautiful auditorium of our large and commodious Hendersonville church. Everybody seemed happy and in good spirits. Evidently the Hendersonville hosts had done a good job. Rev. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent, and his brethren were giving a good account of themselves. It was stated by the presiding officer that hereafter Asheville district conferences will be held in churches where the lunch can be prepared and paid for by the district conference. Thus the picnic dinner, prepared by the good people of the countryside and served in the open air, will give place to the luncheon with its paper napkins, salads, warm drinks and dessert.

CENTRAL, SPENCER

Our singing class had a good hearing at Central, Spencer, last Sunday morning. Rev. Frank Jordan, the pastor, had opened the way for our youngsters to come to his 11 o'clock hour and after rendering their program to mingle through the lunch period with his good people. We had a wonderfully good time. Following the rendering of the program, practically the entire congregation, old and young, little and

large, came forward and laid their offering to the Children's Home on the altar plate. Currency and silver decorated the chancel. It was an inspiring sight. The Spencer pastor and people love one another and are busy about the Master's business.

UNITY LEADS

After good-byes were said to our Spencer friends, we hurried as fast as heavy traffic would permit through Salisbury, by the fair grounds where the Sunday races were attracting thousands of people, to Unity on the Landis circuit, where Rev. C. W. Avett, the hustling young pastor, and a large congregation were awaiting us. We had a good time with our Unity friends, the first congregation in the Western North Carolina conference to pay its Children's Home quota for the present conference year, this payment having been brought in by the pastor and Brooks Edwards, the church school superintendent, before the adjournment of the annual conference at Greensboro. At the conclusion of our program the congregation gave a free will offering amounting to \$13.52 as a bonus. Unity believes in the Children's Home and we believe in Unity. Hurrah for Avett and his good people.

If we drop the "h" and spell "flesh" backward, it comes out as s-e-l-f, which follows us like a shadow and is the curse of our inward life.—F. B. Meyer, D.D.



Miss Harbour, daughter of a Methodist minister, home mother at our Baby Cottage, introduces the Bible to some little ones.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

BASEBALL—Our baseball team is shaping up very nicely. So far we have won at least 50 per cent of the games. I am looking for still better results from now until the end of the school term. Our main pitcher has been incapacitated this season, because of a slight leg injury he received last fall. He is beginning to do some light practice now, and ought to be in good form within the next few days.

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SPRING AND SUMMER CLOTHES

—Most of our children have received their spring and summer clothes. I feel confident that others will receive theirs within the next week or two. The children and I are profoundly grateful to the missionary societies, through their local departments, for the nice clothes they have sent our boys and girls. I only wish that our good women, who contributed to this worthy cause, could see how happy they have made our young people by the nice clothes which they have furnished them.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Rives gives the following account of the visit of the singing class to Hookerton and Snow Hill: "Rev. J. H. Miller, pastor of the Hookerton charge, had secured the class for two concerts April 14. We were at Rainbow church in the morning. It was indeed a pleasure to see the great improvement there. The church is very attractive, with its church school department so convenient. This does great credit to the congregation. We enjoyed being there, and also at Maury church—our first visit there. Our evening appointment was with Rev. B. O. Merritt at Snow Hill. Splendid congregations at each

church and a delightful day with friends."

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DISTRICT CONFERENCES—It was my happy privilege last week to attend the New Bern district conference at Rainbow church, Hookerton charge; Fayetteville district conference at Caledonia church, Caledonia charge; and the Durham district conference at Hillsboro. At all three of these conferences the district superintendents were very considerate of me and the cause which I represent. I was happy to see so many of my preacher friends as well as friends among the laity. It is most encouraging to me to know that our pastors and churches are so deeply interested in the welfare of our Methodist Orphanage. At each of the district conferences I took four small children who rendered a short program and it was liked by a large and appreciative congregation.

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DONOR OF OUR GYMNASIUM—

Many inquiries have been made about the proposed gymnasium for the Methodist Orphanage. Friends throughout the conference are rejoicing with us over our good fortune. I have the consent of the donor to let our friends know his name. I am happy to state that the donor is Mr. Graham Woodard of Wilson, N. C. For many years his father, the Hon. Fred A. Woodard of Wilson, was vice president of our board of trustees. Upon his death the board unanimously elected his son, Mr. Graham Woodard, to succeed his father. Work is rapidly progressing on the construction of the building, and I hope to have it ready to be dedicated at the meeting of our board of trustees in June. The large circle of friends of Mr. Woodard are congratulating the Orphanage for his noble benefaction. Nothing has ever come to the Orphanage that has brought more rejoicing among our young people than the gift of Mr. Woodard.

DON'T QUIT

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all up hill,
When the funds are low and the debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit,
Rest, if you must—but don't you quit
Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learn,
And many a "Failure" turns about
When he might have won had he stuck it out;
Don't give up, though the pace seems slow,
You may succeed with another blow.

Success is Failure turned inside out—
The silver tint of the cloud of doubt,
And you can never tell how close you are;
It may be near when it seems afar;
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit—
It's when things seem worst that you mustn't quit.

—Anonymous.

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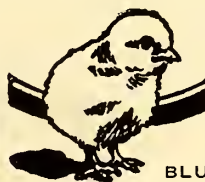
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FOUR LITTLE BULBS

Once upon a time there were four little brown bulbs lying in a basket in a store. They were brown and dusty and ugly. Although they had been there for days and no one had noticed them at all, still they had some rather big ideas. They would whisper among themselves until the handsome fern in its big green pot told them they were a perfect nuisance.

Now each of the little brown bulbs noped some day to become something beautiful. Each one hoped to be noticed, but in a different way.

Said the first little bulb, "I'm going to grow big and bright and handsome. Then everyone will stop and say, 'What a beautiful flower that is.'" And the little bulb fairly burst with its pride.

The second bulb also wished to be noticed by everyone. "But I shall be rich, and live in a fine big house, where everything glistens and glitters," he said. As he talked he almost shoved the first little bulb out of his place.

"Poof," scoffed the third little bulb. "I'd much rather be the most beautiful flower in the garden, so that everyone who came would look right at me and say, 'How fine! How wonderful!'"

As the fourth little brown bulb said nothing, the others grew curious. They often teased him because he was smaller than they. Now they said together, in not too kind a tone, "And you? We suppose you think you will amount to something very wonderful."

"I really don't care where I go, or what I look like, so long as I can make someone happy," he said in his shy little voice. He half-wished that he had not spoken at all because they laughed at him so much.

Soon after that, as the time for planting bulbs was at hand, they began to be sold.

The first little bulb went to a city park where he was planted, and grew along with many others of his kind. Yet when the spring came and he bloomed, he was just one of many, while the people hurried past without so much as noticing his importance.

Just as the second bulb had hoped, he was bought by a rich man for his wife, who already had so many bulbs, she merely passed him on to the gardener and said, "Here, plant this somewhere, will you?" Then she forgot that she ever had received him.

The third little bulb did go into a lovely garden. But during the winter a hungry field mouse who had made his home under the ground, kept nibbling and nibbling him until by spring there was nothing left but the crispy old shell, and he did not grow at all.

Because of his size, the fourth little bulb was the last to be sold. In fact he lay along for so long in the basket that he almost gave up hope of ever

ARISTOCRAT

By Lydia Rader Billings

I harbor an aristocrat,
My queenly orange Persian cat,
Who gives our modest domicile
An atmosphere of super-tyle.
She walks in stateliness across
The softest rug, her coat like floss
Of ravelled gold—and when she dines
It is as if the choicest wines
Were quaffed in tiny, pink-tongued
sips

By exquisite patrician lips.
Yet when she knows we are alone,
She stretches out, relaxed and prone,
And purrs and cuddles unashamed.
So now I ask, can I be blamed
For housing this aristocrat?
My queenly orange Persian cat!

—Our Dumb Animals.

seeing the light. But one day he heard voices near by. A little girl was talking to the storekeeper.

"I want something to plant for my mother for Easter. She's sick and I want something pretty to make her happy," she said. "Have you anything for just five cents?"

"Well," said the man. "There's not much left. Here is a little brown bulb you can have for that much." And he reached into the basket for the fourth little bulb.

So home he went in the little girl's pocket, to be tenderly planted and tended in the few weeks before Easter. Then how he did try to grow! Day by day he swelled. A little green shoot poked itself through the earth. Leaves came. Then came two big buds.

During all this time the little girl and her mother kept watching. So when Easter morning came and two lovely daffodils stood nodding their yellow heads, the mother clapped her hands and said, "Little bulb, you have made me very happy! Now I am going to be well!" Down deep in the pot the little bulb's heart was so full of happiness he scarcely knew what to do.—Story World.

DOOR BELLS FOR DOGS

We read in the Electrical Times that at the front door of many houses in Copenhagen a small foot pedal projects at a point near the ground where the dog usually scratches to call attention. He is taught to press this pedal when he wishes to rejoin the family circle and this action closes the circuit of an electrical bell. The idea pays for itself by avoiding muddy paw marks on the door.—The Dog's Bulletin, in Our Dumb Animals.

OUR FRIENDS IN THE WATER

I wonder how many animals our little readers know about that are man's friends.

Yes, the dog, the horse, the cat and many others, might be mentioned as the animals that may become the fast friends of little boys and little girls.

But do you know of anything that lives in the water that has been the friend of man—except the big fish that gave Jonah a night's lodging?

In the Gulf of Mexico the captain of our boat said, "See yonder? That's a porpoise. If he comes near our boat he will bob up in front of us, sure." And he did. He was very dark on his back with light underneath. The porpoises are five to six feet long. Their skin gets to be an inch thick; has a blunt head; two eyes with one nostril, through which he breathes occasionally at the surface of the water. This hole is between his eyes on top of his head.

The French call them "the pork fish"; the German people call them "sea swine." While they look like a clumsy fish, yet they can out go anything that swims.

The captain said they had been seen chasing the shadow of airplanes, and could make 60 to 80 miles per hour.

With his blunt nose he has been known to push ashore drowned men. A few weeks ago a poor Cuban was drowned off the Mexican shore near Bradenton. His friends offered a large sum for his recovery. Weeks passed but the man was not found. Finally a man with a boat saw some porpoises moving in a circle. The man in his boat turned aside to see what was in the circle. It was the long lost Cuban, thanks to the porpoises.

H. E. Lancc.

Bradenton, Fla.

JUST FOR FUN

A teacher asked the class to name the states of the United States. One child responded so promptly and accurately as to bring forth this comment from the teacher: "You did very well—much better than I could have done at your age."

"Yes, you could," said the child consolingly, "there were only 13 then."—Answers.

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"What are you doing out of bed, Mary?" father called up the stairs.

Pause, then the small voice, "I just got out to tuck myself in, daddy."—Labor.

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It happened at a summer camp. One small boy asked another: "Is this the first night you ever slept in a tent?"

"I don't know—yet," was the uncertain reply.

Sunday School Lesson

APRIL 28

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By Rollin H. Walker
Isaiah Comforts a People
Scripture—Isaiah 40

The book of Isaiah is a great art gallery wherein are hung not only the works of Isaiah but inspired utterances of other prophets that are in keeping with Isaiah's grandeur. We see the same thing in the book of Psalms where many later hymns have been bound up with the psalms of David.

It used to be thought that the whole book was written by the Isaiah who lived in the eighth century before Christ, but scholars noted that, while the first thirty-nine chapters were filled with warnings of coming judgment, chapters 40-66 were words of comfort to those who had been through the experiences of the Babylonian exile which Israel suffered long after Isaiah ceased to prophesy.

And as we would not respect any preacher today who turned aside from the men and problems of his own times to preach to a situation which he visualized in the coming centuries, practically all scholars now, radical and conservative, have come to the conclusion that this Yosemite Valley of the Old Testament that we find in Isaiah 40-66 is an inspired prophecy to the exiles written by one of their fellow sufferers. This view makes his message far more heartening and impressive.

What had brought the tidal wave of faith and hope that came upon this prophet and made him sure that Israel would return from its exile? First, the fulfillment of the prophecies of doom that had been pronounced by Amos, Hosea, Micah, and Jeremiah. In their humiliation and suffering, the exiles spent much more time in the study of these inspired writings than before, and they noted that in the midst of the stern warnings there were frequent promises of forgiveness and restoration if Israel would only repent. And as the stern predictions had been fulfilled, they could now more easily believe in the promises of restoration.

Moreover, they had had "a close-up" of Babylon, and had seen that the healthy color in the faces of their captors was either paint or the hectic flush of consumption. Society in Babylon was rotten, and the structure of the state was tottering. They could see the great fissures that presaged collapse. And furthermore, they had heard of the approach of the rising young Median conqueror, Cyrus, who seemed to have the magic power to carry all things before him.

In view of these facts, the prophet as he gave himself to long vigils of prayer under the stars was one day overwhelmed with the power of the Creator of the heavens. Look, says he,

all the stars obey his command; the earth is as nothing to him. There is no limit to his power. And suddenly an unspeakable gladness and hilarity filled his soul. The dark night of Israel's suffering was ended, and he was commissioned to herald the new day!

Dramatically he hears a voice saying, "Cry!" But another voice answered, "What shall I cry? All flesh is grass . . . the grass withereth, the flower fadeth, because the breath of Jehovah bloweth upon it." Everything is on the way to the cemetery. But he hears the heartening answer, "All flesh is indeed grass; the grass withereth, the flower fadeth; but the word of our God shall stand for ever." In that sentence the message of the long succession of Hebrew prophets is epitomized.

Our prophet hears a voice saying, "O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up upon a high mountain; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold, your God!" Would that all teachers of religion might obey this Voice and get themselves up on a high mountain of knowledge, both of world history and of world affairs in their own day, and thus speak from an exalted outlook on the problems of life!

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District	Place	Time
Gastonia—Rock Springs	May 8	
Marion—Old Fort	May 8	
Elkin—Friendship Church, Wilkesboro Ct.	May 9	
High Point—High Point College	May 14	
Greensboro—Gibsonville	May 14	
Charlotte—Bethlehem Church, Prospect Chg.	May 16	
Elizabeth City—Edenton	May 16	
Salisbury—Cold Springs Church, Mt. Pleasant	May 16	
Charge, 9:30 a. m.	May 16	
Statesville—Taylorsville	May 20	

SLATE OF REV. JOHN R. CHURCH
Rt. 4, Winston-Salem, N. C.

April 7-21—Trinity, Kannapolis, N. C.
April 22-May 5—Tabernacle, Martinsville, Va.
May 6-19—Green Street, Winston-Salem.

SLATE OF J. W. GROCE
Box 1383, High Point, N. C.

Hilderbran, N. C. (tent), April 14-30.
Thomasville, May 5-19.
High Point, May 20-30.
Draper (tent), June 2-11

SLATE OF GEORGE R. HAWKS
Evangelist Singer, Cornelius, N. C.

Bethune, S. C.—April 21 to 28
Clyde, N. C.—May 5 to 19.
Statesville—May 19 to May 26.

District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April	May
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 11	28	
Carboro, Orange, 11	5	
Sweepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3	5	

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, O.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	April	May	June
Windsor, Cashie, 11	28		
Edenton, night	28		
Bath, Bethany, 11	5		
Washington, night	5		
First Church, Elizabeth City, 11	12		
Outlander, Colerain, 3	12		
District Conference, Edenton	16		
Ahoke, 11	19		
Hertford, night	19		
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11	26		
South Camden, Wesley's, night	26		
Murfreesboro, Harrell's, 11 and 1	31		
Moyock, Pihmoor Memorial, 11	2		
Currituck, Hebron, night	2		
Pastors' School, Duke University,	3-8		
Manteo, 11	9		

Stumpy Point, Mashoes, 2:30	9
Wanchese, night	9
Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1	12
Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 11 and 1	14
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1	15
City Road, 11	16
Gatesville, Harrell's, 3	16
North Gates, Parker's, 11	23
Edenton, night	23
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11	30
Belhaven, Epworth, 3	30
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night	30

	July
City Road, night	3
Kinnakeet, Salvo, night	6
Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11	7
Creswell, Mt. Elma, 11	14
Roper, Rehobeth, 3	14
Thymouth, Jamesville, night	14
Murfreesboro Intermediate Assembly	15-19
South Mills, Sharon, 11 and 1	20
Columbia, Wesley's 11	21
Williamston, night	21
Washington, 11	28
Bath, Wares, 3	28
Windsor, night	18
First Church, Elizabeth City, night	31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, O.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April	May
Red Springs, 11	28	
Stedman, Bethany, 3	28	
Hay Street, 7:30	28	
Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11	5	
West End, 7:30	5	

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, O.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April	May
Mt. Olive-Calyso, Calyso, 7:30	26	
Mt. Olive Ct., 11	27	
Pink Hill, Woodland, 11	28	
Dover, 3	28	
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 11	4	
Newport, Oak Grove, 3	5	

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, O.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	May
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 11	5
Garner, Hollands, 7:30	5
Dunn, 8	8
Kallev, Stimm, 11	12
Tar River, Trinity, 7:30	12
Hayes-Barton, 8	15
Four Oaks, Elizabeth, 11	19
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 8	19
Millbrook, Knightdale, 8	22
Mt. Tirzah, New Bethel, 11	26
Rougement, Union Grove, 3:30	26

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, O.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	May
St. Paul, Rocky Mount, 7:30	8
Keely, Buckhorn, 11	12
Walstonburg, 7:30	12
Farmville, 7:30	14
Stantonsburg, 7:30	15
Weldon, 11	19
Rosemary, 3	19
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30	19

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	May	June
Maysville, Tabernacle, 11	5	
Jacksonville-Richlands, Haw Branch, 3	5	
Swansboro, Swansboro, night	5	
Clinton, 11	12	
Elizabeth, Wesley, 3	12	
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, night	12	
Burgaw, Herrings, 11	19	
Scott's Hill, Fulton, 3	19	
Wilmington, Epworth, night	19	
Warsaw, Magnolia, 11	26	
Garland, Antioch, 3	26	
Wallace-Rosehill, Wallace, night	26	
Shallotte, Dixon's Chapel, 11	28	
Wilmington, Grace, night	28	
Penderlea, 11	2	
Faison-Kenansville, Wesley, 3	2	
Wilmington, Trinity, night	2	
Tabor City, Lebanon, 11	9	
Hallsboro, Peace, 3	9	
Chadbourne, Fair Bluff, night	9	
Whiteville, 11	16	
Bladen, Center, 3	16	
Fairmont, Olivet, night	16	
Southport, 11	23	
Shallotte, Camp, 3	23	
Town Creek, Bethel, night	23	
Maysville, Pulaski, 11	30	
Swansboro (place to be announced), 3	30	
Jack-onville-Richlands, Verona, night	30	
Clinton, Keener, 11	7	
Poseboro, McGees, 3	7	
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, night	7	
Pawland (place to be announced), 11	14	
Pembroke (Indian Work), 3	14	
Lumberton Ct., Bules, night	14	
Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11	21	
Lumberton, night	21	
Wilmington, Grace, 11	28	
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night	28	

Western North Carolina Conference

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, O.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	May	June
Matthews, 11	5	
Indian Trail-Stallings, Antioch, 2	5	
Hickory Grove, 7:30	5	
Trinity, 7:30	6	
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 7:30	8	
Duncan Memorial, 11	12	
Unionville-New Hope, Zion, 3	12	
Calvary, 7:30	12	
Spencer Memorial, 7:30	13	
Big Springs, 7:30	15	
North Monroe-Grace, Grace, 11	19	
New Hope-Bethel, Union, 3	19	
Cladwick, 7:30	19	
Thrift-Moore, Moores, 7:30	22	
Monroe, Central, 11	26	
Marshall, Gilboa, 3	26	
Bethel-Bogers, Bethel, 7:30	26	
Waxhaw, Pleasant Grove, 11	2	
Weddington, Hebron, 3	2	
Wesley Heights, 3	2	
Brevard Street, 8	3	
Derita, 8	5	
Lifesville, Foreville, 11	9	
Morven, Sandy Plains, 3	9	
Central Avenue, 8	9	
Dilworth, 8	14	
Prospect, Prospect, 11	16	
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30	16	
Belmont Park, 8	16	
Peachland, Peachland, 11	23	
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3	23	
Hawthorne Lane, 8	23	
Wadesboro, 11	30	
Pineville, Marvin, 3	30	
Myers Park, 8	30	
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3	7	
First Church, Charlotte, 8	7	

ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, O.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April	May
Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11	28	
St. Paul, Hanes Grove, 7:30	28	
Moravian Falls, Mt. Moriah, 2:30	5	
Ararat-Mt. View, Ararat, 11	12	

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, O.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	April	May
Stanly, 11	28	
Shelby, Central, night	28	
Behmont, Main Street, 11	5	
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, night	5	
Gastonia, Main Street, 11	12	
Lowell, Bethesda, 11	17	
District Conference, Rock Springs	8	

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, O.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	May
Glenwood, 7:30	5
Gibsonville, 7:30	8
Mt. Pleasant Ct., Union, 10	12
Reidsville, Main Street, 5	12
District Conference, Gibsonville	14
West Greensboro, Groometown, 11	19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, O.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point.
SECOND ROUND

	April	May
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	25	
Highland, 7:30	26	
Welch Memorial, 7:30	29	
Calvary, 7:30	1	

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, O.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	May	June
Valdese, 11	5	
Table Rock, Linville, 3	5	
Glen Alpine, 7:30	5	
Bostic, Salem, 11	12	
Broad River, Providence, 3	12	
Spindale, 7:30	12	
McDowell, Trinity, 11	19	
Old Fort, Bethel, 3	19	
Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30	19	
Hennietta, 11	2	
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3	2	
Marion, First, 7:30	2	
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11	8	
Rutherford College, 11	9	
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 3	9	
North Forest, 7:30	9	
Forest City, 11	16	
Smushine, Golden Valley, 3	16	
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	16	
Old Fort, 11	23	
Gilkey, 3	23	
Rutherfordton, 7:30	23	
Connolly Springs, Friendship, 11	30	
Shady Grove, 3	30	
Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30	30	
Spruce Pine, 11	7	
Micaville, 3	7	
Linville Falls, 7:30	7	

Bakersville, 11	14
Bald Creek, 3	14
Burnsville, 7:30	14
Elk Park, 11	21
Avery, 3	21
Cliffside, 7:30	21

SALISBURY DISTRICT
Charles N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 3	April 21
Harmony, Harmony (to be announced)	
Mount Olivet, Mount Olivet (to be announced)	

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Sta'sville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

First Church, Hickory, 11	April 28
Cool Springs, New Salem, 3	28
Race Street, Statesville, night	28

Jones Memorial, 11	May 5
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3	5
Granite Falls, night	5
Lenoir, First Church, 11	12
Taylorsville, Marvin, 3	12
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, night	12
Hiddenite, Pisgah, 11	19
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 3	19
Troutman, St. John, night	19
Mount Zion, Huntersville, 10 and 5	26
Davidson, Davidson, 11	26
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 3	26
Central, Mooresville, night	26

Broad Street, Statesville, 11	June 2
Olin, Snow Creek, 2:30	2
Union Grove-Zion, Smith Chapel, night	2
Broad Street, Mooresville, 11	9
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 3	9
Sony Point, South River, night	9
Halls Creek, Shiloh, 11	16
Highlands, Mt. Bethel, 3	16
Bethel, Hickory, night	16
Newton, 11	23
Catawba, Hopewell, 3	23
Maiden, May's Chapel, night	23
Westview, Hickory, 11	30
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 3	30
Hudson, Mt. Hermon, night	30

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

District Conference and second check-up meeting, Fair Grove Church, Thomasville Ct., 9:30	April 19
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Rocky Mount

Marvin, N. W. Grant	4
Kenley, E. M. Hall	3
Farmville, D. A. Clarke	6
Whitakers, A. M. Williams	2½
Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane	2
Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer	2
Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome	2
Bethel, M. Y. Self	2
Enfield, B. D. Critcher	1½
Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington	1½
Warrenton, J. O. Long	1½
First, E. L. Hillman	1
Northampton, W. L. Maness	1
Spring Hope, G. W. Blount	1

Wilmington

Southport, R. S. Harrison	7
Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson	4½
Burgaw, W. F. Walters	3½
Fairmont, F. B. Joyner	3
Jacksonville-Richlands, I. T. Poole	2
Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews	1½
Trinity, R. L. Jerome	1
Grace, J. F. Herbert	1
Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift	1
Chadbourn, E. C. Maness	1
St. Paul, A. C. Lee	1

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON
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of Jesus who has inspired men all over the world to a previously unheard-of care and tenderness toward childhood, and who, at the same time, is the spiritual Shepherd of the profoundest thinkers of the race.

If God has already worked these wonders, we can certainly believe that in times to come he will astonish the world by the miracles of his grace.—Christian Advocate.

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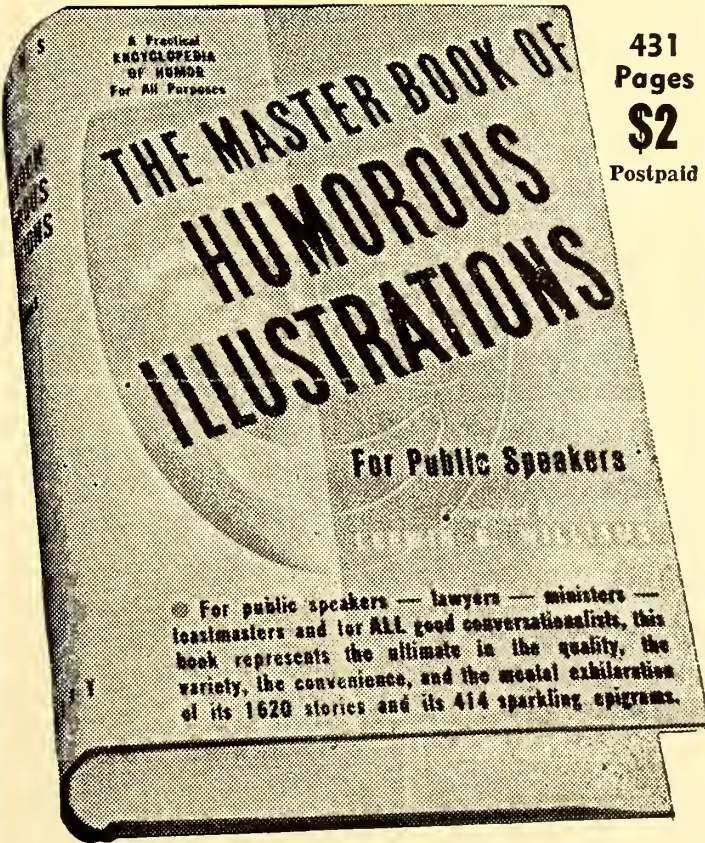
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J. A. Burgess.

McLAURIN—Brother A. A. McLaurin, a dear old soldier of the cross, passed from our midst on December 4, 1939. His going was not a surprise to him nor his family, as he had been in ill health for several months. For many years Brother McLaurin was a devout member of Salem church. No member has ever been more loyal in his attendance and support. His chief joy was in doing good and we found him ever ready to serve his fellowmen. His life was one of usefulness and we shall miss him as our neighbor and friend, but we know that he has won his crown of eternal life. He was laid to rest in Salem cemetery beneath lovely flowers and amid sorrowing friends.
J. C. Williams, P. C.

JOHNSON—Mrs. Lula Johnson passed to her reward on February 28, 1940. She was born October 7, 1859. Her life was long, useful and influential. She was a devout Christian. She loved the church; she believed in prayer; she anticipated the glories of heaven. Her Christian influence will continue to live in her children, all of whom are active Christian workers—Mrs. Eddie Stroud, Mrs. Paul Stroud, H. C. Johnson, Walter Johnson, R. E. L. Johnson, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Mrs. E. R. Waller. A sister, Mrs. Nannie Little of Greenville also survives. She was a member of Woodington Methodist church, Pink Hill charge. Since a new church was under construction at Woodington, her funeral was conducted at Queen Street church, Kinston, the following ministers taking part: Rev. R. E. Walston, per pastor; Rev. H. M. McLamb, a former pastor; Rev. A. S. Parker, pastor of Queen Street church; Rev. T. C. Johnson, pastor of the First Baptist church; Rev. G. H. Sullivan, a Christian preacher. Burial was in a Kinston cemetery. H. M. McLamb.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

(Resolutions of respect for Captain Alexander M. Rankin as passed by the quarterly conference of the First Methodist church of High Point, N. C.)

Whereas, the God whom he worshipped and loved has called his servant, Alexander M. Rankin, from earth in the fullness of his years; and

Whereas, the beloved Captain Rankin was faithful and exceptionally loyal member of this church for 45 years, was a member and chairman of the board of trustees thereof for many years, filled the office of treasurer for 19 years, and served in many positions of leadership, and in various ways and capacities in advancing the kingdom of Jesus Christ; and

Whereas, he gave liberally of his time, talent and material possessions in the service of the Master, and bless-

ed his fellowmen with his love, charity and sweetness of spirit; and

Whereas, he exemplified in his life the Christian virtues of gentleness, patience and humility, knowing both how to be abased and how to abound, and bearing with courage and steadfastness the burdens and trials which came upon him; and

Whereas, he was strong in the faith, giving inspiration to his co-workers and lending encouragement by his noble example of good works to the congregation of which he was a part.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the quarterly conference of the First Methodist church of High Point, that in the passing of Alexander M. Rankin this church has lost a veritable pillar and tower of strength; and that the membership of the church has lost a kindly and generous friend; and

Be it further resolved, that the conference joins with the bereaved family in its sorrow and mourning; that, as an example of sympathy and condolence, a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Rankin family; and that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this conference, and that they be sent to the Christian Advocate.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Death having called to his reward our brother, Thomas Shepherd, and

Whereas, he had long been a devoted member of the First Methodist church of Hendersonville, N. C., and of the board of stewards of this church; and

Whereas, his Christian character, genial disposition, inspiring personality, mature counsel and unflinching loyalty were widely known and fully recognized; and

Whereas, because of these and other qualities he will be sorely missed in the church and throughout the community; now therefore be it resolved:

That this board express its deep sympathy to his widow, who worked hand in hand with him in the church as well as in the home, and to his children and other members of the family, all of whom have given of their time and talents to the church; and

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, that a copy be entered in the official minutes of this board, and that a third be sent the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

C. M. Ogle,
A. W. Groover,
L. R. Geiger.

Unanimously adopted April 8, 1940, at Hendersonville, N. C.

Roy E. Johnson, Chm. of Board.
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IN MEMORIAM

God calls his children one by one to the home of the blessed to live and be with Jesus, after a long life of faithful service to him here. While we miss our friend and co-worker of the Hannah Koonce auxiliary, who was the oldest charter member, Mrs. Callie Taylor left us to carry on this work for Jesus on December 18, 1939. She was a consistent member of the Methodist church, always at her place for service to her Sunday school class and the auxiliary as long as her health would permit. Mrs. Taylor always greeted everyone with a smile and some pleasant words; she was an humble Christian and God blessed her to reach the age of 77 years. We miss her kind and friendly spirit, but our loss is her gain. This auxiliary hopes to meet her in the city of God, where there will be no more parting.

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A Creed for Today in Words of Today

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(1) This is a meaningful world because the living God is at work in it.

(2) We know that God is at work in the world because He is speaking to us in nature, in history, in the institutions of human society, in our own souls, but specially through the living Christ—the story of whose earthly life, sacrificial death and triumphant resurrection has been preserved for us in the Bible and whose continuing influence is being mediated to us through the Church.

Through this revelation God is telling us some things we need to know about Himself, about ourselves and about our world.

(3) He is telling us about Himself, that He is Christlike, that is, that He is at once uncompromising and tender, at once wise and patient, but above all that He is all-sufficient, able to do for us exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or even think.

(4) He is telling us about ourselves, that in spite of our limitations and failures, our weakness, our selfishness, our ineffectiveness, our restlessness, it is His purpose to make us over into the kind of person Jesus Christ was in His human life, that is, strong, God-centered, effective, unified.

(5) He is telling us about our world, the part which we can see and science can describe for us, and that larger part that is unseen, of which science can tell us nothing; that in spite of all its mystery and tragedy it is God's world and that He is making it over into the kind of place that is fit to be a home for His sons and daughters.

(6) He is telling us further that the agent He has chosen for his transforming work is His Church, not the imperfect institutional approximation which we see today, but the company of men and women who have been made alive by Jesus Christ and are living in His fellowship; those who are still on earth and that larger company who have gone before and who are to come after—what the Creed calls the communion of saints.

(7) So much in general. But God is telling us something in particular. He is telling us, that however often we have failed in the past and however helpless and blameworthy we may feel in the present, there are resources in God which can make us all that He would have us be and that the way to lay hold of these resources is through simple faith that works by love.

(8) What is true of us as individuals is true of all of us together. There are resources in God that can make over His Church. More than this, and better than this, there are resources in God that can make over our world. And the way to lay hold of these is through faith that works by love.

(9) Finally, how can we be sure that we are right when we say of God, "We know that this is His plan for us, for His Church and for our world." Because in the measure that we live by any other gospel we become weak, ineffective, disorganized, unhappy; in the measure that we live by this Gospel we become strong, effective, unified, happy. And what is true of us as individuals is equally true of the church and of the world.

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THE ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN GATHERS MOMENTUM AS DAYS GO BY

Jesse G. Wilkinson has passed R. B. Templeton, who was in second place in the Asheville district. W. G. McFarland just entered the arena this week and occupies fourth place at first jump.

E. M. Avett, who has been sitting complacently on the top rung of the ladder in the Elkin district, finds John H. Green successfully battling for first place—the score now is 27-26 in favor of Green.

E. L. Kirk is one of the most devoted friends that the Advocate has ever had. Like Tennyson's brook, "Men may come and men may go," but he goes on forever. This good servant of the church is leading the Gastonia district. But T. G. Madison and J. M. Morgan are so close to him that he will have to look to his laurels.

The big three in the High Point district are C. E. Ridge, G. L. Curry and Paul Hardin.

W. C. Dutton and C. G. Hefner lead the Salisbury district in the Advocate campaign and they do not specialize on any one department of church work. The Advocate comes along with the other interests of the church.

A. P. Ratledge of Sylvia is tops in the Waynesville district. Lexington in the Winston-Salem district keeps pushing ahead each week. H. G. Allen has in the person of J. W. Holman a prince who in our judgment does most of the work. Mr. Holman frequently visits the Advocate office and his presence is a delight in this office.

The Durham district is making a great record in this campaign. The district is leading in the North Carolina conference while D. A. Petty, F. W. Paschal, R. L. Hethcox are the three leaders of this district. L. E. Sawyer is at the top in Rocky Mount district.

Rev. J. J. Boone of Smithfield and Mrs. Helen W. Beasley entered the campaign this week and ran the total to 14. This pastor says that Mrs. Beasley did all the work. Smithfield is now among the leaders in the Raleigh district. E. C. Durham, H. M. McLamb and B. C. Reavis are the only three ahead of Boone.

Although the pastors at Siler City, Rev. C. F. Heath and Rev. A. M. Smith, are in the midst of a building campaign to raise \$15,000 for an educational plant they have sent in 13 new subscriptions for the Advocate. They promise to work the membership more thoroughly a little later on and send in more subscriptions.

FURNIFOLD M. SIMMONS

Few men are now alive in North Carolina who can recall the day when F. M. Simmons was not active in North Carolina politics. He died April 30, 1940, at his home in New Bern, N. C., age 86. When a youth he entered politics and soon reached a position of leadership. He served 30 years in the United States Senate, which we think was the longest of any Tar Heel senator, two years in the House, for almost ten years has been in retirement.

He was unquestionably the most influential political leader that North Carolina has produced since the war between the states, and future historians of the United States Senate will likely place him among the most distinguished members of that law making body.

He was a loyal and devoted alumnus of Duke University, being one of the oldest living graduates of Trinity College. He was a member of the class of 1873.

Governor Hoey's estimate of Senator Simmons upon the announcement of his death was as follows:

"The death of Senator Simmons removes one of the political landmarks of the state. He was the undisputed leader of the dominant faction of the Democratic party in North Carolina for 30 years, and he seldom lost a battle. He made a great record in the Senate. As chairman of the finance committee, he wielded powerful influence, and by his ability and industry Senator Simmons was able to master the intricate problems of tariff schedules and wrote the best tariff bill the nation has ever had."

CONGRESSMAN DIES HEARD AT GENERAL CONFERENCE

Certain rumors of opposition to the appearance of this congressman had quickened interest and a detail of eight policemen and six detectives was on duty in front of the Auditorium when Dies appeared. The well filled hall, the spirited singing and the attentive hearing made this a most interesting hour. Martin Dies urged that the best way to combat the materialism and atheism in America and throughout the world is a "revival of old fashioned religion." He insisted that the first target in Russia and Germany was the church and that the same process is going on here. He said, "I believe the greatest contribution we can make to the peace of the world is to stay on our own shores and preserve our own democracy. There must come," insisted Dies, "a return to the enthusiastic and evangelical spirit of the earlier churchmen if America is to successfully combat the rising tide of materialism."

Evidently this much abused member of the House made for himself many friends. I sat in twenty feet of him and watched his every move as a battery of flashing lights caught him from all angles while he proceeded with his speech.

This tall, broad shouldered young Texan of rather attractive face and features speaks with a ring of conviction in his voice and sincerity marks his tones. If he is simply playing a part, he is truly a fine actor. Reared in a Methodist home, trained in a Presbyterian school and a member of the Christian church—the church of his wife—Martin Dies makes a ringing plea for the old time religion that our fathers knew. Such is the impression I gained of him this my first time to lay eyes on this vigorous up-standing citizen of Texas.

BISHOP PEELE WRITES OF THE GOLDSBORO MEETING, MAY 9

The conference wide meeting to be held at Goldsboro on May 9 should prove to be one of the most far-reaching meetings within the North Carolina conference in years. This meeting is sponsored by the conference board of missions and district superintendents, pastors, district and charge lay leaders, women of the missionary societies, and all others who can arrange to come are urged and expected to be present for the day. While addresses will be delivered ample time will be given for free and spontaneous discussions on evangelism, missions, and benevolences. In unity we plan to go forward. Let nothing prevent your attendance upon this meeting. W. W. Peele.

BENNETT COLLEGE RECEIVES LARGE GIFTS

Four hundred and forty-five thousand dollars in gifts was reported to the board of trustees of Bennett College in annual session at the Hotel Dennis, Atlantic City, with Dr. W. C. Jackson, dean of administration, Woman's College, University of North Carolina, as the presiding officer. President David D. Jones, in reporting the gifts pointed out that \$200,000 of this sum, given by the General Education Board of New York City, is on a total goal of \$500,000 for endowment and is, therefore, a conditional gift. The other sums reported were \$20,000 for landscaping given by various friends, \$75,000 for a dormitory given by the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, and \$150,000 from Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer of New York City for a Memorial Chapel. The gifts announced at this time bring the capital account gifts to Bennett College in the last six years to a grand total of \$1,327,000, making a yearly average of receipts for capital account in these years of \$221,167.

All officers of the board of trustees were re-elected. The officers are: Dr. W. C. Jackson, Greensboro, president; Mrs. W. H. C. Goode, Sidney, Ohio, vice president; Mrs. W. Raymond Brown, East Aurora, New York, secretary; Dr. Thomas F. Holgate, Evanston, Illinois, treasurer; President David D. Jones, Bennett College, Greensboro, assistant treasurer.

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Why seek to undo what is fixed? Why lament and weep over the mistakes of yesterday? Why seek the living among the dead? Rather be up and doing. Face the future. No marking time, but "forward, march," is the command for soldiers of today. Out yonder in the tomorrow will float aloft the banners of victory above the lion-hearted ranks of 1940.

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"The Society of Methodist Preachers' Sons," says the Boston Transcript, "has been formed in New York. The list of the officers indicates that the members are not in need of donation parties to help in keeping the wolf from the door." Which is another reminder that to begin poor is not necessarily a handicap in the game of life, even in the race for riches where the first dollars are hardest to make.

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"The Greensboro News thinks, and rightly, of course, that if Dr. Ralph McDonald is being paid as a member of the faculty of the University to teach, he should be doing the work which that port folio represents instead of running around as a political Paul Revere, and we can hardly imagine how that point can be successfully assailed." This is the Charlotte Observer speaking and in our humble judgment not a few citizens of North Carolina share a like opinion with these two great dailies of the Tar Heel state.

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Many young men desire to start life at the top. It seems to be their ambition to begin where their elders have reached after a long, hard struggle. These youngsters with inverted ambitions seem not to know that about the only successful man who begins at the top is a well digger. The ambition of a whole lot of young men, and young women too, appear to qualify them for nothing more than well digging. On the other hand the builder must begin at the bottom. Warehouses, skyscrapers, monuments in stone arise from the founda-

tions. In like manner the builders of great fortunes, the leaders in all great constructive enterprises, the builders in every department of human life start with the foundations and there is generally a great amount of hard, heavy work in laying the foundation, whether it be in building a house or a career. And only he who is willing to do this hard work from which there is no escape will ever succeed in a large way. If proof should be desired study the life history of every great and good man.

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We in childhood commit the Ten Commandments to memory, but do we keep them in manhood? We talk glibly about the Golden Rule than fail to "do unto others as we would have them do unto us." The Sermon on the Mount receives unusual praise, but do we practice its precepts? Men will pronounce their most extravagant encomiums upon the Bible and spend sleepless fear that some enemy might destroy the sacred book; in fact, they will fight for it, die for it and do almost anything except read it and observe its teachings. The Bible, we fear, is a classic that is about to come under that well known definition, "A book that everybody praises and nobody reads."

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When the ark was being loaded in preparation for the big rain that was near at hand, three big camels hove into sight. Noah was surprised to see three camels coming up the gangway. "Hey!" he shouted, "one of you will have to stay ashore." "Not me," said the first ship of the desert. "I am the camel so many people swallow while straining at a gnat." "I," said the second, "am the camel whose back is broken by the last straw." "And I," said the third and last, "am the camel which shall pass through the eye of a needle sooner than a rich man shall enter the kingdom of heaven." Noah scratched his head in perplexity. Finally, deciding that posterity could ill spare any of these he let them all come aboard.

Johnston County to Have Liquor Election

OUT of Raleigh comes the report that Johnston county is to have a liquor election this year. The necessary number of petitioners have been secured, is the report at this writing. The dry campaign should win and this be the beginning of the end of liquor stores in North Carolina and all other forms of sale of legal liquor in the Tar Heel state.

This election is a call for all good citizens in Johnston to rally to the standard of prohibition and to become leaders in a campaign that will rid the state of the legalized sale of Old John Barleycorn. If the people of Johnston should be in need of outside help call on Judge E. Yates Webb. He was the great leader in the fight to keep liquor stores out of Asheville and in several other counties of western North Carolina. Judge Webb a few weeks ago told this writer that no county in his judicial district will vote for the return of legalized liquor so long as he is able to join in the fight to prevent it. And this is no idle boast of his, for he is the most powerful antagonist of the legalized liquor traffic that North Carolina has ever produced. His and Governor Hoey's speeches in Greensboro during the 18th Amendment repeal campaign caused Guilford county to give almost 8000 majority against the repeal of the 18th Amendment. Judge Johnson J. Hayes is another federal judge who is ever ready to fight the liquor traffic and he never fails to render yeoman service.

In our opinion the time is at hand for all good men and women of this commonwealth to rally to the cause of temperance and prohibition of the liquor traffic in our good state.

The Gathering Storm

THE Watchman-examiner, a national Baptist paper published in New York City, uses the above headline as the caption of an extended editorial upon the appointment of Myron C. Taylor as President Roosevelt's personal representative to the Vatican with rank of ambassador. Since the bishops of the Methodist Church at the General Conference now in session at Atlantic City registered a like protest, which was applauded by said conference, we quote the first paragraph of the Watchman-Examiner editorial:

"Baptists and other religious bodies opposed to the appointment of Myron C. Taylor

as President Roosevelt's 'personal representative to the Vatican with the rank of ambassador' are beginning to act. In a previous editorial we inferred that though the daily press at the time the appointment was made immediately covered the act with unctuous good will, the reaction from the millions of Americans of Protestant and Free Church conviction would steadily but surely crescendo to the proportions of a storm. This has begun. Day by day, resolutions by churches, groups of churches, and from mass meetings are coming to our office. We expect this to increase. Not only are the Baptists expressing themselves, but other denominations are likewise acting. On a recent date the New York Sun devoted eight column inches to reporting the actions of Methodists and Presbyterians demanding the recall of Mr. Taylor. When a metropolitan newspaper gives so much space to the publicizing of Protestant dissent from an action affecting Roman Catholic policy, we may be sure that the barriers of prejudice or fear are diminishing before an impending, popular force."

A Dad Writes His Boy

HERE are some old fashion notions, not very popular these days, but wholesome nevertheless, that some dad whose name is unknown to us wrote his young hopeful. These terse sentences are loaded with dynamite that may explode in a lazy man's face. But here they are:

"My son, remember you have to work. Whether you handle pick or wheelbarrow or a set of books, digging ditches or editing a newspaper, ringing an auction bell or writing funny things, you must work. Do not be afraid of killing yourself by overworking on the sunny side of 30. Men die sometimes, but it is because they quit at 9 p. m. and don't go home until 2 a. m. It's the intervals that kills, my son. The work gives you appetite for your meals; it lends solidity to our slumber; it gives you a perfect appreciation of a holiday. There are young men who do not work, but the country is not proud of them. Nobody likes them; the great busy world doesn't know they are here. So find out what you want to be and do. Take your coat off and make dust in the world. The busier you are, the less harm you are apt to get into, the sweeter will be your sleep, the brighter your holidays, and the better satisfied the whole world will be with you."

High Point College Has Plans to Pay Off Its \$197,000 Debt

THE executives and other leaders of High Point College have effected plans to pay off the entire debt upon this college which has rendered remarkably effective service in the field of education. President G. I. Humphreys and his co-laborers are doing a fine work in spite of the debt that has been a handicap from the beginning, and they will be able to do even better work when the college is clear of debt.

This campaign should make a strong appeal to all friends of education and especially to all the people of High Point, because a college within easy reach of a town or city is of inestimable value and a great convenience to the boys and girls of the community who desire a college education.

Literally hundreds of boys and girls of Greensboro get their education at the Woman's College, Greensboro College, and Guilford College, and many of them could not get a college education if they could not board at home. The same is true in High Point. We expect to see the people of High Point rally to this call, and when High Point gets behind a thing it goes over big. That is High Point's way.

It has been a source of great satisfaction to the managers of the Advocate that we were able to assist Dr. W. A. Lambeth in paying the debt upon the Junaluska Assembly and we shall be glad to render what assistance we can in paying the debt upon High Point College.

Ancient Rome Versus the Christ

IT is said that on one side of a room in the Vatican are fifteen hundred inscriptions taken from the tombs of pagan Rome. In all of these inscriptions there is not a single ray of light or hope. In hopeless night reign darkness, despair, and death.

On the opposite side of that room are fifteen hundred inscriptions taken from the catacombs of Rome. These are Christian inscriptions and they tell of joy and resurrection hope. For the risen Christ had brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

It is not surprising, therefore, that the ancient church spent seven days in the Easter celebration, for into it had come a new life and a new hope. As someone has said:

"Let the angel whisper it to the four winds of heaven, and the winds shall whisper it to the

fountain, and the fountain to the brooklet, and the brooklet to the river, and the river to the great infinite sea. Let nature blend her myriad voices with the innumerable voices of the heavenly world, in continuous, loud acclaim."

Asking for Big, Hard Jobs

CHUBBY DEAN, a Mount Airy boy, asked Connie Mack, his manager, to let him pitch the first game of the season which was against the New York Yankees. He got the job and won. He asked for nine innings and got ten. A man when he asks for a big, hard job invariably gets more than he asks. But Chubby Dean has become one of the baseball heroes of the 1940 season. His name is in all the headlines of the great dailies.

Old Caleb, who asked for a big, hard job when the Israelites were entering Canaan, got it and won, and Caleb has been in the headlines for 30 centuries.

Why is it that men in every sphere of human activity shun the big, difficult task? One would think that the Christian minister, like his Lord and Master, would specialize in these things. But they do not. Some of them will ask for big salaries, but they seldom ask for big jobs. And they are not alone in this. They have company everywhere.

Holding the Ladder

IT is said that once upon a time workmen were doing some repairs on Cooper Institute, New York, and one of the workmen called to an old man who was standing around and said: "Here, old fellow, hold the ladder for me, won't you?" The old fellow stepped forward promptly and held the ladder as requested. The "old fellow" was none other than Peter Cooper himself. Mr. Cooper was always fond of telling this story, because he counted it the greatest privilege of his life to hold the ladder upon which others could climb.

Those who hold the ladder have a great part in life when they give others a chance to climb. Parents and teachers and multitudes of people who humbly and faithfully help others to climb and work are the world's benefactors even when their task is counted trivial. Ungrateful and thoughtless are those sons and daughters who do not appreciate parents that enabled them to climb the ladder of success.

❖ People and Things ❖

Rev. J. D. Pyatt has been changed from the Jonathan charge to the Sandy charge and his address is now Leicester, N. C.

The Statesville Landmark indulges in the following sarcasm: "Sweden says she'll fight any guy who comes foolin' around trying to protect her. Now isn't that an ungrateful attitude toward a well meanin' neighbor?"

Elkin district conference, May 9. How to find the way: Look for sign board six miles west from North Wilkesboro on highway No. 421. Sign board reads "Friendship Methodist." Come and see "Mountains All Around."—J. L. A. Bumgarner, Pastor.

By authority of Bishop Purcell, Rev. J. D. Pyatt, supply, is transferred from the Jonathan charge in the Waynesville district to the Sandy charge in the Asheville district, and Rev. Odell Brown is appointed to supply the Jonathan charge. M. T. Smathers, D.S.; W. L. Hutchins, D.S.

Five churches of Morganton in a union service last Sunday evening formally welcomed Rev. Fletcher Nelson, the new pastor of the Methodist church. In addition to the formalities of the occasion in which the several pastors had a part Dr. Nelson delivered a special sermon. His subject was "The Challenge of the Church."

On April 28 we had the church school day observance with a very fine program rendered by a group of young folks. We began our meeting last night (Monday) with a crowded house. Good singing, good preaching; Rev. C. W. Goldston doing the preaching. The meeting will run through Sunday, May 5.—B. H. Black.

Mr. John A. Boone died Friday, April 26, in Orlando, Florida. The message failed to state the cause of his death. His wife was a sister of Dr. J. A. Stanbury, pastor of Central church, Asheville, and also of Mrs. W. L. Scott of Davidson, who is the wife of Rev. W. L. Scott, pastor of the Methodist church, Davidson charge.

Rev. A. C. (Jinks) Waggoner, pastor of Coburn Memorial church, Salisbury, will begin revival services in his church next Sunday with Miss Daisy Davies of Atlanta, Ga., doing the preaching. Miss Davies has done effective work as an evangelist in some of the leading churches of the South and the Salisbury people will be delighted with her ministry.

Announcement of the appointment of Rev. Wilbur G. McFarland, pastor of our Haywood Street church in Asheville, to be Grand Chaplain of the North Carolina Grand Lodge of Masons was made this week by Honorable Thomas J. Harkins, Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina. The 1941 session of the Masonic Grand Lodge for this state will meet next spring in the city of Asheville.

Dr. Kyle M. Yates is one of a number of the outstanding scholars of this country selected to make a new edition of the American Revised Edition of the Bible for the International Council of Religious Education. Dr. Yates is well known here in his native state. He is a graduate of Campbell College, Wake Forest, Southern Baptist Seminary and Edinburgh University. He holds the A.B., M.A., Th.D., Ph.D. and D.D. degrees. Associated with him are: Dr. Luther A. Weigle, Yale; Dr. George Dahl, Yale; Dr. Julius Brewer, Union Theological Seminary, New York; Dr. James Moffatt, Union Theological Seminary, New York; Dr. W. A. Irwin, Chicago Divinity School; Dr. W. R. Taylor, Toronto University, Canada; and Dr. Leroy Waterman, University of Michigan. The revised Bible will be published by Thomas Nelson and Sons.—Charity and Children.

Pointing out that six North Carolinians narrowly escaped asphyxiation last week when they were overcome by carbon monoxide fumes from a broken exhaust pipe, Ronald Hocutt, director of the Highway Safety Division, stressed this week the importance of periodic inspection of all motor vehicles.

Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College, was guest preacher at West Market Street church, Greensboro, last Sunday morning when the pastor, Dr. J. B. Craven, was at the General Conference in Atlantic City. Dr. Humphreys' sermon from the viewpoint of subject matter, diction, manner of delivery, and timeliness was all that the most critical listener should demand of any sermon. To the sympathetic observers it was obvious that the great congregation heard the sermon with interest and pleasure as the minister effectively preached the gospel of the Son of God.

The Parker Recognition Fund campaign among Methodist ministers of the 18 conferences in the Southeastern Jurisdiction, in the Louisiana conference and among ministerial friends in other sections of the country has thus far resulted in subscriptions amounting to \$41,399, toward a total goal of \$100,000. Dean H. B. Trimble of the Candler School of Theology to which this fund will go as endowment for a chair of Christian Doctrine has announced that a compilation of records from all sources, including returns through April 15, shows 705 individual contributors to the fund thus far.

Miss Wilma E. Conger, M.D., of Evanston, Illinois, was commissioned for service as a missionary in India by the Northwestern Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Church at their second quarterly meeting in the Ottawa Street church, Joliet, Friday, April 12. Miss Conger is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. H. G. Conger, 2325 Hartrey Avenue, Evanston. She is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, and of the medical school of Northwestern University. She is to be married to Charles V. Perrill, M.D., and will be assigned with him in the Clara A. Swain Hospital, Bareilly, India.

"The United Churches in the Building of a Christian Community" which met at Blue Ridge, N. C., in the early part of the summer was a tremendous success. We were urged to continue it and are planning to do so. The dates this year are June 22 and 29 and the place is Blue Ridge, which is 15 miles east of Asheville in the heart of the most rugged mountains of eastern America at an elevation of 2700 feet. Among the distinguished speakers and leaders will be Dr. Edgar S. Brightman, professor of philosophy at Boston University, Dr. H. Richard Niebuhr of Yale Divinity School, Bishop Ivan Lee Holt of the Methodist Church, from Dallas, Texas, and Dr. H. P. Graham, president of the University of North Carolina.

A word about Broad Street church, Mooresville. On Sunday night we closed a great revival which lasted two weeks. Rev. M. T. Hinshaw of Rutherford College did the preaching. He was at his best and did the most effective evangelistic preaching that I have ever heard. He speaks out of a full heart to the heart of the hearers. He is a great revivalist. I can heartily recommend him to any pastor who is interested in securing a man who will do the best type of evangelistic work. The church has been wonderfully blessed by Mr. Hinshaw's presence and fine preaching. Most of the children having already become members, our class who came into the church Sunday morning consisted largely of married couples and young people. We had 14 to join and have others who will join next Sunday. There is a rising tide in the life of this splendid church.—V. R. Masters, P. C.

Brother, Why Not Give One Solid Hour When at Your Very Best for Your Church Paper?

"I was born on April 26 (and I don't do much but doze!). I weighed just 7 pounds, 6 ounces (that's without my clothes!). My parents named me John Kern (without asking my advice!). And I think they're going to keep me (for they think I'm pretty nice!)"—Mr. and Mrs. J. Kern Ormond.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Marion district will meet immediately after lunch on the day of our district conference at Old Fort. All members are urged to be present. Mrs. W. A. Jenkins, chairman; Mrs. W. E. Rufty, secretary.

Good heed should be given the calls made by Bishop Peele and Drs. Ormond and Love to the Board of Missions for that most important assembly at Goldsboro. Laymen and pastors from every section should be present to contribute to the success of the day. The program is promising and the representative assembly should make a noble contribution. Let all be one in spirit and in conquest on April 9 in Goldsboro.

On March 7 the New York Historical Society held a public meeting in the Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew, which was attended by about 200. President Carl F. Price presided. Dr. William J. Thompson spoke on Whitefield's achievements in America as a founder of colleges, especially his relations to the University of Pennsylvania, which has recently formally recognized him as its founder. Whitefield's field pulpit was shown. Dr. Paul N. Garber of Duke University gave a delightfully informing address on "A Methodist Portrait Gallery." Dr. Joy exhibited historical material from the society's rich collections. Refreshments were served by the ladies.

The Indian Springs Holiness Camp within the 50 years of its history has grown to be the largest camp in the South. Its growth has been continuous, in property, constituency, and spirit. On its platform is heard many of the great preachers of the Holiness movement. On its grounds is found the highest type of spiritual life and fellowship. From early morning until the close of the day a program of constructive spiritual life is kept going. The young people and children are provided class work, vesper services, and social activity that makes camp life a profitable joy. The Indian Springs Camp began in a small way, with a few acres of land, and a limited group of attendants. It now has several acres of beautiful land, many buildings, and a constituency drawn from many states. While the smaller camps have been closing, while the cry has been heard that the "day of the camp meeting is over," Indian Springs has grown with ever enlarging attendance and influence. The trustees have recently announced the beginning of a new building, the Burden Memorial, in memory of Mr. R. F. Burden of Macon, Ga., who was the recent president. The building will be ready for the opening of the camp in August.

Special services recently at Morris Chapel, Walkertown, brought to the people of the church and community a real spiritual uplift. Many souls were saved and many more blessed in a very definite way. The pastor, Rev. C. J. Winslow, was assisted in a fine way by Rev. J. L. Ingram of Welcome, who did the preaching in a very effective way. Brother Ingram's messages from night to night were full of spiritual food, and we feel that our whole community has been elevated to a higher plane of Christian living by his godly sermons. His messages were such as to edify believers and convict sinners. On Sunday, April 14, at the close of the service there were ten additions to the church on profession of faith and one by transfer. On Sunday evening, April 21, seven fine young men took the vows of church membership, making at total of 18 additions to the church. Morris Chapel church feels the spirit of the Lord as never before, and we are all very grateful to Brother Ingram for the large part he had in bringing us such a spiritual feast. The Morris Chapel people, backed by their splendid pastor, Rev. C. J. Winslow, are deeply appreciative of Brother Ingram's great service to the church and community and hope to have him with us again. We give God all the praise and pray that the results may be abiding.—Blanche Westmoreland.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT: DR. WALTER PATTEN TO BE INAUGURATED PRESIDENT

The announcement that the Louisburg College commencement will be held on Monday, May 27, came from the president's office today. Also the board of trustees of Louisburg College announce that the inauguration of Dr. Walter Patten as president of Louisburg College will be a part of the commencement program. The State Department of Conservation and Development will also present to Louisburg College a historical marker which will be unveiled during these commencement exercises.

The class day exercises and the meeting of the alumni association will take place on Saturday, May 25, and the alumni meeting will be followed by the alumni banquet at six o'clock p. m.

Sunday, May 26, will be Baccalaureate Day. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached by President Patten at 11 o'clock.

The commencement exercises on Monday, the 27th, will consist in three parts—the inauguration of President Patten, the awarding of diplomas, certificates, and honors, and the presentation of the state historic marker.

Each college in this region will be asked to have a representative at the presidential inauguration in appropriate academic dress. Greetings will be brought to President Patten by a representative of the State University of North Carolina units, by a representative of the denominational colleges of the state, by a representative of the teachers' colleges of North Carolina, by a representative of the junior colleges, and by a representative of the faculty of Louisburg College.

Dean Elbert Russell of Duke University will deliver the commencement address. Diplomas and certificates will be presented to about 70 young men and women of the college who will have completed their courses of study with honor and credit.

THE GOLDSBORO MID-YEAR MISSIONARY MEETING

The readers of the Advocate have been advised by Rev. F. S. Love, missionary secretary of the N. C. conference, and also by Bishop Peele, that we have chosen a strategic time for the North Carolina mid-year missionary meeting. Mr. Love has provided a program of speakers and discussions that should attract a large number of people from every corner of the conference. If the conference is carried through as planned it should mark the beginning of a better day in many areas of our work where we are now weak. All our ministers and many laymen and women from every charge should set aside this day for a great conference at Goldsboro.

J. M. Ormond, President,

Board of Missions and Church Extension
of the N. C. Conference.

REV. A. H. WHISNER DIES IN FLORIDA

Rev. Allen Hammond Whisner died on April 18, 1940, in Lakeland, Florida. He was 70 years of age, and had been acutely ill in the Morrell Memorial Hospital, Lakeland, for twelve days. For many years he had been a member of the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church, but for the past few years has been retired and living in Florida. He was also a veteran of the Spanish-American War.

Funeral services were held from the Myrtle Street Methodist church, Lakeland, Florida, with Rev. J. B. Reid officiating. Interment was made in Roselawn cemetery. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Nora Whisner of Washington, D. C., and two daughters, Elizabeth F. Whisner of Washington, D. C., and Wilhelmina L. Whisner of Philadelphia, Penn.

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ASHEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The 51st session of the Asheville district conference met with First Methodist church, Hendersonville, at 9 a. m. Friday, April 19. Rev. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent, presided. Rev. D. E. Camak was the host pastor. Rev. W. G. McFarland was re-elected secretary, with Rev. R. H. Taylor and Mrs. Frank Smathers as assistants.

The devotional opening was led by Brother Smathers, with the prayer by Rev. Z. V. Arthur. The roll was not formally called, but the pastors placed on the table check-lists of their attendance and that of their delegates. Full reports of the charges were also placed on the secretary's table. Committees as nominated by the district superintendent were confirmed. Recognition was given the pastors and charges reporting all finances in full for the half year; these were Rev. R. B. Templeton, Asbury Memorial; Rev. H. E. Bolick, Fletcher; and Rev. D. E. Camak, Hendersonville.

Rev. J. H. West having died during the year, the conference stood for a prayer of recollection, led by Rev. G. C. Brinkman.

Brother Smathers, by special request of the pastors, made a stirring address on "Methodists United for Action."

Special interests were represented as follows: Woman's work by Miss Amy Hackney, district secretary; district parsonage trustees by Mr. Guy Weaver; youth work by Rev. McMurry S. Richey; conference brotherhood by Rev. J. G. Wilkinson and Rev. D. E. Camak; Parker Recognition Fund at Emory by Rev. E. P. Billups; spiritual life and evangelism by Rev. A. B. Dennis, with supplementary addresses by Dr. L. W. Elias, Rev. R. H. Taylor and Rev. W. A. Stanbury; the report on renewal of licenses for local preachers was presented by Rev. A. C. Tippet and adopted.

Rev. N. G. Bethea, Merrimon Avenue church, Asheville, preached the conference sermon on the text, "Can These Bones Live?" The vital problem before us, that of giving life and spiritual power to the assembled hosts of Methodism, was well presented. Rev. W. F. Sandford gave the benediction before lunch.

Lunch was served by the Hendersonville ladies in the spacious church dining rooms.

The afternoon session was opened with prayer offered by Rev. F. O. Dryman. The report on quarterly conference records was read by Rev. M. B. Clegg. The first report on lay activities was presented by Mr. H. A. Dunham, district lay leader. The second report was presented by Senator Zeb Curtis; this report nominated district lay leaders, who were elected as follows: H. A. Dunham, district lay leader; C. E. Morgan, George Evans, L. R. Geiger, and O. H. Orr, associates.

Education hour followed. Rev. W. A. Stanbury presented the report. Rev. J. G. Wilkinson followed. Rev. Carl King, conference executive secretary; Miss Sarah Killie, district director of children's work; Mr. B. C. Moss for Brevard College; Dr. Raymond Smith for Greensboro College; Rev. W. C. Clark for High Point College; Rev. C. M. White for Pfeiffer College; and Dr. W. A. Stanbury for Duke University continued.

Christian literature was represented by Rev. A. F. Philbbs and Rev. F. O. Dryman. Mr. Frank Weaver was elected district director of subscription campaign for the North Carolina Christian Advocate. The churches were

asked to make special effort for this interest as a part of the next Sunday morning services.

Rev. W. G. McFarland, district missionary secretary, presented the report on missions, hospitals, Golden Cross, and orphanages. Rev. H. S. Williams made an able address upon missions; Rev. L. B. Abernethy, conference missionary secretary, discussed the hospital work; and Mr. O. V. Woosley, superintendent, represented the Children's Home. Dr. L. W. Elias was re-elected district director of Golden Cross; Mr. Neil Lee was elected associate director.

A resolution of thanks to the Hendersonville church for its hospitality was presented by Rev. W. A. Stanbury and approved by standing vote. An invitation for the next district conference to meet with the Wast Asheville church was made by Rev. A. C. Tippet and was unanimously accepted. Wilbur G. McFarland, Secretary.

PLEASE PASS THE GRASS

Nebuchadnezzar the Babylonian, who went about on all fours devouring the grass of the fields, was a mighty man. He drove the Egyptians out of Asia. He added Syria to his empire. He destroyed Jerusalem. He built in 15 days the palace that became one of the world's wonders, and he besieged Tyre for 13 years.

He was the great copper-riveted, steel-ribbed bucko of his day. He took on all comers and tore them limb from limb. Through the ages he was the great one and only, the bully-boy without a match—that is, until this year of grace, 1940, with its Adolph Hitler, the grass eater.

Now Science, whose wonders never cease, has discovered that we can all be Nebuchadnezzars. All we need do is eat grass, just as he did. And to make that a little easier, three chemists are offering it in a dried, powdered form, to be used like salt.

It contains all the vitamins in abundance, we are told. Twelve pounds of it are equal to 340 pounds of fruits and vegetables. In fact, Popeye the Sailor is thinking about turning to it, instead of spinach.

Well, pass the grass, please. We've got a job of work to do, trying to raise a lawn.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

PRESIDENTIAL FEVER RAGES

The bane of early Washington was ague. While this malady was banished long ago, there still breaks out every four years a type of intermittent fever. There are perhaps not more than a dozen cases reported to date, although several gentlemen residing hereabouts show decided symptoms. The epidemic is largely confined to Capitol Hill. It is known as Presidential fever, and is attended with running to and fro, with much speaking and a mania to move into a residence located at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue.

One of the first to develop a mounting temperature was Administrator Paul V. McNutt of the Federal Security Commission. It has bothered him ever since boyhood. Of late this Presidential fever has become so disturbing that its victim has requested a leave of absence until November. July 15 is the date usually set on which this rash is expected to have run its course, but apparently the administrator feels that his case is so exceptional that like hay fever it will not subside until the first frosts.—Payton.

REV. JOHN M. WRIGHT

Rev. John Monroe Wright, a member of the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church, was born in Laurel Hill, N. C., June 19, 1876, and at the time of his death, Tuesday morning, April 23, 1940, was 63 years old. He was the son of the late Mr. C. J. and Mrs. Mary Ann Wright of Laurel Hill. He received his education at Union, and Wake Forest College. Prior to entering the ministry he taught school for nine years. On June 21, 1905, he and Miss Estelle Jones of Hyde county were happily united in marriage. To this union John Monroe, Jr., was born. Mr. Wright is survived by his widow, now in Jackson, and by his son in East St. Louis, Ill. He is also survived by one brother, Mr. Durant Wright of Laurel Hill.

Mr. Wright joined the conference at Wilson in 1905 and served the following charges: Shallotte, 1905-6; Jones circuit, 1907-8; Bridgeton-Riverside, 1909-12; Elm Street, Goldsboro, and Caswell Street, Kinston, 1913-14; Elm Street and Princeton, Goldsboro, 1915-16; Mount Olive, 1917; Northampton, 1918-21; Ayden, 1922-23; and Carthage, 1924-27. During his fourth year at Carthage Mr. Wright suffered a stroke of paralysis from which he never fully recovered. He was superannuated in the fall of 1927 and for a number of years made his home in Mount Olive, moving to Jackson in 1935, where he lived until God called him to his reward.

The funeral was conducted from the Methodist church in Jackson Thursday afternoon, April 25, with Rev. W. L. Maness, pastor, in charge. He was assisted by Revs. B. P. Robinson, E. R. Clegg, E. B. Craven and W. L. Loy. Other ministers attending the services were Richard Lloyd, L. E. Sawyer, C. T. Rogers, Daniel Lane, O. W. Dowd, J. L. Smith, J. A. Russell, J. H. Miller, C. B. Culbreth, W. C. Ball and J. H. Overton. Members of the woman's missionary society served as flower bearers. The music was in charge of Mrs. E. L. Norton, assisted by members of the choirs of the local churches. The following hymns were sung: How Firm a Foundation, O Love That Will Not Let Me Go, and God Will Take Care of You. Following the service in Jackson the body was taken to Goldsboro and buried in the city cemetery. A large concourse of relatives and friends attended the final rites and the many floral tributes attested the high esteem and respect in which Mr. Wright was held throughout the conference. He never complained through all the 13 long years of his illness. That which God had called him to do he had done well and he came to the end of the journey peacefully, full of faith and unafraid. While the hearts of all his loved ones and friends have been made sad because of his going we have comfort in knowing that he has received the commendation "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

W. L. Maness.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NOTES

Miss Celeste Horne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Loyd Horne of Washington, D. C., was presented in her junior piano recital at Greensboro College on April 22. Mark Hoffman, director of the school of music, is her teacher.

Dr. George Howard Parker, noted zoologist and lecturer, delivered the third annual William Keith Brooks lecture on Thursday evening, April 25, at 8 o'clock in Odell Memorial auditorium. He used as his subject "Modern Conceptions of the Action of the Nervous System." Dr. Colleen Fowler, head of the department of biology, sponsored the lecture.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president, is in Atlantic City, N. J., where he is attending the first General Conference of the Methodist Church as a lay delegate.

Miss Rebecca Fulghum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Fulghum of Kenly, presented her senior graduating recital in dramatics in Odell Memorial auditorium at 8 o'clock on April 26. She is the student of Miss Elba Henninger, head of the speech and dramatic art department. Her program consisted of her own arrangement of Emilie Bront's immortal "Wuthering Heights," given in three parts.

Miss Martha Dora Harris of Macon will be presented in her dramatic recital by the department of speech and dramatic art on May 1 at 8 o'clock in Odell auditorium. Miss Harris is the pupil of Miss Elba Henninger, and will give an interesting program of contemporary Southern literature.

Miss Elizabeth Oliver, director of children's work of the W. N. C. conference, and Mrs. O. D. Nelson, district director of children's work, assisted by Mrs. Joseph T. Allen of the West Market Street children's division, led in the vacation church school institute for Greensboro College students held this afternoon from 2 to 5 p. m. in the Y hut. Over 25 persons participated in the discussion and demonstration of vacation school work.

Miss Dorothy Jones of Greensboro presented her graduating piano recital on April 30 in Odell auditorium at 8 o'clock. She is the pupil of Mark Hoffman, head of the school of music.

Greensboro College May Day will be held on the west campus this year on May 11 at 5 o'clock p. m. It promises to be one of the most beautiful May Days ever seen by the cordially invited public. A number of students will participate in this year's event.

The Greensboro College Riding Club will present its annual horse show on May 3 at 2:30 o'clock on the athletic field of the college. Miss Marion Grey Mitchell of Burlington is chairman of the show, and cordially invites the public to attend this looked-forward-to spring showing of horsemanship.

The Greensboro College Players, the honorary dramatics group on the campus will entertain new members and old Players at their annual get-together on Saturday evening, May 4, at the new Y hut at an informal buffet supper.

REIDSVILLE CIRCUIT

Reidsville circuit is still on the map, although we have not said much about it lately. Our work in general is going along just as well or a little better than in former years. The people are just as loyal and co-operative as ever. Children's Home paid in full, and a little more on conference claims than usual at this time of year. Salary is also being cared for in fine shape. Poundings have come along with other things, starting with a generous supply of provisions from Lowes early in the year, followed by many gifts from other churches, and then two weeks ago, when we had thought the shower was about over, Mt. Carmel congregation just about filled our car with provisions of all kinds.

Some building is also being done this year. The Bethlehem congregation decided early in the year to make some real improvements on their church. Now they have the work almost completed—five nice large Sunday school rooms, the auditorium made completely new, hardwood floors, beautiful overhead finish and plastered walls, also large porch with concrete floor and brick steps on front. It has cost a lot of hard work and about \$2600 in cash to do the job, but the members, and some who are not members, have stayed with the work until it is about completed, and everybody is pleased.

Many of the old substantial members have finished their work and gone home to their reward since we came to this charge. They are greatly missed in many ways, but the young people of the different churches are filling their places in a very fine way. I have never worked with a finer group of young people than we have on the Reidsville circuit. The longer we have stayed the more we have learned to appreciate the faithfulness and loyalty of the good people of this charge.

We have not arranged for help in two revival meetings to be held in July. If there are any preachers in the district who want to do some preaching in a country church, while eating plenty of fried chicken and country ham, I should like to have a talk with them at the district conference.

T. V. Crouse.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Elizabeth City district conference will meet in Edenton, May 16, promptly at 9 a. m. All the interests of the district will be given due consideration. All visitors will be welcome and all conference wide interests will receive due attention.

A full, rich program has been arranged and all members of the conference are urged to be present promptly at 9 a. m. to get the inspiration of the opening message by R. F. Munns, who will set the pace for the day.

Remember the date—May 16 and the hour 9 a. m.

B. B. Slaughter, D. S.

First General Conference of Methodist Church

Convened in Atlantic City on April 24

The opening session in the Municipal Auditorium was given over to the corporate communion service for one hour, to the election of Lud H. Estes of Memphis secretary, one hour, and the final hour to details of organization. Estes won over his competitor, E. R. Heckman of Central Pennsylvania by a vote of two to one. A most impressive three hours session was this first day. The entire situation, the spirit of the day and the crowded hall of eager Methodists contributed to this opening day.

Much of the Uniting Conference at Kansas City carried over in personnel and type of procedure, but that at Kansas City will remain an occasion separate and apart from all others, with the many elements brought together on that truly historic occasion in the on-going of the Wesleyan movement.

Stretching away from the pulpit erected on the stage of the ball room were hundreds of desks accommodating the 776 delegates attending the conference.

Colorful costumed delegates from South and Central America, from Europe, Asia and Africa, were dotted through the congregation.

They rose in a group as the male choir, in flowing gowns of purple and white, entered the hall singing the "Hymn of Adoration."

Behind the choir marched the 52 bishops of the united church, intoning with the choir the words of the hymn, "Holy! Holy! Holy!! Though the darkness hide Thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see; only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee."

Senior Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes of Washington led the bishops to their seat upon the huge stage, flanking the choir and the great pulpit around which were banked hundreds of beautiful hydrangeas.

Bishop John L. Neulsen of Geneva, Switzerland, led the Litany of Praise and the choir sang the "Gloria Patri" as the delegates remained standing.

Bishop U. V. W. Darlington led the collect of purity. The choir chanted the Lord's Prayer. Bishop Darlington recited the beatitudes. Bishop Hughes followed with the ascription of praise and gave the invitation to the Lord's Supper.

Bishop John C. Broomfield led the general confession and the huge congregation, heads bowed in worship, repeated after him: "Almighty God . . . we do earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for our misdoings . . . the remembrance of them is grievous unto us . . . Forgive us all that is past."

Bishops Arthur J. Moore and Adna Wright Leonard passed the bread and wine to the thirty ushers who in turn passed these to delegates and bishops.

The Afternoon

The afternoon was given over to the organization of the many committees of the General Conference.

The important Publishing Committee elected Dr. Paul N. Garber chairman and Dr. Troy W. Appleby vice chairman. Dr. John B. F. Yoak was made secretary. Incidentally, Dr. Garber was the only member of the South-eastern Jurisdiction who was named to head one of the

committees. The future of the Methodist press is to be handled by this important group.

A most interesting observation was made by Dr. Henry H. Crane of Detroit during an interim in the procedure of the committee when some one called on Crane for a speech. So he proceeded to discuss "The flag above the communion table." He had noted a big American flag stretched on the wall back of the table at the morning communion. He did not like its implications in this day of stress on nationalism. "The church is the only world institution," said he, "and no flag should have a place above the table of the Lord. Only the cross is our symbol."

This reminded me of what I had often heard in other days how that up north following the Civil War the Methodists had used the flag for a cloth at the communion table. Whether that was true or not, I do know that following the World War the flag found the first time its way into the churches of the South. It is easy to put the flag in this day above the cross—the symbol above every flag. Dr. Crane warned against the present tendency.

Evening Service

The first day of the General Conference ended in a presentation of the Methodist Advance. Bishop Arthur J. Moore at his best gave a thrilling address on the needs of the church today.

Bishop Moore described the Methodist Advance as born in the Uniting Conference of bishops as "a movement which seeks to mobilize the entire church in a confident and courageous crusade of redemptive action."

Men who are hungry for spiritual help no longer take things as they are and look for someone to make the earth a better place on which to live, he said.

"If I say it with what may be described as unbecoming urgency, there are five things I would suggest that Methodism must have. They are (1) a vital religious experience of God; (2) vision; (3) keep alive the spirit of cross-bearing; (4) a world field; and (5) face the future unafraid."

Under the first recommendation Bishop Moore said the flaming urgency of early Methodists must be recaptured. He painted a picture of a disturbed humanity, repeating the mistakes of the World War in a rising tide of savagery that has brought present day civilization to edge of the abyss.

"The Methodist Church," Bishop Moore declared, "must never cease in its militant outcry against war, industrial oppression, and the evils which beset man today. It must have a sword for the weaponless and a voice for those without speech."

Without the vital experience of God, church workers would become merely tired social workers, he warned.

Referring to the preponderance of talk about too much fanaticism and its subsequent plea for moderation, Bishop Moore said, "I would rather try to restrain a fanatic than resurrect a corpse."

Bishop Moore pointed out that what the world needs is not a "timid, panicky church marked by too much introspection and fault-finding, but a church of faith and courage."

He branded much of modern preaching as "pious exhortation to nice people to be nice."

Second Day

Bishop Francis J. McConnell consumed two solid hours the morning of the second day following the devotions in reading the address of the Council of Bishops. In thoughtful quiet through most of the reading sat the conference. So did the well filled galleries. But vigorous applause greeted the words, "We must not yield to the fallacy that the United States must get into war if it is

to serve in establishing a new peace base. We can serve best by staying out."

Similar manifestations greeted the arraignment of the liquor traffic which closed with these words: "Human values, whether of individuals or society, mean less than nothing to its promoters. Therefore it seems clear to us that it is our duty to labor by genuinely educational methods for such a voting majority as will demand prohibition and make it effective." Later in the address waves of applause rolled over that vast audience when the vigorous and thoughtful bishop made reference to Myron C. Taylor who is now President Roosevelt's personal representative at the Vatican. These are his words:

Of course, there is no use of talking about union with a Roman Catholicism which today insists upon her infallibility as authority even more strenuously than before the Reformation. . . . Recent events reveal anew her intention to press to the utmost even the most doubtful diplomatic advantages, especially in her relation to the United States. We express our sincere appreciation of the oft-declared interest of the President of the United States on behalf of world peace . . . but we do deplore and must firmly resist any union of church and state and are and will be unalterably opposed to any establishment of diplomatic relations between the Vatican and the United States."

This address of the Methodist bishops is a most comprehensive paper which makes a pamphlet of 53 pages. It is now available from the Publishing House at ten cents a copy. Paragraphs culled from this address will be used by the press for months to come.

A prolonged discussion ensued following the Episcopal Address, which resulted in an order for the committees of the 1944 General Conference to be composed of an equal number of lay and clerical delegates. This, many will recall, had been the rule in the Southern Church for years. It so happens that this order will become effective in the united church one hundred years after the General Conference at which the church divided in 1844.

Women at Night

The most enthusiastic gathering so far was the meeting sponsored by the women at night. The hall was crowded with the General Conference and the women who came from "all the regions round about." Dr. Georgia Hartness, preacher, writer, author and teacher, was the chief speaker. She is well known in North Carolina, having been the first woman to preach in Duke Chapel and having been the speaker last year at Greensboro College commencement. Friday morning she was formally presented to the General Conference.

The women had every reason to be grateful for so fine a showing as that made by the flag spectacle in which the flags of all nations to which missionaries had been sent were made to tell the story of their achievements.

Third Day

Most of the first day of the General Conference was consumed with the work of organization; most of the second day in hearing the address of the Council of Bishops, read by Bishop Francis J. McConnell; and the chief interest of the third day centered about the report of the special committee on location of boards and commissions. This was submitted by Dr. Umphry Lee of Texas. He told the story of the care with which this report had been prepared.

Not often is a speaker quite so convincing in reciting facts in supporting the careful work of the committee. It is safe to say that not much change will be made in this report, though long discussions may follow its return

The location committee had recommended that the Board of Missions be located in New York, the Board of Hospitals in Columbus, O., and the Board of Trustees in Cincinnati, O., the Board of Education, Commission on Evangelism and the Commission Courses of Study at Nashville, Tenn., the Commission of World Service at Chicago and the Board of Pensions divided between Chicago and St. Louis.

Methodism seems to be girding for a renewed fight on the liquor traffic and the hurt of beverage alcohol.

Fourth Day

This was one of those hectic days that come in a General Conference when little is accomplished. The report on location of boards came back from the committee to which it had been referred with no action taken. After killing much time on points of order and efforts to amend, it went over to Monday.

The special order for electing the Judicial Council fared but little better. Many names had been left off the printed ballots, so this election went over until the ballots with all names on could be printed. Thus the two important matters of the week had to wait. The rest of the morning was taken up with many things of less note. from committee on temporal economy. No general Conference can in a few days improve on the careful work of select men who have spent six months on the task assigned them.

The Holy Sabbath Day

Sunday morning dawned gloriously on this seaside. An early morning stroll on the west end of the Boardwalk was more than a tonic for body and soul. Not a fleck of cloud appeared in the sky. To the west a waning moon grew dim before the sun, now well above the eastern horizon. Here and there near the water's edge strolled a man with a dog near by. The waves lazily washed the shore as gulls spread their long wings out over the glittering water rendered so inviting by sun and sky this quiet Sunday morning hour.

Often I have seen the day dawn and the glory of the ocean shore south of Roanoke Island, but never finer than this one farther north on this April day. By nine o'clock a haze much like to that of a summer day gathered over the water. Spring time, though a touch of winter was in the air.

How fine to be away from the restless crowd of city street; yea, even to be free from the conference hall and committee rooms with their wise and otherwise gabble! Fortunate, most fortunate, are our people who live in the wide open spaces, able to enjoy the blessed countryside close to nature and nature's God. They know not what the city dwellers have to endure apart from all that the country has to offer for strength of body and vigor of soul.

In the afternoon the sky was still cloudless and the sunshine faultless. The crowds on the Boardwalk were out to revel in the spring sunshine. It reminded one of an Easter parade save that most of the women and the men clung to their winter garb. There was none of the color and summer attire one would expect to see in such a group in Dixie. Too many furs and overcoats for our southern parallels. Yet the glory that appeared over sea and land and in sky was the harbinger of spring for the north land.

Speakers at the auditorium were greeted by large crowds. Bishop Hughes of Washington at 11, Dr. Lewis of Drew at 3, and Bishop Frank Smith of Texas at 8.

Reports of good services at all the churches were heard in the hotel lobbies. This first Sunday of the General Conference enjoyed all that the most exacting friend of God and lover of man could wish.

Monday—Fifth Day

Greeted by another beautiful day and rested by a refreshing Sabbath, the conference assembled eager for the issues of the day. As a special order the location of boards was to the front. Efforts to amend the report of the committee took the form of many amendments. These all met the same fate as the discussion proceeded. When the final vote was reached not a hand was raised against the report of the special committee headed by Dr. Umphrey Lee. The plan was to change some one feature of the report and thus open up the whole difficult situation. Early, however, it became evident that all these efforts were doomed. So now the boards all know their location. This puts the two big boards of Missions and Church Extension in New York and the Board of Education at Nashville. These are the two whose work touches every local church in a most vital way.

The delayed first ballot for members of the Judicial Council was taken, which resulted in the election of the present Council. These are the following:

Clerical—Francis R. Bayley, Walter C. Buckner, J. Stewart French, George R. Brown, W. G. Henry.

Laymen—Vincent P. Clark, Mark A. Childers, Henry R. Van Deuson, Martin E. Lawson.

Evidently the General Conference felt satisfied with its present court.

The request of Bishop Collins Denny, following the Uniting Conference, that his name be left out of the Discipline of 1939 as a bishop of the Methodist Church was given formal recognition by this General Conference. It was ordered that his request be complied with and his name will not appear in the Discipline of 1940.

The secretaries were instructed to send to Bishop Denny a message of appreciation of his long services, love for him and the good will of the General Conference. This action was taken Tuesday morning; so was the recognition of the services of the five bishops who are to retire this year.

Eight years ago in this same hall at the session of the Methodist Episcopal General Conference a formal service was held in recognition of the bishops who had just superannuated. It was a blessed, tender hour. Bishop Wm. F. McDowell was one of them. Rarely does one hear a response so appropriate and so tender and touching as that made by Bishop McDowell.

At this present General Conference the formal recognition was much the same as that in 1932. John L. Nielsen of Geneva, Switzerland, Edwin Holt Hughes, Washington, D. C., Charles L. Mead, Kansas City, Mo., Edgar Blake, Detroit, Michigan, John Gowde, Foochow, China, retire this year. I hope to say more of this notable occasion later.

Committee Work

The committee work of a General Conference is usually tedious and taken up with much talk—much of which is of little value. At Kansas City this was especially true in the committee on publishing interests, but this group has got on better at Atlantic City. A finer spirit prevails and all seem anxious to do what is best for the whole church. The spirit of fairness and the fine courtesy of the

chairman, Dr. Paul N. Garber, contributes much to the work having to do with problems about which some feel deeply. Then, too, the personnel of the committee is outstanding. Henry H. Crane, Lynn Harold Hough, Publishing Agents Whitmore of Nashville, Stone of Chicago, and Douglas of Cincinnati, not to mention men equally as able though not so well known, are sufficient to give distinction to any other group. Hough gives dignity to any discussion, Crane allows not a dull moment when on his feet, and the agents are eager to defend their own situation. It is a most able committee and the reports to be adopted are eagerly awaited. The prospect is that the publishing committee will be given a free hand with the press.

M. T. P.

WILSON B. ATWATER PASSES

Wilson Bynum Atwater, son of John Fletcher Atwater and Julia E. Bynum Atwater, was born in Orange county, North Carolina, December 28, 1871, and passed away at a local hospital, Greensboro, Sunday morning, April 28, 1940, after suffering a heart attack. He had been in declining health several months.

After attending Oak Ridge Military Institute, Mr. Atwater was associated with White, Williamson and Co., textile industry, Saxapahaw. Afterwards he engaged in textile industry in Burlington, and later he was associated in the textile industry in Fayetteville.

During February, 1914, he moved from Fayetteville to Greensboro and became connected with the North State Milling Company, being secretary-treasurer of the company at the time of his death.

The deceased was an official member of West Market Street Methodist church, Greensboro, and was a member of the Brotherhood Bible class there. He was active in church and community affairs and was well known and highly esteemed throughout the country. He had been a Methodist steward 35 years.

Surviving are his widow, the former Miss Effie Lee Lambh; a son, John Lambeth Atwater, Greensboro; a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Atwater Vaughn, Greensboro; a brother, Luther E. Atwater, Burlington; two sisters, Mrs. Ellen Cole Lamb, Chapel Hill, and Mrs. Olivia Maynard, Burlington, and two grandchildren.

Funeral service was held Monday, April 29, 3:30 p. m., at Hanes funeral chapel, Greensboro, conducted by Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College, and Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, Greensboro. Interment was in Green Hill cemetery, Greensboro.

SLOPPY REMITTANCES

Much of my daily mail reminds me of the man, seeing others getting mail, thought he would try it. He peeped in the postoffice window and said, "Is there any mail for me?" When the clerk inquired, "What is your name?" he indignantly replied, "If there is any mail for me I reckon my name would be on it!"

More than half the preachers and treasurers who send me money seem to think that I ought to know what it is for, what church, charge and district it comes from. Each remittance should carry this information, with the name of sender and postoffice, so clearly written that a stranger could handle it without hesitation. Probably the main trouble is that so many simply do not think. Perhaps when a person drops a letter into the postoffice, indifferent as to how much needless trouble it may cause, a sermon of "Christian Courtesy and Consideration for Others" is in order. Most letters bear the marks of haste. The senders might bear in mind that the man at the other end may have church building, pastoral work, and other heavy duties also. As this may have wide implications I am asking the Advocate to give it space.

E. O. Cole, Treasurer.

Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The ½ will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum.

In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

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Ararat, G. B. Gwyn	2
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Shiloh, C. E. Ridge	17½
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First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr..	10
Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox	7
Central, J. W. Braxton	7
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Calvary, D. V. Howell	4
Denton, First, C. E. Williams	3
Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger	3
Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley..	3
Coleridge, T. J. Huggins	3
Lebanon, O. L. Easter	2½
Why Not, C. H. Hill	1
Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor	1
Farmer, F. E. Howard	1
First, J. C. Madison	1
Rankin Mem., Edward Suits	1
Marion	
Elk Park, J. J. Wood	7
Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward	3½
Bald Creek, J. N. Snow	2
Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace	2
Gilkey, C. R. Ross	2
Spindale, F. J. Stough	1
Statesville	
First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins	30½
North Newton, C. A. Morrison	28
Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham	7
Elmwood, Y. D. Poole	1
Maiden, J. G. Winkler	6
Central, John W. Moore	4½
Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk	2
Bethel, E. H. Lowman	1
Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs	1
Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith	1
Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr	1
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Welcome, J. L. Ingram	3
Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ...	3
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Main Street, L. F. Tuttle	2
Trinity, L. E. Mabry	1½
Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way	1
Centenary, G. Ray Jordan	1
Winston Ct., V. A. Morton	1
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Brooksdale, D. A. Petty	22½
Burlington, Davis St., F.W.Paschal	19½
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Orange, C. P. Morris	5½
Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks	5
Sweepsonville, T. B. Hough	4½
Durham Ct., F. B. Peele	4
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W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish	1
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SCHEDULE OF YOUTH WORKERS' MEETINGS

Meetings with pastors and other workers with young people have been held in the Elizabeth City and Raleigh districts, and meetings have been scheduled for the other districts of the conference. Meetings thus far held have been well attended, and we feel have been of value to the young people's work of the conference. We invite all who are interested in young people's work in the church to join us in one of these meetings and share in an informal discussion of this important work. The schedule of meetings is as follows:

Durham District

Front Street, Burlington—May 2, 4 p. m.

Long Memorial, Roxboro—May 3, 4 p. m.

Duke Memorial, Durham, May 3, 8 p. m.

Fayetteville District

Steele Street, Sanford, May 6, 4 p. m.

Hay Street, Fayetteville, May 6, 7:30 p. m.

Laurinburg—May 7, 4 p. m.

New Bern District

Centenary, New Bern—May 10, 4 p. m.

Queen Street, Kinston—May 10, 8 p. m.

Wilmington District

Elizabethtown—May 8, 4 p. m.

Warsaw—May 9, 4:30 p. m.

Trinity, Wilmington—May 9, 8 p. m.

Rocky Mount District

Weldon—May 20, 4 p. m.

Tarboro—May 20, 8 p. m.

Nashville—May 21, 4 p. m.

CHILDREN'S WORKERS' MEETINGS

At the same places and time that the youth workers' meetings are being held in the Durham, Fayetteville, New Bern and Wilmington districts we are inviting children's workers to attend and meet with Mr. Patterson for a discussion of vacation schools and other matters pertaining to children's work in their churches. This will be a good time to look over materials and make plans for vacation schools in case such plans have not been made already.

GUIDEBOOK FOR WORKERS WITH YOUTH

There has been prepared by our Youth Crusade leaders a "Guidebook for Workers with Youth." This is a little book full of material that will be of help to adults who are working with young people. Chapter headings give an index of what is to be found in the book:

- A Glorious Work to Be Done.
- What We Need to Know About the Young People.
- What Is a Program of Christian Education.
- We Take a Look at Our Job.

How to Work with Youth.
 Materials That Will Make Our Programs Better.

We believe this book can be used to advantage by every worker with youth in our conference. We have a supply of these books in the conference office, and we will be glad to send them to those who want them. The cost is 25 cents per copy. These books will be used in the meetings we have with workers with youth.

"BUILDING METHODISM"

Each church school superintendent in our conference whose name is on our mailing list has received or will receive shortly a piece of material from our Publishing House at Nashville, Tenn., entitled "Building Methodism." This material marks the beginning of a new effort on the part of our church to enlist in the membership of our church schools the adult members of our churches who are not able to attend the church school and the babies who are too young to attend. This move involves the appointment of superintendents of the adult home department and of the nursery department (in case these superintendents are not already elected and functioning) and a definite effort on the part of these officers to contact those persons who are their responsibility.

Our general board of Christian education is assisting in this work and is offering to send instructions to those new superintendents for carrying out their respective duties. The board will also send to each church requesting them sufficient copies of a quarterly letter that can be mailed to all adult home members and to parents of children enrolled in the nursery department. A reply card was enclosed in the poster, "Building Methodism," on which an order can be given for number of letters needed. We hope that each church school superintendent in the conference will give this matter careful consideration.

NEW VACATION SCHOOL TEXTS

There have been many requests for the names of the texts that are available this year for vacation schools. Along with those which have been used in the past there are four new ones. Two are for primaries and two for juniors.

"Child Life in Bible Times"

This unit is planned to deepen appreciation and understanding of the Bible through a consideration and understanding of the Bible through a consideration of child life in several periods of Bible times; to enable the teacher to interpret and influence the child's life today in the light of the experience of the past; to deepen the child's life today in the light of the experience of the past; and to deepen the child's awareness of God and his sense of personal relationship to him.

The units within the text are:

- I. In the Tents of the Shepherds—the nomadic life of the early Hebrews.
- II. In the Hills of Canaan—in the times of Samuel and David.
- III. In a Village in Galilee—in the days of Jesus.
- IV. In Cities Near the Sea—in the days of Paul.

"To Market, to Market." Lina Rauschenburg.

This unit is an adventure to increase the friendly understanding primary children may have for others, by exploring the fun, the happiness and the opportunities for friendly living that come as the people of Palestine, France and Mexico provide for their needs through buying and selling. We discover that people of other countries are much like ourselves as they seek for beauty, for wholesome fun, for friendly associations with each other. We become more and more filled with wonder, awe, and thanksgiving to God, our Father, who provides so "richly all things for us to enjoy!"

"Far Round the World"

In the study of this course juniors should discover that there are men and women, the world around, who have set themselves to live in as close accord as possible with God's will as shown us by Jesus. They should come to feel that they themselves are a part of the missionary enterprise, able in various ways to reach out hands of help to places near and far, where the need is great and the Christian workers few.

"Discovering the Lands of the Bible"

This unit is planned to guide the junior boys and girls in the interesting study of Bible lands and in learning something of the background of the book which teaches persons how to live Christlike lives. To travel in imagination to the lands of the Bible and to become acquainted with people whose daily life and customs are different and yet who contributed so much to the Christian religion will be of great value to boys and girls. The Bible will have more meaning as the lands where its events took place are shown to be real and to exist today.

As persons active in Bible narratives are studied, it will be possible to discover their ideas of God and their understanding of the best ways to live.

The units are divided into:

- I. We Visit Palestine.
- II. Ancient Neighbors of Palestine.
- III. The Early Missionary Lands.

TIES OF BLOOD

The red tie of blood binds every man to every other. We are all pages in Adam's book. The life of the race lives in us all. We are older than our years. Our lives did not begin at birth. Old, old, world-old passions, appetites, tendencies, form part of the house and furniture of every human soul. No soul has a perfectly clean or perfectly new house, or has for a single hour the whole house of life to itself. The blood in our veins carries in solution vice and virtue, folly and strength, from the immemorial past in our lives. We are related to the race, and a group of urgent duties springs out of the relation. —G. W. Gitton, in *The Maritime Baptist*.

THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

Just in a few weeks now this Children's Home will celebrate its 30th anniversary. It was opened in Denton, N. C., in an old school building in 1910 and was operated there for three years and moved to its present location in 1913. For several years it ran on a small scale, so there were not many children going out. In 1922 the Penny building for boys was opened, and thus the capacity of the present plant was doubled. Mr. H. A. Garrett's report to the conference in the fall of 1921 shows that there were 50 children in the Home at that time. If we have calculated correctly there have gone out from the Home 203 boys and girls, and there are still 120 here. So its presence here has been of untold value to all those who have been housed, fed and trained here. Not only so, but it has meant untold blessings to all those who have contributed to its support.

Three Thousand Dollars

We feel that it will be asking a very small thing on the part of the friends of this Children's Home to make a total donation of \$3,000 for its support on its 30th anniversary. Be planning ahead to make your personal offering and to secure an offering from others in your community. A gift of that size from the friends of this home would go a long way toward helping us to come up to conference time with a balanced budget. That is one of the things toward which we anxiously long, and look, and work.

A Mooted Question

With the General Conference, the Jurisdictional conference, the district conferences and the various summer conferences there is a question in our minds whether or not it is best to try to hold the annual Children's Home Day this year. We asked our trustees about it in their last spring meeting, but they did not answer. If you have a thought on it please write us at once and let us know that thought.

An Oversight

It was not intentional, but clearly an oversight that we did not announce earlier the election of Dr. J. E. Pritchard to membership on our board of trustees. He was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Capt. A. M. Rankin, who had served so faithfully on the board from its organization, and who had been secretary-treasurer of the board for some twenty-six years. Mr. V. W. Idol of High Point was elected secretary-treasurer at our last meeting.

Our Graduating Class

Our high school graduating class this year consists of two boys and four girls—Clyde Johnson of Siler City; J. W. Wright, Pleasant Hill; Hazel Biggs, Creswell; Marguerite Campbell, Siler City; Polly Jenson, Greensboro; and Opal Lanier, Thomasville. Clyde Johnson and Marguerite Campbell wish to go to college if possible. The other four wish to go to work somewhere. They are seeking employment. If you can help them we shall be glad.

We also have two other boys who are 18 years old and wish to go to

work. These are Claude Shanklin of Mebane and Robert Campbell of High Point. These are all fine young people and will serve well wherever they may find work. Margaret Coble from Brown Summit will perhaps be going out also. At any rate, she would like work this summer.

Our six graduates this year will make 29 who have graduated from the Jamestown high school during our stay here.

REAPING AS YOU SOW

Perhaps there is—or should we unequivocally say, there is nothing truer than "We reap that we do sow?" Can you imagine the look on the farmer's face, who having sown his field down in wheat, discovers at harvest time a field of corn or even oats. Don't fool yourself—such things just don't happen. His harvest of wheat may not be as heavy as he anticipated, some tares may appear, but the harvest is of wheat, not corn.

Yet do we not expect some such things to take place in the human life? We sow sin and expect to reap a crown of righteousness. We sow disbelief and expect to reap a rich faith. Don't fool yourself, it cannot be done. Sometimes one sows and another reaps but it is always the same as sown. It is true also that unless we sow we shall not reap.

As a minister, we have found many members of our church, and other churches too, who profess no favor for missions. Why? The seed has not been sown; or, if sown, the ground not cultivated either before or after the sowing. Last year in this conference we raised over \$1,750,000. But only \$33,800 for missions. The budget committee asked for the year \$240,775, but less than \$169,000 was received. This year the commission asks for \$265,000. How much will they receive? What kind and how much seed has been, is being sown? Our treasurer's report is not assuring. Half the year is gone. Time to wake up—time the seed was sown. You cannot reap unless you or someone sows. Let us not forget.

W. J. Plint.

HOLD ON AND GO

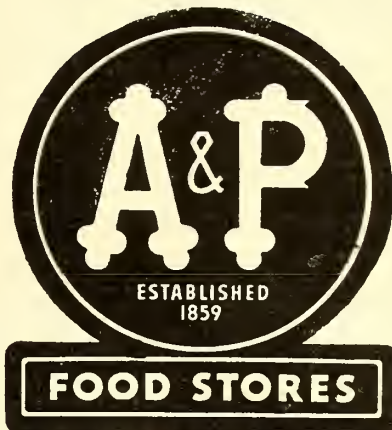
A woman well known to us lost her husband about seven years ago. Then a business that he left valued at two or three million dollars was lost to her during the depression. Then a daughter she loved tenderly came to an untimely death.

We met her in the lobby. She said as her eyes filled with tears, "I have been wanting to talk to you." Before we could reply she said, "But there is nothing for me to do but go on." And that was all. Go on with her little business she had started, working with her own hands, in the place of the great business left her by her husband.

Hold on and go on.

Hold on to what? Whatever comes, hold on to faith in God. The poorest person on this earth is that person whose faith is gone. Hold on to love as that which abides forever. Hold on to service, for there is some one who needs every other person who lives on this earth.

Hold on and go on.—Alabama Baptist.



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THE ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

Meeting will be held at the First Methodist church in Wilson on May 15, beginning at 9:30 a. m. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick and Mrs. W. L. Knight, conference officers, will be present. A full and interesting program has been arranged. Lunch will be served at the church at a cost of 25 cents per plate. Everyone is invited and expected to be present for the entire session.

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Dis. Sec.

CARRIE PARKES JOHNSON

The Woman's Missionary Council in session at New Orleans on March 6, ordered the establishment of the Carrie Parkes Johnson Memorial fund in recognition of the social pioneering of this great woman, particularly in the realm of inter-racial understanding. The fund will become an endowment fund for the special training of rural Negro women for an enlarged program of church and community service. The Council recommends that such a fund be raised through special love gifts of friends and a special offering at the auxiliary meetings in May. The program at this meeting will be built around the life and work of Mrs. Johnson. Dr. Luke Johnson, husband of the late Mrs. Johnson, now a superannuated Methodist minister, made the initial gift of \$300 to this fund and Mrs. J. N. McEachern of Atlanta, a life long friend of Mrs. Johnson, has donated an additional \$300. The offering for this fund should be sent to the conference treasurer and should be marked "Carrie Parkes Johnson Fund."

CHILDREN'S WORK AWARDS

When Mrs. Frank H. Greene, conference secretary of children's work, reported at the annual conference recently, it was revealed that Rocky Mount district was awarded the Chinese banner for having had the largest number of reports of children's work sent Mrs. Greene last year. The African banner, awarded the district having the largest number of fourth Sunday offerings reported in the children's division, was presented to the Elizabeth City district. Duke Memorial church, Durham and Edenton Street church, Raleigh, won jointly the Korean banner for having the greatest emphasis placed upon children's work as expressed by activities. These awards are meaningful in that they represent definite and worth while efforts in the missionary education of our children.

SIGNS OF PROGRESS

Mrs. Floyd Johnson, district secretary, shares with us some very interesting news concerning the Wilmington district. On April 8 Mrs. Henry L. Rivers, Greenville, held an institute at the home of Mrs. Floyd Johnson,

Whiteville, for the superintendents of Christian social relations of Columbus zone. Seven interested women met with Mrs. Rivers and we feel that this is a step forward for this work.

During the first quarter 1940 eight societies were added to the Wilmington district. Rowland, Centenary and Purvis were transferred from Fayetteville district. The other five, coming by organization are: Bethel, Tabor City charge, Mrs. Dow Gore, Clarendon, president; Kenansville, Mrs. L. F. Weeks, president; Regan, St. Pauls charge, Mrs. Harvey King, St. Pauls, president; Wananish, Hallsboro charge, Mrs. Leon Pate, Hallsboro, Rt. 1, president; Bladen Springs, formerly a part of Carver's Creek society, has organized into a separate group. This gives Wilmington district 65 societies.

DURHAM ZONE MEETS

The Durham zone met at Carr church, Durham, on March 28. Mrs. Anita Umstead, zone leader, presided. A large group of women was present and reports showed the auxiliaries off to a good start for 1940. The following women were on the program: Mrs. A. M. Gates, Miss Florine Robertson, Mrs. J. D. Lee and Mrs. Frank Greene. After the program an hour of fellowship was enjoyed. Mrs. I. B. McKay.

REV. AND MRS. LAWRENCE HOSTS

On Thursday evening, April 4, Rev. and Mrs. M. W. Lawrence were hosts at a silver tea at the Person Street Methodist church parsonage in Raleigh. The parsonage, recently renovated by the circles of the Epworth unit, was thrown open to visitors. Mrs. George Justice presided over the guest book. Assisting Rev. and Mrs. Lawrence in receiving were: Rev. Kermit Wheeler, associate pastor, and Mrs. Wheeler; Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Williamson; Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Fuller; Mr. T. M. Phillips, Sr., and other officers. A musical program was rendered by Mrs. J. Van Dickens, Mrs. E. J. Kuettner and their sons, John Dickens and Robert Kuettner. The dining room was decorated with spring flowers and candles. Refreshments were served by Mrs. H. M. Stearn and Mrs. Harry Mallory, assisted by young women of both branches of the church.

WEST BURLINGTON AUXILIARY

Mesdames George Thomas, T. V. Whitesell, Lonnie Crave and Miss Annie Jones recently entertained the members of the West Burlington missionary society at the church hut. The devotional was led by Rev. L. L. Parrish. The business session was conducted by Mrs. J. C. Crutchfield, president. Circle No. 1 won the attendance prize. Following the business meeting the hostesses served an attractive plate with coffee, carrying out the Easter motif.

WHAT IS REPENTANCE?

The unconverted have a false idea about repentance. In talking with a man once, he summed up his argument by saying, "Moody, it has never struck me yet." I said: "What has never struck you?" "Well," he said, "some it strikes and some it doesn't. Some in our town were converted, but it did not strike me." That man thought repentance was coming down like lightning. Repentance is not feeling. It is turning from sin unto God. One of the best definitions was given by a soldier. When asked how he was converted he said: "The Lord said to me: Halt! Attention! Right about face! March! and that was all there was to it!"—From "Moody's Stories," Bible Institute Colportage Association.

TEAPOT TEMPEST

Waterloo Bridge, which spans the muddy Thames River in the heart of London, has been undergoing repair for a long time. Two months ago a carpenter working on the bridge was reprimanded for taking too long over his cup of tea. It is said that the carpenter used strong language to the foreman. Anyway the carpenter was discharged and 500 men came out on strike. Just the other day the strike was settled; the men, having sacrificed two months' wages in defense of the right of a fellow workman to enjoy his cup of tea in the traditional leisurely fashion, are now back at work. Somewhere there is a moral in that story of a two months' strike in the midst of the greatest war of all times—a strike over a cup of tea!—Edward R. Murrow.

CHERRY BLOSSOM TIME

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Lo, a nation has awaited, breathless,
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Thy matchless beauty!
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As the early lights catch thy whiteness—
A mist on the water's edge!
At noontide, how glorious,
Thy blossomed boughs resplendent
'Neath a golden sun!
At twilight, how calm, as a mystic hush
Blends thy rare glory with the pale lights
Of departing day—
A low white cloud on the bosom of evening.

From dawn till dark pass the throngs—
Hungry hearts from far and wide
Seeking and finding a feast of beauty
At thy shrine.
O the eyes that are raised in wonder
At thy fair blossoms,
And the lips oft speechless in thy presence.
And amid the noise and press of the throng,
Thy silent fellowship
With the Infinite Giver of all loveliness!

—Elisabeth F. Whisner.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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THE 1940 ANNUAL MEETING

(Continued from last week)

"Heralds of Christ" was the appropriate hymn that opened the program of Wednesday afternoon, April 17, at the annual Woman's Missionary Conference in Salisbury.

The afternoon devotional was led by Mrs. W. W. Hagood, vice president emeritus of the conference, who spoke on "The Jubilee Year" in a most interesting manner, closing her talk with a fervent prayer for the missionary work and workers.

The report of the committee of status of women was given by Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., and was followed by recommendations from the committee.

In a most interesting manner Mrs. P. N. Peacock, representative of the conference at the Council meeting in New Orleans, gave a message of informal and inspirational value as she brought to her hearers the happenings of those days marking the last meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council of Southern Methodism, and which proved to be a meeting of great interest. The district secretaries' hour was a most interesting event of the afternoon, as the missionary work of the 50 years of our conference was presented in five year periods, each secretary representing a period, dressed in costume of that period. A history of the chief events and activities of the years was read by the conference secretary, Mrs. W. R. Harris, as the secretaries entered. It is of interest to note that the first period 1890-1895 was represented by Mrs. W. W. Hagood and Mrs. C. C. Kennedy of Charlotte, two of the four surviving members of the group of women who were present at the organization meeting in Salisbury in 1890.

Wednesday evening found the auditorium filled with an interested audience to enjoy the evening program, featured by an excellent address on "God's World" by Bishop Clare Purcell. The opening devotional was given by Rev. Frank Jordan of Central church, Spencer. Miss Josephine Dameron, missionary, closed the program with a talk on her work in Korea.

Thursday morning Mrs. J. I. Singleary of Winston-Salem led the opening worship service in a most impressive and uplifting message with the hymn "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" as the basis of her talk. Reports from the Christian social relations department filled the first hour with Mrs. H. W. McCain, Supt. of S. C. Relations, giving the opening report of this department, followed by reports from the chairmen of the Bureau of Christian Social Relations; Mrs. L. V. Scott, chairman Inter-Racial Co-operation; Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., chairman International Relations and World Peace; Mrs. H. W. Courtney, chairman Rural Development, represented by Mrs. W. I. Pitts and Mrs. Reid Wall, chairman

Economic Relations, whose report was read in her absence.

Mrs. W. A. Newell, Council chairman Economic Relations, closed the messages from the department with an interesting message.

Our Council institutions were represented by the following in reports of interest: Sunny Acres by Deaconess Hyda Heard; Bethlehem House, Mrs. L. V. Scott; Scarritt College, Mrs. A. L. Thompson.

Messages from Miss Nina Troy of China and Miss Josephine Dameron of Korea were followed by an inspirational message by Miss Noreen Dunn of Nashville which, with benediction by Dr. C. C. Weaver of Charlotte, closed the 28th and final meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference of the M. E. Church, South.

We feel we would be remiss in our report of this meeting did we not give special attention to the hospitality of the Salisbury people; the tireless service of the pages; the splendid music by the choir and by the special singers; the beautiful decorations of spring flowers each day; and the luncheons served at the church, and one complimentary to the conference officers and district secretaries on the opening day and the beautiful reception tendered the conference at the home of Mrs. A. S. Jones in Milford Hills. All of these courtesies will live long in our memories of the 1940 meeting of our conference.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT ZONE MEETING

By Mrs. Walter Kimmons

Davidson Methodist church was the place of meeting of zone No. 4 of the Statesville district on March 19 with Mrs. Fred Clark of Mooresville, chairman, presiding. "God of Grace and God of Glory" was used as the opening hymn and was followed by welcome address by Mrs. Clarence Fidler and response by Mrs. T. V. Brawley. The morning worship service was impressively conducted by Mrs. W. W. Hagood of Charlotte, whose theme was "Our Year of Jubilee." The service opened with hymn "Blow Ye the Trumpet Blow" and closed with prayer. Twelve societies were represented and it was unanimously decided to continue the all-day zone meetings.

After a fervent prayer by Rev. E. D. Ballard group meetings were held of the various departments with capable leaders for study of the work in each department, at the close of which the groups returned to the church auditorium, where the benediction was given by Rev. E. D. Ballard. Lunch was served at 12:30 in the hut and a social hour enjoyed. The afternoon session opened with a song, after which Mrs. Hagood beautifully dressed in a costume of the '90's gave the history of our

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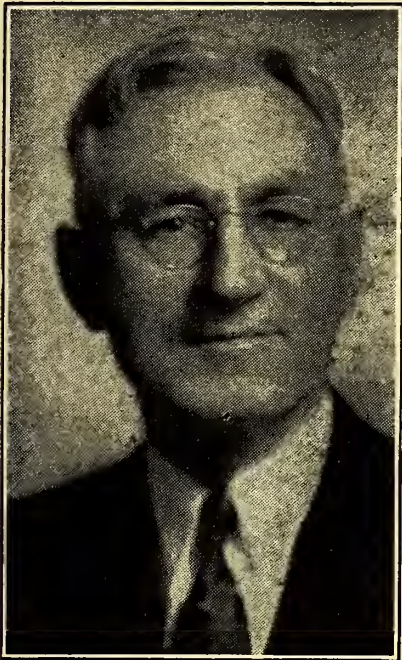
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TRI-STATE ORPHANAGE CONFERENCE—The Tri-State Orphanage conference, embracing Georgia and the two Carolinas, met at the Baptist Orphanage in Atlanta last week. The attendance was good and the discussions were of a high order. Such meetings are highly beneficial to orphanage executives and their staffs. I was glad that I had the privilege of attending this important meeting. It is a source of inspiration to be associated with such outstanding men and women in the field of child welfare.

SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives write as follows about the visit of our singing class last Sunday: "The singing class had a very pleasant trip to Wilmington Sunday morning. We were at Trinity church for the eleven o'clock service, and Rev. R. L. Jerome is pastor there. We were at Grace church for a five o'clock service, where Rev. J. F. Herbert is pastor. These large congregations gave us a hearty welcome and prove their sincerity and love for the Orphanage family in many ways that fill our hearts with gratitude."

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE —The Young People's Orphanage conference met at the Junior Order Orphanage the 19th and 20th of April.

Mrs. Mary Y. Allred carried three of our large girls and three of our large boys to the conference. These young people report a very interesting and helpful meeting. The purpose of the young people's conference is to create and stimulate a more wholesome atmosphere among the student bodies in the various orphanages of the state. Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Shuford extended every possible courtesy to Mrs. Allred and our group of young people.

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THE LESSON OF SPRING

The spring time is the time of all the year when the nearness of God comes home to us. Out in the world we can say, our hearts solemn and tender: "Lo, God is here." Was it amid the growths of spring and summer that Jesus stood when he said: "If God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?"

Let penitent souls, tempted to think of God as so far away as not to listen to their cry, be assured both by God's word and God's world today that they are wrong. He must be near. He is the present energy of the world. And he is as near as his gospel. Can you not believe it when millions of objects in nature today show his ever-present hand? And let all who are in trial learn anew the lesson of God's nearness.

There is an incident recorded by Mungo Park, the great African traveler, which shows the practical use of this sense of God's nearness in nature. He says: "I saw myself in the midst of a vast wilderness, naked and alone; surrounded by savage animals and by men more savage. Nothing appeared but difficulty and danger.

"At this moment, painful as were my reflections, the extraordinary beauty of a small moss in flower caught my eye. It was no larger than the top of one of my fingers. 'Can that Being,' thought I, 'who planted, watered and brought to perfection in this obscure part of the world a thing which appears of so small importance, look with unconcern upon the situation and suffering of creatures formed after his own image? Surely not.'

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"Please," said she, "I've lost."

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"Lost?" I repeated.

She nodded gravely. There were no tears. There was no quivering of the lip. She stated quite simply and plainly that she was lost, just as she might have said that she liked buns with pink icing.

"Well," I murmured, somewhat taken aback by her calm declaration, and rather embarrassed by the situation, for I had no time to spare, "how did you get lost?"

She did not answer my question. Instead, she slipped her small hand into mine. "Take me home, please," she whispered.

"But your mother," said I. "She may be looking for you?"

"No! She doesn't know I've come."

"Do you mean you've come out without telling her?"

She nodded. "She finks I've just gone to see Elsa," this odd child informed me, her self-possession and air of quiet assurance never forsaking her. "But I haven't."

"Where do you live?"

She told me, and I whistled. It was a good two miles or more.

"How did you get right down into town?" I demanded.

"I just comed. I walked on my two feet. I'se tired."

"You walked?" I stared at her. "Alone? But why?"

"I didn't want mummie to know. I just wanted to have a surprise for her."

"But wouldn't it have been better to come with your father?"

She sighed—evidently tired of my questions, and the least bit disappointed that I did not help her as she wished. Shaking her head, she said: "He's lost, too."

She bewildered me. "Lost?" I repeated.

"At sea."

It was these last two words which frightened me. They were so simple. She was so innocent of their full import. She repeated what she had heard without understanding. But I understood, and I began to see something of what was in her mind.

"Tell me why you came," I said, picking her up and carrying her along the pavement.

"To spend a penny Granny gave me," 'was the reply. "But the lady in the shop said it wasnt' enough." The big eyes were suddenly filled with tears. I felt two small arms tighten about my neck. "Mummie said to a lady who called that nobody ever

CATHEDRAL SONGS OF SPRING

By Travis Tuck Jordan

On silent feet through sleeping woods they came;

The dogwood trees in snowy ruffled gowns,

Bright etchings set in April's picture frame,

Like fluttering snow against the green-ing downs.

Softly they came within the quiet night,

Silent and still on feet of mystery,

Upon the rise where sun and moon unite,

They lift white wings of bloom in ecstasy.

They march in single file upon the hill;

And drape their bridal veils in valleys low,

From nut-brown limbs the trembling blossoms spill,

Pale flaky blooms—reincarnated snow;

Like silent music where the echoes cling,

The dogwoods lift cathedral songs of spring. —Try.

brings flowers now daddy's lost at sea. So I just thought I would come and buy a bunch for a penny . . ."

"And you lost your way?"

"Yes."

"And you hadn't enough money?"

She was sobbing on my shoulder.

So I comforted her as best I could, and presently we went into a flower shop, and bought some daffodils, and the little maid cheered up bravely, wiping her eyes, and smiling at me with that quaint little smile of hers. Then we got a tram, and before long we were near her front door. In she went, all eagerness. "Mummie," she called, "I've buyed you some flowers, and there's a man outside!"

I stayed long enough to explain what had happened; and when I found myself talking to a woman with a handsome, pale face, and eyes very like those of the little maid I had carried, I ventured to add that God is good, and that when a husband is lost at sea there is often a little child to lead us along the road to heaven.—Methodist Recorder.

The Kid—"Father, how soon will I be old enough to do as I please?"

The Old Man—"I don't know. Nobody has ever lived that long yet."

Teacher—Johnny, why does Missouri stand at the head of mule-raising?

Johnny—Because the other end is dangerous.—Mueller Record.

MAKING INVISIBLE INK

What does invisible ink make you think of? Code messages to your best friends, secret club meeting announcements, party games to make up, "mysterious" party invitations? There are a host of things you can think of to do with invisible ink. Perhaps you already have thought of several uses of it. If so, here are three easy ways of writing messages that will be invisible when the ink has dried, but which your friends will be able to read as soon as you tell them the secret of making the writing show.

The first ink is ordinary cow's milk! Simply dip a clean pen point into a saucer of milk and write the message in milk the same as you would write it with colored ink. When dry, the milk will be invisible.

The second ink is lemon juice; the third is baking soda dissolved in water. Both may be applied the same way milk ink is used.

Now, for the secret of making the messages legible after the ink has dried and become invisible. For messages written in milk or lemon juice, simply hold the seemingly blank sheet of paper over a flame—taking care not to scorch or ignite the paper. Brown writing will appear! For messages written in baking soda, you must obtain a solution of phenolphthalein in alcohol from your druggist. (An ample supply will cost only a few cents). This solution must be sprayed over the paper with an old perfume atomizer or similar spraying device. When this is done, brilliant red writing will appear on the paper like magic.—Juniors.

THE TWO CLOCKS

Traversing one night a city street, I was startled by a sharp clanging above my head. On looking up, I found myself directly beneath the tower where-in a huge clock was striking the midnight hour. I took my watch from my pocket, and lo, the slender overlying hands were pointing exactly to the hour of twelve.

It scarcely seemed possible that that tiny piece of mechanism in my hand could keep time with the huge machinery that filled a whole room of the tower; but the proof was before me, and as I gazed at the two pairs of hands of such diverse proportions, I understood as never before that the most insignificant human being needed only to be clean, in running order, and divinely regulated to keep time with Divinity itself—to be perfect even as the Father is perfect.—The Northern Christian Advocate.

School Principal: "What would you like your son to specialize in? Has he shown any particular taste?"

Mother: "Yes, for apple pie."

Sunday School Lesson

MAY 5

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By Rollin H. Walker
Giving God's Invitation
Scripture—Isaiah 55

The prophet of the exile was sure that the desert of human life would in due time blossom as the rose. And the reason, of course, was that in that far-off land of exile his own life, by the mysterious power of God, had been made an oasis in the desert.

He was doubtless poverty-stricken, but in the name of Jehovah he cries with utter confidence, "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, . . . Yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price." His words remind us of the proclamation centuries later of a penniless Carpenter who said, "I am the bread of life; he that cometh to me shall not hunger, and he that believeth on me shall never thirst."

The prophet looks out with pity on the world in its vain search for satisfaction, and says, "Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labor for that which satisfieth not?" Nothing is more pathetic than the world's search for happiness. And doubly so when men sacrifice everything in the search, and then find their mouths full of ashes.

But the old prophet found amid the darkness of that evil age a satisfaction that is rich and abiding, and his own richness of life fills him with a radiant hope that Israel and the whole world will in due time partake of that richness. This hope is connected with the coming of a great Deliverer.

He hears the Spirit say, "I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David." Strange that he should speak of the mercies of David as being sure. It had been promised to David that he would not lack a son to sit on his throne, and now there was no throne to sit on, no capital where the throne could be erected, for Jerusalem was destroyed. All the hopes of a permanent and prosperous dynasty had seemingly disappeared.

And yet the prophet speaks of the sure mercies of David. And he was probably surer that the promise to David of a great successor would be fulfilled than were any of the prophets in the prosperous times of the kingdom. And the reason was that the fire had burned away from his mind the dross of narrow Jewish nationalism. He realized that God fulfills himself in many ways, and that the kingdom which David symbolized was something spiritual, far-reaching, and universal, and its laws were enforced not only in Palestine but in the life of all nations. According to these laws, kingdoms rise and fall. And God is never discouraged in his great plans.

Certainty often comes after disappointment and disillusionment. Faith is cleansed from misgivings after it has been tried in the furnace and purified seven times. The writer of these words, for instance, is much surer of the divine inspiration of the Bible than he was before the modern scientific and historical criticism came like a flood of sulphuric acid to destroy some of his childish and naive notions of its inspiration. He now believes it without inner misgivings, and never has any of the bad dreams that visit the literalists. May our sad and disillusioned generation, like the prophet, be blessed by a great renaissance of faith!

Seize the golden but fleeting opportunity, cries the prophet. "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found." The gospel is free, but you must turn from evil ways lest ye become deaf to the pealing chimes, and unable longer to believe in the boundless mercy of God and to see his hand in the surprises of his providential dealings. The supreme tragedy is when a man in his discouragement loses power to believe in the prophet's assurance that as high as the heavens are above the earth, so are God's thoughts higher than his thoughts.

In what respect does the prophet wish us to realize that God's thoughts are higher than our thoughts? In all respects, of course; but perhaps he especially stresses the fact that God knows how to snatch victory out of defeat, is never at a loss for a way to accomplish a purpose, is never discouraged.

Moreover his way is almost always different from the way we had pictured beforehand (2 Kings 5:1-14; especially verse 11). The eyes of the prophet, for instance, have been lightened to see that God's deliverances instead of being manifested in some startling way, are usually more like the slow, silent and irresistible processes of nature.

We hear him say, "As the rain cometh down and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, . . . so shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth." The might of God is like the might of sunshine and rain that turns the bare fields into greenness and blossom.

And when the desert does rejoice in verdure then there will be an evidence of God's grace and power in the earth that no skeptic can discount. The skeptic can riddle our arguments, but when we point to a blossoming desert he is dumb. Paul very wisely kept pointing to the transforming power of the preaching of the cross, rather than attempting to argue for it on the basis of the popular philosophy. He knew that the philosophy would soon go out of style (1 Corinthians 2).

When Peter and John were brought before the angry and murderous sanhedrin after the healing of the lame man, we read that in spite of the anxiety of the rulers to find an excuse for condemning them, when they saw "the man that was healed standing with them they could say nothing against it" (The Acts 4:13). The commercial traveler for Christ must always put the stress on his display of samples.—Christian Advocate.

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Marion—Old Fort	May 8
Elkin—Friendship Church, Wilkesboro Ct.	May 9
High Point—High Point College	May 14
Greensboro—Gibsonville	May 14
Charlotte—Bethlehem Church, Prospect Chg.	May 16
Elizabeth City—Edenton	May 16
Salisbury—Cold Springs Church, Mt. Pleasant Charge, 9:30 a. m.	May 16
Statesville—Taylorsville	May 20

SLATE OF REV. JOHN R. CHURCH
Rt. 4, Winston-Salem, N. C.
April 22-May 5—Tabernacle, Martinsville, Va.
May 6-19—Green Street, Winston-Salem.

SLATE OF J. W. GROCE
Box 1383, High Point, N. C.
Thomasville, May 5-19.
High Point, May 20-30.
Draper (tent), June 2-11

SLATE OF GEORGE R. HAWKS
Evangelist Singer, Cornelius, N. C.
Clyde, N. C.—May 5 to 19.
Statesville—May 19 to May 26.

District Superintendent
Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	May
Carrboro, Orange, 11	5
Swepsonville, Phillips Chapel, 3	5

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	May
Bath Bethany, 11	5
Washington, night	5
First Church, Elizabeth City, 11	12
Aulander, Colerain, 3	12
District Conference, Edenton	16
Alcock, 11	19
Hertford, night	19
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11	26
South Camden, Wesley's, night	26
Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 and 1	31

June

Moyock, Pilmor Memorial, 11	2
Currituck, Hebron, night	2
Pastors' School, Duke University,	3-8
Manteo, 11	9
Stumpy Point, Mashoes, 2:30	9
Wanchese, night	9
Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1	12
Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 11 and 1	11
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1	15
City Road, 11	16
Gatesville, Harrell's, 3	16
North Gates, Parker's, 11	23
Edenton, night	23
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11	30
Bethaven, Epworth, 3	30
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night	30

City Road, night

7

Kinnakeet, Salvo, night

6

Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11

7

Creswell, Mt. Elma, 11

14

Roper, Rehoboth, 3

14

Lymouth, Jamesville, night

14

Murfreesboro Intermediate Assembly

15-19

South Mills, Sharon, 11 and 1

20

Columbia, Wesley's 11

21

Williamston, night

21

Washington, 11

28

Bath, Wares, 3

28

Windsor, night

18

First Church, Elizabeth City, night

31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	May
Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11	5
West End, 7:30	5

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	May
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 11	4
Newport, Oak Grove, 3	5

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	May
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 11	5
Garner, Hollands, 7:30	5
Dunn, 8	8
Railf. Simms, 11	12
Tar River, Trinity, 7:30	12
Hayes-Barton, 8	15
Pour Oaks, Elizabeth, 11	19
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 8	19
Millbrook, Knightdale, 8	22
Mt. Tirzah, New Bethel, 11	26
Rougemont, Union Grove, 3:30	26

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	May
St. Paul, Rocky Mount, 7:30	8
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11	12
Walstonburg, 7:30	12
Farmville, 7:30	14
Stantonsburg, 7:30	15
Weldon, 11	19
Rosemary, 3	19
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30	19

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	May
Maysville, Tabernacle, 11	5
Jacksonville-Richlands, Haw Branch, 3	5
Swansboro, Swansboro, night	5
Clinton, 11	12
Elizabeth, Wesley, 3	12
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, night	12
Burgaw, Herrings, 11	19
Scott's Hill, Union, 3	19
Wilmington, Epworth, night	19
Warsaw, Magnolia, 11	26
Garland, Antioch, 3	26
Wallace-Rosehill, Wallace, night	26
Shallotte, Dixon's Chapel, 11	28
Wilmington, Grace, night	28

June

Penderlee, 11	2
Faison-Kenansville, Wesley, 3	2
Wilmington, Trinity, night	2
Tabor City, Lebanon, 11	9
Hallsboro, Peace, 3	9
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, night	9
Whiteville, 11	16
Bladen, Center, 3	16
Fairmont, Olivet, night	16
Southport, 11	23
Shallotte, Camp, 3	23
Town Creek, Bethel, night	23
Maysville, Pollocksville, 11	30
Swansboro (place to be announced), 3	30
Jacksonville-Richlands, Verona, night	30

Western North Carolina Conference

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	May
Matthews, 11	5
Indian Trail-Stallings, Antioch, 2	5
Hickory Grove, 7:30	5
Trinity, 7:30	5
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 7:30	8
Duncan Memorial, 11	12
Unionville-New Hope, Zion, 3	12
Calvary, 7:30	12
Spencer Memorial, 7:30	13
Hk Springs, 7:30	15
North Monroe-Grace, Grace, 11	19
New Hope-Bethel, Union, 3	19
Clindrick, 7:30	19
Thrift-Moors, Moors, 7:30	22
Monroe, Central, 11	26

Marshville, Gilboa, 3

26

Bethel-Bogers, Bethel, 7:30

26

June

Waxhaw, Pleasant Grove, 11	2
Weddington, Hebron, 3	2
Wesley Heights, 8	2
Brevard Street, 3	3
Derita, 8	5
Lil'sville, Forestville, 11	9
Morven, Sandy Plains, 3	9
Central Avenue, 8	9
Dilworth, 8	14
Prospect, Prospect, 11	16
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30	16
Belmont Park, 8	16
Peachland, Peachland, 11	23
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3	23
Hawthorne Lane, 8	23
Wadesboro, 11	30
Pineville, Marvin, 3	30
Myers Park, 8	30

July

Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3	7
First Church, Charlotte, 8	7

ELKIN DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	May
Moravian Falls, Mt. Moriah, 2:30	5
Ararat-Mt. View, Ararat, 11	12

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	May
Belmont, Main Street, 11	5
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, night	5
Gastonia, Main Street, 11	12
Lovell, Bethesda, 11	17
District Conference, Rock Springs	8

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	May
Glenwood, 7:30	5
Gibsonville, 7:30	8
Mt. Pleasant Ct., Union, 10	12
Reidsville, Main Street, 5	12
District Conference, Gibsonville	14
West Greensboro, Groometown, 11	19

MARION DISTRICT
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	May
Valdese, 11	5
Table Rock, Linville, 3	5
Glen Alpine, 7:30	5
Bostic, Salem, 11	12
Broad River, Providence, 3	12
Spindale, 7:30	12
McDowell, Trinity, 11	19
Old Fort, Bethel, 3	19
Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30	19

June

Henrietta, 11	2
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3	2
Marion, First, 7:30	2
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11	8
Rutherford College, 11	9
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 3	9
North Forest, 7:30	9
Forest City, 11	16
Sunshine, Golden Valley, 3	16
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	16
Old Fort, 11	23
Gilkey, 3	23
Rutherfordton, 7:30	23
Connelly Springs, Friendship, 11	30
Shady Grove, 3	30
Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30	30

July

Spruce Pine, 11	7
Micaville, 3	7
Linville Falls, 7:30	7
Bakersville, 11	14
Bald Creek, 3	14
Burnsville, 7:30	14
Elk Park, 11	21
Avery, 3	21
Cliffside, 7:30	21

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	May
Jones Memorial, 11	5
Ehnwood, Ebenezer, 3	5
Granite Falls, night	5
Lenoir, First Church, 11	12
Taylorsville, Marvin, 3	12
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, night	12
Highland, Pisgah, 11	19
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 3	19
Troutman, St. John, night	19
Mount Zion, Huntersville, 10 and 5	26
Davidson, Davidson, 11	26
Mooreville Ct., Triplett, 3	26
Central, Mooreville, night	26

June

Broad Street, Statesville, 11	2
Olin, Snow Creek, 2:30	2
Union Grove-Zion, Smith Chapel, night	2
Broad Street, Mooreville, 11	9
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 3	9
Stony Point, South River, night	9
Balls Creek, Shiloh, 11	16
Highlands, Mt. Bethel, 3	16
Bethel, Hickory, night	16
Newton, 11	23
Catawba, Hopewell, 3	23
Malden, May's Chapel, night	23
Westview, Hickory, 11	30
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 3	30
Hudson, Mt. Hermon, night	30

July

Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11	7
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Raleigh

Fuquay, E. C. Durham	20
Fairmont, H. M. McLamb	15½
Henderson, B. C. Reavis	14½
Smithfield, J. J. Boone	14
Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes	6½
City Road-White Mem., J. K. Worthington	6½
Princeton, J. W. Bradley	4
Granville, J. P. Pegg	3
Selma, O. L. Hathaway	3
Edenton St., J. C. Glenn	2
Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee	1½
Hayes Barton, Leon Russell	1
Tar River, J. A. Martin	1

Rocky Mount

Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer	11
Whitakers, A. M. Williams	5
Marvin, N. W. Grant	4
Kenley, E. M. Hall	3
Farmville, D. A. Clarke	6
McKendree, L. B. Pattishall	5½
Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane	2
Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome	2
Bethel, M. Y. Self	2
Enfield, B. D. Critcher	2
Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington	2
Warrenton, J. O. Long	1½
First, E. L. Hillman	1
Northampton, W. L. Maness	1
Spring Hope, G. W. Blount	1

Wilmington

Southport, R. S. Harrison	7
Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson	4½
Burgaw, W. F. Walters	3½
Fairmont, F. B. Joyner	3
Jacksonville-Richlands, I. T. Poole	2
Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews	1½
Trinity, R. L. Jerome	1
Grace, J. F. Herbert	1
Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift	1
Chadbourn, E. C. Maness	1
St. Paul, A. C. Lee	1

W. N. C. WOMEN

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missionary organization in celebration of its 50th year. Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle brought a message on spiritual life, followed by a vocal duet "Are Ye Able?" sung by Mrs. E. E. Bailey and Mrs. J. D. Thompson.

A playlet, "Our Study Class," was given by Mrs. Roy Brown and Mrs. Neely under the direction of Mrs. Willis Johnson. Mrs. T. V. Goode explained the new name of our woman's organization, "Woman's Society of Christian Service." She also urged the study of missions. After thanking the ladies of Davidson for their kind hospitality for the day, the meeting closed with "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and prayer by Mrs. R. G. Lackey.

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Mrs. William P. Rhyne.

RILEY—George W. Riley died March 14, 1940, in his 83rd year, the oldest member of Union Grove church on the Orange charge. He was always loyal to the church and had been superintendent of the Sunday school in years past. He was greatly loved by all who knew him. Two sons are living, Lytle and Herbert. There are two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. C. P. Morris, assisted by Rev. R. C. Stubbins. The funeral was at Chestnut Ridge church and interment in the church cemetery.

TROGDON—Essom Reuben Trogdon, Confederate veteran and oldest member of Bethany church, slipped away to be with his Lord on March 12, having reached the ripe old age of 93 years. During the present pastorate he has been unable to attend church, but seemed deeply interested in spiritual things. Brother Trogdon was a carpenter and helped build a number of churches in the community. His wife and one daughter, Mrs. W. G. Aldridge, survive. The pastor and Rev. J. C. Reynolds of the Wesleyan Methodist church conducted the funeral at Bethany church on March 13. His tired body was placed in the church cemetery to await the call of the resurrection.
H. L. Isley.

FISHER—William T. Fisher, 87, passed to his eternal reward on April 1, 1940—his birthday. He was a pioneer citizen of Andrews and Cherokee county. He was affectionately known as "Uncle Billy." He led a quiet, humble, retiring life; was greatly devoted to his family. He was devoted to his religion, his family altar and things eternal. His going removes one of the oldest members of the Methodist church. A great array of beautiful flowers and the crowd attending the funeral spoke words of affection, esteem and comfort. Surviving are the wife and two daughters. Funeral services were held April 3 at the Methodist church by the pastor and Rev. E. F. Baker, Baptist pastor. Interment was in the Andrews cemetery, there to await the glorious resurrection of the just.
G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

BELL—On Sunday afternoon, March 24, 1940, the Maysville community was saddened by the death of Mr. Edmund Howard Bell. He was sick only a short while with pneumonia. Born September 3, 1870, he early found his place in the church. Most of his adult years he held some office. His interest extended to other organizations, including the Masons and the Woodmen of the World, in which bodies he was an active member at the time of his death. He was a retired civil service employec and a veteran of the Spanish-

American War. He leaves his widow, Mrs. Laura M. Bell, and two daughters, Mrs. Kitty Margaret Earley and Miss Laura Mattocks.

Funeral services were conducted from the Maysville Methodist church and he was laid to rest in the family plot in the Maysville cemetery. The Masons administered their customary rites at the graveside.

H. L. Harris, Pastor.

IN MEMORIAM

A. B. Yarbrough, 81 years old, died at his home in Gibson January 18, 1940, following an illness of about two years.

He had lived near Gibson about all his life and was a very influential man in the community. He was a Methodist minister and one of the oldest members of Black's Chapel church. He was superintendent of the Sunday school, taught the Bible class, and served as steward of the church there for many years. He was also a member of the board of education of Cumberland county for several years. He moved from Godwin to Laurel Hill eight or ten years ago and was engaged in business there until his health became so impaired he moved to Gibson, where he died.

Funeral services were conducted at Black's Chapel Methodist church by Rev. Leon M. Hall of Dunn, J. A. Culbreth of Falcon and Rev. Mr. Menious of Gibson. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Yarbrough is survived by his wife, the former Miss Josephine Williford of Sampson county; four sons, five daughters and several grandchildren, and one brother of Stedamn.

Mrs. Rhodes McLellan,
Mrs. W. C. Williams,
Mrs. Donald McIntyre,
Mrs. C. W. Spell.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God hath seen fit to allow Mrs. Callie Smith to be taken away from us; and

Whereas, she was a consistent and devoted member of the Ladies' Aid of Bridgeton Methodist church, and was untiring in her efforts to serve and strengthen this organization; and

Whereas, we feel keenly our loss and are deeply grieved at her going; therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to God's will.

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family.

Third, That a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate and a copy be spread upon the minutes of the Ladies' Aid Society.

Mrs. T. A. Windley,
Mrs. R. L. Stallings,
Mrs. Harvey Moore,
Mrs. Nita B. Hackney.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has removed from Salem missionary society a very faithful friend and worker, Mrs. Marie Mangum Hughes; therefore be it resolved:

First, That Salem church, Sunday school and other organizations have lost an efficient worker and teacher.

Second, Though we feel keenly our loss, we bow in humble submission to the will of him who doeth all things well.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, a copy to the Oxford Public Ledger, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be placed in the minutes of the missionary society.

Mrs. Macon Barker,
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First Paragraphs of the Episcopal Address at Atlantic City



WE are pleased to report that, as far as we have gone in the experience of a united Methodism, that experience has already brought a wider view into our lives, a deeper feeling of fellowship throughout the denomination, a more serious realization of the responsibility put upon us by the bigger tasks.

Each of the merging groups can already see that it has lost nothing and has gained much of positive value. The former Methodist Protestants have all that they have contended for in lay participation in the church and in democratic control of the church organization. The Methodists of the South have brought to the united church a renewed emphasis on long-cherished Methodist essentials, especially on inner piety, and a kindliness of personal relationships and a skill in the fine arts of friendship which adorn Christian brotherhood. The Methodists formerly called Northern are already feeling the stir of new denominational interest resulting from the increased sense of responsibility for different sections, called for by the jurisdictional plan. While the voting of the Negro conferences indicated the feeling that the plan of union did not give to their people the recognition warranted by their achievements and worth, there has been among them a cordial acceptance of the outcome, with the growing conviction that under the new plan they have what we may genuinely call a "better chance."

The wisdom of the committees that prepared the plans for the Uniting Conference was shown especially in their observance of the principle that union should begin with the least possible change in organizational procedures. In line with the practical wisdom of this course, we suggest that the General Conference would best attempt no radical changes at this session. This was clearly the expectation of the Uniting Conference, and common fairness would seem to demand that the expectation be not disregarded. Happily no doctrinal change was necessary in the consummation of unification.

We have seen in the past few years a reaction throughout Christendom against the liberalism of the later nineties and the first decade of this century. Against an earnest and serious type of liberalism the attitude has not been just, for that higher type of liberalism gave itself to an intense study of the Scriptures, to well-conceived humanitarian efforts, to scientific scrutiny of the psychological bases of religious experience, to protests against all forms of assault upon social and religious freedom. Unfortunately, perhaps inevitably, the term "liberalism" was appropriated by an easygoing superficiality of doctrine and deed which tended to empty all the rigor and vigor out of Christianity.

According to this liberalism the world was mostly sunshine, and the Divine Revelation, if there was one, mostly smiles. An evolutionary benevolence was assumed to be carrying on and up. The ascent was not too steep and the saunter upward was most pleasant. The World War, and its aftermath, simply annihilated any such comfortable philosophy. Even the evolutionary formula, sacrosanct to its optimistic devotees, has showed that it can describe a sad descent as exactly as a happy ascent.

ONE GREAT METHODIST WEEKLY

On the opposite page appears the plan of the General Conference to secure the long talked of weekly for the whole of American Methodism. This is expected to be an outstanding and commanding paper that will make appeal to all Methodists of America. It remains for the Board of Publication to determine the type of journal we are to have and to provide for its publication.

This board of fifty members are to be elected by the six Jurisdictions, with one member for every 150,000 church members. Our Southeastern Jurisdiction is entitled to thirteen of the fifty members, these to be elected at Asheville during the approaching Jurisdictional Conference. Members from the other jurisdictions will be elected at their early meetings. This new board will then meet the last of July for organization so as to be ready for work.

The present Advocates known as conference or local papers will not be legally disturbed by the establishment of the national weekly. All these will be left free to carry on in their present fields so long as they are able by the service rendered to retain the support of the annual conferences by which they are fostered.

Of special concern to the last man of us is the future of the North Carolina Advocate. Our serious and urgent effort in this Advocate campaign is to enlist as subscribers many more of the 350,000 Methodists of the state than are now on the rolls. Let every pastor determine to do something at once to make a report and it will tell mightily. **Determine to do it and it will be done.** Read the record on page 18. Become helpers at once to put and to keep our Advocate at the head and front of the procession this new day provided for the church paper in Methodism.

Words of Truth and Soberness

A beloved and devoted pastor, who spends his days in doing good and is known as a glowing success in his every pastorate, adds these words to a list of new subscribers:

"Some of my best days are those spent in the interest of the North Carolina Christian Advocate and in the interest of my folk. I love the Advocate and dearly love to place it in the homes of my people. The strange thing to me is that more pastors do not make the Advocate one of their major interests."

Golden words these! Like words of gold in pictures of silver, they abide to cheer and refresh.

Pastors Please Make Report

Every pastor who has sent in his minimum quota—one new subscriber for each hundred members—will please report the same for our issue next week. A star (*) will be given for

each quota reported. Some pastors will have a number of stars in their crowns.

We do not have the statistics for every charge, so we must rely on the pastors for help. Send along the reports at once. Bring them up to date. Thank you.

Campaign Momentum Continues

The momentum of the present campaign widens and deepens each week. The Fayetteville district has more new reports this week than any other district in the state. We do not have space to give details of the outstanding work done. Study the reports on page 18.

FIRST MEETING OF METHODIST EDITORS

Twenty-five editors of Methodist periodicals met May 2 at Atlantic City for luncheon and made preliminary plans for a Methodist Press Association. Dr. Gamble acted as chairman and Dr. Nall as secretary.

Dr. Plyler presented a resolution which read: "Resolved, that the 25 editors assembled here authorize the organization of the Methodist Press Association of the Methodist Church; that a committee of five be appointed to work out a plan of organization and be instructed to report at a later meeting; that this committee be constituted the executive committee to promote the work of this group until a permanent organization has been effected."

The resolution was passed unanimously.

Dr. Gamble announced the committee: Nall, Shipley, Plyler, Reamey and Gamble. The group insisted that Dr. Gamble take the chairmanship of the committee.

These persons attended the meeting and signed the roll: M. T. Plyler, Greensboro, N. C.; Jacob S. Payton, Washington, D. C.; John E. Marvin, Detroit, Mich.; G. S. Reamey, Richmond, Va.; T. Otto Nall, Kansas City, Mo.; Robert N. Brooks, New Orleans, La.; Thomas P. Potter, New York, N. Y.; Foster K. Gamble, Birmingham, Ala.; Orien W. Fifer, Cincinnati, Ohio; W. P. King, Nashville, Tenn.; Charles A. Britton, Jr., Macon, Ga.; Charles O. Ransford, Nashville, Tenn.; Edward Laird Mills, San Francisco, Calif.; W. E. J. Gratz, Chicago, Ill.; Maud M. Turpin, Nashville, Tenn.; Annie G. Bailey, Boston, Mass.; Effie A. Merrill, Lynn, Mass.; Harry Earl Woolever, Washington, D. C.; Ruth Esther Wheaton, Cincinnati, Ohio; Richard L. Shipley, Baltimore, Md.; James R. Joy, New York, N. Y.; Crates S. Johnson, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Roy H. Short, Louisville, Ky.; and Curtis A. Haley, Nashville, Tenn.

LAYMEN OF HIGH POINT DISTRICT ORGANIZED FOR WORK

The laymen of the High Point district are organized and setting up their programs for definite work in the district. W. B. McEwen of High Point has been appointed lay leader and Dr. P. L. Feezor of Southmont and Lexington, and W. F. Redding, Jr., of Asheboro, are associate leaders. These appointments are subject, of course, to the approval of the district conference. In a recent supper meeting the lay leaders of the charge, under the direction of Mr. McEwen, talked over the various phases of their work, including both the spiritual and material aspects of it. Suggestions were made as to organizing men of the local church for spiritual purposes and for the beautifying of the church buildings and church grounds. Another definite objective is the enlisting of every church in the district in regular and generous giving to our Children's Home—the one at Winston-Salem and the other at High Point. We are confident that our laymen of the High Point district will give a good account of themselves under the efficient leadership of Mr. McEwen.

Everything is in readiness for the district conference which will be held at High Point Tuesday, May 14. The program begins at 9:20 a. m. and closes at 4 p. m. Bishop Purcell will speak in the morning at 11:30. Many other interesting features will make up the program of the day. A large attendance is expected.

S. W. Taylor.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS ADOPTED BY GENERAL CONFERENCE

A Weekly Religious Paper to Be Issued Under the Direction of Board of Publication

The committee recommends:

1. There shall be published by the Board of Publication of The Methodist Church a weekly religious paper known as the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

2. The Board of Publication may issue such editions of the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE as in its judgment may be deemed advisable.

3. The Board of Publication shall elect a managing editor quadrennially, and shall from time to time elect such associate editors as may be necessary.

4. The general powers and responsibilities of the Managing Editor and associates shall be defined by the Board of Publication.

5. There shall be published the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Central Edition, for service in the Central Jurisdiction. Its editor shall be elected quadrennially from the Central Jurisdiction by the Board of Publication.

6. All other details of the publication of the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, and the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Central Edition, shall be directed by the Publishing Agents subject to the supervision and control of the Board of Publication and its Executive Committee.

7. The Board of Publication shall have power to suspend or remove, after hearing, an Editor or Associate Editor for misconduct or failure to perform the duties of his office.

8. In case of a vacancy among the Editors, such vacancy shall be filled by the Board of Publication for the unexpired term.

Paul N. Garber, Chairman.
J. B. F. Yoak, Jr., Secretary.

The General Conference Kills the Secret Cabinet

THE recent General Conference in Atlantic City enacted a law requiring the bishop in making the appointments of an annual conference to notify a pastor of his appointment before it is publicly announced. This puts an end to what is known as the secret cabinet, that is the practice of some bishops to keep the appointments as secret as possible until publicly announced in the final hour of the conference. This is an excellent law and should have been enacted a good while ago. In fact a majority of the bishops have already relegated this secret practice to the discard.

This does not give a man an opportunity to choose his own appointment, it only lets him know beforehand where he is expected to be sent. Then if he knows any good reasons why he should be sent elsewhere the cabinet has a chance to consider them. In a word, the appointment will be made in the light and not in semi-darkness.

Another thing, it will save an annual conference from those hours of uncertainty and even anxiety in the conference where nothing is finally fixed. Frequently the bishop and the district superintendents hold a meeting to make a few delayed changes in appointments just before reading these appointments and the conference has no knowledge as to who will be changed. Sometimes not even the bishop and the superintendents know until they get together and discuss the matter, which frequently is done in haste. We will now have no more of this travesty upon serious business.

Still another advantage will be that the fellow who desires to carry water on both shoulders will be deprived of one bucket. We refer to the pastor, and they are exceedingly limited in number, who when removed unexpectedly to his parishioners who were anxious to have him returned, most emphatically declares that he knew nothing about it. But now he will know and his congregation can find out beforehand.

District Superintendents' Fund

BROTHER E. O. COLE, conference treasurer, has some interesting figures on another page of this paper. It is the showing by districts of collections and disbursements of the district superintendents' fund of the Western North Carolina conference. This is a new

venture which gives added interest. We have all the while been friendly to this venture and hope that it will prove a success, and we think it will if the men who receive equal salaries measure up to the standard of a first class leader. But if some of them fall behind and allow their districts to lag there will arise dissatisfaction not only in those particular districts but throughout the entire conference because this work has become of conference wide interest. When a man is on a district where he receives more than double the salaries of a majority of his pastors he certainly will have to render superior service to meet expectations.

As we see it, the success of the plan depends almost wholly upon the men who have charge of it. It has done right well so far and will doubtless improve as the months pass by.

The Dress of Women

MORALISTS, satirists, humorists and gossips from the beginning of history have busied themselves with the extreme styles of women's dress. Even the writer of the story of the Garden of Eden, like the satisfactory reporter of swell social functions of today, tells how the lady was dressed. Isaiah, the prophet-statesman, towered among the politician of his day as a giant in the midst of the pigmies; yet this great statesman-seer notes "The bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the head bands, and the ear-rings, and the nose jewels, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the cringing pins" of the women of his day. Men and women in middle life can remember the days when American women bound their waists and Chinese women bound their feet and the women with insect waists shed tears over the cruel custom of foot-binding in China, yet never pitied themselves when displacing vitals. But with a change of style the Chinese do not bind their feet and the American women do not lace at all. Not so long ago the skirts swept the ground and one woman wore half a dozen skirts at one time, but now a single skirt reaching to the knees is a plenty. And amid all these mutations in dress through the centuries tongue and pen have been busy in a vain attempt to take care of the situation. What are we going to do about it? Just like we have been doing, let the "female of the species" do as she will. Fortunately it is hardly a moral question anyhow.

Message of Friendship from China

THE General Conference at Atlantic City received with utmost cordiality the message of fellowship from General and Madame Chiang Kai-Shek. It was written in Chinese and in English. A National read the one written in Chinese and a returned missionary the one written in English. The General Conference, delegates and bishops, stood during the reading. The message follows:

To the Council of Bishops and the General Conference of The Methodist Church:

The message of fellowship which the Methodist Church sent to us last year from the Uniting Conference is deeply appreciated.

We are particularly touched that the bishops of the Methodist Church, representing the missions of our fellow members, should remember China at this crucial hour of our national struggle.

Since receiving your message the crucifixion of China has not only continued, but a large part of Europe has also been plunged into all the horrors of war.

The underlying causes of the hostilities which are bringing bloodshed and devastation to both our country and Europe are similar.

They spring from the same selfishness and avarice of men whose motives in life do not take into consideration, and are not influenced by, the teachings of Christ.

War will continue in the future, even when peace comes within the grasp of the world, unless Christians everywhere live and act in accordance with the principles of righteousness and justice.

Such a life can only be achieved if Christians have the courage to sacrifice material advantages in the pursuit of spiritual values.

The way of the Cross is the only one that can lead to world fellowship and peace.

Those of us who are professed Christians should take our creed earnestly and humbly so that faith, hope, and love may become living realities.

Madame Chiang Kai-Shek,
Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.

Some Old Stories About the "God-Blessed-Macs"

ONE of these is that of the Scot who went down to England on government business and on his return was asked how he liked the English. He replied, "I did not meet any as I dealt only with the heads of the departments and they were all Scotch." England rules the world and the Scotch rule England, is the rather modest claim of those people who keep the Sabbath and everything that they get their hands upon. Travelers tell us that any engine-room of the great steamships in the East can be emptied by going to the door of the engine room and call, "Mac, come here." W. T. Gunn in the New Outlook relates this story: "When our steamer tied up at Port Said, at the entrance to the Suez Canal, there came on board an Egyptian magician, who did some very

clever sleight-of-hand tricks with eggs and chickens, and incidentally separated the Scotch member of our party from two shillings and sixpence, which shows what a remarkably clever magician he was. When any one made a contribution to his periodic collections, he invariably said, 'Thank you, Mr. McGregor! Thank you, Mr. McKenzie!' Of Smith and Brown and Jones and Robinson he knew nothing, but 'McGregor' and 'McKenzie'—Man! we Scotch folk have made an impression on the world!"

"When Ye Pray, Say: 'Our Father' "

WHEN ye pray, say: "Our Father," was the way that Jesus began the universal prayer which he taught his disciples and that is on the lips of every Christian in every generation and in all parts of the earth. But it is the word "our" which commands the attention just now. And we turn to Frances Crosby Hamlet to find such emphasis as it deserves in the following impressives lines:

But when ye pray, say our—not mine or thine;
Our debts, our debtors, and our daily bread!
Beforethethronged cathedral's gracious shrine,
Or in thy closet's solitude instead,
Whoe'er thou art where'er thou liftest prayer,
However humble or how great thou be,
Say our, thy brother man including there,
And more and more it may be thou shalt see
Upon life's loom how thread to thread is bound;
None for himself, but man and fellow man,
Or near or far, meet on one common ground,
Sons of one Father since the world began.
So shall God's Kingdom come in might and
power
When all can pray, not mine, or thine, but our.

Methodist Haste

AN old "Ironside" Baptist preacher once said that the Methodists beat any set of folks that he ever saw—that they would put up a brush arbor, roll a few logs together for seats, nail a book-board between two trees, go to singing and preaching, and have half a dozen folks converted before even the Lord knew what they were doing. That may be a bit extravagant, but the story is highly suggestive. Those early Methodist preachers believed with all their hearts in revival meetings and made it their great business to call sinners to repentance.

❖ People and Things ❖

Rev. R. E. Brown, pastor, received five new members into Hay Street church, Fayetteville. This makes 90 since conference.

Here's hoping the Elizabeth City district will have its usual good report at the district conference for the Advocate. Why not meet me there with a better report?—M. T. Plyler.

The ministers' wives of Elizabeth City district will meet immediately after lunch at the parsonage May 16, on the day of the district conference. All wives are urged to be present. We have some important business to be considered at this time.—Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

The Baptist Record states: "The Watchman-Examiner has an editorial protesting against hurrying through a hymn at breath-taking speed. Now will somebody protest against a song leader's giving a gymnastic performance like a jumping-jack, which distracts the minds of the worshippers from and meaning in the hymn."

The issuance of 7,343 drivers' licenses last month brought the total to 1,040,955 the number of licenses issued since the Uniform Drivers' License Act was passed in 1935, Ronald Hocutt, director of the Highway Safety Division, announced this week. Licenses issued the first four months of this year totaled 25,836, he added. There are nearly 650,000 registered motor vehicles in the state.

The following notice was lately given in an English pulpit: "The service on Sunday morning is at 10:30 a. m. The supposition that it is ten minutes later is a mistake. The seats in the front portion of the church have been carefully examined. They are quite sound and may be trusted not to give way. It is quite legitimate to join in the singing. The object of the choir is to encourage, not to discourage, the congregation."

Robert J. Waldorf, member of the 1939 football team at Missouri State University, becomes a new member of the coaching staff at Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa. He will have charge of football and work in an enlarged intramural program for the Indianola institution. He is the son of Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf of the Chicago area and brother of Coach Lynn Waldorf of Northwestern University. Another brother, Paul, is coach at Fort Hays State Teachers College in Kansas.

The congregation of the First Methodist church of Lincoln at a recent meeting decided to either repair, remodel or build parsonage, which is located on North Poplar street. As a preliminary step toward the work Dr. I. R. Self, chairman of the board of stewards, has appointed the following committees: Finance, W. S. Lander, W. F. Kincaid, R. N. Aycock, R. J. Sifford and R. J. Ramseur; building, B. J. Ramseur, Plato Miller, W. S. Lander, C. A. Jonas, Joe R. Nixon and S. M. Roper.—The Lincoln Times.

The Christian Endeavor Society will be 60 years old in February, 1941. Important as the events of Christian Endeavor Week in February will be, the climax of the jubilee observance is being planned for five months later. The peak of the anniversary activities will be at the biennial International Christian Endeavor convention, to be held at Atlantic City, N. J., July 8 to 13, 1941. Even before place and dates of this convention were announced, a committee of 11 active Endeavorers, headed by Harry G. Kuch of Philadelphia, was planning original, inspiring, and significant ways to prepare for nation-wide response and expectancy toward the anniversary convention.

A nation-wide campaign to promote tolerance, understanding and democratic unity, will shortly be launched by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, it was announced recently. Clergymen in hundreds of American cities are now being asked by the Federal Council to "lead the way" in the campaign through the facilities of their radio stations.

Greensboro and the neighboring communities will be interested in an unusual drama to be given in College Place church this Friday night at 8 o'clock. It is a blitzkrieg assault on the old demon of drink promoted by our Board of Temperance and the cast includes several local people, among them Judge Johnson J. Hayes, who will preside. The title is "Prisoner at the Bar." All welcome and no admission charges.—L. B. Hayes.

Remember that your pastor's wife has a woman's heart. Do not be too frank and free in criticising her to her face. She may keep a calm countenance in your presence, but the flood-gates will give away when you leave the house. She heard your well-meant, but sharp criticism the other day, and tried faintly to pass it off with a smile, but she sank under the weight of it when you left. Carry balm when you visit her, not an irritant!—Zion's Herald.

The place of religion in a world at war will be discussed by theologians and laymen at the ninth annual New England Institute of International Relations to be held at Wellesley College, Wellesley, Mass., June 25 to July 5, under the auspices of the American Friends Service Committee and the Council for Social Action of the Congregational Christian Churches. The 1940 theme for the 11-day conference is "America's Contribution to a Durable Peace."—Religious News Service.

MRS. J. NORMAN WILLS

Mrs. Manna Maria Alderman Wills, wife of J. Norman Wills, well known Methodist woman and leader in civic, social, religious and musical life, died shortly after noon Monday at Wesley Long Hospital, Greensboro. Funeral services were conducted in Grace church Wednesday morning.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Wills leaves two sisters, Mrs. Myra Albright, Greensboro, and Mrs. Charles H. Ireland, Melbourne, Florida, and a brother, Jess Alderman, Greensboro.

A graduate of music from Greensboro College, she taught music in Guilford and Louisburg colleges. For ten years she was president of the Euterpe Music Club, and for five years president of the N. C. Federation of Music Clubs.

Mrs. Wills was very active in Grace Methodist church. In the church school she served as superintendent of the primary department, superintendent of the junior department and adult assembly pianist. In her church she has served as choir director and organist, president of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, president of the woman's auxiliary, and many other offices.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. S. K. Spahr, Dr. R. M. Andrews, and Rev. R. C. Stubbins, former pastors, and Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, pastor. Interment followed in Green Hill cemetery.

Brother, Why Not Give One Solid Hour When at Your Very Best for Your Church Paper?

SUNDAY AT MIDWAY

As the name implies this church is half way between Winston-Salem and Lexington on the main highway between these cities. Rev. J. L. Ingram is the popular and up-to-date pastor. When I arrived Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the church grounds were filled with automobiles and the big church filled with people. But this is nothing unusual. It occurs every Sunday. These thrifty and prosperous people not only are good farmers but also good church folks, loyal and trustworthy. The pastor among other things announced that next Sunday, "Mothers' Day," would be Advocate day and they would also pay the last of the debt on the parsonage which has been built during the present pastorate. This is Brother Ingram's fourth year, but do not all speak at one time for a most desirable job.

The dinner hour at the parsonage within a stone's throw of the church was delightful in every particular. Nancy, the baby girl, nine years old, and interested in everything, is now being admitted into the fourth grade at school. She had a good reason to joyously show me her report card for it had nothing on it but "A's." The eldest daughter has arrangements made to enter Greensboro College next fall. Her record is about as good as her little sister's. She is a beautiful, studious girl and will make Greensboro College a fine student. Mr. and Mrs. Ingram are happily situated in their convenient and commodious new parsonage and have a delightful pastoral charge of three churches only a few miles distant from each other.

MUCH ACTIVITY AT SHILOH

Much activity and planning still characterizes our people at Shiloh. Our Sunday school enrollment for this quarter has reached 329; the attendance last Sunday was 276. Our pastor filled his regular appointment Sunday and preached a very forceful sermon, one that we all so much needed. His subject was "The Thing That Counts Only."

On Tuesday night, April 30, Rev. E. D. C. Brewer came to Shiloh for a one night institute, and gave us information concerning the plans and workings of especially the board of education with its on-coming summer conferences and camps, training and vacation Bible schools, etc. A training school for adults—all above 12 years—will begin at Shiloh on Sunday night, May 26, and run through Wednesday night of the same week. There will be two classes—one on Church Administration and one on Bible. Some time later, we are planning for a vacation Bible school for children under 12 years of age.

Just now we are planning for an annual affair at Shiloh home coming and memorial day, which is held annually on the third Sunday in May: There will be an all day service with Sunday school and preaching, followed by memorial service in the morning, and the home coming address in the afternoon. A committee is busy planning the details of the day's proceedings and you can watch our report for final announcements when completed. It has been our custom for years to try to see that every grave in the cemetery is decorated on that day, and those having loved ones buried there must co-operate with us by placing flowers on the graves of loved ones. Former members and anyone else who may desire are always invited and especially welcomed at these services. This will be our fourteenth annual home coming and memorial day observance, so plan now to be with us.

We expect to give a satisfactory report of our work for the first half of the conference year at the district conference which will be held at High Point College on May 14.

Mrs. Homer Sink.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Charlotte district conference will meet on Thursday, May 16, at 9 a. m., Bethlehem church, Prospect charge. This church is located nine miles south of Monroe, N. C., on highway No. 200. A comprehensive program is being arranged, and every interest of the church will receive due consideration. Those having special interests to present will be given a cordial and sympathetic hearing. G. T. Bond, D. S.

W. N. C. CONFERENCE GENERAL AND CONFERENCE WORK

Receipts by districts to May 1, 1940:

Winston-Salem	\$ 9,441.99
High Point	7,780.87
Greensboro	5,801.04
Asheville	4,526.48
Salisbury	2,906.73
Gastonia	2,852.00
Statesville	2,450.85
Charlotte	1,755.34
Marion	1,702.75
Waynesville	1,585.33
Elkin	696.35
Grand total	\$41,499.73
Same date last year	34,055.62
Increase	7,444.11

Report of District Superintendents' Fund

Received from districts to May 1, 1940:

Asheville	\$ 1,562.61
Charlotte	1,538.62
Elkin	916.33
Gastonia	1,728.35
Greensboro	2,046.25
High Point	1,588.01
Marion	1,616.91
Salisbury	2,170.31
Statesville	1,558.14
Waynesville	843.52
Winston-Salem	3,051.87
Total	18,620.92
Total paid out	18,615.63
Balance on hand	5.29
Total	18,620.92
Amount due each superintendent, six months....	2,400.00
Amount paid each superintendent, six month....	1,692.33
Deficit	707.67

E. O. Cole, Treasurer.

GOOD PREACHING AND PROGRESS AT TRINITY, WILMINGTON

We have just had at Trinity, Wilmington, a splendid series of sermons for a two-week period. During the week of April 21 the following ministers preached: Walter Pavy, C. D. Barclift, W. A. Tew, B. H. Houston, R. S. Harrison, and E. B. Fisher. These ministers were well received. They preached excellent sermons.

Dr. John C. Glenn, pastor of Edenton Street, Raleigh, was with us during the week of April 28. Large crowds attended his effective ministry with pleasure and profit. We had services at 7:45 a. m. and 8 p. m. The whole church has been spiritually revived as a result of his work.

Since conference we have received 53 new members, 29 of them on profession of faith. We have sent the Orphanage \$200 on our apportionment. The singing class was with us for the morning service on April 21. The young people are improving their assembly hall. They have already installed new paint and have bought new light fixtures. They are making plans to paint the hall and put down a rug in the center aisles.

R. L. Jerome.

STUDENT MOVEMENT AT BREVARD

Following the worship program at the Sunday evening vesper hour, the Christian Student Movement at the college elected the officers which will lead the religious work on the campus next year. Delbert Byrum, president of the Christian Student Movement for the past year, gave a brief survey of the religious program which has been carried on by the organization for the past two semesters.

The officers selected at the meeting were: President, William Dunnagan, Yadkinville; vice president, Doris Ledford, Rural Hall; secretary, Donald Funderbunk; treasurer, Virginia Daniels, Winston-Salem. The new officers will be inducted to office with a candle light service, which will be held next Sunday night in the college chapel.

Committee chairmen, who will carry on the general work of the religious organizations, will be appointed by the executive committee of the Christian Student Movement after the installation service.

A CHRISTIAN FUNERAL

A funeral is a memorial to the life lived by the deceased. It is a memorial service to his life and at least should bring out some of the good that has been done. The funeral should be so planned and arranged as to be easy and helpful to the family; and then not only the family should be considered in the service, but the deceased has had relationships with friends and relatives who are present. Surely in respect to the deceased, some kind remark could be made or some good word of a good deed could be uttered by the pastor in charge.

The modern tendency is to make the funeral brief, and some are so brief that the funeral can no longer be called a service. In many cases no song is sung and only a set form is followed. A funeral director recently told the writer that in his many years of experience he had never witnessed two funerals exactly alike. There is always a slight variation or some request by the deceased—and why should unreasonable requests be so closely followed?

Then there is sometimes the problem as to who is in charge of the funeral, the undertaker or the minister. The undertaker often goes so far as to plan even the songs and tell the minister just how long to make the service. The minister should go to the home of the deceased before the funeral and there quietly talk over the type of service desired. Here is a great opportunity for the minister to follow up by visiting in the home after the burial, for the next several days and weeks are lonely ones, and it is a minister's very best opportunity to tie the family into church activity.

A funeral service should not be a dreaded service, for it is a Christian memorial service to the deceased. Every effort should be made by the minister, along with the undertaker, to save the family from as much emotional strain as possible. Two things can always be suggested by the pastor: that the body be taken to the church ahead of the funeral party and that those desiring to see the remains do so before the arrival of the immediate family; or that the friends go to the home and view the body there. We should not encourage morbid curiosity, for most people had rather remember the living body than the corpse of a person.

Death is a natural order, just as natural as birth, and we should try to make it a part of the living reality of life. Death is only the leaving behind of a useless body and the taking on of a more glorious one. We should try to make our funeral services more symbolic of life, for they are services conducted for believers and unbelievers, designed to present the body and soul of the deceased to the throne of grace. It is for God to say the last word, we only offer to the judgment bar the one called. A funeral without hope and one magnifying suffering and grief is not a Christian funeral.

Robert M. Hardee.

SHO PAYS TO BE NICE TO FOLKS

Roy Wilder portrays in Sunday's Durham Herald Bob Robinson, son of the South and now chief station porter in the Pennsylvania station, New York, who has as his motto: "It sho pays to be nice to folks. I knows."

A most interesting story is this of a man who is a much traveled porter but one who can't forget North Carolina and High Point.

Born in High Point 62 years ago, Bob Robinson was the son of a brick mason. He grew with the idea of becoming a railway mail clerk and enrolled at Bennett College, Greensboro. Studies ended when he and several friends obtained jobs with the Pullman Company as porters. His first run was from Norfolk to Chicago, on the Norfolk and Western Railroad, and he remained just a Pullman porter called

"George" until his last run between Jersey City and Cleveland.

Although his work is in New York, Bob Robinson can't forget North Carolina. Reminding him every day are some 15 station porters from several Tar Heel towns—Raleigh, Rocky Mount, Durham, Monroe, Shelby and Laurinburg. He lives in a Y. M. C. A., eats out. When he hungers for home cooked turnip salad, corn bread, ham gravy, fried chicken and hot biscuits, he heads for High Point. The urge comes every three months. He answers it.

"I'm el'gible foh retirement, but I don't know when I'll stop work. My wife passed away foh years ago; I have no children. But when I get tired of workin' I'm goin' home to High Point. There's no place like Nawth Ca'lina foh me. Nawshuh."

DEDICATION OF CEDAR GROVE CHURCH

On Sunday, May 19, at 11 o'clock, the new Cedar Grove church on the Bynum charge will be dedicated. Dr. J. M. Ormond, professor of practical theology in the School of Religion of Duke University, will preach the dedicatory sermon. It will be the pleasure of Cedar Grove people to have as visitors that day all of their friends, including former pastors, who can be present. The pictures below give a glimpse of the record of Cedar Grove through the years.



The Original Cedar Grove Church, 1824-1873



Cedar Grove Church used from 1873 to 1939



The present Cedar Grove Church. J. C. Reichard, Pastor

HOME COMING AT REHOBETH

About 20 years ago the people of Rehobeth church had their first annual gathering of this kind. Rev. W. B. Shinn was the pastor. The new pastor, Rev. Max Brandon, took charge at the S. S. hour after the opening exercises by the superintendent, D. L. Wilkinson. Rev. W. L. Sherrill of Lincolnton made an interesting talk on the history of this the oldest Methodist church west of Catawba river. It was organized by Rev. Daniel Asbury in 1789, and the first building was erected in 1791. The speaker gave some startling facts in the life of Asbury. He died in sight of the present church in 1825, and was buried there.

Mr. Taylor, who sings at the First Baptist church in Charlotte, rendered several solos. The pastor preached at 11 o'clock from Gal. 6:10. He announced that Dr. Garber of Duke had promised to deliver an address on the sesquicentennial of Rehobeth some time this year. It is hoped that the local people and the descendants of Daniel Asbury will erect an educational building some time in the next 12 months in memory of the founder of this church. The present building was completed in May, 1890. Rev. M. V. Sherrill, a former pastor, preached the last sermon in the old church one Saturday in May or June, 1890, and the first sermon in the new edifice the Sunday following. The church was dedicated in June 1891; Rev. J. H. Page preached. He was pastor in 1883-84.

A fine repast was served at noon on the long table in the grove. After dinner Rev. J. W. Moore of Central church, Mooresville, gave a most helpful message on the value and possibilities of the Christian home.

The Turbyfill quartette of Maiden sang several selections. Abner McConnell of Mooresville had his quartette from Centenary church, Mooresville circuit, and gave us a number of songs. There was an unusually large attendance. We saw friends and relatives from Charlotte, Mooresville, Statesville, Newton, Lincolnton, Denver, Kannapolis, Troutman, Lexington; Gaston, Forsyth and Lincoln counties. The pastor is holding a series of services there this week through Thursday evening, continuing from last week.

A. C. Sherrill.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Fayetteville district conference met at Caledonia church on the Caledonia charge at ten o'clock a. m. April 17. After a devotional period conducted by W. V. McRae, our district superintendent, the conference was organized for business. D. M. Sharpe called the roll and was elected secretary. All the ministers were present except R. W. Barfield and W. A. Smith, who were kept away on account of sickness.

After announcing the committees, the district superintendent called for reports from preachers on their pre-Easter meetings. A large per cent of the ministers held such services and the results were gratifying.

Rev. Walter Patten spoke for Louisburg College and asked for our sympathetic support.

M. F. Hodges, pastor of the local church, gave us some history of Caledonia church and gave us a hearty welcome as their guests.

R. W. Bradshaw, in his usual effective way, spoke briefly of the children and young people of our church.

Dr. M. L. Matthews had charge of the laymen's hour and spoke for Junaluska and the Golden Cross. Fred Bynum spoke briefly and convincingly on stewardship of life and money. D. U. Sandlin spoke on the benevolences.

At the hour set apart for worship and the ministry of the Word; D. M. Sharpe spoke on visions and their influence on spiritual growth. Miss Elizabeth Lamb spoke on prayer. R. E. Brown spoke on the call to service, and closed the session with the benediction.

Rev. A. S. Barnes opened the afternoon session with a devotional service by a group of children from the Orphanage, and made a strong plea for the more than 300 children who are dependent on us for their support.

Prof. F. S. Aldridge spoke in behalf of the Golden Cross enrollment.

The committees made their reports and they were adopted. Fred Bynum and his assistants, Dr. M. L. Matthews and D. U. Sandlin, were re-elected lay leaders for the district.

J. H. Barnhardt offered a resolution of thanks to the people of Caledonia and Johns church for the splendid way in which they entertained the conference.

Brother McRae made an earnest appeal for the Advocate. The conference authorized the district superintendent to set a day on which we would all work for securing subscriptions for the Advocate.

Following the adoption of the minutes, Brother McRae made an earnest appeal for trust in Christ, who is our only hope in these times of destructive war and confusion.

After singing the Doxology, Brother W. A. Parsons dismissed us with the Apostolic benediction.

The people went away saying that this was the best district conference they had attended. There was a spirit of optimism looking toward a great spiritual advance in the Fayetteville district.

D. M. Sharpe, Sec.

MOTHERS' DAY

Life is not so full of holy emotion that one day in the Christian year cannot be profitably spent in sacred sentimentality, if we should care to call it that. Our hearts should be made warm by the remembrance of our mother. Each of us should think of all she has done for us and try to show our praise by courtesies and testimonies, and by resolutions that we will so live as to honor her name.

There is no one who can be to any person what a mother has been. Her place is unique in the human thought and affection just as her function is unique in human life. By her physical pain and labor, by her spiritual travail and devotion, by her intimate contacts and untiring zeal, she has a peculiar place among the forces that shape life. To her should be given unique respect and affection.

The heart of her, that beats against my own,
The love of her, outbreathed in every tone,
The eyes of her, that saw my smallest grief,
The feet of her, that flew to my relief,
The hands of her, that mind and body fed,
The face of her, with halo like a saint,
The voice of her, that soothed and comforted,
The ears of her, that heard my childish plaint,
The lips of her, that smiled her motherhood,
The mind of her, my own that understood;
The prayers of her—, oh, I would worthily be
Of all my mother was, and is, to me.

—The Methodist Protestant Recorder.

WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

Things will look dark for those who make light of God. Giving one's life for "Old Glory" will not furnish a passport to Glory.

God's ideal man is upright, downright, in-right, outright, and all right.

To keep the soul's youth fires burning may be a difficult task, but it does pay big dividends.

Usually the boy who has no correction at home before his teens is the first to go to the House of Correction during his teens.

Some churches are so thrifty about salaries they would, if they could, get all their preachers from Sears Roebuck or the A. & P.

Better a black eye in defense of the truth than a black heart through a mummy inertia.

When old splitfoot wants to play his trump card he stirs up sister "Can't be done" or old brother "Give it up."

Some folks after attending church once a fortnight act as if they had put Almighty God under everlasting obligations to them.

If some people we have met were paid for all the overtime work they do with their jaws the highly paid Clark Gable and Greta Garbo would be but pikers.

JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCES

Southeastern—Asheville, May 22.

South Central—Oklahoma City, May 28.

Northeastern—Atlantic City, June 18.

Central—St. Louis, June 21.

North Central—Chicago, June 26.

Western—San Francisco, July 9.

First General Conference of Methodist Church

Convened in Atlantic City on April 24

II.

The first half of a General Conference is given over largely to organization, to reports and addresses such as the message of the bishops, and to work of the standing committees in which all legislation takes shape. Last week I reported a few of the high spots of the first days of the General Conference. This week I will make mention of only a few of the enactments of the final days.

Each Pastor to Be Informed

No action taken will be of more general interest to all pastors of Methodism than that which requires the bishop to see that every pastor has been informed as to his appointment before the list has been read in open conference. This means an open cabinet in the best sense of that term. Bishop Peele and other bishops have followed this method.

Evidently this action will result in finer understanding among the bishops, the district superintendents and the pastors of a conference. It will also make for a freer interchange of views among preachers and laymen in the making of assignments. Those charges so often shunned and the preachers that no one wants will doubtless have fresh anxieties to contend with. Then a preacher's appointment will be more largely determined before conference than it is now.

The Vatican Incident

The action demanding the recall of Myron C. Taylor from the Vatican received such wide publicity by press and radio that the report of the committee on Interdenominational Relations is given in full.

Committee's Report

"The Bill of Rights which guarantees freedom of religion, assembly, press, speech and other liberties is an essential part of the Constitution of the United States. Without it this Union of independent sovereign states could not have been formed.

These principles must ever be held sacred and inviolate by a liberty-loving people. It is our firm belief that their preservation can be accomplished only by maintaining the complete separation of Church and State.

On this matter we endorse the following statement contained in the Address of the Council of Bishops:

"We express our sincere appreciation of the oft-declared interest of the President of the United States on behalf of world peace and especially his frequent emphasis upon the social and religious foundations of peace, and we are ready to join with the Roman Catholic Church and with all other religious or secular organizations to promote world peace; but we do deplore and must firmly resist any union of Church and State, and are and will be unalterably opposed to any establishment of diplomatic relations between the Vatican and the United States."

We therefore respectfully but with genuine earnestness urged our President to recall Mr. Myron C. Taylor. His appointment has created a spirit of uneasiness and resentment in the minds of a great number of people, and instead of promoting peace has engendered discord and strife, which seems calamitous at this time when there is

imperative need for harmonious united action on the part of all those who fear God and love righteousness."

The amendment that led to the biggest scramble for the floor was to delete the last paragraph of this report which demanded the recall of Mr. Taylor. This amendment was lost by a count vote of 393 to 234. This left the report of the committee intact. The report was then adopted with but few hands raised in opposition.

The Dies Appearance

Another matter brought before the General Conference which received wide publicity was also greatly exaggerated. A few young people, evidently possessing more zeal than wisdom, insisted that their freedom had been infringed upon by the police at the appearance of Congressman Dies. Furthermore, they found fault with the committee which had invited this man to appear before the General Conference to the neglect of others of divergent views. It was said that certain mature men were advising the youth in their cause.

Dr. Henry H. Crane (Detroit conference) had made effort to have a paper of protest considered by the conference, but it went over. The rumors continued that there was deep feeling on the part of some as to the conduct of the Commission on Entertainment, headed by Leslie J. Lyons of Kansas City. But when Chairman Lyons got through with the unvarnished tale he told of the conduct of the committee disclosing the names of many men and women invited to appear on the program, he was greeted with vigorous and prolonged applause. This was of such a nature that all voices of opposition were hushed.

John R. Mott Heard

Few men can speak on vital church issues of world-wide significance as can this marvelous Methodist layman and world citizen. "In the light of my world contacts," said Mott, "I have the overwhelming impression that the Uniting Conference did not meet one day too soon and that God himself had great designs with reference to what was done in those never-to-be-forgotten days. Think of what has taken place in the world since that time."

We expect to lay this entire address before the readers of this Advocate. In this present report only the closing paragraphs can be given. Here they are:

Jesus Christ Our Only Hope

My last word, that comes from a full heart, is that Jesus Christ and Jesus Christ alone is still our hope. This word is the one that has buoyed me up. As I was saying to some of my friends on the Advance Mission, this word of Christ has carried me without pessimism. Christ said, "In this world you shall have tribulations." Surely we have them. Then he continues, "But be of good cheer, not pessimistic, be of good cheer." I am. Christ had overcome the world. How did he overcome the world? By his unerring guiding principles, by his irrevocable commands, by his sure word of prophecy. He overcame it likewise by his incarnation, the world made flesh. He did it by the agony on the cross. "All this I did for thee, what hast thou done for me?"

He did it by bursting the bonds of death in the tomb. He did it. O blessed thought, O solemnizing thought, He did it by His Body, the Church, to which we all belong, we all belong. He did it as we have been singing on this Ascension Day, by his ever living, ever creative, ever triumphant spirit in this world.

"In this world you shall have tribulations. Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

The entire General Conference rose to do honor to this esteemed citizen and leader among the nations. In his presence we would stand with uncovered head.

Commission on Benevolences Goes

The commission for promoting the benevolences as given in paragraph 856 of 1939 Discipline gives place to the following:

To the bishops in their areas, the district superintendents in their districts, the pastors in their charges, and the official laymen, with the co-operation of the various General, Jurisdictional and Annual conference boards of benevolence, shall be committed the responsibility to make diligent effort to raise the full amount of the askings accepted by the charges.

The constituent boards, severally and co-operatively, shall promote the education and enlistment of the whole church in its program of general benevolences.

The Board of Missions and Church Extension through its Joint Division of Education and Cultivation; the Board of Education, in its several divisions; the Interboard Committee on Missionary Education and Co-ordination; the Board of Temperance, the Board of Lay Activities and other boards and agencies receiving support from the general benevolence funds, in such manner and by such method as shall be deemed most effective, in co-operation with the bishops, the district superintendents and the pastors, shall engage in the education and enlistment of the church in its total benevolence work.

The executive secretaries of the constituent boards and agencies, organized as a Council of Secretaries, shall co-ordinate their educational and promotional activities in order to avoid duplication, overlapping and competition.

The main reason urged for the change made was the item of expense. Then, too, it remains for the bishops, superintendents, pastors and laymen to assume this responsibility rather than to turn it over to an independent group at much cost.

Just here may be a favorable place to make mention of the reception of fraternal delegates from England, China, Japan, Brazil and Mexico. Their addresses were delightfully brief and much appreciated. All these were given in one evening. Now if something similar can be done to save the day when it comes to retiring bishops all will be happy.

This year at Atlantic City some of the papers read when the bishops retired were better suited for memoirs than tributes to great and noble men who are still eager for action. How much better would it be to put to record a brief statement of fact for each bishop and then allow the bishop a few moments for words of appreciation. It is far better to praise Caesar than to bury him.

Bishop Hughes' Address on Temperance

Temperance was the keynote of a night session of the General Conference which included a stirring address by Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes of Washington, and presentation of a playlet depicting the evils of drink.

Bishop Hughes built his address about the life of Lyman Beecher, "The Lonely Crusader." Reviewing the factors of Beecher's early life which led him into battle against intemperance, Bishop Hughes pointed out that these same conditions exist today.

"We hurl toward the cohorts of rum an old-time challenge of our church: Abstinence for the individual—prohibition for the state," Bishop Hughes declared, to the applause of nearly 3000 persons.

While lauding Beecher for his opposition to dueling and slavery, Bishop Hughes said it was in the cause of temperance that he was "an ardent reformer." He listed influences encountered by Beecher which contributed to

the latter's unending fight against the evils of rum which was extended to interracial and international fields.

Among the accomplishments of Beecher, Bishop Hughes named his conquering of his environment, giving the Christian place to the principle of consideration for others; calling the church of his day away from the disgrace of compromise with the liquor trade; and championing the home as against the revenue from rum.

"The Board of Temperance today is the most effective church organization in the world for inspiring champions, educating the young, creating literature of agitation and lifting high the banner of sobriety," Bishop Hughes concluded.

Fasting and Prayer First Sunday in June

Sunday, April 28, 1940, was designated by the General Conference as a day of prayer, fasting, and self-denial, and every member and visitor was requested to participate in a sacrificial service by fasting and prayer on Sunday evening and by setting aside a self-denial offering equivalent at least to the cost of Sunday dinner. It was suggested that this time be observed by all delegates and friends singly or in groups wherever they might be as a time of deep intercession for the suffering multitudes of other lands and of earnest petition for the speedy termination of war and the establishment of a just and lasting peace.

The first Sunday of June, 1940, was also designated as a day of self-denial, fasting and prayer throughout the Methodist Church. We urge that every Methodist follow the example of the members of the General Conference in making a sacrificial offering. We regard this period of fasting at the General Conference and its observance by the church on June 2 as a preparation for further sacrifices to be made during the continuation of this period of critical human need.

Not Perfect But Better

The spirit of this General Conference was far ahead of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Atlantic City eight years ago. A finer idealism prevailed, with less of defeatism. That was held in the midst of the depression and every issue was viewed in the light of the dollar. Whenever one wanted to defeat any effort for advance he would parade the dollars that the church did not have. Money, money, money was the cry! Nothing could be done for want of money.

This year the spiritual appeal and a finer idealism prevailed. Something of the exalted spirit of the Uniting Conference carried over. Though this assembly was not up to the level of that at Kansas City a note of victory was in the air. Those who would win by a perfected organism and by setting right the governments of the world had a place but not the chief place. The Methodist Church by the rank and file is still believed in because they hold that the chief business of the church is to bring men to God. The appeal of such men as John Mott still wins a welcomed hearing. The flurry over the coming of Congressman Dies and the recall of Taylor from the Vatican gained a place in the press far above their standing in the General Conference.

The conference in Kansas City will stand out in the long list of Methodist conferences all the way from the Christmas Conference in 1785, when the Methodist Church in America was set going to the wonderful assembly in Kansas City when the three Methodist bodies became one. This first General Conference of the Methodist Church will gain its importance not so much from the legislation enacted as from the fact that this was the first of the united church. It was such as to become notable in this respect. Coming one year after the gathering at Kansas City it was in a most real and genuine way one with that epochal assembly.

M. T. P.

Intellectual Blackout

Declaring that military necessities just now are creating an "intellectual blackout" in various parts of the world, Raymond B. Fosdick, president of the Rockefeller Foundation, in the annual report of the activities of that organization recently made public, showed that the war situation threatens incalculable harm to the minds of future generations. After reviewing the losses to science in the last war, when such men as Henry G. J. Mosely, the physicist; Von Prowasek, the parasitologist; S. B. McLaren, the mathematician, and Karl Schwarzschild, the astronomer, were killed at the front, Mr. Fosdick said that the existing efforts to prevent a repetition of "these ghastly sacrifices" could at best save scientists whose worth is already recognized.

"No human precaution," he asserted, "can protect a nation from the sacrifices which war levies upon future talent: the undiscovered scientists, the gifted minds, the intellectual and spiritual leaders upon whom each generation must build the hope and promise of the generation to come. The mortgage which war places upon the economic resources of a country is as nothing compared with the mortgage levied upon its future intellectual and cultural life."

Enforcing his contention that the world today faces an intellectual blackout, the president of the Rockefeller Foundation gave added evidence of the war threat to the mental development of mankind in these words:

Scarcely a year ago the Moors, entrenched in the ruined University of Madrid, used the books from the university library as defenses in their rifle pits. The University of Prague has been shut by the German government. The University of Strasbourg has been torn from its site and planted in Clermont-Ferrand.

For reasons of economy and because their students are in military service, more than half the universities of Germany are closed. The institutions comprising the University of London have been uprooted and scattered over a wide area in southern England. The 20,000 student population of the University of Paris has shrunk to 5000.

Mr. Fosdick asserted that in combatant and non-combatant countries alike "the indiscriminating necessities of military mobilization have decimated faculties and student bodies alike," and many laboratories hitherto devoted to the extension of knowledge "are now being geared into the war machine."

All these facts from Mr. Fosdick's report combine to make exceedingly serious and sad the outlook for intellectual progress in the world, but there is a deeper and far more devastating destruction than the killing of great scientific leaders and the abandonment or demolition of the buildings of a university plant. The really terrible menace to the advancement of knowledge is the systematic assault upon the very foundation principles of intelligence and morals. This attack must be charged directly to the philosophy of totalitarianism, and the preponderant blame for the crime must be set down against Nazi Germany. Throughout the years Germany has enjoyed a high reputation for creative thinking and for intellectual contributions of inestimable value to the world's life. But now what do we see? In the grip of the Nazis, the country of Goethe and Schiller, of Helmholtz and Einstein has been deprived of its position of intellectual leadership through the totalitarian doctrine that the search for truth is a snare and a delusion except as it con-

tributes to the enlargement of power—the power of a ruthless state. Brought down to the dust, the once glorious Germany of intellectual achievement has become the slave of an ignorant, though clever, group of politicians and militarists, who laugh at colleges and universities and demand only obedience to the machine. Truth is crushed to earth—that is the horror of these ghastly days.

And not only so, but there is still another deep devastation. The principle of intelligence and morals are, in theory at least, closely related. Truth and righteousness belong together. Undermine the possibilities of sane, constructive thinking and you undermine also the possibilities of sound morals. Is it any wonder, then, that the Nazi attack on intellectual progress at its very base carries with it a drive against ethical principles? Who is surprised that Adolf Hitler has resurrected that nefarious doctrine "The end justifies the means" and has made it a part of his working policy? "All for the state" means much more than the sacrifice of discussion, teaching, research; it means also the surrender of the categorical imperatives of life and of right thinking and right doing. The totalitarians in Germany, Russia, Japan and Italy with their evil teachings are sapping the very life-blood out of the intelligence and morality of the world. This is the serious, the truly serious "intellectual blackout," already in the third quarter of its eclipse of heaven's ineffable light.

We must not lose all hope, however, even if the atheists in places of power are endeavoring with all their military might and exploitation schemes to turn the world back to the Dark Ages. Truth will rise again. Man is incurably religious. Intellectual and ethical principles are bound into the very warp and woof of man's soul. It remains, then, for each of us to be true to the light though the whole wide world seems to be stumbling blindly in search of false gods. Truth is truth; right is right, though the heavens fall. The principles of truth and righteousness are of the very constitution of the universe. An idiot once ran down the road shaking a club in mad defiance against the sun. But the sun continued to shine.—Zion's Herald.

MIRIAM

By A. C. Gibbs

She came into the tent of my life,
And took her seat on the sanded floor
As if placed there by desert winds.
There was a look of mild surprise,
With a glint of defiance in her eyes.
I took the little rebel to my heart,
Half expecting to feel her rigid turn
To the pleading hands of wild outside.
As she nestled to my breast
Her heart beats seemed to say:
"Hold me close; for I shall go
Where love is most."

Bare-footed she played before my door;
But oft were sandals in her hand.
And when the shadows crawled across the waste,
I read life's dewy story in her smile
And forgot the sandals beneath her cloak.
Alas! one night the stars flicked out;
The wind moaned and sighed and called.
As the tent-posts moved and groaned
To the swelling of stark emptiness
I felt beneath the tent-flap and—
The sandals were gone!

REV. PAUL FRANKLIN WINFIELD STAMEY 1849-1890

It is unusual to pay tribute to those who have been dead for 50 years, but this is written at special request of one who loved and appreciated Rev. P. F. W. Stamey, who rendered wonderful service as a minister of Christ for 17 years and gave promise of far wider usefulness until stricken down, alas too soon! But his holy influence will never die.

He came of sturdy pioneer stock. His grandfather, Daniel Stamey, moved from Pennsylvania to Burke county in 1787 and married Mary Hudson, and all who bear the Stamey name in western Carolina trace their lineage back to the pioneers who settled in Burke.

Daniel Stamey reared a large family and his son Alexander married Belzora Haynes in 1847, and the subject of this sketch was born in Burke May 6, 1849. His father was a useful local preacher, but when he applied for admission into the conference was rejected, not for lack of equipment, but at that time only single men or those with small family were admitted. He then joined the Baptist church, in which he rendered good service. He was a lieutenant in the Confederate Army. His wife possessed superior native intellect. She was a great-granddaughter of the noted Lincoln county pioneer, Jacob Forney, through his youngest daughter, Eve Forney, who married Robinson Goodwin, a soldier of the Revolution. P. F. W. Stamey married in 1866 to Frances Wyant of Lincoln county, just one year after the Civil War, when the country was bankrupt and all had to struggle for existence. So he had to dig his living out of the ground as all his neighbors did.

Under the preaching of his Baptist father he was converted and joined the Palmtree Methodist church in Lincoln county and was an enthusiastic member, and in turn was church school superintendent, exhorter and local preacher. He had two brothers who later became Methodist preachers, Dr. Enoch L. Stamey, now of Greensboro, and Samuel D. Stamey, deceased.

Meanwhile the eldest brother was an active religious leader in his community. Though his educational equipment was not good he felt the call to the itinerant work, but he must first have better preparation. So he took his wife and children to Rutherford College, where they kept boarders to cover expenses while he, a student under the great teacher, Rev. Dr. R. L. Abernethy, was being prepared for ministerial work. In 1873, when 24 years old, he with his neighbors, Rev. M. W. Boyles and Rev. C. A. Gault, all members of Palmtree Methodist church, were recommended by South Fork circuit quarterly conference for admission on trial into the North Carolina conference, and in December, 1873, they were received at the conference in Goldsboro.

It is interesting to know that since then W. I. Hull, H. G. Stamey, J. J. Heavner and R. L. Bass, all from the same country church, became members of the conference. Only the last mentioned still lives.

Brother Stamey served circuits in the following order: Dallas, Morganton, Newton, Iredell, Mooresville and Albemarle. At the Reidsville conference in 1886 he preached a sermon charged with wonderful spiritual force, and the bishop appointed him to Reidsville station at the urgent request of the officials of that church.

In 1889 he was appointed presiding elder of the newly organized Trinity district and he planned to stress evangelism, setting his goal for 1000 converts during his first year in that wider field. But on July 4, 1890, he died in High Point of typhoid fever.

He had great revivals in every church of every charge he served, resulting in the conversion and reception on profession of faith of 2500 persons for the 16 years he spent in the pastorate, being an average of 160 additions annually on profession. Besides this he was in great demand to assist pastors in revivals. He conducted successful meetings in Court Street church, Lynchburg, Va., Edenton Street, Raleigh, and at various other points.

The following excerpts are taken from his Conference Memoir, prepared by Rev. E. H. Davis, at that time pastor in High Point:

"Among his brethren of the conference he was regarded as a remarkable and unusually successful winner of souls. If there was ever any other object of legitimate endeavor before a gospel minister, any sidetrack of pleasurable pursuit outside of this, he did not know it. He was a man of one work and of one way of doing it, and that way was constant, unremitting, faithful use of the Word, and success, as he understood the word as applicable to himself and his work, crowned his efforts.

"The true preacher packs his sentences with the Gospel rather than with logic, and transcends ordinary pulpit speakers, not in the beauty of his periods, but in the multitude of his converts.

"Take this estimate of true preaching and lay beside it the life and labors of P. F. W. Stamey, and say if he has not received the 'well done' of Him whom he loved to serve."

He had an attractive personality, was a most lovable man, magnetic by nature, and a preacher of extraordinary

gifts. His sermons were saturated with prayer and delivered with spiritual fervor which was sometimes overwhelming. Often at regular services penitents crowded the altar and were converted. In fact his whole itinerant journey was illuminated by revival fires.

He was not only great in the pulpit but was a house to house pastor who knew and loved his people. Every visit was a pastoral visit, concluded with prayer. His people believed in him and poured into his ear their difficulties and trials, and he always gave them encouragement and comfort. When he was in Mooresville, Mrs. M. W. White was desperately ill and the doctors told Brother White they had done all possible and there was no hope for her. He at once rushed to the parsonage and brought his pastor to her sick bed, where he prayed as one who knew God would answer. Next day she was better and was soon fully restored. He was my friend and officiated at my marriage in May 1884. I last saw him at the Sam Jones meeting in Charlotte in May 1890, six weeks before his death. He was then the picture of health and offered an uplifting prayer before the evangelist preached. At the Concord conference in December, 1890, the memorial service held just before final adjournment was not given the consideration it deserved. The memoirs of Rev. John Tillett and Rev. P. F. W. Stamey were hurriedly read without comment and buried in the conference minutes. It was deeply regretted that more time was not given to that sacred service. We never had in our conference a more successful winner of souls than this consecrated preacher, and now we need more men of like spirit.

The editorial entitled, "Methodist Advance Falters," in the Advocate of April 11 states that "many leaders in local situations have failed woefully to infuse new life into the vast mass of our Methoism." This should not be, for it breeds defeat.

Mr. Wesley failed until his heart was strangely warmed on that memorable night in Aldersgate Chapel, but when surcharged with spiritual fervor he led a movement that turned England upside down, and now if our united church with eight million members, led by 24,000 ministers charged with the Wesley spirit, we could turn this storm tossed world upside down.

The Lord used Carey in India, Livingstone in Africa, and Asbury in America, all poor in worldly goods but rich in faith, to carry the Light into dark places, and the wonderful success of these great men and of the host of circuit riders like Tillett and Stamey, should inspire us now to go forth with determined effort to redeem the world from the slavery of sin.

William L. Sherrill.

TRUSTEES LOUISBURG COLLEGE MEET

The annual meeting of the board of trustees of Louisburg College was held at the college May 2, with the following members present: W. A. Cade, chairman, A. P. Brantley, E. H. Malone, W. V. McRae, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Leon Russell, W. L. Knight, T. A. Person, Roscoe Foreman, D. U. Sandlin, and J. E. Hillman. Those prevented from attendance were Mrs. George H. Hutaff, J. W. Jenkins, and T. B. Upchurch.

Rev. Walter Patten presented his first annual report to the board, giving a brief resume of the work of the college for the year stating the improvements in material conditions, equipment and curriculum.

A Terminal Agricultural Course has been added to meet the need for a short course in practical farming. This course is planned to give a knowledge of farm management, general field crops, fertilizers, poultry husbandry, swine, horticulture, dairy and beef cattle.

A slight change was made in the tuition charges. A comprehensive fee of \$290 has been set. This will include the usual extra fees.

To each student who desires it will be allotted a Labor Scholarship of fifty dollars, thus reducing the cash payment to \$240. To a few students may be an additional labor scholarship through the N. Y. A. funds.

The plan to limit two students to a dormitory room reduces the number that may be accepted at the college. This policy adds to college morale and efficiency. That the college is meeting a real need existing in the North Carolina conference is attested by the personnel of the enrollment: young men preparing for the ministry, sons and daughters from our ministerial homes, young women preparing for home making, nursing, missionaries, stenographers, secretaries, and teachers.

Louisburg College offers to the man or woman who loves youth an exceptional opportunity to invest service and money in human personality. It is here that a dollar is made to do a tremendous amount of service.

Summer Activities

Western North Carolina Conference

FOR CHILDREN'S WORKERS

VACATION SCHOOL INSTITUTES

Sunny Acres—Week of May 20-25; cost..... \$1.25

Districts: Elkin, Greensboro, High Point, Salisbury, Statesville, Winston-Salem

Camp Carlyle—May 31-June 1; cost \$1.00

Districts: Asheville, Marion, Waynesville

Registration cards have been sent to pastors and superintendents of children's divisions. Ask about them, and for further information write
Elizabeth Oliver, Box 828, Salisbury

Institutes have been held in Charlotte and Gastonia Districts

FOR INTERMEDIATES

Camp Carlyle for Girls, ages 12, 13, 14—June 8-15; cost\$8.50

Camp Carlyle for Boys, ages 12, 13, 14—June 15-22; cost\$8.50

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Christian Life Institute—High Point College, May 30-June 2; ages 15-23; cost \$4.50
Districts: Winston-Salem, High Point, Greensboro, Elkin

Epworth Training Institute—Pfeiffer College, June 3-7; ages 15-23; cost.....\$5.00
Districts: Salisbury, Charlotte, Gastonia, Statesville

Epworth Training Camp—Camp Carlyle, June 3-7; ages 15-23; cost.....\$5.00
Districts: Asheville, Waynesville, Marion

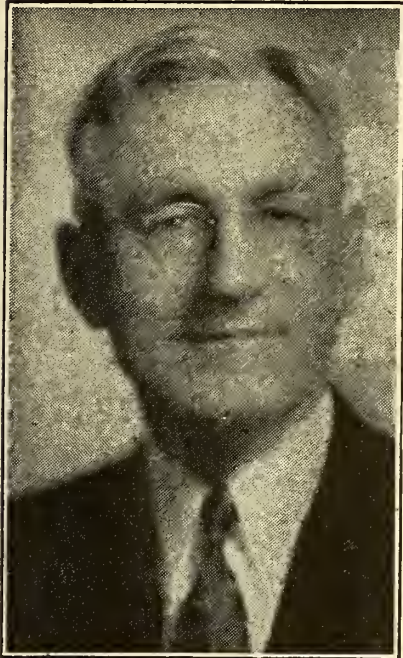
Senior Assembly, Lake Junaluska—June 24-29; ages 15, 16, 17; cost.....\$10.00

Young People's Assembly, Lake Junaluska—July 1-6; ages 18-23; cost.....\$10.00

These Assemblies are planned for the young people of all three of the former churches throughout the conference

For further information regarding activities for intermediates and young people
Write Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Registrar, Box 828, Salisbury

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

INVITATION—The public is cordially invited to visit the Methodist Orphanage as opportunity presents itself. We are always glad to have our many friends to drop in and see our home. I believe if more friends could see our children they would be more enthusiastic supporters of our home.

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WORTH PONDERING—It costs the Methodist Orphanage \$30 less annually, per child, than the average of the 12 largest orphanages in the two Carolinas. I think this statement reveals the fact that the Methodist Orphanage is being operated very economically. This comparative cost is authentic, and not just hearsay. I am sure our many friends appreciate the fact that there is no extravagance in the expenditures at the Methodist Orphanage.

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CASE WORK—I am unusually busy these days doing case work, in addition to the many duties in my office. It requires a great deal of time and the riding of thousands of miles to do the case work. Most orphanages as large as ours employ a whole time case worker for this business. When the superintendent does case work he can thoroughly visualize the whole situation. By knowing all the facts in the case I can better understand and appreciate the background of the children who come to the Orphanage.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives gives the following account of the visit of our singing class last Sunday: "Dr. A. P. Brantley is attending the General Conference at Atlantic City. We, the singing class, were glad to fill the 11 o'clock service for him on April 28. The pastor had been careful

to make all plans for us. Mr. J. W. Gilliam conducted the first part of the service, which he did nicely. Our congregation was large and appreciative. We are grateful to this church for the fine co-operative spirit it shows us."

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NOT UNDERSTOOD—It is right difficult to get our people to understand the need of specials for the Orphanage. Some seem to think that all specials are over and above our need for operating expenses. Some even think that all specials are to be used for luxuries and not for necessities. Such a conclusion is misleading. Since the ten per cent apportionment, interest from endowment and money from the Duke Foundation lack more than \$20,000 of giving us enough to make a balanced budget, it is perfectly obvious that we must raise a large amount in specials. If we did not raise this large amount in specials, it would be absolutely necessary to greatly increase the orphanage apportionment over the present amount. I feel that this explanation is in order, since so many people do not understand the absolute necessity of sending specials from their churches and Sunday schools.

OUT OF MY WINDOW

Out of my window, day by day,
God's wonders unfold to me.
I need but to lift my eyes, and lo,
His boundless love I see.

The trees long wrapped in winter's sleep,
How gently they awake!
Put on new robes of living green,
Their long deep silence break.

The tender buds of shrub and flower,
The grass just peeping through,
Remind me that the loving God
Again makes all things new.

The summer day, with an evening calm,
A lark in the tree-top high;
The humming-bird on silken wing
As he drinks from a flower close by.

A pattern of lace against the blue
The mighty oak tree weaves;
And I hear the wandering breezes sing
As they stray among the leaves.

A nest of birdlings—can there be
In earth or heaven above
A sight to make the heart more sure
Of the Father's tender love?

Now autumn with its flame of gold
Spread over field and wood;
The birds flown south, and the furry folk
Storing their winter food.

And then the great white miracle
Sent down from yonder gray,
Turns all my little world into
A fairy land today.

Each twig and branch, a lovely thing,
A-sparkle in the sun,
And ghostly 'neath a cold white moon
When the winter day is done.

Yes, out of my window God unfolds
Such beauty from day to day
That never can my spirit doubt
His love for me alway.

—E. Whisner.

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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"ASK FOR AND YE SHALL RECEIVE"

A recommendation which comes from the Woman's Missionary Council held in New Orleans on March 6-11 is that May 15 shall be observed as a special day of prayer in our churches, that God's power may be manifest in the new Methodist Church.

In view of the facts that a minimum of 55 additional volunteers for full time service on the foreign mission fields are needed and that only five were consecrated at the Council meeting this year, Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference secretary of spiritual life groups is asking that the women of the North Carolina conference pray earnestly that 50 young women will volunteer this year. Truly we shall wish to share in the privileges of these momentous enterprises.

CLARA TUCKER PERRY CHAIR

The Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Church in its opening business session honored its president, Mrs. J. W. Perry, by voting to establish and endow a chair of Christian Life and Thought at Scarritt College, to be named "Clara Tucker Perry Chair." The committee further recommended that the week of prayer offering in 1940 be used to establish the chair.

DURHAM DISTRICT

Annual meeting will be held Wednesday, May 15, at Graham, beginning at 9:30 a. m. Every society is urged to send a delegation. Miss Josephine Dameron and Miss Ruth Brooks will speak. Other women of the district will bring information and inspiration. The Graham women are presenting music and a pageant. All ministers are urged to attend; visitors are welcome. Plans for the new set-up will be given. Bring a lunch. Florine Robertson.

LUMBERTON ZONE MEETS

The Lumberton zone, Wilmington district, met at Trinity church, Elizabethtown, on April 9. Mrs. E. B. Ward, zone leader, presided. The opening worship was led by Rev. Allen C. Lee, St. Pauls. Mrs. K. L. Ponzer made the address of welcome and Mrs. George L. Pate responded. Mrs. H. J. Faison, conference vice president, brought a challenging message. Other speakers were: Mrs. B. A. Edens, Mrs. J. P. Brown, Mrs. W. C. Wilson, Mrs. Floyd Johnson. Rev. C. W. Barbee gave the noon day devotional. At the afternoon session, Mrs. S. B. Lore led the worship. Special attention was given to officers' training, the following leading the discussions: Mrs. Henry McKinnon, Mrs. H. M. Clark, Mrs. Wayland Floyd, Mrs. E. J. Chambers, Mrs. J. C. Ward, Mrs. L. R. Edens, Mrs. E. B. Fisher. Mrs. Allen C. Lee and Mrs. Floyd Johnson spoke on Scarritt Asso-

ciate Plan. Mrs. D. L. Smith was presented a life membership. Mrs. W. W. Davis, Lumberton, was elected zone leader; Mrs. George Hall, Jr., Elizabethtown, assistant; Mrs. Tom Covington, Lumberton, superintendent Christian social relations; Mrs. Wayland Floyd, Fairmont, superintendent spiritual life; Mrs. Bernard Edens, Rowland, superintendent study.

RALEIGH DISTRICT MEETS

With Mrs. Gurney P. Hood presiding, the annual meeting of the auxiliaries of the Raleigh district opened at Centenary Methodist church in Smithfield on April 25 with a period of worship led by Rev. J. J. Boone. Mrs. Hugh Austin gave words of welcome, to which D. M. Braswell responded. High lights of the program were the address of Mrs. D. J. Thurston, Johnston county welfare worker, and the noon day devotional by Mrs. Earl Brian. Other speakers included Mrs. T. R. Smith, Mrs. A. W. Hoffman, Mrs. H. A. Bizzell, zone leaders; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Mrs. H. O. Lineberger, Mrs. O. F. McCrary, Dr. Walter Patten, Mrs. L. A. Watts, Mrs. H. M. White, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Mrs. Walter Davis, Mrs. A. C. Jones, Mrs. W. J. Massey, Miss Mary Gardner, Mrs. S. W. Buchanan. Mrs. Hood welcomed the auxiliaries which were transferred from the Durham district and those of the former Methodist Protestant churches. Psalm 19:14 was used as the benediction.

23RD ANNIVERSARY OBSERVED

On April 13 the woman's missionary society of West Burlington Methodist church celebrated the 23rd anniversary of its organization at a silver tea. The affair was given at the church hut. A musical program was presented throughout the afternoon and evening. Special guest was Mrs. J. P. McPherson, at whose home the auxiliary was organized in 1917. Other charter members present were Mrs. Joe Whitesell, Mrs. Grover Cable, Miss Annie James and Miss Viola Cable. At the close of the evening the members of circle No. 3, sponsors of the tea, presented Mrs. J. C. Crutchfield, whose birthday occurred on that date, the large birthday cake.

STUMPY POINT AUXILIARY

The woman's missionary society of Stumpy Point Methodist church met with Mrs. A. T. Twiford recently. The meeting was opened by Mrs. C. E. Payne, using as her subject "The World for Christ." The scripture was given by Mrs. R. B. Hooper and Mrs. R. D. Wise led in prayer. The meditation, "A Goodly Heritage," was presented by Mrs. A. C. Hooper. The missionary topic, "A Birthright Missionary and World Citizen," was presented by Mrs. M. V. Hooper. After hearing

the interesting and inspiring reports that our delegates brought from the conference at Henderson we adjourned determined that we would try with the help of the Lord to make this the greatest in the history of the society.

Mrs. M. V. Hooper, Supt. Pub.

TRUTH AND FREEDOM

By James H. Franklin, D.D.

The Master himself recognized the essential connection between truth and freedom when he declared, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." But the world is slow to believe that only as men seek the truth and attempt to live under it will they find freedom from such conditions as now afflict mankind. Therefore, it is encouraging to find the leading editorial in such a great newspaper as the New York Times (Nov. 12, 1939) pointing out that in the present warfare in Occident and Orient men are merely acting according to their beliefs, and that they will continue to commit atrocities so long as they believe absurdities. "It is ideas that rule the world. . . . Men act according to their beliefs, even when these are illusions. Bombs are made and exploded because of an idea in the minds of the men who explode them."

Other portions of this remarkable editorial are as follows:

"The masses of men who fight this war on both sides, even those who fight under totalitarian banners, are not monsters. They are fighting, in the main, under a certain set of beliefs; somehow they feel that their fighting is necessary to make a better world for themselves and their families, and they will cease to fight if they recognize that they have been mistaken."

"That is why, finally, men must be free to seek the truth. It is only in the atmosphere of freedom—of free experiment, free discussion, liberty of thought—that truth may be found."

These are strong words. And they are all true. They are so true that school of religion should take them to heart, especially now when atrocities are so obvious, and when they are so clearly due to false ideas and ideals. And it is not enough to recognize that the Master was right with reference to intellectual and historical truth in their essential connection with freedom. The Christian forces of the world need to proclaim and to demonstrate that "Jesus was everlastingly right" in his teaching regarding human relationships, as well as regarding man's relation to a common Father; and that only as men seek for and attempt to live under eternal truth as exemplified by "That Strange Man on the Cross" will they find a life of freedom from fear and atrocity. We shall find real freedom as we seek truth and appropriate it. "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth."—Watchman-Examiner.

Mechanical defects of automobiles were held responsible for only 9.4 per cent of the 1939 highway fatalities in North Carolina.

Ninety-nine per cent of the fatal accidents in North Carolina last year occurred on roads in good condition.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE SUPT. OF STUDY

Dear Study Leaders:

I hope you will be as delighted as I am over the fact that we are to have a training course for study leaders at Duke University during the pastors' school. The date is June 3-8, and the teacher is Mrs. W. G. Cram of Nashville, Tenn. Our topic for foreign study will be China, and for home study Shifting Populations in America, and we will begin these studies in the societies October 1.

How I wish every study leader could be there! Will you try to be there? The cost will be \$1 for registration and \$1 per day for board for five days—total expense \$6. I feel that each society should pay the expense of its study leader if they can possibly afford to do so. Many of our ministers attend the pastors' school and I am sure they will be glad to take the study leader in the car with them.

If you can go, please write me so that I can notify the university. This is the first time we have undertaken to have this course and we have no idea how many will go. This will be an accredited class and the sessions will be about two hours each day. The remainder of the time you will have opportunity to see and hear many worth while things. Mrs. J. W. Payne.

MARION DISTRICT MEETING

The first in the 1940 series of district meetings was that of the Marion district held in the Methodist church at Glen Alpine, Wednesday, May 1, with Miss Claudia Harbison, the new secretary of the district, presiding. The meeting was featured by a large attendance of delegates and a program of interest, and the presence of a Council representative, Mrs. W. A. Newell; four conference officers, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Mrs. J. W. Harbison, Mrs. George Hoyle and Mrs. W. R. Harris, and two missionaries, Miss Josephine Dameron from Korea and Miss Nina Troy from China. A large percentage of the auxiliaries of the district were in attendance and a number of ministers were present to enjoy the day's program.

The session opened with a hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have," followed by scripture lesson and prayer by Rev. R. L. Young, pastor of the church.

A cordial greeting was extended the visitors by Mrs. J. D. Pitts, with response from Mrs. J. R. Clodfelter. A spiritual life message by Miss Sallie Lowder was followed by the report of the district secretary, which showed a most encouraging progress for the past year in all departments of the work. The report of the conference for 1940 was given by Mrs. W. R. Harris, conference secretary, and the World Outlook was presented by Mrs. P. N. Peacock, conference treasurer, and followed by the pledge service conducted by

Mrs. Peacock, who read appropriate scriptural selections and gave a splendid report of the financial progress of the conference for the past year, showing more than \$55,000 paid on conference budget, with a grand total of \$112,655 including the local work, etc.

Miss Nina Troy, missionary to China for a number of years, spoke most interestingly of her experiences there, especially during the period of the war, and told of the work in the penetrated area—Soochow, China.

The noontide devotional was led by Rev. J. C. Cornett, district superintendent, whose theme was that of giving in the right spirit, with scriptural text "What is that in thine hand?"

After a most appetizing luncheon served by the Glen Alpine ladies, the afternoon session opened with hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," followed by scripture and prayer by Mrs. A. J. Clemmer.

Christian social relations was the subject of an interesting talk by Mrs. W. A. Newell, Council chairman of economic relations, and the presentation of the children's work was given by Mrs. George Hoyle, conference superintendent of children's work. The record of 1939 in the department of supplies by Mrs. J. W. Harbison was not only of interest but most encouraging as advance was noted along the lines of work in this important department.

After special music Miss Josephine Dameron, missionary to Korea from the North Carolina conference, was presented, and gave an interesting and impressive message on her work in that field of service.

After the reports of the day's committees the meeting closed with hymn, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," and the benediction by one of the visiting ministers.

DAY OF PRAYER—MAY 15, 1940

From the report of the committee on spiritual life submitted at the annual meeting in Salisbury, April 18, we have the following recommendation:

"That we urge the spiritual life groups to co-operate in the fullest with the recommendation from the spiritual life committee of the Council that May 15 be observed as a special day of prayer in our churches, that God's power may be manifest in the new Methodist Church." Suggested programs for that day have been sent to the district secretaries by Mrs. C. N. Clark, conference superintendent spiritual life groups, and through them to the auxiliary presidents, and it is urged that every church hold a service of prayer on that day, May 15. Where it is not possible for women to meet with the group, individuals are asked to have a season of prayer in their homes asking God's blessings upon the new Methodist Church, and that his power may be manifest therein.

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It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum.

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Jonesville, D. B. Mullis	2
Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant	2
Ararat, G. B. Gwyn	2
Dobson, R. G. McClamrock	2
Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt	2
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St. Paul, A. D. Shelton	2
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Stokesdale, W. T. Albright	1
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Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow	1
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Spindale, F. J. Stough	3½
Bald Creek, J. N. Snow	2
Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace	2
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North Newton, C. A. Morrison	28
Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham	7
Central, John W. Moore	7
Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith	5
Maiden, J. G. Winkler	6
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Elmwood, Y. D. Poole	1
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China Grove, W. O. Weldon	4
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Forsyth, C. W. Kirby	2½
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Trinity, L. E. Mabry	1½
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Centenary, G. Ray Jordan	1
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Ayden, L. A. Tilley	2
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Grimesland, W. A. Crow	1
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Norlina, E. D. Dodd	1

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Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews	1½
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Charlotte	17
Rocky Mount	16
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EYES THAT BEGAN TO SEE

By Mabel Ruth Jackson

The Gordon family were driving down in the country to visit some relatives. They had been riding for quite a long time and Paul began to complain that Dorothy was crowding him.

"I can't help it," Dorothy said crossly. "There are so many bundles and suitcases that I have hardly any room."

Mother asked father if he would stop by the side of the road while she arranged the bundles so Paul and Dorothy would have more room.

"Is that better?" mother asked, smiling at them.

"Yes, mother," said Paul, "thank you." He was a little ashamed because Dorothy had not been crowding him very much.

"Do you know what I think?" asked father, turning to look back at them over his shoulder. I think you were both busy thinking of how tired you were, how far we have to go yet, and that you had nothing to do. And all the while you have something with you that could give you a great deal of pleasure and interest."

Paul and Dorothy began looking around in the back of the car where they sat, wondering what in the world it could be.

Their father laughed because they looked so puzzled. "I mean your eyes," he explained.

"But how can we play with our eyes?" asked Dorothy.

"I am not speaking of playing," said their father. "When I was a boy I read a story called 'Eyes and No Eyes.' It was about two boys who had to walk to school. One boy saw nothing because he walked along, his eyes on the ground, thinking of how far he had to go. The other saw all kinds of interesting things, the birds flying among the trees, odd-colored stones, cloud shapes that looked like ships and animals, and many other things."

Their father said nothing more but started the car again and Paul and Dorothy began looking on both sides of the road as they drove along. Soon Dorothy said, "Paul do you suppose any children live in that farm house?"

"Yes, of course," Paul laughed. "I don't suppose the farmer and his wife would have put up that swing for themselves."

"Oh!" exclaimed Dorothy. "I didn't see that. Paul, let's make a game of it. Let's look at every house and see if we can see something to show whether there are any children living there."

"All right," agreed Paul. "I think that will be fun. It was clever of you to think of that, Dorothy."

Dorothy was pleased and she forgot all about there not being very much room in the back of the car.

"There is a baby in that house," she smiled, as they passed a small white

"What makes you think so?" asked Paul.

"The little white dresses and tiny shirts and stockings on the clothes line," said Dorothy.

They did not have to guess about the next house because there were two girls and three boys in the front yard playing. Paul and Dorothy waved to them and they waved back.

There was one house that had a playhouse built up among the branches of a big tree and another with a tricycle and red wagon on the front walk.

"There are no children in that house," said Dorothy, pointing, "and the house looks sorry."

Paul laughed because there was wooden trimming on the house that looked like tears dropping. "You are right," he said.

In no time at all, it seemed, father turned a corner and stopped in front of Aunt Anna's house. Paul and Dorothy were almost disappointed because they had been having such a good time.—Story World.

THE AMAZING SPIDERS

I suppose some of you imagine, as so many people do, that spiders are insects. They are not, writes "A. B. C." in the R. S. P. C. A. Journal. A spider is divided into two distinct parts, not into three, as an insect is, for there is division between a spider's head and its shoulders, and that is one reason by which we know it is not an insect. But there are other differences as well.

A spider has eight legs, and no grown-up perfect insect ever has more than six. These are points worth remembering, for it is always interesting to be able to recognize to what class our little friends belong.

There are other differences, but these cannot easily be seen. Insects breathe by a net-work of air-tubes running all over the body; but a spider, besides these air-tubes, has generally two or four little lung-books.

It is easy to remember that, as well as having eight legs, a spider has eight eyes. These are like little bright beads and are arranged in two rows on the front of its head. These eyes are not like the great compound eyes of most insects, but like the three simple eyes the bee has in the middle of her forehead. As a matter of fact, for all its eyes, the spider is very short-sighted, and depends on its keen sense of smell and touch for finding its food.

Although the spider has smelling bristles on its body, it is really its fine sense of touch that is of most value to it. This has its center in the fine bristles at the ends of the legs, and constitutes the highest form of sensitive-ness known.

This amazing little creature is a spinning expert, and carries around its own spinning factory. At the end of the body there are six spinning fingers, called spinnerets, which make the most exquisite spinning machine, said the most wonderful in the world. These fingers are short and stumpy, with rounded tips, and are covered with little spinning tubes or spools, with a tiny hole at the end of each, through which the silk comes out.

The silk is not a skein inside the spinner, but is liquid until it comes in contact with the air. The spider can use as many spools at a time as it likes, and so can vary the thickness of the threads, and the quality of the silk. It has three different kinds of silk, and always uses the best suited for the work it is doing—a snare to catch food; a soft cocoon for the children; or a swinging-rope for itself.

Have you ever studied the beauty of a spider's web? It is a most lovely thing. In the early morning, glistening with dew-drops, it is as beautiful as jeweled lace. I wish I had space to tell you of some of the wonderful cobwebs I have seen.

A spider has beautiful little claws on its feet, like tiny combs. These it uses for combing itself most carefully, for it is very particular to keep itself neat and clean. A spider never neglects its toilet.

But I have to confess that these little people are quarrelsome and quick tempered and, alas, that they are cannibals, too!—Our Dumb Animals.

JUST FOR FUN

Little Peggy, just six, came running in from play. "I've got a stomachache, mother," she exclaimed excitedly. "That's probably because you haven't had your morning lunch," answered Peggy's mother. "Your stomach is empty. You will feel better after you have something to eat."

That afternoon the minister called at the home, and, in the course of conversation remarked that he had been suffering all day with a headache.

"That's because your head is empty," said Peggy, brightly. "You'd feel better if you had something in it."

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Mark Twain once said, "Most people are bothered by those passages in Scripture which they cannot understand; but as for me, I always noticed that the passages in Scripture which trouble me most are those which I do understand."

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A brick layer working on top of a high building accidentally dropped a brick on the head of a passing colored boy. "Yo' ought to be mo' careful, Mister," yelled the ducky, "you made me bite my tongue."

Sunday School Lesson

MAY 12

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By Rollin H. Walker
Through Doubt to Faith
Scripture—Habakkuk

It is curious how some old Scripture becomes as fresh as the morning newspaper. A turn in events brings about a situation similar to that which the ancient writer faced, and lo, we have in his words a special dispatch from heaven. We have such a revelation to this shuddering world in the brief prophecy of Habakkuk.

In his day the bitter and hasty Chaldean nation was in the offing like a gathering cyclone. They were marching through the breadth of the earth to possess dwelling places that were not theirs. "They are terrible and dreadful," says he. "Their horsemen come from afar, they fly as an eagle that hastens to devour." One only needs to translate that into terms of artillery and bombing planes to make it sound like a present-day broadcast.

True, suggests the prophet, Israel by its contempt for the law deserved all this, but why should God use so ruthless a conqueror to punish his people? That is precisely our problem today. France and England no doubt in a measure deserve the punishment they are receiving. Why did they not treat their fallen foes more humanely after the World War? Why have they not spent the money in promoting peace and good will which they have spent on battleships? Why did not England keep her tacit pledges with India after India had made such great sacrifices to help her during the World War?

But as compared with the utter ruthlessness of a Hitler or a Mussolini or a Stalin, with their cynical and blasphemous contempt for Christ and everything he stands for, the leaders of the democracies are on a high plane.

The prophet resolves to be God's watchman. "I will set me upon the tower," says he, "and will look forth to see what God will speak with me." He expected a message out of the darkness, and it came. It was this: "If the vision tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not delay." And the vision, of course, was that in due time the hand of God would be manifest to all men.

The prophet is commanded to write this revelation of the certainty of judgment so large and plain that he that passes by on the run can read it. If we put that command into modern language it would read, "Write the truth so plain and large that it can be read as easily as the huge cigarette signs as we whiz by them in our automobiles."

What a pity that the church is not so united that it could at any time plaster the billboards of the continent with the needed truth for the hour. The conse-

crated wealth of a united church could influence public sentiment in precisely the way that advertising genius has made the women of America begin to smoke.

It goes without the saying that today as of old the strategic message of the hour is that beyond the shadow of a doubt the slow, silent, but irresistible laws of God will bring to naught the forces of evil. The murderous dictators abroad are hastening to a terrible end. The liquor power in our land is on the way to destruction, and according to the law which says "the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped," the advertising firms willing for filthy lucre's sake to sow the land with seductive lies will be sternly judged.

On the other hand, if a man in the darkness holds fast to his faith in the goodness of God, and the final justice of things, in him will be fulfilled the words of Jesus, "In your patience ye shall win your souls." That is to say, instead of getting weaker and weaker he will get stronger and stronger.

"The righteous," says Habakkuk, "shall live by his faith." How little the prophet realized that long centuries after, Paul would take that saying and turn a corner in the history of the world by proclaiming that if any man, Jew or Gentile, adventures by faith upon God's everlasting goodness, through Jesus Christ our Lord he shall be saved. No rite or ritual is necessary, no penance or incantation; only the response of a faithful life.

And that was not the end of the career of this utterance of the old prophet, for Martin Luther in his monk's cell read Paul's quotation of it in the epistle to the Galatians, and suddenly a new light came into his soul.

He saw that God did not require him to scourge himself as a penance for his sins, but only demanded faith and the grateful sacrifice of a life of service. Thus the blessed emancipation of the Protestant Reformation had begun. And if this generation will heed the old prophet in its dark hour and keep its faith in the goodness of God, it will also soon behold the morning "stand tiptoe on the misty mountain tops" and rejoice in the dawn of a new day.—Christian Advocate.

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District	Place	Time
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High Point—High Point College		May 14
Greensboro—Gibsonville		May 14
Charlotte—Bethlehem Church, Prospect Chg.		May 16
Elizabeth City—Edenton		May 16
Salisbury—Cold Springs Church, Mt. Pleasant		May 16
Charge, 9:30 a. m.		May 16
Statesville—Taylorsville		May 20

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Statesville—May 19 to May 26.

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Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT	
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.	
THIRD ROUND	
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 11	May 12
Lakewood, 7:30	12
Wilkesboro, New Sharon, 11	19
Carr, 7:30	19
June	
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 11	1
Leasburg, Bethel, 11	2
Milton, Semora, 7:30	2
Trinity, 7:30	4
DUKE PASTORS' SCHOOL	
Front Street, 11	3-8
West Burlington, Glen Raven, 3	9
Fountain Place, Glen Raven, 3	9
Glen Raven, Glen Raven, 3	9
Webb Avenue-Holt's, Webb Avenue, 7:30	9
Alamance Ct., Rock Creek, 11	23
Mt. Hormon Ct., Cedar Cliff, 3	23
West Durham, 7:30	24
Branson, 7:30	26
Graham, 11	30
Mebane, Central, at First Church, 7:30	30
Mebane, First, 7:30	30
July	
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 11	6
Long Memorial, 11	7
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2:30	7
Brookdale, Brookdale, 7:30	7
Duke Memorial, 7:30	9
Calvary, 7:30	10
Chapel Hill, 7:30	11
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11	14
Cedar Grove, Prospect, 3	14
Davis Street, 7:30	17
Eno, 7:30	18
Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11	20
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11	21
Sweptownville, Salem, 2:30	21

Carrboro, Masser's, 7:30	24
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 11	27
Orange Ct., Hebron, 11	28
Burlington Ct., Glencoe, 3	28

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT	
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.	
THIRD ROUND	
First Church, Elizabeth City, 11	May 12
Aulander, Colerain, 3	12
District Conference, Edenton	16
Aboskie, 11	19
Hertford, night	19
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11	26
South Camden, Wesley's, night	26
Murfreesboro, Harrell's, 11 and 1	31
June	
Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11	2
Currituck, Hebron, night	2
Pastors' School, Duke University,	3-8
Manteo, 11	9
Stumpy Point, Masboes, 2:30	9
Wanchese, night	9
Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1	12
Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 11 and 1	14
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1	15
City Road, 11	16
Gatesville, Harrell's, 3	16
North Gates, Parker's, 11	23
Edenton, night	23
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11	30
Belhaven, Epworth, 3	30
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night	30

RALEIGH DISTRICT	
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
Railey, Simms, 11	May 12
Tar River, Trinity, 7:30	12
Hayes-Barton, 8	15
Four Oaks, Elizabeth, 11	19
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 8	19
Millbrook, Knightdale, 8	22
Mt. Tizah, New Bethel, 11	26
Rougeauit, Union Grove, 3:30	26

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT	
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
Kenly, Buckhorn, 11	May 12
Walstonburg, 7:30	12
Farmville, 7:30	14
Stantonsburg, 7:30	15
Weldon, 11	19
Rosemary, 3	19
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30	19

WILMINGTON DISTRICT	
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.	
THIRD ROUND	
Clinton, 11	May 12
Elizabeth, Wesley, 3	12
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, night	12
Burgaw, Herrings, 11	19
Scott's Hill, Union, 3	19
Wilmington, Epworth, night	19
Warsaw, Magnolia, 11	26
Garland, Antioch, 3	26
Wallace-Rosehill, Wallace, night	26
Shallotte, Dixon's Chapel, 11	28
Wilmington, Grace, night	28
June	
Penderlea, 11	2
Faison-Kenansville, Wesley, 3	2
Wilmington, Trinity, night	2
Tabor City, Lebanon, 11	9
Hallsboro, Peace, 3	9
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, night	9
Whiteville, 11	16
Bladen, Center, 3	16
Fairmont, Olivet, night	16
Southport, 11	23
Shallotte, Camp, 3	23
Town Creek, Bethel, night	23
Maysville, Pollocksville, 11	30
Swansboro (place to be announced), 3	30
Jacksonville-Richlands, Verona, night	30

Western North Carolina Conference

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT	
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.	
THIRD ROUND	
Duncan Memorial, 11	May 12
Unionville-New Hope, Zion, 3	12
Calvary, 7:30	12
Spencer Memorial, 7:30	13
Big Springs, 7:30	15
North Monroe-Grace, Grace, 11	19
New Hope-Bethel, Union, 3	19
Cladwick, 7:30	19
Thrift-Moore's, Moore's, 7:30	22
Monroe, Central, 11	26
Marshville, Gilboa, 3	26
Bethel-Bogers, Bethel, 7:30	26
June	
Waxhaw, Pleasant Grove, 11	2
Weddington, Hebron, 3	2
Wesley Heights, 8	2
Broadway Street, 8	3
Derita, 8	5
Liloesville, Forestville, 11	9
Morven, Sandy Plains, 3	9
Central Avenue, 8	9
Dilworth, 8	14
Prospect, Prospect, 11	16
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30	16
Belmont Park, 8	16
Peachland, Peachland, 11	23
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3	23
Hawthorne Lane, 8	23

Wadesboro, 11	30
Pineville, Marvin, 3	30
Myers Park, 8	30
July	
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3	7
First Church, Charlotte, 8	7

ELKIN DISTRICT	
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. D. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.	
THIRD ROUND	
Ararat-Mt. View, Ararat, 11	May 12
Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 11	19
Advance, Elbaville, 7:30	19
Elkin, 11	26
Yadkinville, Macedonia, 2:30	26
Farmington, Wesley's Chapel, 7:30	26
June	
Davie Ct., Concord, 11	1
Mocksville, 11	2
Davie Ct., Liberty, 2:30	2
Coolemece, 7:30	2
Wilkesboro, 11	9
Wilkesboro Ct., Charity, 3	9
N. Wilkesboro, 7:30	9
Sparta, Cox's Chapel, 11	16
West Jefferson, 11	23
Jefferson, Zion, 3	23
Helton, Greenwood, 11	30
July	
Traphill, Rich Hill Church, 11	6
Laurel Springs, Zion, 11	7
Boone, 11	14
Todd, Hopewell, 2:30	14
Moravian Falls, Roaring River, 7:30	14
Watauga, Mabel, 11	21
Green Valley Ct., Thomas Church, 2:30	21
Ararat, Maple Grove, 11	28
Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3	28
Surry-Yadkin, Level Cross, 7:30	28
August	
Warrensville, Clifton, 11	4
Creston, Peak Grove, 3	4

GASTONIA DISTRICT	
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
Belmont, Main Street, 11	May 5
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, night	5
Gastonia, Main Street, 11	12
Lowell, Bethesda, 11	17

GREENSBORO DISTRICT	
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.	
SECOND ROUND	
Mt. Pleasant Ct., Union, 10	May 12
Reidsville, Main Street, 5	12
District Conference, Gibsonville	14
West Greensboro, Groometown, 11	19

MARION DISTRICT	
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.	
THIRD ROUND	
Rostle, Solem, 11	May 12
Broad River, Providence, 3	12
Spindale, 7:30	12
McDowell, Trinity, 11	19
Old Fort, Bethel, 3	19
Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30	19
June	
Henrietta, 11	2
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3	2
Marion, First, 7:30	2
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11	8
Rutherford College, 11	9
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 3	9
North Forest, 7:30	9
Forest City, 11	16
Sunshine, Golden Valley, 3	16
Pleasant Grove, 7:30	16
Old Fort, 11	23
Gilkey, 3	23
Rutherfordton, 7:30	23
Connelly Springs, Friendship, 11	30
Shady Grove, 3	30
Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30	30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT	
John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.	
THIRD ROUND	
Lenoir, First Church, 11	May 12
Taylorsville, Marvin, 3	12
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, night	12
Hiddente, Pisgah, 11	19
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 3	19
Troutman, St. John, night	19
Mout Zion, Huntersville, 10 and 5	26
Davidson, Davidson, 11	26
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 3	26
Central, Mooresville, night	26
June	
Broad Street, Statesville, 11	2
Olin, Snow Creek, 2:30	2
Union Grove-Zion, Smith Chapel, night	2
Broad Street, Mooresville, 11	9
Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 3	9
Stony Point, South River, night	9
Balls Creek, Shiloh, 11	16
Highlands, Mt. Bethel, 3	16
Bethel, Hickory, night	16
Newton, 11	23
Catawba, Hopewell, 3	23
Maiden, May's Chapel, night	23
Westview, Hickory, 11	30
Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 3	30
Hudson, Mt. Hermon, night	30

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT	
W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.	
THIRD ROUND	
Winston-Salem, Liberty Street, 11	May 12
Winston-Salem, Centenary, "Prisoner at the Bar,"	12
7:30 and 8:45	12

INTERESTING TO SOME

The Western North Carolina conference, formerly M. E. S., was organized at Concord in 1890. The resolution of final adjournment was adopted October 20, 1939, in Greensboro. Twenty-one bishops have presided and three secretaries have served at the desk. Bishop Mouzon presided eight consecutive years, while Bishops Darlington, Denny and Kern each served four consecutive years. C. G. Montgomery was secretary for the first four years, W. L. Sherrill then serve for 44 consecutive years and E. H. Nease the past two. Two hundred and ten members have died during its 49 years. John Tillett was the first and J. P. Morris the last.

The Blue Ridge-Atlantic conference, formerly M. E., was organized in Greensboro, January 30, 1879, and the resolution of final adjournment was passed October 20, 1939, also in Greensboro. Its first six sessions were held in the month of January. In 1885 two sessions were held, one in February, 1885, and one in October, 1885. Thirty-one bishops have presided. Bishops Brown and Bristol served seven and six years respectively. There were 11 secretaries. Adolphus Graybeal served 19 years, 18 of which were consecutive. W. A. Parsons served 10 years with a year of rest between his sixth and seventh years. C. M. White served nine consecutive years and D. W. Haga served seven. Forty-nine members died during its 60 years. F. M. Fanning was the first to die, April 1, 1881, age 68 years. W. L. Carter was the last to die, April 18, 1938, age 69 years.

The Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church was organized in Greensboro, October 20, 1939, with a membership of 490 ministerial members and 393 lay members, of which 393 ministerial and 227 lay members were present. Bishops Purcell, Brown and Straughn jointly presided. E. H. Nease was secretary.

We have no date covering the M. P. conference. W. J. Plint.

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We have to make a choice; there is no middle course. If the Christians are not strong enough to convert the pagans then the pagans are always ready to absorb the Christians. The outcome depends upon whether or not we avail ourselves of the spiritual resources, and live the godly life which our Master so perfectly exemplified.—Hon. H. H. Kung.

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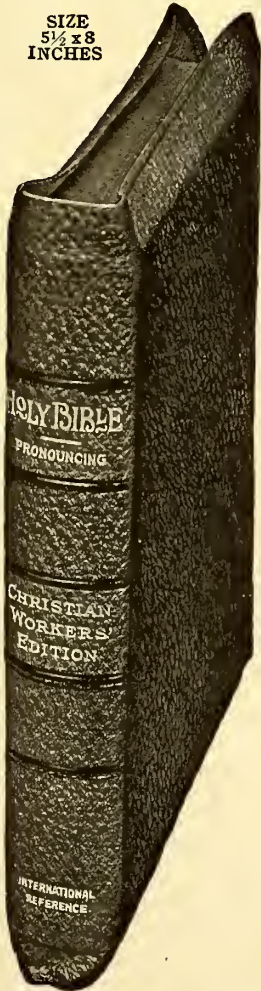
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# In Memoriam

**GUNTER**—Sarah Edith Gunter, wife of Joseph E. Gunter, passed to her home with the Lord on March 26, 1940, at the age of 62. She had suffered much for two months in Watts Hospital, but was cared for tenderly by a devoted family and faithful phycians and nurses. She leaves her husband and four children, T. Elmond Gunter, W. G. Gunter, Mrs. W. M. Browning, and Melba Gunter, all of Durham. She was a faithful beloved member of Branson Memorial. The funeral was conducted in the church on the afternoon of March 28 by her pastor, John Cline, with a large congregation of relatives and friends present. She will be greatly missed from her class, her community and her home here, but we shall see her in the morning!

John Cline.

## RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, in the death of W. H. Flythe on April 4, 1940, Zion Methodist church, Conway, N. C., lost one of its most devoted and loyal members, stewards and trustees.

Whereas, his Christian character and unflinching loyalty were widely known and fully recognized; and

Whereas, because of these and other qualities he will be sorely missed in the church and throughout the community. Now, therefore, be it resolved: That we extend to his family our deepest sympathy.

That the church cherish his memory and commend his Christian practice to all men.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the county paper and the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ricks.

**MCGLAMERY**—Laura Ann McNeil McGlamery was born April 11, 1857; died March 17, 1940. She was the daughter of Alexander and Jennie McNeil. She was married to M. A. McGlamery in 1876. To this union were born nine children. Two of these died in infancy; Andrew died in youth and Charlie at 34 years of age. Her husband preceded her in death 18 years ago. She is survived by F. E. McGlamery, with whom she made her home; an invalid daughter, and G. C. McGlamery, all of Miller's Creek. There is also one living sister, Mrs. H. D. Bumgarner. One brother and one sister preceded her in death. She leaves nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

In her early girlhood days she made profession of faith in Christ and joined Charity Methodist church. Her friends, from children to the most aged, proclaim Aunt Laura a faithful and true Christian and worker for the church and for the good of everyone with whom she came in contact. We shall miss her. But her hand still holds a beacon from an open door. She bids us enter. She invites us to her happy home. J. L. A. Bumgarner, Pastor.

## IN MEMORIAM

On the morning of April 6, 1939, one year ago, our dear mother, Mrs. Annie Biles Lentz, became still and her spirit, freed from its earthly tenement, took its triumphant flight beyond the shadows and sorrows of earth into the glorious realms of God's eternal peace.

She was born October 5, 1865, in Anson county, N. C., the oldest daughter of the late Robt. M. Biles and wife,

Mary Sullivan Biles. She was married to Franklin Krone ("Doc") Lentz of Stanly county September 8, 1881, who died June 3, 1917. To this union were born 12 children; three sons died in infancy and a daughter killed by accident January 1, 1931.

When things are darkest, lest we should fall,  
Let us remember our dear mother who loved us all.

She perhaps may be watching for us to come

To join the number of those to whom Christ said, "Well done."

Where she has gone we do not have to guess,

For we know she is in the sweet land of rest.

Some day, it may be soon or late,  
We hope to meet her at the pearly gate.

Her Children.

## IN MEMORIAM

Funeral services for Miss Rebecca Culbreth of Godwin, who died at the home of her nephew, Mr. Coy Wade, was held at Black's Chapel Methodist church March 13 by her pastor, Rev. Leon M. Hall of Dunn, and Rev. E. M. Snipes of Wade.

Burial was in the McKay cemetery near Fayetteville.

She was a daughter of the late Rev. Mr. Gray and Mrs. Sallie Culbreth. She was one of the oldest members of Black's Chapel and was also a member of the missionary society. She was loyal to her church and stood firm for what she thought was right. She was a great lover of flowers.

She is survived by one half-sister, Mrs. Lou Wade of Dunn and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Rhodes McLellan,  
Mrs. W. C. Williams,  
Mrs. Donald McIntyre,  
Mrs. C. W. Spell.

## RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of Central Methodist church, Kings Mountain, wish to pay a loving tribute to the memory of one of our dear friends, Mrs. Annie Dilling, who left us December 26, 1939.

In the passing of Mrs. Dilling we have lost a loyal friend and a faithful member of our society. We shall miss her in the work of our church society.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her family and commend them to the loving care of Him who loves us all.

Resolved, That copies of this be sent the family, Kings Mountain Herald, North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be spread upon the minutes.

Mrs. J. R. Davis,  
Mrs. C. L. Fulton,  
Mrs. J. O. Plonk.

## IN MEMORIAM

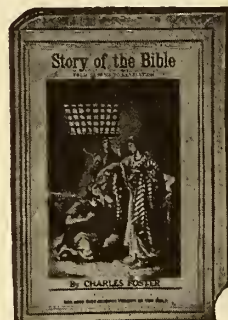
The Wesley Philathea class of First Methodist church, Lenoir, has lost one of its most beloved members, Mrs. John L. Suddreth. May we as a group bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father, who doeth all things well.

"When the dear ones that we love  
Enter on their rest above,  
Seems the place so sad and lone  
That was once their happy home.  
Father, may we strive to be  
Faithful, humble, more like thee,  
Trying hard His will to do,  
Working on till some day too,  
We may hear the Saviour say,  
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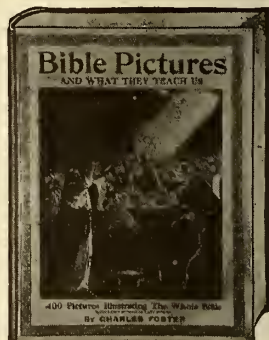
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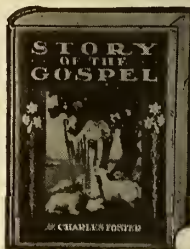
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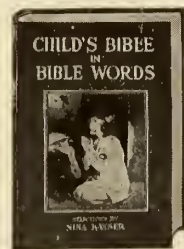


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## The Call to United Methodism

From Address Delivered Before the General Conference by John R. Mott

It is a privilege indeed to have the honor of congratulating the General Conference on its outlook, its constructive work, and its spirit of unity. You have been true to the vision, the tradition, and the expectations of the Uniting Conference.

In the light of my world-wide contacts since Kansas City I have been profoundly impressed that the Uniting Conference did not meet one day too soon. Suppose we had not found it possible to meet, and, above all to unite. It is a remarkable coincidence that, on the threshold of the most alarming manifestation of divisive and disintegrating forces across the world, our great Methodist bodies have been drawn together in a triumphant and unbreakable union.

We cannot too seriously remind ourselves that God bound us together, and this not as an end in itself but to make possible the achievement of great designs. Our gathering here synchronizes with one of the most fateful moments in the life of the world—a time literally unprecedented—in danger, in creative possibilities, and in urgency.

The clock has struck, the hour has come for Methodism to move out with a clear sense of direction and an overmastering sense of mission into larger dimensions.

The evangelical forces of America are today facing the greatest concentration of major issues in all our history. Never did the undertaking before us seem to me so difficult. How it has changed in scope, in complexity, and in pace—whether we have in mind our economic life, social reconstruction, sex relations, race conflicts, international life, or the thought bases of the Christian faith.

Moreover, within a few short months—even since Kansas City—a colossal, undreamed-of responsibility has been thrust upon American Christianity. Have you all reflected on the fact that since then the following missionary-sending countries have been drawn into the war orbit—Great Britain, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Germany, France, Denmark, Norway, and Finland. This leaves only three sending countries, apart from our own—little Holland, little Switzerland, and Sweden, which is already almost throttled. Several of these lands are already cut off from their missions, in the case of others their missions are gravely imperiled, and it is already evident that still others must effect distasteful cuts. The only adequate hope of relief and of averting irreparable disaster is the United States of America. Our wealth equals that of nearly all these other Christian countries combined. And our new Methodist Church is by far the largest Protestant body in America; its work is also the most widely flung of any evangelical communion; and we are the most nearly related to the various zones of conflict. Surely we cannot, we must not fail to recognize and to act on the responsibility thus suddenly brought upon us.

Let us also here at Atlantic City remind ourselves that we are living at a time when there exist the greatest areas of unrelieved human suffering the world has ever known. I refer not to floods and natural famines, but, far more alarming, to what has come in the pathway of wars—white wars, nerve wars, undeclared wars, lightning wars, wars wielding instruments and powers of death and cruelty such as the world has never known.



## LISTEN TO BISHOP PEELE'S WISE WORDS

May I suggest that the pastors of the North Carolina conference who have not already done so put forth special effort during the weeks now in the immediate future to place the North Carolina Christian Advocate in the homes of our people. Information creates enthusiasm. It is very difficult to be loyal to something about which one knows but little. The Advocate is a medium through which the total program of the church is presented and support of the causes of the church is urged. Possibly the most important step in the advance along all lines in the local church is to inform our people of the causes of the church and the machinery for the promotion of these causes. This can be done best through the official conference organ—the Advocate.

W. W. Peele.

### PROGRAM OF JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE, ASHEVILLE, N. C., BEGINNING MAY 22, 1940

#### Wednesday, May 22

9:00 a.m. Conference convenes, opening devotionals will be conducted by Bishop U. V. W. Darlington. Following the devotions will be a welcome address by Mayor Holmes Bryson on behalf of the city of Asheville, and Governor Clyde R. Hoey on behalf of the State of North Carolina. The program of the morning will include the Episcopal Address to be read by Bishop Darlington.

3:00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Bishop Edwin H. Hughes will preach in the auditorium.

8:00 p.m. Program of the Board of Christian Education under the direction of Dr. William F. Quillian. Addresses by Bishop W. W. Peele and Dr. Henry N. Snyder. Music by Emory University Glee Club.

#### Thursday, May 23

8:30-9:00. Devotional service, the bishops in charge. 9:00, business session. Fraternal address from the church-at-large, to be delivered by Bishop Edwin H. Hughes.

8:00 p.m. Program of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Address by Dr. I. M. Hargett, Louisville, Ky. Music by chorus from Pfeiffer Junior College.

#### Friday, May 24

8:30-9:00. Devotional service directed by the bishops. 9:00, business session.

8:00 p.m. Women's program. Address by Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton. Music by Glee Club of Greensboro College, and chorus of Paine College.

#### Saturday, May 25

8:30-9:00. Devotional service directed by the bishops. 9:00, business session.

2:30. Motor caravan to Lake Junaluska.

5:00. Service at the auditorium at Lake Junaluska.

6:00. Barbecue supper, Terrace Hotel, Lake Junaluska.

8:00. Youth night. Addresses as follows: Dr. Roy Short, Louisville, Ky., adult speaker; Gunnar Teiman, Johnson City, Tenn., and Irma Chambers, Hattiesburg, Miss., youth speakers. Music by Central church choir.

#### Sunday, May 26

8:30 a.m. Communion service at Central church, conducted by the bishops.

11:00. Services in the city churches.

3:00. Drama: "The Prisoner at the Bar." City Auditorium.

8:00. Union service with sermon by Bishop Arthur J. Moore.

#### Monday, May 27

8:30-9:00. Devotional service conducted by the bishops. 9:00, business session.

## LAKE JUNALUSKA

Mr. George F. Ivey, Southern Desk Company, Hickory, N. C., has generously given the Assembly 500 opera chairs for the front and center portion of the auditorium. These chairs are now being mounted on a concrete floor, this floor being the gracious gift of Mr. J. B. Ivey, Charlotte. The chairs and the concrete floor will cover more than one-third of the auditorium. What a comfort the chairs and the concrete will be to our patrons this summer!

An amplifying outfit has been installed in the auditorium for use this season this outfit having been presented by the men's Sunday school class and other friends at the Lake last summer.

A new three-inch wooden floor has been laid on the bridge over the dam, thus eliminating the rattles of other days! The driveway is one foot wider, with the walkway one foot narrower than formerly.

On the afternoon of May 25, during the approaching Jurisdictional Conference in Asheville, the members of the conference will drive out to the Lake, observe the improvements which have been made, hold a short service in the auditorium, and eat a picnic supper, as a gift of the Assembly, in the dining rooms of the Terrace Hotel. This supper will be served by Professor and Mrs. F. S. Aldridge of Duke University. In the Junaluska auditorium Bishop Darlington will preside. The prayer will be made by Bishop Decell. Short addresses will be made by Bishop Kern and Dr. Few of Duke.

Within a short time, the members of the annual conferences in North Carolina will receive a booklet, giving the entire program, from the office at the Lake. This booklet, beautifully printed and illustrated, was done at our Advocate office in Greensboro. W. A. Lambeth, Acting Superintendent.

## HOW SOME OF THE PASTORS WORK

Rev. J. R. Hamilton, pastor at Stanfield, goes to the top in the Salisbury district with 17 subscribers to his credit. Good for Hamilton and Stanfield.

Rev. J. C. Swain, pastor of the Macon circuit, heads the list in the Waynesville district. Brother Ratledge at Sylvia will hardly see himself and his charge shoved from the top permanently.

Sixteen charges this week appear for the first time in the Advocate campaign list. That shows a decided activity among churches which had not yet reported.

M. W. Maness, Manteo, the birthplace of Virginia Dare, reports for the first time nine and a half new subscribers, which puts two stars by his name. That is fine.

Keep your eye on the campaign report. It tells the whole story and it is wonderfully interesting and instructive. It ought to do you good.

## PASTORS PLEASE GIVE ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING

Write us a card giving the number of members in your charge so that we will know when you reach your quota which, as you know, is one new subscriber for each 100 members. When you secure double this number you are entitled to two stars, thrice that number to three stars and so on. As soon as you read this notice drop us a card giving the number of church members you have.



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One may lose his job and regain it, lose his purse and find it, lose his temper and recover it—but lost time is lost forever.

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George F. Ivey's gift of 500 opera chairs to the Lake Junaluska auditorium will assure the early arrival of that number of people who desire first class seats to all public meetings in that auditorium.

§ § §

Judge I. M. Meekins of Elizabeth City, who has been almost sixteen years on the federal bench in North Carolina, when opening court in Raleigh declared, "When liquor was legalized it was thought a decrease would be noticed in the number of whiskey cases in federal court. Exactly the opposite has happened."

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If you want "love" interpreted turn to 1 Cor. xiii chapter; if you want "joy" interpreted read the fourth chapter of Galatians; if you would have all those weighty, golden words interpreted turn to Jesus Christ and study him. But remember "the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance," and not hate, gloom, strife, impatience, and such like.

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Speaking in "unknown tongues" has been practiced for many centuries by certain extreme religious sects known in present day parlance as "Holy Rollers." But it is something new in football. We let Jake Wade tell about it in the Charlotte Observer. Listen to him: "In the last practice football game between Wake Forest and William and Mary, Paul Waivers instructed Tony Balionis, in their native Lithuanian language, to take out a certain player on the opposing team. . . . But the William and Mary end also was a Lithuanian and got the tip." It may be that the rules committee will provide another official known as the interpreter of unknown tongues.

For speed and efficiency as well as humanitarian service the American Red Cross must be at the top. The other day it needed \$10,000,000 for relief work in Europe. When notified by wire every chapter in the United States accepted its quota and the central office wired \$1,000,000 to the distributing office in Europe. How is that for quick work?

§ § §

Religious controversy, ecclesiastical politics, frenzied battling or vicious attacks in the name of religion are not marks of the spiritually minded. The Bible says, and it is well to stick close to the Book, "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance; against such is no law." It might we well to commit this list to memory and have it close at hand. These words would make a good pocket rule that one can fold up and carry with him in his breast pocket. Then when a man boasts of being spiritually minded, and especially when he boasts of being more spiritually minded than other folks, you can take out this two foot rule of nine sections and get his correct measure.

§ § §

The itinerant Methodist preacher after long years of service as "a good minister of Jesus Christ" comes down to old age occupying a place distinctly his own. Those who sing of his worth put a halo on his brow and clothe him with garments of praise. But on the stern, practical side of life the situation is altogether different. This veteran, if not relegated to the rear ranks, is transferred to a "silent sector," and fresh troops are ordered to the "active zone." Furthermore, when no longer able to render active service in the itinerant ranks, or even before that undesired period, after the vigor and strength of middle life have passed, the old minister is often left without a constituency who may know and appreciate him on account of former services. When his "batting average" fails he goes out of the game.



### Mid-Year Missionary Conference at Goldsboro

THE mid-year missionary conference in Goldsboro Thursday of last week should mark a new day in the North Carolina conference. The night before twenty-five representatives from all sections of the conference, including the superintendent and the missionary secretary from each district, assembled under the guidance of Bishop W. W. Peele to deal frankly with the present situation. It was found that in debt-paying, in evangelism, in church school work and other causes the advance had been satisfactory, but in contributions to the benevolences there had been a steady decline for five years. This led to a serious effort to find the cause so as to remedy the situation. It was an occasion of deep heart-searching among these leaders, laymen and preachers.

Thursday morning and afternoon St. Paul church was well filled with delegations of men and women, accompanied by the pastors, who gave themselves seriously to the work of the day. Dr. J. M. Ormond, president of the board of missions, presided and Dr. F. S. Love, secretary, led the devotions and aided in the work of the day. Bishop Peele led the discussion of the morning on evangelism and in the afternoon he presented the necessity of the benevolent demands upon us. Surely every one who knows the Christ as a living presence within must have determined to do more for both these and all other causes in the days ahead. It was a devoted and sympathetic leader urging the church to bring men face to face with God and insisting on every one to do more, in answer to a good conscience, to meet the demands of his church. Any man who did not feel the tug of this appeal would do well to go to his knees. Something unusual should happen in his own soul.

But this was more than a day of speeches. Serious testimony was given, valuable suggestions made and the captious objectors heard. Such are always with us. But more effective than these and all such are the quiet, silent, loyal men and women who have little to say as they strive to live in daily fellowship with their Lord, eager to do what they are able for every cause. All such are ready to break the costly ointment over Him whom they love. They have little sympathy for those cherishing the temper of Judas who are ever ready to count the cost, protesting the waste. They know the Marys have done more for the poor of earth

than has Judas and all of his clan. The blessed assurance of the Goldsboro meeting is that fine conviction, true and full, made manifest that this group was ready to break the alabaster box once more.

Peele, Ormond, Love and all those associated with them did a fine day's work in assembling men and women from all sections of the conference to urge that they come face to face with God that they may go out in an honest effort to stop the decline by unselfish giving. With many, self is too much on the throne. The Christ and the cross must have a new place along life's way. At the cross, at the cross, we will see the light as the burdens roll away.

### Why Not Elect Bishops for a Term of Years?

INSTEAD of continuing to elect bishops for life, why not elect them for a limited term of years, subject to re-election? It is not expected that there will be need for additional bishops at Asheville for the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Not many will be elected this year in the other five jurisdictions. But following the General Conference of 1944, doubtless quite a number of bishops will be needed. Why not see to it that the men to be elected in 1944 become bishops for a definite term of years? Let the Jurisdictional Conference at Asheville take some such action as the following:

**Be it resolved by this Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference, that the General Conference of the Methodist Church at its session in 1944 be and is hereby memorialized to provide the necessary legislation for the election of bishops by the Jurisdictional Conferences for a specific number of years, they being subject to re-election.**

Such action will bring in a formal way before the entire Methodist Church the idea of "term episcopacy" to be considered during the next quadrennium. By that time the conferences of the entire church will doubtless have reached some definite conclusion and be ready for the needed legislation to govern the jurisdictions.

Bishops elected for a term of years who in a great way fill the office of bishop would certainly be re-elected. To take the place of men not suited to the exacting demands of a bishop the church would elect others—men who could measure up to the demands of a General Superintendent. To this end we should move. Men who are not able to magnify their



office either as general superintendents or as district superintendents occasion dissatisfaction and unrest. We have a limit set for the district, why not a limit fixed for the bishop?

### **Better Days for the Methodist Press**

**A**T last by General Conference action the Methodist press becomes an organic part of American Methodism. The Board of Publication is charged with the management of all the publishing interests the same as the other general boards, such as missions and education are charged with the promotion of their affairs. Especially true is this as to the Christian Advocates which have filled a needed place in our Methodism for more than a hundred years. But never before have they been incorporated into this organic life.

Before the Uniting Conference the Committee on Publishing Interests began the work. Then more than a week of discussion followed at Kansas City, which resulted in the appointment of a joint commission to study the whole matter and report to the General Conference. Four days of discussion followed in the committee at Atlantic City, which resulted in the action unanimously adopted by the General Conference. So, careful work has been done in making possible the promotion of all our publishing interests, both general and local. We have been in the midst of it all and do know whereof we speak. It simply remains for us all to work together in building up a national weekly and also in promoting our local or conference church papers. It rests with the three hundred and fifty thousand Methodists in our two conferences to make a paper able to forward our every interest in the state. Will we do it?

### **The Coming Jurisdictional Conference**

**T**HE vast and far-reaching General Conference at Atlantic City having to do with the ends of the earth tended to exalt the need for emphasis on the annual conference and the work within the jurisdiction. Only in this way can local autonomy be preserved in the administrative work of the church in all sections of the nation. Moreover, these are most essential in preserving the necessary checks and balances in the legislation of the General Conference. For we evermore have to do with those who are

so broad and universal in their plans that local loyalties and the demands of men on the ground are ignored. Representatives of the annual conferences in the jurisdictions should be most alert at this point.

At Asheville, in this first Jurisdictional Conference, much thought should be given to the effort at this first assembly. The press, the country church, the schools are cases in point. The situation in many ways of this jurisdiction differs widely from some of the others. A paragraph from the address of the general superintendents to the General Conference is worthy of our serious consideration:

We shall have to be especially careful as to sectionalism. The jurisdictions into which the church is now divided are justified by real differences. The jurisdictions can best be administered by those territorially close to them, for the differences between some of the jurisdictions are now as real as were those between England and America at the time Methodism was organized in this country. Leadership of the denomination will have to be more and more that of the man on the ground—by which we mean the pastor who, in the midst of manifold change, should be the best judge as to what should be said or done in his particular charge. Nevertheless the church should expect to see the disciplinary provision, which makes possible the free movement of bishops throughout the denomination, generally enough used to make easy the flexible adjustments of appointments throughout the connection, to keep alive mutual understanding of one another by the jurisdictions, and to promote common aims and a common spirit and genuine Methodist fellowship.

### **Hitler and the German People Are Responsible**

**T**HE terrific and unprovoked assaults upon Belgium, Luxembourg and Holland and the unrestrained bombardment of civilians wherever it seems to serve their nefarious purposes, has made it plain that Hitler and the German people behind him will stop at nothing. It is time for those most reluctant to do so to stop excusing the German people. For the vast majority of the German people from the first have been behind Hitler. It is perhaps the strangest thing in all history that a people advanced in science and literature as Germany has been and the home of some of the world's greatest universities, cathedrals and art galleries, should revert to unrestricted savagery and ruthlessly attack any nation that stands in the way of their wicked designs. Theirs is a war on all civilization. They would not spare the monuments of the past nor the treasures of the present, and worse than this they seem to delight to murder women and little children in order to shock the world with their methods of terrorism.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Forrest D. Hedden, Raleigh, N. C., Wednesday, May 8, a daughter, Elizabeth Louise.

Born to Mrs. and Rev. Inman Uber Townsley in Belgian Congo, Africa, a son, named Inman, Jr. Date of birth April 9, 1940.

Bishop U. V. W. Darlington, senior bishop of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will prepare the Episcopal Address for the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference which will convene in Asheville, N. C., May 22.

Dr. F. S. Hickman, chaplain of Duke University, will preach the baccalaureate sermon at Converse College, Spartanburg, on May 26. Dr. Hickman is professor of the psychology of the Bible in the school of religion as well as chaplain at Duke. He is also author of a number of books, and one of the leading theologians of the nation.—Southern Christian Advocate.

Four new members received at Fairmont church, Raleigh, on Mother's Day. This makes a total of 83 since conference, 20 being on profession of faith. Our board of stewards is 100 per cent subscribers to the Advocate. Our morning services during March, April and May are being broadcast over Station WRAL, Raleigh. We hope to own a house of worship in the near future.—H. M. McLamb.

Dr. Merrill Moore, in the Boston City Hospital, has made a study of the strides of alcoholism over a period of years. That study is described in the New England Journal of Medicine of July 13, 1939. As a result of that study, Dr. Moore came to the conclusion that, along with tuberculosis and syphilis, alcoholism can today be classed among the major problems in public health.—Senator Morris Sheppard.

Mrs. Ursula M. Niebuhr, wife of Reinhold Niebuhr of the faculty of Union Theological Seminary, New York, will join the faculty of Barnard College, Columbia University, next fall to teach in the department of religion. Mrs. Niebuhr was the first woman to receive first class honors in theology at Oxford University and was the first Mills fellow at Union Theological Seminary. A graduate of the Seminary of two years ago and traveling fellow in 1938, Frederick deWolfe Bolman, Jr., will also teach a course in religion at Barnard next year.

I have just learned of the death of my friend and cousin, Mrs. Susan Beatty Sherrill. She was the second daughter of Gilbert M. and Adline Sherrill Beatty. She died May 8 and was 79 years old—born the year the war between the states began. She joined Rehobeth church in her youth and was a loyal member. In 1879 she married Elisha Austin Sherrill. She was the mother of 14 children; one died in infancy. Will A. Sherrill died in California in 1907. Mrs. Grover Robinson died several years ago. Her husband died in 1936. The following children survive: Fred Sherrill, Texas; Jarvis, Edwin, Emery and Howard, Catawba county, and Harry Sherrill, Rockingham; Mrs. W. A. Lockman and Mrs. Jessie Link, Lincoln county; Miss Bertie Sherrill, at home; Miss Lena Sherrill, a nurse in Asheville, and Mrs. J. P. White, Iredell county. She also leaves four sisters, Mrs. B. A. Gabriel, Sherrill's Ford; Mrs. J. A. Gabriel, Boger City; Mrs. J. P. Cornelius, Charlotte, and Mrs. W. F. Rader, Newton. One sister, Mrs. Joe Gabriel, died in Texas. Her two brothers, Manson and Locke Beatty, died some ten or twelve years ago. Rev. H. R. Cornelius, Lilesville, is a nephew and Rev. H. M. Robinson, Bessemer City, a great-nephew. Besides a large number of grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. She was buried at Rehobeth last Thursday, her pastor, Rev. Max Brandon, conducting the funeral.—A. C. Sherrill.

Our final announcement concerns our annual memorial and home coming day which will be observed at Shiloh next Sunday, May 19. There will be all-day services with lunch on the grounds. A large table is to be prepared, at which it is hoped that everyone will spread and have a home coming event at the lunch hour. We stated last week that we would report this week as to the speaker for the home coming address and will inform that it is Rev. A. C. Gibbs, pastor of Broad Street Methodist church, Statesville. There will be special music for both morning and afternoon services. Our two own quartettes—the Berrier quartette and the Harmony Four—will sing and it is thought there will be others. The special memorial service each year is in memory of those members who have died since the previous home coming, and this year there are six—the largest since we began our observance. Three of the six are from one family, two brothers, who died two weeks apart, and a sister who died within a couple of months. These services always prove to be very sacred, and we are sure that you would like to be with us.—Mrs. Homer Sink.

The month of April was a busy time at the Gibsonville Methodist church, Rev. R. G. Tuttle, pastor. The first week of that month zones were laid out, and prayer meetings were held in them the second week under the leadership of stewards. The next week was taken up with young people's supper meetings with young people leading a discussion period under the direction of the pastor. The last week in April was taken up with evening services, with Rev. R. M. Courtney, pastor of College Place, Greensboro, preaching helpful sermons. Services were held each morning that week for children with the attendance gaining until there were 98 present on Friday. At 3:30 each afternoon Rev. Mr. Tuttle talked to the group of young folks who were interested in church membership. On the fourth Sunday in April 27 persons joined the church. On Sunday, May 12, in the afternoon the pastor baptized a number of babies with appropriate service. Tuesday, May 14, beginning at 9:30, the Gibsonville church entertained the Greensboro district conference. Bishop Clare Purcell remained and preached for the group at an evening service Tuesday.—Reporter.

Davidson county Methodist young people are willing to recommend Rev. Earl D. Brewer, extension secretary of the Board of Christian Education of the W. N. C. conference. (Can't someone think of an abbreviation for Mr. Brewer?) First, as a good sport; and second, as a grand tonic for any young people's group whose recreation programs need a pepper-upper. Mr. and Mrs. Brewer came to Erlanger Methodist church on Monday night, May 6, for the monthly meeting of the DCMYPU. By leading the recreation hour in the gymnasium he put across to the young people ideas which they could carry out with local groups. The enthusiasm with which the Brewers were received was echoed by laughing voices and other noises that a group of seventy makes when they are having a good time. Prior to the recreation hour the worship service, with "Calvary" for a topic, was directed by Miss Mary Louise Umsden. The vested choir sang several sacred selections. During the business session, led by Miss Laura Shaw, president, it was decided that each League would raise one or two dollars in order to send the incoming president to Lake Junaluska for the conference. The Youth Herald, Union paper, was distributed, and the council meeting for May 19 at Erlanger (2:30) was announced. All news and the staff will come together at that time with the other officers. Place and time of the next meeting is Trinity church, Thomasville, Monday night, May 3, at 7:45.

Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the Advocate campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.



## Main Street Methodist Church, Belmont, to Be Dedicated by Bishop Purcell, Sunday, May 19



Main Street Methodist Church, Belmont



The Rocky Mount District Ministers' Wives' Association has held two meetings this year. The first, during the lunch hour of the missionary institute at First church, Rocky Mount, in January. The second meeting was held during the lunch hour of the district conference in Tarboro, April 17. The ladies met with Mrs. Ruark, wife of the pastor, in her attractive apartment. Officers for the year are: Mrs. P. F. Newton, president; Mrs. J. O. Long, vice president; Mrs. J. Bascom Hurley, secretary-treasurer. A district picnic, to be held the first of June, is being arranged for by the "wives" in Rocky Mount.—Mrs. J. Bascom Hurley, Sec.

### NOTES FROM BREVARD COLLEGE

Following the precedent of former councils, the outgoing student council of Brevard College held its annual banquet Friday night in the Virginia Lodge dining hall. The gaily decorated banquet hall added to the original program in which all members of the council took part. Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Coltrane and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Buckner were guests of the council. Members of the outgoing council are: Buck Barden, Oliver Orr, Elizabeth Parrish, Jack Kendall, Bill Palmer, Jean Summey, Dan Waddell, Delbert Byrum, Wayne Kernodle, Bill Dunnagan, and Betty Sumner.

To embellish the night's program the group attended the theater en masse. The program for the occasion was in charge of Oliver Orr, vice president of the council.

On Saturday afternoon the athletic department, under the coaching of Mr. John W. Christenbury, held a picnic and outing at Camp Carolina for those participating in athletic teams during the past school year. The afternoon's program consisted of playing softball, volley ball and other games. The main event of the day and easily the most popular was the "hot dog" roast in which all those present participated; approximately 100 young people attended the outdoor event. Following the hot dog cooking, Coach Christenbury presented the certificates and letters to those who had earned them on the various athletic teams sponsored by the college.

As one of the array of social events that were held on the campus during the past week, the Christian Workers' Club enjoyed on Sunday morning a sunrise breakfast hike. The group left the college at 5 a. m. and hiked to Cooper's Hill, where they prepared the meal. Following the breakfast the club members took a short hike through that vicinity, after which they returned to the campus. Bill Dunnagan is president of the club.

The last formal dinner for the current school year will be held Saturday night. The dinner is being sponsored by the four literary societies of the school.

A program of after dinner speeches, orations, declamations and debates has been planned and several medals will be awarded those students who excel in the various forensic events.

Several after dinner speeches will be held in the various dining halls on the campus, after which the entire student body and faculty will go to the college auditorium, where the remaining contests will be held.

### MAIN STREET METHODIST CHURCH, BELMONT, TO BE DEDICATED SUNDAY, MAY 19

One of the outstanding events among the churches of Belmont will take place Sunday, May 19, when Main Street Methodist church will be dedicated.

For this extraordinary occasion the pastor, Rev. Chas. P. Bowles, announces that Bishop Clare Purcell of the Charlotte area will preach the dedicatory sermon at 11 o'clock and then dedicate the church.

Mr. Bowles said the congregation plans to make a home coming affair out of it, and that a picnic lunch will be served on the grounds. Then there will be an afternoon service with Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., a former well known pastor of the church, preaching.

Main Street church was founded on September 6, 1911, which will make it 29 years old this coming September. The church was begun when Rev. J. A. Bowles, father of the present pastor, who was then preaching on the Mt. Holly, Ebenezer and South Point circuit, was responsible for beginning a protracted tent meeting. At the conclusion of the highly successful and enthusiastic meeting, the church was formed and Mr. Bowles named pastor. Thus it was a leader in the religious life of fast-growing Belmont.

The congregation worshipped in the tent until 1915 when, at the annual conference, Main Street church was set up as a station and Rev. A. P. Ratledge was appointed first pastor of the station charge. Since that time there has been a long line of illustrious men serving as pastors of the church.

List of former pastors: A. P. Ratledge, N. R. Richardson, J. Ed. Thompson, R. M. Hoyle, J. M. Barber, R. E. Hinshaw, H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., W. M. Smith, R. G. Tuttle, Sr., R. G. Tuttle, Jr.

Rev. Mr. Bowles feels that the dedication on May 19 will be one of the high lights in the church's history and urges every member who can possibly attend to be present for this most important event.

Thanks for renewals and new subscribers. Campaign is warming up with the weather.



### ELKIN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Elkin district conference at 9 o'clock May 9 went off with a bang, and the rapid firing continued till the lunch hour and gave promise of not stopping till late in the afternoon. Dr. J. S. Hiatt, the district superintendent, was in charge and had control of affairs. And these are not empty words. For the district superintendent with speed and effectiveness was guiding the work of the conference. Friendship church, six miles up the Boone Trail from North Wilkesboro is a comparatively roomy church, but a loud speaker had been installed in the yard so all those on the outside could hear what was going on in the church.

Dr. Hiatt gave prominence to the reports of the pastors and had them come to the front by counties to read their reports, which was not a bad idea. The timid fellow showed the congregation what a beautiful thing is timidity, while the pastor who wished to show off had a chance to let folks know just what sort of a fellow he is. The reports were good in most cases. John H. Green, pastor of the Yadkin circuit, was the only pastor who had secured his benevolent collections in full. He also leads at present in the Advocate campaign.

The following spoke at the morning session:

Woman's Work: Mrs. J. S. Hiatt.

Address: "Spiritual Life and Evangelism," Rev. H. F. Duncan.

Address: "Loyalty to Our Living Church," Rev. P. W. Townsend.

Address: "The Challenge of the Cross," Rev. E. M. Avett.

Address: "The Benevolent Dollar—Where It Goes and What It Does," Rev. H. C. Sprinkle.

Sermon: Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College.

W. H. Worth, lay leader, L. S. Weaver and B. C. Brock, associate lay leaders, and L. B. Abernethy were on the program for the afternoon. In addition to these were several visitors to the conference.

Dr. S. B. Turrentine, representing Greensboro College, and O. V. Woosley of the Children's Home had spoken at the morning session. Rev. J. L. Bumgarner was the gracious and obliging host of the conference.

Immediately after that bountiful and appetizing lunch served at one o'clock I was regretfully forced to leave for Greensboro.

### WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Waynesville district conference met in the beautiful new Rockford church April 19, 9:30 a. m. The devotions were led by Dr. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent. The conference was called to order and Rev. C. D. Brown was elected secretary. Special committees were confirmed and Dr. W. L. Hutchins called for reports of special committees: Christian Education, Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr.; Missions, Hospitals and Orphanages, Rev. W. R. Kelly; Christian Literature, Rev. J. C. Gentry; Youth Crusade, Rev. W. L. Lanier; Lay Activities, J. R. Long; Spiritual Life and Methodist Advance, Rev. C. O. Newell; Evangelism, Rev. J. F. Wyatt; Church School, Rev. C. E. Price; Licensing Committee, Rev. I. L. Roberts, Sec.; Nominating Committee, Lay Activities, J. W. Addington; District Board Church Location, R. D. Coleman; District Parsonage, Homer Henry; District Trustees, M. H. Bowles; Quarterly Conference Records, Rev. C. L. Fisher; Ad Interim Committee, Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr.

Special causes of the church were represented by the following: Greensboro College, Dr. Raymond A. Smith; Bre-

vard College, Wayne Kernodle; Youth Crusade, Rev. Carl H. King; Cullowhee Methodist Work, Rev. W. L. Lanier; Children's Home, O. V. Woosley; Chatham Memorial Hospital and Missions, Rev. L. B. Abernethy; Youth Crusade, Miss Sara Rathbone.

Rev. Dumas Clark was recognized and spoke briefly on the Lord's Acre Plan.

The conference sermon was ably delivered by Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr., who spoke on the text, "I will build my church."

J. R. Long was elected district lay leader, Glen Boyd associate lay leader and W. E. Bird associate lay leader for the ensuing year. The characters of the local preachers were passed and their reports presented to the conference.

Rev. W. L. Lanier presented the Cullowhee Glee Club. They sang "All Through the Years," the words of which were written by Dr. W. L. Hutchins. This selection and several others were sung to the delight of the conference.

The Rockwood church and their pastor, Rev. W. F. Beadle, were very gracious hosts and served the conference an excellent lunch.

Upon the invitation of Rev. J. C. Gentry the next district conference will meet in Hayesville.

C. D. Brown, Secretary.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT OF GASTONIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The first session of the Gastonia district conference of the Methodist Church met at historic Rock Springs Camp Ground, May 8. Rev. E. M. Jones, district superintendent, was in charge of the conference. Rev. C. E. Rozzelle brought the morning meditation, after which the conference organized for work.

The report on missions, hospitals and homes was read by Rev. R. C. Goforth, and Mr. O. V. Woosley told of the work being done at the Children's Home. Rev. H. D. Gorman represented the home at High Point. Mrs. Wilbur Barber, district secretary of woman's work, was introduced and she with Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. George Hoyle told of the successful work the women of the church are doing.

The following visitors were introduced: Rev. E. W. Fox, Rev. Cecil Heftner, Dean C. E. Buckner, Mark Tuttle, Rev. John S. Chadwick of the Alabama conference, Rev. and Mrs. W. R. Ridenhour, Rev. Joe Fitzgerald and D. Ward Milan.

The Parker Memorial Fund was represented by Rev. Cecil Hefner.

At 11 o'clock Dr. H. P. Powell of Dilworth, Charlotte, preached the conference sermon, using as a subject, "What a privilege to have a responsibility; what a responsibility to have a privilege."

After partaking of a picnic lunch spread by the charge, the conference was under the leadership of Mr. Floyd C. Todd, district lay leader. After the laymen's report Mr. Floyd C. Todd was again elected district lay leader, with Joe R. Nixon, Hazel Crenshaw and Horace Grigg elected associate lay leaders. Dr. L. L. Gobbel of Greensboro College delivered the address at the laymen's hour.

The Christian education and literature report was read by Rev. Charles P. Bowles of Belmont. Dr. A. W. Plyler spoke to the report, urging the use of the Advocate in the larger program of education. The colleges were represented by the following: Greensboro College by Dr. S. B. Turrentine, Duke University by J. H. Separk, Brevard College by Dean C. E. Buckner, Chandler School of Theology by Rev. R. C. Goforth. The conference board of education was represented by Miss Elizabeth Oliver, who spoke in particular of vacation church school in each church.

The licensing committee recommended Ferman Alexander Wright for local preacher's license; the conference granted the license.

The conference elected an entertainment committee to secure place for the next district conference composed of J. L. Rayle, Harold Robinson and T. H. Swofford.

After other reports and announcements, the conference heard the report of the courtesy committee and adjourned.

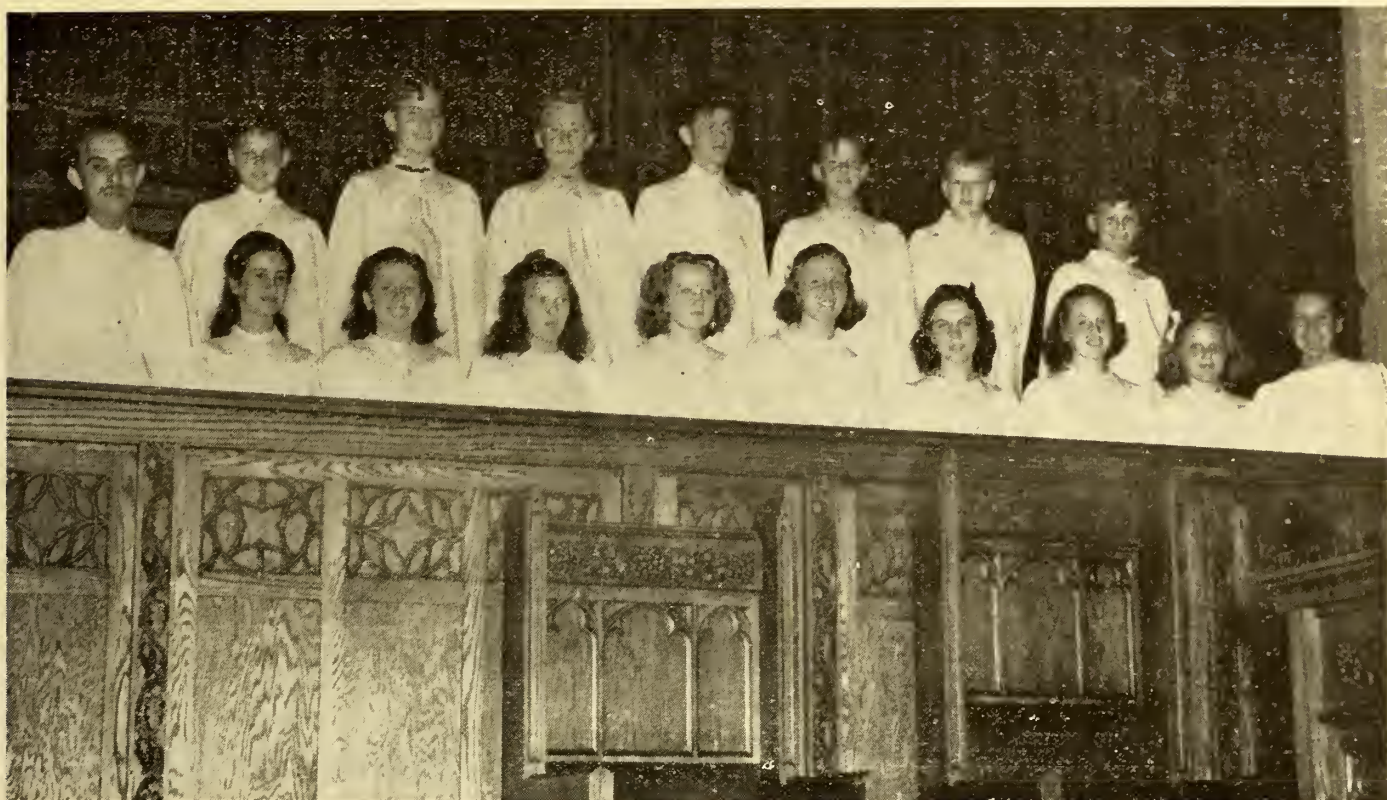
C. O. Kennerly, Secretary.

### BREVARD COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

Our commencement begins Sunday, May 26, and closes Wednesday, May 29. Dr. W. F. Quillian, executive secretary of the General Board of Christian Education will deliver the sermon in the Brevard Methodist church Sunday morning, May 26. The graduating exercises will take place Wednesday, May 29, beginning at 10:30 in the morning. Dr. H. B. Trimble, dean of the Candler School of Theology, Emory University, will deliver the address. We are expecting to graduate more than 100 young people. I hope that members of the board will find it possible to attend at least one program of this commencement occasion.

Eugene J. Coltrane.





The Junior Choir of the Meyers Park Methodist Church, Charlotte, N. C.

#### SERVICE OF DEDICATION AT DURHAM

The Memorial Chapel of Duke Memorial Methodist church, Durham, North Carolina, dedicated last Sunday afternoon furnished for all present a most impressive hour. This is a chapel located just to the rear of the church auditorium. It is provided primarily for the benefit of the young people of the church. This will, however, be used also for prayer meetings and other special services.

The pastor, Rev. H. C. Smith, had charge of the services and pronounced the ritual of dedication. The large vested choir composed of young people contributed much to the hour's service. Rev. S. R. Crompton, assistant to pastor, Prof. R. N. Wilson and Professor Holland Holton had part in the services. Dr. R. L. Flowers made the presentation speech and Prof. W. J. Seeley accepted the chapel for the young people.

Not often does one see such an attractive room as this memorial chapel. Its formal dignity, with choir and altar and appropriate seating, gives it the atmosphere of a sanctuary. Architect Haines did a good job and the entire construction is most commendable. Rev. H. C. Smith, who suggested the venture, and Dr. R. L. Flowers who stood back of the undertaking, have reason to be delighted with this fine contribution made to the life of the young people of Duke Memorial church. The entire congregation present Sunday afternoon rejoiced in the good day to which this church has come.

#### TWO DISTRICT CONFERENCES IN ONE DAY

The day was Tuesday of this week. The conferences were the High Point at High Point College and the Greensboro at Gibsonville. S. W. Taylor presided at High Point and L. B. Hayes at Gibsonville. One of the high lights of the High Point conference was the reports of the pastors. These reports were remarkably good. One

outstanding building enterprise of the district is the erection of a church auditorium to cost \$35,000. The congregation already has adequate church school facilities. Brother N. C. Williams, the pastor, reports that the congregation has raised \$10,000 and Wesley Memorial church will give \$10,000. So they have more than half the money before beginning the work which will start in a few days.

The address of Bishop Purcell at 11:45 upon The Gospel Urgency was a feature of the morning session. The bishop spoke again at 4:00 to the Greensboro conference, and a little later addressed the Rotary Club of Gibsonville. At 7:00 he preached in the Gibsonville Methodist church and then left on the night train for his home in Charlotte.

Gibsonville has on hand a church building enterprise. The Methodist Protestant Church and the M. E. Church, South, have united, and according to our information the plan is to build a new church to cost approximately \$25,000 and to sell the two old churches. Everything is going fine at Gibsonville. The people are delighted with church union and also with their pastor, Rev. R. G. Tuttle, and these two factors with Tuttle's habit of success should "turn the trick."

The secretary, Dr. J. L. Stokes, will report the High Point conference for next week's Advocate, and Rev. W. K. Goodson will likewise report the Greensboro conference.

#### MINISTERS' WIVES AT ELKIN

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Elkin district held their second meeting of the year May 9 at the Friendship church after lunch at district conference. Mrs. J. S. Hiatt, president of the association, presided at a short business session. Reports were given by the preachers' wives of various improvements on many of the parsonages. After a discussion of the summer picnic for the preachers' families the meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. Hermon F. Duncan, Secretary



### GASTONIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

A district conference ordinarily is just another district conference. But not so when it assembles on the old Rock Spring camp ground. With the big camp meeting arbor in the center of a great hollow square formed by dirt floor tents, row on row, and a great mass of idle people round about the grounds, it has the appearance of a district conference, a camp meeting and a picnic all rolled into one in the middle of August for May 8, the date of this conference, the mercury registered a maximum of 98 in the shade.

I must here say a word about this historic camp ground that has been doing business 145 years and gives promise of being here another century and a half.

The first camp meeting on the North American continent was held at Rehobeth church in Lincoln county as early as 1794, six years before the "great revival" began in Kentucky. This meeting was conducted by Daniel Asbury, William McKendree (afterward bishop), Nicholas Watters, William Fulford and James Hall, a celebrated pioneer among the Presbyterians in Iredell county. Three hundred souls were converted in this meeting.

The following year another camp meeting was held at Bethel, about a mile from Rock Springs, and the forerunner of this widely known camp ground. A little while after, Daniel Asbury and James Hall appointed another known as "The Great Union Meeting" at Bell's Cross Roads, three miles north of the present town of Mooresville on the Statesville road.

When it comes to the question of the original camp meetings, these in Lincoln and Iredell are perhaps the first in all the world except the Feast of Tabernacles among the ancient Hebrews.

In the report of the findings committee we have the work of the district conference in a nutshell:

The following statistics were compiled from the 35 pastors' reports which came to the committee. These facts reveal the progress of the district up to date in the matters of chief general concern.

#### Additions to the Church

|                                                            |     |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| (a) Profession of faith .....                              | 247 |
| (b) Church certificate .....                               | 301 |
| (c) No. charges reporting no additions on profession ..... | 8   |

#### Church School

|                                                     |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------|
| (a) Enrollment .....                                | 15,665 |
| (b) Net gain over last year .....                   | 895    |
| (c) No. church school workers taking training.....  | 343    |
| (d) Churches having young people's organizations..  | 56     |
| (e) Churches without young people's organizations.. | 45     |

#### Missions

|                                                 |    |
|-------------------------------------------------|----|
| (a) Churches having missionary societies .....  | 72 |
| (b) Churches without missionary societies ..... | 29 |

#### Finances

|                                                            |    |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| (a) Charges reporting at least 50% of budget raised..      | 7  |
| (b) Charges reporting 50% or more on salaries.....         | 15 |
| (c) Charges reporting 50% or more on benevolences .....    | 17 |
| (d) Charges reporting 50% or more on Children's Home ..... | 26 |
| (e) Charges reporting 50% or more on district work .....   | 12 |

James B. McLarty, Chm.  
E. H. Brendall,  
H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.  
Committee on Findings.

Rev. E. M. Jones, the young district superintendent, appeared to be meeting all the demands of his high and important office. Rev. J. Max Brandon, Sr., and his people provided abundantly for the needs of that huge assembly of Methodists. Those Rock Springs Methodists have for 145 years been feeding the public, but we think they must have surpassed themselves upon this occasion. Anyhow

they have no superiors and few if any equals. Dr. S. B. Turrentine, Dr. L. L. Gobbel and this writer had to depart early in the afternoon.

### WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The fiftieth session of the Winston-Salem district conference convened in Fairgrove Methodist church, Thomasville circuit, April 19, 1940, at 9:30 a. m., with Dr. W. A. Lambeth, district superintendent, in the chair. He handled the business of the conference in a very capable way.

A brief devotional service was led by Rev. L. F. Tuttle, pastor of Main Street church, Thomasville. He gave a practical and helpful talk on co-operation between ministers and laymen.

Instead of the regular roll call the pastors checked their attendance and that of their delegates on lists that had been provided.

The pastors and charge lay leaders made their reports. The following charges reported 50 per cent or more of their budgets paid for the year: Walkertown, Centenary, North Davidson, Main Street, Thomasville, Forsyth, Central, Mt. Airy, First church, Lexington, and Central Terrace.

The various interests of the church were represented as follows: Duke University by Dr. Fitzgerald; Pfeiffer College by Dr. W. S. Sharpe; Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital by Rev. J. S. Hiatt; Brevard College by Dr. E. J. Coltrane; Greensboro College by Dr. L. L. Gobbel; High Point College by Dr. P. E. Lindley; North Carolina Christian Advocate by Dr. A. W. Plyler; Western North Carolina Conference Brotherhood and the Parker Recognition Fund by Rev. H. G. Allen; Western North Carolina Conference Board of Christian Education by Rev. Earl Brewer; Woman's Work by Mrs. J. G. Sterling, district secretary; Children's Work by Miss Margaret Gray, district secretary; and Young People's Work by Rev. M. T. Hipps, conference director.

The reports of the various committees were read by the following: Committee on findings by Mrs. J. G. Sterling; committee on license, admission and orders and accepted supply pastors by Rev. W. M. Smith; committee on local preachers by Rev. G. C. Graham.

William Alfred Rock, Jr., was granted local preacher's license and was recommended to the annual conference for admission on trial.

The conference not only attended to the business of the day, but gave a place for two sermons that added a deep spiritual tone to the meeting. At the morning session Rev. J. E. Pritchard preached a timely sermon on "The Cost of Discipleship." In the afternoon Dr. J. B. Craven gave a powerful sermon on "The Methodist Advance."

Rev. Van B. Harrison and his workers of Fairgrove church left no stone unturned in entertaining the conference. A resolution expressing the appreciation of the conference to them was read by Mrs. W. L. Sapp and unanimously adopted.

Upon the invitation of Rev. J. L. Ingram, the conference voted to meet next year at Midway church on the Welcome charge.

W. J. Miller, Secretary.

### W. N. C. MINISTERS' WIVES' ASSOCIATION MEET

The ministers' wives of the Western North Carolina conference lunched together at the King's Daughters hut in Salisbury, April 12, during the annual missionary conference. One hundred and twenty-nine women were present.

Mrs. R. V. Martin played selections on the piano while everyone was being seated. One verse of "Blest Be the Tie" was sung, after which Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., led in the collect. Mrs. G. T. Bond offered the prayer.

The executive board met during lunch time at the Yaddin Hotel on the previous day and detailed reports were given of the district work. At the table the districts stood by groups. Brief reports were given by the conference officers. The collect as read was adopted by the conference.

Mrs. E. E. Williamson gave the report of the nominating committee. Mrs. W. B. West was elected president; Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., vice president; Mrs. J. T. Bowman, treasurer to succeed Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., and Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle.

The three former branches of Methodism were represented by three lighted candles and the three former presidents of these organizations stood by these candles. As they were extinguished one candle was lighted and Mrs. West stood representing the one organization.

Mrs. W. L. Hutchins with appropriate words presented the new president with a golden chain consisting of the links Faith, Hope, Love, Kindness, Service, Union, around which our programs have been built for the six years of our organization. She also presented a blank chain upon which to continue our links. Mrs. West responded in a most gracious manner.

We then sang "All Through the Years," a composition of Rev. W. L. Hutchins for this occasion. Mrs. C. O. Newell led the closing prayer.

Mrs. C. O. Newell, Cor. Sec.



### SOCIALISTS LEAD OFF

By Jacob S. Payton, Editor National Methodist Press

For some reason political parties have been squeamish about holding their national conventions in Washington. The century-old avoidance was broken on April 6 when 250 delegates of the Socialist party met in the auditorium of the National Press Club to nominate candidates, write a platform, flay adversaries, and attend to other matters in keeping with political traditions. The key-noter was Maynard C. Krueger, 34-year-old professor of economics at the University of Chicago, who was born of Methodist parents on a Missouri farm. Armed with a broad-ax, rather than a rapier, the young titan took successive full swings at the capitalistic system, anti-alien legislation, increased armaments, unemployment, reduction of relief and WPA. To the whipping post he led Secretary Farley, the Duponts, the Morgans, Mayors Hague and Kelley, Governor McNutt, Glenn Frank and others, and laid on a few stripes which made the dust fly. Between lashes he diagnosed the nation's ills, prescribed a remedy after the Socialist formula, and with a challenging peroration brought the convention to its feet.

Mr. Norman Thomas again proved the leader to whom all flags were dipped. The handsome white-haired ex-Presbyterian preacher, despite all the storms through which he has passed for his convictions, remains a jovial smiling optimist. He has escaped lapsing into the martyr's role, or into that state of ossification which is the bane of aging politicians. The gathering resembled a reunion rather than a political convention, and a striking feature was the presence of so many young delegates. They were no long-haired, harum-scarum band of tatterdemalions, throbbing with delirium, such as Socialists were once imagined to be, but rather resembled young pedagogues just arrived for the annual county teachers' convention.

On Saturday while 25,000 men in uniform in Washington's largest Army Day parade, went swinging down Pennsylvania Avenue in view of the convention hall, the delegates went on record as opposing America's partici-

pation in the present war economically or otherwise. No genuflections were made before the Comintern, and many a brickbat was hurled in the direction of gory Joe Stalin. For the fourth time Norman Thomas received the nomination for President, thereby lifting the perennial chaplet which once adorned the brow of William Jennings Bryan. Professor Krueger, whose effort as a keynoter was of the oratorical quality which in the old days used to make bishops at General Conference, was rewarded with the nomination for Vice President. At one stage he reviewed several policies of Socialists which were sure to result in "rubbing the cat the wrong way with the American people." His conclusion was: "This is a thing which must be done, and if talking about it in plain language is rubbing the cat the wrong way, then it's time we turned the cat around." Of course third parties usually fall prey to the hoofs of the Democratic donkey or the trunk of the G. O. P. elephant, neither one of which is noted for the gentler feline graces. Now that the vernal season is here these two historic quadrupeds are cavorting about with raucous brayings and trumpeting. Chief interest in Washington centers around which one will be headed off and turned back in November.

### WHITTINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

It's all right to be Dwight L., but don't be—moody.

Nurse anxiety and hatch a mental viper.

Silent lives of devout Christians thunder exceedingly loud.

Too many churches seem to be run on "Put-a-nickel-in-the-slot-and-see-the-wheels-go-round" plan.

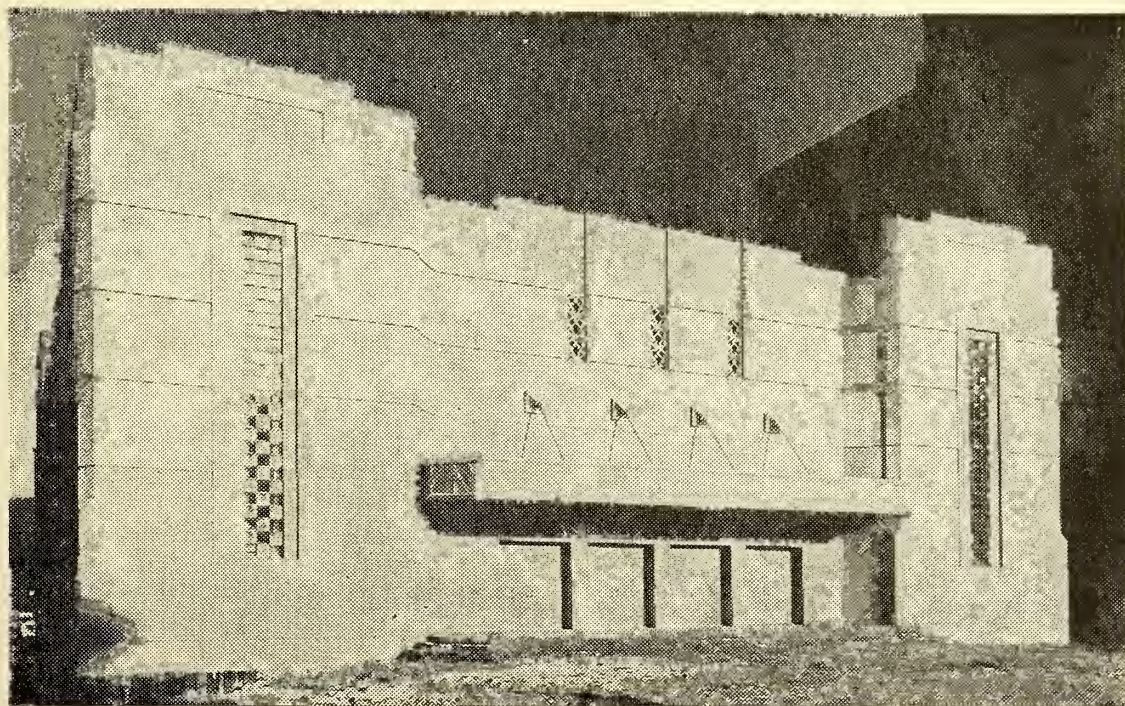
Cynical Sim says "Many a girl is miserable until she finds her man and after that he is miserable."

Too often during the church hour the brain of the attendant becomes a mental clearing house for the vagrant thoughts of the week past instead of quietly meditating upon God.

The average preacher in his crusade for benevolences finds an astonishing number of members who reside in the state just north of Arkansas.

Society's undesirable twins: the head of the "hammer brigade" when something needs to be done; the leader of the "clam brigade" when something good needs to be said.

Now and then a tender hearted mother will spank Johnny for tying a can to Fido's tail and then skin her neighbors alive before he gets through rubbing his smarts.



THE NEW ASHEVILLE CITY AUDITORIUM



# Morning Address of Bishop Peele at Atlantic City

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." Matthew 6, verse 33. There are two separate approaches to the problem of human life, one is the approach by the gateway of the spirit, the other by the gateway of the material resources. The approach by the spirit recognizes the need and place of material things in our civilization. The approach by the material resources does not necessarily, nor even usually acknowledge the need of spiritual things.

The modern approach is too much by way of the material. Ask the average man of today to define life, and he will do it in terms of economics. We are not far from the truth in saying that it is the modern scientific approach to the problem of life. Our present day program of life and our planning for the future are both economic. This approach "seeks its reality in this world of things and not in any universe of ideas transcending this world and its limitations." It dispenses too much with God and his kingdom, seeking in history little of anything more than a class struggle, a survival of the fittest, based upon material power and supremacy.

## Chances We Will Not Take

It has been some two thousand years since Jesus advised men to seek first the kingdom of heaven with the promise that in so doing they would receive all these things as they were needed. But we find now the same conditions existing that existed when these words were spoken by our Lord. We are willing to take chances on the kingdom of God and his righteousness, but we are not willing to take chances on food, drink and clothing.

The approach to life by way of the material resources is not Christian. When Jesus, in the Sermon on the Mount, said to those of his own day, who in their simple way were interested in the problem of existence just as much as we are today, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you," he spoke not as a homeless pilgrim, but as a sound philosopher whose economic program has been tried in countless cases since his day and has been found to work.

The approach of Jesus, therefore, to life was by way of the spirit. Reality is not in the material, but in the spiritual. There is, however, in the program of Jesus, a place for "all these things." Let us keep clearly in mind the fact that we have here a question of relative values. The difference here lies in the ultimate relativity of values. To the Christian these are the by-products of life and nothing more, whereas they are something very much more to the materialist. They are his very life; they constitute reality.

## Jesus Remembered Our Needs

Let us not forget that Jesus made a place in his system for food, drink and clothing and for all the material necessities of life. He said, "Your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things." It appears that he is definitely providing that they be met, but they are not to the summum bonum of life. They are to be the servant of the spiritual. Let us see if we can get clearly the proper relation between the spiritual and the material in the thought of Jesus.

You recall the banquet at Bethany with that beautiful deed of Mary. As Christ lay at the table, Mary came in, knelt at his feet, broke a flask of ointment most precious, bathed those feet with the ointment and then gently wiped them with her own beautiful hair. Slowly, slowly, the perfume filled the entire room. Slowly, those at the table became conscious of its loveliness. Judas knew its value, or he thought he did. He said, "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred pence?"

Jesus said, "Wherever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her."

## Jesus or Judas?

Here are two views of the same incident, two persons looking at the same scene at the same time with two entirely different valuations placed upon it. The view of Jesus was that it was such a typical expression of his religion that wherever his gospel should be preached, this incident should be told in memory of Mary.

On the other hand, Judas with his utilitarian view of life said, "It is worth its market value." They represent diametrically opposed conceptions of life.

The eyes of the young Jewish teacher light with radiant appreciation and responded instantly to that high and holy mood of Mary. He says, "That box of ointment has the value of an immortal memory. Its aroma shall never fade. So long as my religion lives, it shall live." But Judas, looking upon the same scene with practical experience in appraising the value of property, says, "That box of ointment is worth 300 pence and should be given to the poor." You can take a "thing," a box of ointment, and make it the vehicle of love and its value becomes infinite. You can make it carry for you a message of love and it becomes the vehicle of the purest utterances of the hearts of men.

There may be no such thing as intrinsic value. Nothing is valuable in itself. Men give value to things. The possessor is ever more than the possession. A box of precious nard in the hands of a Mary is a thing of infinite value. A box of precious nard in the hands of a Judas is almost worthless.

## Value Depends Upon Character

The value of a thing is determined by the character and ideals and ability of the one who possesses it. A violin in my hands is only worth its market value in terms of money. But put that violin in the hands of a Kreisler and it becomes the vehicle through which he pours the priceless beauty of his spirit. Put a thousand dollars in the hands of a Judas and it becomes a detriment, both to himself and to society. Put two pence in the hands of the Widow, who was a good woman, and it becomes the vehicle of love, and sacrifice, and interest, as she brings it and puts it in the work of the church.

We must be honest not only in the acquisition of the material things of life, but also in the disposition which we make of the things which we have honestly acquired. It is possible to be scrupulously honest in acquiring and very dishonest in using.



Union in Service

The Christian approach to life is that in union of the spiritual and the material is found the highest service of each. We are constantly striving to separate the spiritual from that which is material. We say the world of sight and sound and touch is the material world, while the world of sentiment and thought and love is the spiritual world. We often think that the material world is all bad. We must flee from it. God is not in it; and that the spiritual world is all good and that God is to be found only in the abstract spiritual universe. The world is presented to us as a dual universe. As a matter of fact, the spiritual gets its finest expression in terms of the material. Without the material as the vehicle of expression the spiritual would be almost useless.

On the other hand, without the material being permeated and dominated by the spiritual the material is useless. It takes ideas, sentiments, emotions, to use correctly the things of life. God did not make a material universe that is bad and a spiritual universe that is good. Each needs the other. They must be brought together. That is what Jesus did. That is the Christian view of life.

In the Book of Genesis we find this expression, "The world was waste, and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep, and the spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." Then, "The heavens declare the glory of God." What does that mean? It means that God's spirit expressed itself in that which was "waste and void and darkness."

The material apart from the spiritual is waste and void. The box of ointment apart from the love and spirit of Mary is worthless. But in contact with and used by Mary, it becomes priceless. Here indeed is the genius of the spirit and the essence of spiritual power—that it can take that which is of itself "waste and void and darkness" and give it the significance of beauty, truth and goodness.

What is the place of "things" in this world? Three voices come to answer that question. The first says, "Soul, thou haste much good laid up for many years, take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry." That means a surrender to the material world. There is another voice that comes in the name of religion and says, "Turn your backs upon this material world for there is no God in it. He is to be found only in the abstract world of thought and sentiment." This means that we are to flee from the dangers of materialism. This means retreat. But there is another answer which is neither a surrender nor a retreat. This is the answer of Jesus. He says that the spirit of a Mary can take a box of ointment and breathe into it the aroma of love and it becomes the conductor for the burst of her heart.

We need today not so much cash as we do the spirit of Christ to direct us in the use of what we have. Not more finance but more faith in the stability of God to use what we have to the establishment of his kingdom in this world. The late President Coolidge was right when he said, "We do not need more national development, we need more spiritual development. We do not need more intellectual power, we need more moral power. We do not need more knowledge, we need more character. We do not need more government, we need more religion."

And it was Horace Bushnell who said, "One more revival, only one, is needed, the consecration of the money power to God. When that revival comes, the kingdom of God will come in a day."

HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon, Supt.

During two recent week ends our Boy Scout troop numbering 24 boys have been testing out their skill at the Uwharrie camp. As measured over against the boys of 24 other troops, one week over three patrols of eight boys each ranked first, third and fifth; and the next week they ranked first, second and fourth among the 25 troops in camp. We were very proud of them, and greatly appreciate the good training they have received at the hands of their scout master and his assistant. One of our boys who recently received the Eagle Scout badge received a very beautiful letter from James E. West, the chief scout executive of the Boy Scouts of America.

It is interesting to note that James E. West was an orphan, reared in an orphanage. And the story of his life which is before me says: "It will always be a puzzle to Mr. West why his mother did not leave him the names and addresses of some relatives to whom he might go for aid, but to this day he has never met even one person whom he can claim as a relative."

In this story we find this experience. A night school belonging to the Y. M. C. A. in Washington, D. C., had been closed for lack of funds, whereupon young West said to the president, "See here, if I agree to open that school without costing the Y. M. C. A. one cent, is it all right?" Permission was granted, the school was opened and was a success in every way. In telling the story of it later Mr. West said: "I don't ask for money, I ask for permission to go ahead. It isn't money that sets the wheels traveling; it is energy, and intelligence, and initiative and determination—those are the things that count. Money comes afterwards."

We find over and again that it takes just such pluck and faith to run institutions for the needy of earth. But the money which is in the hands of Christian people is God's money and they are usually willing to share it with worthy causes.

Our School

This week in May marks the last week of school at Jamestown, and that means the last week for our youngsters. They are happy in their anticipation of vacation days. When they brought their report cards home a few days ago it was found that 15 of them were on the honor roll for the last six weeks' period. Not all of ours get on the honor roll. Do all of yours? But we were happy to have 15 of them make it.

The Canning Season

The season for canning fruits and vegetables will soon be upon us. We fear there will be but little fruit because of the late spring; but our farmer friends will be canning vegetables, and we hope some fruit, for themselves. So please plan to do for us as you have been doing all these years. Take a few cans and share with this children's home as you do your canning. We have been sending out about 2,000 cans each year. Let us know at the earliest possible date how many you can and will take. Send for them if you can, but if not let us know when and where to send them. You will save us time and travel if you will let us know soon. We thank you, and may God bless every one of you.

GROUP MEETINGS OF GOLDEN CROSS

The Fayetteville and the Durham districts have determined to do something worth while for the Golden Cross this year. Special meetings are being held in both districts. This is the plan:

First: Group meetings Tuesday, May 7, for all pastors and all charge directors.

Second: Date for the canvass—May 14 and 15.

Third: Selection by pastors and charge directors of names to be canvassed.

Fourth: The canvass—May 15 and 16.

At group meetings are packages of posters, envelopes, buttons and other needed supplies. All pastors and charge directors are asked to meet at the point most convenient to them.

The goal of every district is \$1,000. To get this we must see 2,000 or more chosen persons, or at least one-tenth of our membership.

The plan for Durham is similar to that for the Fayetteville, but one week later with all places of meeting given in the poster. Dates are:

1. Group meetings Tuesday, May 14, of all pastors and Golden Cross directors.

2. Decide on a definite period for the canvass (May 19 to 26).

3. A sermon in each church on "The Ministry of Healing," to be followed by an offering.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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### NEW BERN DISTRICT WILL MEET

The annual meeting of the woman's missionary societies of New Bern district will be held on May 31 at Beaufort, beginning at 9:30 a. m. Every auxiliary officers and superintendent is urged to attend and take advantage of the group discussions on committee recommendations adopted by our conference at Henderson. Lunch will be served at 25 cents per plate. An interesting and instructive program is being prepared.

Mrs. Gertie Matthews, Dist. Sec.

### ZEALOUS WORKERS—NEW LIFE

Through the efforts of Rev. M. V. McRae and Rev. E. H. Measamer, Old Hundred church in Scotland county, once abandoned, has been restored and is doing very effective work. Mrs. Measamer writes Mrs. D. C. Lawrence: "I wish that you and all others who shared in rebuilding Old Hundred might have been at their first missionary meeting. The statement 'Our biggest handicap is too many children' gave birth to an idea for what we call a missionary kindergarten. One woman is to volunteer each month to teach and amuse the children in order that the mothers may study missions. We plan to use available material for the children. We also plan to distribute good books and magazines for use in the homes in order that the young people may reap good from the missionary society. I am asking my friends to give me old magazines and books for use in this way. The one rule at present is that all liquor advertisements be removed. We do not wish to circulate them." Editor's note: The address of Mrs. Measamer is Laurel Hill, N. C. Let's send her books and magazines for the young people and children's books, and other suitable material for the kindergarten.

### AN INTERESTING HISTORY

On April 25th the members of the Wharton auxiliary celebrated the 14th birthday of organization. A brief history, as recorded by Mrs. D. Lester Latham, is interesting:

On the third Sunday in April, 1926, Mrs. W. M. Leggette, Mrs. Tip Moore, Mrs. J. J. Civils, Miss Ruth Civils, Miss Eula Dixon and Mrs. Robert Brown met with Miss Clara Dixon and the pastor, Rev. G. G. Whitehurst, and discussed plans for a woman's organization in the church. On the following Friday evening these ladies and several visitors met at the home of Mrs. Robert Brown and elected the following officers: President, Miss Clara Dixon; vice president, Mrs. M. M. Leggette; secretary and treasurer, Miss Eula Gray Dixon. After roll call, offering, distribution of literature, the meeting adjourned to meet again in May and has continued for 14 years. During these years Mrs. Clara Dixon Latham, Mrs.

Robert Brown, Miss Eula Gray Dixon, Mrs. J. J. Civils, Mrs. Jamie Williams Carroway, Miss Mildred Leggette and Mrs. William E. Dixon have served as officers. In January, 1931, a decision was made that the Ladies' Aid could do more creditable work as a woman's missionary society, thus the auxiliary was enrolled in the Woman's Missionary Conference at Washington, N. C. There is no record that the church finances were paid in full until after this date. A splendid record has been made during the best years of organization. Twenty members, 75 per cent of whom are active, are on roll at present. Two members, Mrs. J. J. Civils and Mrs. Jennie Hearn Stamper have been taken by death.

### ONSLow-JONES ZONE MEETS

The Onslow-Jones zone, Wilmington district, met at Richlands on April 12 with Mrs. A. H. Farnell presiding. Rev. I. T. Poole conducted the devotionals. Mrs. J. R. Taylor gave an interesting report on Mrs. Fulton's address at the conference in Henderson. Mrs. Orin Weeks gave a brief report of Bishop Peele's sermon at the conference. Mrs. Richardson gave an account of Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon's address, "Our Mission Fields Today." Mrs. I. M. L. Brock led an interesting discussion on the duties of officers in the local auxiliary. Mr. Gerald Bryant, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Louis Sylvester, rendered a violin solo. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick gave a most interesting address on the Council and the set-up of our new church. Mrs. Floyd Johnson made a report of the work in the Wilmington district and presented to Swansboro auxiliary a Council certificate for mission study work. Mrs. Holland expressed thanks to the Richlands auxiliary for the delicious luncheon and warm hospitality which was extended to the visiting auxiliaries.

Mrs. Orin Weeks, Sec.

### ENTIRE CIRCUIT PROGRESSIVE

Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville district secretary, writes: "Laurel Hill circuit has five churches and five missionary societies. Tabernacle and Rachels were organized in the last quarter of 1939. All are doing fine work and with such a leader as Mrs. Measamer they will do great things for the kingdom of God."

### BIBLE STUDY AT PARKTON

Recently the Annie E. Johnson Woman's Missionary Society of the Parkton Methodist church sponsored a Bible study class, meeting on four evenings in various homes, under the leadership of the study leader, Mrs. D. A. Sikes and taught by Miss Edith Farmer. The classes were well attended and we feel that this was a very profitable study class. Mrs. J. F. Lewis.

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## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### EXCERPTS FROM MESSAGE OF CONFERENCE SUPERINTEN- DENT OF SUPPLIES

Mrs. J. W. Harbison

"Believing that the district pledge to the conference treasurer represents our ability to give, the committee on supplies at our annual meeting recommended that each district make its contribution to supplies equal to ten per cent of its pledge to the conference treasurer. This is a goal toward which every auxiliary will have to contribute.

"This year we want to be sure every needy minister in our conference who is approved for aid by his district superintendent receives help through our department. If you do not know such a one, contact your district secretary and she will give you the name and needs in the family. Send needed supplies and be sure and include the value of the gift in your quarterly report.

"Our Bethlehem House at Winston-Salem is asking for money, canned milk, fruits and fruit juices, vegetables and vegetable soups, and of course, coupons again. Coupons from the Octagon products, Rumford baking powder, Ballard's Obelisk flour, Lusianne tea and coffee. These coupons count double if sent before June 30, 1940. If a Bethlehem House is opened at Charlotte during the year, those living near there will want to help there with the same type of supplies.

"Vashti School, Thomasville, Ga., is asking for money, sheets and spreads for single beds, pillow cases, quilts, blankets and dress materials in four yard lengths, and from Council comes the recommendation that we continue the project for furnishing refrigeration in China. Last year only one of our societies in the W. N. C. conferences contributed for this cause. We are hoping for increased contributions this year. Send your checks to your conference superintendent of supplies and she will forward them to the Council treasurer. Send a quarterly report of the money value of your gifts in this department to your district secretary and she will forward to your conference superintendent of supplies."

### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

May 2, 1940, marked the date of the district meeting of the Asheville district which was held at Brevard with a most gratifying attendance of auxiliary representatives and with a program of interest and inspiration. The meeting was presided over by Miss Amy Hackney, district secretary, with Miss Alma Trowbridge as secretary. An opening sentence a quartette from the choir was followed by prayer by Rev. E. P. Billups. Mrs. F. A. Walton, district superintendent of spiritual life, was in charge of the opening worship service, using as her theme "Sharing Christ," and she presented her message in a most impressive manner and

was followed by a vocal solo, "Are Ye Able," with Mrs. Mack Brown of Asheville as soloist. She suggested as an appropriate motto for the year, "In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He will direct thy paths." A second solo, "I Need Thee, Precious Jesus," was impressively given by Mrs. Goerge Schreyer.

After the expressions from the presidents of the auxiliaries as to the most outstanding achievement of their society for the year, a highly interesting report of the 1940 Council meeting at New Orleans was given by Mrs. P. N. Peacock, conference treasurer, who served as substitute delegate to that great meeting. It was a great pleasure to have Miss Nina Troy, missionary to China, present for the meeting and her message of the conditions there, the continuance of the schools despite adverse circumstances, and the loyalty, devotoin and forgiving spirit of the Chinese people, was one that held the closest attention of the large audience which greeted her. "The Achievements of the District" for the past year, as given by Miss Hackney, D.S., showed a splendid work by the auxiliaries with advancement in practically every department of the work.

The pledge service was conducted by Mrs. P. N. Peacock, conference treasurer, a most welcome visitor for the day, and the responses for the pledges for 1940 were most gratifying, and expressed the interest, faith and loyalty of the district representatives. The morning session closed with benediction and the delegates and visitors found their way to the S. S. rooms of the church, where a most tempting lunch was served by the ladies of the Brevard auxiliary. The afternoon devotional led by Mrs. J. G. Wilkinson of Black Mountain and was followed by the memorial service, conducted by Mrs. Fred Brown, assisted by the four zone leaders, Mrs. A. W. Groover, Mrs. R. H. Taylor, Mrs. W. G. McFarland and Mrs. Vernon Hall, who placed flowers in a receptacle as a tribute of love to those who had passed away during 1939. "Crossing the Bar" by a quartette of voices was most impressively sung. The report of the work of the conference for the past year was given by Mrs. W. R. Harris, conference secretary, and was highly encouraging in the progress and advancement along all lines of the work. An interesting account of the annual meeting at Salisbury was brought by Mrs. T. C. Jordan, after which each zone leader gave expression to the joy of service attained through leadership of the zone. Christian social relations was presented by Mrs. L. P. Sims, district chairman, and was followed by report of the work of the children. Miss Lucy Strider, representative from the district, who will enter Sue Bennett College in the fall, was introduced. The World Outlook was presented through a most effectively presented playlet,

"Rich as Croesus," given by several representatives from the Brevard auxiliary. A vocal solo by Mrs. Luther, member of the choir, was followed by the closing worship service by a representative from the faculty of Brevard College, with benediction by Rev. H. S. Williams of Hillside Street church, Asheville.

### CHANGES ABOUT WESLEY'S CHAPEL, LONDON

I have been mocked for letting it appear in the last issue that I imagined I heard a cock crow in this neighborhood. As a matter of fact, it is not so very long ago that poultry was kept nearby. Some one, not very old, remembers that at the South End of Finsbury Square there used to be an Old Inn with chickens running about the yard, and occasionally birds would appear in the middle of Moorgate's traffic. Men whose pipes needed a cleaning were in the habit of calling at the Inn to seek feathers during the lunch hour. Changes here are incessant. The old houses where the doctors lived who made the congregation of Wesley's Chapel in Wesley's day are ever being replaced by yet taller and statelier buildings. Such new erections have begun to creep up City Road towards the Chapel. Among them is the unique and bright edifice of Epworth House, the Methodist Bookroom. But for the war the day would have come the sooner when the smoke-begrimed and century-old brick and mortar would be all white stone or ceramic. As it is, there are great gashes in the line of buildings waiting for a happier day to be filled with pleasant structures. At the moment, and under duress the changes now taking place are detrimental. — Wesley's Chapel Chronicle.

### BLACK UMBRELLAS

Oft from my chamber window high  
up above the town,  
I scan the somber street when e'er the  
rain comes down;  
Gray skies and gray clouds are not a  
cheerful sight;  
But black umbrellas turn day into  
night.

If ever color's needed 'tis on a rainy  
day,  
And artist folk will tell you a rare  
background is gray;  
We need a dash of scarlet, a glint of  
green and gold,  
'Tis then we pray for rainbows to un-  
fold.

Oh, why when skies are weeping  
should garments cry aloud—  
Beneath a black umbrella, gloom clothes  
us like a shroud;  
Why, that's the time for canopies as  
gay as Joseph's coat,  
And boutonnières would lend a happy  
note.

I wish a swarm of fairies with paints  
of every hue  
Would stell all black umbrellas and  
make them bloom anew;  
Ah! then my chamber window, high  
up above the town,  
Would face upon a garden when e'er  
the rain comes down.

(Unknown).



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### UNITED FOR ACTION

The rapidity and assuredness with which Methodist unification has come is most remarkable. It is true that at the General Conference at Birmingham, just two years ago, three bishops clasped hands, symbolic of the union of three great branches of Methodism. It is also true that at the Uniting Conference at Kansas City 900 delegates arose in most spectacular fashion and repeated the pledge of allegiance to a united church. But in the glamour of these noteworthy occasions one could not help but wonder what would happen when the acid test of practicality came in setting forth the ways and means of governing the institutions of the church. One wondered what would be the attitude of a General Conference engrossed in the details of making a new Discipline. Now that this General Conference has been held one is impressed with the fine spirit and good judgment that was exemplified throughout the entire proceedings. The spirit of the recent General Conference was just as genuinely good, though less spectacular, as the spirit of the Uniting Conference. It seems evident that the various sections of the united church have nothing to fear at the hands of the whole church. Minority groups have been dealt with in a most considerate fashion. Indeed, one was impressed at the recent General Conference with the feeling that the group had largely lost sight of "former Northern Methodists," "former Southern Methodists," and "former Methodist Protestants." So far as the leadership of the Methodist Church is concerned, it can safely be said that it is not only united, but united for action. The remaining task is for this spirit of union to percolate down to the last local community.

### CHILDREN AND CROPS

It is a great satisfaction to be home with the children and to note their happy faces and joyful dispositions. It seems that every one wants to be personally greeted and have some question answered. Children are always interesting, as well as challenging. After the children and the working force come the crops in this scribe's interest. He wanted to know how the vegetables were coming along, how much corn was planted, what the condition of the grain crop appeared to be, whether the alfalfa had been cut and what was the milk supply. It usually takes about a week to get around with the first inquiries to the behavior of the children and the condition of the crops, but it is an interesting week.

### GASTONIA DISTRICT

The Gastonia district conference was held at the historic Rock Springs camp ground, near Denver, in Lincoln county, Wednesday, May 8, with District Superintendent E. M. Jones presiding. One arriving at 9:30 found that the conference had been in session a half hour and that the entire arbor was filled with militant Methodists ready for action. Reports from the pastors gave evidence of much progress all along the line. The district superintendent directed the meeting well and Rev. J. Max Brandon and his good people saw that the great concourse of people was fed well. It seemed too bad to have to tear oneself away from such a happy occasion.

### MARION DISTRICT

Hurrying away from Rock Springs, with a paper plate filled with good things to eat from the hands of Mrs. J. Max Brandon, three-fourths of the effectiveness of the Brandon family, this scribe hastily traversed 75 miles to Old Fort for the afternoon opening of the Marion district conference. In exchanging greetings District Superintendent J. C. Cornett stated that the Children's Home man should make the first speech after everybody got in from lunch. The conference seemed to be in fine spirits and greatly encouraged over the year's work so far accomplished. In the laymen's meeting of the afternoon D. W. Alexander, lay leader, directed an effective program centering on the childhood of the church, a rather unusual procedure for a laymen's meeting. Indications gathered from the two conferences of the day assured one that all finances will be paid in full and that the leaders are busy in the building of the kingdom.

### ELKIN DISTRICT

Thursday, May 9, brought the assembling of the Elkin district conference at Friendship, a former Methodist Episcopal congregation, located on highway 421, northwest of North Wilkesboro. Such a concourse of people attended as to require an amplifying system for those on the outside of the church. District Superintendent Joe Hiatt, always interesting, was found directing a most constructive program of accomplishments. By common consent no mention was made of the terrible weather which has been a constant companion throughout the win-

ter and spring to the workers in this area. Great strides have been accomplished in the circulation of the Advocate and in the raising of funds for the Children's Home. The people are happy and in a mind to work. Before the summer is ended and the fall has come finances will be in good shape. Better than all that, the spirits of the people will be greatly revived. Rev. J. L. A. Bumgarner and his good people entertained the conference in great style.

### NEW LONDON AND BADIN

Our singing class rolled out early last Sunday ready to give two morning programs, one at New London at 9:45 and another at Badin at 11 o'clock. Arriving at the beautiful New London church, greetings were soon received from Rev. and Mrs. M. F. Moores, whose talented daughter serves as our musical director, and in a short while our program was rendered before a good congregation of good people.

Hurriedly leaving, we were at Badin by 11 o'clock ready to render the program all over again. Our Badin friends made us feel mighty good, giving their offering as a bonus over and above their apportionment and taking us into their homes for lunch in a most hospitable way. By 2:30 another congregation of well-wishers gathered in front of the church as the children gathered in the bus for the homeward trip. It was a delight to be with the Moores and their good people.

### YOUNGEST IN THE FAMILY

The picture this week is that of our baby cottage family and their helpers. In the middle of the back row stand Miss Harrington, the dietician, and Miss Harbour, the home mother. On each side of them are three of our older girls who are particularly happy in ministering to little children. In the foreground are the 28 younger members of the family, ranging in age from a little less than two to nearly six years of age. About the most interesting place to visit on our campus is at the baby cottage. One cannot come around without receiving much love and affection from the little youngsters.

During the first six months of 1939, a total of 396 persons were killed and 3,058 injured on North Carolina streets and highways. The total for the last six months of the year was 547 killed and 4,132 injured.



"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me"



THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**THE WOODARD GYMNASIUM—**A large squad of carpenters and masons are at work on the gymnasium. We were delayed about three weeks in getting the steel. We hope to have the building completed early in June if there are no further delays. Mr. Graham Woodard of Wilson has conferred a lasting favor on our boys and girls by giving us this much needed building.

**COMPARISON—**The Duke Endowment 1939 Orphan Section Statistics gives the yearly per capita cost of the six largest North Carolina institutions. This report shows that our per capita cost is \$62.96 less than the average cost of the six largest orphanages in the state. The above statement ought to prove conclusively that the Methodist Orphanage is being operated on a very economical basis.

**GOOD OBJECT LESSON —** The Thomasville Baptist Orphanage secured \$60,000 during the last Thanksgiving season. The Baptists of North Carolina urge all their Sunday schools to give a monthly offering for the support of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. This fine showing on the part of the Baptists of North Carolina ought to stimulate our Methodist people to deal generously with the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh.

**GOLDSBORO MEETING —** Bishop Peele held a most important meeting at St. Paul church, Goldsboro, on Thursday, May 9. The main auditorium of the church was filled to capacity and many sat in the Sunday school room. The addresses were of a very high order. Bishop Peele has every interest of the conference at heart. He is a wise, consecrated leader and worthy

of the hearty co-operation of all the churches of the conference. I have never seen a more consecrated, brotherly leader than Bishop Peele.

**ELECTRIC RANGE—**We lack just \$200 of having a sufficient amount on hand to purchase a large electric range for our kitchen. The weather is getting hot now, and I did want to get the range by the first of June, if possible. I wish to urge our many friends to redouble their effort on our behalf so that we may be in a position to purchase an electric range at an early date. I feel deeply grateful to Mrs. Gurney P. Hood and all the missionary societies for their untiring efforts to secure the electric range for our big kitchen.

**WILSON—**I was delighted to worship with the Methodists of Wilson the first Sunday in this month. When a school boy in Wilson I attended the Methodist church and Sunday school every Sunday. It was in the Wilson Methodist church that I felt a distinct call to the ministry. For that, and other reasons, the Methodist church in Wilson holds a very sacred place in my heart. Brother H. B. Porter preached an exceptionally good sermon to a large and appreciative congregation. He and his congregation are devoted friends of the Methodist Orphanage, and they never lose an opportunity to do something for us of a worth while nature. I was happy to greet a large number of friends whom I have known through the years.

**SINGING CLASS—**Mrs. Nellie B. Rives gives the following account of her visit to Ayden and Sharon church on the Grifton charge Sunday: "It was a delightful day and everything pleasing for the visit we had in Ayden Sunday. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. L. A. Tilley, Rev. T. A. Sikes held the devotional preceding our concert. It was good to be back with our friends here. The evening service was at Sharon church on the Grifton charge. Rev. G. B. Starling and these splendid people gave us a hearty welcome, too. Both congregations proved their love for this cause by the splendid congregations and substantial gifts for the Orphanage."

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It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum.

In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

### Asheville

|                                            |     |
|--------------------------------------------|-----|
| Central, W. A. Stanbury .....              | 24½ |
| Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton ...           | 11  |
| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wilkinson ..... | 10  |
| Haywood St., W. G. McFarland ..            | 7½  |
| Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham ....            | 5   |
| Fletcher, H. E. Bolick .....               | 2½  |
| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....                 | 2½  |
| Biltmore, E. J. Harbison .....             | 2½  |
| French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler..          | 2   |
| Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea.....           | 2   |
| Hendersonville, D. E. Camak .....          | 2   |
| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman .....        | 1   |

### Charlotte

|                                              |     |
|----------------------------------------------|-----|
| Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ....              | 47½ |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ...           | 40  |
| Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F. Womble ..... | 16  |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....              | 15  |
| Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie .....            | 7½  |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..             | 7   |
| Calvary, S. M. Needham .....                 | 7   |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....            | 6   |
| Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper .....            | 5½  |
| Polkton, C. W. Russell .....                 | 5   |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....            | 4   |
| Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....                 | 2½  |
| Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman.....               | 1   |
| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....               | 1   |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....                    | 1   |
| Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins .....               | 1   |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....           | 1   |

### Elkin

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....     | 33½ |
| 7*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....      | 30  |
| Boone, P. W. Townsend .....          | 11½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner..     | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....            | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....              | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....       | 8½  |
| Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....         | 6½  |
| Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint .....        | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....          | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....           | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....      | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....       | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....           | 3½  |
| Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley .....    | 3½  |
| Warrensburg, J. G. Wootton, Jr. ...  | 4   |
| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene .....   | 3   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....          | 3   |
| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....      | 3   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....        | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....         | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....    | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....             | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....    | 2½  |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....       | 2   |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant .....  | 2   |
| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....             | 2   |
| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....       | 2   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....     | 2   |
| Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr.... | 2   |

### Gastonia

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....     | 26 |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison ..... | 20 |

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....         | 14 |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey    | 6  |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....            | 2  |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill .... | 2  |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....      | 1½ |
| Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....     | 1½ |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....         | 1  |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....       | 1  |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....         | 1  |

### Greensboro

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....      | 21½ |
| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger | 20½ |
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....       | 7½  |
| Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....        | 5½  |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....         | 5½  |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....       | 5½  |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....      | 5   |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....      | 5   |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham     | 4½  |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogon .....         | 4½  |
| Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse .....   | 4   |
| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy .....   | 2   |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....        | 2   |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....             | 2   |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle ....     | 2   |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....     | 1   |
| Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....         | 1   |
| College Place, R. M. Courtney ...    | 1   |
| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick .....   | 1   |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow .....    | 1   |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....    | 1   |

### High Point

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....            | 18  |
| S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington....    | 12  |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....    | 11½ |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr.... | 11  |
| Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....          | 8½  |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....        | 7½  |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....        | 7   |
| Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....      | 4½  |
| Calvary, D. V. Howell .....          | 4   |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams .....  | 3   |
| Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger   | 3   |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley..   | 3   |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....       | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II    | 2½  |
| Richland, C. L. Grant .....          | 1½  |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....            | 1   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor    | 1   |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....           | 1   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....           | 1   |
| Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....      | 1   |

### Marion

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....        | 7  |
| Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....    | 3½ |
| Spindale, F. J. Stough .....      | 3½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....      | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace ..... | 2  |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....          | 2  |

### Statesville

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins ..... | 30½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison .....  | 28  |
| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham     | 7   |
| Central, John W. Moore .....        | 7   |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....         | 5   |
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....         | 6   |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....         | 3   |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....       | 2   |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....       | 1   |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....          | 1   |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr .....      | 1   |
| Race Street, F. H. Price .....      | 1   |

### Salisbury

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| *4Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton .....   | 17  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....          | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....         | 10  |
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....      | 10  |
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....        | 7½  |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner     | 7   |
| First, W. B. West .....             | 6   |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..  | 5   |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson ...  | 5   |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge....   | 4   |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....     | 4   |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler .... | 3½  |

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 3  |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3  |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½ |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores       | 2  |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½ |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 1½ |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1  |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1  |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1  |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1  |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1  |

### Waynesville

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 10 |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....    | 9  |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry ..... | 8  |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle ..... | 2½ |
| Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2  |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner .. | 1½ |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....     | 1½ |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....     | 1  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....  | 1  |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....      | 1  |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....   | 1  |

### Winston-Salem

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Community, J. C. Auman .....        | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....         | 17½ |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen ..... | 14½ |
| First, J. E. Pritchard .....        | 14½ |
| Grace, R. L. Forbis .....           | 6   |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....    | 5   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....         | 4½  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....      | 4   |
| N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....   | 4   |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....          | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ... | 3   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....          | 2½  |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison    | 2   |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....     | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....          | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way  | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....      | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....     | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter   | 1   |

### Durham

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....      | 25  |
| Burlington, Davis St., F. W. Paschal | 19½ |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ..     | 12½ |
| Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....          | 9   |
| Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....             | 8   |
| Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds ....    | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....           | 5½  |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....       | 5   |
| Sweepsonville, T. B. Hough .....     | 4½  |
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele .....        | 4   |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton .....         | 4   |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love..  | 4   |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. ....    | 3   |
| Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser ...   | 3   |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson .....      | 3   |
| Milton, D. I. Garner .....           | 2½  |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps ....    | 2   |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson .....     | 2   |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth .....    | 2   |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe .....  | 1½  |
| Graham, J. R. Edwards .....          | 1½  |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton .....      | 1½  |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe .....          | 1   |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish .....   | 1   |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer .....          | 1   |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early .....         | 1   |

### Elizabeth City

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Williamston, S. J. Starnes ..... | 14 |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness .....     | 9½ |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt .....   | 6  |
| Washington, L. B. Jones .....    | 5  |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick .....   | 3½ |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe .....        | 3  |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon ..... | 2½ |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson .....   | 2  |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon .....    | 2  |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford ..... | 1½ |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis.. | 1  |
| Roper, M. R. Gardner .....       | 1  |

### Fayetteville

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Siler City, C. F. Heath .....        | 14  |
| Person St.-Calvary, M. W. Warren     | 13  |
| Sanford, Allen P. Brantley .....     | 12½ |
| Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons .....       | 11  |
| Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams ... | 10½ |
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown .....        | 8½  |
| Red Springs, B. T. Hurley .....      | 8½  |

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# Children's



# Storyland

## HOLLY AND THE CARDINAL

"Snow man!" chanted Jean. "Sure. Here are your rubbers, mine are on." Tom stamped into them.

"And here are your gloves," called Jean, sliding out of the closet door and skipping down the hall. "Let's try the back yard, there's more snow out there."

"Now then," Tom started rolling a big ball. Jean tripped over it. "Say, but you're a snow girl all right. You didn't get hurt?"

"Course not. Let's build him big as a real man."

"What else did you 'spect? Come on, roll up a little more snow. Here's his legs. We'll soon be up to his head. Wish I had something to pat with besides my hands; they're getting cold, can scarcely work right."

Jean stood still a second, then she was off, her red coat flying about her, her cheeks almost as red as her coat. She came back with a shovel, her pet shovel she dug with when she worked in her flower bed. She dug it into the snow now and made the snow fly.

"Here, that isn't what I want. I want to pat the arms, the head, hard and firm. Say, Jean, are you helping or not?"

"Helping? Here's snow for his hat."

"I don't want snow, I want something to smooth him up with, make him good and hard. If you don't first wind comes along he'll blow to pieces."

"But I'll keep the shovel and pat, too."

"You can't reach his face, that's what I want it for. Going to be stingy?"

"No," Jean gulped. "Tell you what, Tom, I'll give it to you, if—if you'll do the next thing I ask you." It was an old scheme of barter between the two. "Promise?" Jean's eyes were dancing, though she had no idea what she would ask him. "Promise?" she repeated.

"Oh, give it here! I promise, but make it something easy." On went the patting, cheeks firmer, snow hat on, snow arms—"Thing he wants now—I know, a gun stuck in his arms, he's out hunting," and it was Tom who ran off this time. He came back chuckling. "Look at this; took this old broom handle, wrapped this excelsior and stuff at the bottom; doesn't it look real? Don't you think so?" he asked sharply, for John looked doubtful.

"Oh, Tom, the birds! They'll get scared."

"Scared, nothing, and what if they are?"

"But, scare the birds when we're trying to feed them? Help them. I know, I know! There's that old holly on the porch. Dad's going to burn it up some day. Yesterday I saw the cardinal trying to peck it through the screen. Cardinals love berries. Let's stick a piece of holly in his arms."

"Silly!"

## WORDS

By Alina Craig

I must remember that words have wings,  
And may carry joy, or poisonous stings;

Some are jewels, as lamps to the feet,  
Spoken to friends that daily we meet.

But what of words in anger spoken,  
In haste, so thoughtless of the heart we've broken?

If we saw the cruel, deep wounds they make,

A watch we would set on the flight they take.

Thoughts unexpressed may sometimes fall dead,

But words once spoken are never un-said.

To God we cry, before the evil word slips,

Set a watch, O Lord—keep the door of my lips.

"It's not," Jean's voice quavered. Suddenly it strengthened. "You promised, you promised, next thing I asked," and off she tore again. She came back with a branch of holly, red berries shining. "Let's put it right up there," she said, standing on tiptoe.

Tom threw down the dressed-up broom he had been proud of. He scowled as he stuck in the holly, but he kept his promise. "Bet you no bird'll come near it."

"Promise, promise again, if it does you'll try and get his picture from your new camera." It was next day that Jean whispered, "Get your camera quick; slip out on the porch. There!" On the snow man's shoulder perched the cardinal, red bill pecking at red berries.

"Huh! And you think I don't know. Didn't I see you scattering crumbs all the way about there? You just coaxed him."

"S'pose I did," Jean stuck up her round little chin. "I'd rather coax than not, now wouldn't you?"—Lucy Meacham Thruston.

Small boys often ask embarrassing questions. A preacher was addressing the Sunday school and explaining the significance of white. "Why," he asked, "does a bride desire to be clothed in white at her marriage?" As no one answered, he went on, "Because white stands for joy, and the wedding day is the most joyous occasion in a woman's life."

Immediately a little fellow piped up, "Please, sir, why do the men all wear black?"—Exchange.

## KATIE'S SATURDAY

"Dear me!" sighed Katie when she got up that Saturday morning.

"What can be the matter?" said mother, laughing at the doleful face.

"O there's thousands and millions of things the matter!" said Katie crossly. She was a little girl who did not like to be laughed at.

"Now, Katie," said mother, this time seriously, "as soon as you are dressed I have something I want you to do for me down in the library."

"Before breakfast?" asked Katie.

"No, you can have your breakfast first," mother answered, laughing again at the cloudy little face.

Katie was very anxious to know what this was and as, perhaps you are, too, we will skip the breakfast and go right into the library.

Mother was sitting at the desk, with a big piece of paper and a pencil in front of her.

"Now, Katie," she said, taking her on her lap, "I want you to write down a few of those things that trouble you. One thousand will do!"

"O mother, you're laughing at me now," said Katie, "but I can think of at least ten right this minute."

"Very well," said mother, "put down ten." So Katie wrote:

"1. It's raining, so we can't play croquet."

"2. Minnie is going away, so I will have to sit with that horrid little Jean Bascom on Monday."

"3. ———"

Here Katie bit her pencil, and then couldn't help laughing. "That's all I can think of just this minute," she said.

"Well," said her mother. "I'll just keep this paper for a day or two."

That afternoon the rain had cleared, and her mother sat at the window, saw Uncle Jack coming to take Katie riding, and oh, what a jolly afternoon they had of it!

Monday, when Katie came home from school, she said: "O mother, I didn't like Jean at all at first, but she is a lovely seatmate. I am so glad, aren't you?"

"Oh!" was all mother said, but it made her think of her Saturday trouble and the paper.

"I guess I will tear up that paper now, mother dear," she said, laughing rather shyly.

"And next time," said mother, "why not let the troubles come before you cry about them? There are so many of them that turn out very pleasant if you will only wait and see."—Selected.

Crawford: "So you can't understand why your boy in college flunked in all the foreign languages?"

Crabshaw: "No; it's a mystery to me. He picked up all the college yells in no time."



Sunday School Lesson

MAY 19

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By Rollin H. Walker

True and False Prophets

Scripture—Jeremiah 23

In our modern speech, when we call a man a prophet we mean a predictor of future events, a kind of pious fortune teller. But in the Bible, although a prophet is indeed a fortune teller, he is much more than that. He is a man who reads us through and through, who makes plain our duty, tells us how to get hold of the power of God in order to be delivered from our evil case, predicts what will happen if we do not repent, and promises the great blessing that will come if we do.

The Hebrew prophet was God's physician who saw the nation as God saw it, proclaimed God's remedies and told the people what would happen if the disease was allowed to run its course and also the results if they took the medicine and carried out his directions.

In the days of Jeremiah there were many false prophets, superficial optimists who said, Peace, peace, when there was no peace. But Jeremiah by the word of God proclaimed that Israel had become so corrupt that God would certainly send the Babylonians to destroy Jerusalem and carry them into exile. If they would save themselves from utter destruction, their only course was to submit at once to the Babylonians. But the popular preachers rose up to say, Nonsense! Jeremiah is unpatriotic; he is a sour old cynic! God will care for us; he has promised to protect his people. Glory Hallelujah!

The words of these popular preachers were so eloquent, and sounded so pious, that most of the people believed them. But it so happened that Jeremiah was right, and in 586 the army of Nebuchadnezzar came and destroyed Jerusalem. Thus we see that the superpatriots who dissuaded Israel from the only course that might have saved the city were its worst enemies.

Jesus speaks some terrible words about hiring prophets who get into leadership and prominence other than by the call of God. He calls these self-seeking leaders of public opinion thieves and robbers (John 10). And so they are. Bank robbers are harmless citizens contrasted with the writer or preacher or politician who, for the sake of popularity or of winning an election, misleads a nation at a crisis.

But how were the masses of the people to discriminate between the true and the false prophets, for the man who misleads us always says a great many good things. As Jesus says, he comes to us in sheep's clothing. And not only that, but he is often in a measure sincere (Matthew 7:22). As Jeremiah says, he speaks out of the deceit of his own heart.

Let the streptococcic germs of insincerity enter into a man's blood stream; let self-seeking determine some major decision, and he goes blind, and after that he is sincerely in the wrong. The editors and preachers in Germany who are saying today, "Heil Hitler!" and commending his course, are doubtless many of them sincere, but they did not go blind without first running through the red light of conscience.

Jesus is sure that his humble-hearted disciples will be inwardly warned against deceivers. One sees a sign on the billboards, "Be Sure with Pure." We know nothing of the merits of this oil, but they have a good slogan. Jesus said, Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God," and hence, of course, they are sure to sense the approach of the wolf in sheep's clothing. They can smell him (1 Corinthians 2:15). The prophet says of the coming Messiah, He shall be quick of scent in the fear of the Lord. That is also true of those who spend much time in the Master's presence (John 10:4-5; Matthew 6:22).

Jesus also says, "By their fruits ye shall know them." After they have worked in the community awhile, are the people kinder in their families and among their neighbors? Are they more scrupulous about paying their debts? That is the acid test.

Of course a man who stirs up race prejudice and condemns whole classes of his fellow citizens is a false prophet. And it goes without the saying that the free lance preacher who presides over some big tabernacle is to be regarded with suspicion if he refuses to give an account of the money he receives. We had better listen to our own less sensational pastor whose life is above the suspicion of commercialism.

The preacher who spends much time in trying to construct an almanac for the future from Daniel and the Revelation but neglects to stress the weightier matters of the law is plainly on the wrong track.

But it is not for the good of the laity to fasten their minds primarily upon the clergy as though they were the only false prophets. If there is a teacher of a Bible class who stirs up factions in the church, he also is a false prophet, although he may be right in saying that there is a good deal of static in the minister's message. Then there are the popular teachers of the younger children who teach them anything but the word of God. Public school and college teachers who set themselves up as oracles without knowing anything of the deep secrets of prayer or the inner riches of the Scripture, are often the most dangerous false prophets. And the editor or legionnaire who brands every man as a communists if he dares to suggest that the Sermon on the Mount should be applied to our social order, is also a false prophet. But the commonest and most insidious false prophet is the parent who gives his children the impression that the test of true success is gauged by the size of their pay check.

Of course, there are prophets who say and do some wrong things, and yet at heart are true men. For the most part they relay the message from heaven, but it is often mixed with static.

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| High Point—High Point College               | May 14 |      |
| Greensboro—Gibsonville                      | May 14 |      |
| Charlotte—Bethlehem Church, Prospect Chg.   | May 16 |      |
| Elizabeth City—Edenton                      | May 16 |      |
| Salisbury—Cold Springs Church, Mt. Pleasant | May 16 |      |
| Charge, 9:30 a. m.                          | May 16 |      |
| Statesville—Taylorsville                    | May 20 |      |

SLATE OF REV. JOHN R. CHURCH  
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May 6-19—Green Street, Winston-Salem.

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Thomasville, May 5-19.  
High Point, May 20-30.  
Draper (tent), June 2-11

SLATE OF GEORGE R. HAWKS  
Evangelist Singer, Cornelius, N. C.

Clyde, N. C.—May 5 to 19.  
Statesville—May 19 to May 26.

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### North Carolina Conference

#### DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                        |          |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Hillsboro, New Sharon, 11              | May 19   |
| Carr, 7:30                             | May 19   |
| Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 11           | June 1   |
| Leasburg, Bethel, 11                   | June 2   |
| Milton, Semora, 7:30                   | June 2   |
| Trinity, 7:30                          | June 4   |
| DUKE PASTORS' SCHOOL                   | June 3-8 |
| Front Street, 11                       | June 9   |
| West Burlington, Glen Raven, 3         | June 9   |
| Fountain Place, Glen Raven, 3          | June 9   |
| Glen Raven, Glen Raven, 3              | June 9   |
| Webb Avenue-Holt's, Webb Avenue, 7:30  | June 9   |
| Alamance Ct., Rock Creek, 11           | June 23  |
| Mt. Hermon Ct., Cedar Cliff, 3         | June 23  |
| West Durham, E:30                      | June 24  |
| Branson, 7:30                          | June 26  |
| Graham, 11                             | June 30  |
| Mebane, Central, at First Church, 7:30 | June 30  |
| Mebane, First, 7:30                    | June 30  |
| Porson Ct., Warren's Grove, 11         | July 6   |
| Long Memorial, 11                      | July 7   |
| Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2:30           | July 7   |
| Brookdale, Brookdale, 7:30             | July 7   |
| Duke Memorial, 7:30                    | July 9   |
| Calvary, 7:30                          | July 10  |
| Chapel Hill, 7:30                      | July 11  |
| Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11         | July 14  |
| Cedar Grove, Prospect, 3               | July 14  |
| Davis Street, 7:30                     | July 17  |
| Eno, 7:30                              | July 18  |
| Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11         | July 20  |
| Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11           | July 21  |
| Swepsonville, Salem, 2:30              | July 21  |
| Carrboro, Massey's, 7:30               | July 24  |
| Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 11               | July 27  |

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT  
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                          |            |
|------------------------------------------|------------|
| District Conference, Edenton             | May 16     |
| Ahoskie, 11                              | May 19     |
| Hertford, night                          | May 19     |
| Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11                     | May 26     |
| South Camdeu, Wesley's, night            | May 26     |
| Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 and 1    | May 31     |
| Morock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11             | June 2     |
| Currituck, Hebron, night                 | June 2     |
| Pastors' School, Duke University,        | June 3-8   |
| Manteo, 11                               | June 9     |
| Stumpy Point, Mashoes, 2:30              | June 9     |
| Wanchese, night                          | June 9     |
| Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1                  | June 12    |
| Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 11 and 1       | June 14    |
| Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1           | June 15    |
| City Road, 11                            | June 16    |
| Gatesville, Harrell's, 3                 | June 16    |
| North Gates, Parker's, 11                | June 23    |
| Edenton, night                           | June 23    |
| Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11               | June 30    |
| Belhaven, Epworth, 3                     | June 30    |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night  | June 30    |
| City Road, night                         | July 3     |
| Kinnakeet, Salvo, night                  | July 6     |
| Hatteras, Prisco (church dedication), 11 | July 7     |
| Creswell, Mt. Elma, 11                   | July 14    |
| Roper, Rehobeth, 3                       | July 14    |
| Plymouth, Jamesville, night              | July 14    |
| Murfreesboro Intermediate Assembly       | July 15-19 |
| South Mills, Sharon, 11 and 1            | July 20    |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT  
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Sanford, 11                   | May 19  |
| Carthage, Center, 3           | May 19  |
| Jonesboro, 8                  | May 19  |
| Heap-Smyrna, 11               | May 26  |
| Aberdeen-Vass, 8              | May 26  |
| Goldston, Meronies, 11        | June 2  |
| Pittsboro, Chatham, 3         | June 2  |
| Bynum, 8                      | June 2  |
| Hamlet, 11                    | June 9  |
| Roberdel, Beaver Dam, 3       | June 9  |
| Person Street-Calvary, 8      | June 9  |
| Laurel Hill-Sneed's Grove, 11 | June 16 |
| St. John, 3                   | June 16 |
| Stedman, 8                    | June 16 |
| Caledonia-John's, 11          | June 23 |
| Red Springs, 5                | June 23 |
| Parkton, Cotton, 8            | June 23 |
| West End, Doubts Chapel, 11   | June 30 |
| Laurinburg, 5                 | June 30 |
| Maxton, 8                     | June 30 |

NEW BERN DISTRICT  
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Morehead City, First Church, 11  | May 26     |
| Atlantic, Cedar Island, 3        | May 26     |
| Marshallburg-Straits, Straits, 8 | May 26     |
| Kinston, Queen Street, 11        | June 2     |
| Grifton, Edwards, 3              | June 2     |
| Pamlico, Vandemere, 8            | June 2     |
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 11  | June 9     |
| Grime-land, Wharton, 3           | June 9     |
| Oeraoke, 8                       | June 11    |
| Pink Hill, Vobbs, 11             | June 15    |
| Morehead City Ct., Merrimon, 11  | June 16    |
| Beaufort, North River, 3         | June 16    |
| Harker's Island, 8               | June 16-22 |
| Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11        | June 23    |
| Pikeville-Elm Street, 3          | June 23    |
| Dover, Asbury, 8                 | June 23    |
| Vanceboro, Chapman, 11           | June 29    |
| Hookerton, Ormond's, 11          | June 30    |
| Fremont, Yelverton, 3            | June 30    |

#### RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                             |          |
|---------------------------------------------|----------|
| Four Oaks, Elizabeth, 11                    | May 19   |
| Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 8                 | May 19   |
| Millbrook, Knightdale, 8                    | May 22   |
| Mt. Tirzah, New Bethel, 11                  | May 26   |
| Rougemont, Union Grove, 3:30                | May 26   |
| Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11                 | June 2   |
| Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 8                | June 2   |
| Pastors' School                             | June 3-8 |
| Clayton, Home Memorial, 11                  | June 9   |
| City Road-White Memorial, White Memorial, 8 | June 9   |

#### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                  |         |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| Farmville, 7:30                  | May 14  |
| Stantonsburg, 7:30               | May 15  |
| Weldon, 11                       | May 19  |
| Rosemary, 3                      | May 19  |
| Roanoke Rapids, 7:30             | May 19  |
| Tarboro, 11                      | May 26  |
| Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 3:30     | May 26  |
| Bethel, 8                        | May 26  |
| Spring Hope, 11                  | June 2  |
| Clark Street, 8                  | June 2  |
| Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 11       | June 9  |
| Littleton, Calvary, 2:30         | June 9  |
| West Halifax, Hollister, 8       | June 9  |
| Elm City, Zion, 11               | June 16 |
| McKendree, Temperance Hall, 3:30 | June 16 |
| Marvin, 8                        | June 16 |
| Garysburg, Oak Grove, 11         | June 21 |
| Conway, Severn, 11               | June 22 |

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Seaboard, Sharon, 11             | May 23 |
| Rich Square, Pinuers, 3:30       | May 23 |
| Rocky Mount, First Church, 8     | May 23 |
| Northampton, Rehobeth, 11        | May 28 |
| Spring Church, Pleasant Hill, 88 | May 29 |
| Warrenton, 11                    | May 30 |
| Warren, Prospect, 3:30           | May 30 |
| Norlina, Jerusalem, 8            | May 30 |

WILMINGTON DISTRICT  
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                       |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Burgaw, Herrings, 11                  | May 19  |
| Scott's Hill, Union, 3                | May 19  |
| Wilmington, Epworth, night            | May 19  |
| Warsaw, Magnolia, 11                  | May 26  |
| Garland, Antioch, 3                   | May 26  |
| Wallace-Rosehill, Wallace, night      | May 26  |
| Shallotte, Dixon's Chapel, 11         | May 28  |
| Wilmington, Grace, night              | May 28  |
| Penderlea, 11                         | June 2  |
| Falson-Kenansville, Wesley, 3         | June 2  |
| Wilmington, Trinity, night            | June 2  |
| Tabor City, Lebanon, 11               | June 9  |
| Hallsboro, Peace, 3                   | June 9  |
| Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, night          | June 9  |
| Whiteville, 11                        | June 16 |
| Bladen, Center, 3                     | June 16 |
| Fairmont, Olivet, night               | June 16 |
| Southport, 11                         | June 23 |
| Shallotte, Camp, 3                    | June 23 |
| Town Creek, Bethel, night             | June 23 |
| Maysville, Pollocksville, 11          | June 30 |
| Swansboro (place to be announced), 3  | June 30 |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Verona, night | June 30 |
| Clinton, Keener, 11                   | July 7  |
| Roseboro, McGees, 3                   | July 7  |
| St. Pauls, St. Pauls, night           | July 7  |
| Roseland (place to be announced), 11  | July 14 |
| Pembroke (Indian Work), 3             | July 14 |
| Lumberton Ct., Bules, night           | July 14 |
| Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11    | July 21 |
| Lumberton, night                      | July 21 |
| Wilmington, Grace, 11                 | July 23 |
| Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night       | July 23 |

### Western North Carolina Conference

#### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| North Monroe-Grace, Grace, 11 | May 19  |
| New Hope-Bethel, Union, 3     | May 19  |
| Cladwick, 7:30                | May 19  |
| Thrift-Moore's, Moore's, 7:30 | May 22  |
| Monroe, Central, 11           | May 26  |
| Marsville, Gilboa, 3          | May 26  |
| Bethel-Bogers, Bethel, 7:30   | May 26  |
| Waxhaw, Pleasant Grove, 11    | June 2  |
| Weddington, Hebron, 3         | June 2  |
| Wesley Heights, 8             | June 2  |
| Brevard Street, 8             | June 3  |
| Derita, 8                     | June 5  |
| Lilesville, Forestville, 11   | June 9  |
| Morven, Sandy Plains, 3       | June 9  |
| Central Avenue, 8             | June 14 |
| Dilworth, 8                   | June 16 |
| Prospect, Prospect, 11        | June 16 |
| Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30     | June 16 |
| Belmont Park, 8               | June 16 |
| Peachland, Peachland, 11      | June 23 |
| Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3     | June 23 |
| Hawthorne Lane, 8             | June 23 |
| Wadesboro, 11                 | June 30 |
| Pineville, Marvin, 3          | June 30 |
| Myers Park, 8                 | June 30 |
| Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3    | July 7  |
| First Church, Charlotte, 8    | July 7  |

ELKIN DISTRICT  
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 11            | May 19   |
| Advance, Elbaville, 7:30              | May 19   |
| Elkin, 11                             | May 26   |
| Yadkinville, Macedonia, 2:30          | May 26   |
| Farmington, Wesley's Chapel, 7:30     | May 26   |
| Davle Ct., Concord, 11                | June 1   |
| Mocksville, 11                        | June 2   |
| Davle Ct., Liberty, 2:30              | June 2   |
| Coolemees, 7:30                       | June 2   |
| Wilkesboro, 11                        | June 9   |
| Wilkesboro Ct., Charity, 3            | June 9   |
| N. Wilkesboro, 7:30                   | June 9   |
| Sparta, Cox's Chapel, 11              | June 16  |
| West Jefferson, 11                    | June 23  |
| Jefferson, Zion, 3                    | June 23  |
| Helton, Greenwood, 11                 | June 30  |
| Traphill, Rich Hill Church, 11        | July 6   |
| Laurel Springs, Zion, 11              | July 7   |
| Boone, 11                             | July 14  |
| Todd, Hopewell, 2:30                  | July 14  |
| Moravian Falls, Roaring River, 7:30   | July 14  |
| Watauga, Mabel, 11                    | July 21  |
| Green Valley Ct., Thomas Church, 2:30 | July 21  |
| Ararat, Maple Grove, 11               | July 23  |
| Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3             | July 23  |
| Surry-Yadkin, Level Cross, 7:30       | July 28  |
| Warrensville, Clifton, 11             | August 4 |
| Creston, Peak Grove, 3                | August 4 |

#### GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
SECOND ROUND

|                      |        |
|----------------------|--------|
| Lowell, Bethesda, 11 | May 17 |
|----------------------|--------|



| GREENSBORO DISTRICT                                   |      |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------|--|
| L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C. |      |  |
| THIRD ROUND                                           |      |  |
|                                                       | May  |  |
| West Greensboro, Groome's, 11                         | 19   |  |
|                                                       | June |  |
| Reidsville Ct., Carmel, 11                            | 1    |  |
| Guilford Ct., Hickory Grove, 9:45                     | 2    |  |
| Tabernacle, 3                                         | 2    |  |
| Midway, 8                                             | 2    |  |
| Carraway Memorial, 7:30                               | 5    |  |
| Danbury, 11                                           | 9    |  |
| Sandy Ridge, Snow Hill, 3                             | 9    |  |
| Stokesdale, 8                                         | 9    |  |
| Reidsville-Lindsay Street, 8                          | 12   |  |
| Moriah, 11                                            | 16   |  |
| St. Paul, 8                                           | 16   |  |
| Calvary, 8                                            | 19   |  |
| Brown Summit, 10                                      | 23   |  |
| Ruffin, Hickory Grove, 3 (dedication)                 | 23   |  |
| Reidsville, Main Street, 5:30 (anniversary)           | 23   |  |
| Centenary, 8                                          | 26   |  |
| Flat Rock, Bethel (Circuit Rally), 11                 | 30   |  |
| Stoneville, Matthews, 8                               | 30   |  |

| MARION DISTRICT                                      |      |  |
|------------------------------------------------------|------|--|
| J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C. |      |  |
| THIRD ROUND                                          |      |  |
|                                                      | May  |  |
| McDowell, Trinity, 11                                | 19   |  |
| Old Fort, Bethel, 3                                  | 19   |  |
| Cross Mills, W. Marion, 7:30                         | 19   |  |
|                                                      | June |  |
| Henrietta, 11                                        | 2    |  |
| Mill Spring, New Hope, 3                             | 2    |  |
| Marion, First, 7:30                                  | 2    |  |
| Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11                       | 8    |  |
| Rutherford College, 11                               | 9    |  |
| Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 3                             | 9    |  |
| North Forest, 7:30                                   | 9    |  |
| Forest City, 11                                      | 16   |  |
| Sunshine, Golden Valley, 3                           | 16   |  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30                                 | 16   |  |
| Old Fort, 11                                         | 23   |  |
| Gilkey, 3                                            | 23   |  |
| Rutherfordton, 7:30                                  | 23   |  |
| Connelly Springs, Friendship, 11                     | 30   |  |
| Shady Grove, 3                                       | 30   |  |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30                        | 30   |  |

| STATESVILLE DISTRICT                      |      |  |
|-------------------------------------------|------|--|
| John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C. |      |  |
| THIRD ROUND                               |      |  |
|                                           | May  |  |
| Hiddenite, Pisgah, 11                     | 19   |  |
| Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 3                    | 19   |  |
| Troutman, St. John, night                 | 19   |  |
| Mount Zion, Huntersville, 10 and 5        | 26   |  |
| Davidson, Davidson, 11                    | 26   |  |
| Mooreville Ct., Triplett, 3               | 26   |  |
| Central, Mooreville, night                | 26   |  |
|                                           | June |  |
| Broad Street, Statesville, 11             | 2    |  |
| Olin, Snow Creek, 2:30                    | 2    |  |
| Union Grove-Zion, Smith Chapel, night     | 2    |  |
| Broad Street, Mooreville, 11              | 9    |  |
| Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 3                 | 9    |  |
| Stony Point, South River, night           | 9    |  |
| Balls Creek, Shiloh, 11                   | 16   |  |
| Highlands, Mt. Bethel, 3                  | 16   |  |
| Bethel, Hickory, night                    | 16   |  |
| Newton, 11                                | 23   |  |
| Catawba, Hopewell, 3                      | 23   |  |
| Maiden, May's Chapel, night               | 23   |  |
| Westview, Hickory, 11                     | 30   |  |
| Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 3                     | 30   |  |
| Hudson, Mt. Hermon, night                 | 30   |  |

| WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT                                        |      |  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------|--|
| W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C. |      |  |
| THIRD ROUND—IN PART                                           |      |  |
|                                                               | May  |  |
| Reeds, Reeds, 11                                              | 19   |  |
| Erlanger, Ebenezer, 11                                        | 19   |  |
| Kernersville, Shady Grove, 7:45                               | 19   |  |
| Walkertown, Love's, 7:30                                      | 30   |  |
| North Davidson, Bethesda, 7:30                                | 31   |  |
|                                                               | June |  |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary, 11                                  | 2    |  |
| Welcome, Center 3                                             | 2    |  |
| Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30                       | 2    |  |
| Winston-Salem, Ogburn Memorial, 7:30                          | 5    |  |
| Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30                                 | 6    |  |
| Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30                                    | 7    |  |
| Davidson, Arcadia, 11                                         | 9    |  |
| Kernersville-South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 3                    | 9    |  |
| Forsyth-Maple Springs, Mt. Carmel, 7:30                       | 9    |  |
| Lewiston, Concord, 7:30                                       | 10   |  |
| Thomasville, Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 7:30                    | 11   |  |
| Winston-Salem, Oak Summit, Shiloh, 7:30                       | 12   |  |
| Lexington, State Street, 7:30                                 | 13   |  |
| Lexington, Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30                          | 14   |  |

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|--------------------------------|----|
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe       | 7½ |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer   | 6½ |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood      | 6  |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar         | 5½ |
| Maxton, T. R. Jenkins          | 5  |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore          | 3  |
| West End, W. F. Keeler         | 3  |
| Broadway, J. W. Page           | 2½ |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson           | 2  |
| Lane, J. D. A. Autry           | 1½ |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard          | 1½ |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning       | 1½ |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton        | 1  |
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette | 1  |

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| Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison | 2½ |
| Ayden, L. A. Tilley               | 2  |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston          | 1½ |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs              | 1½ |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens      | 1  |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr.          | 1  |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts                | 1  |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow            | 1  |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant           | 1  |

Raleigh

|                                         |     |
|-----------------------------------------|-----|
| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone               | 26  |
| Fuquay, E. C. Durham                    | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb                | 15½ |
| Henderson, B. C. Reavis                 | 14½ |
| Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes                | 6½  |
| City Road-White Mem., J. K. Worthington | 6½  |
| *Princeton, J. W. Bradley               | 5   |
| Person St., M. W. Lawrence              | 3½  |
| Granville, J. P. Pegg                   | 3   |
| Selma, O. L. Hathaway                   | 3   |
| Edenton St., J. C. Glenn                | 2   |
| Louisburg, J. G. Phillips               | 2   |
| Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee                | 1½  |
| Hayes Barton, Leon Russell              | 1   |
| Tar River, J. A. Martin                 | 1   |

Rocky Mount

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer           | 11 |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams           | 5½ |
| Marvin, N. W. Grant                 | 4  |
| Kenley, E. M. Hall                  | 3  |
| Farmville, D. A. Clarke             | 6  |
| McKendree, L. B. Pattishall         | 5½ |
| Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome         | 3  |
| Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane         | 2  |
| Bethel, M. Y. Self                  | 2  |
| Enfield, B. D. Critcher             | 2  |
| Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington | 2  |
| Weldon, B. P. Robinson              | 2  |
| Warrenton, J. O. Long               | 1½ |
| First, E. L. Hillman                | 1  |
| Northampton, W. L. Maness           | 1  |
| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount           | 1  |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd                 | 1  |

Wilmington

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Southport, R. S. Harrison           | 7  |
| Epworth, Walter Pavy                | 6  |
| Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson  | 4½ |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters               | 3½ |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner              | 3  |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, I. T. Poole | 2  |
| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew          | 2  |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews      | 1½ |
| Trinity, R. L. Jerome               | 1  |
| Grace, J. F. Herbert                | 1  |
| Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift        | 1  |
| Chadbourn, E. C. Maness             | 1  |
| St. Paul, A. C. Lee                 | 1  |

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON  
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We must not condemn them wholesale, but endeavor to separate the wheat from the chaff.

God grant that we may be so filled with his spirit, and so absorbed in the messages of the many true prophets of our day, that we shall be immune to the wiles of the deceivers!—Christian Advocate.

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|          |                                   |              |
|----------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
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| 9:30 AM  | Ar. (Berkley Main St.)            | Lv. 4:55 PM  |
| 9:35 AM  | Lv. Berkley                       | Ar. 4:50 PM  |
| 11:17 AM | Ar. Elizabeth City                | Ar. 3:14 PM  |
| 11:47 AM | Ar. Hertford                      | Ar. 2:35 PM  |
| 12:12 PM | Ar. Edenton                       | Ar. 2:15 PM  |
| 1:02 PM  | Ar. Plymouth                      | Ar. 1:25 PM  |
| 2:06 PM  | Ar. Washington                    | Ar. 12:15 PM |
| 3:07 PM  | Ar. Greenville                    | Ar. 11:17 AM |
| 4:27 PM  | Ar. Wilson                        | Ar. 9:53 AM  |
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**DILLON**—God calls his children one by one to the home of the blessed to live and be with Jesus after a life of faithful service to him here. While we miss our friend and co-worker of the Mary Moose Bible class, who was the president of our class, Miss Delena Dillon left us to carry on this work for Jesus on April 16, 1940. She attended her class when her health would permit. Miss Dillon always greeted every one with a smile and some pleasant words. We shall miss her kind and friendly spirit, but our loss is her gain. This class hopes to meet her in the city of God, where there will be no more parting.

Mrs. Mary Jeffreys,  
Cadie W. Plummer,  
Mary Moose.

**HENDLEY**—The death of Mrs. Mary Gaddy Hendley, wife of Mr. A. E. Hendley, removed from Cedar Hill Methodist church on the Ansonville charge a charter member, active leader, a devout Christian, and devoted friend, much beloved and of wide influence for good. A teacher in Sunday school and tireless worker, her home was always open to her pastor. She was a great home maker for her family, and her hospitality was gracious toward all friends and neighbors. A woman of fine tact, she stirred up no friction in her community, but bound friends to her with strong ties by her Good Samaritan qualities.

She was buried at old Concord cemetery amid a great host of friends and relatives from far and near. Sweet is her memory to her husband, two children and one grandchild, and to her many friends.

"Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."  
A Neighbor.

#### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the woman's auxiliary of Shoals Methodist church (former M. P.), Pinnacle charge, wish to pay a loving tribute to our friend and co-worker, Miss Alice Gough, who passed from this life to the great beyond December 26, 1939. She was a faithful and devoted member of her church and auxiliary. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That it is with deep sorrow we record her passing; that we cherish in loving remembrance her many years of faithful service in her church and missionary society.

Second, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to her loved ones.

Third, That this tribute be recorded in the minutes of the woman's missionary society, that a copy be given to the family, and that it be published in the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. O. F. Hauser, Pres.  
Mrs. J. P. Owen, Treas.  
Mrs. Roy Hunt, Sec.

**HAMMOND**—On March 16, 1940, God called Mrs. Sarah Emily Hammond to her eternal home at the age of 73. She was the wife of the late Joel Hammond. Mrs. Hammond had been in declining health for the past year.

Funeral service was conducted on Monday evening, March 18, at 2 o'clock from Flag Spring Methodist by her pastor, Rev. C. H. Hill. Her body was then laid to rest beside her husband in the church cemetery beneath the beautiful flowers.

Mrs. Hammond professed faith in Christ at an early age and united with Flag Spring Methodist church, and remained a loyal and faithful member until death. She lived a quiet, peaceful life that won her a large circle of friends. She is survived by two sons, W. C. Hammond, High Point, C. H.

Hammond of the home, Asheboro, Rt. 3, and one daughter, Mrs. J. H. Hinshaw of Guilford College, two brothers and four sisters.

Peaceful be thy silent slumber,  
Peaceful in thy grave so low;  
Thou no more will join our number,  
Thou no more our sorrows know.  
Yet again we hope to meet thee  
When the day of life is fled,  
And in heaven with joy to greet thee  
Where no farewell tears are shed.

Mrs. H. L. Richardson.

#### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Turner Carter Bond, born December 26, 1853, departed this life February 29, 1940.

He was the son of Lewis Bond and Annie H. Carter Bond. He married Mary W. Smallwood, who survives him, together with their three children, Mrs. Sallie B. Gillam, Mrs. Clara L. Sutton and Mrs. Minnie T. Bell.

For many years he served as a steward of the Windsor Methodist church and was senior steward at the time of his death. He rendered much public service during his life, serving in the offices of sheriff of Bertie county, chairman of the board of education, and treasurer of the county.

He was deeply interested in Methodism and there was no member of this church and Sunday school more loyal than he. He contributed much of his time and means to the church. His passing leaves with each of us a fond and cherished memory of his kindly word, his constant attendance at church and Sunday school.

He served for many years as an assistant superintendent of the Sunday school of this church and it is with keen regret that we now record his passing.

Therefore be it resolved:

That in the death of Turner Carter Bond this Sunday school and Windsor Methodist church has sustained a severe loss.

That the record of his service and untiring devotion to this Sunday school and church be commended as an example of service that we might strive to equal.

That our deepest sympathy be extended to his beloved wife, Mary W. Bond, and his daughters in the great loss that they have sustained.

That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Sunday school and a copy furnished to Mrs. Bond.

A. G. Greene,  
T. E. Alston,  
J. A. Pritchett.

#### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Our Father in his divine wisdom having removed from our midst our friend and neighbor, Mrs. Annie French Townsend, and feeling that her home going leaves a vacancy that cannot be filled and has brought sorrow to our people; through many tests of faith, loss of dear ones and sacrificial giving of herself to others she retained a courage and faith that is a challenge to others; therefore be it resolved:

That we, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of Chestnut Street Methodist church, hereby express our thanks to God for her life and commend her loved ones to the faithful care of One who doeth all things well; that a copy of this memorial be placed on our minutes, a copy be sent to her family, The Robesonian and North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. K. M. Barnes,  
Mrs. D. D. King,  
Mrs. L. T. Townsend.

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## Young People Listen to This

**J**OHN KEATS lived just twenty-six years, yet his poetry will live forever, much of it equal to that of Shakespeare.

Franz Schubert died at thirty-one. In those thirty-one years he wrote more than 1100 musical compositions, more than 600 of them lyric songs.

Here is a boy so ugly and ridiculously clothed that he was tormented by his schoolmates. He spent his time reading to forget his misery. At eighteen he worked as a bricklayer. But he finally won the acclaim and esteem of England. He was honored by Queen Elizabeth and decorated by King James. His name was Ben Jonson, and he was one of the most brilliant playwrights England ever produced.

Here is a morbid, sensitive son of a poor preacher. He was regarded as a stupid blockhead in the village school. When he finally got a degree from college, he was the lowest on the list. He was rejected for the ministry. He tried teaching, but failed. He tried law with the same result. He borrowed a suit of clothes to take an examination as a hospital mate, failed, and pawned his clothes. He lived in garrets, failing at everything he tried. Only one thing he wanted to do—write. This he did and rose above the handicaps of illness, poverty, and obscurity to high rank among the greatest writers of all time. His name was Oliver Goldsmith.

What a glorious heritage you have to inspire you on your quest! These young men faced the giant of the Past who tried to make them goosestep to the status quo. Instead of being grasshoppers, they set their eyes toward the stars and said, with Deborah, "O my soul, carry on with strength."

The world today is waiting for people out of step—men who dare think, men who refuse to be grasshoppers, men who dare stand on their own feet.

The world said, "The earth is ruled by the mighty." But a young Galilean said, "Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth." Jesus was told to get in step with orthodoxy. But he taught differently from the rabbis. He lived in an empire of power, possessions, and pleasure, but he said, "A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth." So they organized a mob and crucified him—a young man of thirty-three. What happened? Empires were lifted off their hinges. The course of human history was changed. New standards of life were established. No man has influenced history as has Jesus.

There are people who fail because they are afraid to make a beginning; who go to bed tired because they spend the day looking for an easy job; who cannot tell what they think about anything until they see what the morning paper has to say about it.

Since when has youth demanded security? Youth has always cried for opportunity, for the chance to prove itself.

The land of Canaan stretches before you, but if you want it, you will have to work harder, live more austere, accept more disciplines, learn greater self-control, and make far greater demands upon yourselves than any generation has ever done before.

—Zions Herald.



## AN ALABAMIAN IN NORTH CAROLINA

By John S. Chadwick

Even though I must reach back through three generations, I claim North Carolina as my native country. This is not in repudiation of Alabama, for I know no better land than the state in which I was born. But Alabama-North Carolina is the best combination I know—and especially Western North Carolina, where my first American ancestor was born.

A recent visit to Western North Carolina brought me a new experience, a district conference where more than 400 members were enrolled as present, and a great company of visitors who brought the total to nearly 1000. This was the conference of the Gastonia district, at Rock Springs camp ground, Rev. E. M. Jones the district superintendent. I had not before seen the like of this gathering of Methodists; and what I saw and heard bears witness to the fact that the Gastonia district has a superintendent who knows how to plan and lead, and is able to inspire preachers and laymen to give their best in response to his leadership. There was not a dull moment in all the session of that day. And having been an "elder," and having known many of that tribe in Alabama and in other sections of our church, I give him high rating as preacher as well as superintendent. On a recent Sunday, in Kings Mountain, it was my privilege to hear him, and his sermon was of a high order.

But some will ask, "What business had this Alabama preacher in North Carolina?" As I grow older, and I am now on the retired list of the North Alabama conference, my friends mean more to me than in the days gone. And in my esteem and affection none are given a higher place than Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., of Kings Mountain. This friendship dates from the time when Dr. Sprinkle was giving splendid service in the editorial department of our Board of Christian Education in Nashville. On the invitation of the pastor and his wife I visited with them a few days en route to Atlantic City for the session of our General Conference. And the experience so much to my liking, the visit was repeated on the return trip to my home. Their friends of the Western North Carolina conference need not to be told they are making full proof of their ministry at Kings Mountain. And they serve a people who are giving them cordial support, and who realize they were especially favored in the appointments made by Bishop Purcell at the last session of the Western North Carolina conference. It was good to be in a charge where there are many signs of progress.

And just here let me congratulate you of the Western North Carolina conference that you have as episcopal leader Bishop Clare Purcell. He has been my good friend from the days of his youth, and I know his real worth. Western North Carolina is debtor to North Alabama for our gift of one of our best beloved men to connectional Methodism. While in your territory I heard, as I expected to hear, many expressions of appreciation of your bishop. You will like him better as he abides longer with you.

## THROWING MUD AT THE ANGEL

Thomas Guthrie was the Henry Ward Beecher of Scotland; and yet, as a young man, for two years he was a "stickit" minister, he could get no charge. He had a powerful body and a powerful voice, to which he gave full play. After one of his trial sermons, one of his hear-

ers called him "a bullerin blockhead," "bullerin" being a Scotch synonym for "bellowing." One Sabbath, after two years of wandering in the wilderness, in the little kirk at Arbitot he awoke his sleepy hearers by telling them in an appealing way an anecdote from his own experience, and they stayed awake until the end of the sermon. From that moment he changed his style of preaching, giving full play to his genius for splendid illustration. After ten years in a country kirk that was filled at every service, he went to Edinburgh where for 30 years "he preached the gospel with a popularity that never waned, and to crowds that never failed to throng his church."

Guthrie's experience reminds me of Marcus Dods. He graduated from a Scotch seminary, but for five years he received no call. Just why I do not know. If it were the U. S. A., reasons might be: We don't like the cut of his coat. We don't like the style of his trousers. We don't like the part of his hair. He preaches too long. No, he preaches too short. After the five years were over and a church called him somewhat grudgingly, he wrote without bitterness: "I liken myself, during the past five years, to the cripple at the pool of Bethesda. Thank God, I have not thrown any mud at the angel."—The United Presbyterian.

## THE ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN MOVES ONWARD

It is interesting to watch from week to week the pastors' reports of new subscribers secured during the week. New developments never fail to appear. For instance, Rev. C. A. Jones, pastor of Hallsboro, Wilmington district, gets into the game and at the first bound leaps to the top in that good district. This week eleven new charges appear for the first time.

This week stars appear by all names when we know the number of stars to place. If your name does not appear properly "starred" drop us a post card and correct any errors and help us to get every name marked with a star or stars if so entitled.

R. G. Tuttle and J. L. Trollinger are both on the same rung of the ladder in the Greensboro district.

J. C. Auman with nine stars by his name leads the Winston-Salem district. F. W. Paschal leads the Durham district where D. A. Petty for several weeks had the lead.

So it goes. Look up this campaign report and see how interesting it is from start to finish.

## A NOTABLE OCCASION

Our heartiest congratulations to all of this old college: "The Trustees of Louisburg College request the honor of your presence at the inauguration of Walter Patten as President of Louisburg College and the Commencement exercises Monday morning, May twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and forty, at ten o'clock. The academic procession forms at nine-thirty o'clock."

## NOTICE TO PASTORS OF NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

The Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension has arranged for a scholarship of six (\$6) dollars for all pastors in the North Carolina conference whose salaries are less than \$1500, who attend the pastors' school at Duke University June 3-8 and get a certificate of credit for at least one course.

J. M. Ormond, Chairman.  
S. J. Starnes, Secretary.



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An epithet is not an argument. True indeed is this ancient saying. But to many men it is an exploding shell of logical syllogisms.

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"Selah!" This is a word that has puzzled Bible students quite a bit. But a Sunday school lad has given an answer that ought to be satisfactory to all whom it does satisfy. "Please sir," said the lad when the Sunday school class was asked to give the meaning of Selah, "that's what David used to say whenever he broke one of the strings on his harp."

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"Monday, the 25th (May, 1744) and the five following days," wrote John Wesley, "we spent in conference with many of our brethren (come from several parts) who desire nothing but to serve their own souls, and those that hear them. And surely as long as they be thus minded, their labour shall not be in vain in the Lord." In this early conference of Methodist preachers not a word was said about salaries, nobody was coveting the office of bishop or superintendent or any other personal advantage. They desired nothing "but to serve their own souls, and these that hear them." So may it continue to be and their labor will not be in vain.

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One hundred and thirty tons of newsprint and eight barrels of ink went into the Diamond Jubilee edition of the News and Observer, May 18, 1940. It is reported to be the largest newspaper ever issued in North Carolina, which is not unusual, for North Carolina almost daily is doing something larger than ever before. The circulation figures of this 240 page special issue reached 72,980, which reminds one that the Old North State is no longer limited in its products to "tar, pitch, and turpentine," as the school children of this country were taught in other years. We congratulate Hon. Josephus Daniels and his associates upon their accomplishments, even if it should end the cognomen "country editor."

Vic Oliver says you can't win with money: "If a man runs after it, he's money-mad; if he keeps it, he's a capitalist; if he spends it, he's a playboy; if he doesn't get it, he's a ne'er-do-well; if he doesn't try to get it, he lacks ambition. If he gets it without working for it, he's a parasite; and if he accumulates it after a lifetime of hard work, people call him a fool who never got anything out of life."

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Three U. S. factories are said now to be making powdered grass. The approximate cost thereof is six cents a pound. How many pounds of this grass powder will be necessary to keep a man well and strong and able for his daily chores we are not informed, but the prospect is that the cost of living will be wondrously low when one is willing to adopt the grass diet. One of the admirable features is that he can eat it out of a spoon and will not have to bite it off with his lower teeth like a cow.

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In Paul's interpretation of Christ the resurrection was first, the crucifixion second. The two supreme experiences of Jesus, as Paul saw them, were his death and resurrection, but his resurrection gave significance to his death. To him, as to all Jews, the cross was a stumbling block, till he saw the risen Lord; then the cross became to him a throne of power. Yet these transcendent events in the experience of Jesus are not mere events to be believed and accepted but personal experiences to be realized. Paul with all emphasis could declare: "I am crucified with Christ," "That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection." Johannes Scheffler, a mystic poet of the seventeenth century, was but uttering Paul's thought when he wrote:

"Though Christ a thousand times in Bethlehem be born,  
If he's not born in thee, thy soul is still forlorn,  
The cross on Golgotha will never save the soul,  
The cross in thine own heart alone can make thee whole.  
Christ arose not from the dead, Christ is still in the grave,  
If thou for whom he died art still of sin the slave."



## The Jurisdictional Conference in Asheville

METHODISM has been prolific in the production of conferences. Hitherto the church has had the church conference, the quarterly conference, the district conference, the annual conference and the General Conference. Now by the plan of union the Methodist Church has added the Jurisdictional conference, which will probably become the great administrative conference of the church. Without the establishment of this conference there would have been no church union, certainly not at this time, and with this new conference will rest largely the success of union in the years that are ahead. For as Bishop John M. Moore has well said, "the Jurisdictional conference is the constitutional unit for the cultivation of the field and for the promotion of the purposes and programs of the church, and it has not only the privilege and power but also the obligation to establish and constitute Jurisdictional conference boards, auxiliary to the general boards of the church, as the need may be, for the discharge of its responsibilities as set forth in the first item."

To North Carolina comes the distinction of entertaining within her borders at Asheville the first of these conferences which are to figure so largely in the future of American Methodism. And this Southeastern Jurisdiction, the largest in the entire church, and with a membership that is both homogenous and intelligent, should be well qualified to lead in an intelligent and wise set-up of the new organizations of these new conferences.

This should be especially true in the much discussed subject of the country church. North Carolina is able to give the entire Southeastern Jurisdiction object lessons at this point because we are rapidly solving this problem. And all who doubt this or who are eager to learn would do well to look into what has already been accomplished in North Carolina for the rural churches in hitherto neglected communities and note also the growth of the church in more prosperous sections.

## Forces Sure of Victory

AT present the forces of material might are scattering death and desolation over Europe. Some have become jittery with fear lest such a calamity befalls America. Such is the horror that accompanies modern war with

its appalling destruction of life and treasure. In the midst of such a time we would do well to keep in mind the ultimate victory of spiritual forces. These are as all pervasive and sure as the coming of the spring time or as the flow of the tides.

For weeks the official representatives of the Baptists, north and south; of the Presbyterians and the Methodists, now numbered by the millions; and of the smaller communions, have been assembled in their annual and quadrennial assemblies, praying and planning and working for peace and good will and real spiritual conquest in all the lands. But better still than these vast assemblies of ministers and laymen are the thousands of ministers in the pulpits of America preaching the gospel of peace and good will to the hundreds of thousands gathered in the churches in the cities and towns and country places. These quicken the spiritual forces so sure of ultimate victory. They touch the homes and the inner life of men and women, of boys and girls, that determine a people's destiny.

With hell breaking out of the skies as the war lords shut the gates of mercy on mankind, it is well for us to hold fast to the conviction that God Almighty is still on his throne and the messengers of heaven are still finding access to the children of men.

## District Conferences As An Index

THE district conferences have all been held for this year, and on account of three of these being on the same day we were able to attend only six of the 11 in the Western North Carolina conference. But these six with an attendance of from three to five hundred at each conference, with their leading laymen, and their well trained and capable young pastors left a lasting impression upon this writer. These conferences were up to, if not above, the high standard of other years. Men and women, old and young, preachers and laymen, everybody with rare exceptions were intent upon doing the best they could for the advancement of the kingdom of God. A great future as well as a great present belongs to Methodism in the Western North Carolina conference.

But these conferences are much more than an index to our present resources of a material and spiritual sort. They are of unusual inspirational value. These servants of the church go away with a desire and determination to



render a larger and better service for the Master. Less time spent in electing delegates to the annual conference gives more time for the inspirational features in the hands of alert district superintendents.

### Colleges of the Western North Carolina Conference

**I**N alphabetical order Brevard College comes first. It is the youngest college in the state and from the very beginning has enjoyed remarkable success. It is strictly a junior college and will this year have a graduating class of approximately 100 members.

Next in order is Duke University, the ownership of which is shared by the Western North Carolina and the North Carolina conferences. Duke is one of the great universities of America known and appreciated in all sections of this nation.

High Point College, established by the Methodist Protestant Church and now a college of the new Methodist Church, has a notable history, though comparatively brief, and its future is full of promise.

Pfeiffer College, located near Albemarle, may claim to be younger than Brevard College. We are not informed as to this. Located in the Western North Carolina conference it becomes an educational ally of the other Methodist colleges of this section of the country. Pfeiffer has a fine equipment in college buildings and a rapidly growing endowment, which indicates that it will not be handicapped for want of funds to do its work.

Greensboro College is the oldest chartered woman's college in North Carolina and has had a long and even glorious history. It now has the largest student body in its history and the future promises to be worthy of its history and traditions.

In addition to these Methodist colleges located within the bounds of the Western North Carolina conference is Bennett College, located in Greensboro, which is a high grade college for the education of negro women. With a teaching force of superior ability, and all necessary buildings and apparently all the money needed for operating expenses within easy reach, Bennett promises to become, if not already so, the leading college for Negro women in American Methodism.

These observations remind us how well equipped in colleges and universities is Western North Carolina Methodism.

### The Optimism of Youth

**P**ESSIMISM is a product of the increase of years. Boys and girls are never pessimists. They believe that the best is yet to be and all of them worth their salt are eager to help make the world better.

Robert Browning's invitation to men of middle life and old age was:

"Grow old along with me,  
The best is yet to be."

And why not? Cato learned Greek at eighty. Chaucer at sixty wrote his Canterbury Tales. Goethe completed Faust when past eighty. Henry W. Longfellow remained the first literary figure of America till his death at seventy-five. "The best is yet to be" is the key word for advancing age because therein abide the spirit and vision of youth, and all those things that guarantee effective and joyous service.

### Has Filled the World

**J**UST as the odor of Mary's alabaster box, which was a gift of passionate love to her Lord, could not be restricted within certain obligations to the poor, but filled the room and has filled the world, so the life which is overflowing with a constant and passionate devotion to Jesus Christ cannot be confined within the boundaries prescribed by intellectual processes. The intellectual conceptions may serve as guide posts, but can do little beyond that. The religious life that is characterized by a constant and passionate devotion to the Master is an overflowing life. The doctrines which one believes are only the banks and braes to guide that river of his life which ever flows onward with increasing volume and that makes glad the City of God.

### A New Editor's Sensations

**I**RWIN EDMAN in assuming his work as editor of The American Scholar wrote:

"A new member of any editorial board naturally comes bubbling with fresh enthusiasm and a delighted sense that he has a point of view uncorroded by routine, that he sees everything with the innocence of a baby and with the detachment of a man from Mars. He feels like Adam surveying a new earth."

This is a gem. But a few months or years at most will banish his illusions and like Adam he may learn what it is to eat forbidden fruit. Anyhow he should be on the lookout for snakes.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

Rev. and Mrs. Everett H. Lowman of Hickory announce the arrival of Everett Herman, Jr., on May 21, 1940, at the Richard Baker hospital. Weight, 8 pounds.

Mrs. I. L. Sharpe, wife of the pastor of the Mt. Airy circuit, underwent a major operation last Friday in the Martin Memorial hospital in Mt. Airy. She is recovering in a very fine way and hopes to be able to leave the hospital in a short time.

The members of Ebenezer church (South Fork circuit) are planning to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the church on the fifth Sunday of June at 11 o'clock by an all day service, with dinner on the grounds. They would like you to come and take part in the service.—M. M. Huss, Sec.

In the remote rural section of the Shanghai district—that large area surrounded by the East Sea, which can be reached only by a day's journey on a river steamer, plus a 40 li journey on foot—the church members are so interested and faithful that most of them walk from 60 to 70 country li round trip to attend church services. (A li in China is equal to one-third of a mile). In this rural area there are 18 families wholeheartedly devoted to the church.

Our annual home coming day for McKendree church of the Lincoln circuit will be observed Sunday, May 26. There will be all day services; dinner on the grounds. Rev. W. B. Shinn, former pastor, will preach at 11 o'clock. Address at two o'clock by Mr. Sanders, a layman of Gastonia. Special music for morning and afternoon led by D. Ward Milam. All former pastors and friends are invited to be present. Bring well filled baskets.—D. H. Rhinehart.

Bethany church, Randolph charge: The annual memorial and Mother's Day was observed Sunday, May 19. Rev. Mr. Isley preached the sermon for memorial service at 11 o'clock. Mr. Glenn Robertson sang a special number. At the close of this service the graves were decorated. A picnic dinner was enjoyed by all. In the afternoon Rev. Charlie Laughlin of Cedar Falls was the speaker. The cemetery has recently been fenced in. Some are planning to attend the leadership training school at High Point College.—Reporter.

**The library of Rev. J. M. Wright, deceased, is now for sale. It contains about 250 books, including Clark's Commentary, The Works of Josephus, eleven volumes of The Pulpit Commentary, ten volumes of Maclaren's Sermons, Hastings Dictionary of the Bible, Young's Analytical Concordance, and many other books of value. The entire library can be bought for fifty dollars. It is with Rev. W. L. Maness, Jackson, N. C. If interested please get in touch with him, or Mrs. J. M. Wright, also of Jackson.**

When the fighting was at its worst in Finland, Dr. Karl Hurtig, superintendent of the Methodist work in Helsingfors and in all Finland, sent 15 Methodist children to the Methodist congregation in Huskvarna, Sweden, for home and care. Previously a mother with two small boys and a mother with a baby had been sent from Finland for care by this same Swedish congregation. The homes of all these refugees had been destroyed by bombs. Only last August Bishop Raymond J. Wade dedicated a new church building at Huskvarna.

For the first time in the history of the new Methodist Church actual unified planning of study materials to be used by Methodist youth for the year beginning October 1, 1941, was effected at a program planning conference of youth leaders held in Nashville, Tenn., Friday and Saturday, May 17 and 18. Rev. Dr. Walter E. Towner of the southern board of education and Rev. Dr. Edward D. Staples of the northern board and Epworth League presided in turn over the 30 committee workers. Rev. F. L. Gibbs represented the former Methodist Protestant board of education.

Dr. W. G. Thonger has cabled the Board of Missions that he and his family are safe in Paris. There he is making arrangements for the relief of Belgian refugees. He reports that the distress in Belgium is appalling and great anxiety is felt for the lives of many of the mission workers there. Dr. Thonger is treasurer of the conference and representative of the board of missions in Belgium. There are 15 pastoral charges and 21 churches in Belgium. One of these churches is in Liege, now bearing the brunt of the German attack. There are two churches in Brussels. The central building in the capital city houses both an English and French congregation. There is another church in the suburbs of Molenbeek. There are no American missionaries in Belgium. Dr. Thonger, Rev. H. H. Stanley and Rev. W. G. Wilmot are British in citizenship.

A North Carolinian of Mt. Airy, Rev. R. S. Satterfield, has just held Vinita district conference, East Oklahoma conference. The members received on profession of faith were 184, otherwise 197, making a total of 381. The total askings for General and Jurisdictional conference expenses, paid in full! 43 per cent of the total amount paid on World Service by former charges of the Northern Methodists now in the East Oklahoma conference to April 30 has been paid by Vinita district and this sum is twice the amount paid to April 30 last year by these Vinita district charges. Eighty per cent of the charges report prayer meetings and schools of missions, 35 per cent report increase in church school enrollment and attendance, 53 per cent report increase in Epworth Leagues and young people's evening services. Ninety-seven marriages and 154 funerals were reported; 80 per cent reported that they will have vacation Bible schools.

An important program has just been completed in the High Point district in seven institutes conducted by Rev. Earl Brewer, extension secretary of the conference board of education. These institutes were held in the following churches: Flag Springs, Why Not charge, Rev. C. H. Hill, pastor; Gray's Chapel, Randolph-Gray's Chapel charge, Rev. H. L. Isley, pastor; Lebanon, Randleman charge, Rev. J. R. Anderson, pastor; West Bend, Richland charge, Rev. C. L. Grant, pastor; Seagrove, Seagrove-Love Joy charge, Rev. J. H. Trollinger, pastor; Shiloh, Shiloh charge, Rev. C. E. Ridge, pastor; Lineberry, South Davidson charge, Rev. R. H. Kennington, pastor. On these charges there are 31 churches and in the seven institutes there was a total attendance of nearly 200, many of them officers and teachers. In each case the pastor was present. Mrs. Brewer accompanied Mr. Brewer and assisted in the meetings. The responses were encouraging, and we are sure that good will follow these efforts.—S. W. Taylor, D.S.

A "Cathedral of Healing," designed as a community medical center, a source of advance in medical science, and a hospital specializing in moderately priced rooms, affording the finest of care and accommodations to persons of moderate means, will advance through an important stage toward completion with the cornerstone laying of Wesley Memorial Hospital, Sunday, May 26, at 3 p. m., on the building site at Fairbanks Court and Superior street, adjacent to the Chicago campus of Northwestern University. Dr. Franklyn Bliss Snyder, president of the university, will deliver the address. Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf will conduct the service. The public is invited. Seats and procenium are being erected for the occasion. The new hospital has been made possible through the generosity of George Herbert Jones, a trustee of the old Wesley Memorial Hospital, whose gifts for this purpose amount to more than \$3,000,000. Besides Mr. Jones, members of the building committee are: Mrs. Walter J. Jarratt, M. Haddon MacLean, James S. Kemper, Dr. Raymond W. McNealy, and F. J. Thielbar. The hospital is to be 20 stories high and will have approximately 525 beds.



At Ansonville we had a training school for teachers, using "High Lights of the New Testament" as text book, led by Brother Hefner of Norwood in a fine way, and 19 took credit. Teacher and pastor and pupils were perfectly pleased with the school. A vacation Bible school is planned for June 9-23, and then a revival led by Rev. R. T. Houts and Mrs. Houts.—O. P. Ader.

Dr. Mary Ely Lyman, since 1927 lecturer in English Bible at Union Theological Seminary, will begin duties next fall as dean of Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, Va. Dr. Lyman is the wife of Prof. Eugene W. Lyman of Union, who is retiring from his teaching position after the summer session at the New York seminary this year. Mrs. Lyman spent five days during the spring term at Connecticut College, New London, Conn., as lecturer and counselor on the college's religious emphasis week. She preached in the new Harkness chapel there, held seminars, granted private interviews and met various campus organizations. The Lymans will leave New York in August for Virginia.

The invitation committee invites you to meet your old friends and schoolmates at the fourteenth home coming picnic on Memorial Day, May 30. Rev. James E. Fitzgerald, Methodist minister of Harris and former Yadkin College student, will deliver the address. Rev. George L. Curry will preside at exercises to begin in the Methodist church at 10:30, and Dr. S. W. Taylor will have charge of the devotions. Dr. O. B. Michael will report on the book he recently published—History of Yadkin College, 1856-1924. Other brief talks by former students will be made. Music will be furnished by the Lexington high school band.—Mrs. Mayree Oakes Greene.

First Methodist, Rutherfordton, has closed the best half year in many years. The church is more completely organized and all organizations are functioning with good results. Attendance upon services of worship and other meetings has been such as to indicate a fine spirit of enthusiasm and co-operation. It supported the school of missions with large attendance and claimed 29 credits in the county training school for Christian workers. It balanced its budget with some to spare by district conference. The vacation school, now in session, includes five departments ranging from beginners to young people. Young people are meeting at night for two-hour sessions of study and recreation.

The Good Fellowship Union held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday night, May 14, at Rocky Mount Methodist church, with 112 present. After the worship service, which was conducted by the young people of Rocky Mount, the meeting was turned over to the union president, John Simpson. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the roll called by the secretary, Mavis Chandler. Among items of interest discussed were the young people's retreat that is to be held June 15-16 at Camp Barium and the caravan that is to come to Central church, Mooresville, the latter part of July or the first of August. Officers of the Good Fellowship Union were elected for the coming year. Those holding office during 1940-31 are: President, Wade Troutman of Central, Mooresville; vice president, Junior Simpson of Wesley Chapel; secretary, Helen McConnell of Mount Zion; assistant secretary, Palmer Chandler of Vanderburg; treasurer, Willis Cooke of Jones Memorial; assistant treasurer, Ruth Greenhill of Jones Memorial; publicity agent, Sara Brawley of Wesley Chapel. At the close of the meeting the young people of Rocky Mount served refreshments.—Reporter.

#### COMMISSIONS ON RECORDS, FORMS AND STATISTICAL BLANKS

A Commission on Records, Forms and Statistical Blanks was ordered by the recent General Conference. Any person having suggestions for this important work, please send the same to Dr. John W. Langdale, Book Editor, 150 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y., or to Dr. Alfred F. Smith, Book Editor, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. It is probable that all this work cannot be completed till the fall. In the meantime, it is desired that certain of the forms be prepared as early as possible.

#### DR. H. J. HAEFLINGER PASSES TO HIS REWARD

Rev. H. J. Haefflinger, D.D., a retired minister of the Florida conference, passed to his heavenly reward on Thursday, May 16, after a heart attack. Dr. Haefflinger and his wife made their home with their son, Mr. Fred Haefflinger, in High Point, N. C., except for the winters, which they spent in Florida. When in High Point, Dr. Haefflinger was a regular attendant at the church school and church services of Wesley Memorial church.

Dr. Haefflinger was admitted into the Florida conference in 1903 and held a prominent place in the Florida conference for over a quarter of a century. He was pastor at Fort Myers, Barton, Sarasota, Plant City, and served for four years as presiding elder of the Deland district. He retired from active service in 1934 when his health began to fail.

Dr. Haefflinger was a warm-hearted Christian gentleman, inspiring courage and good cheer wherever he went. He was always brotherly with never a note of bitterness or criticism. Although he had retired, he did not cease to minister to the sick and afflicted. He always had a word of encouragement to his younger friends in the ministry.

He is survived by his widow and one son, C. Fred Haefflinger, who reside in High Point. His funeral service was held by Dr. Embree H. Blackard and Dr. W. A. Lambeth on May 18. Interment was at Oakwood cemetery, High Point.

#### TWO NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

On May 14, Wesleyan, the pioneer college for women located at Macon, Ga., announced to the world that the \$600,000 campaign to pay off its debt and cover all outstanding obligations had reached a successful culmination. On the same day, in the city of Atlanta, it was announced that the local campaign to secure \$1,300,000 for Emory University had been successful and that the entire amount, approximately \$6,000,000, for the University Center in Atlanta had been pledged.

These institutions were chartered within ten days of each other in December, 1836. It is, therefore, a cause for genuine congratulation and thanksgiving that these institutions of The Methodist Church now move out into a larger and better day of service than has been possible.

Wm. F. Quillian.

#### MEMORIAL SERVICE

There will be a memorial service at Fairgrove Methodist church, Sunday, May 26, beginning at 9:45 o'clock, at which time the church school will conduct a brief devotional in commemoration of its deceased members. At the 11 o'clock hour there will be a memorial sermon by the pastor in charge, Rev. Van B. Harrison. At the conclusion the congregation will march to the cemetery, where the closing prayer will be offered.

The committee in charge of the program especially request all who have relatives buried at the above named place to come early with flowers to place on the graves and remain for the service. The North State quartet will furnish music for the occasion.

#### DESIRES TO ASSIST PASTORS IN REVIVALS

Because of the condition of Mrs. Benton's health we were unable to return to our church at Spruce Pine from a vacation in December on the Pacific coast. I therefore requested to be released for the remainder of the conference year.

Have recently returned to North Carolina and shall be glad to assist pastors in evangelistic meetings during the summer. Any pastor who may be interested is referred to the following ministers who have known me and of my work for years: Drs. C. C. Weaver, C. N. Clark, G. A. Stamper, M. T. Smathers and my district superintendent, J. C. Cornett.

C. C. Benton,  
Charlotte, N. C., (General Delivery).



## HIGH POINT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The first session of the High Point district conference was called to order at High Point College, High Point, at 9:20 o'clock May 14 by Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent and president of the conference. After a brief devotional service, conducted by Rev. N. C. Williams, Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College, was presented for a word of welcome.

A printed program, distributed among 147 members of the conference who were present, was declared the official guide for the proceedings of the day.

The conference completed organization with the following elections: J. L. Stokes, II, secretary; J. W. Braxton, assistant secretary; F. E. Howard, statistician; Miss Lucile Johnson, financial statistician.

District lay officers were elected as follows: Lay leader, W. B. McEwen; associates, Dr. P. L. Feezer and W. F. Redding, Jr. Reports were made by Carl H. King on summer activities by the board of education, by Dr. A. W. Plyler on the Advocate campaign, by H. G. Allen and Paul Hardin, Jr., on the Conference Brotherhood.

An optimistic note prevailed throughout the reports of the pastors. The following facts, gleaned from the reports, will be of interest:

1. Additions to the church by profession of faith, 235.
2. Additions by letter, 247.
3. Charges reporting 50 per cent or more of budget raised, 15.
4. No. reporting approximately 50 per cent raised, 6.

Received highest honors in the district was Wesley Memorial with 81 per cent of its budget paid to date. Calvary, High Point, and Randleman-Union, with approximately 60 per cent of all items raised, were second and third. Close to the 55 per cent mark were Farmer, Oak View, Ramseur-Franklinville, Archdale, and First church, Asheboro.

Messages were heard from Dr. E. J. Coltrane on Brevard College, Dr. P. N. Garber on the Duke School of Religion, Dr. L. L. Gobbel on Greensboro College, Dr. W. S. Sharp on Pfeiffer Junior College, and Dr. G. I. Humphreys on High Point College.

The morning session was brought to a close with a challenging address by Bishop Clare Purcell, who portrayed united Methodism as determined upon three courses of action: (1) To learn Christ, (2) to teach Christ, and (3) to give Christ.

Dinner was served efficiently and sumptuously to a capacity crowd in the High Point College dining room. It was but one of the many ways the college took to provide for the pleasure of the delegates assembled upon its campus.

The conference members reassembled at 1:50 o'clock and were led in a short devotional service by Rev. O. E. Croy. Speaking with reference to orphanages were O. V. Woosley of Winston-Salem and Eugene Lamb of High Point. Dr. L. B. Abernethy brought his usual humor along with him—to the delight of the conference—as he called for a greater loyalty to hospitals and missions. Mrs. W. T. Powell, district secretary of woman's work, brought a stimulating message on the place of women in the new church.

The laymen's hour was presided over by Mr. W. B. McEwen. Addresses were heard as follows: "Laymen and the Financial Objectives of the Church," by Dr. P. L. Feezer; "Laymen, a Moving Force in the High Point District," by Mr. J. D. Ross; and "Laymen Winning Laymen," by presiding officer.

A number of visitors from neighboring districts were presented to the conference, among them Dr. W. A. Lambeth and Dr. C. N. Clark, who brought greetings from their areas.

The conference granted local preacher's license to N. L. Oliver and recommended to the annual conference Rev. Odell Brown. The report of the committee on findings was read by Dr. E. H. Blackard, that on courtesies by Rev. O. L. Easter, that on lay activities by W. B. McEwen, that on parsonage equity by R. O. Lindsay.

Miss Lucile Johnson gave a summary of the financial records of the charges and Rev. F. O. Howard presented other statistical information from the various churches. The report of the district treasurer was read by Mr. J. D. Ross, Jr.

Highlighting action taken by the conference was passage of the following resolution: "We are in hearty accord with the action of the General Conference in reference to the principle of separation of church and state, and in requesting President Roosevelt to recall his personal representative, Myron C. Taylor, from the Vatican."

The invitation of High Point College to be the next meeting place of the conference was unanimously accepted. The district superintendent, Dr. S. W. Taylor, expressed appreciation for the spirit of co-operation which had prevailed throughout the day. The dignity and graciousness with which the superintendent presided and his expert direction of the conference proceedings were but to be expected of this able leader of our united Methodism.

After the singing of the Doxology and prayer by Dr. W. A. Lambeth the conference adjourned.

J. L. Stokes, II, Secretary.

## CHARLOTTE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The 74th session of the Charlotte district conference of the Methodist Church met in Bethlehem church, Prospect charge, Thursday, May 16, at 9 a. m. The district superintendent, G. T. Bond, called the conference to order. Rev. N. A. Huffman, Waxhaw, led the devotional service.

On nomination of Rev. J. M. Barber, Rev. E. H. Nease was elected secretary and Mr. Huffman named statistical secretary. The district superintendent nominated the following committees: License and Recommendation, G. R. Combs, L. P. Barnett, P. T. Dixon and T. F. Higgins; Christian Education, R. L. Ownbey, M. Q. Tuttle, Miss Kate Crowell, E. B. Edwards and H. M. Patrick; Missions and Church Extension, C. C. Weaver, J. A. Jones, J. W. Fitzgerald, Mrs. C. E. Wakefield and Mrs. J. W. Payne; Hospitals and Homes, J. B. Ivey, E. O. Cole, John R. Smith, W. Bryan Moore, Mrs. Kate Capehart; Finance, E. A. Cole, Guy O. Bagwell, J. J. Akers, G. K. Craig, E. H. Broom, M. G. Ervin, and J. A. Bell; Christian Literature, H. P. Powell, W. O. Goode, F. F. Frisbie, Mrs. Roy Garmon and J. R. Warren; Spiritual Life and Evangelism, J. H. Carper, W. K. Price, J. E. Yountz, R. C. Kirk, Henry Baucom, J. N. Randall and O. P. Ader; Quarterly Conference Records, J. M. Barber, G. G. Adams, R. F. Huneycutt, J. E. B. Houser, C. F. Womble and H. R. Cornelius; tellers, J. E. Hipp, C. W. Russell, C. R. Allison, L. R. Akers, Jr., E. W. Mills and A. B. Bruton; Resolutions, S. M. Needham. These committees were confirmed by the conference.

The host pastor, Rev. R. F. Huneycutt and Sidney Brown, welcomed the conference to Bethlehem church. The district superintendent responded.

Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, district secretary, reported on the work of the woman's division of Christian service; L. P. Barnett, district missionary secretary, made his report; Rev. C. H. King, executive secretary of the conference board of education; Dr. W. S. Fitzgerald, Duke University; Dr. A. W. Plyler, North Carolina Christian Advocate; Dr. S. B. Turrentine, Greensboro College; Dr. L. B. Abernethy, hospitals; O. V. Woosley, Children's Home; and Dr. E. J. Coltrane, Brevard College, represented these causes. The Conference Brotherhood was presented by the Rev. H. G. Allen, Lexington, and J. B. Ivey; and Dr. R. L. Ownbey spoke of the Franklin N. Parker Recognition Fund.

Guy O. Bagwell presided at the laymen's hour and spoke on the work and privilege of laymen in the program of the church. The report of the nominating committee named Guy O. Bagwell, district lay leader, and George K. Craig, Judson De Ramus, and L. E. Huggins, associate lay leaders, and these were elected by the conference. On motion of J. A. Jones, E. A. Cole, retiring lay leader, was given a vote of appreciation for his splendid work.

The following district parsonage trustees were elected: F. A. Wilkinson, J. B. Ivey, J. Luther Snyder, Mrs. Joe McLaughlin, T. J. W. Broom, F. S. Love, A. J. Hagood, Paul J. Kiker, and J. J. Akers.

Reports were given as follows: Hospitals and homes, J. B. Ivey; district funds, F. A. Wilkinson; Christian literature, W. O. Goode; spiritual life, J. H. Carper; missions, C. C. Weaver; Christian education, M. Q. Tuttle; quarterly conference records, G. G. Adams.

G. R. Combs made the report of the committee on license and recommendation, and the following were given local preacher's license: Charles Eugene Shannon, Monroe; William R. Ormond, Indian Trail; George Harlan Needham, Charlotte. Claude Evans, assistant pastor, First church, Charlotte, was recommended for admission to the Upper South Carolina annual conference.

F. A. Wilkinson invited the district conference to meet in 1941 at Moore's Chapel and the invitation was accepted. The conference sermon was preached by Dr. G. R. Combs, Monroe.

The luncheon, which was a large dinner, was served by the ladies of the charge and was spread on tables on the church lawn. The conference adjourned at 4:30 p. m.

E. H. Nease, Secretary.

METHODIST MINISTERS' WIVES AT SUPPER  
MONDAY EVENING

The Cabarrus county Methodist ministers' wives met May 13 at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Malcolm Reese in Kannapolis. The home was beautifully arranged with colorful spring flowers.

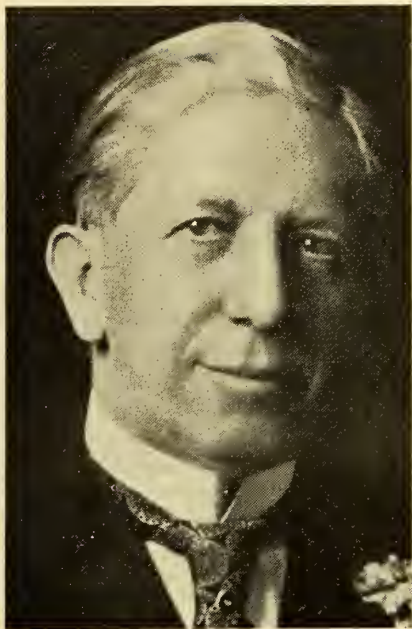
A delicious buffet supper was served, after which games were enjoyed.

Mrs. R. L. Bass, president of the group, presided at a short business meeting.

Mrs. Kale, who is visiting Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Kale in Kannapolis, Rev. and Mrs. Wilson O. Weldon of China Grove, and Rev. Grady Harden of Mt. Airy were special guests.

Members present and their husbands included: Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Clark of Salisbury, Dr. E. K. McLarty, Miss Mary McLarty, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bass, Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Lyerly, Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Murray, Rev. J. J. Holmes, Rev. and Mrs. D. T. Huss, Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Heckard, Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Kiker and Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Creech, Jr.





**COMMENCEMENT  
SPEAKERS  
of the  
Ninety-Second  
COMMENCEMENT  
EXERCISES  
of  
GREENSBORO COLLEGE  
May 25-27**

—  
**Hon. Clyde R. Hoey**  
Governor of North Carolina

**Dr. Hornell Hart**  
Duke University



### A TRIP INTO THE HEART OF THE ALBEMARLE COUNTRY

Last week the Elizabeth City district conference assembled in Edenton, the old town on beautiful Edenton Bay, north side of Albemarle Sound. This last district conference for the year in the North Carolina conference was much like all the rest. There was District Superintendent R. B. Slaughter in the chair and Secretary S. J. Starnes at the table. Pastors' reports were made, laymen's hour was observed, speakers were heard, some eager to observe the courtesies of the day, others lumbered along as though all the day was theirs. The crowd filled all available space, the new Armory was ample for the big gathering at the luncheon made possible by Rev. W. C. Brown, and the people with marvelous patience stayed through the whole crowded day. Those Methodists of the Albemarle section are a devoted and patient people, eager to follow the lead of their pastors.

The conference at Edenton was similar to one a few years ago at Cullowhee in the Smoky Mountains Park region of the state, but the two sections of North Carolina are wholly unlike. The Albemarle is a flat land with beautiful rivers and sounds and many historic associations; the other has charming mountain scenery and holds the remnant of the Cherokee nation among their native hills. At Edenton is the oldest Episcopal church of the state, nearly 250 years old; over at Hertford is a stone marker telling of the first religious service held in the state. This was by the Quakers in 1672. Further north at Currituck Courthouse is the Pilmoor Memorial church, reminding all of the first Methodist sermon preached in North Carolina. This was by Joseph Pilmoor in 1772, one hundred years after the Quaker service. Near by at Shiloh in Camden county is the oldest Baptist church in the state. This is indeed the section of beginnings. The Edenton region in northeastern North Carolina was settled fully a century before the Cullowhee section in the southwestern and is fully 500 miles from the Albemarle country.

Fine illustrations are these two regions of the vast difference between the eastern and the western sections of the state both as to history and topography. More and more the tourists visit the coast region as well as the

Great Smoky Mountain National Park, so well known to the nation. In both sections the Methodists have a fine historic background and the future beckons. All we need to do is to make the most of our opportunities in the whole of the "Old North State."

### GREENSBORO COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT MAY 25-27

Greensboro College will graduate its ninety-second class in the commencement exercises beginning on Saturday, May 25, and continuing through Monday, May 27.

Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, governor of North Carolina, will make the annual graduating address on Monday at 10:30 a. m., when the 61 members of the graduating class will receive their diplomas and degrees. Seven seniors will graduate with a Bachelor of Music degree, the remaining 54 with Bachelor of Arts degrees.

On Sunday, May 26, Dr. Hornell Hart of Duke University will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at West Market Street church at 11 o'clock. At this time the Greensboro College Glee Club will sing.

At four o'clock on Sunday afternoon Mr. Mark Hoffman, head of the school of music, will give a piano concert in Odell Memorial auditorium.

Saturday's activities open with a senior breakfast at the Jefferson Roof Restaurant at 9 o'clock when the class history, class prophecy, last will and testament, and gift list will be read.

At one o'clock the alumnae-student luncheon will be given in the college dining room. Immediately following the luncheon at 2:30 in the Emerson Society hall the annual business meeting of the Alumnae Association, with Mrs. Karl Bishopric of Spray presiding, will be held. The class of 1890 will hold its golden anniversary, and the class of 1916 will celebrate its silver anniversary at this meeting.

At five o'clock on Saturday afternoon the class day exercises will be held on the front campus. The processional of the seniors and their little sisters, the sophomores, who will carry the traditional daisy chain on their shoulders, will begin the ceremony. The classes will sing the "little and the big sister" songs, after which the little sisters will receive the caps and gowns of the senior class. Class officers includes: Misses Henrietta Hines, Mt. Airy, president; Ruth Yount of Hickory, vice president; Ora Jones, Greensboro, secretary; Jean Bowers, Sanford, treasurer; and Muriel Ketchum, Jacksonville, council representative. Mascots are Sue McIntyre, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. McIntyre, and Roddey Miller, III, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. Roddey Miller, Jr.

Following the class day program the senior class suppers and banquets will be held.

At 8:30 o'clock Dr. and Mrs. Luther L. Gobbel, president of the college and his wife, will entertain the senior class, their families and friends at a reception at his home on Fisher Park Circle.

The public is cordially invited to attend any of the commencement program.



# A Missing Note in the Advance

By HENRY G. RUARK

## I.

From the beginning of the Methodist Advance I have had the feeling that something vital was lacking. And that impression has persisted through the "Advance rallies" and many other meetings where this theme has been stressed. After all the explanations that have been made, I cannot escape the question in my own mind, "Is there a missing note in the Advance?"

One hesitates to raise such a question. The Advance meetings have been largely attended. Apparently a real enthusiasm has been generated among the preachers and people. To inject a critical attitude into such an atmosphere may only serve to hinder what seems in the process of accomplishment. But it is that very fact which brings us to our point. For I have the growing conviction that the thing which is lacking and which is imperatively necessary for any real advance is a mood of searching self-examination on the part of the church.

I say that mood seems to me to be lacking. We have said, of course, that we Methodists must re-examine and renew our personal religious experience. Every speaker has insisted that an advance can begin only in the hearts of re-consecrated individuals. And the truth of that is obvious, even if we are slow in learning the lesson for ourselves. But this does not reach the thing I have in mind here. For always in this call for the deepening of the spiritual life of our preachers and people there seems to be the assumption that such renewal will result in increased devotion to the church program and organization as is now exists. But we need to go behind that assumption and examine the church itself; to ask, however disturbing the question may be, whether the church is moving toward truly Christian goals and using Christian methods in seeking those ends.

## II.

For example, one natural result of a new enthusiasm in the church will be increased giving for church causes. But here a fundamental question intrudes itself: Are the funds received by the church being used in accordance with the spirit and purpose of Christ?

Let us consider, for instance, the distribution of funds received for the support of the ministry. This is a question which has hardly been raised officially, but one about which both preachers and people are deeply and increasingly concerned.

One fact that is so clear as to be indisputable is that the spirit of Christ in men's hearts produces an impulse to share with their brothers in the common goods of life. We have frequently been reminded of what we call the "communitistic" experiment in the original Christian community at Jerusalem. Some point to the fact that this was soon discontinued, and argue therefore that it was proved unsound. But Gregory Vlastos reminds us that the significant thing is that those early followers felt such sharing to be the appropriate expression of the Spirit they had received: "The experiment failed. But the important thing is that it was tried; that the original impact of Jesus' life and teachings on his first disciples led to the most drastic sharing of life and property." (Christian Faith and Democracy, p. 40).

That same impulse can be seen among the first Methodist preachers in America. From 1800 to 1816 the salary for all preachers—including bishops and presiding elders—was \$80 a year and traveling expenses. How much longer the practice of equal salaries was followed I do not know. Apparently, as the church grew in wealth, it was discovered again that such "communism" was impractical. But the fact remains that when Methodism was in its "first, fine ardor" it seemed perfectly natural in such a brotherhood that they should "share all things." Proposals for equalization of preachers' salaries are not radical and socialistic as some suppose; they are simply a return to original Methodism.

We see this same impulse among the missionary forces of the church. Dr. Kenneth S. Latourette calls attention to this fact and its implications: "For decades the missionary enterprise, with its salaries based on need and not graded according to ability, has been a quiet demonstration, often little heeded by those outside missionary circles, of the possibility of a new economic order among Christians." Indeed, I think it true that wherever and whenever the church has been most directly under the "original impact" of Jesus, there has been tangible evidence of this impulse to share. That some of the schemes used for such sharing have been ill-advised and poorly operated is only natural. But they do not remove the fact that such sharing is the authentic result of the spirit of Christ dwelling in men's hearts.

## III.

With this fact in mind, let us look at the conditions that exist in the Methodist Church. We may pass over the wide differences between the salaries paid by various of our churches, and the scant success of measures proposing to equalize salaries. It may be, as we preachers tell ourselves, that the laymen would not consent to dividing up salaries and paying all preachers on the basis of need. Though I suspect that our laymen are ready to follow much further in this direction than we might suppose, if we preachers would only take the lead. But there are some questions concerning this matter which are ripe for immediate consideration. The most obvious is the preferential status given to bishops in regard to financial support. Each bishop receives a salary of \$6000 a year, with an additional \$1500 for office expense. While I know nothing about the requirements of the bishopric, this seems adequate when compared with the salaries of our other preachers. But there are two ways in which bishops are given a favored position which seem quite unjustified. For the first, the salaries of the bishops are made a preferred claim on the benevolent funds of the church. Whatever other causes may suffer, the bishops' full support is assured. Secondly, though the bishops are in a far better position than other preachers to make their own provision for old-age security, they are retired on pay of \$2700 a year; and when they die, their widows receive pensions of \$1500. This is double or triple the provision made for other superannuates and their widows, who have probably labored as long and faithfully for the church.

And now there appears some danger that we may create another preferred class of the district superintendents. The Uniting Conference provided that annual conferences might set the salaries of superintendents at a uniform level and provided for collection through the conference treasurer. The motive of this provision was, I believe, to promote a greater sharing among district superintendents. But as the plan has been put into operation in the North Carolina conference, it may become the means of setting the district superintendents off from the other preachers in a privileged class. This comes about in two ways. The salary for district superintendents was set at \$4200. But the commission on budget levied an assessment on each charge of 8 per cent the pastor's salary, which will raise considerably more than the amount necessary. Indeed, it is said that in some districts this assessment will total as much as a thousand dollars above the required amount. It appears, then, that even though a large part of this assessment might be unpaid, the salaries of the district superintendents would be paid in full. But pastors on their charges have no such margin of safety. If their salaries are not paid in full, they simply take the loss. Again, the conference authorized its treasurer to borrow in any month up to 50 per cent of the deficit which might exist in the superintendents' salaries, thus insuring that a major portion of these salaries will be paid by the month. Such loans would, of course, be secured by the general funds of the conferences, and place no obligation on the district superintendents. This regular payment of salaries is a consummation devoutly to be wished for, as any Methodist preacher with two years' experience will quickly testify. But again, why should this privilege be accorded to district superintendents and not to pastors? For the preacher on his charge, if his salary falls behind, must do his own borrowing and pay his own interest.

Those district superintendents with whom I have discussed this assure me that these safeguards are only temporary to insure the successful initiation of the plan. I can readily understand that such precautions are advisable. But it is well for us to keep in mind the possibilities involved. Either these privileges now given to district superintendents must be rapidly extended to all preachers, or they must soon be removed entirely. Otherwise, we shall have created another preferred class in a fraternity where all are supposed to be "one." If this should happen, we should be moving backwards instead of advancing.

This matter of distribution of ministerial support is only one of many which the church must thoroughly open up and fearlessly examine if it is to be fair to its people and true to its Lord. But it serves as an immediate and practical starting point. And let us remember that such honest self-examination is the indispensable prelude to any real moral and spiritual advance by the church. It is never easy for an institution to criticize itself. But there is a profound truth for churches as well as for individuals in the Christian doctrine that repentance is the first step toward salvation. Without such a spirit of humble self-searching, revealed in "fruits meet for repentance," any "Advance" undertaken by the church will lack the one element that would give it reality and power.



North Carolina Pastors' School and Rural Church  
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Faculty, Courses and Speakers

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| Bishop James H. Straughn, Baltimore, Maryland.                                                                                 | MODERN DEVELOPMENTS IN LATIN                     |
| Dr. Louis C. Wright, President, Baldwin-Wallace College, Berea, Ohio.                                                          | AMERICAN MISSIONS, by Dr. Carr                   |
| Dr. Robert E. Speer, Lakeville, Conn.                                                                                          | 8:40-9:40 and 10:50-11:50 A. M. .... Room 3.07   |
| Bishop Clare Purcell, Charlotte, North Carolina.                                                                               | THE CHURCH SERVING SHIFTING                      |
| Bishop W. W. Peele, Richmond, Virginia.                                                                                        | POPULATIONS, by Mrs. Cram                        |
| Dr. Elbert Russell, Dean, School of Religion, Duke University, Durham, N. C.                                                   | 8:40-9:40 and 10:50-11:50 A. M. .... Room 3.08   |
| Dr. Charles M. McConnell, Boston University, Boston, Mass.                                                                     | WORKING WITH YOUTH, by Mr. Cunningham            |
| Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, Superintendent, Department of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention, Atlanta, Ga. | 8:40-9:40 and 10:50-11:50 A. M. .... Room 2.101  |
| Dr. Wesley M. Carr, Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn.                                                                         | CHILDREN IN THE SMALL CHURCH, by Miss Spratt     |
| Dr. Paul A. Root, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.                                                                | 8:40-9:40 and 10:50-11:50 A. M. .... Room 3.108  |
| Dr. J. Emerson Ford, Marion, South Carolina.                                                                                   | CHRISTIANITY AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS, by Dr. Root |
| Miss Barnett Spratt, Cherokee County Board of Education, Gaffney, S. C.                                                        | 8:40-9:40 and 10:50-11:50 A. M. .... Room 2.102  |
| Reverend Deane Edwards, Committee on Worship, Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, New York, N. Y.            | THE PASTOR AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, by Dr. Ford  |
| Mrs. W. G. Cram, Nashville, Tenn.                                                                                              | 8:40-9:40 and 10:50-11:50 A. M. .... Room 3.107  |
| Reverend M. Earl Cunningham, Division of Leadership Training, General Board of Education, Nashville, Tenn.                     | THE PROGRAM AND ADMINISTRATION                   |
| Dr. Kenneth Clark, School of Religion, Duke University, Durham, N. C.                                                          | OF CIRCUITS, by Dr. McConnell                    |
| THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS, by Dr. Clark                                                                                           | 8:40-9:40 and 10:50-11:50 A. M. .... Room 3.102  |
| 8:40-9:40 and 10:50-11:50 A. M. .... Room 2.105                                                                                | THE TEACHINGS OF THE PROPHETS, by Dr. Russell    |
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|                                                                                                                                | EVANGELISM, by Dr. Leavell                       |
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|                                                                                                                                | DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS, by Bishop Purcell      |
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Discussions—9:50-10:40 A. M. Each Day

Tuesday, June 4

- (1) A MODERN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM FOR THE RURAL CHURCH  
Dr. J. O. Mann ..... Room 3.210
- (2) THE CHURCH'S YOUTH PROGRAM  
Bishop W. W. Peele ..... York Chapel

Wednesday, June 5

- (1) BETTER HEALTH FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES  
Mrs. J. H. Highsmith ..... Room 3.210
- (2) THE CHRISTIAN ATTITUDE TOWARD WAR  
Bishop Clare Purcell ..... York Chapel

Thursday, June 6

- (1) CO-OPERATION OF STATE AND CHURCH FOR CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP  
..... Room 3.210
- (2) EFFECTIVE CHURCH PUBLICITY  
Dr. E. H. Blackard ..... York Chapel

Friday, June 7

- (1) A BETTER AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM  
Professor B. Troy Ferguson ..... Room 3.210
- (2) THE CHRISTIAN IDEA OF WORSHIP  
Reverend Deane Edwards ..... York Chapel

Saturday, June 8

- (1) THE CHRISTIAN ATTITUDE TOWARD PRISONS  
Reverend L. A. Watts ..... Room 3.210
- (2) AN EFFECTIVE CHRISTIAN EVANGELISM  
Dr. Roland Q. Leavell ..... York Chapel



### SALISBURY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The annual session of the Salisbury district conference was held in Cold Springs church on the Mt. Pleasant charge on May 17. The conference was called to order at 9:30 by Dr. C. N. Clark, district superintendent, and Rev. E. O. Peeler of Ann Street church, Concord, conducted the devotionals.

The secretary of the last conference called the roll of the pastors in the district and all answered to their names except three who came in later.

J. F. Harrelson was elected secretary and Rev. R. B. Shumaker, assistant secretary.

Mr. O. A. Swearingen, who is the district lay leader and a member of the host church, spoke very warm words of welcome.

The following committees were announced by the chair: On License to Preach, Revs. A. C. Waggoner, Frank Jordan and T. B. Huneycutt; Admission, Revs. E. K. McLarty, R. L. Bass and F. L. Setzer; Spiritual State of the Church, Revs. E. K. McLarty, C. G. Hefner, G. W. Williams and C. G. Isley; Missions, Revs. W. B. West, C. C. Herbert, Jr., C. E. Murray and C. J. Goodman, and A. R. Lazenby; Education, Rev. W. A. Kale, W. J. Bullock, Joe McEachern, Mrs. W. P. Moore and Miss Mabel Edgerton; Woman's Work, Mrs. Z. V. Moss, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Mrs. C. N. Clark, Mrs. G. S. Moore, Mrs. E. O. Peeler and Mrs. C. G. Isley; Lay Activities, O. A. Swearingen, B. V. Hedrick and Loy Gulledege.

Rev. C. G. Hefner presented the matter of the Dr. Franklin N. Parker Fund.

The following visitors and the causes which they represent were introduced and spoke in behalf of their respective institutions: O. V. Woosley, Children's Home at Winston-Salem and High Point; Dr. L. B. Abernethy, Golden Cross, Missions and the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital; Dr. E. J. Coltrane, Brevard College; Dr. Raymond A. Smith, Greensboro College and the N. C. Christian Advocate; Dr. W. S. Fitzgerald, Duke University; Miss Mabel Edgerton, Pfeiffer College.

The lay speakers for the Laymen's Activities were Loy D. Gulledege of Albemarle, S. R. McEachern of the host church and Judge John C. Kesler of Salisbury. O. A. Swearingen, the district lay leader, presided.

The work of the women was presented by Mrs. Z. V. Moss, Mrs. P. N. Peacock and Mrs. C. N. Clark. Mrs. W. P. Moore presented the cause of the children's work of the district.

At 12 noon Dr. E. K. McLarty of Central church, Concord, preached a very forceful and effective sermon on the fifth verse of the 32nd Psalm. His subject was sin and his presentation was concise and clear cut. Immediately following reconvening in the afternoon the conference was led in a special prayer by Rev. M. F. Moores of New London for the warring nations of Europe, and world peace and the security of our own nation.

The secretary was instructed to send letters of affectionate love and warm greetings to two outstanding laymen of the district, A. F. Hartsell of Concord and J. F. Shinn of Norwood, who were absent on account of illness.

Rev. Ralph B. Shumaker directed the singing during the conference. The work of the young people of the district was presented by Worth Sweet, the district director. Mrs. John F. Kirk, office secretary of the W. N. C. Conference Board of Christian Education, called attention to the several summer activities for all age groups and urged as early registration as possible so as to avoid any delays.

Rev. H. C. Allen, president of the W. N. C. Conference Brotherhood, was an afternoon speaker in behalf of that cause. H. L. Lipe of Kannapolis was elected a district trustee in place of Mrs. P. N. Peacock, resigned. The characters of the local deacons and elders were passed. The characters of the local preachers, who submitted reports, were passed and their license renewed.

George Washington Keziah, a member of Trinity church, Kannapolis, was licensed to preach. Lee Roy Spencer, who is serving Salem church in the district, was recommended to the annual conference for admission on trial.

Ad interim committee on license to preach was announced by the chair as follows: Rev. A. C. Waggoner, Frank Jordan, T. B. Huneycutt and W. B. West.

The pastors all made encouraging reports and all revealed that much activity has been put forth in all lines of church endeavor. In the main most of the charges reported half out on finances for the conference year. No one was sour or indifferent and a fine spirit of optimism prevailed. Dr. Clark was very happy and was very much rejoiced over the way matters had gone during his recent indisposition.

Cold Springs church is south of Mt. Pleasant and situated in the midst of a fine farming section of Cabarrus county and has a very aggressive and loyal membership. They completed last year a nice brick educational building at a cost of \$7500 and without any hanging debt thereon. The church is a large brick constructed building and sits in a grove of oak and other beautiful shade trees. We were told by some of the members that they are looking forward to a not far distant time when they will become a full pastorate. They certainly did themselves proud in the fine way they enter-

tained the conference. The food was all that any would desire and was prepared in such a way as to satisfy anyone with any sort of an appetite.

The 1941 session will be held with our Granite Quarry congregation four miles south of Salisbury and on the Albemarle highway.

J. F. Harrelson, Secretary.

### ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Elizabeth City district conference met at 9 o'clock May 16 in the Methodist church at Edenton, with Rev. B. B. Slaughter, district superintendent, presiding. S. J. Starnes was asked to call the roll and was elected secretary. R. W. Bradshaw spoke for the board of education, A. S. Barnes for the orphanage, W. L. Clegg for the ministers' retirement fund, Walter L. Patten for Louisa College, M. T. Plyler for the Advocate and also for Greensboro College, Mrs. J. L. DeLaney for the woman's work. Rev. L. V. Harris spoke in the interest of evangelism, Rev. John R. Poe, district missionary secretary, represented that phase of the work, Rev. H. K. King urged that the church be given a chance in bringing about world peace by making the principles of the Prince of Peace paramount. Reports showed that the work of the district was progressing in a fine way. John R. Jenkins, Jr., district lay leader, presided during the laymen's hour. He presented the following men who represented different phases of the work: Mr. J. A. Holmes, who spoke on "Stewardship in the Realm of the Spiritual," Messrs. A. P. Godwin and F. S. Aldridge on the Golden Cross enrollment, and Dr. W. K. Greene, who urged all to hold fast their faith in the presence and power of God and the ultimate triumph of righteousness. The conference quartet, composed of Revs. C. E. Vale, P. F. Newton, C. E. Hix, and H. B. Lewis, delighted the conference by singing two numbers.

Among visitors introduced to the conference were F. S. Aldridge, A. S. Barnes, H. B. Lewis, E. R. Clegg, W. L. Clegg, R. W. Bradshaw, R. E. Walston, C. E. Hix, and Rev. M. S. Kincheloe, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Elected as district trustees were S. W. Twiford, B. W. Evans, W. A. Leggett, W. H. Calfee, A. P. Godwin, J. T. White, W. C. Ferguson, Z. V. Norman and J. A. Lindsey.

At the noon hour a bountiful lunch was served at the Armory. Rev. O. L. Hardwick represented the young people's work of the district. Mr. John R. Jenkins, Jr., was re-elected district lay leader, D. L. Berry and C. S. Meekins were re-elected associate lay leaders, and Z. V. Norman, J. M. McNider and B. W. Evans were elected assistants. Local preachers whose characters were passed and licenses renewed included W. C. Baines, M. E. Cotton, Oliver Guard, J. R. Joliff, W. T. Lewis, S. Wade Marr, Jr., E. R. Meekins, J. M. Smith, J. M. Whitson, J. R. Regan. Mr. Z. V. Norman extended a cordial invitation to the conference to meet next year at Plymouth, and it was unanimously accepted. A large congregation representing all parts of the district filled the church and Sunday school annex from the beginning to the close of the conference, which was a most successful occasion.

S. J. Starnes, Secretary.

### ZURICH HONORS BISHOP NUELSEN

The closing session of the Switzerland annual conference was a unique farewell to Bishop John L. Nuelsen. It was the bishop's last official act in Europe before leaving for America and before retiring. The conference was held in the historic First Methodist church of Zurich where Bishop Nuelsen was baptized 74 years previously by Bishop Calvin Kingsley, who presided over the Switzerland conference in that year. At the time the pastor of First church was the Rev. Henry Nuelsen, father of the future bishop. Dr. Henry Nuelsen was a missionary of the Board of Foreign Missions and one of the founders of Methodism in Switzerland and Germany. The name of John Louis Nuelsen is the sixth name entered upon the church's record of baptisms. At this closing session of the conference the city council of the city of Zurich sent Bishop Nuelsen a resolution of appreciation of his services to the people of the city and commonwealth during his 28 years of residence in their city, and they presented him a signed copy of the "Honor Book" of Zurich.



## **Bishop Purcell Commends Summer Programs**

I have had brought to my attention the several summer activities under the direction of the Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference. A most helpful schedule for the training of our workers has been arranged. All churches in this conference should take advantage of these splendid opportunities. I trust that there may be a capacity attendance at each of them.

CLARE PURCELL.

### **For Children's Workers**

Camp Carlyle—May 31 to June 1; cost ..... \$1.00  
For the Asheville, Marion, and Waynesville Districts

### **For Intermediates**

Camp Carlyle for Girls, ages 12, 13, 14 ..... June 8-15  
Camp Carlyle for Boys, ages 12, 13, 14 ..... June 15-22

### **For Young People**

CHRISTIAN LIFE INSTITUTE—High Point College....May 30-June 2; ages 15-23  
Districts: Elkin, Greensboro, High Point, Winston-Salem

EPWORTH TRAINING INSTITUTE—Pfeiffer College.....June 3-7; ages 15-23  
Districts: Charlotte, Gastonia, Statesville

EPWORTH TRAINING CAMP—Camp Carlyle ..... June 3-7; ages 15-23  
Districts: Asheville, Marion, Waynesville

Senior Assembly, Lake Junaluska ..... June 24-29; ages 15, 16, 17

Young People's Assembly, Lake Junaluska ..... July 1-6; ages 18-23

These Assemblies are planned for the young people of all three of the former churches throughout the conference

The following registrations for young people's activities have been received up to May 15:

#### **Girls' Camp**

Mary Agnes Bost, Landis  
Jane Crouch, Morganton  
Jean Watlington, Morganton  
Betty Swofford, Polkville  
Mary Henry Wolfe, Shelby  
Margaret Correll, Hickory  
Jane Smith, Hickory  
Mildred Hines, Mount Airy  
Geraldine Miller, Mount Airy

#### **Boys' Camp**

William Hoyle, Statesville  
Lawrence Turnipseed, Statesville

#### **Epworth Training Camp**

James Bailey Blevins, Bakersville  
Beulah Garland, Bakersville  
Ruth Jones, Bakersville  
Marion Elizabeth Ramsey, Bakersville  
William Deneen, Bakersville

#### **Pfeiffer Institute**

Frances Smith, Statesville  
O'Neill Smith, Statesville

#### **Senior Assembly**

William Grey Rose, Maiden

#### **Young People's Assembly**

Frances Louise Galloway, Morganton

Send all registrations to Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### MOORE-MONTGOMERY ZONE

Fayetteville district, Mrs. H. Lee Thomas, leader, will meet in the Methodist church in Star on May 29, beginning at 10 a. m.

### OUR DELEGATES

When the first Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference of the new Methodist Church convenes in Asheville on May 22 delegates from the Woman's Missionary Society, North Carolina Conference, will be Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Mrs. A. M. Gates and Mrs. D. S. Coltrane. Mrs. Hillman has been nominated for membership on the Jurisdictional Board of Missions; Mrs. Hillman, Mrs. Gates and Mrs. Coltrane have been nominated for membership on the General Board of Missions of the new Methodist Church.

### LOYALTY REWARDED

In 1908 Miss Sallie Reece became a member of the Mary Pescud Missionary Auxiliary of Edenton Street church. Miss Reece held practically every office in the auxiliary and in office or out has ever been a guiding light and a shining example of true devotion and loyalty to the cause of missions. On Sunday afternoon, May 12, when the auxiliary met for the regular monthly meeting Miss Lallah Betts, on behalf of the auxiliary, presented Miss Reece with a life membership. Since Miss Reece is well known throughout the N. C. conference, this timely evidence of love and gratitude will be a source of pleasing interest to many folk.

### BISHOP GUERRA SPEAKS

When Bishop Eleazer Guerra of Mexico spoke at the conference wide meeting in Goldsboro on May 9, he left no doubt of the value of the missionary enterprise. Said he: "The work of the missionary enterprise is a Christian work that produces great results. Take the missionary enterprise out of the church and the church will die. I am proud of the Methodist Church because I have not know any other church; my father has not known any other church and my grandfather was one of the first converts to Christianity in Mexico. You do not know what the missionary enterprise has done for the world. Whatever you have done in the missionary enterprise you done in obedience to the commandment of God. If a church wants to live it must support the missionary enterprise."

### A ZONE STUDY CLASS

More than 100 women of the New Hanover zone, Wilmington district, met at Southport recently for an all day class in the study of the book, "Homeland Harvest." Mrs. G. L. Clendenin, district study leader, and Mrs. Cannon, zone leader, presided jointly. Rev. R. H. Harrison gave a challeng-

ing message, "Send Out Thy Light and Thy Truth." The Southport junior choir presented the pageant, "The Dawn Is Breaking." Mrs. Farrar, Mrs. W. M. Hibbs and Mrs. J. F. Herbert presented the study book. Mrs. Harry Keen read a paper on Trinity church. The day of study closed with a visual review of the home mission field. As Mrs. E. P. Crow gave an abridged reading of the book "Right Here at Home," the mountaineer, the Indian, the urbanite, the farmer, the Negro, the Oriental and the Alaskan came in simple pageantry, under the direction of Mrs. D. C. Marshall within the altar, where they remained while the entire group sang "America the Beautiful."

Mrs. S. D. Hurst, Jr.

### ORANGE ZONE MEETS

Orange zone, Durham district, met on April 5 in Chapel Hill. The program began with music by Mr. Robert Brawley at the organ, followed by prayer by Rev. J. M. Culbreth, a hymn, and a duet, "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say," by Mrs. R. A. Edwards and Mr. Sherman Smith. The devotional, "A Sacred Trust," was given by Miss Mary Hogan. Mrs. E. E. Peacock extended words of welcome and Mrs. R. E. Warren responded. Impressions of conference were given by the delegates: Mrs. Mann, Mrs. McDade, Mrs. Peacock and Mrs. Nix. Miss Florine Robertson spoke of the interesting information given by Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton on the reorganization of the new church. Miss Robertson presented a life membership to baby Carolyn Woodward Nix, a gift of Rev. and Mrs. S. F. Nix, grandparents. Three posters were presented: Christian Social Relations, by Mrs. J. D. Lee; World Outlook, Mrs. S. F. Nix, and Statistics by Miss Robertson. Mrs. J. M. Culbreth spoke on Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon's talk at conference on "Our Mission Fields Today." Mrs. J. A. Warren, zone leader, called for reports of auxiliaries. Prior to adjournment Rev. J. M. Culbreth gave a short talk, impressing the fact that God's work moves on, then closed the meeting with prayer.

Mrs. J. S. Bennett, Sec.

### CARTHAGE AUXILIARY

Mrs. J. G. Downey writes: The four circles of the Carthage auxiliary report interesting meetings and finances in good shape. Circle No. 4 raised \$25 taking subscriptions to Holland Magazine. Mr. Mott's book, "Methodists United for Action" has been given by the pastor, Rev. W. G. Farrar. "The Upper Room," found in nearly all our homes, bears evidence of the good work done by Mrs. L. A. Watts, who introduced them.

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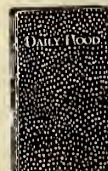
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## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### MY PRAYER

Dear Father, as we humbly pause  
In silence, fashion us  
Into the flower of thy choice.  
May each petal grow  
Into a symbol of Christ-like love  
And understanding in thy sight. Amen.  
—Carrie Williams, Sue Bennett College.

### WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

Waynesville was the meeting place of the representatives of the Waynesville district for their annual meeting on Thursday, May 3, at 10 a. m. with Mrs. F. E. Branson, district secretary, presiding, and Mrs. Mary Cowan acting as secretary.

The meeting opened with Isaac Watts' beautiful hymn, "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun Does His Successive Journeys Run," which was followed by a most impressive worship service, conducted by Rev. A. P. Ratledge, pastor of the Sylva Methodist church, who had for his theme "Open Doors."

After special music greetings were extended by Mrs. J. Hardin Howell, with response from representative of the Andrews auxiliary.

The "1940 Council Message" occupied first place on the program and was most interestingly given by Mrs. P. N. Peacock, who attended this great closing meeting of the Council of Southern Methodist women in New Orleans in March and which was of unusual interest.

In the report of the district secretary, Mrs. Branson, it was most gratifying to know of the progress of the district during 1939, and with the representatives of the auxiliaries assuming their pledges so willingly and cheerfully, we predict continued advancement on this district.

"A Message from Korea" was given by Miss Josephine Dameron, who was missionary to that field for a number of years, and who brought a message of interest showing her love for the people to whom she had given faithful and efficient service while in Korea. She dressed two attractive little children, a girl and a boy, in the Korean children's costume showing how the children of that far-off land looked in their pretty colored costumes.

A service of remembrance of unusual impressiveness was conducted by Mrs. G. L. Hampton, assisted by the four zone leaders of the district who, at the calling of the names of the deceased members of their zone, placed beautiful flowers in a receptacle, afterward placing them on the grave of Mrs. Sloan, a member of the Waynesville district, who had recently passed away. Adding to the solemnity and impressiveness of this service was the reading of an appropriate poem by Mrs. Hampton, which had been written by Mrs. Frank Siler a few months before her death, and the beautiful

song "Ringing Those Golden Bells," sung by Mrs. Fred Martin. After a delightful luncheon served at long tables in the dining room of the church, the afternoon meeting was called to order at 1:30 with special music by Mrs. Martin, followed by inspiring and informing messages by Miss Nina Troy, missionary to China, who spoke on "Our Work in the Penetrated Area of China," in which she told of the conditions that exist there and demonstrated through posters, where our work is now being carried on.

The conference achievements for 1939 were given by Mrs. W. R. Harris, conference secretary, showing a great year in the work of our conference with advance along practically all lines. In a happy manner Mrs. Carl Slagle presented the supply work, urging a continuance of the interest in this important department. A number of ministers were in attendance at this meeting, among them Rev. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent, who with Mrs. Hutchins had just returned from the General Conference at Kansas City, both of whom gave items of interest from that meeting. A pleasing feature of the day was the presentation of three members of the Waynesville auxiliary, Mrs. West, Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Turbyfield, who had been affiliated with the woman's missionary society for 60 or more years.

### NORTH CAROLINA LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOL

From Mrs. L. V. Scott of the Conference Bureau of Christian Social Relations we have the following announcement of the North Carolina Leadership Training School, for colored people, to be held at Hanes Institutional C. M. E. church, Winston-Salem, July 15-20, registration beginning July 15 at 1 p. m. Registration fee \$1; enter-

tainment \$2.50; price of books approximately \$1 each. Courses applicable to all churches and denominations, for ministers, workers in all departments, and woman's missionary society.

The following are the courses: How the Bible Came to Me, Rev. N. H. Humphreys; Guiding Children in Christian Growth, Miss Dora Zimmerman; Guiding Youth's Approach to Christian Religion, instructor to be selected; The Christian Message for Our Present Day World, Mrs. Annie Singletary; and Preparing and Preaching Sermons. Handcraft instructors to be selected. Rev. J. S. Blaine, Dean, 821 North Highland Street, Winston-Salem, N. C.

### ZONE MEETING, WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

An interesting meeting of zone three of the Winston-Salem district was held recently at Salem church on the Mount Airy circuit, with Mrs. A. B. Macon, chairman, presiding. Rev. I. L. Sharpe, pastor of the church, led the devotional and was followed by messages of interest and inspiration by Mrs. J. G. Sterling and Mrs. L. V. Scott. An interesting account of the Golden Jubilee meeting held in Salisbury in April was given by Mrs. Hugh Holcomb, who was a delegate to the meeting. "Mission work of the three former branches of the Methodist Church" was discussed by Mrs. H. G. Hardin and Mrs. J. L. Woltz. A vocal solo, "Let Him Have His Way," was sung by Mrs. I. L. Sharpe. Ten of the 14 auxiliaries were represented.

### USE YOUR EARS INSTEAD OF YOUR TONGUE

The best conversationalist is the one who lets the other fellow do most of the talking. He pleases the other fellow and there is a possibility that he might learn something for himself. It is absolutely certain that one won't learn much by listening to himself all the time.

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### MEANINGFUL MEETINGS

This scribe has been to a lot of Methodist meetings recently, meetings ranging all the way from the board of Christian education in the local church to the General Conference. Included in the number were ten of the 11 district conferences of the Western North Carolina conference. These meetings, all of them, have been most meaningful. Never before in this scribe's recollection has a finer day dawned upon Methodism in this part of the Lord's moral vineyard. With our united forces beginning to work together in a harmonious fashion, it appears that we have come to the kingdom for such a time as this. The old Methodist car has its headlights on in front casting their rays into the misty future in no uncertain way. There is not much need of a red light, since the vehicle is moving without any stops on its schedule.

### HAYES HUSTLES

Believe it or not, Hayes does hustle. At least he encourages other people to hustle, which is better. His district conference at Gibsonville, held in a former Methodist Protestant church, was of the sort that puts vim and vigor into one's soul. It was really good to be there. The preachers of the district are on their toes and are getting somewhere. The laymen are going along with them, glorying in the good work that is being done. The church just could not hold all the people who came together with glad acclaim.

### TAYLOR TACKLES

Hurrying away from the Greensboro district conference, I visited the High Point district conference held in the chapel of High Point College. The morning had been filled with happy happenings, including a stirring message by Bishop Purcell. The afternoon singing was in process and the crowd came in leisurely following the good dinner President Humphries' staff of dietitians and young ladies prepared. District Superintendent Taylor was tackling everything that came along with an earnestness and a consideration that was inspiring. He is a painstaking fellow and anxious to be fair in all his dealings. That fellow is really putting out. Seventeen former Methodist Protestant pastors and 16 former Southern Methodist pastors joined in singing the halleluia chorus of mid-year success.

### CLARK CLICKS

A day elapsed and on Thursday of last week came the Salisbury district conference at Cold Springs, where nothing is cold this time of the year except the flourishing spring nearby. The peo-

ple's welcome is always warm and the way they entertained the conference was inspiring. District Superintendent Clark was stepping around on both feet as if he had never heard of an automobile wreck and his mental engine was clicking on all cylinders. Forty-two preachers reported without a dull moment and without a single one getting off key. One did not want to leave such a satisfactory situation.

### BOND BOUNCES

Hurrying from Cold Springs and stopping only long enough to get a sandwich and a cold drink, the Children's Home man got to Bethlehem, the beautiful new church in lower Union county, where the Charlotte district conference was proceeding in a most encouraging way. District Superintendent Bond was bouncing around in the midst of happy happenings. At one time he bounced out of the pulpit, down by the chancel and called J. B. Ivey and J. A. Jones, two of his liberal and altruistic laymen, to the front, where he stood between them with arms across their shoulders and commented on some recent instances of liberal giving to good causes. The conference cheered. That portion of the pastors' reports heard in the afternoon indicated that a good year of successful operation is being recorded. Everybody was happy and bragging.

### HOYLE HELPS

I have just come in from the Statesville district conference held at Taylorsville, where an enthusiastic band of Methodists showed much joy in the success of their enterprises. While District Superintendent Hoyle had everything mapped out in careful fashion, he accorded the conference the opportunity to vote on what it would do and when. He had a carefully mimeographed sheet, showing the accomplishments of each charge, distributed among the people. But before this was done he read a most encouraging report of the work of the district after the fashion of the pastor's report to the quarterly conference. This report showed the superintendent was very conversant with the details of accomplishments on every charge. Such might be expected of an enterprising fellow serving his fifth year as superintendent of the district. This scribe left before the morning meeting adjourned, but not before

having visited the lovely picnic tables well laden with choice edibles prepared by the select Taylorsville ladies.

### DANBURY DOES

Our singing class spent most of yesterday with three congregations on the Danbury circuit. Meeting Rev. T. H. Houck, the pastor, at Walnut Cove, we followed him over to Forest Chapel, where, at 9:45, our program was rendered before a congregation that filled the nice little church, to which has recently been added three new Sunday school rooms. From there we went to the beautiful new church at Pine Hall, where our youngsters did their program all over again and then enjoyed a lovely picnic dinner with the lovely Pine Hall people. Our youngsters ate so much we feared for the afternoon program at Bethesda, a few miles away, where, at 2:30, the program was done again. Bethesda, over a hundred years old, has new Sunday school rooms and a youthful spirit of progress. Pastor Houck is completing the fourth year on the Danbury circuit and is going good. The offerings helped.

### HANES HOWDYS

The picture this week is that of the Anna Hanes cottage boys, together with their home mother, Miss Ruth Hunter, and Patsy Gillon and Mary Helen Loftin, two seventh grade girls who assist in the work here. I never go by the Anna Hanes cottage boys without about every one of them calling. "Hello, Pop!" then proceeding to tell about some interesting happening. These boys are having a big time living at the Children's Home and are growing like Jesus grew, "In wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and man."

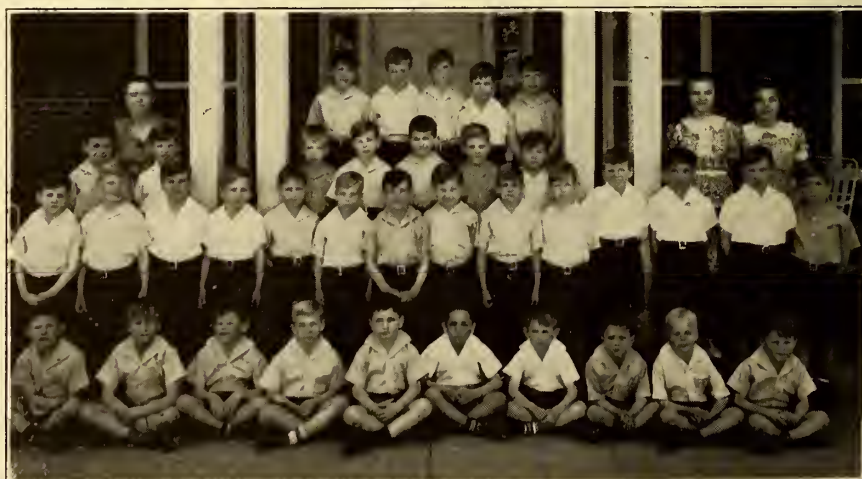
### HUNTING HONORS

If you are looking for some honorable mention groups, make a mental picture of the following who, with their pastors in charge, have seen to it that their Children's Home quota for the present conference year has been paid in full since last report:

Hickory Grove, Charlotte, Rev. J. M. Barber.

Proximity, Greensboro, Rev. G. W. Vick.

Center, Eleazer, Macedonia, Mt. Tabor and Oak Grove, Farmer circuit, Rev. F. E. Howard.



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Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**BASEBALL**—Our boys have played 16 games and have won 12. I think this is an exceptionally fine showing for our team. Prof. J. O. Sanderson, principal of our Orphanage school, is our athletic director and coach. For three years he was pitcher on the varsity team at Duke University, and the last year he was also captain of the team. Our boys are very happy over the successful season they have had thus far.

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**PERSON STREET CHURCH** — On last Sunday one of our little girls, Mabel Wells, was a guest of the Person Street Methodist church in Fayetteville, and sang some songs and gave some readings. Volstead Heath, one of our senior boys, who is clothed by the missionary society of this church, was also present at the 11 o'clock service the second Sunday morning. Mabel and Volstead report a pleasant visit to the good people of Person Street Methodist church.

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**SINGING CLASS**—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows about her visit to Carr church, Durham: "May 12 the singing class was in Durham at Carr church. Rev. Carlos P. Womack, who is pastor of this church, was out of the city filling the pulpit of a friend. In his absence Mr. J. B. Simpson received the class and looked after every detail of the service. We are always interested in this busy and loyal congregation, which clothes so nicely four of our children."

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**BOARD MEETING**—The executive committee of the board of trustees has designated June 5 for the annual meeting of the board of trustees. We are having the meeting about a week earlier this year than usual. I am trust-

ing that we will have all the 24 members of the board present on this important occasion. It is highly gratifying to know that all the members of our board of trustees are so vitally interested in the success of the Methodist Orphanage. It is a well known fact that those who compose our board of trustees are among the most representative men and women in the state.

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**SPRING HOPE**—Some time ago Rev. George W. Blount invited me to preach for him at Spring Hope Sunday a week ago. Brother Blount was at another church on his charge, so I did not get to see him while in Spring Hope. I heard many complimentary remarks about his ministry, and I regret that I could not hold fellowship with him. The congregation was not large but very attentive and reverent. I was glad to meet my many friends in Spring Hope, because they are loyal to our Methodist Orphanage. Mrs. Barnes and I had the pleasure of taking dinner with Dr. and Mrs. Chamberlee. We enjoyed breaking bread with these friends, and their hospitality was all that could be desired.

METHODISTS DEMAND REFERENDUM ON LIQUOR

We, the representatives of the Methodist Church in Durham district in conference assembled, wish to call the attention of our Methodist people and Christian people in general once again to the evils of the sale and consumption of intoxicating liquors in our state. We do not have to deal in arguments or statistics, but we do wish to remind the Christian citizens of North Carolina that the latest reports in the public press bear the news that the sale of whiskey in the ABC stores has greatly increased in the past 12 months.

We recommend and urge:

1. That our pastors and laymen continue to educate our young people and the public in general concerning the destructive effects of alcohol on the body, the mind, and the spirit of the individual and of the social and economic life of the community.

2. That we keep before the minds of those who are inclined to defend and participate in social drinking the plainly evident results of social drinking—in the police courts and other courts, in broken homes, slum conditions, poverty and suffering of women and little children, and widespread recklessness and degradation of social life; and that we urge our people to stand firmly against social drinking, discountenancing it entirely, refusing to have any part in it, and teach our friends that social drinking is not necessary, or wise, or polite, or fashionable in the highest sense.

3. That we call upon the representatives of the citizens of North Carolina who will meet in the approaching session of the state legislature to show that they stand for an honest rule of the people by the people, by providing a state referendum on the method of preventing the sale and use of intoxicating liquors. We have the right of petition, and we respectfully demand this referendum on prohibition or legal sale.

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| 9:30 AM  | Ar. (Berkley Main St.)            | Lv. 4:55 PM  |
| 9:35 AM  | Lv. Berkley                       | Ar. 4:50 PM  |
| 11:17 AM | Ar. Elizabeth City                | Ar. 3:14 PM  |
| 11:47 AM | Ar. Hertford                      | Ar. 2:35 PM  |
| 12:12 PM | Ar. Edenton                       | Ar. 2:15 PM  |
| 1:02 PM  | Ar. Plymouth                      | Ar. 1:25 PM  |
| 2:06 PM  | Ar. Washington                    | Ar. 12:15 PM |
| 3:07 PM  | Ar. Greenville                    | Ar. 11:17 AM |
| 4:27 PM  | Ar. Wilson                        | Ar. 9:53 AM  |
| 6:15 PM  | Ar. Raleigh                       | Lv. 8:00 AM  |

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## Report of Advocate Campaign

Here is the exhibit of new subscribers to date. The minimum goal set is one new full year subscriber for every hundred members of a charge or major fraction thereof. One dollar for six month counts one-half a subscriber. Only those appear in the report who have secured and sent in a full year subscription. The ½ will appear when it becomes a whole.

It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum.

In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

### Asheville

|                                            |     |
|--------------------------------------------|-----|
| Central, W. A. Stanbury .....              | 24½ |
| Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton ...           | 11  |
| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wilkinson ..... | 10  |
| Haywood St., W. G. McFarland ..            | 7½  |
| 2*Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham ...           | 5   |
| Leicester-Grace, A. F. Phibbs ...          | 4½  |
| Brevard, E. P. Billups .....               | 3   |
| Fletcher, H. E. Bolick .....               | 2½  |
| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....                 | 2½  |
| Biltmore, E. J. Harbison .....             | 2½  |
| *Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea ...           | 2½  |
| French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler..          | 2   |
| Hendersonville, D. E. Camak .....          | 2   |
| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman .....        | 1   |

### Charlotte

|                                                |     |
|------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ....                | 47½ |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ...             | 40  |
| Homestead - Pleasant Grove, C. F. Womble ..... | 16  |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....                | 15  |
| 3*Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie .....            | 7½  |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ...              | 7   |
| Calvary, S. M. Needham .....                   | 7   |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....              | 6   |
| Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease .....              | 6   |
| Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper .....              | 5½  |
| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....                  | 5½  |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....              | 4   |
| *Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....                  | 4   |
| Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman.....                 | 1   |
| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....                 | 1   |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....                      | 1   |
| Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins .....                 | 1   |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....             | 1   |
| Bethel-Bogers, E. R. Edwards .....             | 1   |

### Elkin

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....     | 33½ |
| 7*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....      | 30  |
| 3*Boone P. W. Townsend .....         | 11½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner..     | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....            | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....              | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....       | 8½  |
| Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....         | 6½  |
| 2*Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint .....      | 6   |
| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene ....    | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....          | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....           | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....      | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....       | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....           | 3½  |
| Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley .....    | 3½  |
| Warrensburg, J. G. Wootton, Jr. ...  | 4   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....          | 3   |
| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....      | 3   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....        | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....         | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....    | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....             | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....    | 2½  |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....       | 2   |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant ....   | 2   |
| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....             | 2   |
| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....       | 2   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....     | 2   |
| Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr.... | 2   |

### Gastonia

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 7*Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....       | 28 |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....     | 20 |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....       | 14 |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey    | 6  |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....            | 2½ |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill .... | 2  |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....      | 1½ |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....         | 1  |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....       | 1  |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....         | 1  |

### Greensboro

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....      | 21½ |
| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger | 21½ |
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....       | 7½  |
| Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....        | 5½  |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....         | 5½  |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....       | 5½  |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....      | 5   |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....      | 5   |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham     | 4½  |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogon .....         | 4½  |
| Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse .....   | 4   |
| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy .....   | 2   |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....        | 2   |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....             | 2   |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle ....     | 2   |
| *Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....    | 1½  |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....     | 1   |
| Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....         | 1   |
| College Place, R. M. Courtney ...    | 1   |
| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick .....   | 1   |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow .....    | 1   |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....    | 1   |

### High Point

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....           | 18  |
| Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....         | 13  |
| 2*S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington ..  | 12  |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....   | 11½ |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr..  | 11  |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....       | 8   |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....       | 7   |
| Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....     | 4½  |
| Calvary, D. V. Howell .....         | 4   |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams ..... | 4   |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley    | 3½  |
| *Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger | 3   |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....      | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II   | 2½  |
| Richland, C. L. Grant .....         | 1½  |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....           | 1   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor   | 1   |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....          | 1   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....          | 1   |
| Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....     | 1   |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....     | 1   |

### Marion

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....      | 7  |
| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley....  | 5  |
| Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....    | 3½ |
| Spindale, F. J. Stough .....      | 3½ |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....          | 2½ |
| Rutherfordon, F. C. Smathers..... | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....      | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace ..... | 2  |

### Statesville

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins .. | 30½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison ....  | 28  |
| Central, John W. Moore .....       | 9½  |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....        | 7½  |
| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham    | 7   |
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....        | 6   |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....        | 3   |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....      | 2   |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....      | 1   |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....         | 1   |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr .....     | 1   |
| Race Street, F. H. Price .....     | 1   |
| Shepherds, A. G. Lackey .....      | 1   |

### Salisbury

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton..... | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....       | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....      | 10  |

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....       | 10 |
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....         | 7½ |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner      | 7  |
| First, W. B. West .....              | 6  |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson. .    | 5½ |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..   | 5  |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge ...    | 4½ |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....      | 4  |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler ....  | 3½ |
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 3  |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3  |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½ |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores       | 2  |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½ |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 1½ |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1  |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1  |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1  |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1  |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1  |

### Waynesville

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| *Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 11 |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9  |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry .....  | 8  |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½ |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2  |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2  |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½ |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 1½ |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 1  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....   | 1  |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....       | 1  |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1  |

### Winston-Salem

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 9*Community, J. C. Auman .....      | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....         | 17½ |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen ..... | 14½ |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....      | 14½ |
| Grace, R. L. Forbis .....           | 6   |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....    | 5   |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....     | 5   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....         | 4½  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....      | 4   |
| N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....   | 4   |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....          | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ... | 3   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....          | 2½  |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison    | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....          | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way  | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....      | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....     | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter   | 1   |

### Durham

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Burlington, Davis St., F.W.Pachal | 27  |
| 3*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....     | 25  |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ...   | 12½ |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....        | 9   |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....           | 8   |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds....   | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....          | 5½  |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....      | 5   |
| Sweponville, T. B. Hough .....      | 4½  |
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele .....       | 4   |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton .....        | 4   |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love.. | 4   |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. ....   | 3   |
| Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser ...  | 3   |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson .....     | 3   |
| Milton, D. I. Garner .....          | 2½  |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps ....   | 2   |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson ....     | 2   |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth .....   | 2   |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe ..... | 1½  |
| Graham, J. R. Edwards .....         | 1½  |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton .....     | 1½  |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe .....         | 1   |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish .....  | 1   |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer .....         | 1   |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early .....        | 1   |

### Elizabeth City

|                                    |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| 4*Williamston, S. J. Starnes ..... | 14 |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness .....       | 9½ |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt .....     | 6  |
| Washington, L. B. Jones .....      | 5  |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick .....     | 4  |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe .....          | 3  |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon .....   | 2½ |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson .....     | 2  |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon .....      | 2  |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford .....   | 1½ |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis...  | 1  |
| Roper, M. R. Gardner .....         | 1  |



Fayetteville

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Siler City, C. F. Heath .....        | 15½ |
| 2*Person St.-Calvary, M. W. Warren   | 13  |
| *Sanford, Allen P. Brantley .....    | 12½ |
| Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons .....       | 11  |
| *Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams .. | 10½ |
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown .....        | 9½  |
| *Red Springs, B. T. Hurley .....     | 8½  |
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe .....       | 7½  |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer .....   | 6½  |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood .....      | 6   |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar .....         | 5½  |
| *Maxton, T. R. Jenkins .....         | 5   |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson .....           | 3½  |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore .....          | 3   |
| West End, W. F. Keeler .....         | 3   |
| Broadway, J. W. Page .....           | 2½  |
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette..     | 2   |
| Lane, J. D. A. Autry .....           | 1½  |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard .....          | 1½  |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning .....       | 1½  |
| Raeford, E. C. Crawford .....        | 1½  |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton .....        | 1   |

New Bern

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Mt. Olive-Calypso, R. G. Dawson..   | 4  |
| Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison.. | 2½ |
| Ayden, L. A. Tilley .....           | 2  |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston .....      | 1½ |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....          | 1½ |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens .....  | 1  |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr. ....       | 1  |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts .....            | 1  |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow .....        | 1  |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant .....       | 1  |

Raleigh

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone .....  | 29½ |
| 2*Fuquay, E. C. Durham .....     | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb .....   | 15½ |
| *Henderson, B. C. Reavis .....   | 14½ |
| Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes .....   | 6½  |
| 2*City Road-White Mem., J. K.    |     |
| Worthington .....                | 6½  |
| *Princeton, J. W. Bradley .....  | 5   |
| Person St., M. W. Lawrence ..... | 3½  |
| Granville, J. P. Pegg .....      | 3   |
| Selma, O. L. Hathaway .....      | 3   |
| Edenton St., J. C. Glenn .....   | 2   |
| Louisburg, J. G. Phillips .....  | 2   |
| Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee .....   | 1½  |
| Hayes Barton, Leon Russell ..... | 1   |
| Tar River, J. A. Martin .....    | 1   |

Rocky Mount

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer .....     | 11 |
| *Farmville, D. A. Clarke .....      | 6  |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams .....     | 5½ |
| 2*McKendree, L. B. Pattishall ..    | 5½ |
| 2*Marvin, N. W. Grant .....         | 4  |
| *Kenley, E. M. Hall .....           | 3  |
| Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome .....   | 3  |
| Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane .....   | 2  |
| Bethel, M. Y. Self .....            | 2  |
| Enfield, B. D. Critcher .....       | 2  |
| Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington | 2  |
| Weldon, B. P. Robinson .....        | 2  |
| Warrenton, J. O. Long .....         | 1½ |
| First, E. L. Hillman .....          | 1  |
| Northampton, W. L. Maness .....     | 1  |
| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount.....      | 1  |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd .....           | 1  |

Wilmington

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Hallsboro, C. A. Jones .....        | 11 |
| 2*Southport, R. S. Harrison .....   | 7  |
| *Epworth, Walter Pavy .....         | 6  |
| Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson  | 4½ |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters .....         | 3½ |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner .....        | 3  |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, I. T. Poole | 2  |
| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew .....    | 2  |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews..    | 1½ |
| Trinity, R. L. Jerome .....         | 1  |
| Grace, J. F. Herbert .....          | 1  |
| Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift .....  | 1  |
| Chadbourn, E. C. Maness .....       | 1  |
| St. Paul, A. C. Lee .....           | 1  |

SKETCH OF METHODIST HISTORY IN GRIMESLAND

When the Grimesland church was dedicated on Sunday evening, April 7, 1940, by Bishop W. W. Peele, it brought

to a climax a victorious triumph of a hard working congregation.

The village in which the church is located is in the midst of a splendid agricultural area which reveals the life of a busy people. It is near this place that General Bryan Grimes once lived in his mansion just outside of the village. It was from him the town received its name.

According to a few bits of history that the writer can gather, the first Methodist congregation worshipped in an old frame building in the upper end of the town known as Jones chapel that was built in 1835. This building still remains standing; the pulpit with some of the pews are to be seen. In the year 1892 a new site was located near the center of town where the present church now stands. The second building was made possible by a large donation of \$500 by Mr. J. J. Tucker, and later was dedicated by Rev. M. T. Plyler, who is now editor of the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Following this period of 36 years it was a struggle at times to keep the church going, for the congregation was small; until the time when Rev. Blackman Crumpler came there and held a great spiritual revival that stirred the whole country, encouraging the people to live better lives. It was then that the Methodist church was more firmly established and began to grow and prosper.

Many pastors came and went with the passing of the years. Among these was Rev. J. J. Lewis, who with his godly life and preaching created a sentiment of building a new church, but before this could be accomplished his earthly labors came to an end and he went home to heaven from the parsonage that stands nearby the new church.

In the year 1928 the conference sent the writer and family to this field of labor. We found a few loyal man and women who wanted a new house of worship and were willing to work and sacrifice until this could be accomplished. Organizing our forces we went to work. We secured \$3000 from the Duke Foundation. The woman's missionary society pledged and raised \$500 in cash and then made another pledge of the same amount to meet a large pledge made by the men. Some of these were Mrs. J. J. Lewis, Mrs. J. A. Porter, Mrs. J. H. Clark, Mrs. J. F. Starnes, and other loyal members. Among the active men were J. J. Elks, J. H. Clark, J. P. Wilson, Mr. Fleming and Robert Wilson, a fine young man whose heart and life was in the work to a finish. These men went to the woods, cut and hauled logs to the mill and cut the frame work. They hauled brick and gave free or donated labor until the present brick veneer building with six educational rooms was completed. It was the writer's regret that after helping with the construction of this house of worship and seeing it almost completed before going to a new field of labor, not to be present for the dedication. We received the invitation to come, but circumstances were such that we could not be with them on this eventful occasion. May our Father in heaven grant to these good people a great work in his kingdom.

J. F. Starnes.

EACH IN HIS OWN TONGUE

A fire-mist and a planet—  
A crystal and a cell—  
A jellyfish and a saurian,  
And caves where the cave-men dwell;  
Then a sense of law and beauty,  
And a face turned from the clod—  
Some call it Evolution,  
And others call it God.

A haze on the far horizon,  
The infinite, tender sky,  
The ripe, rich tint of the cornfields,  
And the wild geese sailing high—  
And all over upland and lowland  
The charm of the goldenrod—  
Some of us call it Autumn,  
And others call it God.

Like tides on a crescent sea-beach,  
When the moon is new and thin,  
Into our hearts high yearnings  
Come welling and surging in—  
Come from the mystic ocean,  
Whose rim no foot has trod—  
Some of us call it Longing,  
And others call it God.

A picket frozen on duty—  
A mother starved for her brood—  
Socrates drinking the hemlock,  
And Jesus on the rood;  
And millions who, humble and nameless,  
The straight, hard pathway plod—  
Some call it Consecration,  
And others call it God.

—William Herbert Carruth.

ADULT ELECTIVE COURSE FOR JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER

"Parents Are Teachers" is the title of the elective course for adults which will appear in the Adult Student during July, August, September, 1940. The course will endeavor to encourage parents to think of themselves as teachers of the Christian religion in the home and to equip themselves to become more effective teachers of their children. It will be written by Dr. Harry C. Munro, director of Adult Work and Extension, International Council of Religious Education, and well known author in the field of Christian education. Helps for teachers will appear in the Church School Magazine at the same time. Sample copies of the Adult Student can be secured by writing to Dr. C. A. Bowen, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

REPORT IN ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN BY DISTRICTS

| District             | No. Charges |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Elkin .....          | 30          |
| Durham .....         | 26          |
| Salisbury .....      | 23          |
| Greensboro .....     | 22          |
| Fayetteville .....   | 22          |
| High Point .....     | 21          |
| Winston-Salem .....  | 19          |
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| Gastonia .....       | 10          |
| Marion .....         | 8           |



# Children's



# Storyland

## THE CAT THROUGH THE CENTURIES

By Kathleen Blake

A Chinese gazes earnestly into the eyes of his cat. Affection? Not at all. He is merely trying to see what o'clock it is. And, by the same token, if his cat is unusually playful the Chinese knows a storm is coming.

How closely the cat has been wrapped up in the life of man! The beautiful little creature seems first to have appeared in Africa, although Persians and Angoras are Asiatic, and our dear old "Tabby," tamest of the tame, got her stripes from a strain of European wildcat.

But the cat was first domesticated in ancient Egypt. There it was regarded with deepest reverence. Dying naturally, it mourned with elaborate symbols. If killed, its murder was handed over to the furious mob to be beaten to death.

One Roman very foolishly insulted an Egyptian cat. He started an insurrection. And the Persian king, Cambyses, fighting the Egyptians, was smart enough to have his soldiers use living cats as shields. You are right! The Egyptians, rather than hurt the sacred beasts, let themselves be captured.

In Damascus a cat hospital was built in honor of Mohammed's cat. He was so fond of the little thing, which had a habit of sleeping in his sleeve, that once, rather than disturb her, he cut the sleeve off.

Did you know that a king once made a special decree to fix the prices on cats? He did. This was Howell the Good, King of Wales in the 900's. A kitten, he said, before it could see should cost a penny; before it had caught a mouse, two pence; and after that, four pence, a great sum in those days. But—the animal must be perfect in hearing and sight; a good mouser with whole claws; and, if female, a careful nurse. If he failed in any of these conditions, the seller must refund a third of the purchase money.

The cat who guarded the king's granary was held of high importance. Any person who stole or killed it must forfeit either a milk ewe with her fleece and lamb, or as much wheat as would cover the cat to its tail-tip if suspended by the tail with its nose touching the ground.

But the cat is accomplished as well as good for catching mice. It can sing. Perhaps you don't admire its song but, unlike the dog, the cat has an appreciation of music that can be trained to a high degree. Cats like to walk up and down the piano keys, listening to the notes.

And don't you ever think that cats can't count! A mother cat, checking over her kittens, knows instantly if one is missing.

## MY SECRET

By Roy Zell Kemp

I shall not go to sleep tonight  
When I must go to bed,  
But I will don my robe of white  
And go abroad, instead.

I'll jump upon my magic sheet  
And tuck myself around  
With my pink blanket, nice and neat,  
And then, without a sound

To let you know that I have gone,  
I'll go to fairyland.  
Oh, I shall stay until the dawn—  
There is a party planned!

And cats can talk, in meows as eloquent as words. One very cold night someone had left the window open in the kitchen where a cat and her small kittens were sleeping. The cat went to her mistress's bed and meowed so pitifully that the woman went to the kitchen and closed the window.

Oh, yes, cats can talk. One blind lover of cats compiled a vocabulary of 17 different cat sounds with their meanings; and he claimed that after dark or when Pussy thinks herself unobserved she uses about 600 more. If you want to learn cat talk, you will find all this in Marvin Clark's "Pussy and Her Language."

A cat will play with her kittens like any human mother with her babies. She will teach them how to catch mice. She will teach them to take care of themselves when sick; to dip a feverish foot in water; to lie before a warm fire if they have a cold. And just as American Indians learned from the wolves that a sulphur spring cures rheumatism; from the bear that a red-clay bath will heal wounds; from deer that fresh ferns will cure fever; from dogs that "dog-grass" will make well a sick stomach; so Europeans first learned the virtues of catnip, or mint, from watching sick cats.

One old fifteenth century herb doctor wrote: "Cat-mint is of a sharp smell and pierceth into the head. It hath a hot taste, with a certaine bitterness. Nevertheless this pungent mint is a present helpe for them that are bursten inwardly by means of some fall received from a high place, and that are very much brused, if the juyce is given with wine or meade."—Our Dumb Animals.

Farmer: "Hi, there! What are you doing up in my cherry tree?"

Youngster: "There's a notice down there to keep off the grass."

## GRATEFUL GLADYS

Gladys was six; a little girl with a weakly body, but a very cheerful spirit. She had been in the habit of spending all her pennies on sweets, till one day mother told her she ought to begin to give a penny to Jesus (in the collection box) on Sunday. Gladys came to the conclusion that it would be a very good plan.

The little girl was suffering from an inward trouble and one day the doctor said that an operation was necessary.

"If you are a good girl, Gladys, I will give you a penny," said the doctor.

The child was overjoyed.

"What will you do with it?" he asked.

"Give it to Jesus on Sunday," Gladys replied instantly.

"Well," said the doctor, "if that is what you are going to do with it, I'll give you another for yourself."

The operation was performed successfully, and Gladys received the promised reward.

After a short time she was able to attend Sunday school again. Then, with a heart bubbling over with joy, she placed not one, but both precious coins in the box, and the sweet smile on her face seemed to say, "It's for Jesus, who care of me."

I wonder if you are grateful like Gladys, or do you cry to the Saviour for help, and then, when the trouble is all over, forget to return and give thanks? I hope not.—Unknown.

## HELEN KELLER'S GREATEST WISH

We heard recently an impressive story of Helen Keller. During an open question period following an address she had given before a large audience, someone had the temerity to ask this: "Helen Keller, if you could have granted to you just one wish, what would that wish be?"

The audience awaited her reply with almost breathless expectancy. Would this gifted woman of difficult speech ask for persuasive eloquence? From the depths of her long night of darkness would she ask for seeing eyes with which to look upon the beauty of creation in spring? Or would she ask for hearing ears that she might listen to the anthems from bird land? Just one wish—what would it be?

Came then this reply: "If I could have granted but one request, I would ask that we might have world peace."

Thus spoke Helen Keller of her heart's deepest desire. Putting from her all thought of personal interest and gratification, she voiced her concern for the welfare of humanity.—American Friend.

Teacher: Now, James, name America's greatest general.

James: General Motors.



Sunday School Lesson

MAY 26

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By Rollin H. Walker

The New Covenant

Scripture: Jeremiah 31

When the scientists discovered the means whereby one could talk into a microphone in New York and be heard in San Francisco, they said, "We have discovered a new law of nature." An ancient Hebrew would not have said it that way. He would have said, "God has made a new covenant with us; he has shown us that" if we fulfill certain conditions he will cause our voice to be heard across the continent."

The modern in imagination lives in a world of natural laws which hedge him about impersonally like a complex mechanism. The Hebrew, on the other hand, personalized everything; whatever happened to him, and whatever he did, was a personal dealing with God. And some of our greatest philosophers are saying that this conception, instead of being the imaginative play world of a child, expresses the innermost reality of things.

The Jews, at the time of Jeremiah, believed that God had made a covenant with Israel to keep his holy temple inviolate, to maintain forever upon the throne of David a successor, and finally to raise up a son of David whose brilliant and glorious reign would astonish the world and extend to the farthest land. But alas, when Nebuchadnezzar came and destroyed the temple, devastated Jerusalem, and carried this son of David and his people into exile, the faith of a large portion of the people collapsed. "Where are the promises of God?" they said. "Can any man depend on anything, seeing that God has failed us?"

It was for the everlasting glory of God and the salvation of Israel that they had the great prophet Jeremiah to build up their faith on new and solid foundations. We have no idea of the enormous debt we owe to Jeremiah for helping to keep alive in the earth a faith in one good and righteous God, Creator and Preserver of mankind.

Jeremiah said: It is you who have broken the covenant, and not God. You have oppressed the poor, bowed down to these beastly idols, and become like to them in low vice. How can you expect Jehovah to protect you, seeing that you have forsaken him? But his mercy is unsearchable. There is still hope. Let this terrible calamity teach you that there is no such thing as pleasing God by a worship that is not accompanied by lives that are clean and kind. Do not lose faith, but begin to build on foundations that will never crumble (Matthew 7:24-27).

After the terrible earthquake that well-nigh destroyed the great Japanese city of Tokyo, they found to their surprise that the buildings that had been constructed of steel and concrete,

after the American fashion, were still standing, and that fact suggested the building policy of the future. It did not say, Build only one-story houses for fear of earthquakes; it said, You can go up high if you will only be sure to make your structure of steel and reinforced concrete.

That, in essence, is what Jeremiah said to his people. You can hope for more than a mere restoration of the past; you can build skyscrapers if you follow the new pattern that God has revealed. Behold, the days come, saith Jehovah, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah; not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. I led Israel out of Egypt by the hand of Moses; I spake unto him, and he commanded the people. No man did much thinking for himself, they only followed the directions of Moses. But in this new covenant every man will be a Moses. I will put my law in their inward parts, and in their heart will I write it. Each one will have his own flashlight and his own compass. This compass was given by Jesus in the form of the Golden Rule. If you are puzzled to know how to treat your neighbor, look within. Simply ask, How would I like my neighbor treat me?

But the law of God was to be written in their hearts in a deeper sense than that. There was to be such a new revelation of God's love for them that they would not only know the will of God, but be eager to do it. Paul says, "The love of Christ constraineth us." It is like the moon with the tides.

The church ought to be on hand after every earthquake to get points for future structures. The earthquake of prohibition repeal has apparently demolished all the sacrificial labors and hopes of temperance workers for a hundred years, and mockers are saying, "You can't control the liquor traffic." But the modern prophet is saying: "We made a mistake; we thought law alone could keep this country sober. Repeal should have been followed by a great revival of religion in which new wine of the kingdom was served out to men deprived of alcohol. There should have been redoubled stress on temperance education in the public schools, and patient, united work by all kinds of Christians for law enforcement. Let us make a new covenant with God, and he will enable us to cast out the drink demon!"

God is constantly seeking to make new covenants. When he revealed the secret of the moving pictures, it became the duty of the united church to lavish immense treasure on the production of pictures that would benefit and inspire. When he reveals a serum that will make children immune to some dread disease, it is our duty to see that every last child is inoculated.

This constant change does not mean uncertainty. Amid the ruins of the earthquake and the demolition of the fond hopes of his people, Jeremiah rises with serene countenance, and says, "I am as certain that God will fulfill his promises and build up and maintain his kingdom in the world as I am that the sun will rise in the morning" (31:35-36).—Christian Advocate.

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| District                                                          | Place | Time   |
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| High Point—High Point College                                     | ..... | May 14 |
| Greensboro—Gibsonville                                            | ..... | May 14 |
| Charlotte—Bethlehem Church, Prospect Chg.                         | ..... | May 16 |
| Elizabeth City—Edenton                                            | ..... | May 16 |
| Salisbury—Cold Springs Church, Mt. Pleasant<br>Charge, 9:30 a. m. | ..... | May 16 |
| Statesville—Taylorsville                                          | ..... | May 20 |

SLATE OF J. W. GROGE  
Box 1383, High Point, N. C.

High Point, May 20-30,  
Draper (tent), June 2-11

SLATE OF GEORGE R. HAWKS  
Evangelist Singer, Cornelius, N. C.

Statesville—May 19 to May 26,  
Glen Alpine, N. C.—June 2-9.

District Superintendent  
Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                        | June      |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|
| Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 11           | ..... 1   |
| Leasburg, Bethel, 11                   | ..... 2   |
| Milton, Semora, 7:30                   | ..... 2   |
| Trinity, 7:30                          | ..... 4   |
| DUKE PASTORS' SCHOOL                   | ..... 3-8 |
| Front Street, 11                       | ..... 9   |
| West Burlington, Glen Raven, 3         | ..... 9   |
| Fountain Place, Glen Raven, 3          | ..... 9   |
| Glen Raven, Glen Raven, 3              | ..... 9   |
| Webb Avenue-Holt's, Webb Avenue, 7:30  | ..... 9   |
| Alamance Ct., Rock Creek, 11           | ..... 23  |
| Mt. Hermon Ct., Cedar Cliff, 3         | ..... 23  |
| West Durham, E.30                      | ..... 24  |
| Branson, 7:30                          | ..... 26  |
| Graham, 11                             | ..... 30  |
| Mebane, Central, at First Church, 7:30 | ..... 30  |
| Mebane, First, 7:30                    | ..... 30  |

|                                | July     |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 11 | ..... 6  |
| Leng Memorial, 11              | ..... 7  |
| Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2:30   | ..... 7  |
| Brookdale, Brookdale, 7:30     | ..... 7  |
| Duke Memorial, 7:30            | ..... 9  |
| Calvary, 7:30                  | ..... 10 |
| Chapel Hill, 7:30              | ..... 11 |
| Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 | ..... 14 |
| Cedar Grove, Prospect, 3       | ..... 14 |
| Davis Street, 7:30             | ..... 17 |
| Eno, 7:30                      | ..... 18 |
| Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11 | ..... 20 |
| Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11   | ..... 21 |
| Swepsonville, Salem, 2:30      | ..... 21 |
| Carrboro, Massey's, 7:30       | ..... 24 |
| Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 11       | ..... 27 |

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                       | May      |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11                  | ..... 26 |
| South Camdon, Wesley's, night         | ..... 20 |
| Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 and 1 | ..... 31 |

|                                          | June        |
|------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11             | ..... 2     |
| Currituck, Hebron, night                 | ..... 2     |
| Pastors' School, Duke University,        | ..... 3-8   |
| Manteo, 11                               | ..... 9     |
| Stumpy Point, Mashoes, 2:30              | ..... 9     |
| Wanchese, night                          | ..... 9     |
| Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1                  | ..... 12    |
| Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 11 and 1       | ..... 14    |
| Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1           | ..... 15    |
| City Road, 11                            | ..... 16    |
| Gatesville, Harrell's, 3                 | ..... 16    |
| North Gates, Parker's, 11                | ..... 23    |
| Edenton, night                           | ..... 23    |
| Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11               | ..... 30    |
| Belhaven, Epworth, 3                     | ..... 30    |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night  | ..... 30    |
|                                          | July        |
| City Road, night                         | ..... 3     |
| Kinnakeet, Salvo, night                  | ..... 6     |
| Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11 | ..... 7     |
| Creswell, Mt. Elma, 11                   | ..... 14    |
| Roper, Rehoboth, 3                       | ..... 14    |
| Plymouth, Jamesville, night              | ..... 14    |
| Murfreesboro Intermediate Assembly       | ..... 15-19 |
| South Mills, Sharou, 11 and 1            | ..... 20    |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                               | May      |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Hemp-Smyrna, 11               | ..... 26 |
| Aberdeen-Vass, 8              | ..... 26 |
|                               | June     |
| Goldston, Meronies, 11        | ..... 2  |
| Pittsboro, Chatham, 3         | ..... 2  |
| Brynum, 8                     | ..... 2  |
| Hamlet, 11                    | ..... 9  |
| Roberdel, Beaver Dam, 3       | ..... 9  |
| Person Street-Calvary, 8      | ..... 9  |
| Laurel Hill-Sneed's Grove, 11 | ..... 16 |
| St. John, 3                   | ..... 16 |
| Stedman, 8                    | ..... 16 |
| Caledonia-John's, 11          | ..... 23 |
| Red Springs, 5                | ..... 23 |
| Parkton, Cotton, 8            | ..... 23 |
| West End, Doubs Chapel, 11    | ..... 30 |
| Laurinburg, 5                 | ..... 30 |
| Maxton, 8                     | ..... 30 |
|                               | July     |
| Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11   | ..... 7  |
| Ellerbe, Concord, 3           | ..... 7  |
| Pine Bluff, 8                 | ..... 7  |
| Siler City, 11                | ..... 14 |
| Glendon, Caribnton, 3         | ..... 14 |
| Troy Ct., Brick Church, 8     | ..... 14 |
| Biscoe, Star, 11              | ..... 21 |
| Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3           | ..... 21 |
| Troy, 8                       | ..... 21 |

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                   | May         |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Morehead City, First Church, 11   | ..... 26    |
| Atlantic, Cedar Island, 3         | ..... 26    |
| Marshallburg-Straits, Straits, 8  | ..... 26    |
|                                   | June        |
| Kinston, Queen Street, 11         | ..... 2     |
| Grifton, Edwards, 3               | ..... 2     |
| Pamlico, Vandemere, 8             | ..... 2     |
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 11   | ..... 9     |
| Grimesland, Wharton, 3            | ..... 9     |
| Ocracoke, 8                       | ..... 11    |
| Pink Hill, Webbs, 11              | ..... 15    |
| Morehead City Ct., Merrimon, 11   | ..... 16    |
| Beaufort, North River, 3          | ..... 16    |
| Harker's Island, 8                | ..... 16-22 |
| Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11         | ..... 23    |
| Pikeville-Elm Street, 3           | ..... 23    |
| Dover, Asbury, 8                  | ..... 23    |
| Vanceboro, Chapman, 11            | ..... 29    |
| Hookerton, Ormond's, 11           | ..... 30    |
| Fremont, Yelverton, 3             | ..... 30    |
|                                   | July        |
| La Grange, Institute, 11          | ..... 6     |
| Mt. Olive-Calvo, 11               | ..... 7     |
| Seven Springs, Zion, 3            | ..... 7     |
| Goldshoro Ct., Salem, 8           | ..... 7     |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Brownling's, 11    | ..... 13    |
| Goldshoro, St. Paul, 11           | ..... 14    |
| Jones, Shady Grove, 3             | ..... 14    |
| Ayden, Winterville, 8             | ..... 14    |
| Oriental, Kershaw, 11             | ..... 20    |
| Newport, Oak Grove, 11            | ..... 21    |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, Reelsboro, 3 | ..... 21    |
| New Bern, Centenary, 11           | ..... 28    |
| Aurora, Bonneton, 3               | ..... 28    |

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                              | May       |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Mt. Tirzah, New Bethel, 11                   | ..... 26  |
| Rougemont, Union Grove, 3:30                 | ..... 26  |
|                                              | June      |
| Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11                  | ..... 2   |
| Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 8                 | ..... 2   |
| Pastors' School                              | ..... 3-8 |
| Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11                  | ..... 9   |
| City Road-White Memorial, White Memorial, 8  | ..... 9   |
| Oxford Ct., Hermon, 11                       | ..... 16  |
| Millbrook, Youngsville (revival services), 8 | ..... 16  |
| Oxford, 8                                    | ..... 19  |
| Henderson, Christ Church, 11                 | ..... 23  |
| Vance, Harris Chapel, 3                      | ..... 23  |
| Person Street, Epworth, 8                    | ..... 23  |

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                              | May      |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Tarboro, 11                  | ..... 26 |
| Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 3:30 | ..... 26 |
| Bethel, 8                    | ..... 26 |
|                              | June     |
| Spring Hope, 11              | ..... 2  |
| Clark Street, 8              | ..... 2  |

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|----------------------------------|----------|
| Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 11       | ..... 9  |
| Littleton, Calvary, 3:30         | ..... 9  |
| West Halifax, Hollister, 8       | ..... 9  |
| Elm City, Zion, 11               | ..... 16 |
| McKendree, Temperance Hall, 3:30 | ..... 16 |
| Marvin, 8                        | ..... 16 |
| Garysburg, Oak Grove, 11         | ..... 21 |
| Conway, Severn, 11               | ..... 22 |
| Seaboard, Sharon, 11             | ..... 23 |
| Rich Square, Pinner, 3:30        | ..... 23 |
| Rocky Mount, First Church, 8     | ..... 23 |
| Northampton, Rehoboth, 11        | ..... 28 |
| Spring Church, Pleasant Hill, 88 | ..... 29 |
| Warrenton, 11                    | ..... 30 |
| Warren, Prospect, 3:30           | ..... 30 |
| Norlina, Jerusalem, 8            | ..... 30 |

|                             | July     |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Middleburg, New Hope, 11    | ..... 6  |
| Farmville, 11               | ..... 7  |
| Walstonburg, 3:30           | ..... 7  |
| Stantonsburg, 8             | ..... 7  |
| Weldon, 8                   | ..... 8  |
| Sandy Cross, Gold Valley, 8 | ..... 10 |
| Rosemary, New Hope, 11      | ..... 11 |
| Roanoke Rapids, 8           | ..... 11 |

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                       | May      |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Warsaw, Magnolia, 11                  | ..... 26 |
| Garland, Antioch, 3                   | ..... 26 |
| Wallace-Rosehill, Wallace, night      | ..... 26 |
| Shallotte, Dixon's Chapel, 11         | ..... 28 |
| Wilmington, Grace, night              | ..... 28 |
|                                       | June     |
| Penderlea, 11                         | ..... 2  |
| Faison-Kenansville, Wesley, 3         | ..... 2  |
| Wilmington, Trinity, night            | ..... 2  |
| Tabor City, Lebanon, 11               | ..... 9  |
| Hallsboro, Peace, 3                   | ..... 9  |
| Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, night          | ..... 9  |
| Whiteville, 11                        | ..... 16 |
| Bladen, Center, 3                     | ..... 16 |
| Fairmont, Olivet, night               | ..... 16 |
| Southport, 11                         | ..... 23 |
| Shallotte, Camp, 3                    | ..... 23 |
| Town Creek, Bethel, night             | ..... 23 |
| Maysville, Pollocksville, 11          | ..... 30 |
| Swansboro (place to be announced), 3  | ..... 30 |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Verona, night | ..... 30 |
|                                       | July     |
| Clinton, Keener, 11                   | ..... 7  |
| Roseboro, McGees, 3                   | ..... 7  |
| St. Pauls, St. Pauls, night           | ..... 7  |
| Rowland (place to be announced), 11   | ..... 14 |
| Pembroke (Indian Work), 3             | ..... 14 |
| Lumberton Ct., Bules, night           | ..... 14 |
| Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11    | ..... 21 |
| Lumberton, night                      | ..... 21 |
| Wilmington, Grace, 11                 | ..... 23 |
| Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night       | ..... 23 |

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                                                            | June     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Asheville Ct., Emma, 3                                                     | ..... 16 |
| Fletcher, Fletcher, night                                                  | ..... 16 |
| Rosman Ct., Rosman, 11                                                     | ..... 23 |
| Mills River, Fanning's Chapel, 3                                           | ..... 23 |
| Biltmore, night                                                            | ..... 23 |
| Fairview, Tweed's Chapel, 11                                               | ..... 30 |
| Acton, Candler Pisgah (jointly), Piney Mountain, 3                         | ..... 30 |
|                                                                            | July     |
| Asbury Memorial, Hillside St., Merrimon Avenue<br>(jointly), Asbury, night | ..... 1  |
| West Asheville, night                                                      | ..... 2  |
| Haywood Street, French Broad (jointly), night                              | ..... 3  |
| Hendersonville and Flat Rock, E. Flat Rock, night                          | ..... 5  |
| Oakley, 11                                                                 | ..... 7  |
| Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy (jointly), Lower<br>Church, 3       | ..... 7  |
| Brevard, 11                                                                | ..... 14 |
| Central (preaching), night                                                 | ..... 14 |
| Black Mountain, night                                                      | ..... 16 |
| Weaverville, night                                                         | ..... 17 |
| Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, night                                                 | ..... 18 |
| Swannanoa, Swannanoa, night                                                | ..... 19 |
| Laurel-Barnardsville, Bright Hope, 11                                      | ..... 21 |
| Weaverville Ct., Clarke's Chapel, 3                                        | ..... 21 |
| Oteen, Mt. Zion, night                                                     | ..... 21 |
| Hot Springs, Fairview, 11                                                  | ..... 28 |
| Marshall, Walnut, night                                                    | ..... 28 |

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bend, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                             | May      |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Monroe, Central, 11         | ..... 26 |
| Marshville, Gilboa, 3       | ..... 26 |
| Bethel-Bugers, Bethel, 7:30 | ..... 26 |
|                             | June     |
| Waxhaw, Pleasant Grove, 11  | ..... 2  |
| Weddington, Hebron, 3       | ..... 2  |
| Wesley Heights, 8           | ..... 2  |
| Brevard Street, 8           | ..... 3  |
| Derita, 8                   | ..... 5  |
| Lilleville, Forestville, 11 | ..... 9  |
| Morven, Sandy Plains, 3     | ..... 9  |
| Central Avenue, 8           | ..... 9  |
| Dilworth, 8                 | ..... 14 |
| Prospect, Prospect, 11      | ..... 16 |
| Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30   | ..... 16 |
| Belmont Park, 8             | ..... 16 |
| Peachland, Peachland, 11    | ..... 23 |
| Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3   | ..... 23 |
| Hawthorne Lane, 8           | ..... 23 |
| Wadesboro, 11               | ..... 30 |
| Pineville, Marvin, 3        | ..... 30 |
| Myers Park, 8               | ..... 30 |
|                             | July     |
| Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3  | ..... 7  |
| First Church, Charlotte, 8  | ..... 7  |



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|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|
| ELKIN DISTRICT                                                |     |    |
| J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.                |     |    |
| THIRD ROUND                                                   |     |    |
| Elkin, 11                                                     | May | 26 |
| Yadkinville, Macedonia, 2:30                                  |     | 26 |
| Farmington, Wesley's Chapel, 7:30                             |     | 26 |
| June                                                          |     |    |
| Davie Ct., Concord, 11                                        |     | 1  |
| Mocksville, 11                                                |     | 2  |
| Davie Ct., Liberty, 2:30                                      |     | 2  |
| Cooleemee, 7:30                                               |     | 2  |
| Wilkesboro, 11                                                |     | 9  |
| Wilkesboro Ct., Charity, 3                                    |     | 9  |
| N. Wilkesboro, 7:30                                           |     | 9  |
| Sparta, Cox's Chapel, 11                                      |     | 16 |
| West Jefferson, 11                                            |     | 23 |
| Jefferson, Zion, 3                                            |     | 23 |
| Helton, Greenwood, 11                                         |     | 30 |
| July                                                          |     |    |
| Traphill, Rich Hill Church, 11                                |     | 6  |
| Laurel Springs, Zion, 11                                      |     | 7  |
| Boone, 11                                                     |     | 14 |
| Todd, Hopewell, 2:30                                          |     | 14 |
| Moravian Falls, Roaring River, 7:30                           |     | 14 |
| Watauga, Mabel, 11                                            |     | 21 |
| Green Valley Ct., Thomas Church, 2:30                         |     | 21 |
| Ararat, Maple Grove, 11                                       |     | 28 |
| Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3                                     |     | 28 |
| Surry-Yadkin, Level Cross, 7:30                               |     | 28 |
| August                                                        |     |    |
| Warrensville, Clifton, 11                                     |     | 4  |
| Creston, Peak Grove, 3                                        |     | 4  |
| GREENSBORO DISTRICT                                           |     |    |
| L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.         |     |    |
| THIRD ROUND                                                   |     |    |
| June                                                          |     |    |
| Reidsville Ct., Carmel, 11                                    |     | 1  |
| Guilford Ct., Hickory Grove, 9:45                             |     | 2  |
| Tabernacle, 3                                                 |     | 2  |
| Midway, 8                                                     |     | 2  |
| Carraway Memorial, 7:30                                       |     | 5  |
| Danbury, 11                                                   |     | 9  |
| Sandy Ridge, Snow Hill, 3                                     |     | 9  |
| Stokesdale, 8                                                 |     | 9  |
| Reidsville-Lindsay Street, 8                                  |     | 12 |
| Moriah, 11                                                    |     | 16 |
| St. Paul, 8                                                   |     | 16 |
| Calvary, 8                                                    |     | 19 |
| Brown Summit, 10                                              |     | 23 |
| Ruffin, Hickory Grove, 3 (dedication)                         |     | 23 |
| Reidsville, Main Street, 5:30 (anniversary)                   |     | 23 |
| Centenary, 8                                                  |     | 26 |
| Fiat Rock, Bethel (Circuit Rally), 11                         |     | 30 |
| Stoneville, Matthews, 8                                       |     | 30 |
| July                                                          |     |    |
| Bessemer, 11                                                  |     | 7  |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, 8                                         |     | 7  |
| MARION DISTRICT                                               |     |    |
| J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.          |     |    |
| THIRD ROUND                                                   |     |    |
| June                                                          |     |    |
| Henrietta, 11                                                 |     | 2  |
| Mill Spring, New Hope, 3                                      |     | 2  |
| Marion, First, 7:30                                           |     | 2  |
| Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11                                |     | 8  |
| Rutherford College, 11                                        |     | 9  |
| Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 3                                      |     | 9  |
| North Forest, 7:30                                            |     | 9  |
| Forest City, 11                                               |     | 16 |
| Sunshine, Golden Valley, 3                                    |     | 16 |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30                                          |     | 16 |
| Old Fort, 11                                                  |     | 23 |
| Gilkey, 3                                                     |     | 23 |
| Rutherfordton, 7:30                                           |     | 23 |
| Connelly Springs, Friendship, 11                              |     | 30 |
| Shady Grove, 3                                                |     | 30 |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30                                 |     | 30 |
| STATESVILLE DISTRICT                                          |     |    |
| John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.                     |     |    |
| THIRD ROUND                                                   |     |    |
| May                                                           |     |    |
| Mount Zion, Huntersville, 10 and 5                            |     | 26 |
| Davidson, Davidson, 11                                        |     | 26 |
| Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 3                                  |     | 26 |
| Central, Mooresville, night                                   |     | 26 |
| June                                                          |     |    |
| Broad Street, Statesville, 11                                 |     | 2  |
| Olin, Snow Creek, 2:30                                        |     | 2  |
| Union Grove-Zion, Smith Chapel, night                         |     | 2  |
| Broad Street, Mooresville, 11                                 |     | 9  |
| Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 3                                     |     | 9  |
| Stony Point, South River, night                               |     | 9  |
| Balls Creek, Shiloh, 11                                       |     | 16 |
| Highlands, Mt. Bethel, 3                                      |     | 16 |
| Bethel, Hickory, night                                        |     | 16 |
| Newton, 11                                                    |     | 23 |
| Catawba, Hopewell, 3                                          |     | 23 |
| Maiden, May's Chapel, night                                   |     | 23 |
| Westview, Hickory, 11                                         |     | 30 |
| Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 3                                         |     | 30 |
| Hudson, Mt. Hermon, night                                     |     | 30 |
| WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT                                        |     |    |
| W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C. |     |    |
| THIRD ROUND—IN PART                                           |     |    |
| May                                                           |     |    |
| Walkertown, Love's, 7:30                                      |     | 30 |
| North Davidson, Bethesda, 7:30                                |     | 31 |
| June                                                          |     |    |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary, 11                                  |     | 2  |
| Welcome, Center 3                                             |     | 2  |
| Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30                       |     | 2  |
| Winston-Salem, Ogburn Memorial, 7:30                          |     | 5  |
| Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30                                 |     | 6  |
| Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30                                    |     | 7  |
| Davidson, Arcadia, 11                                         |     | 9  |
| Kernersville-South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 3                    |     | 9  |
| Forsyth-Maple Springs, Mt. Carmel, 7:30                       |     | 9  |
| Lewiston, Concord, 7:30                                       |     | 10 |
| Thomasville, Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 7:30                    |     | 11 |
| Winston-Salem, Oak Summit, Shiloh, 7:30                       |     | 12 |
| Lexington, State Street, 7:30                                 |     | 13 |
| Winston-Salem, Green Street, 7:30                             |     | 14 |

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## In Memoriam

**HENDERSON**—Mrs. Sallie Smith Henderson, familiarly known to her neighbors and friends as "Miss Sack," passed away at her home in Maysville in the early morning of March 23, 1940. She was born June 5, 1865. In early childhood she joined Tabernacle church, Maysville charge, and remained a faithful member until the end.

She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Lila H. Collins and Miss Scena. Her husband, Frank Henderson, preceded her into the beyond 15 years ago.

Funeral services were conducted from the home and interment took place in the Maysville cemetery.

H. L. Harris, Pastor.

**REED**—Elbert Lafayette Reed was born November 5, 1861; died near Hamptonville, N. C., May 8, 1940. He was married to Cora Ann Denny in 1885. To this union were born three boys—Adolphus, John Wesley, and Emmet Glenn. Two of these preceded Brother Reed in death; Emmet Glenn lives in High Point. The deceased is also survived by his wife, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

In his early life Brother Reed professed faith in Christ and united with the M. E. church at Shiloh. When St. Paul church was built he moved his membership there and remained a faithful member until death. He was useful in the work of the kingdom. For quite a while before his death he was not strong enough to attend church, but he continued to exert a wholesome Christian influence. We shall miss him.

L. C. Stevens, Pastor.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On March 1, 1940, God called from our midst to his heavenly home our beloved sister and co-worker, Mrs. Marie Mangum Hughes. Mrs. Hughes was a devoted member of Salem Methodist church. She was a member of the missionary society and a loyal member of our Parsonage Aid Society. She endeared her life to all with whom she came in contact. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we feel deeply the loss of our dear sister, but bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father, who doeth all things well.

Second, That we thank God for having known her and that through our memories of her we may be more faithful to the work in which she was interested.

Third, That we extend our sincere sympathy to her family and pray that the Lord may sustain them.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be entered in the minutes of our Parsonage Aid Society.

The Parsonage Aid Society.

Helen Hicks, President.

Mrs. L. C. Brothers, Sec.

Mrs. Ollie Smith.

### IN MEMORIAM

On the evening of January 23, 1940, while the deepest snowfall in years blanketed the earth, the soul of Mrs. J. A. Kendall, beloved member of Concord church, quietly slipped away.

Born December 23, 1859, Mary Smith Kendall was throughout her life a loyal Christian. As a young girl she was the first member of Mt. Zion church in Stanly county. In 1879 she married John Alexander Kendall and

became at once a faithful worker in old Concord church in Anson county, where she was for 61 years a regular attendant at service, a beloved teacher in the Sunday school and a liberal contributor to the church even when giving meant sacrifice.

Second only to her devotion to her church was her devotion to her family. She is survived by the devoted husband to whom she gave generously of her love and care for well over half a century, and by six sons and five daughters who, faithful to her training and example, have gone out into the world useful and upright citizens.

Mrs. Kendall suffered a long and trying illness at the close of her life; but she bore it patiently, upheld by her firm faith in God.

"Like weary and worn out children  
That sigh for the daylight's close,  
He knows that they often are longing  
For home and its sweet repose.

So he calls them in from their labor  
As the shadows around them creep,  
And silently watching over them  
He giveth His loved ones sleep."

Mrs. E. E. McSwain,

Mrs. J. E. Harkey,

Mrs. F. S. Clarke.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Edward Charles Kluttz (March 21, 1887-May 10, 1940)

We, the surviving members of the board of trustees of Central Methodist church, Concord, N. C., met in special session, wish hereby to record the expressions of our realization of a deep loss in the untimely passing of Brother Kluttz, as a member of our board, in the following resolutions:

First, We shall ever esteem his memory as a man of worth and of admirable modesty; a sincere and conscientious member of our board and of Central Methodist church; a man who will be sadly missed in our consultations regarding both material and spiritual welfare of our church.

Second, In the face of the inscrutable dispensation of a divine Providence we bow in humble reverence before him, believing that he is too wise to err, and too good to be unkind; and to whose keeping we confide the bereaved family of our departed brother and co-worker in our Master's vineyard; praying that to them he may give a double portion of his grace to sustain them through the toilsome ways of life henceforth to the end.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our church minutes, a copy each be furnished to the Concord Tribune and the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be sent to the bereaved family of the deceased.

W. C. Houston, Chm.

W. B. Ward, V.-Chm.

A. J. Dayvault,

A. F. Hartsell,

Thos. M. Rowlette,

J. E. Smoot,

Board of Trustees,

Central Methodist Church.

Concord, N. C.

### DEBTOR

"So long as my spirit still is glad of breath

And lifts its plumes of pride in the dark face of death;

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## *Only A Layman*

By BISHOP EDWIN H. HUGHES

**T**HE layman has always had a wonderful place in God's kingdom. Suppose you take the great lines that represent the work of that kingdom over the centuries and follow them back in each case. Here, for example, is the line of doctrine. Who is the pioneer there? You would say, naturally, the pioneer of doctrinal matters would be a priest. Well, he was nothing of the sort! The doctrinal pioneer for the Mohammedans, for the Jews, for the Christian, was the same person, Abraham. Who was he? Was he a priest over yonder in Ur of Chaldees? Nothing of the kind. He was an agriculturist. He was taking care of his sheep on the hillside. As he stood there among the bleating flocks the word of God came to the heart of Abraham, the layman, who professed no priestly character; and he started out on a journey for God. In fact strange and beautiful phrasing that you find in Hebrews, "He went out not knowing whither he went," an adventure in God's great name. Abraham only a lay figure, became such a colossal man in connection with our Christian faith that today all Mohammedans, all Jews, all Christians speak of him as Father Abraham. You cannot get rid of him. Scholars have tried it every once in a while. They nearly always reach the conclusion that while Abraham was not Abraham, Abraham was another man by the name of Abraham!

That profound conclusion never seems to get anywhere. Abraham as a pioneer of the faith is a logical and historical necessity. Some man had to get hold of the thing that Abraham got hold of; and the man who secured it was a layman. The next time you come before a nice old white haired bishop and say, "I am only a layman," just add, "So was Abraham."

Take the second line, that of law, and see where it brings you. To the priest? No, it does not. It takes you to a man who began his life as a farmer, to one who carried the protection of sheep upon the hillside. His name was Moses—great law-giver, great general, great statesman. who after Abraham, one layman, had given a mighty stream of monotheism to come down through the years, dug the channel for it, so that today we sit by the side of that mighty stream of faith that was channeled in our direction by Moses.

Was Moses a priest? No, he would not have anything to do with the priesthood! The time came when he said, "I am no talker. I am slow of speech. Aaron has to do this public business." That reminds us of modern laymen—that very homely attitude Moses took!

Take the third element in the kingdom! That of ritual. Here, you will say, "Why, surely we will have in ritual a clergy forebear. A priest who studied the expression of the Christian life will give us the liturgical side of our work. It did not come that way. You go back again to a lay figure, a man who never was ordained; who had priests all around him and never claimed any priesthood for himself. He also took care of flocks in his early life upon the hillsides. He too remained as a great lay figure in that ancient church to the end of his days; he too started down even into this august gathering the sobbings and shoutings that are represented in the liturgical Psalms. His name was David, the shepherd boy that became king of the Jews.

Take the fourth, the idea of prophethood. Every great prophet of the Old Testament was a layman. There was not a priest among them, unless perhaps one.

When the time came that the priests had become professional, when they were making new moons and feasts, the primary thing and sacrifices in form, then a layman would come from the vines up yonder in Tekoa, or from the sheepfolds out in the mountains and would say, "Here is God! Get back!" Those prophetic movements in the Old Testament were in every case but possibly one led by a lay figure.

So, dear brothers, you laymen are in good company. You belong with Abraham; you belong with Moses; you belong with David; you belong with all the prophets. Do not let any false humility lead you into the presence of any bishop on earth, with the rather homely and meek statement that you are "only a layman."

Those heroes in the Old Testament were nearly all laymen. Daniel, of course, was a layman. Joseph was a layman. When Joseph was down yonder in Egypt all alone and the Jewish Sunday came, the only person to go to church with him was himself.



## UNUSUAL COMMENCEMENT WITH INAUGURATION OF DR. WALTER PATTEN PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE

Commencement at Louisburg College began Friday evening, May 24, at 8 o'clock when the department of music presented in recital the voice pupils of Prof. I. D. Moon in a joint recital with the piano students of Prof. J. E. Byerly.

On Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock in the college auditorium the seniors held their class day exercises. The program was as follows:

|                                 |                                       |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Processional .....              | Seniors                               |
| Greetings, class president..... | Bobby Waters (Wilmington)             |
| History .....                   | J. Ransom Bain (Four Oaks)            |
| Poem .....                      | Richard Norvell (Henderson)           |
| Prophecy .....                  | Matt McDade (Hillsboro)               |
| Class Song .....                | Written by Frances Brown (Gatesville) |
| Last Will and Testament..       | Clyde Stallings (Morehead City)       |

The high point of interest was the presentation of a portrait of former President D. E. Earnhardt by the senior class to the college. Martha Windley, Bridgeton, class historian, presented the gift and Dr. Walter Patten, president of Louisburg College, received it.

At 7:30 in the evening the alumni association entertained the graduating class and faculty at a banquet in the college dining hall. The major feature of the evening was a pageant revealing the rich history of the college. Immediately after the banquet the department of speech and dramatic art presented in recital the verse speaking choir.

On Sunday morning, May 26, Dr. Walter Patten preached the baccalaureate sermon at the Methodist church in Louisburg.

On Sunday afternoon from 4 until 5:30 o'clock President and Mrs. Walter Patten were "at home" to the members of the senior class, their parents and the faculty members.

In the evening at 8 o'clock Rev. Leon Russell, pastor of Hayes-Barton Methodist church in Raleigh, delivered the annual Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. sermon.

On Monday, May 27, the commencement ceremonies were begun. Rev. W. A. Cade, president of the board of trustees, presided. Dean Corydon Perry Spruill, Jr., from the Greater University of North Carolina, Dean Herbert James Herring, Duke University, President Leon L. Meadows, E. C. T. C., President Leslie Hartwell Campbell, Campbell College, and Dr. T. C. Amick of Louisburg College brought greetings to President Patten. The charge to Dr. Patten was made by Rev. W. A. Cade and Dr. Patten delivered the inaugural address. Other college representatives were: John William Harrelson, State College of the University of N. C.; Carlyle Campbell, president of Meredith College; Miss Virginia Peyatt of Louisburg College representing Greensboro College; J. Paul Glick, president Blackstone College for Girls, Blackstone, Va.; Dr. Carey Bostian, Catawba College; Miss Mary Noble, Peace College, Raleigh.

Following the inaugural ceremonies Dr. Elbert Russell, dean of the school of religion, Duke University, delivered the commencement address.

The annual awards for the best-all-round girl and best-all-round boy went to Miss Frances Brown and Julian Jolliff, both of Gatesville. It is interesting to know that these two young people live side by side, and that they won the same honors in high school.

After the commencement ceremonies Dr. D. T. Smithwick presided at the presentation of a historical marker

to Louisburg College by the State Historical Commission represented by Dr. C. C. Critenden, secretary of the commission, assisted by Mr. Paul Kelly of the department of conservation and development. Following the acceptance of the marker by Dr. Patten, the guests were entertained at luncheon in the college dining hall.

The following trustees were present: T. A. Person, E. H. Malone, D. U. Sandlin, T. B. Upchurch, James E. Hillman, Leon Russell, J. W. Jenkins and W. A. Cade.

## NORTH CAROLINA DATES FOR "PRISONER AT THE BAR"

"Prisoner at the Bar," which is one of the most powerful dramas ever written or enacted, setting forth the evils of intoxicating liquor, will be presented in the following North Carolina cities:

Sunday, June 9, Henderson. Senior high school auditorium, 8 p. m.

Monday, June 10, Sanford. Steele Street Methodist church, 8 p. m.

Tuesday, June 11, Albemarle. High school auditorium, 8 p. m.

Wednesday, June 12, Dunn. Divine Street Methodist church, 8 p. m.

Sunday, June 23, Winston-Salem. Carolina Theater, 3:30 p. m.

These dramas will be presented by Mr. George Y. Hammond of Hollywood, California, author of the drama, and Mr. Hayward H. Johnson of Portland, Oregon, director of the drama, who appeared with the drama last year at the Methodist Uniting Conference in Kansas City, where they thrilled over 8,000 people in the big Civic Auditorium. They have also appeared before the General Conference at Atlantic City, and just the last week presented the play to 3500 people at the Jurisdictional Conference in Asheville.

Mr. Hammond and Mr. Johnson will be supported by a local cast of 21 people in each of the above places.

## LAYMEN IN ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN

Wherever the laymen work with the pastors for circulating the church paper they get results. Directed by district lay leader, W. A. McGirt of the Wilmington district, certain laymen are aiding the pastors in the country to secure new subscribers for the Advocate. A similar effort in every district of the state would mean a wonderful advance by giving the laymen an opportunity to cooperate with the pastors in their efforts.

McGirt's plan in brief is: He asks fifty laymen to send him a contribution so he may have at least a minimum of \$100 to be used for aid in the country churches. Sixteen have already contributed. The entire list will be given when all reports are in. Pastors who send to Mr. McGirt names with \$1 for each new subscriber will have \$1 added and he will forward to the Advocate office. What a fine opportunity for the laymen to help and the pastors to get help.

## McGIRT'S PLAN GETTING RESULTS

From Rev. G. C. Wood of Council comes seven new subscribers with a check from W. A. McGirt for \$14. This is a wonderfully fine start. Brother Wood says he can get more. Surely no country pastor in the Wilmington district will allow this fine offer to slip.

## THE CAMPAIGN WIDENS

The pastors have been called to so many meetings that some have not yet acted. Wherever the men have been active fine results have followed. Keep up with the reports and see if your district in a worthy way is getting in the game for the Advocate victory.



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Among the many things that we did not have ten years ago a few of the most widely known are streamline trains, television, trans-oceanic passenger air service, glass building blocks, synthetic hosiery replacing silk, and a specific for pneumonia.

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Our recent suggestion of a limited tenure for the Episcopal Office has found a wonderful response. There seems to be little opposition to the election of bishops for a limited term rather than for life. This will doubtless be a live issue by next General Conference.

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Bruce Barton in a Lincoln birthday address said. "We are met here to honor the memory of an American who was ill-fed, ill-clothed, ill-housed—and didn't know it." Admirably stated! But it saved him from self-pity, which is about the only sort of pity that cannot be commended as a virtue.

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In the gatherings of the united Methodist Church it is most pleasing to find so much stress placed upon the work of the laymen. No laymen should fail to read the first page of this week's Advocate and then to return once more to ponder these remarkable words of Bishop Edwin H. Hughes. Laymen came away from that address, of which this is an excerpt, saying, "That was the best I have ever heard."

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It has been said that political scheming can be found at church meetings that will shame the efforts at political conventions. Be that as it may, a committee of six at the recent Methodist conference in Asheville named to nominate members of an important church board gave four of their number a place on the said board. If any political conclave ever went beyond this group at that religious assembly it has escaped our notice. These Methodist politicians could certainly hold their own with the most notable ward politicians.

Women give themselves to their tasks with much seriousness. At the recent General Conference in Atlantic City in small groups on settees and in certain secluded corners could be seen women with heads in close contact engaged in earnest conversation. Their age and bearing and serious mein marked them as missionary sisters eager to see that the world service organization functioned properly. We would not intimate that they were scheming for personal advantage, as men often do, but they certainly had no little concern about pending plans.

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The General Conference has made provision for the publication of a religious weekly to minister to the entire Methodist Church. There are already more than a dozen conference papers most of which are in the Southeastern Jurisdiction. These furnish the church news and minister to all interests of the church such as missions, education and the benevolences. So we are to have the national paper and the local papers, some of which have been in existence for a hundred years. In promoting the work of the Methodist Church the fullest co-operation must exist between these undertakings of the annual and General Conference.

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In his words of farewell at Asheville, Bishop Edwin Hughes exclaimed: "If I turned myself loose in my thought about the union of our churches, I could shout until the rafters re-echoed with the sound. It is very wonderful thing, dear brethren and sisters, to catch in your young manhood the vision of our unified church, to stay by that belief for at least thirty years of time, to be spared in the good providence of God until your hair was white, and then even though often you felt truly that you were receiving more credit than you really deserved, none the less to see the three contributions of the Lord coming to the same mountain of Israel. That has been my glad experience for which today I thank God most devoutly."



# Highlights and Sidelights of the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference in Asheville

The big, new rectangular Asheville Auditorium with its broad, low-swung balconies on the sides and in the rear was the place of assembly for a conference of approximately 400 members representing nine states, with Virginia and Kentucky on the north, Florida and Louisiana on the south, the Atlantic ocean on the east and the Mississippi river on the west. This is the largest and most thickly populated block of Methodists in all the world. The Southeastern Jurisdiction leads all the other jurisdictions in membership with an impressive total of 2,036,145.

At the first session of the conference which assembled at 9 o'clock May 22, 1940, there was an estimated attendance of 1800. Practically all the delegates were in their seats at the opening session and others who had business with the conference as members of boards and other organizations of the Methodist Church, besides those interested persons who had come from far and near.

Bishop U. V. W. Darlington of Huntington, West Virginia, senior bishop of this jurisdiction, presided at the opening session. North Carolina was a part of his first episcopal district after being elected bishop, and now as senior bishop he returns to preside over this first session of the conference in North Carolina.

Lud H. Estes of the Memphis conference was chosen as secretary of the conference. Right here is an interesting secretarial story about Secretary Estes (I use this word secretarial advisedly). He had served several general conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as secretary before church union. Then at the Uniting Conference last year in Kansas City he was chosen as secretary of that great historic body, where he worked most efficiently. But his annual conference had failed to elect him a delegate to the General Conference that met a few weeks ago in Atlantic City. Why the omission we are not informed. Possibly as good a guess as any is that there is littleness among ecclesiastics as well as pagans. But this is of little moment, for the Atlantic City conference set aside the rule which specified that the secretary should be from the body and then elected Estes by a two to one majority.

So Lud H. Estes has won his right to be known as Secretary Estes after this rather interesting career of keeping conference records.

Governor Hoey in his address of welcome spoke with his accustomed charm and adaptation to the demands of the occasion. I quote a few paragraphs from this admirable address:

"I would not bring you this note this morning but for the fact that in your heart, as in mine, we must feel the depression of the spirit which comes from seeing free peoples overrun and destroyed, and see the democracies of the earth crushed, and see the living hope of many, may go down into the very bowels of despair. And yet, after it all, I am prepared to believe that God is still in heaven and is still directing the destinies of men and of nations and of individuals.

"The dictators may walk the continents of the world today with titanic tread, but somehow in the process of

His all-right thinking, and the destinies that God shall direct for us, I am willing to lay upon the altar of my own faith with a new consecration and a rebaptism, this faith that survives all of the difficulties and the casualties of all times, and believe still in the God of love, the God of mercy.

"To this fine state and the splendid city I welcome you. I welcome you as the representatives of a great united Methodist Church. As a boy I lived in the country. The circuit riders used to come to my home, my father's home. I thought then that these circuit riders were the greatest men who walked the earth."

And today I stand with uncovered head in the presence of the ministry, and I am so glad that we have a united Methodist Church, that in this tragic hour our great church may minister to mankind and may help to bind up the wounded spirits and help to restore the confidence and the faith of men because, after all, although the clouds may be overhanging, God's sun is still shining. Those of us who believe in the everlasting eventualities of His destiny and direction of men must not be discouraged.

## Episcopal Address

The episcopal address was read by Bishop Darlington soon after the organization had been completed. The message consisted of 5000 words and emphasized among other things Christian education, missions, evangelism, abolition of the liquor traffic, war's curse and blight upon the world and social questions as highlight topics to be considered by the conference.

## Educational Evening

Wednesday evening was devoted to Christian education. The speakers were Bishop W. W. Peele and Dr. H. N. Snyder, president of Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C. Bishop Peele said in part:

"The small unit is called the local church. But for the local church there would be no Methodism, and while Methodism judged by any standards is big business, in the main it is made up of small churches and therefore is small business. The work of Methodism is done largely by the small unit; and the life of the church is determined by the life of the units composing the church. Whatever injuries or unduly burdens the local church slows down the church at large.

"We must not forget that if Methodism is to be great it will be great because of the quality of service rendered in the local church and the response made by the individuals in the local church to the appeals to carry on the mission of the church in larger areas.

"We are more and more recognizing that the growth of our church must come largely through those forces which we speak of today as religious education. Religious education has a place in the church's evangelistic program and is its most fruitful field. It is in the church school that the child comes to realize that he is a center and that he needs a Saviour. It is through the church school that he is most often led to an acceptance of Christ and a personal experience of his divine grace.



"In the Southeastern Jurisdiction during the two years since the General Conference at Birmingham, there have joined the church through the church school 103,725 pupils. There has been an increase in church school enrollment of 95,888. This is a larger increase in church school enrollment than in any entire denomination in America in the past two years, excepting the Southern Baptists.

"The church has not entered the field of education primarily for its own satisfaction or aggrandizement, but rather it has entered this field because of its responsibility. It has a moral and religious responsibility that can be discharged only through the maintenance of educational institutions and through the process of education within the local church."

### Second Day of Conference

The first day of a conference that partakes of the nature of a general conference, and this conference while without legislative functions was in all other respects like the great lawmaking conference of Methodism, is kept busy with the details of organization and with the episcopal address. Such was true of the first day of the Asheville conference.

But the second day of the conference working through committees, as it did, had little to do. After the worship service Thursday morning, Bishop Dobbs, the chairman, inquired, "Are there reports from special or administration committees ready for this moment?" The secretary replied, "There are none on the secretary's desk." So about the only thing left to do was to extend courtesies to the great and near great, whether present or absent, living or dead. All of which was very nice, this presenting bouquets to the living and festooning garlands for the dead. But these flowers soon wither and bouquets do not fit into a news story that is to appear one week later.

Another favorite pastime of a conference with little to do is for certain members, eager to be both seen and heard, to appear upon the platform with some resolution that "will provoke no discussion" according to the resolute. It may be a motion to adjourn before the work of the body has actually begun, or it may be to settle the European war by resolution, or some proposition to regulate men's consciences by conference action. Let it be said to the credit of the Asheville conference that it made short work of all these resolutions and motions the prime object of which was to attract attention to the authors thereof.

With nothing better at hand just now let's talk about the weather.

### The Weather That Asheville provided

The weather man was on the job providing the usual variety of May weather for this land of the sky. The first two days of conference he brought up the balmy moisture laden winds from the south that made a Floridan think of December or January at their best. But two days of south wind seldom fails to bring rain for these thirsty uplands. And the mountains seldom are so beautiful as when the spring and summer rains are in the making or after they have passed, taking with them the haze which tends to rob the mountains of a distinctness that the showers never fail to restore and that excites the admiration of visitors. Friday of conference brought these refreshing and beautifying showers, which were followed late in the afternoon by the north winds that

sent visitors from the deep south in search for their overcoats. I have seen Asheville many times in May, but have no recollection of having seen so many overcoats on the streets of this mountain city so late in the season. Perhaps not a few of those district superintendents noted for careless speech will return home and declare that it snowed in Asheville during the Jurisdictional Conference. Yes, the weather man was strictly on the job so that these visitors could get their money's worth.

### The Fraternal Greetings of Bishop Hughes

The Council of Bishops had deputed Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, senior bishop, to carry greetings to this first jurisdictional conference. Bishop Hughes performed his duty Thursday morning when he delivered an address that was more than formal. It was a message from the heart of a brother beloved, who is recognized as the great leader of American Methodism. This man's presence and the services that he rendered had more to do with making the Asheville conference a great success than the services of any other one man connected with the conference. He not only brought an official message from the Council of Bishops and from the Methodist Church, but he delivered three great sermons on three successive afternoons—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The first of these appears in this issue of the Advocate, and an excerpt from the second sermon on "The Layman" is on our front page this week. His third sermon from the text, "Will not the judge of all the earth do right?" was a sermon of such power that the great congregation seemed strangely moved as he talked of the great essentials of the universe and man's relation thereto. The conference met in special session to hear this sermon.

The large space that we give Bishop Hughes in a report of the conference is but representative of his preeminence through the first three days of the conference because of the charm of his presence and the power of his preaching.

### Duke Dinner Thursday Evening

One hundred and eighty-eight guests sat down to the Duke dinner in a big dining room of the George Vanderbilt Hotel. President W. P. Few presided and presented the speakers of the evening and other distinguished guests. Among these were Colonel Bruton, chairman of the board of trustees of Duke University, Bishop W. W. Peele of Richmond, Va., Bishop E. H. Hughes of Washington, D. C., senior bishop of American Methodism and fraternal messenger from that Methodism to the Jurisdictional Conference in Asheville, Drs. F. S. Hickman, J. M. Ormond, H. E. Myers, W. K. Green, G. T. Rowe, Paul N. Garber, all members of the Duke faculties and delegates to this conference, Bishop W. N. Ainsworth of Macon, Ga., Bishop Cannon of Washington, D. C., Bishop Dobbs of Jackson, Miss., Bishop Decell of Atlanta, Ga., and Adlai C. Holler, president of Alumni Association of the School of Religion.

President Few spoke of the objectives of the Duke Foundation in endowing Duke University and then presented Dr. Paul N. Garber, who told of the accomplishments of the Duke School of Religion since its beginning fourteen years ago and of its prospects in the years ahead. The next speaker was Bishop Clare Purcell, bishop of the territory in which Asheville is located. These brief speeches were followed by President Few extending expression of thanks to the local committee, all members



graduates of School of Religion—J. G. Wilkinson, M. S. Richey, R. H. Taylor, A. C. Waggoner, R. M. Hardee, and J. M. Brandon.

The dinner guests adjourned uttering numerous expressions of delight because of the success of the occasion in all particulars.

### Some Results of Conference Action Now Appears

First of note is the assigning of the bishops to their episcopal residences and the plan of episcopal visitation, which is as follows:

Louisville Area, Bishop U. V. W. Darlington:  
Kentucky conference, Wilmore, Ky., Sept. 4, 9 a. m.  
Louisville conference, Madisonville, Ky., Sept. 25, 9 a. m.  
Jackson Area, Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs:  
North Mississippi conference, Columbus, Miss., Oct. 31.  
Mississippi conference, Meridian, Miss., Nov. 14.  
Atlanta Area, Bishop Arthur J. Moore:  
Florida conference, Sanford, Fla., June 12, 8 p. m.  
Latin Mission conference, place to be determined, 1941.  
South Georgia conference, Savannah, Ga., Nov. 7.  
North Georgia conference, Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 21.  
Nashville Area, Bishop Paul B. Kern:  
Holston conference, Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 3.  
Tennessee conference, Nashville, Oct. 17.  
Cuba conference, place referred, January, 1941.  
Richmond Area, Bishop William Walter Peele:  
Virginia conference, Roanoke, Va., Oct. 16, 7:30 p. m.  
Central-Southern Europe (dates and places to be announced).  
Charlotte Area, Bishop Clare Purcell:  
Western North Carolina conference, High Point, Oct. 22 (Tuesday), 9 a. m.  
North Carolina conference, Nov. 7 (place to be announced).  
Birmingham Area, Bishop J. Lloyd Decell:  
North Alabama conference, Tuscumbia, Ala., Nov. 7.  
Memphis conference, Jackson, Tenn., Nov. 14.  
Alabama conference, Mobile, Ala., Nov. 21.  
Columbia Area, Bishop William T. Watkins:  
Upper South Carolina conference, Anderson, S. C., Nov. 7.  
South Carolina conference, Florence, S. C., Nov. 14.  
Note—Bishop Arthur J. Moore is to be Advisory Associate with Bishop Peele in European work.

### Members of Jurisdictional Board of Education

Alabama conference: Rev. A. E. Middlebrooks, Dr. C. M. Dannelly.  
Florida conference: Rev. Jesse L. Murrell, Mrs. C. F. Parvin.  
Holston conference: Rev. F. B. Shelton, Dr. James N. Hillman.  
Kentucky conference: Rev. C. H. Greer, Mr. Dennis V. Snapp.  
Louisville conference: Rev. R. H. Short, Mrs. W. J. Piggett.  
Memphis conference: Rev. G. C. Fain, Dr. R. E. Wamack.  
Mississippi conference: Rev. Otto Porter, Dr. R. L. Hunt.  
North Alabama conference: Rev. S. O. Kimbrough, Mr. V. B. Taunton.  
North Carolina conference: Dr. H. E. Spence, Dr. R. L. Flowers.  
North Georgia conference: Rev. Lester Rumble, Dr. Harvey W. Cox.  
North Mississippi conference: Dr. J. R. Countiss, Dr. A. W. Mildren.  
South Carolina conference: Rev. J. T. Fowler, Dr. M. R. Mobley.  
South Georgia conference: Rev. L. A. Harrell, Mr. W. D. Anderson.  
Tennessee conference: Rev. J. L. Ferguson, Mr. W. R. Webb.  
Upper South Carolina conference: Dr. A. L. Gunter, Dr. H. N. Snyder.  
Virginia conference: Dr. J. Calloway Robertson, Prof. W. R. Smithey.  
Western North Carolina conference: Rev. C. P. Bowles, Dr. L. L. Gobbel.

### Youth Members from Episcopal Areas

Miss Juanita Bracey, North Carolina; Mr. Jay Cumbaa, South Georgia; Miss Jackie Felder, South Carolina; Miss Juanita Gentry, Memphis; Mr. George Grise, Louisville; Mr. Torrence Maxey, Mississippi; Mr. Ralph Purcell, Florida.

Nominations for Board of Education of The Methodist Church:

Ministers—Lud H. Estes, Memphis; J. Emerson Ford, South Carolina; L. A. Harrell, South Georgia; G. Ray Jordan, Western North Carolina; Lester Rumble, North Georgia; J. W. Shackford, Upper South Carolina; H. L. Upperman, Tennessee; L. P. Wasson, North Mississippi.

Laymen—H. W. Cox, North Georgia; Clarence M. Dannelly, Alabama; W. P. Few, North Carolina; J. Earl Moreland, Virginia; Fred B. Noble, Florida; C. C. Sherrod, Holston; D. V. Sapp, Kentucky; H. N. Snyder, Upper South Carolina.

Youth member: Miss Irma Chambers, Mississippi.

### Nominations for General Board of Temperance

Clerical: R. Ira Barnett, Florida conference.

Lay: Mrs. M. E. Tilley, North Georgia conference.

### Nominations for Jurisdictional Board of Temperance

Clerical: J. A. Baylor, Holston conference; V. L. Moore, Kentucky conference; A. D. Betts, South Carolina conference; H. H. Sherman, Virginia conference; J. S. Eddins, North Alabama conference; J. W. Weldon, Louisville conference.

Lay: O. L. Tompkins, Alabama conference; R. S. Wimberly, South Georgia conference; J. B. Hicks, North Carolina conference; H. J. Wright, Memphis conference; W. H. Watkins, Mississippi conference.

Women: Mrs. S. M. Chrietberg, Upper S. C. conference; Mrs. J. B. Ivey, W. N. C. conference; Mrs. W. S. Frost, Florida conference; Mrs. E. U. Robinson, Tennessee conference; Mrs. D. H. Hall, North Mississippi conference.

Youth: Carlos F. de la Fe, Cuba conference; Eleanor Beeler, Kentucky conference.

### Nominations for General Commission on World Peace

Clerical: J. B. Winn, Virginia conference.

Lay: Mrs. Isaac Morris, North Alabama conference.

### Jurisdictional Commission on World Peace

All effective bishops of the Jurisdiction.

Clerical: J. A. Gann, N. Alabama conference; W. V. Cropper, Kentucky conference; F. S. Love, N. C. conference; R. R. Scott, N. Mississippi conference; John W. Branscomb, Florida conference; B. B. Pennington, Tennessee conference.

Lay: W. B. Roper, Virginia conference; W. D. Self, N. Alabama conference; J. G. Ratliff, Louisville conference; W. L. Ward, W. N. C. conference; T. D. Samford, Alabama conference.

### Nominations for Jurisdictional Board of Lay Activities

Bishops: J. L. Decell, Clare Purcell.

Ministers: Earl G. Hamlet, H. M. Andrews, H. C. Hardin.

### Nominations for Board of Publication

For term expiring 1944.

Clerical: P. M. Boyd, Florida; Silas Johnson, South Georgia; B. L. Sutherland, Mississippi.

Lay: C. A. Craig, Tennessee; J. B. Horton, Upper South Carolina; J. W. Jakes, Tennessee; J. E. Lambeth, Western North Carolina.

For term expiring 1948.

Clerical: J. A. Bays, Holston; Paul N. Garber, Western North Carolina; Nolan B. Harmon, Jr., Virginia; M. E. Lazenby, North Alabama.

Lay: W. L. Cash, Louisville; Gurney P. Hood, North Carolina; W. H. Swiggart, Jr., Tennessee.

### Nominations for General Board of Missions and Church Extension

G. M. Davenport, North Alabama conference.

T. D. Ellis, South Georgia conference.

R. L. Russell, North Georgia conference.

J. M. Ormond, North Carolina conference.

W. B. West, Western North Carolina conference.

A. C. Rogers, Alabama conference.

W. D. Hawkins, Mississippi conference.

W. E. Ivey, South Carolina conference.

H. W. Pittman, South Georgia conference.

E. E. Childs, Upper South Carolina conference.

Wiley Critz, North Mississippi conference.

Sara McConnell, Kentucky conference.

Nominations made by the Woman's Provisional Jurisdictional conference:

Mrs. J. W. Perry, Holston conference.

Miss Mabel K. Howell, Tennessee conference.

Mrs. F. B. Godfrey, Florida conference.

Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Louisville conference.

Mrs. Homer Tatum, Memphis conference.

Mrs. W. M. Alexander, Tennessee conference.

Mrs. Paul Arrington, Mississippi conference.

Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Louisville conference.

Mrs. W. H. Ballengee, Virginia conference.

Mrs. D. S. Coltrane, North Carolina conference.

### Bishops Honored at the Biltmore Forest Country Club

Mr. and Mrs. Canie Brown of Asheville at one o'clock Saturday of conference gave a luncheon at the Biltmore Forest Country Club in honor of the bishops of the South-



eastern Jurisdiction. Mr. and Mrs. Brown had a prominent part in providing the delightful entertainment that Asheville gave the conference from the beginning to the end of what proved to be a joyous occasion in every particular. And of the many social features of the conference the luncheon to the bishops at the Biltmore Forest Country Club could hardly be surpassed.

The guests were: Bishop and Mrs. U. V. W. Darlington, Bishop and Mrs. W. N. Ainsworth, Bishop and Mrs. James Cannon, Jr., Bishop and Mrs. Hoyt M. Dobbs, Bishop and Mrs. Arthur J. Moore, Bishop and Mrs. Paul B. Kern, Bishop and Mrs. W. W. Peele, Bishop and Mrs. Clare Purcell, Bishop and Mrs. J. L. Decell, Bishop and Mrs. W. T. Watkins, Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Stanbury, Mr. and Mrs. Bretney Smith, and Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Plyler.

### Conference Visits Lake Junaluska

Saturday afternoon practically the entire conference accompanied by official and unofficial visitors motored to Lake Junaluska, the summer capital of Methodism, for an informal session of the conference and to enjoy several hours of sightseeing and fellowship, also to partake of a buffet supper admirably served by Prof. and Mrs. F. S. Aldridge at the Terrace Hotel.

This proved to be a superlative afternoon and only superlatives can adequately describe it. In every particular the weather was perfect. In other words it was at its best even for western North Carolina in the last days of May. Early in the afternoon the visitors began to arrive and continued to come till five o'clock, when the public exercises were held in the big auditorium. The popular place of rendezvous was under the spreading maples on the grassy slopes that reach the water's edge on the lake front. I would not say that the water of the lake was as clear as crystal, but I do not hesitate to declare that it was clear as a mountain stream that flows amid virgin forests. Men and women who have visited this Methodist resort yearly since its beginning did not hesitate to affirm that these assembly grounds are now more beautiful than they have been any time before this good year 1940. There is a reason. The drives have been improved, the lawns and trees are better cared for, more flowers are being cultivated and evidences of a superior management appear on every hand.

The huge assembly that gathered in the auditorium for the public exercises at five o'clock saw a platform with the finest mahogany pulpit, or speaker's stand, the gift of Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Quillian of Georgia, and seatings to match the speaker's desk. An up-to-date loud speaker recently installed was used for the first time. The cement floor upon which have been placed 500 opera chairs was used for the first time. It occurred to us that in order to make the work complete ivy covered walls should encircle the place, for Ben Ivey of Charlotte put down the concrete foundation and George Ivey of Hickory put in the opera chairs. Let's make this place an Ivy clad monument.

Dr. W. A. Lambeth, the superintendent, was in charge and Bishop U. V. W. Darlington presided at the five o'clock services. Bishop James Cannon, Jr., read the scriptures and offered prayer. Dr. W. P. Few, Bishop Paul Kern and Dr. W. A. Lambeth were the speakers of the hour. These speeches by men who have been and are so intimately connected with Junaluska were models in every particular—brief, informing, inspiring—just the

right words fitly spoken which are "like apples of gold in pictures of silver." Dr. W. F. Quillian offered the closing prayer and pronounced the benediction.

At six o'clock more than four hundred men and women gathered at the Terrace for the buffet supper. And what a supper! Prof. and Mrs. Aldridge have proven beyond all controversy that they can feed the multitude without friction or confusion. And let it be written in the records that this visit to Junaluska was "tops" among the features of the first conference of the Southeastern Jurisdiction held in Asheville where the local committee left nothing undone that might contribute to the success of the conference.

### THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon, Supt.

The Jamestown high school closed last Monday and High Point College closed today, Monday, May 27. So all our children and young people are out of school for this season. Six graduated from high school and two of them have already secured work. Two others plan to enter college this fall, and the other two are seeking employment. We also have two other boys who are 18 years old who are anxious to find work. So they came up to maturity and find their places in the world. We regret to part with them, but at the same time rejoice with them when they reach that point when they can launch out and begin caring for themselves.

### The District Conferences

There being two district conferences on Tuesday, May 14, we went to Gibsonville and Rev. E. A. Lamb represented the Children's Home at High Point College. We thoroughly enjoyed meeting and mingling with the brethren of the Greensboro district, and Brother Lamb reports a good meeting in the High Point district. Rev. E. E. Snow of the Pleasant Garden charge gave us a pleasant surprise when he handed us ten dollars from the Bethlehem church on his charge saying, "Those good people out there felt that they wished to make an offering to the High Point Home, so here it is." Thanks to Brother Snow and his good people. We are always glad to receive free will offerings for the support of our children here.

### Our Empty Glass Jars

We have 2,000 or more empty half-gallon glass jars which we would be so glad to get into the hands of our good farmer friends within the next two weeks. These same jars went out empty last spring and came back full last fall. We need your help just as badly this year and would like to hear from you at a very early date.

We have made several appeals for this and to date only one request for the jars has come. The ladies of Piney Grove on Siler City charge are asking for five dozen. We will get them to them soon, and on our trip to them we shall be glad if we may supply other churches along the way. Our good women will do this work eventually, why not write us now! It will save us time and expense if you will all write early.

### Sweetening Our Family

Mr. A. W. Staley of Grace church, Greensboro, came up on last Friday bringing with him about 80 pounds of honey as a donation to this home, and while here he opened some of our hives and got out about 45 pounds of honey. So for a few days at any rate we will be keeping sweet.

### Home Coming Day

We have not planned home coming in June this year as usual, because of the General Conference and the Jurisdictional Conference both coming in May with the uncertainties which follow for some of the institutions and boards in Methodism. There will be some committee meetings and perhaps board meetings during June, and in these meetings conclusions will be reached which will help us to plan all the better. So look for further announcements concerning home coming day.

### GOLDEN CROSS TREASURER WRITES

Contributions to the Golden Cross by charges in the Western North Carolina conference will be reported in the North Carolina Christian Advocate in the issue of June 20. Any amounts coming in after June 17 can not be included in this report.

R. M. Courtney, Treas.

College Place Methodist Church, Greensboro, N. C.



## GREENSBORO COLLEGE NINETY-SECOND COMMENCEMENT A DELIGHTFUL OCCASION

Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, governor of the state of North Carolina, addressed the graduating class of Greensboro College Monday morning at ten-thirty a. m. in Odell Auditorium. Special awards were presented at this time, and the portrait of Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus, was unveiled and presented to the college. The portrait is a gift of the alumnae association and friends. Mr. Walter Vassar, professor of voice, rendered special music.

Dr. Hornell Hart, professor of sociology at Duke University, in his baccalaureate address directed his remarks peculiarly to the graduating class of Greensboro College at West Market Street church Sunday morning to put before them the question, "Into what kind of world are you going out?" Following immediately with the obvious answer he painted a picture of a terrifying world overcome with a "Britskrigg" of gangster warfare. He cited the comparison of the stress and strain of an anxious onlooker eager for victory on the football field with the anxious young hearts of the women in England today as they are praying for their men to "hold the line." The speaker pointed out that the future of civilization depends on the outcome of the struggle in war torn Europe today.

In conclusion, Dr. Hart stated that if one listens to his commander and follows his voice he will be given the courage, love and wisdom that goes beyond human wisdom.

On Saturday, with Mrs. Karl Bishopric, Spray, presiding, the alumnae-student luncheon was held in the dining room of the college at one o'clock. Following the luncheon the alumnae association held its regular business session at 2:30 in Emerson Hall in Odell Memorial auditorium. Routine business matters were taken care of and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Karl Bishopric, Spray; first vice president, Mrs. H. T. Prosser, New Orleans, La.; second vice president, Mrs. L. E. Blanchard, Raleigh; third vice president, Mrs. Lynn Ross Hunt, Pleasant Garden; recording secretary, Miss Mary Brock, Greensboro; assistant recording secretary, Mrs. Cabell Yojnd, Charlotte; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Albert Moffett, Charlotte; treasurer, Mrs. E. L. Sides, Greensboro; assistant treasurer, Miss Annie Lowrance, Winston-Salem; recorder, Miss Mary Elizabeth Woodcock, Greensboro, and parliamentarian, Mrs. James E. Lambeth, Thomasville.

The class day activities for the graduating class of 61 members took place in an impressive ceremony on the front campus of the college.

At four o'clock on Sunday afternoon Mr. Mark Hoffman, head of the school of music, gave a piano concert in Odell Auditorium.

## MARION DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The forty-eighth session of the Marion district conference met in Old Fort Wednesday morning, May 8, with the district superintendent, Rev. J. C. Cornett, presiding. A brief worship service was conducted by Rev. H. M. Wellman.

The business session began by electing Rev. F. J. Stough secretary. He appointed as assistants Rev. C. H. Peace, Rev. Frank Smathers and Prof. Lovell Glover. At the request of Rev. T. R. Wolf, Rev. G. R. Stafford was named chairman of the committee on licenses and recommendations.

Dr. L. B. Abernethy gave a brief and inspiring message on hospitals and missions. Rev. A. J. Clemmer read the report.

The pastors' reports were called for. These reports revealed that the Marion district is nearly half out for the year, which means that some charges are more than half out. When the report for Morganton First church was called

for the audience stood in memory of Rev. W. A. Newell, who died during the year. Rev. T. R. Wolf led the prayer.

Miss Josephine Dameron, one of our missionaries to Korea, was introduced and spoke very interestingly of her work there. An offering was taken for her which amounted to \$21.

It was a pleasure to have with us the following superannuate ministers: Revs. M. A. Lewis, D. W. Hagie, W. I. Hughes, E. N. Crowder, and J. T. Stover.

The report on Christian education and literature was read by Rev. W. A. Jenkins. Rev. Wayne Kernodle spoke on behalf of Brevard College and Rev. Fletcher Nelson on behalf of Duke University.

The district secretary of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, Miss Claudia Harbison, was introduced and spoke briefly of the women's work in the district.

At the appointed hour the report on spiritual life and evangelism was read by Rev. C. H. Peace. Rev. T. R. Wolfe then preached a deeply spiritual sermon long to be remembered.

We then adjourned for lunch served by the congregations of Rev. R. E. Ward and Rev. E. C. Widenhouse. We just made a dent in this lunch.

The afternoon session was opened with prayer by Rev. D. W. Hagie. The following reports were read: Temperance, by Rev. C. R. Ross; quarterly records, by Rev. F. R. Barber; finance, by J. B. Cooper; license and recommendation, by Rev. C. F. Tate; resolutions, by Rev. J. R. Duncan; and Rev. Frank Smathers reported on the statistics gleaned from the pastors' reports. Mr. O. V. Woosley spoke in his characteristic style of the Children's Home. What would we do without Woosley?

The laymen were given all the time they required to present their work. Mr. D. W. Alexander, district lay leader, gave a fine report of his work and introduced the following speakers: R. T. Bush, who spoke on "The Unified Budget Plan." A. A. Paggett spoke on his experience as a tither, H. L. Halliburton spoke on the children of the church, Rev. G. R. Stafford spoke on the children of the church, Rev. and A. F. Hunt spoke on evangelism.

Mr. F. C. Kinzie of Spindale was elected district lay leader for the coming year. Mr. D. W. Alexander and Fred Proffitt were elected associate district lay leaders.

The conference was adjourned with the benediction by Rev. M. A. Lewis, to meet next year with Pleasant Grove near Forest City.

F. J. Stough, Secretary.

## STATESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Statesville district conference convened in the high school auditorium at Taylorsville May 20. Rev. J. W. Hoyle, Jr., district superintendent, presided over the conference and conducted the business in a most satisfactory and capable manner.

A brief devotional service was led by Rev. E. W. Fox. He gave a challenging message to ministers and laymen to feed spiritually the hungry multitudes.

Instead of the regular roll call the pastors checked their attendance and that of their delegates on lists that were provided.

A report on the general state of the church was given by the district superintendent. This report stated that Methodist Advance meetings had been held in every church in the district. As a result of these meetings definite goals for advance have been set up and are being carried forward in the local church; that results are encouraging in the field of evangelism, Christian education and missions; that approximately one-third of the churches to date are paid in advance with pastors' salaries; and a similar proportion are paid in advance with benevolences; the district as a whole is paid to date on Children's Home assessment.

The various interests of the church were represented as follows: Western North Carolina Brotherhood by Rev. H. G. Allen; Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital by Dr. L. B. Abernethy; Children's Home by Mr. O. V. Woosley; Duke University by Dr. J. M. Ormond; Greensboro College by Dr. Raymond Smith; Brevard College by Mr. Wayne Kernodle; Western North Carolina Board of Christian Education by Rev. Earl Brewer; North Carolina Christian Advocate by Rev. W. A. Rollins; Woman's Work by Mrs. T. V. Goode, district secretary; Miss Mabel Cherry spoke on the Korean Church; Young People's Work by Mr. Marshall Mills, district director.

Rev. O. L. Robinson, pastor of Hudson charge, preached the conference sermon, using as his subject, "What Is Life For?"

R. H. Nicholson and Wade Bustle were recommended to the annual conference for admission on trial.

Rev. W. A. Kerr and his workers of Taylorsville were mindful of every opportunity in the entertainment of the conference. A picnic lunch was served by the charge.

A resolution expressing the appreciation of the conference for the gracious entertainment was read by Rev. J. W. Moore and unanimously adopted.

Upon the invitation of Rev. J. O. Banks, the conference voted to meet next year at New Salem church on the Cool Springs charge.

G. F. Hood, Secretary.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

Home coming day for New Sharon church, Hillsboro charge, has been changed to Sunday, June 16. All former pastors and friends are invited to be present.—J. V. Early, Pastor.

Lake Junaluska furnished cottage for rent or sale. Over-looking lake and near auditorium. Vacant lot adjoining for sale. Address Mrs. Andrews, 102 S. Mendenhall Street, Greensboro, N. C.; or Assembly Office, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

The annual home coming and memorial day will be observed at the Glen Alpine Methodist church Sunday, June 2, it is announced by the pastor, Rev. R. L. Young. A special service will be held at 11 o'clock which will be followed by dinner on the grounds. All former pastors, former members of the church and friends are cordially invited to attend.—Mrs. Robert T. Pitts, Pub. Com.

**If you are a former student of Davenport College, put a ring around Sunday, June 9 on your calendar, for that is the day for the annual Davenport reunion to be held on the old campus in Lenoir. Come on that day, bring a well filled basket and mingle with your old friends. You will see classmates you haven't seen for years. The campus is beautiful now; come and live again your school days under the towering oaks.**

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the North Carolina conference will hold its annual summer party in the banquet hall of the Union of Duke University on Wednesday, June 5, at 3:30 p. m. This year we are extending a cordial invitation to all the ministers' wives' husbands to be with us. An excellent program has been planned and all ladies are urged to attend and bring their husbands with them.—Mrs. J. Kern Ormond, Sec.

Dr. H. C. Morrison, for many years president of Asbury College, resigned at commencement this year, and Dr. Z. T. Johnson, executive vice president since 1935, was named his successor. The resignation was handed trustees after they had re-elected Dr. Morrison. The board then elected Dr. Morrison president emeritus. Dr. Morrison is editor and publisher of the Pentecostal Herald, Methodist periodical issued at Louisville.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Gastonia district held their meeting May 8 after lunch at district conference, which was held at Rock Springs camp ground on the Rock Springs charge. The meeting was held at the parsonage with Mrs. Max Brandon as hostess. Mrs. C. E. Rozelle, president of the association, presided at a short business session. Reports and discussions were discussed during the meeting of complete water systems in all the parsonages in the district. We hope to accomplish this real soon. Our next meeting will be held at the district parsonage in June with Mrs. C. E. Rozelle and Mrs. E. M. Jones entertaining the ministers wives.—Mrs. Harold Robinson, Sec.

I wish to report from Grace church, Wilmington, that Grace church is still on the map and seems to be in good order. I consider it a great privilege to serve these people. The summer will be full of activities about the parsonage, for there began this week the work of installing a new Garwood oil heating plant in our basement. It will be a joy forever, succeeding an old coal plant that has about worn out. These stewards believe in doing things right. Golden Cross is being stressed here this spring. So far \$117 has been reported paid in on this item. We will take up the matter of Advocate subscriptions seriously in a few weeks. It is reported that when the new heating plant is installed the parsonage will be beautified inside and out. Come down to see us.—J. F. Herbert.

The Southwestern Advocate has the following good news to tell: "Dr. Forney Hutchinson last week at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis had a cataract removed from his eye. The operation is reported to have been quite successful and in a short time his vision will be restored. This is good news not only for Dr. Hutchinson but for thousands of his friends all over this country."

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Elizabeth City district met at the parsonage in Edenton after lunch at district conference with 18 wives present. Mrs. John R. Poe, chairman, presided at a short business session. The summer picnic for the preachers' families was discussed. The time and place will be announced later. The wives are urged to make their contributions to the "round robin" letter and hasten it on in alphabetical order. The following officers were elected: Mrs. John R. Poe, chairman; Mrs. M. R. Gardner, vice chairman; Mrs. W. J. Watson, secretary-treasurer. The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. A. C. Thompson.—Mrs. M. J. Watson, Sec.

Frequently in towns in the interior of Brazil one finds little Methodist churches growing and thriving without any pastor at all. Such groups are often the work of some passing evangelistic worker or of some especially interested layman, and often have never had a regular pastor. Such a charge is Bauru, a growing city of 29,000 inhabitants in the State of Sao Paulo, along with Botucatu, a fine little city almost as large as Bauru, some 70 miles away. Rev. W. G. Borchers, who was recently appointed to this charge, is the first pastor to serve there regularly. The work is only five years old and was established by a consecrated layman. Besides his regular pastoral work, Mr. Borchers takes turn about with the Presbyterian and the Independent Presbyterian preachers in the city of Bauru in preaching every Sunday over the radio. He also preaches at the county jail, and every first Sunday preaches at the leper colony twelve miles away. This indicates the busy life of the Methodist missionaries in Brazil.—Southwestern Christian Advocate.

## BISHOPS' WIVES HONORED AT ASHEVILLE

The ministers' wives of the Asheville district entertained at a luncheon Friday, May 24, at 1 o'clock at the George Vanderbilt Hotel honoring the bishops' wives who attended the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference in Asheville.

The luncheon meeting was presided over by the district president, Mrs. E. J. Harbison. The bishops' wives were introduced by Mrs. M. T. Smathers and a toast to them was given by Mrs. W. L. Hutchins. Mrs. Clare Purcell responded.

Places were marked by attractive place cards and nosegay corsages with special shoulder corsages for the honor guests: Mrs. Clare Purcell, Mrs. U. V. W. Darlington, Mrs. Paul B. Kern, Mrs. J. Lloyd Decell, Mrs. Hoyt M. Dobbs, Mrs. William N. Ainsworth, Mrs. Arthur J. Moore, Mrs. James Cannon, Jr., and Mrs. Edwin D. Mouzon.

Regrets were expressed that Mrs. William W. Peele and Mrs. William T. Watkins could not be present.

Other guests were: Mrs. A. W. Plyler, Mrs. L. D. Thompson, guests of Mrs. W. A. Stanbury, Mrs. M. J. McFarland, guest of Mrs. W. G. McFarland, and Mrs. Max Brandon, Sr., guest of Mrs. Max Brandon, Jr.

Mrs. Ralph H. Taylor, Secretary.



## Bishop Hughes' Sermon on Heaven at Asheville Conference

Text: "Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God and he shall go no more out." Rev. chapter iii, verse 12.

The function of the pillar is of course the function of adornment. I had a course in college about this esthetic side of life, and I remember that there were Ionic pillars and Corinthian pillars, and Doric pillars, and that they had flutings placed upon them, in order that they might contribute to the esthetics of life. We are very conspicuous in the teaching, but I am not apt in it. I have forgotten most of it, I guess, and I wouldn't stand here posing at all as any master in the realm of esthetics.

But I do think, dear brethren, if I may address the masculine portion of my audience, that our wives have a very, very particular mission to the most of us. We marry them, and we are rather matter of fact, unless we are rather exceptional among the male inhabitants. You see, we do not have very much sense of the beautiful things, and then these women begin to train us. Sometimes we make fun of them. In later years we feel just a little sorry about it.

When I came down here into your country at Atlanta, Georgia, under what is now Dr. Henry's jurisdiction, and married a little southern Presbyterian girl and made her a Methodist in less than a month, she began to instruct me in esthetics. I made fun of her. In the fall time when the New England snows fell upon the trees, and the trees hung there in the white beauty of Paradise, we walked out together. I said to her, "Honey, do you see the snowlets on the twiglets out yonder on the treelets?" and I was having a good time. Then as the years passed she pulled me over into that realm of the beautiful where she herself dwelt so much.

I do verily believe that when Arthur James Balfour, one of the finest thinkers of modern English life, wrote his remarkable volume in which he declared that the beautiful things in this world were in themselves a testimony to the goodness of God, and to the wonderful workmanship of God, and they had evidential value, he was near to a very great truth.

### God's Use of Beauty

If you don't like beautiful and nice things, in God's name, don't brag about it. If you have a crippled soul it isn't necessary for you to exhibit that soul with any rather silly and awkward pride. For whatever of beauty there is, God made, dear friends, and therefore, whatever beauty there is becomes one of the channels by which he himself is trying to draw us unto himself.

We have a singular illustration of that, very closely related to what I am now talking about, in the life of a man who was the arch skeptic in this country when I was young, Robert J. Ingersoll. Robert J. Ingersoll was the son of a Baptist clergyman, the son of a Baptist clergyman back yonder in the day when the old Armenian and Calvinistic controversy was on, and when the preachers of the old Calvinistic order presented a thing in such a tremendous fashion that directly the rocks that represented the saving power of God against the coasts of life were not covered over by the beautiful growth of ivy, and

so Robert J. Ingersoll, though a Baptist preacher's son, reacted against his father's stern theology and became an arch skeptic. At times he was not only frivolous in his treatment of our faith, he was positively blasphemous in his treatment of our faith.

One day a man going into his study—I think at that time in Chicago—pointed to Tom Paine's "Age of Reason" and said, "Mr. Ingersoll, what did that book cost you?"

Robert J. Ingersoll replied, doubtless in full truth, "That book cost me the governorship of Illinois," which, in all probability it did.

This man Ingersoll, dear brothers and sisters, was one of the most majestic and magnetic men we ever had in our country. If he were here now, speaking in my place, and were not doing something that would stir controversy in your heart, within one minute every eye in this assembly would be fastened on him and everybody would be listening to him in rapt attention.

What a preacher of the gospel he would have made if he hadn't got twisted away from the gospel track!

Directly his brother died. He and his brother had covenanted together that whichever one of them died first, the survivor should speak at the funeral. The brother died first and Robert J. Ingersoll, the arch skeptic, had to stand at his brother's casket and speak.

I want to tell you a little bit of what he said. I could give you much more, though I think I never tried hard to commit it to memory: "My friends, I am going to do that which the dead oft promised he would do for me. The lovely and loving brother, husband, father, friend, died where manhood's morning almost touches noon and while the shadows still were falling toward the west. He had not reached on life's pathway the stone that marks the highest point, but being weary, he lay down for a moment and, using his burden for his pillow, he fell into that dreamless sleep which kisseth down his eyelids still.

"Life is a narrow veil between the cold and barren peaks of birth and death. We strive in vain to look beyond its heights. We cry aloud and the only answer is the echo of our wailing cry, yet in the night of death, hope sees a star and listening love can hear the rustle of the wind.

"He who sleeps here, mistaking the approach of death for the return of health, said with his latest breath, 'I am better now.' Let us believe, in spite of doubts and dogmas and of tears and fears, the dear words are true of all the countless dead."

### "In the Night of Death . . ."

And so the arch skeptic stood there, in the presence of the universal fact of death, and went over into the realm of esthetics to get a little comfort. "In the night of death hope sees a star and listening love can hear the rustle of the wing." Had anybody said to him at the time that he was moving over into that realm of beauty of which the Revelator himself, in the final book of the Bible, made so much, I wonder if he would have appreciated the point at all.



I find myself halting a good deal now, dear brothers, over those descriptions in the Bible. Here I am, an old man. My children tell me—as my wife used to tell me—that I ought not to say that. This thing of running around over the country blating about my age, they said, was all a mistake and my daughters seemed to think that it put them at a disadvantage somehow, though just why, I know not.

Maybe they are right, as I have told some of them, because nearly always when I am seventy-three and was born in the last month of 1866, at the close of the service some man comes up to me, looking at least ninety, and stands tremblingly and totteringly before me and says, “You and I are just exactly the same age.” So I don’t know but that the way to avoid that comparison, or contrast, is to take the filial advice from my own home.

Here I am, dear friends, now beyond the sum of three score years and ten by three years, and whenever any man says to me that I ought not to think much about heaven, he is on the wrong track. Why, I have more memories of my family, counting two generations, by far over yonder than I have here. Bishop Ainsworth, I have twice as many of my episcopal colleagues over yonder as I have remaining on this earth.

#### Tenements—Heavenly Mansions

And then you come along with your silly gospels, based on materialism very largely, and you look me in the face and, virtually discarding the great conceptions of the immortal life, you tell me that the thing for me to do is to think about tenements on earth rather than about heavenly mansions.

This world never needed a celestial doctrine more than it needs it now, with a materialism that is largely somatic in its character and that leaves out the fact that we are pilgrims of the eternal life. If there is anything that is silly at the present time—and superficial, utterly so—it is that conception of preaching.

Don’t you like this? Listen! “I said unto them who were arrayed in white robes, whence came they? And he said unto me, My Lord, thou knowest. These are they that have come out of the great tribulation and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. They shall hunger no more; neither thirst they more; neither shall the sun shine upon them nor any heat. for the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall be their Shepherd and shall spread his tabernacle over them and shall lead them unto fountains of living water and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.”

Even if the doctrine of evolution in itself be true, nothing else, we have a right to envision a picture of that sort, but when we add to it the revelation of our Lord and Master until we become the preachers of a gospel that includes two worlds—all worlds—then we begin to get a message that is supremely worth while.

#### Doctrine of Eternal Life

Do not imagine for a single moment, my dear young comrades in the ministry of Jesus, that those aged persons in your congregation do not now want the doctrine of the eternal life from you. You can envision the beautiful city until they shall have that wonderful nostalgia that Jesus Christ imparts to all of those who are pilgrims of his wondrous highways. And the pillar represents that beautiful conception.

I could say much more about that, but let me come to the third function of the pillar. The pillar is not only intended to hold something up, dear friends, even as we shall have something to support in the other country. A pillar is not only intended to satisfy the esthetic life of our present world, but it is likewise intended to give permanence to the things that we see. There the pillar is still standing.

Many of you who are listening to me have seen the pillars that have not been destroyed by the wind and weather of over two thousand years as they still hold up parts of the Forum down yonder in Rome. There, they are permanent; they just stay there.

And this man was so tremendously impressed here when he came to that figure of speech and wrote it down—“Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God”—that it was the one thing he amplified, unlike himself. And he added, “And they shall go no more out. The gate knows how to move on inward hinges; the gate knows not how to move on outward hinges.”

When Gibbon wrote his essays—great essays on Christianity—and was obliged to give his reasons why our faith for quite a number of centuries had been such a conquering thing, he put down third on the list the confident preaching of the immortal life by the early believers in Jesus. And Gibbon was exactly right.

If you want to loosen the hold of our Gospel upon this present age, that is forevermore set upon the fields of this world, you begin to preach the doctrine of the immortal life and to do it without ifs or ands, in the supreme confidence that Jesus, who is your master, knew what he was talking about when he said, “In my Father’s house are many mansions.” You will be surprised at the response you will get from people. That started our faith.

Allow me to say something that sounds smart, and I don’t mean it that way. I will say it from one end of this country to the other—it isn’t the blood of the Anglo-Saxon race that made us what we are, it was the blood of Jesus that made us what we are. And if we now in the days of our contemptible pride go back on the lowly Nazarene who made us, we will quit climbing, for the future lies with Jesus. I tell you, and the people that walk with Jesus into that future are the people that are going to command that future with genuine power.

#### WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

To most people the unpardonable sin is the other fellow’s failing.

When a man’s liver is off-side old splitfoot sneaks in and makes a touchdown.

The best way to be a 100 per cent American is to be a 100 per cent follower of the Galilean.

Divorce court records seem to indicate that love is not only blind but deaf and dumb also.

Not every bald head is a sign of brains. Recently a man married two women and immediately became bald.

When the other fellow is beating you at your own game it takes grace to say “Go on!” instead of “Hold on!”

Wanted: To exchange some chromo saints with halos and harps upon our parlor walls for some flesh and blood samples actively at work for God in our towns.

Uncle Rastus says: “If some people work as hard to git to heben as dey does to shine at de church sociable dey sho will sit on de top seat wif old fadder Abraham.”

What’s the use of testifying that “religion is the best thing in the world” if while speaking one has a face like the hind wheel of a hearse?

If some modern elders were as good in holding up their preacher’s arms as they are in holding down his salary a lot of churches would have to rebuild to accommodate the crowds.



# Commencement Day at Greensboro College

A spirited warning that the United States must prepare a united front, must make strenuous defense preparations, must accept the people's responsibility to fight for freedom and justice, must prepare for a "dictatorship" in this country, and must prepare to end that "dictatorship" when it no longer is a necessity, was sounded by Gov. Clyde R. Hoey at the commencement exercises of Greensboro College.

He charged that people of the United States must not only accept their responsibility to fight for freedom and justice, but also to prepare themselves for a dictatorship because the processes of democracy are too slow in times of crises.

Several hundred persons, including the graduating class of 61, gathered at Odell Memorial auditorium for the final program in the college's commencement program.

Governor Hoey was introduced by C. S. Wallace, Morehead City, president of the college board of trustees, after the candidates for degrees had filed into the auditorium and the college glee club had led the assemblage in singing "Holy, Holy, Holy" (Dykes). Walter Vassar, head of the voice department, sang "The Pilgrim's Song" (Tschaikowsky), and degrees were conferred by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of the college.

## Portrait Presented

Mrs. Karl Bishopric, Leaksville, presented a portrait of Dr. Samuel B. Turrentine, president emeritus of the college, and commended Dr. Turrentine for his efforts in behalf of freedom. She presented Dr. Turrentine with a bound copy of a list of alumnae who had made the portrait possible. Mr. Wallace and Dr. Gobbel accepted the portrait, painted by Henry Rood, Jr. Two grandchildren of Dr. Turrentine assisted in the presentation ceremony, drawing back the curtain and revealing the portrait. These were Wilbur Clinton Turrentine, Jr., son of Mrs. W. C. Turrentine and the late Mr. Turrentine, and Josephine Abernethy Turrentine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Turrentine, both of Greensboro. Dr. Gobbel announced that the class of 1940 had presented, as a departing gift to the college, a sign for the cor-

ner of West Market and South Cedar streets, and that alumnae had made a gift of silver to the college endowment fund.

## Honors Announced

Dr. Gobbel announced senior honors as follows: Highest honors, Miss Dorothy Plonk, Kings Mountain, and magna cum laude: Misses Carey Elizabeth Atkins, High Point; Eloise Carter, Gastonia; Ruth Arden Durham, Fuquay Springs; Mary Lee Flowers, Wilmington; Rebecca Darden Fulghum, Kenly; Nenita Theresa Gaither, Reidsville; Elizabeth Parker Hayes, Granite Falls; Myrtle Evelyn Heath, Greensboro; Jane Anne Hess, Greensboro; Dorothy Jones, Greensboro; Elizabeth Jones, Greensboro; Cornelia Lucille Martin, Newton; Ida June Randolph, Swannanoa; Sara Bernice Smith, Cherryville, and Janet Frederick Thomas, Rocky Mount.

The T. C. Smith Scholarship (Religious Education) was won by two students who tied for the honor—Lorene Weaver, Asheville, and Gwendolyn Jones, Charlotte. The LeRoy Lee Smith Scholarship (English) was won by Miss Sara Newton, Shelby.

The Marguerite Ballard medal for citizenship and outstanding work in home economics, given by Rev. and Mrs. D. E. Ballard of Davidson in memory of their daughter, a member of the class of 1938, was won this year by Miss Ruth Arden Durham of Fuquay Springs.

## Group at Luncheon

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, and Mrs. Gobbel had as guests for luncheon in the college dining room after commencement exercises Monday Gov. and Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey of Raleigh, Dr. and Mrs. S. B. Turrentine and Henry Rood, Jr. Flowers for their table were furnished by Miss Katherine J. Hanes of Winston-Salem, as a tribute to Dr. Turrentine, president emeritus, whose portrait, painted by Mr. Rood, was presented to the college by the alumnae at the close of the commencement program. Following the luncheon Mrs. Hoey spoke words of greetings to the members of the graduating class.



FIRST ROW: Lillie Brown, Mary Virginia Arnold, Muriel Ketchum, Jean Bowers, Henrietta Hines, Ora Jones, Ruth Yount, Mary Lee Flowers, and Dorothy Herring. SECOND ROW: Mary Lena Green, Ruth Chenault, Annette Woodhouse, Louise Hickey, Margaret Palmer, Anna Catherine Love, Helen Harkrader, Eleanor Daniel, Frances Ewing, and Ruth Hiatt. THIRD ROW: Jewel Clifton, Oleta Church, Martha Dora Harris, Margaret Anderson, Mabel Scymour, Rebekah Fulghum, Lucille Martin, Frances Weston, Dorothy Rhinehardt, and Jane Hess. FOURTH ROW: LaVon Osborne, Helen McDaniel, Sarah Smith, Ida June Randolph, Dorothy Jones, Elizabeth Hayes, Ruth Arden Durham, Margaret McKeel, and Mrs. Jessie Ingram. FIFTH ROW: Evelyn Chandler, Virginia Tabor, Nenita Gaither, Elizabeth Gabriel, Kathryn Marley, Edna Coltrane, Julia Harriett, and Ruth McCullen. SIXTH ROW: Carey Atkins, Whitmel Gurley, Rebecca Doub, Mary Lou Latham, and Barbara Allan Moss. SEVENTH ROW: Myrtle Heath, Carrie Boyd Dees, Janet Thomas, Rena Davis, Grace Clare Taylor, Emma Muse Burns, and Carrie Lupton.



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### ASSEMBLY REGISTRATIONS

Registrations for our young people's assemblies are coming in daily, and advance interest in the assemblies indicate that each assembly will be filled to capacity. We urge all delegates to send in applications as soon as possible to insure being accepted in the assembly of their choice. After June 10 quotas on individual churches will be lifted and registrations from those churches desiring to send more than their quotas will be accepted in the order in which they are received until our capacity is filled.

Miss Ruth Covington of Jonesboro has the honor of being the first person to register in the 1940 assemblies. Her registration for the senior assembly was received on May 17. Miss Juanita Smith of Jonesboro was the first to register in the Young People's Assembly, and Annie Doris Worthington and Maude Baynor Foy were the first to register in the Christian Adventure Assembly.

Those who have registered in the assemblies up to May 25 are:

#### Senior Assembly

Ruth Covington, Jonesboro.  
 Frances Buchanan, Jonesboro.  
 Henry Worthy, Sanford.  
 Emma Grace Knight, Jonesboro.

#### Young People's Assembly

Jaunita Smith, Jonesboro.

#### First Louisburg Intermediate

Annie Doris Worthington, Kinston.  
 Maude Baynor Foy, Kinston.  
 Gloria Ann Thompson, Wendell.  
 Meade Moore, Wendell.  
 Sarah Lynn Rives, Jonesboro.  
 Joyce Patton, Jonesboro.  
 Edward Cox, Jonesboro.  
 Peyton Williamson, Jonesboro.

### CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY FOR ADULT WORKERS

Many workers in our church schools throughout the conference have expressed keen interest in the Conference Assembly for Adult Workers to be held at Louisburg College, July 8-10. Since this is a new experiment in our conference we are not trying to build up a large enrollment, but are anxious to have representation in each age group division from every district in the conference. Application blanks for this assembly are in the hands of the district superintendents and district directors of the three age group divisions throughout the conference, and those interested can secure blanks from these persons. The blanks are to be filled out and returned to the district directors of the respective groups.

Delegates to the assembly will be expected to arrive at Louisburg on the morning of July 8 in time to register and be assigned to rooms before the opening session at 11:30 o'clock. At this opening session Bishop Peele will

be our speaker, and he will speak on two other occasions during the assembly. During the time spent at Louisburg there will be discussion groups centering around the work in the children's young people's and adult divisions, worship services, prayer groups, recreation, and other features. The assembly will close with lunch on Wednesday, July 10. The cost of the assembly is four dollars, and this is to be paid when the delegate reaches Louisburg.

Application blanks should be secured at once and sent to the district directors, in order that places may be reserved for those desiring to attend.

### YOUNG PEOPLE'S MISSION SPECIAL

Many young people's groups in our conference make a pledge each year to the Young People's Mission Special and thus share in the missionary program of our church at home and abroad. These pledges, as a rule, are made at Louisburg during the assemblies, and churches that are not represented in the assemblies often fail to make pledges. We are anxious that all young people's groups in the conference share in this missionary enterprise of our church whether they have delegates in the assemblies or not. We would suggest, therefore, that any young people's group in the conference, meeting either as a church school class or as a Sunday evening group, which has not made a pledge to the mission special, take an offering some time between now and June 16, and send that offering to Miss Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs, N. C.

We would take this opportunity to remind those groups that have made pledges to be sure their pledge is paid in full by assembly time. This money is to be sent, also, to Miss Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs, N. C.

### YOUTH WEEK IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

Approximately 600 out of the 28,000 young people in the North Carolina conference will attend a summer assembly this summer. That means that the great mass of our young people will not have the advantage of such a period of religious emphasis and activity. We are anxious that some provision be made for a youth week in a local church so that those young people in a local church who cannot attend an assembly can have something of the type of program that those at the assembly have.

Our Youth Crusade leaders have prepared materials that will help a local church in such a program. These materials may be secured by writing to Youth Crusade Headquarters, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., and asking for packet YC-135. The cost for this packet of materials is 25 cents, and

this sum should accompany the order. During the assemblies at Louisburg and Murfreesboro we plan to give help to those young people attending who are interested in helping to carry out a youth week program in their local churches when they return home. If you are interested in a youth week for your local church, you might suggest to your delegates that they get all the help they can at Louisburg or Murfreesboro for the promotion of such a week.

A few of our young people last summer assisted each other in directing a youth week program in their respective local churches. They were so impressed with the possibilities of such service that they want to continue that type of service this summer. A small group of young people will, therefore, receive special training during the assembly people to enable them to go into local churches other than their own to assist local young people and adult leaders with a youth program. Of course the number of places to which this group can go is limited, and already we have received several requests for their services. If there are others interested in having a team of young people serve in their churches, they should get in touch with R. W. Bradshaw, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

Our chief concern is not the manner in which a youth week shall be carried out but that some emphasis on youth week be made during the summer in which church in our conference.

### YOUNG PEOPLE'S LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, LAKE JUNALUSKA, JULY 16-27

The North Carolina conference has a quota of delegates to the Young People's Leadership Conference at Lake Junaluska, July 16-27. These delegates will include conference young people's officers, union presidents and other union officers, local church young people's officers, and other young persons actively engaged in young people's work in the local church. This conference furnishes an opportunity for young people to meet with other young people from all over the Southeastern Jurisdiction of our church, and to receive inspiration and practical help for carrying on the work of the church in their local groups. Registration blanks for this conference can be secured from the conference registrar, R. W. Bradshaw, Box 647 College Station, Durham, N. C., and when filled out the blanks, with a registration fee with one dollar, should be sent to the registrar. Our quota is somewhat larger than it was last year, and we expect it to be filled early with choice young people from our conference.

A well known attorney was always lecturing his office boy, whether he need it or not. One day he chanced to hear the following conversation between the boy and the one employed next door.

"How much does your chief pay you?" asked the latter.

"I get \$1500 a year. Five dollars a week in cash and the rest in legal advice!"—Washington Labor.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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### STUMPY POINT AUXILIARY

The woman's missionary society of Stumpy Point Methodist church met with Mrs. Riley Payne on May 11. The meeting was opened by Mrs. M. V. Hooper, using the subject, "My Lord Calls Me." "I Want to Be a Christian" was sung. The missionary topic, "Christian in Deed and in Truth," was given by Mrs. Lee Hooper, and meditation by Mrs. Willie Hooper. Maude Hooper led in prayer. After the prayer hymn "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian," the business session was presided over by the president, Mrs. R. D. Wise. Twenty members and one visitor, Mrs. Joe Barnett, Belhaven, were present. The hostess, assisted by her young daughter and Mrs. Barnette, served delicious refreshments. Mrs. M. V. Hooper.

### SCOTLAND ZONE MEETS

The Scotland zone, Fayetteville district, met in Laurinburg Methodist church on April 24. The meeting was called to order by an organ solo by Mrs. R. E. Young. Rev. H. L. Hendricks led the devotional. Mrs. Rowena Anderson extended a cordial welcome. Mrs. Henry McLeod, zone leader, presided. Three new auxiliaries were welcomed to the zone: Tabernacle, Rachels and Old Hundred, all of the Laurel Hill charge; also a young girls' training class organized at Gibson this year. The program was as follows: Conference report, Mrs. Guest; our missionary dollar, Mrs. Hampton; vocal solo, Mr. Bill Evans; Scarritt College, Miss Mary Little Fletcher; roll call and reports of auxiliaries; mission study, Mrs. F. Kendall; World Outlook, Mrs. Fairley Bowen, Jr.; young women's circles, Mrs. J. C. Hunsucker; work of training class, Miss Fletcher; Christian social relations, Mrs. G. Y. Jones; spiritual life, Mrs. Cole; message of district secretary, Mrs. D. C. Lawrence; noon day devotional, Mrs. H. W. McLaurin; hospitality, Mrs. Mary Sanford. A most delicious lunch was served in the church dining room.

Mrs. J. G. Gibson.

### ATTITUDES TOWARD MISSIONS

"Our attitude toward missions must get away from the good we do others and should be 'Come thou with us and you will do the cause of God good.' 'We are children of the Father.' We are concerned with sharing the gospel of Christ, not only because we can do them good, but in the sharing they join with us in spreading the gospel."—Excerpts from an address by Rev. Robert Bradshaw at St. Paul's Methodist church, Goldsboro, May 9, 1940.

### PROGRESS GRATIFYING

Referring to an item, "Signs of Progress," which appeared on the woman's page recently, Mrs. Nettie de Ford writes: "It is good news to know that the missionary interest of Wilmington

district is advancing. Mrs. Floyd Johnson, our secretary, looks well after her work. Watch her report. We look for reports from the local auxiliaries in the Wilmington district in this great advance movement. Watch the horizon broaden through our great united church."

### JOINT STUDY CLASS

The woman's missionary auxiliaries of Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, Sharon and Concord Methodist churches in the Rocky Mount district met on April 30 in Seaboard Methodist church for a mission study, using the book "Right Here at Home." The meeting was opened by singing the hymn "Lord, Speak to Me." Mrs. J. B. Hurley gave the devotional. The class was conducted by Miss Willie Pritchard, Mrs. Philip Hughes, Mrs. C. L. Vick, Mrs. Howard Long, Mrs. H. H. Hargrove, Mrs. Maylon Parker, Mrs. Lloyd Garris and Mr. Herbert Griffin, each bringing the march of missions closer to our hearts. During the noon hour a delicious lunch was served. Mrs. Brownie Coker.

### NEW CLASSES

Miss Mary McSwain, missionary to Brazil, writes that the staff at the settlement, Instituto Metodista, Ribeirao Preto, Brazil, hopes to start a class in nutrition and dietetics next year in connection with the home economics department. A Brazilian teacher from the Professional School, who taught the cooking class for a few months, is planning to teach the new course at Metodista as extension work for the government. The settlement will furnish the room, and the Brazilian teacher will give a free course for all who are interested.—Missionary Bulletin.

### "THE METHODIST WOMAN"

The Methodist Woman, a new periodical of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the new Methodist Church, will make her debut in September. The Methodist Woman will be the official bearer of news from mission fields and the official carrier of promotional and educational material for the entire woman's work. This periodical will take the place of four magazines: The Missionary Record of the former Methodist Protestant Church, The Bulletin of the former Ladies' Aid Society, The Woman's Missionary Friend of the former Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and Woman's Home Missions of the former Woman's Home Missionary Society.

As The Methodist Woman makes her entrance upon the missionary stage, the Missionary Bulletin will make its exit. It is none too soon to begin immediately to promote the idea of The Methodist Woman.—Miss. Bulletin.

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## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### DISTRICT MEETINGS

A joint meeting of the Greensboro and High Point districts will be held at Muir's Chapel, Wednesday, June 5, with Mrs. R. G. Rives and Mrs. W. T. Powell in charge. Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, Miss Nina Troy, missionary from China, and Miss Josephine Dameron, missionary from Korea, will be special visitors on that occasion, and will bring interesting and uplifting messages.

The Elkin district meeting will be held at Elkin church Thursday, June 6, with Mrs. J. S. Hiatt, newly elected secretary, presiding. Mrs. C. C. Weaver will be a special speaker on the day's program.

The Gastonia district will meet June 11 (Tuesday) at Sharon church, with Mrs. Wilbur Baber as presiding officer. Mrs. W. R. Harris, conference secretary, will be the conference representative on the program for the day.

### JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE

A meeting of more than ordinary interest was the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference held in Asheville during the past week, with an attendance of 400 or more delegates and officials, and a large number of interested visitors. The fact that this was the first Jurisdictional Conference held by the united Methodist Church added to the interest of the meeting, which was featured by the presence of 12 bishops: Bishop U. V. W. Darlington of Huntington, W. V.; Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte; Bishop James Cannon of Richmond, Va. (retired); Bishop H. M. Dobbs of Jackson, Miss.; Bishop W. W. Peele of Richmond, Va.; Bishop Arthur Moore of San Antonio, Texas; Bishop Paul B. Kern of Nashville, Tenn.; Bishop W. T. Watkins, Atlanta, Ga.; Bishop J. L. Decell, Birmingham, Ala.; Bishop W. N. Ainsworth, Macon, Ga. (retired); and Bishop Edwin Hughes, senior active bishop in America, whose great fraternal address from the church at large and inspiring messages on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons, were a great contribution to the week's program. Former officers of the Woman's Missionary Council in attendance were Mrs. J. W. Perry, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Miss Estelle Haskin, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, also Mrs. W. M. Alexander, Mrs. W. J. Piggott and Mrs. W. A. Newell, chairman of Council committees.

Interesting the women who attended the conference was the seminar held at Central church Wednesday afternoon, at which time the new set-up of the Woman's Work was discussed and explained by Mrs. Perry, Miss McKinnon, Miss Haskins and Mrs. Bourne.

"Messengers of Light"—the woman's program for Friday evening—proved most interesting and instructive. The speaker for the evening was Mrs.

Grace Sloan Overton of Ann Arbor, Michigan, lecturer, author and member of the University Christian Mission, whose message was inspirational and uplifting. In a pageant the missionary work carried on by the women of the three uniting Methodisms was brought out in a most striking manner. Mrs. Annie Lee Reagan Styles gave facts of outstanding interest concerning each of the nations where the missionaries had served during the more than half century. Miss Freddie Ellen Weaver, carrying a lighted torch, gave appropriate scriptural quotations, and headed by the Christian flag carried by Miss Dorothy Huffman, 19 girls in Grecian robes carried the flags of the 22 nations where the woman's work is being done.

Special music including hymns appropriate to the occasion and the "Hallelujah Chorus" were contributed by the choir of Central church, augmented by some of the city's finest singers from other churches. A special number was given by the group from Paine College and added to the program.

### ZONE MEETING AT BURKHEAD CHURCH

The zone meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Christian Service for the Winston-Salem district was held at Burkhead church, with Mrs. J. G. Sterling presiding and with opening worship service by Rev. W. M. Smith.

Practically all of the churches in the district were represented to observe the day as a day of prayer. A solo, "If Christ Came Back Today," was sung by Mrs. R. Alton Jackson, and Mrs. Zeb Smith, president of the Burkhead group, extended a welcome, each letter of the word "welcome" expressing an objective for prayer. As a means of observing the day of prayer verses were assigned to five ladies with a minute's comment on each. A brief talk on "The Need of Prayer" was given by Mrs. H. C. Sheets of Lewisville, who listed a number of things for which to pray, including the Jurisdictional Conference to be held in Asheville. A fervent prayer was offered by Dr. W. A. Lambeth, district superintendent.

"What Shall We Remember When We Pray" was the subject of a message by Mrs. W. B. Thompson, followed by the conference hymn at the meeting in Salisbury, sung by Mrs. Zeb Smith.

By means of a poster, Mrs. L. V. Scott announced the N. C. Leadership Training School to be held at Hanes Institutional church, July 15-20.

Week of prayer to be observed the first week in November was announced by Mrs. Sterling, who used in connection with the announcement an article from the N. C. Christian Advocate, by the first lady of North Carolina, stressing emphasis against social drinking.

After the introduction of a number of wives of the pastors of the district,

an invitation was extended by Mrs. E. K. McLarty for the district meeting to be held at Love's Chapel June 4 and was accepted.

The meeting was concluded with the singing of "The Gospel," directed by Miss Virginia Lowrance, after which a social hour was enjoyed.

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My preacher's task.

To urge my people always to do right,  
To peg away from dawn of day till night,

To keep the peace when someone wants to fight,

And answers every call,  
Though heaven and earth may fall—  
My preacher's task.

And then in conference by and by to meet,  
When faith and sweat have made the task complete—

To lay all trophies at the bishop's feet,  
Wait while his judgment pends,  
Then move where'er he sends—

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—Southern Christian Advocate.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### THE LOCAL SITUATION

This scribe is back on the job here at the Children's Home and is giving his attention to the local situation. It is mighty good to feel that there are no more conferences to go to. The General Conference took the time of two weeks and the Jurisdictional Conference took one week. To these weeks were added the days required for attending ten district conferences. It is fine that the conferences are all over. Now the needs of the children must have right of way. These needs are so voluminous as to almost sweep one off his balance.

### FIRST THINGS FIRST

Fifteen of our high school graduates are wondering where they can go to live after the eleventh of June when school is out. For that matter, two of those who graduated at mid-term are still with us wondering where they may find an opportunity to meet life's challenge during the summer. Two college graduates are with us, helping along with the work here pending the time when they can secure the positions they are applying for. One after another of the youngsters who are still in college are dropping by to know if any help can be given them in finding work for the summer. We are going to have a big time working with our youngsters in solving some of their problems.

### VISITING THE NEEDY

Just as soon as we can get our mind somewhat cleared of the work connected with the placement of youngsters we expect to give a lot of attention to the visitation of applicants for admission into the Children's Home in an endeavor to evaluate the merits of their cases. Applications are pouring in. Some of them are very meritorious. Doubtless many of them are not. It is not a difficult matter for some person in a degree of distress to solicit the support of friends of the Children's Home in an endeavor to get some children located here. As we go into these cases we will doubtless find many of them are not sufficiently urgent to come here. But the sorting out process requires a lot of time, a lot of tact and a lot of patience. No one wants to be denied the request he makes, especially when such request is seconded by someone else, and sometimes seconded by many others.

### ADDED RESPONSIBILITY

The fact that the trustees and management of the Children's Home at High Point have decided not to admit any additional children this summer but to refer all applications to either

the Children's Home at Winston-Salem or the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, depending upon the geographical location of the applicants, adds an additional responsibility upon these two institutions as they attempt to impartially and effectively serve all those applying. We do not propose to shirk our duty in this regard. We expect to assume the added responsibility with the firm desire to do everything within the range of our ability to serve all meritorious children who have a claim on the Methodist Church.

### TO WORK THEY GO

Our elementary school closed last week, releasing 235 children from school for the entire day. These youngsters are now assuming their work day activities with a willingness and a zest that is encouraging. All but 17 of the youngsters received their promotion cards and will advance to a higher grade next year. Several of those not promoted came in during the school year and did not have a good opportunity to catch up with their groups. All will have an opportunity to make their grade at work during the summer. By common consent vacations will not be talked about until after the first of July, then definite plans will be entered into for a two weeks' visit beginning the 29th of July.

### CROPS ARE GOOD

Our early vegetables are very plentiful and of a fine quality. The Irish potato crop is very promising, so different from last year when we did not gather as many potatoes as we planted. The spring hay crop has been gathered in, a bumper crop and of a good quality. The early corn is being worked out and the late plantings are being looked after. In a short while the harvesting of grain will be with us. Our farm and dairying operations are being directed in a most efficient way.

### SEND SOME MONEY

For quite a while we have been trying to make no mention of our money needs. We have had the hope that our friends would look after this important matter while we looked after the rearing of the children. This hope has in a measure been realized. However, we cannot refrain from reminding our friends that it will be absolutely necessary this year for all of the ten per cent apportionment to be raised and more liberal fifth Sunday offerings secured in order to come through with a balanced budget. It is very gratifying to us to note that our daily per capita cost is at a most conservative figure. When we compare it with that of our sister institutions we wonder if we have been too skinny with our outlay. At any rate, we will not spend more than we have to spend.

### A FINE FAMILY

The picture this week is that of the Norfleet cottage family, a family of 30 nine- and ten-year-old boys, along with their mother, Mrs. Ella Bradfield. These boys not only look promising but are promising. Everyone of them was promoted and everyone of them is now anxious to work out in the open fields and make the vegetables grow fast.

### PAID IN FULL

The following charges, along with their pastors, are listed as having paid in full their ten per cent apportionment since last report. In making these payments the good people on these charges have helped us very materially and have gotten one of their year's obligations out of the way. Join us in grateful thanks to them:

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**MAXTON**—On my return home from Rockingham I went to Maxton to do some case work. Brother and Sister T. R. Jenkins very cordially invited Mrs. Barnes and me to be their guests for dinner, which we enjoyed immensely. In company with Brother Jenkins I visited some orphan children and found them in needy circumstances. These children were bright and well mannered, and I hope that we can find room in our home for these dependent little ones. There is nothing we can do for any children at present, since the home is running at full capacity.

**SINGING CLASS**—Mrs. Nellie Rives says: "The visit the class had on the Conway charge and at Weldon last week-end was delightful. We spent Saturday night with friends in Severn, where Mrs. Henry W. Maddrey, who is superintendent of the church school, met and placed us in our homes. Every courtesy was shown us. Our congregations were large. Rev. J. L. Smith is pastor of the Conway charge, so we were at Bethany church, Milwaukee, on Sunday afternoon by invitation. Rev. B. P. Robinson met us at the church in Weldon, giving us a cordial welcome. We had the evening service there and enjoyed the association of friends."

**DISTRICT CONFERENCE** — There was a large attendance at the Elizabeth City district conference. The addresses were thought provoking and timely. It is impossible for any cause to be adequately represented when there is only one day for the conference. Brother B. B. Slaughter had the day's work well planned, and it was executed successfully. Everything was done by Brother Benson and the membership of his church for the conven-

ience and comfort of the conference and visitors. I was glad to say a few words in the interest of our Methodist Orphanage. Everywhere I go I find the people wholeheartedly committed to the care of our fatherless children.

**ROCKINGHAM**—On the third Sunday night in May I preached for Dr. J. H. Barnhardt. I was happy to greet a goodly number present for the evening service. The membership of the church is made up of substantial and cultured people. For many years I have learned to depend upon Rockingham church, Sunday school and woman's missionary society to deal with the Methodist Orphanage in a most generous way. A night at the parsonage with the Barnhardts was a rare privilege. For four years Dr. and Mrs. Barnhardt lived just across the street from Methodist Orphanage campus, and I learned to appreciate and love them very much. Without question, Dr. Barnhardt is one of our best preachers, and did a monumental piece of work on the Raleigh district.

**SNEAD'S GROVE**—Some time ago Brother E. H. Measamer invited me to preach for him at Snead's Grove on the third Sunday in May. It was my first visit to Snead's Grove and to the Laurel Hill charge. I was glad to contact the people of that community, because they are loyal friends of our Methodist Orphanage. The church is located in a fine farming section, and the congregation is composed of substantial cultured people. A large congregation was present. I hope my visit will result in the deepening of their interest in our home. Brother J. G. Johnson, one of our retired ministers, was present and took part in the morning worship. Mrs. Barnes and I had the privilege of taking dinner with Brother and Sister Measamer at the parsonage. It was a great joy to us to be their guests.

"ME LIKEE SOUPEE"

A banquet was given in Washington which was attended by a brilliant galaxy of national and international figures. At one table sat a congressman from one of the wild and woolly southwestern states and next to him sat an Oriental, a Chinaman, brilliantly arrayed in the ceremonial robes of his country. To make conversation, the congressman turned to his Oriental neighbor and said:

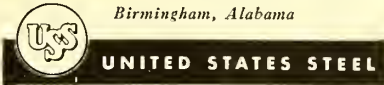
"You like soupee?"  
There was a pause, then the Chinaman replied, "Yes, me likee soupee."  
Soon the speechmaking began. The toastmaster, in a 15-minute oration, lauded the brilliance of the speaker of the evening and then turned and introduced the Oriental, the congressman's neighbor, to the assembled multitude.

Drawing himself up to his full height, the Oriental addressed the gathering in flawless English, every sentence a gem of Oxonian rhetoric. Finished, he seated himself and turning to the congressman, queried, with a twinkle in his eye:  
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### Asheville

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Central, W. A. Stanbury .....       | 24½ |
| 4*Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton..    | 11  |
| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wil-     |     |
| kinson .....                        | 10  |
| Hendersonville, D. E. Camak .....   | 9½  |
| Haywood St., W. G. McFarland ..     | 7½  |
| 2*Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham ...    | 5   |
| Leicester-Grace, A. F. Phibbs ..... | 4½  |
| Brevard, E. P. Billups .....        | 3   |
| Fletcher, H. E. Bolick .....        | 2½  |
| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....          | 2½  |
| Biltmore, E. J. Harbison .....      | 2½  |
| *Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea .....  | 2½  |
| French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler..   | 2   |
| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman ..... | 1   |

### Charlotte

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ....     | 47½ |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ...  | 40  |
| 3*Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F.   |     |
| Womble .....                        | 16  |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....     | 15  |
| 3*Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie ..... | 7½  |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..    | 7   |
| Calvary, S. M. Needham .....        | 7   |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....   | 6   |
| Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease .....   | 6   |
| Thrift-Moore, J. H. Carper .....    | 5½  |
| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....       | 5½  |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....   | 4   |
| *Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....       | 4   |
| Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman.....      | 1   |
| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....      | 1   |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....           | 1   |
| Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins .....      | 1   |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....  | 1   |
| Bethel-Bogers, E. R. Edwards .....  | 1   |

### Elkin

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....     | 33½ |
| 7*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....      | 30  |
| 3*Boone P. W. Townsend .....         | 11½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner..     | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....            | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....              | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....       | 8½  |
| Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....         | 6½  |
| 2*Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint .....      | 6   |
| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene ....    | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....          | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....           | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....      | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....       | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....           | 3½  |
| Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley .....    | 3½  |
| Warrensburg, J. G. Wootton, Jr. ...  | 4   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....          | 3   |
| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....      | 3   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....        | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....         | 3   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....     | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....    | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....             | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....    | 2½  |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....       | 2   |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant ....   | 2   |
| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....             | 2   |
| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....       | 2   |
| Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr.... | 2   |

### Gastonia

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 7*Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....       | 28½ |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....     | 20  |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....       | 14  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey    | 6   |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....            | 2½  |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill .... | 2   |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....      | 1½  |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....         | 1   |
| Lovesville, J. A. Howell .....       | 1   |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....         | 1   |

### Greensboro

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....      | 21½ |
| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger | 21½ |
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....       | 7½  |
| Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....        | 5½  |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....         | 5½  |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....       | 5½  |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....      | 5   |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....      | 5   |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham     | 4½  |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogon .....         | 4½  |
| Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse .....   | 4   |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow .....    | 3   |
| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy .....   | 2   |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....        | 2   |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....             | 2   |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle ....     | 2   |
| *Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....    | 1½  |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....     | 1   |
| Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....         | 1   |
| College Place, R. M. Courtney ...    | 1   |
| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick .....   | 1   |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....    | 1   |

### High Point

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....          | 18  |
| Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....          | 13  |
| 2*S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington ..   | 12  |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....    | 11½ |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr.... | 11½ |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....        | 8   |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....        | 7   |
| *Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....     | 4½  |
| Calvary, D. V. Howell .....          | 4   |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams .....  | 4   |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley     | 3½  |
| *Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger  | 3   |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....       | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II    | 2½  |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....           | 2   |
| Richland, C. L. Grant .....          | 1½  |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....            | 1   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor    | 1   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....           | 1   |
| Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....      | 1   |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....      | 1   |

### Marion

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....      | 7  |
| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley....  | 5  |
| Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....    | 3½ |
| Spindale, F. J. Stough .....      | 3½ |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....          | 2½ |
| Rutherfordon, F. C. Smathers..... | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....      | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace ..... | 2  |

### Statesville

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins .. | 30½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison ....  | 28  |
| General, John W. Moore .....       | 11  |
| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham    | 8   |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....        | 7½  |
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....        | 6   |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....        | 3   |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....      | 2   |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....      | 1   |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....         | 1   |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr .....     | 1   |
| Race Street, F. H. Price .....     | 1   |
| Shepherds, A. G. Lackey .....      | 1   |
| Olin, P. F. Snider .....           | 1   |

### Salisbury

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton..... | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....       | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....      | 10  |

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....       | 10 |
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....         | 7½ |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner      | 7  |
| First, W. B. West .....              | 6  |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson. .    | 5½ |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..   | 5  |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge ..     | 4½ |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....      | 4  |
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 4  |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler ...   | 3½ |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3  |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½ |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores       | 2  |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½ |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 1½ |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1  |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1  |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1  |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1  |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1  |

### Waynesville

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| *Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 11 |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9  |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry .....  | 8  |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½ |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2  |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2  |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½ |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 1½ |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 1  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....   | 1  |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....       | 1  |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1  |

### Winston-Salem

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 9*Community, J. C. Auman .....      | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....         | 17½ |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen ..... | 14½ |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....      | 14½ |
| Grace, R. L. Forbis .....           | 6   |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....    | 5   |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....     | 5   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....         | 4½  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....      | 4   |
| N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....   | 4   |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....          | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ... | 3   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....          | 2½  |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison    | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....          | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way  | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....      | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....     | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter   | 1   |

### Durham

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Burlington, Davis St., F.W.Pachal | 27  |
| 3*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....     | 25  |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ..    | 12½ |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....        | 9   |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....           | 8   |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds....   | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....          | 5½  |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....      | 5   |
| Sweptsonville, T. B. Hough .....    | 4½  |
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele .....       | 4   |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton .....        | 4   |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love.. | 4   |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. ....   | 3   |
| Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser ...  | 3   |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson .....     | 3   |
| Milton, D. I. Garner .....          | 2½  |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps ....   | 2   |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson ....     | 2   |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth .....   | 2   |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe ..... | 1½  |
| Graham, J. R. Edwards .....         | 1½  |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton .....     | 1½  |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe .....         | 1   |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish .....  | 1   |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer .....         | 1   |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early .....        | 1   |

### Elizabeth City

|                                    |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| 4*Williamston, S. J. Starnes ..... | 14 |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness .....       | 9½ |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt .....     | 6  |
| Washington, L. B. Jones .....      | 5  |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick .....     | 4  |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe .....          | 3  |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon .....   | 2½ |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson .....     | 2  |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon .....      | 2  |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford .....   | 1½ |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis..   | 1  |
| Roper, M. R. Gardner .....         | 1  |



| Fayetteville                         |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Siler City, C. F. Heath .....        | 15½ |
| 2*Person St.-Calvary, M. W. Warren   | 13  |
| *Sanford, Allen P. Brantley .....    | 12½ |
| 5*Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons .....     | 11  |
| *Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams .. | 10½ |
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown .....        | 9½  |
| *Red Springs, B. T. Hurley .....     | 8½  |
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe .....       | 7½  |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood .....      | 7   |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer .....   | 6½  |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar .....         | 5½  |
| *Maxton, T. R. Jenkins .....         | 5   |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson .....           | 3½  |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore .....          | 3   |
| West End, W. F. Keeler .....         | 3   |
| Broadway, J. W. Page .....           | 2½  |
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette ..    | 2   |
| Lane, J. D. A. Autry .....           | 1½  |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard .....          | 1½  |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning .....       | 1½  |
| Raeford, E. C. Crawford .....        | 1½  |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton .....        | 1   |

| New Bern                             |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| Mt. Olive-Calypto, R. G. Dawson ..   | 4  |
| Goldsboro, W. C. Ball .....          | 3  |
| Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison .. | 2½ |
| Ayden, L. A. Tilley .....            | 2  |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston .....       | 1½ |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....           | 1½ |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens .....   | 1  |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr. ....        | 1  |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts .....             | 1  |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow .....         | 1  |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant .....        | 1  |

| Raleigh                                         |     |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----|
| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone .....                 | 31½ |
| 2*Fuquay, E. C. Durham .....                    | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb .....                  | 15½ |
| *Henderson, B. C. Reavis .....                  | 14½ |
| Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes .....                  | 6½  |
| 2*City Road-White Mem., J. K. Worthington ..... | 6½  |
| *Princeton, J. W. Bradley .....                 | 5   |
| Person St., M. W. Lawrence .....                | 3½  |
| Granville, J. P. Pegg .....                     | 3   |
| Selma, O. L. Hathaway .....                     | 3   |
| Edenton St., J. C. Glenn .....                  | 2   |
| Louisburg, J. G. Phillips .....                 | 2   |
| Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee .....                  | 1½  |
| Hayes Barton, Leon Russell .....                | 1½  |
| Tar River, J. A. Martin .....                   | 1   |

| Rocky Mount                         |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer .....     | 11 |
| *Farmville, D. A. Clarke .....      | 6  |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams .....     | 5½ |
| 2*McKendree, L. B. Pattishall ..... | 5½ |
| 2*Marvin, N. W. Grant .....         | 4  |
| *Kenley, E. M. Hall .....           | 3  |
| Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome .....   | 3  |
| Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane .....   | 2  |
| Bethel, M. Y. Self .....            | 2  |
| Enfield, B. D. Critcher .....       | 2  |
| Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington | 2  |
| Weldon, B. P. Robinson .....        | 2  |
| Warrenton, J. O. Long .....         | 1½ |
| First, E. L. Hillman .....          | 1  |
| Northampton, W. L. Maness .....     | 1  |
| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount .....     | 1  |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd .....           | 1  |

| Wilmington                          |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Hallsboro, C. A. Jones .....      | 11 |
| 2*Southport, R. S. Harrison .....   | 7  |
| Carver's Creek, G. C. Wood .....    | 7  |
| *Epworth, Walter Pavy .....         | 6  |
| Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson  | 4½ |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters .....         | 3½ |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner .....        | 3  |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, I. T. Poole | 2  |
| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew .....    | 2  |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews ..   | 1½ |
| Bladen, R. L. Vickory .....         | 1½ |
| Trinity, R. L. Jerome .....         | 1  |
| Grace, J. F. Herbert .....          | 1  |
| Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift .....  | 1  |
| Chadbourn, E. C. Maness .....       | 1  |
| St. Paul, A. C. Lee .....           | 1  |

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|------------------------------------------|-------------|--|
| District                                 | No. Charges |  |
| Elkin .....                              | 30          |  |
| Durham .....                             | 26          |  |
| Salisbury .....                          | 23          |  |
| Greensboro .....                         | 22          |  |
| Fayetteville .....                       | 22          |  |
| High Point .....                         | 21          |  |
| Winston-Salem .....                      | 19          |  |
| Charlotte .....                          | 19          |  |
| Rocky Mount .....                        | 17          |  |
| Wilmington .....                         | 16          |  |
| Raleigh .....                            | 15          |  |
| Asheville .....                          | 14          |  |
| Statesville .....                        | 14          |  |
| Waynesville .....                        | 12          |  |
| Elizabeth City .....                     | 12          |  |
| New Bern .....                           | 11          |  |
| Gastonia .....                           | 10          |  |
| Marion .....                             | 8           |  |

**ABOUT BERTRAND RUSSELL**  
(H. L. Mencken, in Baltimore Sun)

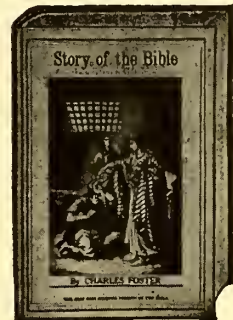
Whether or not Earl Russell—for some reason to me unknown he prefers to disguise himself as Mr.—is a competent teacher of whatever it is that he teaches, I do not know. In all probability he is, if only on the ground that scholarship in England is appreciably more respectable than scholarship in this country. But it must be manifest that he is chiefly known in the world, and especially to the plain people thereof, not for his professional virtuosity, but for his advocacy of certain heretical moral ideas, and that the boys who sit under him in New York, if he is allowed to teach, will have the latter in mind rather than the former.

I do not recall the whole corpus of his heresies, though I have read his books, but the one currently at issue is well known. It is to the general effect that adultery is very far from being as wicked as it is held to be by moral theology. If he were willing to substitute the word pleasant for the word wicked, most men of any worldly wisdom would be disposed to agree with him; as it is, one can only say that his idea is reasonably open to cavil. After all, there is such a thing as honor, even in democratic societies, and when a man (or woman) promises formally to be faithful unto death it is silly to argue that that solemn promise may be repudiated at will. It may be unwise to prohibit adultery by law, but it is surely sophistry to argue, thereby that the renunciation of it by a free act is not binding in conscience.

But maybe I misrepresent Earl Russell's position here. The point is immaterial. The main thing is this: that the challenge to him has not diminished his right to free speech in the slightest. He is still perfectly at liberty to urge his notions on whoever is willing to listen to him. But he clearly has no right either in law or in equity, to take into a public school heresies that are inordinately obnoxious to the overwhelming majority of the persons who pay for its upkeep.

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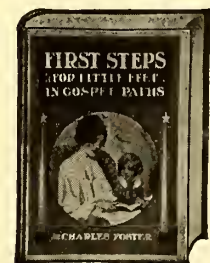
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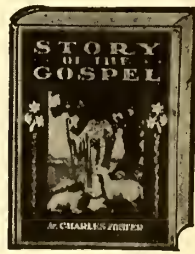


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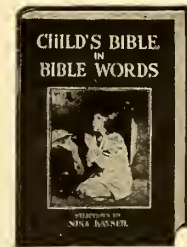
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# Children's



# Storyland

## ANN LINN'S COUSIN MARTHA

Nobody at school has such trials as I have," fretted Ann Linn. "Teacher does not like me, and my desk sits right where the sun streams on it; and I don't like my seatmate, and lots of other things."

"Ann, dear, you do fret and complain and grumble so much lately!"

"Everything goes wrong. That's why," snapped Ann.

Ann's father put down his paper and looked steadily at her in a way that made her fidget uncomfortably.

"I wish you wouldn't look at me so hard, daddy," Ann burst out after a minute.

"My dear," said her father pleasantly, "I am just thinking how very like your Cousin Martha you are growing. You ought to know her, Ann. There is really a remarkable resemblance."

"Now, George!" chided Mrs. Linn gently.

"But, my dear, it's true," insisted Mr. Linn, while Ann looked from one to the other, puzzled. "I think we had better take her out of school for a week or two, since she dislikes it so much, and send her to visit Cousin Martha. She evidently intends to grow up to be just the kind of woman Martha is, and I think it would be a very good thing for her to have a chance to study her cousin. Ann, would you like to visit Cousin Martha?"

"I don't know. I'd like to be out of school two weeks. Where does Cousin Martha live? Has she a big house?"

"She lives one hundred miles from here, in Weston, a very pretty town; and she has a big house and two automobiles," replied her father. "My friend Mobley is going there next week and will come back in ten days. We'll put you under his care on the train."

So it was settled, although Mrs. Linn did not seem to like the plan very well. Ann was delighted. She always enjoyed riding on the train, and she felt that life in a big house, with two automobiles, would be very pleasant.

Ann found the house more handsome than it had been described to her. Cousin Martha seemed to be quite wealthy. She received the little girl kindly and told her she was glad to have her as a visitor and meant to give a party for her. Ann felt glad she had come.

Before long, however, Ann began to wonder if, after all, she was to have as good a time as she had expected. "I never saw anyone so fussy as Cousin Martha," she thought.

Miss Martha found something to complain of every minute. The servants were careless, the delivery man from the store never got her orders right, the telephone girl never gave her the number she asked for, and a dozen other things did not suit. She told Ann frankly that she did not think her hat becoming and her shoes were too thick.

## RAIN SOLDIERS

Did you ever hear the raindrops that come pouring down all around?

They are really little soldier men amarching on the ground.

They fill up all the cement walks and keep step in the street,

They're on a very grand parade and all their clothes are neat.

Their heads are high and little feet are keeping eager time

With the music of the pitter-patter, pitter-patter rhyme.

Their faces wear the gayest smiles; they like it when it's wet,

For they must often practice or their march they might forget.

When Mr. Weather hides the sun and empties down the rain,

They watch for children's faces pressed against the window pane.

They listen for the laughter of their friends, the girls and boys,

And wish that they could play sometimes with you and all your toys.

So watch for that small army that comes marching on its way

And wave to them when they go by on a splashy rainy day.

Before one week was over Ann was so tired of Cousin Martha's constant complaining that she heartily wished she had never come, in spite of the party and the auto rides. She wanted her mother, who was so sweet and gentle and so entirely unlike Cousin Martha.

One night when Ann was in her little bed, almost sobbing from homesickness, she suddenly remembered something which had slipped her mind. Her father had said she was growing up to be exactly like Cousin Martha. She sat bolt upright in bed, horrified. "Am I like her?" she said out loud.

"Am I as horrid and fussy as Cousin Martha? Oh, surely not!"

But the more she thought it over, the more she feared that she might very possibly become just that "horrid and fussy" in time, if she did not take herself in hand right away. "I won't be like her! I won't!" she resolved. "I shall be like my mother."

It was a very happy little girl who jumped off the train into her parents' arms a few days later. And almost the first thing she said was: "Daddy, I'm not going to grow up like Cousin Martha!"

"I'm very glad to hear it," said her father. "I hoped you wouldn't."

"I believe," declared Ann, "that is why you sent me!"

"Well, maybe it is," laughed Mr. Linn. "It was a good plan, don't you think?"

"Well, I believe it worked," said Ann.—Alabama Christian Advocate.

## KING GEORGE AND THE BIBLE

By Alice Boorman Williamson

A story is told of the late King George of England that sheds light not only on his own character but also on that of his mother, Queen Alexandra, whom he deeply loved.

His home at Sandringham was the one place where he could lay aside the mantle of royalty and live as a country gentleman. Here he was surrounded by friends and neighbors, some of them his own tenants.

He was a faithful attendant at the services of the little village church, and on a certain occasion it fell to his lot to distribute the prize in Sunday school. A little girl was being given an award for knowing her Bible. As the king handed her the prize he said:

"I am glad to give you this. And I have a right to give it. I promised my mother nearly fifty years ago that I would read a chapter of the Bible every day, and I have always kept that promise."

If, in the crowded hours of a busy life, in which the affairs of the empire always came before personal ones, the ruler of a great country found time to read his Bible every day—a whole chapter and not merely a verse or two—surely all of us, not matter how rushed we think we are, may spare a few minutes each day to read the Word of God.—Try.

## FAITHFUL AFTER DEATH

By May Allred Baker

From my own home town—a small city in southern Ohio—less than a decade ago, came the story of another "Greyfriars' Bobby"—a red chow, belonging to a noted lawyer.

For more than five years "Chubby," as he was called, lived happily with his kind master. Then, one cold winter, the lawyer died, after a brief illness, of pneumonia.

Chubby wandered disconsolate about the house for several days, refusing food and water. Finally, his mistress took the chow with her to the cemetery where she went to deck her husband's grave with fresh flowers.

And, strangely enough, Chubby seemed to understand! He returned home with his mistress; ate and drank, and resumed his normal life. But every day thereafter, as long as he lived, the faithful chow made two trips daily to the cemetery, winter and summer, lying at length for an hour or so on his master's grave. And then, seemingly comforted, he trotted soberly back to the house, a distance of several squares.

Only the story of a faithful dog, but his fidelity would put to the blush many human beings.—Our Dumb Animals.



Sunday School Lesson  
JUNE 2

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By Rollin H. Walker  
Testing Conduct

Scripture: Ezekiel 15:1-6; Matt. 5:13-16; 7:16-20; 1 Cor. 10:6, 7

Ezekiel said that for accomplishing God's purpose in the world the Jewish nation of his day was about as useful as a charred grapevine would be for lumber. You could not even make out of it a peg on which to hang anything.

Today the Christian church is intended to perform the same function in the world that God assigned to the Jewish nation. How about its usefulness? "Ye are the salt of the earth," said Jesus: "ye are the light of the world." Salt is intended to keep food sweet. So the church is charged by God with the function of preventing the moral decay of society.

A church ought by its pervasive influence to make the saloon and the brothel as unacceptable to the community as a plate of raw pork would be on a table loaded with well-cooked and appetizing food. A church without saving influence on politics, business, the public schools, and the social life of the community, is worse than useless. It is like salt that has lost its savor. It is fit neither for the land nor for the dunghill, says Jesus. It would spoil good manure. An unspiritual church is a menace to the community because it deceives its members into thinking they are serving God when they are not, and it so misrepresents religion to the outside world that they make it a mockery.

There was a grand old Methodist minister in New England, a generation ago, named Hugh Montgomery. He was such a famous foe of the saloon that when the liquor interests of a town read that he had been assigned to the local church they were filled with dread. He would be sure to stage a local option election, and promote it with skill and vigor. Hugh Montgomery was a symbol of the way the forces of evil should be made to regard the church of Christ.

But it is not merely as a foe to organized iniquity that the church should function. "Ye are the light of the world," said Jesus. Your practical social service should be as evident as a city set on a hill. It should be impossible for the community to ignore your all-sided contribution to the common welfare. Just as Jesus spent a large part of his time ministering to the sick, so his church should be absorbed in ministering to the felt physical, mental, and social needs of humanity.

But every deed of healing which Jesus performed on men's bodies was performed in such a way as to be a sacrament. That is to say, it was always made to suggest a greater deed

of healing that he was ready to perform on the whole nature of man. One of the tragedies of modern life is that through the failure of the church outside organizations, divorced from the church, are allowed to take over these good works, and do them in such a way that they are not sacraments. They are not made to symbolize the great and supremely needed ministries that Christ is ready to work in the inner life of men.

What a superb service the 4-H clubs are performing for rural boys and girls! But the church has often stupidly failed to co-operate with this work and give it a spiritual tone. The 4-H clubs should find welcome housing in the church buildings. The members of these clubs should be encouraged to attend its services of worship in a body, just as the Boy Scouts and the Legion, and other organizations do, and when feasible they should be organized into classes in the church school. Jesus rebukes any type of piety that does not express itself in aggressive ministry of the every day needs of humanity.

But in the latter part of the Sermon on the Mount, our Lord puts another side of the truth. He well knew that there was much showy social service that did not spring from good motives. Such service, says Jesus, does not accomplish any real or lasting good. It may render a certain benefit for the time, but not in the long run. Organizations whose lodges are scenes of dissipation often seek to retrieve their reputation by giving a Christmas party for the children of the poor. Liquor men whose main business is to increase the number of young men and women addicted to drink often make a bluff of showy charity, and self-righteously proclaim that their saloons are the poor man's club. (The generosity of drinking men themselves is notable. They will treat every loafer in the saloon, and then stagger home with nothing in their pockets to feed their families).

Why does charity that is not inspired by love do harm? In the first place, it always takes real love to clarify our vision and make us see the wise way to help people. What could be more ruinous to character than some of the pension legislation and relief work of which both parties have been guilty during the last fifty years? The motive has always been to carry the next election, and the result has been the breaking down of the public morale.

After Mary anointed Jesus with the precious nard, Judas, with a pretended interest in the poor, exclaimed, Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred shillings and given to the poor? That sounds pious and practical, but it has a carrion smell about it that comes up from the pit of eternal rottenness. Any word or work coming from impure and selfish men always has about it an evil odor. The fragrance of the bouquet handed out is offset by the fetid moral breath of the man who gives it.

While history has utterly discredited piety without practice, it has equally discredited practice without piety. The one way to life is found in the words, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and thy neighbor as thyself."—Christian Advocate.

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DURHAM DISTRICT  
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THIRD ROUND

| June                                   |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----|
| Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 11           | 1   |
| Leasburg, Bethel, 11                   | 2   |
| Milton, Semora, 7:30                   | 2   |
| Trinity, 7:30                          | 4   |
| DUKE PASTORS' SCHOOL                   | 3-8 |
| Front Street, 11                       | 9   |
| West Burlington, Glen Raven, 3         | 9   |
| Fountain Place, Glen Raven, 3          | 9   |
| Glen Raven, Glen Raven, 3              | 9   |
| Webb Avenue-Holt's, Webb Avenue, 7:30  | 9   |
| Alamance Ct., Rock Creek, 11           | 23  |
| Mt. Hermon Ct., Cedar Cliff, 3         | 23  |
| West Durham, E:30                      | 24  |
| Branson, 7:30                          | 26  |
| Graham, 11                             | 30  |
| Mebane, Central, at First Church, 7:30 | 30  |
| Mebane, First, 7:30                    | 30  |
| July                                   |     |
| Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 11         | 6   |
| Leng Memorial, 11                      | 7   |
| Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2:30           | 7   |
| Brookdale, Brookdale, 7:30             | 7   |
| Duke Memorial, 7:30                    | 9   |
| Calvary, 7:30                          | 10  |
| Chapel Hill, 7:30                      | 11  |
| Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11         | 14  |
| Cedar Grove, Prospect, 3               | 14  |
| Davis Street, 7:30                     | 17  |
| Eno, 7:30                              | 18  |
| Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11         | 20  |
| Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11           | 21  |
| Swepsonville, Salem, 2:30              | 21  |
| Carrboro, Massey's, 7:30               | 24  |
| Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 11               | 27  |

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT  
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| May                                   |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11                  | 26  |
| South Camden, Wesley's, night         | 26  |
| Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 and 1 | 31  |
| June                                  |     |
| Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11          | 2   |
| Currituck, Hebron, night              | 2   |
| Pastors' School, Duke University,     | 3-8 |
| Manteo, 11                            | 9   |
| Stumpy Point, Mashoes, 2:30           | 9   |
| Wanchese, night                       | 9   |
| Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1               | 12  |
| Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 11 and 1    | 14  |
| Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1        | 15  |
| City Road, 11                         | 16  |
| Gatesville, Harrell's, 3              | 16  |

| North Gates, Parker's, 11                | 23    |
|------------------------------------------|-------|
| Edenton, night                           | 23    |
| Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11               | 30    |
| Belhaven, Epworth, 3                     | 30    |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night  | 30    |
| July                                     |       |
| City Road, night                         | 3     |
| Kinnakeet, Salvo, night                  | 6     |
| Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11 | 7     |
| Creswell, Mt. Elma, 11                   | 14    |
| Roper, Rehobeth, 3                       | 14    |
| Plymouth, Jamesville, night              | 14    |
| Murfreesboro Intermediate Assembly       | 15-19 |
| South Mills, Sharon, 11 and 1            | 20    |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT  
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                          |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Goldston, Meronies, 11        | 2  |
| Pittsboro, Chatham, 3         | 2  |
| Bynum, 8                      | 2  |
| Hamlet, 11                    | 9  |
| Robelrd, Beaver Dam, 3        | 9  |
| Person Street-Calvary, 8      | 9  |
| Laurel Hill-Sneed's Grove, 11 | 16 |
| St. John, 3                   | 16 |
| Stedman, 8                    | 16 |
| Caledonia-John's, 11          | 23 |
| Red Springs, 5                | 23 |
| Parkton, Cotton, 8            | 23 |
| West End, Doubbs Chapel, 11   | 30 |
| Laurinburg, 5                 | 30 |
| Maxton, 8                     | 30 |
| July                          |    |
| Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11   | 7  |
| Ellerbe, Concord, 3           | 7  |
| Pine Bluff, 8                 | 7  |
| Siler City, 11                | 14 |
| Glendon, Caribonton, 3        | 14 |
| Troy Ct., Brick Church, 8     | 14 |
| Biscoe, Star, 11              | 21 |
| Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3           | 21 |
| Troy, 8                       | 21 |

NEW BERN DISTRICT  
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                              |       |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Kinston, Queen Street, 11         | 2     |
| Grifton, Edwards, 3               | 2     |
| Pamlico, Vandemere, 8             | 2     |
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 11   | 9     |
| Grimesland, Wharton, 3            | 9     |
| Ocracoke, 8                       | 11    |
| Pink Hill, Webbs, 11              | 15    |
| Morehead City Ct., Merrimon, 11   | 16    |
| Beaufort, North River, 3          | 16    |
| Harker's Island, 8                | 16-22 |
| Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11         | 23    |
| Pikeville-Elm Street, 3           | 23    |
| Dover, Asbury, 8                  | 23    |
| Vanceboro, Chapman, 11            | 29    |
| Hookerton, Ormond's, 11           | 30    |
| Fremont, Yelverton, 3             | 30    |
| July                              |       |
| La Grange, Institute, 11          | 6     |
| Mt. Olive-Calyso, 11              | 7     |
| Seven Springs, Zion, 3            | 7     |
| Goldsboto Ct., Salem, 8           | 7     |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Brownings, 11      | 13    |
| Goldsboto, St. Paul, 11           | 14    |
| Jones, Shady Grove, 3             | 14    |
| Ayden, Winterville, 8             | 14    |
| Oriental, Kershaw, 11             | 20    |
| Newport, Oak Grove, 11            | 21    |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, Reelsboro, 3 | 21    |

RALEIGH DISTRICT  
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                                         |     |
|----------------------------------------------|-----|
| Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11                  | 2   |
| Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 8                 | 2   |
| Pastors' School                              | 3-8 |
| Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11                  | 9   |
| City Road-White Memorial, White Memorial, 8  | 9   |
| Oxford Ct., Hermon, 11                       | 16  |
| Millbrook, Youngsville (revival services), 8 | 16  |
| Oxford, 8                                    | 19  |
| Henderson, Christ Church, 11                 | 23  |
| Vance, Harris Chapel, 3                      | 23  |
| Person Street, Epworth, 8                    | 23  |
| Henderson, First Church, 8                   | 24  |
| Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8                   | 26  |
| Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 11                   | 29  |
| Cary-Apex, Macedonia, 11                     | 30  |
| Louisburg, 8                                 | 30  |
| July                                         |     |
| Garner, Ebenezer, 11                         | 7   |
| Bailey, Shims, 8 (revival services)          | 7   |

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT  
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                             |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Spring Hope, 11                  | 2  |
| Clark Street, 8                  | 2  |
| Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 11       | 9  |
| Littleton, Calvary, 3:30         | 9  |
| West Halifax, Hollister, 8       | 9  |
| Elm City, Zion, 11               | 16 |
| McKendree, Temperance Hall, 3:30 | 16 |
| Marvin, 8                        | 16 |
| Garysburg, Oak Grove, 11         | 21 |
| Conway, Severn, 11               | 22 |
| Seaboard, Sharon, 11             | 23 |
| Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30       | 23 |
| Rocky Mount, First Church, 8     | 23 |
| Northampton, Rehobeth, 11        | 28 |
| Spring Church, Pleasant Hill, 88 | 29 |
| Warrenton, 11                    | 30 |
| Warren, Prospect, 3:30           | 30 |
| Norlina, Jerusalem, 8            | 30 |
| July                             |    |
| Middleburg, Now Hope, 11         | 6  |
| Farmville, 11                    | 7  |
| Walstonburg, 3:30                | 7  |

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Stautonsburg, 8             | 7  |
| Weldon, 8                   | 8  |
| Sandy Cross, Gold Valley, 8 | 10 |
| Rosemary, New Hope, 11      | 11 |
| Roanoke Rapids, 8           | 11 |

WILMINGTON DISTRICT  
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                                  |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Penderlea, 11                         | 2  |
| Faison-Kenansville, Wesley, 3         | 2  |
| Wilmington, Trinity, night            | 2  |
| Tabor City, Lebanon, 11               | 9  |
| Hallsboro, Peace, 3                   | 9  |
| Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, night          | 9  |
| Whiteville, 11                        | 16 |
| Bladen, Center, 3                     | 16 |
| Fairmont, Olivet, night               | 16 |
| Southport, 11                         | 23 |
| Shallotte, Camp, 3                    | 23 |
| Town Creek, Bethel, night             | 23 |
| Maysville, Pollocksville, 11          | 30 |
| Swansboro (place to be announced), 3  | 30 |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Verona, night | 30 |
| July                                  |    |
| Clinton, Keener, 11                   | 7  |
| Roseboro, McGees, 3                   | 7  |
| St. Pauls, St. Pauls, night           | 7  |
| Rowland (place to be announced), 11   | 14 |
| Penbroke (Indian Work), 3             | 14 |
| Lumberton Ct., Bules, night           | 14 |
| Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11    | 21 |
| Lumberton, night                      | 21 |
| Wilmington, Grace, 11                 | 28 |
| Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night       | 28 |

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT  
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                                                                    |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Asheville Ct., Emma, 3                                                  | 16 |
| Fletcher, Fletcher, night                                               | 16 |
| Rosman Ct., Rosman, 11                                                  | 23 |
| Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 3                                         | 23 |
| Biltmore, night                                                         | 23 |
| Fairview, Tweed's Chapel, 11                                            | 30 |
| Acton, Candler Pisgah (jointly), Piny Mountain, 3                       | 30 |
| July                                                                    |    |
| Asbury Memorial, Hillside St., Merrimon Avenue (jointly), Asbury, night | 1  |
| West Asheville, night                                                   | 2  |
| Haywood Street, French Broad (jointly), night                           | 3  |
| Hendersonville and Flat Rock, E. Flat Rock, night                       | 5  |
| Oakley, 11                                                              | 7  |
| Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy (jointly), Lower Church, 3       | 7  |
| Brevard, 11                                                             | 14 |
| Central (preaching), night                                              | 14 |
| Black Mountain, night                                                   | 16 |
| Weaverville, night                                                      | 17 |
| Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, night                                              | 18 |
| Swannanoa, Swannanoa, night                                             | 19 |
| Laurel-Barnardsville, Bright Hope, 11                                   | 21 |
| Weaverville Ct., Clarke's Chapel, 3                                     | 21 |
| Oteen, Mt. Zion, night                                                  | 21 |
| Hot Springs, Fairview, 11                                               | 23 |
| Marshall, Walnut, night                                                 | 23 |

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT  
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                        |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Waxhaw, Pleasant Grove, 11  | 2  |
| Weddington, Hebron, 3       | 2  |
| Wesley Heights, 8           | 2  |
| Brevard Street, 8           | 3  |
| Derita, 8                   | 5  |
| Lil'sville, Forestville, 11 | 9  |
| Morven, Sandy Plains, 3     | 9  |
| Central Avenue, 8           | 9  |
| Dilworth, 8                 | 14 |
| Prospect, Prospect, 11      | 14 |
| Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30   | 16 |
| Holmont Park, 8             | 16 |
| Peachland, Peachland, 11    | 23 |
| Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3   | 23 |
| Hawthorne Lane, 8           | 23 |
| Wadesboro, 11               | 30 |
| Pineville, Marvin, 3        | 30 |
| Myers Park, 8               | 30 |
| July                        |    |
| Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3  | 7  |
| First Church, Charlotte, 8  | 7  |

ELKIN DISTRICT  
J. S. Hlatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                                  |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Wilkesboro, 11                        | 2  |
| Wilkesboro Ct., Charity, 3            | 2  |
| N. Wilkesboro, 7:30                   | 2  |
| Davie Ct., Concord, 11                | 8  |
| Mocksville, 11                        | 9  |
| Davie, Liberty, 2:30                  | 9  |
| Coolemece, 7:30                       | 9  |
| Sparta, Cox's Chapel, 11              | 16 |
| Laurel Springs, Zion, 11              | 23 |
| Jefferson, Zion, 3                    | 23 |
| Helton, Greenwood, 11                 | 30 |
| Jonesville, Maple Springs, 8          | 30 |
| July                                  |    |
| Traphill, Rich Hill Church, 11        | 6  |
| Warrensville, Clifton, 11             | 7  |
| Creston, Peak Grove, 3                | 7  |
| West Jefferson, 11                    | 14 |
| Todd, Hopewell, 3                     | 14 |
| Brone, night                          | 14 |
| Watauga, Mahel, 11                    | 21 |
| Green Valley Ct., Thomas Church, 2:30 | 21 |
| Moravian Falls, Roaring River, 8      | 21 |
| Ararat, Maple Grove, 11               | 28 |
| Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3             | 28 |
| Surry-Yadkin, Lovel Cross, 7:30       | 28 |



GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                           | June   |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|
| Mount Holly, 11                           | 2      |
| Gastonia, East End, night                 | 2      |
| Gastonia, Main St., night                 | 4      |
| Lowell, night                             | 5      |
| Fallston, Laurell Hill, 11                | 9      |
| Belwood, 3                                | 9      |
| Shelby, Lafayette Street, night           | 9      |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Bess Chapel, 11   | 16     |
| Bessemer City, Concord, 3                 | 16     |
| Bradley Memorial, Myrtle Chapel, night    | 16     |
| Lowesville, New Hope, 11                  | 22     |
| Polkville, Casar, 11                      | 23     |
| Cleveland, Kistler's Union, 3             | 23     |
| Shelby, Central, night                    | 23     |
| Shelby Ct., Sulpher Springs, 11           | 30     |
| Kings Mountain, Grace, night              | 30     |
|                                           | July   |
| Bessemer Ct., Pinley's Chapel, 11         | 7      |
| Belmont, Park Street, night               | 7      |
| Cherryville, First Church, 11             | 14     |
| Cherryville Ct., Beulah, night            | 14     |
| South Fork, 11                            | 21     |
| South Fork, Plateau, 3                    | 21     |
| Cramerton, South Point, night             | 21     |
| Casar, 11                                 | 28     |
| Casar, New Home, 3                        | 28     |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, night | 28     |
|                                           | August |
| Gastonia, Trinity, 11                     | 4      |
| Gastonia, West End, night                 | 4      |
| Rock Springs, Denver, 11                  | 11     |
| Lowesville, night                         | 11     |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11                | 18     |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3                    | 18     |
| Stanley, Stanley, night                   | 18     |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                             | June |
|---------------------------------------------|------|
| Reidsville Ct., Carmel, 11                  | 1    |
| Guilford Ct., Hickory Grove, 9:45           | 2    |
| Tabernacle, 3                               | 2    |
| Midway, 8                                   | 2    |
| Carraway Memorial, 7:30                     | 5    |
| Danbury, 11                                 | 9    |
| Sandy Ridge, Snow Hill, 3                   | 9    |
| Stokesdale, 8                               | 9    |
| Reidsville-Lindsay Street, 8                | 12   |
| Moriah, 11                                  | 16   |
| St. Paul, 8                                 | 16   |
| Calvary, 8                                  | 19   |
| Brown Summit, 10                            | 23   |
| Ruffin, Hickory Grove, 3 (dedication)       | 23   |
| Reidsville, Main Street, 5:30 (anniversary) | 23   |
| Centenary, 8                                | 26   |
| Flat Rock, Bethel (Circuit Rally), 11       | 30   |
| Stoneville, Matthews, 8                     | 30   |
|                                             | July |
| Bessemer, 11                                | 7    |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, 8                       | 7    |

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marlon, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                  | June |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Henrietta, 11                    | 2    |
| Mill Spring, New Hope, 3         | 2    |
| Marion, First, 7:30              | 2    |
| Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11   | 8    |
| Rutherford College, 11           | 9    |
| Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 3         | 9    |
| North Forest, 7:30               | 9    |
| Forest City, 11                  | 16   |
| Sunshine, Golden Valley, 3       | 16   |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30             | 16   |
| Old Fort, 11                     | 23   |
| Gilkey, 3                        | 23   |
| Rutherfordton, 7:30              | 23   |
| Connelly Springs, Friendship, 11 | 30   |
| Shady Grove, 3                   | 30   |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30    | 30   |

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                       | June |
|---------------------------------------|------|
| Broad Street, Statesville, 11         | 2    |
| Olin, Snow Creek, 2:30                | 2    |
| Union Grove-Zion, Smith Chapel, night | 2    |
| Broad Street, Mooresville, 11         | 9    |
| Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 3             | 9    |
| Stony Point, South River, night       | 9    |
| Balls Creek, Shiloh, 11               | 16   |
| Highlands, Mt. Bethel, 3              | 16   |
| Bethel, Hickory, night                | 16   |
| Newton, 11                            | 23   |
| Catawba, Hopewell, 3                  | 23   |
| Maiden, May's Chapel, night           | 23   |
| Westview, Hickory, 11                 | 30   |
| Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 3                 | 30   |
| Hudson, Mt. Hermon, night             | 30   |

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

THIRD ROUND—IN PART

|                                            | May  |
|--------------------------------------------|------|
| Walkertown, Love's, 7:30                   | 30   |
| North Davidson, Bethesda, 7:30             | 31   |
|                                            | June |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary, 11               | 2    |
| Welcome, Center 3                          | 2    |
| Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30    | 2    |
| Winston-Salem, Ogburn Memorial, 7:30       | 5    |
| Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30              | 6    |
| Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30                 | 7    |
| Davidson, Arcadia, 11                      | 9    |
| Kernersville-South Winston, Sandy Ridge, 3 | 9    |
| Forsyth-Maple Springs, Mt. Carmel, 7:30    | 9    |
| Lewiston, Concord, 7:30                    | 10   |
| Thomasville, Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 7:30 | 11   |
| Winston-Salem, Oak Summit, Shiloh, 7:30    | 12   |
| Lexington, State Street, 7:30              | 13   |
| Winston-Salem, Green Street, 7:30          | 14   |

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## In Memoriam

**CURTIS**—Mrs. Elizabeth Wolfe Curtis was born September 4, 1846, and departed this life January 1, 1940. She was married to James P. Wolfe January 79, 1871, who passed away in 1904. Her second marriage was to Geo. W. Curtis, October 4, 1914, who died several years ago.

Early in life she made a profession of religion and joined the Pleasant Hill Methodist church. She loved her church and was active in Christian work in the community and church until her health failed. For many years she was a teacher in the Sunday school and with whatever Sunday school she might have. She always had her Bible—and she knew the Holy Scripture. Next to her Bible was her church paper. Sister Curtis, better known to all who knew her as "Aunt Betty", was one of the oldest subscribers to the N. C. Christian Advocate. Aunt Betty leaves four children to mourn their loss—P. W. and Miss Lillie Wolfe of Asheville, Mrs. Pearl Pettit of Greensboro, and Mrs. Kate Wolfe Clark of Asheville.

The funeral was held January 3. Her pastor, Rev. Byron Shankle, officiated, assisted by the writer. Well can we say of her, "She has fought a good fight, she has finished her course, she has kept the faith."

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the woman's missionary auxiliary of Tabernacle Methodist church, wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of one of our dearest members, Mrs. Esther Staley Coble, who passed into the great beyond March 14, 1940.

She had been confined to her bed for over three years, but never did one of her friends see her when she seemed impatient. She had a cheerful smile for all who visited her, and a conversation with her encouraged and increased the faith of those who went to encourage her.

During her most critical illness she said of her husband, who was so loyal during her sickness, "I don't mind going on—except for Wade; I hate to leave him alone."

Therefore be it resolved: That we shall always cherish her memory; that a copy of this tribute be sent to her husband, who feels the bereavement most keenly; that a copy be sent the Missionary Record, the N. C. Christian Advocate, and one be placed in the records of our auxiliary.

Mrs. Worth Trogdon,  
Mrs. Pearl Monnett,  
Mrs. Erless Hardin.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

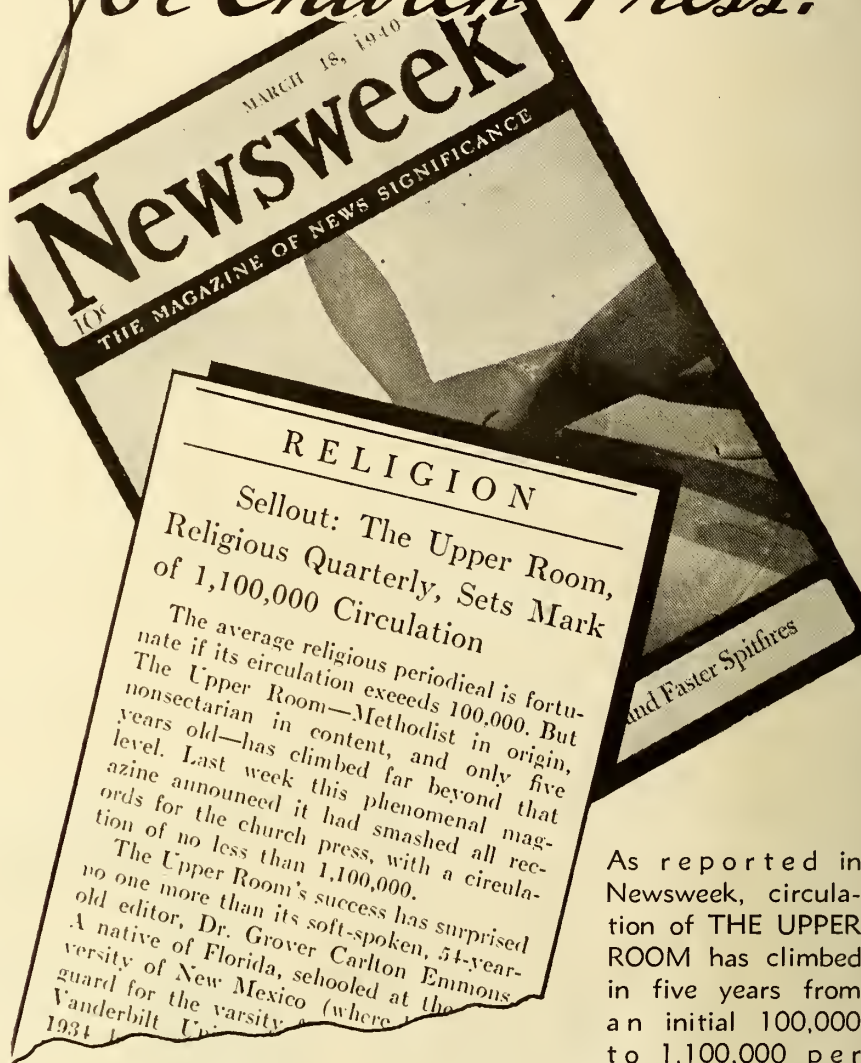
It has pleased our heavenly Father to remove from our midst one of our beloved members, Mrs. Sue Wahab; therefore be it resolved:

That whereas, by this death our auxiliary has lost a most consecrated and devoted member; and whereas, her devotion to the church and especially to the different pastors was shown by a collection of photographs which she greatly prized, and which she presented to the Sunday school before her death.

Therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions of love and respect be sent to the family of the deceased, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy included in the minutes of our society.

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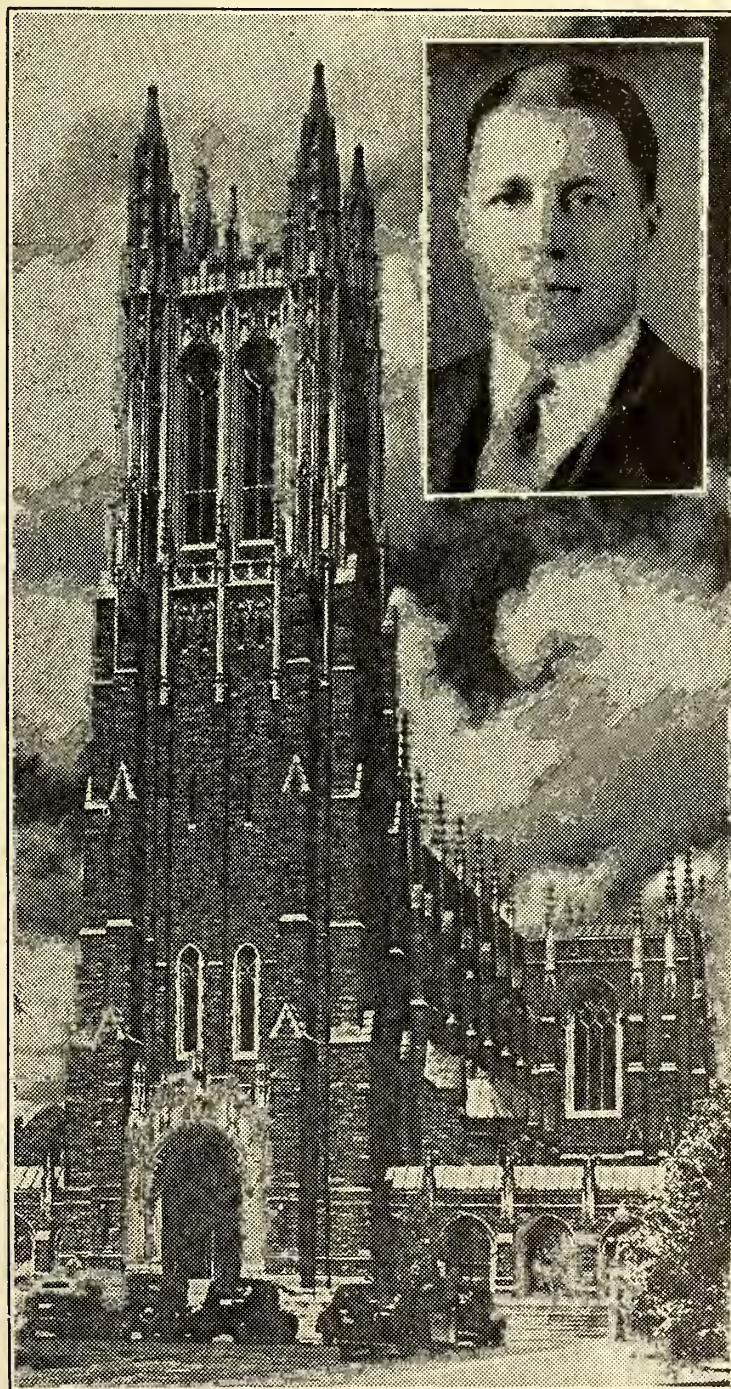
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## Duke Holds 88th Commencement Exercises



Dr. Thomas Guthrie Speers Delivered the Baccalaureate Sermon in Duke Chapel, Sunday, June 2



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## A GOOD NEIGHBOR

A long time ago a little six-year-old girl was taking a drive with her father. They came to a very poor town. The people lived in shanties that were ugly and dirty. There were no places for the children to play.

"When I am a grown-up lady," the little girl whispered to her father, "I am going to live in a big house right next door to poor people and the children can play in my yard."

The little girl was Jane Addams. When she grew up she lived, just as she said she would, in a big house in a very poor neighborhood and the children came to have good times there.

When Jane Addams was a young woman she found a friend, Ellen Starr. Her friend became as interested in Jane Addams' plan as she was herself and she helped her to get started. They found an old house that had once been a beautiful mansion and rented part of it for \$30 a month. It had been built by a man named Hull, so they called it Hull House. They had the ceilings and the walls plastered, and they repapered the rooms. They had the woodwork repainted and the floors polished. They hung good pictures on the walls and put beautiful furniture in the rooms. Hull House began to look like a home.

There were many foreigners in the neighborhood of Hull House and all were very, very poor. The men and the women worked long hours in factories for very little pay. The children played in the streets for the rooms in the tenement houses were very small and crowded. Sometimes a whole family, father and mother and six children, lived in one tiny room.

At first, the people did not visit Hull House when Jane Addams invited them. They couldn't understand why two women would come to live in a neighborhood like theirs, so they didn't quite trust them. After a while

a few came and then more and more. They were beginning to find out that Jane Addams only wanted to be a good neighbor. Then mothers brought their babies to be cared for while they worked all day in the factory. They came for help when they were sick or in trouble. On cold days the children came to play and read. At night the older folks came to read and talk and study.

Soon Jane Addams' friendly house was known to people in many countries. They called it Hull House, but the Italian women in the neighborhood had a better word for it. They called it *la casa di Dio*, which means the house of God.—Florence E. Norton, in Juniors.

## A GLIMPSE OF CHINA

Our Brother John C. Hawk of Huchow, China, writing about his North Carolina Christian Advocate adds these observations:

Mails are all shot to pieces as you may well guess. With the news that has come to us today they bid fair to be "shot" worse. Isn't it terrible?

The situation in our locality continues about the same. Nothing really constructive is being done. The common people are suffering more and more by the rise in the cost of living, the many difficulties they face because of occupation, etc. Alas, that our own country continues to have a share in it all by selling the stuff that makes possible the carrying on of the slaughter of the innocent people.

Today's radio looks like we might be drawn into the European conflict. Surely our fine young people should not have to give their lives to satisfy the greed of monsters run mad!

We are now awaiting news of what was done at Atlantic City. Then will wait anxiously for the news from Asheville. By all means I should have had this letter reach you in time to have had your report of that gathering. Our work goes apace, strange as it may seem. It is marvelous how we are able to carry on. Just this week we have had a visit from Dr. J. W. Cline of our treasurer's office in Shanghai. He had not been here since before this "incident" began and he has been marveling at what we are doing for the people who have returned to their homes. They had to return. As much as many of them dislike the present set up, etc., they were not able to go into "Free China."



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Charles A. Lindbergh was a national idol as long as he kept silent, but when he got to broadcasting speeches the hero fell down and great was the fall. But too much talk has proven disastrous to thousands of others.

§ § §

"God is on the side of the strongest battalions" is a saying attributed to Napoleon Bonaparte. It would be nearer in accord with the truth to say that the strongest battalions are the only effective agents that can be employed against Hitler and his cohorts of destruction. "He who takes the sword shall perish by the sword" is an ancient saying that stands in place just now.

§ § §

Fortunately the "cock and bull" stories that one heard at every turn during the World War twenty-five years ago have not yet plagued us in the present war. Let us hope that the people will refuse to believe all unreasonable stories that have no basis in fact. This is a time for everybody to keep their accustomed poise and ability to weigh evidence no matter what may be ahead of us. The unvarnished record of the happenings in Europe are too horrid for anything to be added for the sake of effect.

§ § §

The round after round of applause given Hu Shih, ambassador of China to the United States, as he stepped upon the platform at Duke University this week to receive an honorary degree disclosed the feelings of Americans for China at this time. He was for them the embodiment of the Chinese people who have suffered so much these tragic years of desolation and war. The thousand students and the five thousand other citizens present were a unit in the ovation given this distinguished Chinaman. In the words of President Few in his citation the ambassador was a "representative of one people and symbol of other peoples fighting for the right to live and be free."

With the many urgent demands that we have faith in God we should not forget where faith in God leads. For Abraham and Paul it meant far off horizons; for Livingstone and Grenfell it meant unfinished tasks; for all the pioneers of faith, it meant the ability to face the world with unwavering loyalty and high devotion, undaunted and unafraid. Selfish, ambitious, designing men have no place along with the heroes of faith.

§ § §

It is gratifying to know with what unity of purpose the American people have agreed that this nation must prepare adequate defense against those enemies who seek to dominate the whole earth. With calmness but with determination the American people have set themselves to this task of self-preservation. If it should require 100,000 planes and a navy equal to England's, this nation would not hesitate to make such an expenditure in order to preserve the liberties that are dear to all true Americans.

§ § §

The new gymnasium at Duke University has received the highest acclaim from men especially interested in the physical training of youth and are engaged in athletic contests. This, however, means more. The recent commencement exercises held in this spacious hall capable of seating more than 10,000 demonstrated its uses as an auditorium—once its amplifiers have been properly adjusted. For graduating exercises the arrangement is almost perfect. More than 1,000 candidates for degrees can be seated on the main floor in easy access to the rostrum; while more than 8,000 observers are able to get a view from the galleries. This week even with the present ease of access to the officers of the university two hours were required to confer degrees on the 840 who were able to move without let or hindrance as their names were called. To use a familiar term this new gymnasium "meets a long felt want."



## The Best Negro Leaders

**A**N outstanding negro whom we know and esteem highly for his fine character and sane leadership among his own people casually remarked, "The best leaders among the negroes are in the South." Knowing this man's good sense and genuine sincerity, this remark set us to thinking about the significance of it all.

Why should this declaration not be pre-eminently true? The sensible negroes endowed for leadership, being to the manner born in the South, come into an inheritance that can be gained nowhere else in this Republic. They know first hand the black man and the white man from childhood all the way along through the years, and they are able to discriminate between the low and the mean in both races. The best elements in both races in the South esteem and have a genuine love for each other and are willing to co-operate for human betterment. Instead of theorizing about reforms and dealing in the abstract about man both are ready to face the facts and deal in the concrete with all the difficult race adjustments. This is most essential for the real leaders. As we heard Dr. Albion Small of Chicago University once say on class as he was discussing the problems of Reconstruction in the South: "I thought then all we had to do was to go down there, give orders and settle the question; but I have learned since that the people on the ground must work out their own problems."

The real leaders among the negroes who can direct their own people and also secure the respect and aid of the leaders among the white must come up out of the life lived among both races. Fortunately, we have an ever increasing number of such men and women all over the South who are able to direct the destiny of Negro America. They win the love and respect of the white and remain in close touch with their own people.

Booker T. Washington became a Moses to his people and an outstanding guide for all men because he was ever loyal to the negro, North and South, and also fair in his dealings with the white man in both sections. The attention of royalty did not turn his head and the money of the rich did not lead to fawning. His life being well rooted in the South where he had learned at first hand the devilish white man and the low down and lazy negro enabled him to know the loyalty of the southern gentleman and the nobility of the southern negro

of these southern parallels where the negro has to work out his destiny among his people of both races. For every industrious and self-respecting negro shares in the love and respect of all decent and sensible white men and women. In the midst of such people real leaders among the negroes do come to maturity. This was made manifest as leaders from all sections came together at Atlantic City, striving to do the best they could for the welfare of humanity. Fortunately, any fool Yankee or fool Southerner who was present in the General Conference kept silent.

## Give the Old Sermons a Rest

**D**URING the World War we found in Wilmington that old sermons were wanting in those elements that called for emphasis in a warring world. In such times religious homilies and the usual discussions of the pulpit suited for years of peace would not meet the situation. So we made new sermons from week to week dealing with the spiritual and eternal realities. When the world is going to smash anxious and burdened men and women want to hear of the things that endure.

Now we are face to face with a more desperate situation than any known during the World War. The agencies are more destructive and the antagonisms among the nations more desperate. To keep fresh and vigorous in the church the spirit of the Prince of Peace will be more and more difficult. Only prophets of God with a message from God will be able in such hours as these to make more effective the Christian church. Homilies dealing with social adjustments and the technique of religious education in the placid hours of peace are useless when the world is on fire and modern hells are all about the world. Soon as the war is over and some kind of peace has come, we of America will be called upon to feed starving women and children in Europe. Are we going to be able to minister in a spiritual and a material way to the shattered nations? Not unless in these days we can be so spiritual as to make God regnant in our lives and the Christ supreme in the American church. A big responsibility rests upon American Methodism. Are we going to be able to meet these demands both in a material and a spiritual way? Not without a big bonfire of old, dry sermons so that our pulpits will blaze anew and our laymen come to know that the prophets of God are with us once more.



## Papers of the Southeastern Jurisdiction

THE Southeastern Jurisdiction is unique among the jurisdictions of the new Methodist Church in the number of Methodist papers within its borders. What has been known as "conference organs," and such they were in the beginning of their existence, has come to be state papers if named according to their fields of service. For example, the Alabama Christian Advocate serves the Methodists of Alabama; the Florida Christian Advocate, Florida; the New Orleans Christian Advocate, the states of Louisiana and Mississippi; the North Carolina Christian Advocate, North Carolina; the Southern Christian Advocate, the state of South Carolina; the Virginia Advocate, Virginia; and the Wesleyan Christian Advocate, the state of Georgia.

And all these publications are making good headway in their appointed tasks as servants of the church within their self-imposed territories. In fact their being confined to a limited territory is the first guarantee of success, for all newspapers, whether secular or religious, must necessarily serve a limited territory. There are no exceptions to this rule. And it is the news element that popularizes a paper whether a daily or a weekly.

It is the so-called "conference organ" that furnishes the news of the church to the local community, and this is why they have been able to get on with little if any subsidy, while journals of opinion must depend upon some source or other for heavy subsidy.

So far as our information goes these weekly periodicals of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, the names of which have already appeared in this editorial, are not only meeting the requirements of their respective constituencies more satisfactorily than any time in the past, but they are in better financial condition.

We know such to be true with the North Carolina Christian Advocate. This paper has more loyal and devoted friends than it has ever had in the past and is now in better financial condition than at any time in its history. The members of the former Methodist Protestant and the former Methodist Episcopal churches have rallied beautifully to the united church paper. Many of our most enthusiastic supporters of the North Carolina Christian Advocate were former Methodist Protestants and "Northern" Methodists. This fact we appreciate beyond expression and we stand ready

to show this appreciation in every possible way.

Methodist union in North Carolina has not only increased the constituency of the church paper but has also enriched its loyalty.

As a final word about these church papers in the Southeastern Jurisdiction we venture the prediction that this jurisdiction of 2,036,145 will from year to year increase this lead through the helpful influence of these church papers which the other jurisdictions do not possess.

## Surfeited With Conferences

AMERICAN Methodism seems to be over fed with conferences if one may judge from numerous remarks of delegates and visitors to the later sessions of the conferences. This is not surprising when one recalls that two years ago a General Conference was held in Birmingham, Ala. Then followed the great Uniting Conference last year in Kansas City. Just a few weeks ago the first General Conference of the Methodist Church convened almost two weeks in Atlantic City. Then the Jurisdictional Conference lasted almost a week in Asheville. It was too much of supposedly good things.

But those who have been over fed can rest in the assurance that all these extra conferences were the result of church union and that there will not be another conference for four years, and by that time these over fed brothers will be hungry for another conference.

## How to Explain a Bible Text

WHEN it came to John Wesley's knowledge that one of his preachers was in needy circumstances, he sent him the following letter: "Dear Tommy: Trust in the Lord and do good. So shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed." He inclosed in the letter a five-pound note. When Tommy returned his thanks, Wesley was greatly delighted with his reply. It ran thus: "Reverend and Dear Sir: I have often been struck with the beauty of the passage you quote, and I am bound to say that I have never found such a useful expository note on it before."

Go thou and do likewise, ye learned instructors who would make plain the teachings of the Holy Book. Teach the Word as Wesley did in his fine way.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . Oct. 22  
N. C. Conference (place to be announced) . . . . . Nov. 7

Revival services will begin at Muir's Chapel Sunday, June 9. Rev. W. K. Goodson, assistant pastor at West Market Street church, will do the preaching. Services each evening at 7:45. The public cordially invited.—Pastor.

Bishop Purcell will dedicate Friendship church on the Ball's Creek charge, Statesville district, on the evening of June 9. We shall be very happy to have the former pastors and all of our friends present on this occasion.—B. A. Sisk.

Lake Junaluska property for sale. Overlooking lake and auditorium. Address Mrs. Andrews, 102 S. Mendenhall Street, Greensboro, N. C.; or Assembly Office, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

Bishop Robert E. Jones of the Columbus Area, Central Jurisdictional Conference, will be the representative of the Council of Bishops to the North Central Jurisdictional Conference which meets in Chicago June 26.

Prof. Ralph A. Felton of Drew University is in Mexico, assisting with the integration of a new program for the training of rural pastors, under the auspices of five mission boards and denominational groups, who are co-operating in the Union Theological Seminary in Mexico City.

Nice cottage at Lake Junaluska for rent. Open dates until July 20 and from August 17 on. Furnished; three bed rooms; servant's room, and bath. Electric range, electric refrigerator, electric water tank. One block from Auditorium. Reasonable terms. W. A. Barber, Kernersville, N. C.

Our annual home coming day for Troutman church will be observed Sunday, June 16. There will be all day exercises—dinner at the church. Special music and singing morning and afternoon. All members of the church, former members, former pastors and friends are cordially invited to be present.—J. M. Varner, Pastor.

In spite of the war, the Chinese government is going forward with its campaign against illiteracy being carried on in ten provinces. In Chungking about 15,000 adults passed literacy examinations last winter; 10,000 persons are now attending classes. In Kwangsi the number of illiterates is now 1,864,000—one-half of what it was five years ago. In Shensi it is hoped that illiteracy will be "liquidated" before the end of this year, reports Nofrontier News Service.

The War Resisters League in its convention at Bound Brook, N. J., adopted the following resolution: "War has proved itself a failure as a means of solving human problems. . . . Press, President and other politicians are doing all in their power at this time to create mass hysteria and mass fear in the minds of the American people. The present crisis is the logical and expected outcome of the events of the past years and of the failure of governments to solve the problems that beset the world.—Christian Century.

Picking itself up after an unwanted war in which 15,000 men were killed, \$40,000,000 in property damage was done, and 50,000 people were left homeless, the little republic of Finland is bravely facing two great problems of reconstruction. There is the reconstruction of the devastated areas, and the care of the thousands who have lost their homes through the bombings and cedings, one about as destructive as the other. There is the stupendous job of building strong defenses against future attack, and the Finns are not keeping such activities secret from the Russians. Both tasks require enormous expenditures of money and man power.

Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, minister of Christ Methodist church, New York City, has been invited to give the Lyman Beecher Lectures on Preaching at the Divinity School of Yale University next April. This is the oldest preaching lecture foundation in the United States, beginning in 1871 with Bishop Matthew Simpson as the first lecturer.

The New York East Methodist conference, while condemning the invasion of the small nations as "utterly un-Christian" passed a resolution which said: "We call on the ministers and people of our churches to keep cool in a fevered time in the firm belief that an America which keeps out of war can in the long run best rid the world of war and promote a just and lasting peace."

Dr. Charles M. Sheldon, author of *In His Steps*, recently celebrated his eighty-third birthday at his home in Topeka, Kan. He is in the best of health. His book, published in 1896, was a best seller, 8,000,000 copies being sold in the United States and 11,000,000 in 23 languages in foreign countries. As Dr. Sheldon did not have a copyright on this book only one of the 46 publishers paid him a royalty.

The history of the church has largely consisted in the biographies of its saints, and every great revival of religion has been the flame kindled around a flaming heart. Paul was impelled by his own love; the brethren of Rome were in a lower state as only reflecting his, and it ought to be the prerogative of every Christian to be a center and source of kindling influence rather than a mere recipient of it.—Alexander Maclaren.

The annual report of the publishing agents of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, showed the largest business and the most successful year the house has known. The Conference Claimants will receive \$150,000, the largest appropriation made in any one year to that fund. The Book Committee has ordered the purchase of property in Dallas, Texas, adjacent to the Cokesbury buliding for future expansion.

The young people's class of Knot's Chapel on Elmwood charge, of which Mrs. George I. Shinn is teacher, has recently closed a contest between the Reds and Blues, with the Reds winning. On last Saturday evening at 4 o'clock the Blues gave a social with 35 present. The pastor, Rev. Y. D. Poole, gave the class an interesting talk and then recreations were led by Mrs. Y. D. Poole. Ice cream, cake and ice tea were served.—Ila Winecoff, Sec.

Dr. James R. Joy, long time editor of the New York Christian Advocate, now in his 77th year, was at the General Conference as one of the editors of the new Discipline, serving for Dr. John W. Langdale, who was kept away by physical indisposition. No more capable editor could be found than Dr. Joy. He graduated from Yale in 1885. He served on the Commission on Unification from 1916 on. He defies the years and gives superior service in all his fine labors. The church rejoices in such a layman.

Dr. Charles S. Macfarland, general secretary emeritus of the Federal Council of Churches, will serve as the official connecting link between the local churches and the national organizations which are serving the refugees from Europe arriving in America under the Quota Law. One of the chief features of the work is the plan for helping refugee families to find self-respecting and self-supporting places in the life of American communities. It involves the central idea that a local church will accept a carefully defined responsibility for a specific refugee family or individual in the community where the church is located. Dr. Macfarland's address is Mountain Lakes, N. J.



## NORTH CAROLINA STATE COLLEGE HAS RECORD GRADUATING CLASS

A record breaking total of 358 graduates received degrees at State College's 51st annual commencement. Twenty-seven won their master's degree, 329 their bachelor's degree, and two were awarded professional degrees. The college awarded 332 degrees last year.

The Bachelor of Science degree was awarded to graduates of the School of Agriculture, the Division of Teacher Training and the Textile School. Graduates of the School of Engineering received the bachelor's degree in their specific courses, such as the Bachelor of Civil Engineering, etc.

### Honorary Degrees

Honorary degrees were bestowed upon Clement L. Garner, chief of the Division of Geodesy in the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Charles A. Cannon, Concord industrialist. The degrees were conferred by President Frank P. Graham of the Greater University of North Carolina. Mr. Garner, whose headquarters are in Washington, D. C., is a native of Carteret county and a graduate of N. C. State. He received the honorary degree of Doctor of Engineering. Mr. Cannon, who was educated at Davidson College and is a nationally known figure in the textile industry, was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Textile Science. The ceremonies were part of State College's graduation program. Col. J. W. Harrelson, dean of administration, read the citations.

### Governor Hoey Heard

As baccalaureate speaker for the college, Governor Hoey stated, "Already the doctrines of the isolationists has been demonstrated to be false in theory and inadequate in practice. In the days to come," he said, "we shall all be called upon to make sacrifices. We cannot spend the money necessary to make this nation secure and still continue our usual way of life."

Telling the seniors, "You cannot be a great personality without developing a great loyalty," Governor Hoey declared: "I covet with you the privilege of living through this period of stress and danger. I shall not for myself seek a storm cellar for economic safety and political security. If a new world is to be made, I want the spirit of America to be dominant in that world, and I should like for the North Carolina brand of undiluted Americanism and unspoiled democracy to be the standard preserved for measuring the rights and liberties of the citizens of this new world."

Governor Hoey was presented by President Frank P. Graham of the Greater University of North Carolina. Col. J. W. Harrelson, dean of administration at State College, presided over the exercises, which were held in Riddick Stadium.

### United States Ahead

Governor Hoey began his address by telling the graduates that in wealth and resources the United States far surpasses any other nation, having a wealth almost as great as that of Great Britain, Germany, France, Russia, Italy and Japan all combined.

"America has become the leading nation of the world," the chief executive said. "With this has come a measure of jealousy and a deal of cynical aloofness on the part of some other nations. Especially have some of our South American neighbors viewed us suspiciously. All of these

things in the world of today make it extremely important that we take every precaution to provide for our national safety and security, and that we adopt a broad policy of international good will, with special reference to our relation to our southern neighbors in this western world. . . . We shall have to give up some of our cherished liberties temporarily as we get through this period of building up of national defenses, but I think we should covenant with ourselves and with others that we shall insist upon a complete return of all these rights as soon as the crisis passes. It is so easy to lose them when once denied unless there should be a common restoration. That is the only hope of a democracy, and as we stand today above the smoking embers of the expiring democracies, consumed in the red vortex of war in the old world, it behooves us to guard sacredly our heritages of liberty and freedom and our guaranties of all civil rights."

"The radical makes no contribution to the common good," said Governor Hoey. "His whole trend is destructive rather than constructive, and he avowedly wishes to overthrow our government under which he even now claims protection. These radicals are not all foreigners, but the home grown variety is no improvement over the imported ones. We have precious few in North Carolina, for which the Lord be praised. We have seen what their treachery and sabotage did for France in her hour of supreme peril. . . . In this dark hour I commend to you the twin loyalties—God and country."

### Alumni Were Aggressive

Steps to inject more life into the General Alumni Association of State College were taken at a business meeting during which the alumni elected D. W. "Dutch" Seifert of Weldon, former football and baseball star, as president to succeed Col. George W. Gillette of Wilmington. Colonel Gillette was made chairman of the executive committee. Members reporting for the various local alumni clubs described the needs for a closer knit organization that would bring in thousands of alumni not now affiliated with the association. Suggestions were made that the association's secretary be a full time official and that a committee be appointed to co-operate in publication of The Alumni News. Dan M. Paul is acting secretary of the association and also directs agricultural short courses.

Charles A. Hunter of Charlotte, president of the graduating class, told the gathering that considerably more than half of the outgoing seniors had joined the alumni association and challenged the older members to match the activity planned by the class of 1940.

In welcoming the alumni, Col. J. W. Harrelson, dean of administration, declared the year drawing to a close was the best in the history of the college, with an average enrollment of 225 above the previous high.

## SOUTHEASTERN DAILY CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE AVAILABLE

Complete sets of the Daily Christian Advocate published during the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference at Asheville, N. C., May 22-27, are available. These Advocates contain full proceedings of the conference, the jurisdictional bishops' address, the fraternal address and three outstanding sermons by Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, a great sermon by Bishop Arthur J. Moore and other interesting items. It is a valuable historical document.

Price 75 cents complete, six issues; inserted in cloth loose-leaf binder, \$1.25. Order from the Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tenn., Richmond, Va., Dallas, Texas.



# Duke University Commencement Exercises

## Graduating Exercises Open in New University Gymnasium With Commencement Address by Dr. William Allen Neilson

For the first time the big university gymnasium with a seating capacity of 9,500 was used for commencement exercises and this will be the practice through the years that are ahead. The address to the graduating class at 11 o'clock Monday, June 3, was the first of these exercises.

Dr. William Allen Neilson of Northampton, Mass., delivered the commencement address, which was a comprehensive analysis of present day conditions in Europe, and the distinguished speaker was heard with manifest interest by the great audience.

Dr. Neilson is a Scotchman by birth and a New Englander by adoption. His life has been spent largely at Harvard University and Smith College. He is a friend of President W. P. Few, this friendship having begun years ago when they were post graduate students at Harvard, and his presence at Duke this year proved to be a happy occasion for both these distinguished educators.

### Graduating Exercises

The graduating exercises began at 5:30 and continued till 7 o'clock. There were 840 degrees conferred. These degrees were: A.B. degree, B.S. degree, B.S. degree in Civil Engineering, B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering, B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering, B.S. degree in Nursing, B.S. degree in Medicine, A.M. degree, Master of Education degree, Master of Forestry degree, B.D. degree, LL.B. degree, LL.M. degree, Diploma in Nursing, Ph.D. degree.

The candidates for degrees, the members of the faculties of the university, the officers of administration and the guest speaker who constituted the academic procession numbering approximately 1200, occupied the main floor of the gymnasium while all other attendants occupied the balconies. The total estimated attendance was 6,000.

### Trustees Met on June 1

The commencement meeting of the university board of trustees was attended by 25 members. In addition to routine affairs, the trustees voted to confer 840 degrees, including four honorary doctorates. The summary of degrees conferred on Monday afternoon is as follows: Bachelor of arts 419, bachelor of science 59, master of arts 113, master of education 68, master of forestry 17, bachelor of divinity 21, bachelor of laws 36, master of laws 1, doctor of medicine 58, diploma in nursing 21, doctor of philosophy 23, honorary 4.

The trustees took note of the recent death of former Senator F. M. Simmons, a Duke trustee and alumnus, and a committee was appointed to draft a memorial to be formally presented at the next meeting, the committee consisting of Judge J. P. Frizzelle of Snow Hill, Willis Smith of Raleigh, and R. G. Cherry of Gastonia.

### Wards Named

Approving the suggestions of a committee, the trustees named new wards in the hospital addition. The new surgical private patient ward was named Cushing in honor of Dr. Harvey Cushing, Sterling professor of neurology at Yale University. The new obstetrics and gynecology private pa-

tient ward was named Holmes in honor of Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, Parkman professor of medicine at Harvard medical school for 35 years until 1882. The new medical private patient ward will have the name Matas, in honor of Dr. Rudolph Matas, emeritus professor of surgery at Tulane. The new medical private patient ward was named Minot in honor of Dr. George Richards Minot, professor of medicine at Harvard University, winner of the Nobel prize (with Dr. George H. Whipple and Dr. William P. Murphy) for work on liver treatment of the anemias. The new psychiatric ward will be called Meyer after Dr. Adolf Meyer, director of the Henry Phipps psychiatric clinic at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

The trustees changed the name of Campbell ward to Williams due to its confusion with the name of Cabell. It gets its new name from Dr. John Whitridge Williams, obstetrician in chief at Johns Hopkins Hospital for over 40 years.

### Phi Beta Kappas

Fourteen candidates for degrees are named to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, honorary scholastic society. They were named by Prof. James Cannon, III, secretary-treasurer of the Duke chapter, at the class day exercises in woman's college auditorium.

### Class Meetings

A dozen classes of alumni held formal reunions Monday evening. Alumni attendance reached its peak at the luncheon on Monday.

At the class day exercises Monday morning the presiding officers were: Barbara Ann Henry of Atlanta, Ga., president of the senior class of the woman's college; Addison P. Penfield of Meriden, Conn., president of the senior class of Trinity College; and Arthur William Peabody of Holden, Mass., vice president of the senior class.

### Awards Made

President W. P. Few made his final address to the students as a class group, and Dean William H. Wannamaker delivered medals and prizes for the academic year. Medal and prize winners were:

The Robert E. Lee prize of \$50, gift of Rev. A. W. Plyler and Mrs. Plyler of Greensboro, awarded to Guy Pershing Berner, Buffalo, N. Y.

Woman's college athletic award, Nancy Louise Raper, Lexington.

Wiley Gray oratorical medal, Joseph O. Talley, Jr., Fayetteville.

The Milmo electrical engineering prize, James F. Barden, Jr., Goldsboro.

Phi Sigma medal, Frank Cutchin Bone, Rocky Mount.

Service medals, Barbara Ann Henry, Atlanta, Ga.; Addison P. Penfield, Meriden, Conn.

Reading the Trinity class history was John L. Shinn, Jr., of Sylacauga, Ala., and Maxine Chambers of Okmulgee, Okla., read the class history of the woman's college seniors. Miss Virginia Hodges of Charleston, W. Va., read the class poem. The prophecy was made by Jack K. Palmer of Delham, N. Y. The senior presidents made their farewell addresses, and afterwards the two classes held their commencement luncheon at the college union.

An impressive ceremony was carried out at the tomb of James B. Duke, in the university chapel, at 2:30 o'clock when representatives of 40 orphanages in the two Carolinas assisted by the Duke endowment, placed a floral wreath by the sarcophagus. A brief address was made by Norman A. Cocke of Charlotte, vice chairman of the Duke endowment.

Law school seniors held their traditional commencement breakfast Monday morning, and seniors in the school of religion held their final gathering as a class at luncheon on Tuesday, while graduating nurses were guests at the annual nursing alumnae banquet on Tuesday night.



## BISHOP McCONNELL DELIVERS THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS AT BENNETT COLLEGE

### Mrs. Goode Receives Degree and Ground Broken for Two New Buildings

The sixty-seventh annual commencement at Bennett College, Greensboro, closed one of the most successful years in the history of the institution, the season having been climaxed by the commencement address delivered by The Right Reverend Francis John McConnell, resident bishop of the Methodist Church, New York City, and the conferring of the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters



**Bishop Francis J. McConnell**

upon Mrs. Ida Haslup Goode, president of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Sidney, Ohio. These events took place on the campus in front of the recently constructed Thomas F. Holgate Library, on Monday, June 3, when bachelor's degrees were conferred upon 42 young women by President David D. Jones. He was assisted in the awarding of Mrs. Goode's degree by Dr. Thomas F. Holgate, Evansville, Illinois, treasurer of the board of trustees of Bennett College, who with Mrs. Goode is a co-founder of the institution, and Dr. W. C. Jackson, chairman of the board of trustees of Bennett College, and administrative dean of Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro.

Of special significance also was the breaking of ground for two new buildings on Sunday afternoon, June 2, the new Memorial Chapel, gift of Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer of New York City, and Carrie Barge Hall, a dormitory, gift of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Mrs. Goode led these ceremonies and gave a short biographical statement of the sacrificial life of Carrie Barge.

Commencement events at Bennett began on Sunday, May 26, when the annual anniversary address to campus religious organizations was delivered by Dr. C. F. Jenkins, Columbus, Ohio. Other events were a concert by the department of music, under the direction of Dr. R. Nathaniel Dett, who also directed all of the music of the commencement season; the production of "As You Like It," Shakespearean drama, by The Little Theatre Guild of the college, directed by Miss Erastine Coles; Campus Illumination, and the baccalaureate sermon by Dr. C. Y. Trigg, pastor of the Metropolitan Methodist church, a district superintendent, and son of the late Frank Trigg, who was president of Bennett College from 1915 to 1925.

## NEW ORGANIZATION FORMED BY ALUMNAE OF GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Around a table representing a garden of the '70's centered by a doll dressed in the period of 1878 at Jefferson Roof Restaurant, gathered 15 alumnae of Greensboro College during the recent commencement.

Covers were laid for 17, 13 of whom represented the '80's and the '90's paying honor to two members of the '70's. Honor guests were Mrs. G. W. Whitsett, 1878, and Mrs. W. R. Odell, 1879. With the honorees were:

Mrs. Maude Brent Whitsett, 1878, Greensboro.  
Mrs. Clara Sergeant Odell, 1879, Durham.  
Mrs. Ella Carr Peacock, 1883, High Point.  
Mrs. Ella Sergeant Andrews, 1888, Greensboro.  
Mrs. Wylie Brown, 1885, Greenville, N. C.  
Mrs. Mary Trotter Peacock, 1890, Salisbury.  
Mrs. Annie Gaster King, 1890, Greensboro.  
Mrs. Carrie Cunningham Osborne, 1890, Greensboro.  
Mrs. Belle Hutton Sides, 1891, Greensboro.  
Miss Nannie Lee Smith, 1893, Greensboro.  
Mrs. Minnie Clark Turner, 1896, Reidsville.  
Mrs. Blanche Boyles Stern, 1897, Greensboro.  
Mrs. Effie Payne Albright, 1896, Greensboro.  
Mrs. Margaret Benson Stockton, 1897, Greensboro.  
Mrs. Eva Heitman Bivens, 1899, High Point.  
Miss Nina Troy, member at large, Soochow, China.  
Miss Mary Brock, Alumae Secretary, New Century, Greensboro.

What this group did not know of college tradition, legend and lore will have to be left to the imagination, but around this festive board a new idea was conceived and a brand new organization came into being, to be known as the Forty Niners Club. No member will be admitted into full membership until the 50th anniversary of graduation. The name '49ers (or probationers) was chosen because this group is to have charge of arrangements for each annual meeting, at which time they come in full fellowship.

Seven qualified members were in attendance and officers were elected as follows:

Mrs. G. W. Whitsett, President, Greensboro.  
Mrs. W. R. Odell, Vice President, Durham.  
Mrs. Wylie Brown, Secretary, Greensboro.  
Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Treasurer, Salisbury.

Committee on constitution and by-laws: Mrs. Dred Peacock, High Point; Mrs. E. M. Andrews, Greensboro; Mrs. J. A. King, Greensboro.

Any graduate or former student having reached the 50 year requirement, giving in their name to the secretary during the year 1940, will be considered charter members.

## AT SPRING HOPE

The Gibson Memorial church of Spring Hope will celebrate its 50th anniversary Sunday, June 9, with appropriate services morning, afternoon and evening. At the morning service at 11 o'clock Dr. J. Marvin Culbreth of Chapel Hill and former district superintendent of the Rocky Mount district will speak. The historical service will be held in the afternoon at three-thirty, and Mrs. R. E. Wilder will give the history of the church. At the evening hour at eight o'clock Rev. L. A. Tilley, a former beloved pastor, will speak.

A picnic dinner will be served at the church after the morning service. All former pastors and district superintendents, all non-resident and former members of this church and its friends and the public are cordially invited to these services.

The committees which have arranged for this celebration and their chairmen are: Music, Mrs. C. W. Lassiter; decorations, Mrs. Baird Hollingsworth; hospitality, Mrs. W. P. Pitts; dinner arrangements, Mrs. F. G. Chamblee; ushering, Mr. R. E. Wilder.

It is easy in the world to live after the world's opinions; it is easy in solitude to live after our own; but the Great Man is he who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude.—Emerson.



## GREENSBORO DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Greensboro district conference met in the former Methodist Protestant church in Gibsonville, Tuesday, May 14, with the district superintendent, Rev. L. B. Hayes, presiding and in charge of the devotional service. Rev. Robert G. Tuttle, the pastor, and Mr. D. M. Davidson, chairman of the official board, welcomed the conference to the church and the town.

The morning program consisted in the submission of pastors' reports, which for the most part were encouraging, and in both addresses from the various institutions and interests of the annual conference, namely, the two Children's Homes at Winston-Salem and High Point; the three colleges, Greensboro, High Point and Brevard; Bennett College for Negro Women; the Golden Cross, the Board of Christian Education and the Woman's Missionary Society; the Superannuate Fund, and the Board of Lay Activities. Dr. Paul N. Garber spoke of the need of enlarging the scholarship funds of the Duke school of religion.

Brother T. A. Glascock submitted his reports as treasurer of the district parsonage fund and of the district superintendent's salary; \$2042.97 has been received for the former, \$2279.31 for the latter.

A tabulation of statistics in the pastors' reports shows that there have been 473 additions to membership in 37 of the 40 charges reporting; 34 charges reported \$12,295.46 raised on benevolences for the half year.

The following elections were reported: Dr. L. L. Gobbel, re-elected district lay leader; Mr. F. R. Stout, district conference trustee; Rev. C. W. Bates, secretary of the district conference.

It was voted to recommend Rev. John Cagle to the conference committee on course of study. William L. Freeman was granted license to preach.

Mr. T. C. Hoyle spoke on the reorganization of the district lay league. The district lay leader, Dr. Gobbel, was asked to look into the feasibility of reorganizing the league so as to make it a vital force in the work of the district.

Just before adjournment for the picnic lunch Rev. Roland P. Gibbs, pastor of the Summerfield charge, brought an interesting and helpful message on "Intercession," basing his sermon on 1 Timothy 1:15.

The members of the Gibsonville church had prepared for a smaller number than came to partake of the lunch which was spread on tables on the lawn of the former M. E. Church, South, but somehow managed to find enough, and to spare, for a much larger crowd.

One of the interesting items of the report of the committee on resolutions was a request that the presiding bishop return Brother Hayes, the district superintendent, for his full term.

The last item on the program, which this scribe was not privileged to hear because he was called away for a funeral, was the sermon by Bishop Clare Purcell. It formed a fitting climax to a good day.

C. W. Bates, Secretary.

## LILAC TIME

It's lilac time in old New England. Lavender and white. Purple and mauve. Lacy spires like minarets. Fragrance of incense before the dawn of a May morning. Heart-shaped leaves stirring in the warm breeze. Slender boughs singing with song-sparrow and wren.

White lilacs growing tall like trees close beside old houses, their flowers touching window panes with remembrance of yesterdays "when lilacs last in the dooryard bloomed." Pinacles of white breathing the mystery of enchantment.

Chumps of old-fashioned purple lilacs encircling long-forgotten cellar-holes. Marking hearthstone where men and women once toiled and laughed. Children reaching to pick the beloved blossoms free to any passer-by.

Persian lilacs in old gardens. Keeping tryst with grandmother's yellow roses. Nodding to violets. Friendly with garden pinks.

New England's roadside lilacs waving white and purple plumes. Beckoning visitors to linger while the year is young. To join spring's old refrain, "It's lilac time. It's lilac time."—The Christian Science Monitor.

## WASHINGTON OBSERVATIONS

By Jacob Simpson Payton, Editor

May is blossom time in Washington. During this the loveliest month of the year the dogwood trees are banked like drifts of snow on the hillsides, and the skeletons of the elms that in winter arch the avenues of the capital recede behind their fresh, green mantles. Yet with Congress debating appropriations for relief, and with the manace of federal debt and unemployment staring lawmakers full in the face, it would be an exaggeration to claim that even in May the District of Columbia resembles a vale of Utopia abounding in peace and plenty. Two unusual things have transpired during recent days to bring alarm and disquiet to the nation's capital. The first was the President's solemn address to the joint session of Congress on May 16 in which he pictured the woeful military unpreparedness of America in a world threatened by aggressor nations. The second cause of alarm was news that may be one of the decisive battles of history was raging in Europe, and that the armies of the Allies were being defeated.

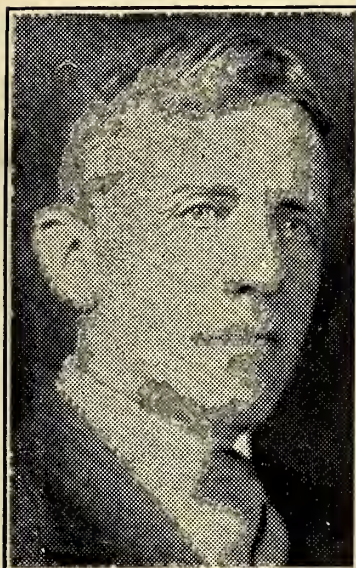
An element that carried weight in the President's address was the fact that he has foreseen and foretold this war during the whole period of its incubation. There is also convincing documentary evidence to show that by appeals to the belligerents he employed his office to maintain the peace of Europe. While his advocacy of lifting the arms embargo naturally nullified his influence with Germany as a peacemaker, nevertheless the record shows that that occurred after he, along with the State Department, had spared no effort in attempting to avert the calamity that broke upon the world last September. Furthermore, his address was well received generally because members of Congress of all parties share his view of America's military unpreparedness.

## Congress in Serious Mood

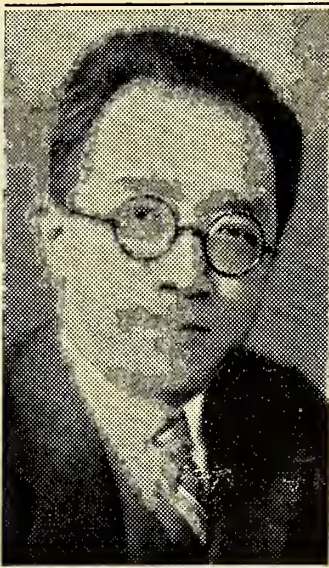
There has also been some unfavorable reaction to his speech. On reflection some who favor his defense program think that the sudden and startling manner of his address was too much like springing a skeleton from a box to make the flesh creep. Of course few Presidents have possessed the showmanship of Mr. Roosevelt, and he is not only adept at timing the launching of an issue, but he attends it with plenty of fanfare, and attempts to jam it through with dramatic speed. Others have ventured to ask some rather unpopular questions. For instance, Senator Bennett Clark wants to know what the President has to show for the \$7,000,000,000 he had been granted for preparedness during his seven years in the White House, and General Hugh Johnson has made the rather belated observation that instead of giving Harry Hopkins \$3,000,000,000 to spend on raking leaves, it would have been better to have employed the handle-leaners in turning out implements of defense. Members of the economy bloc are again irritated by the President's calm request for an additional \$1,182,000,000 with no provision for raising the sum which, they contend, is typical of the President's weakness of wanting to set the disbursing agents busy writing checks before Congress has provided the money.



## RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREES FROM DUKE UNIVERSITY



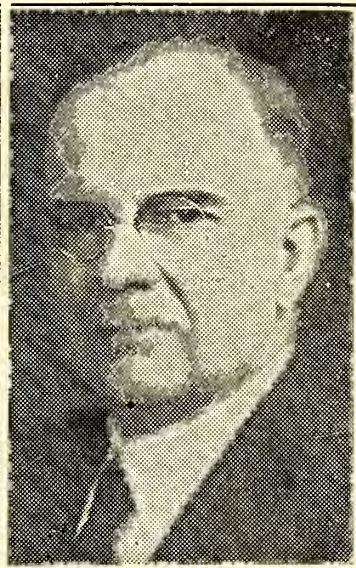
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Costen Jordan Harrell

FOUR RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREES  
AT DUKE

At the conclusion of the graduating exercises Monday afternoon, Duke University recognized the achievements of four leaders in distinctive fields of endeavor by conferring honorary degrees upon them. The recipients are pictured above (left to right) Dr. Luther P. Eisenhart, dean of the graduate school of Princeton University; Hu Shih, ambassador of China to the United States; John Wesley Hanes, a native of North Carolina, now of Washington, D. C., former member of the securities exchange commission and under-secretary of the treasury, all receiving the degree of Doctor of Laws; and Rev. Costen J. Harrell, pastor of West End Methodist church, Nashville, Tenn.

In conferring the degrees President W. P. Few of Duke made the following citations:

"Luther Pfahler Eisenhart, dean of the graduate school of Princeton University, teacher, author, investigator in the field of differential geometry, a leader in the development of mathematics not only in his own university but in the nation, distinguished mathematician and educational administrator.

"Hu Shih, ambassador of China to the United States, founder of the modern Chinese written language and vernacular literature, author of many books, brilliant leader in the readjustment of Chinese traditions to the changed conditions of his day, honored in this place also as representative of one people and symbol of other peoples fighting for the right to live and be free.

"John Wesley Hanes, member of a North Carolina family that has rendered large service to the state and the nation, builder of an outstanding business career of his own, one time member of the securities and exchange commission and under-secretary of the treasury, accepting both posts at great personal sacrifice and with the purpose to bring sound fiscal principles into the conduct of public business, an enlightened man of affairs and a public servant of high distinction.

"Costen Jordan Harrell of the class of 1906, preacher, builder and organizer of churches, advocate of Christian unity, lover of beautiful worship, champion of social justice, giving to ancient truth its modern applications and performing the duties of both prophet and priest."

## PERSON STREET-CALVARY, FAYETTEVILLE

During the month of May we have conducted three revivals of one week duration at Person Street, Gardner's Chapel and Calvary. A fine interest was manifested in the services at each of the churches.

Rev. R. E. Brown of Hay Street Methodist church in Fayetteville preached for us at Person Street. He won the hearts of all, children, young people and adults alike. Each

afternoon at 4 o'clock large numbers of children heard his messages with enthusiasm. Each evening large and appreciative congregations came to hear his fervent gospel sermons.

There were four received on profession of faith, four by certificate, and one by vows, making a total of 20 taken in at Person Street for the first half year on profession of faith and by letter.

Not satisfied with giving my congregation his very best in preaching and pleading for the lost to believe in Christ, and engineering a parsonage pantry project, my friend and big brother, "Bob" Brown, took the humble honorarium of \$32.50 which was handed to him and dropped it in the basket with the other things. I am sure that I need not say that Person Street had a good revival—yes, we got something more, a new manifestation of Christian brotherliness.

The entire charge, Calvary, Gardner's Chapel and Person Street, gave a fine General Electric refrigerator to the parsonage last summer and it is proving to be a great pleasure as well as a great service to us.

Rev. I. H. Strawbridge assisted the pastor at Gardner's Chapel in a very good revival. Brother Strawbridge preached Christ with an appeal that drew children as well as the adults nearer to the Saviour. A five-minute object lesson was devoted to the children by the visiting preacher, and it paid in big dividends. Deep appreciation for Brother Strawbridge's fine preaching as well as his lovable spirit was expressed by large numbers of people who heard him preach.

There were two adults received by baptism and one by vows.

Rev. A. L. Thompson of Faison preached for our revival at Calvary. Two services were held daily, at 9:30 a. m. and at 7:45 p. m. "Arthur is above the average of us," I heard a good district superintendent say. And my congregation was equally as liberal with expressions of appreciation for him at the close of our meeting. The fervor with which Brother Thompson pleads for righteousness is in a large degree the secret of his usefulness in the work of the Master. Calvary Methodist church was wonderfully blessed with the presence of this fine minister of Christ. There were four received on profession of faith at the close.

Millard W. Warren.

## WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

Often a ten dollar hat covers a ten cent head.

If you would really like to see "Uncle Sam" look in the mirror.

Some people take their command from the unauthorized version of the Bible. "Go ye into all the world and"—peddle gossip.

Call a man hard-headed and he feels complimented, but after all it is the soft-hearted chap who draws life's largest dividends.

"A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush," and to the average woman a Parisian hat and gown and radio here seem far more important than a robe and a crown and a harp of gold over yonder.

We have known more than one man to leave college with a sheepskin under his arm and a sheep's head upon his shoulders, and when he prattled of his B.A. he spoke the only word the sheep could say.



## HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon, Supt.

Things are rather quiet around our campus and dormitories these days since more than half of our children are away visiting relatives and friends. They went away on Saturday and today (Monday) and a few others will be going later this week. And while so many of them are away Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Lamb also slipped away for a two weeks' stay, making their journey at first to Westminster, Md., for the Western Maryland College commencement.

Our older boys and a few of our older girls remained at home because of the work in the house and in the fields. The boys are hauling in hay and doing other farm work this week.

These will have something like two weeks' vacation a bit later; and the rest of us workers will get away for awhile if we can.

We have just a few little folks who will not get going on a vacation unless some big hearted folks open their hearts and homes and invite them for a few days. Some of this has already been done and added happiness to some little lives. We give our vacations early in the season because of the canning and other work which comes upon us later in the season.

### Those Going Out

We have had five to go since school closed and one more expects to go as soon as she is accepted in a hospital for training.

One of our college students and a prospective college student have taken jobs for the summer that they may make money for college expenses next year. Two of our college students are working with us for the summer and three others have jobs in and near High Point. We feel that one of the finest pieces of work this home is doing is that of holding, encouraging and assisting a bit in getting some of its brightest and best to get preparation for life beyond that of the high school.

### Financing the Home

We are struggling to so finance this home that there will be no deficit when the end of the conference year comes. To do this our old friends must stand by us, and we must have lots of new friends. One such new friend has come to our help in the person of a former M. E. South, as is shown by the following letter which he is sending out. The letter explains itself.

Sunday School Superintendents of the High Point District.

My Dear Friends: At a recent meeting of a group of laymen in the High Point district I was asked to lay plans and communicate with the various churches and Sunday schools to the end that all our churches in the district might become 100 per cent supporters of our Children's Homes. The cause is so worthy that I need not plead for them.

This letter comes to you in behalf of the High Point Children's Home. According to conference action you are asked to support that Home for at least this conference year. Very naturally some of the sources of income for that Home have been cut off by the changes brought about by Methodist union, so

your superintendent, Dr. A. G. Dixon, is finding it a bit difficult to properly finance that institution.

There remains five more months of the conference year, and I am asking that you be very careful to take the regular monthly offering for your Children's Home in your Sunday school for those five months, and get your people to contribute just as liberally as possible each month. And if the weather has been bad on some Sundays, or if for any reason you have not been sending the regular monthly offerings, be sure to get your people to make it up in some way, so your church can be counted 100 per cent for this cause.

One hundred and sixteen children are there and must be supported, and in a recent conversation with Dr. Dixon I find that he is exceedingly anxious to meet all financial obligations and be ready with a balanced budget when conference time comes.

A hearty response from you and your people will be greatly appreciated, and remember that this is one of the opportunities in church life to help the helpless that you cannot afford to miss.

Thanking you for your co-operation, and praying God's richest blessings upon the cause of our orphanages, I am,

Yours very truly,

M. F. Hinshaw.

## HOSPITALS AND HOMES

As is generally known, a new Board of Hospitals and Homes has been set up in our new Methodist Church. There is a general board composed of one bishop, one minister, one layman and one laywoman from each of the six jurisdictions. In addition to this general board, a jurisdictional board has been set up for the Southeastern Jurisdiction composed of the bishops of the jurisdiction, six ministers, six laymen and six laywomen. In addition to the bishops the following constitute the membership of this board in the Southeastern Jurisdiction:

Rev. W. J. Mills, Alabama conference.

Rev. I. M. Hargett, Louisville conference.

Rev. J. D. Jenkins, Memphis conference.

Rev. C. C. Jarrell, North Georgia conference.

Rev. T. B. Thrower, North Mississippi conference.

Rev. E. S. Dunbar, South Carolina conference.

Dr. S. A. Clark, Florida conference.

Dr. J. T. Slaton, Kentucky conference.

F. S. Aldridge, North Carolina conference.

W. D. Roberts, Upper South Carolina conference.

John H. Redd, Virginia conference.

O. V. Woosley, Western North Carolina conference.

Mrs. F. A. Weiss, Holston conference.

Mrs. W. F. Mahaffey, Mississippi conference.

Mrs. H. O. Troup, North Alabama conference.

Mrs. W. H. Ratliff, North Mississippi conference.

Mrs. E. W. Turnley, Tennessee conference.

Mrs. W. C. Hammer, Western North Carolina conference.

## STUDENTS TO SERVE AS RURAL CHURCH ASSISTANT PASTORS

These 63 selected students of the Duke University school of religion have been designated to participate in the service-training program, June 8 to August 17, sponsored by the Duke endowment, Duke University, and the rural Methodist churches of North Carolina.

As pastors' assistants they will undertake many kinds of ministerial service—educational work, conduct training courses, make community religious surveys, preach, lead music programs, and supervise recreational projects. Two teams of two men each will devote their full time to evangelistic meetings in the New Bern and Waynesville districts.

The summer program serves to prepare the young preachers for their future work in much the same way medical interns receive practical experience from their hospital training.

Student pastors in the group are: J. R. Andrews, Lake Toxaway; W. E. Andrews, Lake Toxaway; R. N. Arbaugh, Paragould, Ark.; C. R. Arthur, Richmond, Va.; L. E. Blackburn, Fayetteville; W. D. Boddie, Gibbsland, La.; Sidney Boone, Gates; L. L. Booth, New Orleans, La.; A. M. Brabham, Jr., Bamberg, S. C.; A. Bridewell, Columbia, Miss.; E. L. Brock, New Orleans, La.; E. R. Bromley, Brookline, Mass.; W. R. Bustle, Statesville; Joe Caldwell, Hickory; Paul Carruth, McComb, Miss.; Fred Conley, Marion; Jack Cooke, Minden, La.; R. A. Cooke, Maben, Ala.; F. A. Crutchfield, Vernon, Texas; Wm. B. A. Culp, Gold Hill.

W. D. Davis, Mullins, S. C.; Dana Dawson, Shreveport, La.; W. W. Dodge, McLean, Va.; F. A. Duncan, Lincoln; T. D. Everett, Fairview, Ky.; L. Foley, Stuart, Va.; Lexie Freeman, Cumberland Furnace, Tenn.; W. L. Freeman, Greensboro; B. Galloway, Raleigh; R. E. Garrison, Dillwyn, Va.; H. C. Glenn, III, Eufaula, Ala.; Frank Heffner, Maiden; T. C. Hendrix, Humbolt, Ill.; Victor Hickman, Springfield, S. C.; J. W. Inge, Forest, Va.; Leon Gray, Brighton, Ala.

M. H. Kelley, Holly Grove, Ark.; Seaborn Kiker, Dallas, Texas; J. A. Lindsey, Pelahatchie, Miss.; D. M. Mackay, Atlanta, Ga.; Irving Miller, Salisbury; Robert Mooney, Wilsonville, Ala.; Julian P. Moorman, Bristol, Va.; Wilson Nesbitt, Gastonia; C. L. Parker, Ridgeland, S. C.; Brooks Patten, Louisville; J. J. Powell, Hickory; E. W. Prentiss, Owensboro, Ky.; H. P. Richardson, Narrows, Va.; J. E. Rogers, Rose Hill.

LeRoy Scott, Kannapolis; C. E. Shannon, Monroe; W. A. Sherck, Hornell, N. Y.; R. H. Stamey, Lawndale; J. L. Stone, Williamsburg, Va.; D. L. Stubbs, Jr., Aurora; K. W. Taylor, Compton, Calif.; Harold Teer, Hall Summit, La.; W. R. Thompson, Midland; W. H. Tyte, San Antonio, Texas; R. A. Vaughan, San Antonio, Texas; B. M. Waggoner, Stilwell, Okla.; H. Wilkinson, Katy, Texas.

Twenty-eight children under four years of age were run over and killed in this state last year.

Twenty-nine persons were killed while jaywalking in this state last year.



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CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OBSERVED

Church School Day was observed on April 21 by many churches. Others have observed the day with a program and offering since that date. Up to May 27 the churches listed below had reported to Mr. Dunham. Is your church in this list?

Church School Day Offerings Received  
Up to May 27, 1940

|                      |         |
|----------------------|---------|
| Asheville District   |         |
| Montmorenci .....    | \$ 1.00 |
| Swannanoa .....      | 1.86    |
| Tabernacle .....     | 3.00    |
| Oakley .....         | 5.00    |
| Black Mountain ..... | 10.00   |
| Total .....          | 20.86   |

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|----------------------------------|--------|
| Charlotte District               |        |
| Duncan Memorial .....            | 4.00   |
| New Hope (Bethel-New Hope) ..... | 4.00   |
| Moore's .....                    | 4.77   |
| Trinity .....                    | 5.00   |
| Calvary .....                    | 11.34  |
| Spencer Memorial .....           | 11.75  |
| Myers Park .....                 | 34.25  |
| First, Charlotte .....           | 135.22 |
| Total .....                      | 210.33 |

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| Elkin District       |       |
| West Jefferson ..... | 1.00  |
| Smith Grove .....    | 2.71  |
| Elkin .....          | 11.15 |
| Cooleemee .....      | 12.00 |
| Total .....          | 26.86 |

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| Gastonia District             |       |
| Boger City .....              | 2.50  |
| South Point .....             | 2.70  |
| Stanley .....                 | 2.85  |
| Concord (Bessemer City) ..... | 3.25  |
| Dallas .....                  | 3.26  |
| East Gastonia .....           | 3.40  |
| Bethesda (Lowell) .....       | 4.12  |
| Bessemer City .....           | 4.50  |
| McKendree (Lincoln Ct.) ..... | 4.55  |
| Cramerton .....               | 5.00  |
| Elbethel (Shelby Ct.) .....   | 5.00  |
| Sharon (Shelby Ct) .....      | 5.00  |
| Pleasant Grove (Crouse) ..... | 5.95  |
| Kadesh (Belwood) .....        | 6.00  |
| Smyre .....                   | 10.16 |
| Total .....                   | 68.24 |

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|-------------------------------|--------|
| Greensboro District           |        |
| Grace (former M.E.S.) .....   | 3.00   |
| Summerfield .....             | 4.52   |
| Bessemer .....                | 6.10   |
| Main Street, Reidsville ..... | 12.47  |
| College Place .....           | 15.33  |
| Glenwood .....                | 17.00  |
| West Market Street .....      | 51.53  |
| Total .....                   | 109.95 |

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|---------------------------------|-------|
| Marion District                 |       |
| Bethel (McDowell) .....         | 1.00  |
| Mt. Pleasant (Morganton Ct.) .. | 2.25  |
| Rutherford College .....        | 2.50  |
| Oak Grove (Bostic) .....        | 5.91  |
| Rutherfordton .....             | 10.62 |
| Total .....                     | 22.28 |

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| Salisbury District            |      |
| Unity (Landis) .....          | 1.50 |
| New Mt. Tabor (Friendship) .. | 1.65 |
| Kerr Street .....             | 1.75 |
| Oak Grove (Landis) .....      | 2.35 |

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| Harmony .....                 | 2.46  |
| Bethel (Friendship) .....     | 2.69  |
| Main Street, Salisbury .....  | 2.78  |
| First Street, Albemarle ..... | 6.31  |
| Jackson Park .....            | 7.00  |
| Norwood .....                 | 8.00  |
| Spencer .....                 | 10.00 |
| First, Salisbury .....        | 14.78 |
| China Grove .....             | 20.00 |
| Total .....                   | 81.27 |

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|-----------------------------|-------|
| Statesville District        |       |
| Mount Herman (Hudson) ..... | 1.30  |
| Hudson .....                | 2.50  |
| Vanderburg .....            | 2.52  |
| Troutman .....              | 9.07  |
| Whitnel .....               | 12.00 |
| Central, Mooresville .....  | 15.12 |
| Total .....                 | 42.51 |

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| Waynesville District |       |
| Balsam .....         | .50   |
| Andrews .....        | 4.15  |
| Waynesville .....    | 10.00 |
| Total .....          | 14.65 |

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|----------------------------------|--------|
| Winston-Salem District           |        |
| New Hope (Doubs) .....           | 2.25   |
| Crews .....                      | 3.00   |
| Main Street, Kernersville .....  | 3.12   |
| Lewisville Charge .....          | 5.00   |
| Prospect (Thomasville Ct.) ..... | 5.00   |
| Marvin .....                     | 5.00   |
| Mount Tabor .....                | 9.71   |
| Centenary, Winston-Salem .....   | 236.38 |
| Total .....                      | 269.46 |
| Grand total .....                | 866.41 |

We are grateful for these contributions which are vital in carrying on our work. Free programs are still available on request. If your church is not listed above, will you see that it observes Church School Day during June? The offering should be sent to Mr. H. A. Dunham, 62 Patton Avenue, Asheville, N. C.

VACATION SCHOOL REPORTED

**Arnon Plains aand Harmony Grove**  
The first vacation school reported for this year began on May 1, with an enrollment of 61 children. Rev. W. F. Beadle, Canton, N. C., sends this report from Arnon Plains and Harmony Grove. We are delighted to know about this early and excellent beginning.

**Bethlehem-Catawba Charge**  
Closely following Mr. Beadle's school was the one reported by Mrs. Ruby Miller. This school began on May 6 with an enrollment of 55 children. Excellent work is being done in this church.

**Rowan**  
Rev. Courtney B. Ross is number three! There were 64 children in this school, and Mr. Ross says, "We know that much was accomplished and next year will find us with an even better school at Rowan." Now is surely the time to begin planning for that school for next year. That means that the vacation school is a definite part of the church school work.

HELPING OTHERS HAVE VACA-  
TION SCHOOLS

Last year we received the first report of a vacation school for Negro children, held in co-operation with the Methodist church at Andrews. Rev. G. N. Dulin, pastor of the church at Andrews, reported this school, with the statement that both colored and white workers gained much from the experience, and that the children were delighted.

A few days ago Miss Vivian Moore, one of Mr. Dulin's workers, wrote that a similar school is being planned for this year, and for two weeks. Miss Moore sent the following comment from Mrs. John Christy, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service: "One of the most satisfying pieces of work we ever entered into was the vacation school for colored children last summer. The boys and girls were most enthusiastic and responsive." And from Mr. Dulin: "The response of the children and their ability to measure up in the work was astonishing. Our services were highly appreciated by the Negroes."

A similar school is being planned in Salisbury, with workers from the First Methodist church and the Colored M. E. church co-operating. Mrs. W. P. Moore, Mrs. White Goodson, and Mrs. Alva Little are meeting this week with the colored workers to plan their school.

Have you been able to help some other group have a vacation school? If you are planning to give such help, please report it to us. Others will be interested!

MOUNTAIN ROAD

O sunlit road to yonder height,  
How very brave you are!  
You scale the wildest mountain-side  
To reach your goal afar!

Full many a winding curve you take  
Past crag and torrent swift;  
You fear not gorge nor precipice,  
Nor yet the sheerest cliff.

The rocks give way to make your path  
As upward still you go;  
And great breezes sigh your even-song  
As lonely breezes blow.

What vistas from your wayside greet  
The eager traveler's eye,  
Whose very soul looks out to see  
Great mountains touch the sky.

And close below, a curl of smoke  
Ascending on the breeze,  
To mark a place where human souls  
Companion with hills and trees.

On, on you climb, O mountain road;  
And though at last you turn  
To face the valley once again,  
The strength of hills you've learned.

O give me, Lord, an upward reach,  
And strength and course high,  
That, like the dear brave mountain  
road,  
My goal be toward the sky.

—Elisabeth F. Whisner.

A friend should bear his friend's in-  
firmities.—Shakespeare.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### LOOKING FORWARD

Speaking to a vast congregation of people in St. Paul Methodist church in Goldsboro recently, Mrs. E. L. Hillman struck enthusiastic and hopeful notes which we shall do well to deliberate. Said she: "We women have felt that when we have put our forces together in the woman's work we have done our duty, but with the union we have determined that in this new Methodist organization we shall be Christian first, Methodist second and members of the missionary society third. In the new Methodist church we find the words 'to place the whole missionary program into the whole church.' The greatest thing that can come in the North Carolina conference is a deepening of the Christian spirit. The new Woman's Society for Christian Service is going to be an organization full of vitality and ideals."

### SONGS OF ZION

A most interesting and enriching Bible study was held at Edenton Street church recently under the direction of Mrs. James Allison, study leader of the woman's auxiliary. Mrs. Paul Garber, Durham, led the women in a study of "Songs of Zion," the current Bible study text. Joining with the Edenton Street women were visitors from Cary, Person Street, Fairmont, Jenkins Memorial and Millbrook auxiliaries.

### BEAUFORT-HYDE ZONE

The spring meeting of the Beaufort-Hyde zone, Elizabeth City district, was held in the Methodist church in Bath on May 8. Mrs. Earl Meekins, zone leader, presided. Rev. E. N. Harrison led the opening worship. Mrs. R. B. Davis welcomed the visitors and Mrs. Cowan responded. Mrs. J. L. Lelaney, district secretary, led the pledge service. "Gleanings from the Annual Conference" were given by Mrs. Jimmie Hodges. Mrs. Mary Justus led the study hour. Mrs. H. C. Carter conducted the memorial service. Mrs. M. O. Fletcher talked on "Women and United Methodism." Miss Zoa Anna Davis conducted retreat hour, using the theme "The Gift of Friendship." Mrs. C. K. Wright sang "Dear Lord and Father of Man-kind" and Mr. Wright closed the devotional service. A delicious luncheon was served by the Bath, Bethany and Asbury auxiliaries.

### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

The Rocky Mount district conference was held in the Methodist church in Wilson on May 15 with Mrs. Fred Johnson, district secretary, presiding. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick led the morning and afternoon devotionals, using the theme for the day, "God's Power and How It May Be Released in Me." Mrs. V. F. Moss gave words of welcome, to which Mrs. B. D. Critcher responded.

Mr. Olin Winstead sang "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go." The annual conference was reviewed briefly by each delegate. Other speakers and the causes which they represented were: Young women's circles, Mrs. P. E. Mallison; Christian social relations, Mrs. T. P. Dixon; children's work, Mrs. J. F. Shoulders; study, Mrs. J. L. Midgett; supplies, Mrs. W. L. Knight; Scarritt College, Mrs. W. R. Bradley; World Outlook, Mrs. A. E. Simmons. The conference voted to help Miss Viola Nethery, who is attending Scarritt College. Mrs. J. M. Gray presented life memberships to the following babies of the Wilson church: Marie Anderson Watson, Alpheus Branch Carr, Jr., John M. W. Crute, Jr. The high light of the program was an address by Mrs. E. L. Hillman. Stating that "It is fitting that we need to know what is going on in our mission fields," she spoke of Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, who reviewed the work so clearly at the recent annual conference; told of Bishop Guerra of Mexico, who spoke recently in Goldsboro and told briefly of the General Conference in Atlantic City and of the Jurisdictional Conference in Asheville. The conference closed with a pledge service led by the zone leaders.—Mrs. L. C. Larkin.

### BISHOP MOORE HONORED

The government of China has honored Bishop Arthur J. Moore by conferring upon him an award of honor in recognition of his services in the field of human relief. The award was given by special act of the Executive Yuan of the Government of the Chinese Republic, and was signed by Dr. H. H. King, prime minister and brother-in-law of Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek.

Bishop Moore has been in charge of Methodist work in China since 1934. Upon the outbreak of the war he organized the missionaries of his church for a special campaign of relief for the homeless and suffering people and made an appeal to Methodists in America for aid. Through his instrumentality over \$300,000 was contributed for relief and restoration of church property destroyed by the Japanese armies.

Speaking of the action of the Chinese government, Bishop Moore said: "This is not a personal honor, but a grateful recognition by the government of China of the unselfish and heroic service of the missionaries, who by their heroism and devotion have written a golden page in the book of Christian service. I like to think also that it was intended for those countless thousands of men, women and children in the churches in America who gave that the people of China might live."—Missionary Bulletin.

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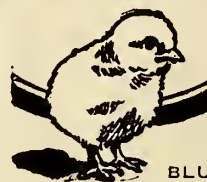
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TRUST IN GOD

I do not say what God shall do,  
Nor make him subject to my will.  
I know his love and wisdom, too,  
Are all that's needed to fulfill  
His good and helpful plan for me,  
Which in his own time I shall see,  
And with his will be satisfied,  
And in his love for aye abide.

—Frederick W. Neve.

NEW LITERATURE FOR MIS-  
SIONARY SOCIETIES

An item of special interest to the missionary societies is found in the Missionary Bulletin for June, from which we find that the new literature for the societies of the new church is now on the press and will be ready for distribution in July.

The Bulletin says: "As the beginning of the new year in the Woman's Work of the Methodist Episcopal Church previously has been in September, in the Methodist Protestant Church in May, and in the M. E. Church, South, in January, it was necessary for some adjustments to be made in order for all to come together. The committee working on the new literature decided to have the first program planned for September of 1940. There will be two attractive booklets, and a map showing all the work of the women throughout the world. One booklet will contain the program material, which will have the title, Investing Our Heritage. The monthly studies will discuss such subjects as 'Investing Our Heritage for Minority Groups and Interracial Co-operation,' 'Investing Our Heritage in Interdenominational Co-operative Work,' and 'Our Stewardship for Christian Citizenship.' The other booklet will carry the worship services for the 12 months. The map, which is frequently referred to in the program booklet, is necessary in order for one to have a mental picture and an intelligent understanding of the united work of the women. The new material will be mailed to conference officers in July and it is earnestly urged that every auxiliary throughout the church begin using it in September."

A BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY  
OBSERVED

A meeting of unusual interest in the woman's missionary society of Rutherford College was the annual observance of the birthday gathering at the home of Mrs. P. M. Rutherford, at which time each member made an offering equivalent to the number of days in her birth month—a custom initiated by Mrs. Rutherford several years ago.

The program for the afternoon was in charge of Mrs. J. I. Spinks, and opened with a period of silent prayer which was closed by Rev. J. R. Duncan, pastor of the church. The scrip-

ture lesson was read by Miss Sarah Lowder and followed by a poem effectively read by Mrs. J. E. Bolick, giving a "negro preacher's conception of God's creation of man as a living soul."

The missionary topic for the afternoon was Isabella Thoburn—Creator of Ideals, and an inspiring account of her life as the first missionary sent out by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, was given by Mrs. G. T. Whitely. A business item of special interest for the afternoon was the adoption by the auxiliary of a resolution recommending the building a new personage, a project for which the society has been working and creating a fund over a period of years.

A number of reports of the officers were of outstanding interest, that of the spiritual life leader showing that three meetings had been held the preceding month, one of which was a cottage prayer meeting. The World Day of Prayer was observed by the auxiliary. An increase in the membership of the business woman's circle was reported by Mrs. L. C. Johnston—a special project being the re-opening of the local library with their counselor, Mrs. Zeb Barnhardt, as librarian.

The young woman's circle was also reported by Mrs. T. V. Goode as interested and enthusiastic, with attractive programs each month. This circle has adopted as its name "The Sarah Lowder Circle" in honor of their deaconess from Rutherford College.

It is interesting to note that a study club under the leadership of the chairmen of international relations, world peace, Christian citizenship and law observance has been recently organized.

At the close of the program a social hour was enjoyed with Mrs. T. P. Bumgarner, Mrs. Willis Lachot and Mrs. Marvin Lowder as joint hostesses with Mrs. Rutherford.

NEW SOCIETY ON STATESVILLE  
DISTRICT

Letter from Mrs. T. V. Goode, district secretary of Statesville district, brings us news of the organization of a new woman's society at Gamewell church Sunday, May 26. Mrs. B. F. Williams, Mrs. George Greer, Mrs. Wake Myers and Mrs. W. I. Pitts, all of whom are officers in the Lenoir auxiliary, by appointment went to Gamewell and organized the society with 11 members, with Mrs. Will Tuttle as president. The organization bids fair to be a most successful one and we are happy to welcome this new group into our "conference family" and wish for them a great year in their new work and hope their organization will grow and prosper.

We deeply regret that reports of interesting zone meetings which have been sent us have been delayed in appearing on our woman's page, due to our limited space. The three meetings reported to us, all of which were interesting and enjoyable occasions, were the Stanly county zone meeting held at Badin and reported by Mrs. J. D. Bivins, the versatile secretary of that organization; the meeting of zone two of the Greensboro and High Point districts held at Wesley Memorial church, with a program of great interest, reported by the secretary for the day, Mrs. Virgil Moffitt, and the meeting of zone three, also of the Greensboro and High Point districts held at Centenary church in Greensboro, with Mrs. Don McGlohon reporting as secretary. Each of these meetings had its features of unusual interest and each of them was well attended, with inspirational and uplifting programs—and we are sure were occasions that were helpful to the auxiliaries represented. We feel greatly indebted to the three splendid secretaries for their reports and hope that we may be able to give them the space desired for the meetings due to be held in the fall.

To have an ideal is to have an object superior to the action of each day; it is to be, although one may do it, superior to what one does.—Leon Bourgeois.

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### WINNING THE FIGHT

A few more sunshiny days will enable our boys to win their first skirmish with General Green. The fact that our farm squad has planted and is preparing to plant the largest crop yet attempted by any Children's Home squad and the fact that our high school boys are still in school where they will remain till the 11th of June have caused us to get behind with our cultivation of farm crops. The truck farm squad is in better shape, the younger boys having been out of school since May 22 and having been able to deliver themselves in a whole-hearted way to the truck farm demands. In order to catch up with the farm work the larger boys are hurrying home from school and catching the old rickety bus for the fields, one bus leaving at 2:30 and the other at 3:30 in the afternoon. They fight Johnson grass, crab grass and other cohorts of General Green until nearly six o'clock when they come in, ready for a hearty supper and then some hard study for their examinations. The boys say that they are the Allies and that they are in a fight to the end with General Green and that General Green must be defeated.

### STITCH IN TIME

As time and opportunity permit Miss Smith, our nurse, and her assistants are co-operating with the city health department in inoculating our children against all preventable diseases. All this work has now been done except the giving of the typhoid serum, which has been postponed a few weeks until we catch up with some of our work. The boys cannot work on General Green quite so well when typhoid serum is working on them. The girls cannot mend, sew, cook and look after the homes and the children quite so well when fevered up with typhoid antitoxin. But the typhoid stitch will be taken in time.

### HONOR SEATS

Our high school boys and girls go to church school and church services at Centenary Methodist church. The grammar grade boys and girls have their Sunday school here on the Home grounds and then go over to Centenary to church services each Sunday. The beginner and primary boys and girls have their Sunday schools here and do not go to town to preaching services. Last Sunday our grammar grade boys and girls, the extent of about 125, decided they would like to begin visiting some other Winston-Salem Methodist churches and therefore voted to go over to Ardmore Methodist church. It was our thought to slip into the balcony of this beautiful

auditorium unheralded and unnoticed. By the time we were forming ourselves near the church we were observed by N. L. Lancaster and C. C. Smithdeal, two good Ardmore laymen, who conferred with their pastor, Rev. J. H. Brendall, Jr., and arrangements were made for our group to be seated in the front of the church as honor guests. After fitting notice of our presence was observed by the pastor and a truly worshipful service and good sermon were enjoyed, the pastor asked his congregation to remain standing while our boys and girls filed out. Our youngsters enjoyed their visit so much as to keep reminding us of their desire to go again.

### MR. MURRAY LEAVES

William D. Murray, better known to us as "Bill," has been elected and has accepted the position of director of athletics and head coach of football at the University of Delaware. Mr. Murray will leave for his new work soon after the first of August. He will be at the Children's Home until that time, doing such summer work as has been agreed upon. Mr. Murray came to the Children's Home from Duke University during the summer of 1931 following his graduation in June, and has been with us during the intervening nine years. As principal of our elementary school and director of our athletics he has been outstandingly successful. We regret to lose him. However, we were not in position to stand in the way of his flattering financial offer and promising coaching experience in his new field. We wish him much success in his new venture.

### THE NEW SET UP

The going of Mr. Murray brings about some changes in our school and athletic organization. Miss Sarah Richardson, who has been a successful teacher in our school for 11 years, will be recommended to the city school board for election as principal of our school. Mr. Wilburn C. Clary, who has been assistant coach of football and basket ball and head coach of baseball for the past two years, will become director of athletics. To be associated with him as an assistant we have chosen William Edwards, one of our own boys who graduated from Brevard Col-

lege and later from Appalachian State Teachers College with an enviable record. William, better known to us as "Bill," is a towering giant in physique and was an outstanding football player at Appalachian. He will be a fitting understudy to Mr. Clary, who has proved his value and worth in no unmistakable way during the two years he has been with us, he having come to us following his graduation from the University of South Carolina. Associated with Mr. Clary and Mr. Edwards will be another one of our boys, James Malcolm, who, after spending a year at Appalachian State Teachers College, has been directing the athletics of our junior boys.

The coaching activities of these three young men are not their major lines of activity. Mr. Clary and Mr. Edwards will be teachers in our elementary school and Mr. Malcolm will be director of the younger boys on the truck farm. Mrs. W. J. Fishel, another teacher in our school, will have charge of the girls' basket ball, as heretofore.

### PATIENCE, PLEASE

We are not getting our case work done as rapidly as we anticipated. Some promises for visitation have not been lived up to. We are just not able to do more than we can do. As time elapses every case will be visited and a report of its merits made to those most interested. We are beginning to place some of our children back into rehabilitated homes and will go along with this procedure in line with careful evaluation, common sense and justice to all concerned. As some retire others will come. In the meantime we urge patience as a Christian virtue.

### THE SMITHIES

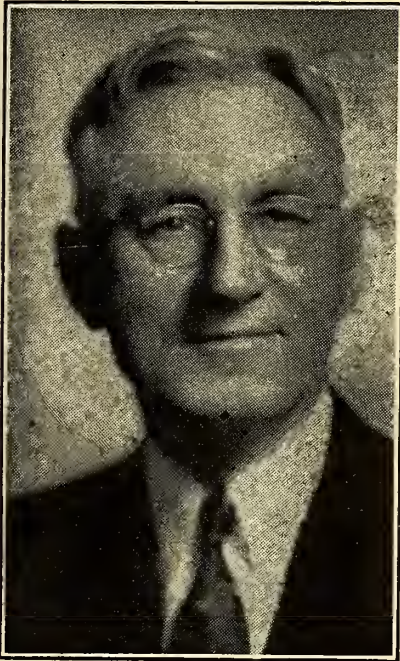
The picture this week is that of the little girls who live in the Smith building, along with their home mother, Mrs. Pheobe Emmons. These lovely little girls like to claim A. M. Smith of Elkin as their grandfather, he having many years ago provided their building and throughout the years continued to provide them candy and other gifts from time to time. Every little girl in the Smith building old enough to go to school was promoted except one, who came in late in the school year. We love our Smithies.



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**SINGING CLASS**—Mrs. Nellie Rives says: "May 26 the singing class was scheduled to be at Magnolia with a concert for the morning service. Rev. C. J. Andrews, pastor in charge, was in Winterville helping with a meeting. Mr. Homer Taylor, who has charge of the church school, held the opening service. It has been quite a long while since we visited with this people. We were glad to have the opportunity to serve them again. Our visit was a pleasant one."

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friends who have worked so diligently to secure this much needed electric range.

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**NASHVILLE**—In the absence of Brother E. R. Clegg, I filled his appointment in Nashville the last Sunday in May. Brother Clegg was at Jarvis Memorial church in Greenville, supplying the pulpit for Brother T. M. Grant in his absence. I was delighted to meet many of my Nashville friends whom I have known for a good, long while. The congregation was not large, but representative, and the attention that was given me was all that any speaker could desire. I was delighted to take dinner with Mr. and Mrs. James A. Glover. Mr. Glover is superintendent of public welfare in Nash county, and is chairman of the board of stewards of the Nashville Methodist church. I was happy to be guest in their hospitable home. Brother Clegg is doing fine work in Nashville, and I rely upon the members of the church for their generous support of the Orphanage.

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**HONORED GUESTS** — The third Sunday in this month the Wesley Merritt Bible class of Roxboro honored the Methodist Orphanage with its presence. There were thirty men in the group, and Mr. A. W. Pridgen and Mrs. Mary Y. Allred showed them every possible courtesy while on their visit to us. I regretted my inability to be present, as I had two preaching engagements on that Sunday. Mr. J. A. Long, who for some time was a member of our board of trustees, and is a member of the class, wrote about their visit as follows: "It was with deep regret that we did not see you in Raleigh on Sunday. Fortunately you had excellent substitutes in Mr. Pridgen and Mrs. Allred. It was a very happy and instructive day to the members of our class, and I want you and the boys and girls at the Orphanage to know that we thoroughly enjoyed being with them. I wish you continued success in your work, and I am deeply impressed with the fine job that you are doing."

### MOTIVES

There is an old fable about a dog that boasted of his ability as a runner. One day he gave chase to a rabbit and failed to catch it. The other dogs made all manner of fun over him. He retorted, "Remember, the rabbit was running for his life and I was only running for my dinner."

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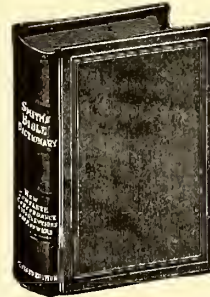
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| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wilkinson ..... | 10  |
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| 2*Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham .....         | 5   |
| Leicester-Grace, A. F. Phibbs .....        | 4½  |
| *Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea .....         | 3½  |
| Brevard, E. P. Billups .....               | 3   |
| Fletcher, H. E. Bolick .....               | 2½  |
| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....                 | 2½  |
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| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman .....        | 2   |

### Charlotte

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| 3*Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ....              | 48 |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ..              | 40 |
| 3*Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F. Womble ..... | 16 |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....                | 15 |
| 3*Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie .....            | 7½ |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..               | 7  |
| Calvary, S. M. Needham .....                   | 7  |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....              | 6  |
| Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease .....              | 6  |
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| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....                  | 5½ |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....              | 4  |
| *Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....                  | 4  |
| Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman.....                 | 1  |
| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....                 | 1  |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....                      | 1  |
| Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins .....                 | 1  |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....             | 1  |
| Bethel-Bogers, E. R. Edwards .....             | 1  |

### Elkin

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| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....     | 33½ |
| 7*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....      | 30  |
| 3*Boone P. W. Townsend .....         | 11½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner..     | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....            | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....              | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....       | 8½  |
| Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....         | 6½  |
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| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene ....    | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....          | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....           | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....      | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....       | 4   |
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| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....             | 2   |
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### Gastonia

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| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....     | 20  |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....       | 14  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey    | 6   |
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| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....      | 1½  |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....         | 1   |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....       | 1   |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....         | 1   |

### Greensboro

|                                        |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger.. | 22  |
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....        | 21½ |
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....         | 7½  |
| Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....          | 5½  |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....           | 5½  |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....         | 5½  |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....        | 5   |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....        | 5   |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham 4½    |     |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogdon .....          | 4½  |
| Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse .....     | 4   |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow .....      | 4   |
| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy .....     | 4   |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....          | 2   |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....               | 2   |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle .....      | 2   |
| Bethel-Battleground, B. W. Lefler..    | 2   |
| *Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....      | 1½  |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....       | 1   |
| Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....           | 1   |
| College Place, R. M. Courtney ...      | 1   |
| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick .....     | 1   |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....      | 1   |

### High Point

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....          | 18  |
| Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....          | 13  |
| 2*S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington ...  | 12  |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....    | 11½ |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr..   | 11½ |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....        | 8   |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....        | 7   |
| *Calvary, D. V. Howell .....         | 5   |
| *Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....     | 4½  |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams .....  | 4   |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley 3½  |     |
| *Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger  | 3   |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....       | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II 2½ |     |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....           | 2   |
| Richland, C. L. Grant .....          | 1½  |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....            | 1   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor    | 1   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....           | 1   |
| Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....      | 1   |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....      | 1   |

### Marion

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....        | 7  |
| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley....    | 5  |
| *Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....     | 4½ |
| Spindale, F. J. Stough .....        | 3½ |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....            | 2½ |
| Rutherfordton, F. C. Smathers.....  | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....        | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace .....   | 2  |
| Linville Falls, McRae Crawford ...  | 2  |
| Micaville-Tipton Hill, H. H. Cash.. | 1  |

### Salisbury

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton.....    | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....          | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....         | 10  |
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....      | 10  |
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....        | 7½  |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner     | 7   |
| First, W. B. West .....             | 6   |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler..... | 6   |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson ..   | 5½  |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..  | 5   |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge ..... | 4½  |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....     | 4   |
| Rocky Ridge, H. O. Robbins .....    | 4   |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....      | 3   |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....      | 2½  |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores 2    |     |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....           | 1½  |

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|--------------------------------------|----|
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 1½ |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1  |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1  |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1  |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1  |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1  |

### Statesville

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins .. | 30½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison ....  | 28  |
| Central, John W. Moore .....       | 13  |
| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham    | 8   |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....        | 7½  |
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....        | 6   |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....        | 3   |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....      | 2   |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....      | 1   |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....         | 1   |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr .....     | 1   |
| Race Street, F. H. Price .....     | 1   |
| Shepherds, A. G. Lackey .....      | 1   |
| Olin, P. F. Snider .....           | 1   |

### Waynesville

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| *Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 11 |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9  |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry .....  | 8  |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½ |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2  |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2  |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½ |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 1½ |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 1  |
| Culowhee, W. L. Lanier .....    | 1  |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....       | 1  |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1  |

### Winston-Salem

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 9*Community, J. C. Auman .....      | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....         | 17½ |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen ..... | 14½ |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....      | 14½ |
| *Grace, R. L. Forbis .....          | 6   |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....    | 5   |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....     | 5   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....         | 4½  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....      | 4   |
| N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....   | 4   |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....          | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ... | 3   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....          | 2½  |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison    | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....          | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way  | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....      | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....     | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter   | 1   |

### Durham

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Burlington, Davis St., F.W.Paschall | 31  |
| 3*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....       | 25  |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ..      | 12½ |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....          | 9   |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....             | 8   |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds....     | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....            | 5½  |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....        | 5   |
| Sweepsonville, T. B. Hough .....      | 4½  |
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele .....         | 4   |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton .....          | 4   |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love..   | 4   |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. ....     | 3   |
| Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser ...    | 3   |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson .....       | 3   |
| Milton, D. I. Garner .....            | 2½  |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps ....     | 2   |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson ....       | 2   |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth .....     | 2   |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe .....   | 1½  |
| Graham, J. R. Edwards .....           | 1½  |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton .....       | 1½  |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe .....           | 1   |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish .....    | 1   |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer .....           | 1   |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early .....          | 1   |

### Elizabeth City

|                                    |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| 4*Williamston, S. J. Starnes ..... | 14 |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness .....       | 9½ |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt .....     | 6  |
| Washington, L. B. Jones .....      | 5  |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick .....     | 4  |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe .....          | 3  |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon .....   | 2½ |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson .....     | 2  |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon .....      | 2  |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford .....   | 1½ |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis..   | 1  |




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|----------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Roper, M. R. Gardner .....                         | 1   |
| Swan Quarter-Fairfield, E.G.Cowan ..               | 1   |
| Fayetteville                                       |     |
| Siler City, C. F. Heath .....                      | 15½ |
| 2*Person St.-Calvary, M.W.Warren ..                | 13½ |
| *Sanford, Allen P. Brantley .....                  | 12½ |
| 5*Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons .....                   | 11  |
| *Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams ..               | 10½ |
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown .....                      | 9½  |
| *Red Springs, B. T. Hurley .....                   | 8½  |
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe .....                     | 7½  |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood .....                    | 7   |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer .....                 | 6½  |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar .....                       | 5½  |
| *Maxton, T. R. Jenkins .....                       | 5   |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson .....                         | 3½  |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore .....                        | 3   |
| West End, W. F. Keeler .....                       | 3   |
| Broadway, J. W. Page .....                         | 2½  |
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette..                   | 2   |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton .....                      | 2   |
| Lane, J. D. A. Autry .....                         | 1½  |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard .....                        | 1½  |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning .....                     | 1½  |
| Raeford, E. C. Crawford .....                      | 1½  |
| New Bern                                           |     |
| Mt. Olive-Calypto, R. G. Dawson..                  | 4   |
| Goldsboro, W. C. Ball .....                        | 3   |
| Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison..                | 2½  |
| Ayden, L. A. Tilley .....                          | 2   |
| New Bern, C. B. Culbreth .....                     | 2   |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston .....                     | 1½  |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....                         | 1½  |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens .....                 | 1   |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr. ....                      | 1   |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts .....                           | 1   |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow .....                       | 1   |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant .....                      | 1   |
| Morehead City Ct., M.O.Stephenson                  | 1   |
| Raleigh                                            |     |
| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone .....                    | 33  |
| 2*Fuquay, E. C. Durham .....                       | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb .....                     | 15½ |
| *Henderson, B. C. Reavis .....                     | 14½ |
| Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes .....                     | 6½  |
| 2*City Road-White Mem., J. K.<br>Worthington ..... | 6½  |
| *Princeton, J. W. Bradley .....                    | 5   |
| Person St., M. W. Lawrence .....                   | 3½  |
| Granville, J. P. Pegg .....                        | 3   |
| Selma, O. L. Hathaway .....                        | 3   |
| Edenton St., J. C. Glenn .....                     | 2   |
| Louisburg, J. G. Phillips .....                    | 2   |
| Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee .....                     | 1½  |
| Hayes Barton, Leon Russell .....                   | 1½  |
| Tar River, J. A. Martin .....                      | 1   |
| Jenkins Mem., J. A. Dailey .....                   | 1   |
| Rocky Mount                                        |     |
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer .....                    | 11  |
| *Farmville, D. A. Clarke .....                     | 6   |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams .....                    | 5½  |
| 2*McKendree, L. B. Pattishall .....                | 5½  |
| 2*Marvin, N. W. Grant .....                        | 4   |
| Weldon, B. P. Robinson .....                       | 4   |
| *Kenley, E. M. Hall .....                          | 3   |
| Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome .....                  | 3   |
| Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane .....                  | 2   |
| Bethel, M. Y. Self .....                           | 2   |
| Enfield, B. D. Critcher .....                      | 2   |
| Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington                | 2   |
| Warrenton, J. O. Long .....                        | 1½  |
| First, E. L. Hillman .....                         | 1   |
| Northampton, W. L. Maness .....                    | 1   |
| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount .....                    | 1   |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd .....                          | 1   |
| Wilmington                                         |     |
| 2*Hallsboro, C. A. Jones .....                     | 11  |
| 2*Southport, R. S. Harrison .....                  | 7   |
| Carver's Creek, G. C. Wood .....                   | 7   |
| *Epworth, Walter Pavy .....                        | 6   |
| Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson                 | 4½  |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters .....                        | 4   |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner .....                       | 3   |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, I. T. Poole                | 2   |
| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew .....                   | 2   |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews..                   | 1½  |
| Bladen, R. L. Vickory .....                        | 1½  |
| Trinity, R. L. Jerome .....                        | 1   |
| Grace, J. F. Herbert .....                         | 1   |
| Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift .....                 | 1   |
| Chadbourn, E. C. Maness .....                      | 1   |
| St. Paul, A. C. Lee .....                          | 1   |
| Roseboro, C. S. Hubbard .....                      | 1   |

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# Children's



# Storyland

## A MAY DAY SURPRISE

By Philippa Q. Richardson

The first day of May Bobby and Betty Bell got up very early in the morning and crept out of the house as quietly as two little mice. They hurried to the big garden back of the house to pick some spring flowers. They were going to make a May basket to surprise their mother.

When they had filled the basket with flowers they sat down to rest for a minute. Betty looked over at the little red house where Billy Brown lived. He waved to Bobby and Betty. They waved back to him. Billy was lame and had to sit in a chair all the time.

"Billy's face looks sad," Betty said. "I suppose he wishes he could pick flowers, too."

"Yes, it must be hard to sit still all day," said Bobby.

"I have an idea," cried Betty. "Let's make a May basket for him."

"Oh, that's a good idea," Bobby said.

So the two children picked more spring flowers. Then they went home and just reached the house in time to hang mother's basket on the door knob and hide before she came down the stairs. When she saw it she called them and kissed them both and said, "What a lovely surprise!"

While they were eating breakfast Bobby and Betty told mother about their plan for Billy. Mother thought that it was a very nice plan. After breakfast Betty got a green basket that she liked very much and said that she would give it to Billy. When Bobby saw how generous Betty was he wanted to give Billy something, too. So he took his new book and put it in the bottom of the basket. Mother put in some sugar cookies and a glass of apple jelly. Betty arranged the flowers around the presents and the basket looked very pretty.

"Hurry," said mother, "or you'll be late for school." So off they ran.

They had planned to leave the basket at Billy's front door. But when they reached his house they saw that he was still sitting at the window. They did not want him to see them, so Betty hid the basket under her coat as they walked past the window. They went to the back door and hung it on the door knob. Bobby rang the bell, and then they ran down the road and hid behind a stone wall, so they would not be seen.

When they heard the door open they peeked out from behind the wall. Billy's mother took the basket and then she looked all around the porch to see if she could find who had left it. Of course she couldn't see Bobby and Betty. Then the children hurried off to school.

Betty and Bobby walked past Billy's house on their way home from school. Billy was sitting near the win-

## LITTLE MR. BY-AND-BY

Little Mr. By-and-By,  
You will mark him by his cry,  
And the way he loiters when  
Called again and yet again.  
Glum if he must leave his play,  
Though all time be holiday.

Little Mr. By-and-By,  
Eyes cast down and mouth awry!  
In the mountains of the moon  
He is known as Pretty Soon;  
And he's cousin to Don't Care,  
As, no doubt, you're well aware.

Little Mr. By-and-By  
Always has a fretful "Why?"  
When he's asked to come or go;  
Like his sister, Susan Slow.  
Hope we'll never—you nor I—  
Be like Mr. By-and-By.

—Selected.

dow reading Bobby's book, and they could see that he was smiling. The flowers and cookies were on the window sill beside him.

"I think he likes the surprise," Bobby said, "but he can't thank us because he doesn't know that we gave him the basket."

"That's so," said Betty, "but I think his happy face is the best thanks we could have."

"I think so, too," said Bobby, "and I am so glad we thought of this surprise, aren't you?"

"Yes, indeed," said Betty, happily.—  
The Story Picture Paper.

## THE RABBIT

The National Nature News tells us the fur of the rabbit has sixty different names in the fur trade. Its skins by various treatments are made to imitate fox, leopard, lion, tiger, mole, ermine, sable, mink, muskrat and squirrel. It may be my lady's apparently costly furs are but the cleverly dyed skins of humble rabbits.

This reminds us of a question and answer that appeared recently in the Houston Post.

"What is a rabbit?"

A rabbit is a little animal that grows fur that other animals get credit for when mamma wears it.—Our Dumb Animals.

Pedestrian (to boy leading a skinny mongrel pup): "What kind of a dog is that, my boy?"

Boy: "This is a police dog."

Pedestrian: "That doesn't look like a police dog."

Boy: "Nope, it's in the secret service."

## A BIRD STORY

Do birds think? Let me tell you of a little bird I once had. The little bird was a female mockingbird, which had a nest of young ones about a week old. The baby birds were very unhealthy, inheriting weakness from their father, that had asthma.

Early one morning I was awakened by the mother bird standing on my pillow, pouring into my ear the most mournful notes I ever heard. I knew something was wrong, and arose at once. The mother flew to her nest—then looked to see if I was following, which I was. As soon as I reached the nest, she took hold of one of the baby birds' wings, pinched it gently with her beak, and watched it eagerly, I think, to see if it moved. Then she took hold one of the little feet, and pinched it in the same manner; and, finding it did not move, she looked up at me in a pleading way, as if she wanted me to awaken them. I reached my hand out toward the nest. She stood aside and looked on with as much interest and feeling as any young human mother.

I examined the lifeless little bodies, and when I withdrew my hand, the mother hastened to hover over the little ones, seeming to think that, if she could warm them, they would awaken. In a few moments she hopped off the nest, looked at her babies, held food close to their mouths, and coaxed and called them; but in vain. She flew all around the room, as if in search of some untried remedy. Several times she perched on my shoulder, and then looked so distressed and pitiful I could scarcely keep from crying. I put her in a cage and hung her in the sunshine, to see if she would become quiet. She took a bath, but still remained nervous and seemed anxious, and by and by grew so restless I had to take her out of the cage and let her go to the nest again.

She stood quite a while looking at her dead children. Then she went over all the bodies—pinching them gently, and watching them closely to see if they moved. When she saw no signs of life she seemed puzzled. She seemed at last to make up her mind the little ones were dead. And one by one she lifted them tenderly in her beak and laid them side by side in the middle of the room. She looked at them lovingly for a moment, then flew to her empty nest and gazed wonderingly into that. Finally she perched on my shoulder, and looked into my eyes as to ask: "What does all this mean?"

What a lesson of love and devotion that little bird taught! She always fed the little ones before taking a mouthful herself, and sometimes she would stand coaxing them to take one more mouthful and, finding they had enough, would swallow it herself.—Selected.



## Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 9

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By Rollin H. Walker

### Personal Responsibility

Scripture: Ezekiel 33:1-20

The Spirit of God revealed to Ezekiel that dread truth that if he refused to warn the people of the results that would surely come from their evil ways, God would require their blood at his hands. This is a painfully searching message for us all. It is also singularly strategic and applicable to the present generation.

It is not fashionable these days to talk religion except in churches. We have a commendable fear of cant and of self-righteous preachments, but we have certainly carried this fear too far. We let our neighbors tread the primrose path to destruction and give them no suggestion that we realize the grim and terrible tragedy that awaits them. God will judge us, says the prophet, if we do not do our part in the dissemination of unwelcome truth, and in warning both our immediate friends and the general public concerning the dangers that threaten them.

What, in particular, does this present generation need to be warned against? Of course, that differs with every person and every circumstance, but there are a few things that need to be said almost universally.

All youth needs to be warned of the stern fact that whatever they permit to dwell in their thoughts is almost sure to come out in their lives. A man cannot have an "imagination foul as Vulcan's smithy" and keep his actions clean.

And then church members need to be warned against the prevailing neglect of church attendance and the reading of the Bible, because any man who has no time for the church of God or the Holy Scriptures, is in supreme danger of meeting a moral Waterloo. The onslaught of temptation will come in an hour that he thinks not, and he will go down with a crash. The successive hypodermics for typhoid fever are not particularly pleasant, but they make us immune. So regular church attendance even when the preacher is not attractive, and Bible study that is not always thrilling, tend to give us a certain immunity from various types of sin.

And of course the man of today needs warning against confidence in wealth as a means of protection and security. Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; eat, drink, and be merry, is constantly repeated by the successors of the rich fool.

Perhaps the supreme need is a warning against the use of the slogan, Business is business; which means, We cannot be expected to apply the Golden Rule in this competitive civilization. But the saying, Business is business, in

the long run turns out to mean, Hell is hell. That is the trouble with the world today.

And in this connection the American people in particular need to be warned that unless we find some way to solve the problem of unemployment we will lose our democratic form of government. What does a man who is ragged and hungry care for democracy? He will go in for any dictator who gets him a job.

But Ezekiel's task was more than the ringing of the fire bell. He was bidden to peal out the chimes of hope. Nothing is the gospel that shows only the red light. It must also show the green light of encouragement. Many of Ezekiel's generation felt that God had turned away from them. They were hopelessly manacled by their sins. They said to the Lord, Thou hast hedged us about that we cannot get out; thou hast enclosed our ways with hewn stone. (Compare Psalm 40:12).

Ezekiel is bidden to say, in God's name, As I live, saith the Lord, Jehovah, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live. This is as sure, says God, as that I am alive. It is the very heart of my being to long for the repentance of sinners, and to give them help when they turn to me.

It is a curious fact that men today who lack that deep conviction of sin which often settled down upon their ancestors, also lack their faith in the possibility of deep and drastic repentance. They feel that the drunkard and the criminal are chained to their evil ways by natural law. But the Bible says, Though your sins be red like crimson they shall be whiter than snow. The light and cheer of this evangel should always suffuse our Christian gatherings. Jesus was all the time healing hopeless cases, and that is a sign and symbol of what he will do for the worst of sinners.

But, says the prophet, while God will forget a man's record of sin if he turns to righteousness, he will also forget his record of righteousness if he turns to sin. If a brawny athlete at the end of the football season ceases to exercise, all his past discipline and training will not keep him from getting fatty degeneration of the heart. Indeed, if he ceases to exercise, his strenuous past will make him all the more liable to the disease.

Everyone in some form is in danger of the seductive delusion that a past record of faithfulness justifies him in easing up a little toward the end. Of course, advancing age forces a man to slow down in his expenditure of nervous energy, but it does not at all justify him in being less given to prayer, less eager to hear the Word of God, less ready for every good work that is within the limits of his physical strength. There is no such thing as a storage battery of goodness. God asks, Adam, where art thou? not, Where have you been?

But, thank God, while we can store up no goodness that will excuse present neglect, if a man continues to be faithful he will find at the end that he has treasure in heaven, and that dividends have been piling up amazingly on his spiritual investments.—Christian Advocate.

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Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT  
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                                   |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----|
| DUKE PASTORS' SCHOOL                   | 3-8 |
| Front Street, 11                       | 9   |
| West Burlington, Glen Raven, 3         | 9   |
| Fountain Place, Glen Raven, 3          | 9   |
| Glen Raven, Glen Raven, 3              | 9   |
| Webb Avenue-Holt's, Webb Avenue, 7:30  | 9   |
| Alamance Ct., Rock Creek, 11           | 23  |
| Mt. Hermon Ct., Cedar Cliff, 3         | 23  |
| West Durham, E:30                      | 24  |
| Branson, 7:30                          | 26  |
| Graham, 11                             | 30  |
| Mebane, Central, at First Church, 7:30 | 30  |
| Mebane, First, 7:30                    | 30  |
| July                                   |     |
| Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 11         | 6   |
| Long Memorial, 11                      | 7   |
| Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2:30           | 7   |
| Brookside, Brookside, 7:30             | 7   |
| Duke Memorial, 7:30                    | 9   |
| Calvary, 7:30                          | 10  |
| Chapel Hill, 7:30                      | 11  |
| Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11         | 14  |
| Cedar Grove, Prospect, 3               | 14  |
| Davis Street, 7:30                     | 17  |
| Eno, 7:30                              | 18  |
| Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11         | 20  |
| Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11           | 21  |
| Swepsonville, Salem, 2:30              | 21  |
| Carboro, Massey's, 7:30                | 24  |
| Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 11               | 27  |
| Orange Ct., Hebron, 11                 | 28  |
| Burlington Ct., Glencoe, 3             | 28  |

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT  
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                              |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Pastors' School, Duke University, | 3-8 |
| Manteo, 11                        | 9   |
| Stumpy Point, Mashoes, 2:30       | 9   |
| Wanchese, night                   | 9   |
| Chowan, Evans, 11 and 1           | 12  |

|                                         |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| Lasquotank, Hall's Creek, 11 and 1      | 14 |
| Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1          | 15 |
| City Road, 11                           | 16 |
| Gatesville, Harrell's, 3                | 16 |
| North Gates, Parker's, 11               | 23 |
| Edenton, night                          | 23 |
| Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11              | 30 |
| Belhaven, Epworth, 3                    | 30 |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night | 30 |

| July                                     |       |
|------------------------------------------|-------|
| City Road, night                         | 3     |
| Kinnakeet, Salvo, night                  | 6     |
| Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11 | 7     |
| Creswell, Mt. Elma, 11                   | 14    |
| Roper, Rehobeth, 3                       | 14    |
| Plymouth, Jamesville, night              | 14    |
| Murfreesboro Intermediate Assembly       | 15-19 |
| South Mills, Sharon, 11 and 1            | 20    |
| Columbia, Wesley's 11                    | 21    |
| Williamston, night                       | 21    |
| Washington, 11                           | 28    |
| Bath, Wares, 3                           | 28    |
| Windsor, night                           | 18    |
| First Church, Elizabeth City, night      | 31    |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT  
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                          |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Hanlet, 11                    | 9  |
| Roberdel, Beaver Dam, 3       | 9  |
| Person Street-Calvary, 8      | 9  |
| Laurel Hill-Sneed's Grove, 11 | 16 |
| St. John, 3                   | 16 |
| Stedman, 8                    | 16 |
| Caledonia-John's, 11          | 23 |
| Red Springs, 5                | 23 |
| Parkton, Cotton, 8            | 23 |
| West End, Doub's Chapel, 11   | 30 |
| Laurinburg, 5                 | 30 |
| Maxton, 8                     | 30 |

| July                        |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 | 7  |
| Elberbe, Concord, 3         | 7  |
| Pine Bluff, 8               | 7  |
| Siler City, 11              | 14 |
| Glendon, Caribouton, 3      | 14 |
| Troy Ct., Brick Church, 8   | 14 |
| Biscoe, Star, 11            | 21 |
| Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3         | 21 |
| Troy, 8                     | 21 |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 11  | 28 |
| Rockingham, 8               | 28 |

NEW BERN DISTRICT  
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                            |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 11 | 9     |
| Grimesland, Wharton, 3          | 9     |
| O-racoke, 8                     | 11    |
| Pink Hill, Webbs, 11            | 15    |
| Morehead City Ct., Merrimon, 11 | 16    |
| Beaufort, North River, 3        | 16    |
| Harker's Island, 8              | 16-22 |
| Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11       | 23    |
| Pikeville-Elm Street, 3         | 23    |
| Dover, Asbury, 8                | 23    |
| Vanceboro, Chapman, 11          | 29    |
| Hookerton, Ormond's, 11         | 30    |
| Fremont, Yelverton, 3           | 30    |

| July                              |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| La Grange, Institute, 11          | 6  |
| Mt. Olive-Calyso, 11              | 7  |
| Seven Springs, Zion, 3            | 7  |
| Goldshoro Ct., Salem, 8           | 7  |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Browning's, 11     | 13 |
| Goldshoro, St. Paul, 11           | 14 |
| Jones, Shady Grove, 3             | 14 |
| Ayden, Winterville, 8             | 14 |
| Oriental, Kershaw, 11             | 20 |
| Newport, Oak Grove, 11            | 21 |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, Reelsboro, 3 | 21 |

RALEIGH DISTRICT  
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                                         |     |
|----------------------------------------------|-----|
| Pastors' School                              | 3-8 |
| Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11                  | 9   |
| City Road-White Memorial, White Memorial, 8  | 9   |
| Erwin, Angler, 11                            | 16  |
| Millbrook, Youngsville (revival services), 8 | 16  |
| Oxford, 8                                    | 19  |
| Henderson, Christ Church, 11                 | 23  |
| Vance, Harris Chapel, 3                      | 23  |
| Person Street, Epworth, 8                    | 23  |
| Henderson, First Church, 8                   | 24  |
| Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8                   | 26  |
| Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 11                   | 29  |
| Cary-Apex, Macedonia, 11                     | 30  |
| Louisburg, 8                                 | 30  |

Garner, Ebenezer, 11

Ballay, Sims, 8 (revival services)

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT  
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                             |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 11       | 9  |
| Littleton, Calvary, 3:30         | 9  |
| West Halifax, Hollister, 8       | 9  |
| Elm City, Zion, 11               | 16 |
| McKendree, Temperance Hall, 3:30 | 16 |
| Marvin, 8                        | 16 |
| Garysburg, Oak Grove, 11         | 21 |
| Conway, Severn, 11               | 22 |
| Seaboard, Sharon, 11             | 23 |
| Rich Square, Pinners, 3:30       | 23 |
| Rocky Mount, First Church, 8     | 23 |
| Northampton, Rehobeth, 11        | 28 |
| Spring Church, Pleasant Hill, 88 | 29 |
| Warrenton, 11                    | 30 |
| Warren, Prospect, 3:30           | 30 |
| Norlina, Jerusalem, 8            | 30 |

Middleburg, New Hope, 11

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Farmville, 11               | 7  |
| Walstonburg, 3:30           | 7  |
| Stantonsburg, 8             | 7  |
| Weldon, 8                   | 8  |
| Sandy Cross, Gold Valley, 8 | 10 |
| Rosemary, New Hope, 11      | 11 |
| Roanoke Rapids, 8           | 12 |
| Halifax, Ebenezer, 11       | 12 |
| Enfield, 8                  | 12 |
| Warrenton, Hebron, 11       | 13 |
| Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 | 14 |
| Nashville, York, 3:30       | 14 |
| Whitakers, McTyre, 8        | 14 |
| Kenly, Lucama, 8            | 17 |
| Wilson, 11                  | 21 |
| Saint Paul, 8               | 21 |

WILMINGTON DISTRICT  
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                                  |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Tabor City, Lebanon, 11               | 9  |
| Hallsboro, Peace, 3                   | 9  |
| Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, night          | 9  |
| Whiteville, 11                        | 16 |
| Bladen, Center, 3                     | 16 |
| Fairmont, Olivet, night               | 16 |
| Southport, 11                         | 23 |
| Shalotte, Camp, 3                     | 23 |
| Town Creek, Bethel, night             | 23 |
| Maysville, Pollocksville, 11          | 30 |
| Swansboro (place to be announced), 3  | 30 |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Verona, night | 30 |

Clinton, Keener, 11

Roseboro, McGees, 3

St. Pauls, St. Pauls, night

Rowland (place to be announced), 11

Pembroke (Indian Work), 3

Lumberton Ct., Buies, night

Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11

Lumberton, night

Wilmington, Grace, 11

Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT  
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                                              |    |
|---------------------------------------------------|----|
| Asheville Ct., Emma, 3                            | 16 |
| Fletcher, Fletcher, night                         | 16 |
| Rosman Ct., Rosman, 11                            | 23 |
| Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 3                   | 23 |
| Biltmore, night                                   | 23 |
| Fairview, Tweed's Chapel, 11                      | 30 |
| Acton, Candler Pisgah (jointly), Piny Mountain, 3 | 30 |

Asbury Memorial, Hillside St., Merrimon Avenue

(jointly), Asbury, night

West Asheville, night

Haywood Street, French Broad (jointly), night

Hendersonville and Flat Rock, E. Flat Rock, night

Oakley, 11

Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy (jointly), Lower

Church, 3

Brevard, 11

Central (preaching), night

Black Mountain, night

Weaverville, night

Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, night

Swannanoa, Swannanoa, night

Laurel-Barnardsville, Bright Hope, 11

Weaverville Ct., Clarke's Chapel, 3

Oteen, Mt. Zion, night

Hot Springs, Fairview, 11

Marshall, Walnut, night

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT  
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                        |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Lilesville, Forestville, 11 | 9  |
| Morven, Sandy Plains, 3     | 9  |
| Central Avenue, 8           | 9  |
| Dilworth, 8                 | 14 |
| Prospect, Prospect, 11      | 16 |
| Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30   | 16 |
| Bolmont Park, 8             | 16 |
| Peachland, Peachland, 11    | 23 |
| Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3   | 23 |
| Hawthorne Lane, 8           | 23 |
| Wadesboro, 11               | 30 |
| Pineville, Marvin, 3        | 30 |
| Myers Park, 8               | 30 |

Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3

First Church, Charlotte, 8

ELKIN DISTRICT  
J. S. Hlatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                         |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| Davie Ct., Concord, 11       | 8  |
| Mocksville, 11               | 9  |
| Davie, Liberty, 2:30         | 9  |
| Colemeene, 7:30              | 9  |
| Sparta, Cox's Chapel, 11     | 16 |
| Laurel Springs, Zion, 11     | 23 |
| Jefferson, Zion, 3           | 23 |
| Holton, Greenwood, 11        | 30 |
| Jonesville, Maple Springs, 8 | 30 |

Traphill, Rich Hill Church, 11

Warrensville, Clifton, 11

Creston, Peak Grove, 3

West Jefferson, 11

Todd, Hopewell, 3

Boone, night

Watauga, Mabel, 11

Green Valley Ct., Thomas Church, 2:30

Moravian Falls, Roaring River, 8

Ararat, Maple Grove, 11

Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3

Surry-Yadkin, Level Cross, 7:30



GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                                      |    |
|-------------------------------------------|----|
| Fallston, Laurell Hill, 11                | 9  |
| Belwood, 3                                | 9  |
| Shelby, Lafayette Street, night           | 9  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Bess Chapel, 11   | 16 |
| Bessemer City, Concord, 3                 | 16 |
| Bradley Memorial, Myrtle Chapel, night    | 16 |
| Lovesville, New Hope, 11                  | 22 |
| Polkville, Casar, 11                      | 23 |
| Cleveland, Kistler's Union, 3             | 23 |
| Shelby, Central, night                    | 23 |
| Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 11           | 30 |
| Kings Mountain, Grace, night              | 30 |
| July                                      |    |
| Bessemer Ct., Pinley's Chapel, 11         | 7  |
| Belmont, Park Street, night               | 7  |
| Cherryville, First Church, 11             | 14 |
| Cherryville Ct., Beulah, night            | 14 |
| South Fork, 11                            | 21 |
| South Fork, Plateau, 3                    | 21 |
| Cramerton, South Point, night             | 21 |
| Casar, 11                                 | 28 |
| Casar, New Home, 3                        | 28 |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, night | 28 |
| August                                    |    |
| Gastonia, Trinity, 11                     | 4  |
| Gastonia, West End, night                 | 4  |
| Rock Springs, Denver, 11                  | 11 |
| Lovesville, night                         | 11 |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11                | 18 |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3                    | 18 |
| Stanley, Stanley, night                   | 18 |
| Boger City, Asbury, 11                    | 25 |
| Dallas, night                             | 25 |
| September                                 |    |
| Kings Mountain, Central, 11               | 1  |
| Belmont, Main Street, night               | 1  |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11                    | 8  |
| Lincolnton, First Church, night           | 8  |
| Bessemer City, 11                         | 15 |
| Shelby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 11             | 22 |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                                        |    |
|---------------------------------------------|----|
| Danbury, 11                                 | 9  |
| Sandy Ridge, Snow Hill, 3                   | 9  |
| Stokesdale, 8                               | 9  |
| Reidsville-Lindsay Street, 8                | 12 |
| Moriah, 11                                  | 16 |
| St. Paul, 8                                 | 16 |
| Calvary, 8                                  | 19 |
| Brown Summit, 10                            | 23 |
| Ruffin, Hickory Grove, 3 (dedication)       | 23 |
| Reidsville, Main Street, 5:30 (anniversary) | 23 |
| Centenary, 8                                | 26 |
| Flat Rock, Bethel (Circuit Rally), 11       | 30 |
| Stoneville, Matthews, 8                     | 30 |
| July                                        |    |
| Bessemer, 11                                | 7  |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, 8                       | 7  |
| Spray, 8                                    | 10 |
| Pleasant Garden, 11                         | 14 |
| Proximity, 8                                | 14 |
| Greenboro: Grace, 11                        | 21 |
| Haw River, Friendship                       | 21 |
| Glenwood, 8                                 | 21 |
| Madison, 11                                 | 28 |
| Leaksville, 8                               | 28 |
| August                                      |    |
| Draper-Fairview, 11                         | 4  |
| Draper, 3                                   | 4  |
| Bethel-Battleground, 8                      | 4  |
| Pleasant Garden, 11                         | 11 |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND--IN PART

| June                                    |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| Calvary, 11                             | 9  |
| Archdale, 8                             | 9  |
| Asheboro Ct., Cedar Falls, 7:45         | 12 |
| Liberty First, 11                       | 16 |
| Liberty Ct., 3, W. C.                   | 16 |
| Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 8 | 16 |
| Welch Memorial, 8                       | 19 |
| Pleasant Grove, 11                      | 23 |
| Fairview, 2:30                          | 23 |
| Denton-Denton, 8                        | 23 |
| Linwood, Bethany, 8                     | 25 |
| Ramkin Memorial, 8                      | 26 |
| Hillsboro Church, 11                    | 30 |
| South Davidson, Chandler's, 2           | 30 |
| Farmer, Farmer, 8                       | 30 |
| July                                    |    |
| Asheboro First, 8                       | 3  |

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                             |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11   | 8  |
| Rutherford College, 11           | 9  |
| Morganton Ct., Gibbo, 3          | 9  |
| North Forest, 7:30               | 9  |
| Forest City, 11                  | 16 |
| Sunshine, Golden Valley, 3       | 16 |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30             | 16 |
| Old Fort, 11                     | 23 |
| Gilkey, 3                        | 23 |
| Rutherfordton, 7:30              | 23 |
| Connelly Springs, Friendship, 11 | 30 |
| Shady Grove, 3                   | 30 |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30    | 30 |
| July                             |    |
| Spruce Pine, 11                  | 7  |
| Micaville, 3                     | 7  |
| Linville Falls, 7:30             | 7  |
| Bakersville, 11                  | 14 |
| Bald Creek, 3                    | 14 |
| Burnsville, 7:30                 | 14 |
| Elk Park, 11                     | 21 |
| Avery, 3                         | 21 |
| Ciffside, 7:30                   | 21 |

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Mt. Pleasant, Midland, Rocky Ridge, Roberta, Westford, Harmony, Epworth, Kerr Street, Forest Hill, Central, and Ann Street.

Sunday, June 23, 3 p.m., at Trinity, Kannapolis

Trinity, Midway, Jackson Park, Mt. Mitchell, Mt. Olivet, Bethpage, Landis, and North Kannapolis.

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Central, First Street, Tabernacle, Main Street, Salem, Pfeiffer, Stanfield, Albemarle Ct., Norwood, and Norwood Ct.

Sunday, July 7, 3 p.m., at Central, Spencer

First Church, Woodleaf, Gold Hill, Granite Quarry, Park Avenue, Coburn Memorial, East Spencer-Yadkin, China Grove, Main Street-Rowan, Spencer Central, and Spencer-China Grove.

In the meantime all preaching dates for the district superintendent will be made with the pastors direct.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hayle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| June                            |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Broad Street, Mooresville, 11   | 9  |
| Shepherds, Rocky Mount, 3       | 9  |
| Stony Point, South River, night | 9  |
| Balls Creek, Shiloh, 11         | 16 |
| Highlands, Mt. Bethel, 3        | 16 |
| Rethel, Hickory, night          | 16 |
| Newton, 11                      | 23 |
| Catawba, Hopewell, 3            | 23 |
| Maiden, May's Chapel, night     | 23 |
| Westview, Hickory, 11           | 30 |
| Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 3           | 30 |
| Hudson, Mt. Hermon, night       | 30 |
| July                            |    |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11    | 7  |

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| May                          |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11 | 5  |
| Laurel Hill, 3               | 5  |
| Dellwood, Dellwood, 7:30     | 5  |
| Crabtree, Crabtree, 10       | 12 |
| Zion, 11                     | 12 |
| Bethel, Imman, 3             | 12 |
| Clyde, Clyde, 11             | 19 |
| Junaluska, Elis. Chap., 8    | 19 |
| Highlands, Horse Cove, 9:45  | 26 |
| Highlands, 11                | 26 |
| Clear Creek, 3               | 26 |
| Cashiers, 8                  | 26 |
| June                         |    |
| Junaluska, Auditorium, 11    | 9  |
| Bethel, Meadow Grove, 3      | 9  |

|                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| Dellwood, Peachtree, 5 | 9  |
| Morning Star, 8        | 9  |
| Andrews, Tipton, 9:45  | 16 |
| Andrews, 11            | 16 |
| Marble, 3              | 16 |
| Robbinsville, 8        | 16 |
| Canton, 11             | 23 |
| Whittier, 3            | 23 |
| Sylva, 8               | 23 |
| Canton, First, 11      | 30 |
| Rockwood, 3 and 8      | 30 |

| July                                 |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| Cullowhee, 11                        | 7  |
| Webster, 3 and 8                     | 7  |
| Murphy, 11                           | 14 |
| Murphy Ct., 3 and 8                  | 14 |
| Waynesville, 11                      | 21 |
| Whittier, Blue Wing                  | 21 |
| Bryson City, 8                       | 21 |
| Hayesville, Hayesville, 11 and 3     | 28 |
| Shooting Creek, Hayesville, 11 and 3 | 28 |
| Franklin, 8                          | 28 |
| Macon, Franklin, 8                   | 28 |
| Franklin Ct., 8                      | 28 |
| Louisa, Franklin                     | 28 |
| (Dr. Vilet speaker on 28th).         |    |

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

THIRD ROUND--IN PART

| June                                                    |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30                              | 7  |
| Welcome, Central, 7:45                                  | 8  |
| Davidson, Arcadia, 11                                   | 9  |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, Sandy Ridge, 3                 | 9  |
| Forsyth-Maple Springs, Mt. Carmel, 7:30                 | 9  |
| Lewisville, Concord, 7:30                               | 10 |
| Winston-Salem, Oak Summit, Shiloh, 7:30                 | 12 |
| Thomasville, Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 7:30              | 13 |
| Winston-Salem, Green Street, 7:30                       | 14 |
| Doub's, Brookstown, 11                                  | 16 |
| First Church and State Street, Lexington, 7:30          | 19 |
| Lexington-Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30                     | 20 |
| Thomasville, Community, 7:30                            | 21 |
| Winston-Salem, Central Terrace, 7:30                    | 26 |
| Winston Ct., Elm Grove, 7:30                            | 27 |
| Thomasville, First, 7:30                                | 28 |
| Rural Hall, Germanton, 11                               | 30 |
| Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 3                               | 30 |
| Hanes, Clemmons, 7:30                                   | 30 |
| July                                                    |    |
| Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30                          | 1  |
| Mt. Airy, Central, 7:30                                 | 2  |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 7:30                            | 5  |
| West Forsyth, Baltimore, 7:30                           | 6  |
| Forsyth, Marvin Chapel, 11                              | 7  |
| Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah, 11                                | 14 |
| Pilot Mountain, Chestnut Grove, 3                       | 14 |
| Thomasville Ct., Fairview, 7:30                         | 14 |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, Pilot, 11                            | 21 |
| Mt. Airy, Rockford Street, Blackwater, 2:30             | 21 |
| Winston-Salem, Hiatt Memorial, Hiatt, 7:30              | 21 |
| August                                                  |    |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary (third check-up meeting), 7:30 | 6  |



## In Memoriam

**SYKES**—William S. Sykes passed to his reward on December 4, 1939. Since boyhood the deceased had been an active and faithful member of Chestnut Ridge church. He was a kind and loving father and was greatly loved by all who knew him. He is survived by his wife; six daughters, Mrs. John Lee Boswell, Mrs. Jesse Murdock, Mrs. Essie Smith, Mrs. Glenn McAdams, Mrs. James Crawford, Mrs. Shellie Johnson, and one son, Nelsie. The funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. C. P. Morris, assisted by Rev. F. W. Paschall. Burial was in Chestnut Ridge cemetery.

**SPOON**—Thelma Trogon Spoon, age 40, departed this life May 9. At the age of ten years she united with Giles Chapel church, of which she remained a faithful member till death. Twenty-one years ago she was married to W. M. Spoon. To this union were born three children, Harrell, Iris and Linwood. The children, her father and mother, Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Trogon; two brothers, S. E. and J. B. Trogon, Jr.; four sisters, Mrs. J. C. Delk, Mrs. A. E. Williams, Mrs. R. A. Lemmons and Inez Trogon, mourn her passing. C. L. Grant.

**FRIDDLE**—Cora Lee Friddle departed this life at the age of 74 years and ten months. She was the daughter of the late James Edward and Sarah Neal Goolsby. She was the wife of Thomas Jefferson Friddle, who preceded her in death some nine years ago. She is survived by two sons, George and Alfred of Greensboro and Stokesdale; also three daughters, Annie Lee and Ella May of the home and Mrs. H. Virgil Lemons of Stokesdale; and one brother, Richard F. Goolsby of High Point, and many friends. She was a good woman and will be missed. J. A. Burgess.

### IN MEMORIAM

After a long and tedious illness, borne with Christian patience and resignation, Mrs. Annie Moss Stanback of Wadesboro entered into life eternal on the morning of February 18, 1940.

At the age of 12 she joined the Methodist church, which she loved and was a faithful member. She was always interested in missions and from a child was a member of some phase of that department of the church. When the end drew near the calm face with its look of peace made one think again and again of the comforting words, "So He giveth his beloved sleep."

Ethel Kiker, Pres.  
Jennie B. Brent.

### IN MEMORIAM

Fell asleep in Jesus at the Wadesboro Hospital, March 9, 1940, Mrs. Berta Parsons Moss.

Those who have had intimate acquaintance with her know how inadequate words are to justly portray the fair beauty and symmetry of such a character. Such was endowed by nature with many graces of person, mind and heart. Above all she was a faithful servant of the Divine Master. In early life she joined the Methodist church, of which she was ever afterwards a most loyal member. The church and the auxiliaries will miss her, but we know "To live in the hearts we leave behind is not to die."

Ethel Kiker, Pres.  
Jennie B. Brent.



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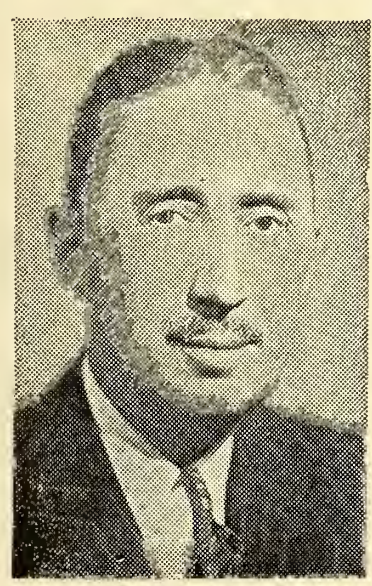
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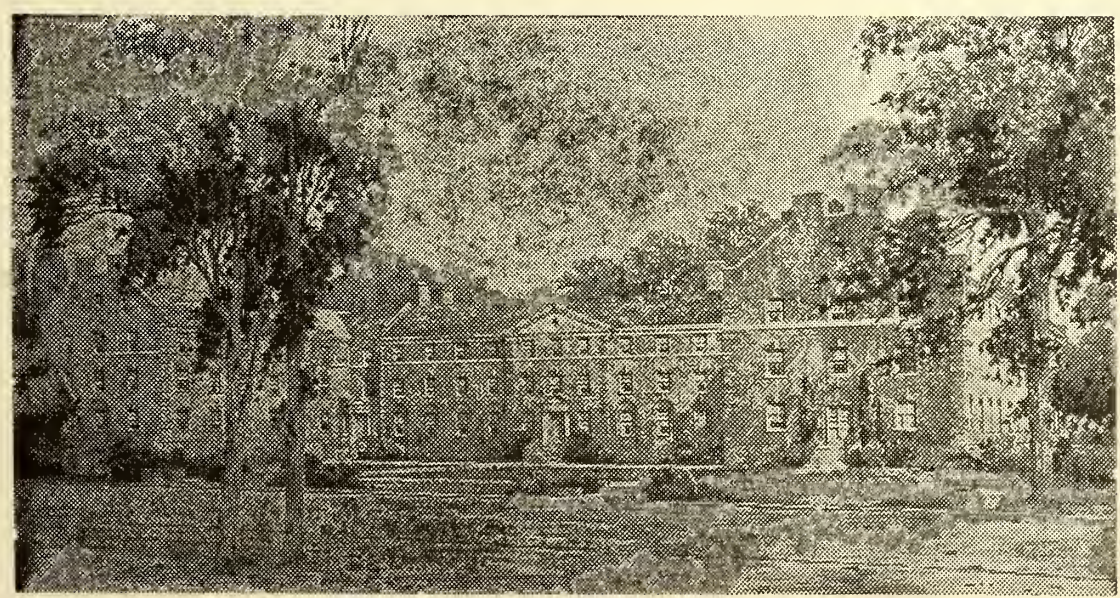
## Woman's College, U. N. C., Greensboro, 48th Annual Commencement



Dr. Ralph W. Sockman  
New York City  
Baccalaureate Sermon



Miss Celia Durham  
Chapel Hill, N. C.  
Senior Speaker



The A. and B. Residence Halls at Woman's College, Greensboro, the two new Residence Halls completed this year and housing more than 300 students.



### W. A. McGIRT'S LAY HELPERS

The following have subscribed to the "special fund" which is being used to increase the circulation of the Advocate in the Wilmington district:

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Blessings on every one of these devoted laymen. Why not others join this noble band?

### SUGGESTION OF INTEREST BY REV. S. E. MERCER

Since there seems to be some difficulty in securing a meeting place for the N. C. conference this fall, I would like to make the following suggestion to the committee and the conference. The chief problem seems to be to secure homes for the members. Therefore, give an opportunity for all clerical members who are willing to pay their own lodging to indicate it by card to the committee. As the lay delegates have not been elected, they could not accurately state their minds on the question at this time, but it is safe to say that as many laymen as ministers would be willing to pay their room rent. Then the ministers and lay delegates who are unwilling or unable to provide their lodging could make use of the homes that are willingly offered. Then to make this plan even more feasible, let us have a short session, probably between Sundays. If this plan is followed and a place selected where there are adequate hotel facilities, I believe the entertainment problem will be solved and most of the members of the conference will be well pleased.

S. E. Mercer.

### DUNKERQUE

So long as the English tongue survives, the word Dunkerque will be spoken with reverence. For in that harbor, in such a hell as never blazed on earth before, at the end of a lost battle, the rags and blemishes that have hidden the soul of democracy fell away. There, beaten but unconquered, in shining splendor, she faced the enemy.

They sent away the wounded first. Men died so that others could escape. It was not so simple a thing as courage, which the Nazis had in plenty. It was not so simple a thing as discipline, which can be hammered into men by a drill sergeant. It was not the result of careful planning, for there could have been little. It was the common man of the free countries, rising in all his glory out of mill, office, factory, mine, farm and ship, applying to war the lessons learned when he went down the shaft to bring out trapped comrades, when he hurled the lifeboat through the surf, when he endured poverty and hard work for his children's sake.

This shining thing in the souls of free men Hitler cannot command, or attain, or conquer. He has crushed it, where he could, from German hearts.

It is the great tradition of democracy. It is the future. It is victory.—New York Times.

### THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1940: IT'S SPIRIT OF HARMONY

By Bishop James Cannon, Jr.

The first General Conference of the united Methodist Church opened its session at the Atlantic City auditorium April 24 with the most impressive and helpful communion service in which I have ever participated. I thought it was more impressive than the one at Kansas City. There was to me a sense of more widespread brotherhood, with delegates from North America, South America, Europe, Asia and Africa, as we joined together "in remembrance of our Divine Lord and Saviour." I have seen it suggested that time could be saved by omitting the communion service, but time is not as precious as commemorating our Lord's sacrificial death. The entire session of the General Conference was characterized by its spiritual, devotional attitude. The morning watch thirty minute devotional service before the business session, the evangelistic service at 4 p. m., and the services on both Sundays were of high order.

The Council of Bishops met on Thursday, the 18th, and for three days, with three sessions daily, carefully prayerfully and helpfully considered ever paragraph of the Episcopal Address. I have seen it suggested that the address might simply be printed and distributed—again, in order to save time. But if any deliverance of our Methodism should be read, certainly one prepared with great care, considered separately by each bishop, and then by bishops together for three days, the Episcopal Address should be given as much time as is necessary for it to be read and emphasized before all the delegates gathered together. From the reception given to the address during the reading I can not think that the General Conference would agree to adopt a resolution simply ordering that the address be printed.

I have attended fifteen General Conferences since 1886, and several General Conferences of the M. E. Church, and notwithstanding a prediction of skeptics that there would be sharp disagreement and discord, I must testify that I have never attended a General Conference which was more harmonious and efficient in its proceedings. There were, of course, as there always is, differences of view on the reports, but the conference was characterized by the spirit of brotherliness. It could not have been told from what section the presiding bishop came by the attitude of delegates toward his presidency. There were some actions taken by the General Conference with which I did not agree, but that has happened in every General Conference. I was greatly pleased by the evidences, not only of respect, but of affection, with which the bishops were regarded by the delegates. The change of attitude since the M. E. General Conference at Atlantic City in 1932 was very marked. I have never favored the almanac method of compulsory retirement at a fixed age, either for bishops, or for itinerant preachers. I think that efficiency should be the test, and that men should be retired when their brethren think that the time of efficient service has ended. The service held in connection with the retirement of Bishops Nuelsen, Hughes, Blake, Mead and Gowdy emphasized my objection. As Dr. Crane said, speaking of the retirement of Bishop Blake, it seemed ridiculous to retire such an efficient servant of the church, and the same applies to many other bishops. I did not like the method employed in that service. I prefer the method used at our General Conference in Birmingham. It is all right for the retiring bishop to make a statement, and it may be in place for some short appreciation of his services to be uttered by some brother selected for that purpose. But that is enough.

I do not want to be held in contempt of court, but I must very frankly state that I think Dr. J. S. French was right in his interpretation of the powers reserved to the annual conferences. It is all very true that the General Conference has great powers, but it does not seem to me to be true that it has any powers which are reserved to the annual conferences, and the whole matter of retirement seems to me is put in the hands of the annual conferences. Otherwise, the words in the paragraph on annual conferences have no meaning.

### WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

"Back to Nature" is a good slogan but the nudists interpret it far too literally.

Usually the fellow who refuses to get up steam under any circumstances can be found heading the ice water brigade.

Uncle Rastus says: "Dese heah churches are too dogmatized. De deep water Baptis' is too strong on "dip"; de neber-lose-it Presbyterin is too certain on "grip" while de backslidin' Methodist' suah is a whale on "slip."

We still believe prohibition enforced will take the sin out of absinthe, the wry out of rye, the sigh out of cider, the bar out of barley, the ape out of grape, the pain out of champagne, and make America sober again.



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Beware of the man guilty of disloyalty and duplicity for the sake of personal gain. Fidelity and sincerity in all the personal relationships of life only can save from ruin—from the wrecks scattered along the way.

§ § §

Henry Ford said that he could make 1,000 planes a day if the government would let him alone and not interfere with his work. Mr. Knudson, president of General Motors, when asked what he thought of it replied, "If Ford says he can, he can do it." Comment is not needed.

§ § §

The current trends in millinery and styles in women's dress are all old stuff. There is nothing new under the sun when one turns to wise cracking about the clothes of women. "The average female is just now crazy over hats. If she hasn't got a soft felt with a rakish crown and a thievish looking brim, she is crazy to get one." The statement is reasonably accurate for the present day, but it was first printed on October 26, 1874, in the late Chicago Inter Ocean. This clipping from a Chicago daily of more than six decades ago sounds strangely up to date notwithstanding the wars and pestilences that have troubled the world.

§ § §

Our creed in regard to peace and war, like the annals of the poor, is both brief and simple. It is the creed of the Master, the Prince of Peace, reinforced by his example. "Peace on earth and good will to men" was his doctrine, but when cattle and thieves and robbers infested the temple he did not read ancient law and swing censurers of incense as a means of dealing with men who regarded not justice, mercy and truth, but instead he employed the force that became necessary to drive them out. To apply the method at this hour, see that no dictators set foot on the New World, and send supplies to the allies in Europe so they can handle them over there.

Up to this time the American people have preserved a commendable sanity in regard to the war situation in Europe and our relation thereto. Let us hope that such a state of affairs will continue and that the American people will stick to their fixed determination to keep our soldiers in the New World. Only those men who are willing to enlist for military service in war torn Europe should advocate sending our armies there. Then such advocates will be few and far between.

§ § §

Ralph Connor had just returned from the battle front in Europe during the World War. He was making a plea for a religion of reality that would stand the test of the firing line. Said he: "When the shells are bursting all around and your comrades are dead at your side, the incidentals of religion and the superficialities of life are blown away. They count for naught—are only dust and ashes. Only the realities remain." Then he proceeded to make a stirring appeal for men in the pulpits who leave off all but the real essentials of life and of religion. Are we in these present days of war with its wreck and ruin to have a gospel that will render effective the pulpit and the pew?

§ § §

In that stirring appeal of Dr. Albert W. Beavan last Sunday morning at Chapel Hill made to the graduating class, he did more than fill an hour at commencement. Those young people of the University knew that a man of God with a message from God stood before them. His stress was especially upon education and religion. The same theme was effectively presented by Dr. D. S. Freeman on commencement day. The great preacher and the noted editor made the approach from different angles, but they both reached the same conclusion. The members of the class of 1940 should count themselves happy in having had such men to give these parting messages as they were leaving Chapel Hill.



## "We Shall Fight"

AS for the future British effort, Mr. Churchill declared as he ended his speech in Commons: "We shall not flag nor fail. We shall go on to the end. We shall fight in France and on the seas and oceans; we shall fight with growing confidence and growing strength in the air. We shall defend our island whatever the cost may be; we shall fight on beaches, landing grounds, in fields, in streets and on the hills. We shall never surrender, and even if . . . this island were subjugated and starving, then our empire beyond the seas, armed and guarded by the British fleet, will carry on the struggle until in God's good time the New World, with all its power and might, sets forth to the liberation and rescue of the Old."

In these final sentences of the Prime Minister's great speech in the House of Commons the world was told something of Britain's plans and purposes if the worst should overtake the Empire. If the French capital should be sacked and the French nation laid waste by invading armies, the British Isles be subjugated by nazi instruments of death, and the swastika displace the Union Jack, even then the people of the British Empire would carry on.

The Prime Minister seems to say that the Empire's capital will be established in Canada and the United States, a next door neighbor, in the providence of God would join the allies in their battle for human freedom.

There is no hint that the New World would remain neutral. In fact neutrality is an empty phrase. There is no neutrality with Adolph Hitler on the earth. Denmark tried it, so did Norway, Holland and Belgium. Sweden and Switzerland no longer mention the word that at one time gave protection to a peaceable people. And but for the Atlantic ocean the America's would be in the same category as those European neutrals.

But let us not consult our fears. In the language of Winston Churchill, "armed and guarded by the British fleet" and we may add, the American and French navies, the allies will hold dominion over the seven seas and they can control the commerce of Europe in spite of Hitler, while Europe cannot live upon the things produced at home.

The New York Times says that the British navy is relatively stronger now than at the beginning of the war and that the British and French navies are taking over the greater part of Holland's merchant marine, which is one of

the seven largest in the world, and that England and France would likely secure a large part of Norway's merchant marine.

In our judgment the United States will not go to war unless attacked by some enemy, but with our stand on the Monroe doctrine we will surely be attacked if Hitler and his German legions win in Europe. But at the same time we believe that victory belongs to the allies, for the stars, the slow moving stars, in their courses fight against Hitler.

## The Sin of Disloyalty

GOVERNMENTS, families and friendships perish when loyalties fail. These are fundamental. Devoted allegiance to a government, to a cause, to a friendship is the loyalty that wins the victory. Want of loyalty is a sin that ends in the ruin of nations, homes and sacred personal relations. This is a sin against both God and man. King Leopold III and the men in high command among the French tell the story of recent weeks in Belgium and in France. Such traitors blacken the record of nations.

The New Testament story of the last days of our Lord as he moved towards the cross, with the treachery of Judas, the denial of Peter and the faltering of the rest, discloses the end of disloyalty. Peter, claiming the constancy of the northern star, yea, ready to follow his Master to the last gasp, becomes for the ages a cowardly, wavering pretender. Peter weeping bitterly in the night and Judas throwing down the silver in despair discloses the fate of disloyalty—a sin by which the angels fell.

Want of loyalty to marital vows, with its consequent duplicity, fills our land with divorces and broken homes. Loyalty and sincerity are fundamental to the marriage relation, to personal friendships and to every other personal triumph. Jesus without reserve made the purity and the perpetuity of the family to rest on loyalty to the marriage tie. Civilizations, families and friendships are certain to fail with the going of the loyalties of life. Would it might be said in all sincerity of the last man today:

"His words are bonds, his oaths are oracles;  
His love sincere, his thoughts immaculate;  
His tears pure messages from the heart;  
His heart as far from fraud as heaven from earth."



## Christian Adventure

**R**OBERT E. SPEER standing before a group in Page Hall at Duke last week making a plea for the spirit of adventure in the Christian church today set a good example for every man who in this hour dares to set foot in a pulpit of the Christian church. The old note of daring adventure needs to be heard once more. Here is a man who for half a century has displayed the revolutionary fervor of the early centuries as he has moved among the churches of this and other lands. Robert E. Speer has proved to be a devoted disciple of "one who wholly trusted the Unseen." Ever ready for adventure without reliance on the scaffolding of life this heroic soul kept true to his vision.

In our present efforts at reform and Christian conquests, we try to change things by legislation; by a careful lining up of the financial interests of the day; and by carefully working out the most effective organization possible. Jesus passed by all these external agencies, relying wholly on the spiritual forces made manifest in the incarnation—the greatest adventure in human experience. Now the indictment is made that Christianity has lost its revolutionary fervor. This charge comes from without and also from within the church. How valid are these criticisms? A most serious consideration presses upon us now.

We would do well to inquire whether this is true in our own personal lives. If so, what can we do to bring back this spirit of adventure in our own experience? Can we walk in the footsteps of Jesus as did those who made the great adventure in those first far centuries? We would do well to keep fresh before us that all the centuries of advance have been characterized by men who dared to adventure in the Christian enterprise—with the cross ever going on before.

In all such pleas it is most difficult to make the plea that applies here and now rather than in some far off land. In every village and country place are fine opportunities for adventurous living. The simple, loving, devoted Christian minister is needed in every neighborhood. What a field for adventure in the Christian way of life! The same demands apply to laymen and laywomen in every church. Why not make a new adventure in Christian conquest among childhood and youth? Our crying need is for Christian adventure—the missing note.

## John R. Mott and Robert E. Speer

**T**HE appearance of Robert E. Speer at the pastors' school in June of this present year at Duke University and the appearance of John R. Mott before the Methodist General Conference in May at Atlantic City this same year, made the more significant the first appearance of these same men at Trinity College in Randolph county fifty years ago. At that time, both were young men entering upon their great missionary work by enlisting the students of America. Mott was from Yale and Speer from Princeton. Speer was one of the outstanding football men of Princeton and thus better able to make appeal to the students at "Old Trinity," whose young president, John F. Crowell, was also a Yale man.

For five decades these two men have shown themselves to be great leaders in the Christian conquest—both of whom are still strong and erect, able to speak in full confidence of the ultimate conquest. Mott, a Methodist layman, and Speer, a layman of the Presbyterian faith, should prove an inspiration to all laymen of every church. Fifty years ago these young men of faith and daring adventure began a work which goes far beyond the record of man. Only the records of high heaven can tell the story. Both of them are still able to speak the master word to any Christian assembly. They have relied on the presence and the power of the Unseen. The centuries give but few such men as Mott and Speer to the ages.

In all the years they have clung to the eternal realities and among the nations they have exalted the Christ as the only hope of the world. All other issues must finally give place to him in whom dwelt the Godhead bodily.

## Wherein a Democracy Differs from a Totalitarian State

**F**UNDAMENTALLY the difference is as follows: A democracy enjoys freedom of speech, the freedom of the press, religious freedom, right of petition, freedom of assembly, right of trial by jury. A totalitarian state allows none of these.

Patrick Henry had these rights in mind when he dramatically exclaimed, "Give me liberty or give me death." And this larger freedom was the well established doctrine of our fathers who jubilantly talked of the "land of the free and the home of the brave."



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference (place to be announced) . . . . . Nov. 7**

Rev. Wilson O. Weldon of China Grove was the commencement preacher on June 2 at the Boyden high school in Salisbury.

The Orange Methodist church will hold its annual home coming Sunday, June 16, beginning at 11 o'clock. There will be a morning and afternoon service, with a picnic dinner on the grounds. All are cordially invited to attend and bring lunch.

Mrs. Daniel Lane is at Epworth Lodge, Lake Junaluska, again this season. For individuals, families or groups who would like to do light housekeeping she has arranged rooms and apartments with electric hot plates with very low rates for your convenience.

Home coming will be observed at Glenwood, Greensboro, Sunday, June 16. Dr. Paul N. Garber of Duke University will be the speaker at 11 o'clock and Prof. C. W. Phillips of the Woman's College, Greensboro, will speak at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Former pastors and friends are invited to be present.—Mrs. W. T. Purgeson, Chm. Invitation Committee.

New pews have been installed in the Seagrove Methodist church as an improvement that members of the church consider to add much to the appearance and usefulness of the church. The pews, purchased from the Hickory Seat and Desk Company, constitute an improvement that had been planned by the church for some time.

**The Board of Pensions, 506 Olive Street, St. Louis, wants copies of General Minutes, M. E. Church, South, for years 1819, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1915, 1919, 1921, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1933, 1935, 1936. Anyone having any of these copies available, please write C. W. Tadlock, Board of Pensions, St. Louis.**

The annual home coming will be held at the Woodleaf church Sunday, June 11. There will be services in the morning and afternoon, and dinner will be served at the church. All members of the church former members, former pastors and friends are urged to be present.—G. W. Williams, Pastor.

Young people's week will be observed at Glenwood Methodist church beginning Sunday night, June 23. This will be a week of evangelistic services sponsored by the young people of the church. Rev. L. F. Tuttle of Thomasville will do the preaching. The Methodists of Greensboro and near vicinity are cordially invited to attend. Services begin at 8 p. m.

Last Thursday, May 30, I was operated on at Mary Elizabeth Hospital, Raleigh, for prostate gland and bladder trouble. While it was a major operation, I got along splendidly and returned home yesterday. For a few weeks I will be mostly in the house convalescing. During my absence from the pulpit young Rev. D. T. Dale, a member of Fuquay Springs church, will fill in for me. I will be much better in health after this.—E. C. Durham.

Mrs. B. E. Smith, a charter member of Centenary church, died May 28 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Graham Wimbish, in this city at the age of 73. Besides this daughter, she is survived by two sons, Frank Smith of New Jersey and B. E. Smith, Jr., of Seattle, Wash., and several grandchildren. Her husband died here in October, 1938. Mrs. Smith was a faithful member of Centenary church since she

was a girl. Her pastor, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, conducted the funeral at Centenary church, assisted by Dr. Craven of West Market Street church.

We have just closed a very successful revival here at Spindale, having received 21 into the church on profession of faith. This makes a total of 39 for the year with more to follow shortly. Mrs. C. L. Steidley helped us in the revival. She has helped us three different times. She was good the first time, better the next time, and the best this time. We greatly appreciate her services. The church here goes forward in another way. The parsonage has been remodeled inside and papered. The ladies have bought new living room furniture and rugs. It is a pleasure to serve this people.—F. J. Stough.

President W. P. Few of Duke University was one of 13 receiving honorary degrees at Boston University—Doctor of Humanities. Dr. Few delivered the commencement address and was quoted by the Associated Press as saying: "We may sometimes be neutral citizens, but this is no time for neutral minds. We must have convictions for which we will stand though every free government in Europe might fall; yea, even though the heavens fall. There have been too many 'neutral minds' in European democracies following the fatigue of the last world war. Upon them rests ultimately a good deal of responsibility for conditions in Europe now."

Speed—the killer—kept up its deadly work on North Carolina highways during the first four months of this year, according to figures just compiled by the Highway Safety Division in Raleigh. Records of the division show that five out of every six traffic fatalities in the state during the four months period occurred in rural areas and small towns. To be specific only 40 of the 231 traffic deaths for the four month occurred in cities of 10,000 population or over, while 191 of the fatalities happened in small towns and out on the open highway. "It's not where traffic is thickest that the most traffic deaths occur," declared Ronald Hocutt, director of the Safety Division, "it's where traffic is fastest."

Southwestern University of Georgetown University, at its centennial convocation on June 2, conferred the degree of Doctor of Literature on Dr. Elmer T. Clark of Nashville, editor of World Outlook, Dr. Umphree Lee of Dallas, president of Southern Methodist University, and Dr. R. E. Smith, dean of Centenary College, Shreveport, La. The degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred on Bishop A. Frank Smith of Houston and Dr. J. W. Mills, pastor at Tyler, Texas. Several noted Texas educators and philanthropists were similarly honored by the university. Dean Lynn Harold Hough of Drew University delivered the commencement address on the occasion.

Frank D. Stutz, a layman at his first General Conference, writes in the Christian Advocate of his stay at Atlantic City. In delightful fashion does he tell of his experiences. These words are a sample: "As I heard the soft accents of the South in this conference I praised God because union is a going concern! Methodism is one great family now and each branch that has entered into the new contract has brought its own rare gifts to give to the whole. A united church is on the march. I was delighted too to observe the wisdom of the Jurisdictional plan. It was true statesmanship that conceived this plan of organization. Here is a method of union which gives each section of the country its autonomy and which cements the whole church together. It might well be a model for the nations to follow as the right step away from absolute national sovereignty without loss of individuality."



# University of North Carolina Commencement

Dr. Douglas S. Freeman, Richmond, Va., editor and biographer, told a record graduating class of 600 at the University of North Carolina that America paradoxically could never hope to avert war except by adjusting itself to a discipline it has never displayed except in war.

Such discipline, he said, manifestly must be born of an ideal which can be found only in the churches and colleges. America must find "the moral equivalent of the force that has given Germany such superb discipline," he said.

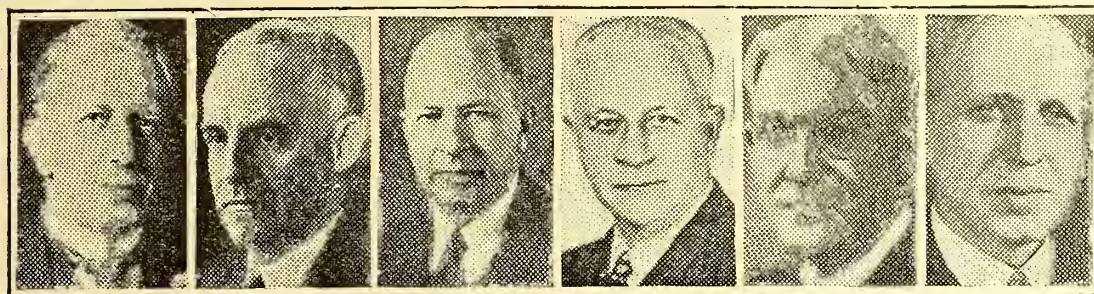
"There is not among these graduates today," he explained, "one who has not sacrificed some part of his pleasure to the attainment of his end, not one who has not hung onto his task when his muscles craved rest and his nerves twitched for relaxation and his eyes drooped;

This, I believe, is one of the most important truths of this age. We may deplore it but we cannot escape either the reality or the consequences. It is well enough for us to talk of combatting the new religion of the state with 30,000 airplanes; but be sure of this: to win the long, long war of ideals and to secure freedom among men, we Americans must find the moral equivalent of the force that has given Germany her superb discipline."

Dr. Freeman warned that America, if she should be involved in war, must not lose sight of importance of beauty, tolerance and scholarship.

Dr. R. B. House, dean of administration, presided over the graduating exercises and presented Bennett H. Hunter, president of the senior class, who spoke for the graduates.

## Prominent Speakers on Commencement Program



HOEY

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HOUSE

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BEAVER

FREEMAN

not one who consciously or otherwise has not repeated, 'let me deny myself.'

"No like body is there in America capable of seeking, of shaping, and of exemplifying that national discipline without which, as surely as Rome, we shall fall."

## Religion and Education

Discipline and peace and order, he asserted, can come only through religion and education.

Without advocating the kind of discipline Germany has, Dr. Freeman said that Hitler, nevertheless, had taught the world a great lesson in what discipline could achieve. "Behind the swift drive into Belgium and France was more than gasoline and lubricants and the most detailed planning of tireless men. The drive would not have been sustained had there not been created in an impoverished, half-hungry and disarmed Germany a tremendous force which, for lack of a more specific word, we must call spiritual.

"Three or four times the world has seen a similar spirit displayed. Islam had it—and carried the banner of the prophet to the gates of Vienna. For a time, the Crusaders had that spirit. Perhaps it fired the army of Gustavus Adolphus. It was in the hearts of those soldiers of the French revolution whose creed was epitomized in the words of one soldier, 'We felt as if we were forever marching into the dawn.'

"That spirit is for Germany, fundamentally, a sublimation of the bitter sense of frustration that followed the defeat of 1918, and a substitution, no less, for the lost faith of millions of young Germans in Christianity. Germany has made the state its god, revenge its evangelism, mechanism its weapon and discipline its supreme duty.

## Degrees Conferred

President Frank P. Graham gave the graduates his farewell message, and Governor Clyde R. Hoey presented the diplomas.

Honorary degrees were conferred on Dr. William J. Battle of the classics department of the University of Texas; Dr. John A. Ferrell of the Rockefeller foundation, New York City; and Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl.

Award of medals, prizes and fellowships were announced as follows:

Eben Alexander prize in Greek, Cameron Murchison, Jr., Washington, D. C.; Bryan prize in Political Science, Allen Pendleton Grimes, Staten Island, N. Y.; Achibald Henderson medal in Mathematics, Arthur Watts Clark, Bellevue, Wash.; Ledoux Fellowship in Chemistry, James William Duckett, The Citadel, Charleston, S. C.

Graham Kenan Fellowships in Philosophy, Jane Ross Hammer, Arlington, Va.; and Anne L. Michaelis, Chapel Hill; Mildred Williams Buchanan prize in Philosophy, Sidney Riterberg, Jr., Charleston, S. C.; Delta Sigma Pi Scholarship Key, Ira Nathaniel Howard, Jr., Oxford, F. W. Hancock prize in Pharmacy, Alfred Nixon Coster, Lincolnton; Lehn and Fink Gold Medal in Pharmacy, Altajane Holden, Bunnell, Fla.

Rockefeller Fellowship in Playwrighting, William Francis Guess, Rock Hill, S. C.; Sanford Miller Reece, Lenoir, and Lawrence Howard Wisner, Hillsboro, Ore.; Roland Holt award in playwright, Chase Howard Webb, Morrison, Ind.; Patterson Award, George Henry Stirnweiss, Bronx, N. Y.; Mangum Medal, Horace Ritcher, Mt. Gilead; Bingham Prize, Phil Wray Ellis, Lunday; Algeron Sidney Sullivan Award, James Evans Davis, Goldsboro, and Louis Huske Jordan, Fayetteville.



# Commencement Exercises at Woman's College, Greensboro

## Baccalaureate Sermon by Dr. Ralph W. Sockman

Sunday morning, June 9, the big Aycock Auditorium of the Woman's College, Greensboro, was the place of assembly for 428 members of the graduating class who heard a timely sermon by Dr. Ralph Sockman, pastor of Christ church, New York City. His subject was "Jesus as Prince and Pioneer."

Every seat in Aycock Auditorium, except those reserved for the graduating class and the college faculty, was occupied when the academic procession entered at 11 o'clock. It was the largest of the forty-seven classes that have graduated at this college, the growth of which from the beginning has been constant.

### Academic Procession

Appearing for the first time during the commencement exercises in academic robes, the procession of seniors, led by next year's senior marshals, entered the auditorium first, followed by the faculty procession which was led by Miss Julia Paschal of Wilson, next year's chief marshal, with Dr. Jackson and Dr. Sockman. Seated on the stage with the speakers was Dr. Julius I. Foust, president emeritus of the college.

Rev. R. M. Courtney, pastor of College Place Methodist church, assisted with the service, and Dr. Jackson led the responsive reading. The college choir, under direction of George M. Thompson, gave a group of anthems.

Dr. Sockman, who came to the college by request a second time, having delivered the baccalaureate sermon for the class of 1935, was introduced by Miss Valerie Powell, president of the senior class.

The Sunday program of events with the combined concert of the Greensboro orchestra and vested college choir at 4 o'clock in the afternoon in Aycock Auditorium, and with the dean's reception at 5 o'clock on the lawn of the home of Dr. and Mrs. Jackson.

The concert was received enthusiastically by a large audience. The choir of 125 voices under direction of George M. Thompson, professor of organ, sang a varied group of numbers, the first unit including the modern "Nights of Music" (Genet), "Barcarolle from Lakme" (Delibes), and "Gute Nacht," a German folk song.

Miss Helen Forester, Birmingham, Mich., was the only soloist, singing the soprano part for the cantata, "St. Mary Magdalene" (Vincent d'Indy).

Dean H. Hugh Altvater directed the Greensboro orchestra, composed of students and faculty members from Woman's College, and Greensboro public schools, in the second part of the program. Playing first the "Overture to Oberon" (von Weber), the orchestra included a Strauss waltz and two movements from a Tschaiikowsky symphony, "Symphony No. 4, F. Minor."

### Graduating Exercises Monday Morning

The war cloud hovering over America was reflected in the greetings and farewells spoken to 428 graduates at Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, the theme of each brief message at the commencement exercises in Aycock Auditorium dealing with the need for mental and spiritual leadership in a dark day for mankind.

Those who brought greetings to the seniors were Governor Clyde R. Hoey, for the state of North Carolina; Dr. Frank P. Graham, for the university; Dr. W. C. Jackson, for Woman's College, and Miss Celia Durham of Chapel Hill, for the seniors themselves.

Mrs. Josephus Daniels, wife of the ambassador to Mexico, was accorded an ovation when Dr. Graham cited her manifold services as a citizen of state and nation and announced the award to her of the honorary degree of doctor of laws. She was the second person to be thus honored by the college, the first having been Judge Florence Allen of Ohio, at the 1939 commencement.

Ambassador Daniels and Mr. and Mrs. Josephus Daniels, Jr., of Raleigh were on the platform at the time and the genial ambassador got a roar of laughter when he rose to say that now, with the whole University of North Carolina behind her, his wife would boss him worse than ever.

Miss Margaret Wyatte of Mebane was announced as the senior winner of the Weil fellowship, a year's study at the university of her choice. It was established by Mrs. Henry Weil of Goldsboro, in memory of her husband. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Wyatte.

Miss Bobbie Lee Clegg of Greensboro, rising senior, won the Mendenhall scholarship in mathematics.

Miss Margaret Coit, rising senior, and Miss Doris Sharpe, rising junior, both of Greensboro, will share the Winfield scholarship for students showing promise in creative writing.

"I do not join with those who advocate a hasty entrance into the world war," said Governor Hoey in his address to the graduates, "but we must give to the world our mental and spiritual leadership, a tremendous power which we alone are in a position to give."

He urged a vigorous program of material and spiritual defense and said the moral influence of America should be thrown into the support of England and France, fighting the battle of civilization.

Miss Durham, daughter of Representative and Mrs. Carl T. Durham, expressed the thanks of the seniors for the training which had been given them and said "we are able to lead more intelligent and happy lives because we have been at Woman's College."

"You go into a world deeply in need of the best in mind and heart that you have to give," said Dr. Graham, "and may you ever guard the freedom and fortify yourselves in the democracy of this country."

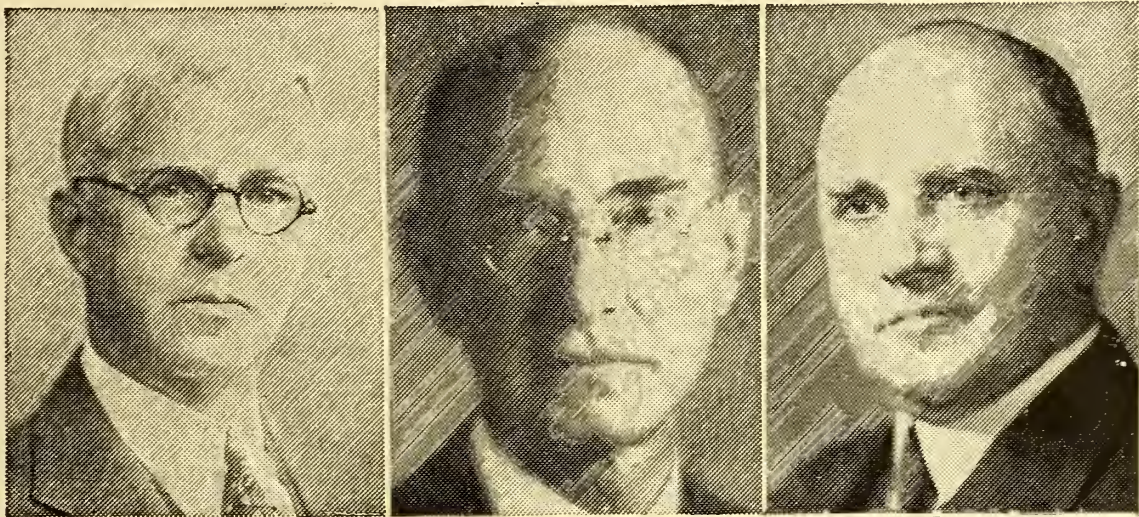
Speaking the formal farewell to the graduates, Dr. Jackson declared he brought no counsel of despair, "for the good and beautiful things are of chiefest value and there is much to be done."

### Mrs. Josephus Daniels Receives Honorary Degree

At the commencement of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Dean W. C. Jackson presented Mrs. Josephus Daniels for the degree of LL.D. In doing so, Dr. Jackson said that when one year ago he presented Judge Florence Allen, Justice of the United States Circuit Court (the only woman given a degree by this institution), for the degree he promised President Gra-



UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA CONFERS THREE HONORARY DEGREES



Dr. John A. Ferrell

Dr. William J. Battle

Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl

The University of North Carolina conferred honorary degrees on the three men pictured above at the closing exercises Tuesday night at its 145th commencement. They are: Dr. John A. Ferrell, an alumnus, who is with the Rockefeller Foundation in New York City; Dr. William J. Battle of the Classics Department of the Univeristy of Texas, and Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl of Winston-Salem.

ham that "in the recommendation for this year the same high standard would be preserved. And we have done so in presenting Mrs. Daniels," to whom he paid high tribute. In conferring the degree upon Mrs. Daniels, President Graham said:

"Adelaide Worth Bagley Daniels, alumna of Peace College and first woman on its board of trustees; the first woman member and chairman of the board of trustees of Rex Hospital and principal factor in the building of the new modern hospital of the Naval Auxiliary of the American Red Cross; member of the Committee of One Hundred of the National Y. W. C. A., and prime mover in the establishment of hostess houses at the training bases of the army and navy; author of the Social Life of the Wilson Administration; author of the resolution of the United Daughters of the Confederacy for the establishment of the Stone Mountain Memorial; by appointment of President Wilson, the sole official representative of the United States at the Eighth International Suffrage Alliance. She is here this morning in her own right and in her joint right as the devoted wife, helpmeet and inspirer of Josephus Daniels, editor and statesman, fighting, honest tribune of the people, and as the mother of four sons, manly Gracchi, the jewels of a great mother and a great commonwealth whose people honor her for them, for him, and for her own gracious and courageous self.

"By the vote of the faculty and the board of trustees of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, we confer upon you the degree of Doctor of Laws."

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Summary of total receipts for six months period, December 1, 1939 to May 31, 1940:

| District            | Dis.Supt. | Benev.     | Jurisdic'l Expense | Golden Gross |
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| Durham .....        | \$1690.10 | \$ 3899.26 | \$ 756.50          | \$ 24.00     |
| Elizabeth City .... | 915.34    | 2936.59    | 403.75             | 26.25        |
| Fayetteville .....  | 1620.50   | 3049.41    | 144.50             | 29.25        |
| New Bern .....      | 1075.87   | 3042.47    | 436.55             | 22.42        |
| Raleigh .....       | 1436.12   | 3537.28    | 512.15             | 21.94        |
| Rocky Mount ....    | 1464.32   | 3035.52    | 344.80             | 13.00        |
| Wilmington .....    | 1046.54   | 934.52     | 492.27             | 34.35        |
| Total .....         | *9248.79  | 20,435.05  | 3090.52            | 171.21       |
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Clyde A. Dillon, Treas.

JUDGE W. F. HARDING OF CHARLOTTE DIES AT AGE OF 72

Judge William F. Harding, for 25 years a judge of the North Carolina Superior Court and a man who perhaps had more sincere personal friends than any other man in the state, died June 11 at his apartment in the Selwyn Hotel, Charlotte, following an illness of many months which most the time kept him confined to his home. Thousands of friends in every section of North Carolina mourn the departure of this princely man and sympathetic as well as just judge.

The funeral rites were held at 4 o'clock June 12 in the First Methodist church, Charlotte, of which Judge Harding was a devoted member, and were conducted by Bishop Clare Purcell, assisted by Dr. C. C. Weaver, pastor of the church, and interment was in Elmwood cemetery.

Judge Harding was born near Aurora, Beaufort county, and was a son of Major Henry and Susan Sugg Harding. His father was a major in the Confederate Army. Shortly after his graduation in 1894 at the University of North Carolina, he went to Charlotte and taught in Prof. J. A. Baird's Academy while studying law, which studies he completed in the University at Chapel Hill. Through all the years at Charlotte, W. F. Harding was a popular and esteemed citizen of that community, a leading churchman, and in fact a leader in all things that were for the betterment of his adopted city. As a practicing attorney and as a judge all men who knew him held W. F. Harding in the highest esteem because he was worthy.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Nan Dowd Harding, and his son, William K. Harding, Charlotte, of a former marriage. Also two brothers and two sisters. The brothers are H. P. Harding, superintendent of the Charlotte city schools, and F. C. Harding of Greenville, N. C. The sisters are Mrs. H. T. Latham of Washington, N. C., and Miss M. Bessie Harding of Washington, N. C. Two grandchildren, W. K. Harding, Jr., and Lillian Long Harding.

Fortune brings in some boats that are not steer'd.—  
Shakespeare.



# The City Churches' Stake in Rural Religion

By ROBERT GRENVILLE ARMSTRONG\*

The city church is under a great debt to the rural church. Malcolm Dana says that 70 per cent of those who join the city churches by letter come from town and country churches. What would become of the city church if it were not for this constant inpouring of new members, members who have been given a warmth of religious experience as well as a conviction that follows them into the teeming life of the city, and causes them to seek a continuance of that relationship with the Christian church? Malcolm Dana rightly says, "The flow is an evangelical one."

Is this debt of the city church owed to the small town and country church just because of a past contribution or must the city church still look to the small town and country for the life-giving stream of new blood, in membership, in leadership, lay and clerical? Should the city church take account of stock, not within its own corporation limits, but out in the whole countryside? I believe that the city church must, for its own preservation and saving health, examine the springs from which its strength has come in times past to see whether they have become polluted through a neglect that ought never to have been allowed.

Is the small town and country life of today producing boys and girls of the same fine character and high idealism as in generations gone by? Opinions differ. A writer in *Yankee*, a new England magazine, gives a gloomy picture of what she found in one small town to which she moved from a city in order to have the sweet influences of country life. The reports of immorality coming from small towns and even the open country are disconcerting. The radio, the movie, above all, the automobile, have made possible a disintegration of life, along with the many advantages gained. The boy on the farm today can get to the bright lights after the chores are done. No longer is he isolated from the fast moving life of even the small neighboring city. Can the city depend upon getting the high grade stock of young people from the country that once flowed forth in such numbers to build our cities, to break down our frontiers, to create our great industries?

This raises the question, what can be done about it? Has the city a responsibility for the life of the country? Has the city a stake in rural religion? If the city is to look to the country for maintaining itself in the face of a declining birth rate that means a declining population, what kind of an increase does it want? Would it not be well for the city to concern itself mightily about the forces at work in the country, molding the lives of these potential citizens of the city?

There is a saying that once we had wooden churches and granite preachers and now we have granite churches and wooden preachers. It will take granite preachers to meet the changing demands of these rural churches, men who can face discouragements of small congregations, of meager equipment, of wide-spreading parishes, thinly populated, men who will have judgment and tact, who can handle conflicting personalities, men who will know enough not to "hang the fodder too high for the calves," men who will lift the dignity of the country church to new levels, making of them the preparatory schools from

which the graduates will go to lead the lay and clerical work in the great city churches that must depend upon a constant stream of Christian youth from the country or lose their life and vitality.

The city church, I say, must help make it possible to place such men in such places and to provide them with a support that will enable them to stay there for longer periods of time than has been customary. Short term pastorates are the bane of the small rural town and church. No man can get very deep into the life of the community in a three-year pastorate. Let him stay seven years at least and he will make an impression upon the life of that community which will never be forgotten. In seven years he can help a generation of young people grow from 13 to 20 years of age, or from 10 to 17 years of age. What an impact he could have on those formative years! . . .

The city minister has a definite responsibility in this whole matter. There are men who have no time for the man from the small town or country church. If they pay any attention to their brothers in these smaller fields, it is with an air of condescension that does far more harm than good. If we are to have a ministry in these areas that is vital, then the work done there must be recognized as of great importance as the work done in the city church, and the man doing that work must be respected as an expert in his field, not just a novice waiting for a chance at some important pulpit. There are men who have definitely elected the rural field who are doing a work their city brother couldn't touch. And they would grace city pulpits themselves. An exchange of city and rural pulpits from time to time is a wholesome thing, wholesome for both the churches and the ministers involved. . . .

The city has a real stake in rural religion. The moral health, the spiritual vitality, the organized life of the city church, is dependent upon and will be increasingly dependent upon, the kind of morals, or spiritual life, of Christian character that is being produced in the rural church. If for no other reason, if only for its very life existence, the city must look well to the religious life of the country.

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\*The Rev. Robert G. Armstrong is secretary of the New Hampshire Congregational-Christian Conference. This paper was read before the 1938 annual meeting of the Christian Rural Fellowship. The above pages are a condensed form of this paper.

This is the first of three articles on the church and rural life. For further information regarding materials or questions raised in these articles write the extension secretary, N. C. Conference Board of Education, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

## WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

Many Christians should make expert elevator operators—with many years of religious ups and downs.

Often times the stalwart six-footer who is yelling lustily for war abroad is the first one to run up the white flag before some five foot Amazon at home.

There are still a few churches which, when the pastor preaches on "Trusting in the Lord" insist on his practicing what he preaches for about ten months in the year.

Crows are able to see a man afar off, but the surest way for a twentieth century prophet to be overlooked by the church ravens of today is for him to sit beneath the juniper tree.



**CALL THE NEXT WITNESS!**

By Bruce L. Middaugh

Ye shall be witnesses unto me.—Acts 1:8.

The main business of Christians during those tremendous years when the gospel was winning its way against the might of pagan Rome was that of acting as witnesses for Christ. Jesus explicitly declared to his followers, in his final interview with them as recorded in the first chapter of Acts, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me." So seriously did they take this charge that when they met to choose a successor to Judas they carefully chose him from among those who had seen and heard, that he might be a witness along with the eleven.

I sat one day in a circle of farmers around a country farmhouse pump and heard an unlettered man make this eloquent remark when a certain doctor was under discussion: "Well, he certainly did a lot for me!" He was ready to testify, from his own experience. Jesus healed a man congenitally blind. When the man ventured to tell what had happened to him, the learned scholars began to scoff. "What do you know about religion?" they asked in derision, and tried to overwhelm him with their philosophy. But his answer was clear and simple: "About these things I don't know much. But this one thing I do know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see." There is no argument against a fact. While preaching has its place, and learned professors can help us by expounding the Bible text and explaining the Christian doctrines, the greatest strength of the Christian movement in its struggle with a hostile world has always been the existence of millions of humble people who are Christ's witnesses. Their continual testimony, springing direct from personal experience, is the unanswerable argument.

The first and most obvious way to testify for Christ is simply by letting oneself be known as a Christian. When a young man stands at the altar of the church, and publicly takes the vows of membership, he is making answer in vivid fashion to a skeptical world which wonders, "Is there anyone who really feels that Christ has the answer?" Some of us feel that we cannot do very much for Christ, but we can do that much. We can stand up and be counted, testifying that here is yet another human being who finds life's true meaning in Jesus. In a world where so many people take the opposite side, that is no small service to render. The lines are being drawn, and every individual is being counted on one side or the other. We are all witnesses, whether witnesses to our faith in Christ or to our unwillingness to declare any such faith.

Secondly, our everyday actions are bits of testimony. We have laughed about the man who said to his neighbor, "So you are troubled with hay fever? You must try this remedy. I've been a great sufferer from hay fever myself for over twenty-five years, and I've never used anything but this!" But too many of us live lives that recommend Christ in the same left-handed fashion. A Christian man comes to work some morning wrapped in gloom, grouchy and touchy as a dog with a bone, and thereby testifies to the world that Christ has no remedy for a bad disposition. His testimony is false, but the world does not know that, and someone who has been wondering if perhaps Christ might have the answer to his problem turns away discouraged. The average church member does not realize with what keen interest the man in the street watches to see what effect church going has on a man. When one

who professes to be a Christian habitually neglects public worship or private prayer, the outsider takes that as the testimony of a well-informed witness to the effect that worship and prayer are of no great value. Depending on such testimony, more than one thirsting soul has given up the quest before he started. It is a fearful responsibility, to have hindered by our witness one who might have found his way to Christ.

But there is a third way in which we are privileged to be witnesses for the Master, a way which is useless without the first two, but which, when it builds on them as its foundation, is marvelously fruitful. It is the way of straightforward speaking of our faith and experience.—Zions Herald.

**THE PLACE OF RELIGION**

By W. J. Cameron

I have never been able to see that religion—Christianity—has failed. Accepted or rejected, it must be reckoned with as a power. If we will not let it work for us, there seems to be a universal necessity that it work against us. Just as every war proves the superiority of peace, and every lie makes truth shine more brightly, so a rejected Christianity is justified by the inevitable chaos that follows its rejection. I cannot see, however, that present world conditions indicate the triumph of evil, even where evil seems most entrenched in power; I think that much of what we see may be attributed to the explosive and expulsive power of moral principle in the world. The good principle is ejecting the bad. It is evident even to the rulers of evil powers in the world that they are not coming—they are going.

I am more concerned about the appalling breakdown of moral responsibility in private and official life that is so frequently disclosed. I have had occasion to study some of those personal and official tragedies. In every instance there has been some break with religion. Men have thought the rules of life had changed as they rose in the world—the old Sunday school maxims of their youth were not valid any more, they thought—and ruin followed. There is no possibility of usefulness of any sort without a background of moral principle. So many men seem to suffer from moral anemia, seem to be color-blind to wrong, men who cry out in grief and surprise when their acts catch up with them! They didn't know. They didn't realize. The thing we call religion never seemed to them a living force. It just seemed a theory. And so the blow fell. Why?

As I ride along the highway at night, the light of my car picks up far ahead the reflector signals that direct drivers in the darkness. They show me whether the road curves to the right or left, whether it is a sharp or ordinary curve. They signal me in letters of fire—"Stop" or "Slow" or "Danger" or "Dead end." Why do they signal me? Because I have the light. It's the light I carry that enables me to pick up those saving warnings far out before me on the highway. If my light is out, nothing speaks to me out of the darkness. Every yard I move is a hazard. That is why so many men plunge into moral tragedy. They have no light. And religion is the light. It is guide and safeguard. "If the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is the darkness." We can see only by the light we have, and we must have light on the road we travel today.—Christian Leader.



### THE RANDOLPH-MACON COMMENCEMENT OF NINETEEN FORTY

Monday, June 10, 1940, was the 108th commencement of Randolph-Macon College at Asheland, Virginia. What a notable record has been made for a century by this old college! It was once the college for the North Carolina conference as well as for the Virginia. Later, Trinity College took its place in North Carolina, but the two have ever had bonds to bind them together. Notably, Braxton Craven, founder of Trinity, was granted an A.B. in 1849, and also an M.A. in 1851 (both honorary); J. C. Kilgo, president of Trinity College, was given D.D. in 1895; and in turn Duke University conferred an LL.D. on President R. E. Blackwell in 1836. Now this year Bishop W. W. Peele, our beloved North Carolina-Virginia bishop, receives from Randolph-Macon the LL.D. degree. For me, commencement day this week had added interest because it was the first commencement under the direction of the young and versatile president, Dr. J. Earl Moreland, who succeeds Dr. R. E. Blackwell as president. And along with all this, I was privileged to attend my first commencement at this college which cherishes the best of the old as well as esteems much that is modern.

#### A Pioneer College

Many of our Methodists are not aware of the exalted place that Randolph-Macon held for years among the colleges of the entire South before the Civil War. It too was a pioneer in the study of English during the days of Thos. R. Price, following the Civil War. Those young men trained by him brought in a new day with such as Sharpe at Tulane; Baskerville at Wofford and Vanderbilt; Harrison at Washington and Lee, and later, Armstrong at Trinity. All this is an interesting story good to cherish.

Commencements are all much alike, yet they are different. So it is with this fine old college at Asheland. Faculty and graduates were in academie "togs," observing the formalities, still they were delightfully informal. The 43 graduates showed culture and poise. Seven prizes were awarded this year prior to the conferring of degrees. The grade of those winning prizes in which scholarship was involved were read. Yes, they still estimate brains in decimal fractions as of old.

#### Address to Graduates

The address to the graduates was given by one of their honor graduates, Mr. William Ludlow Chenery, editor of Collier's Weekly. This was a most discriminating and thoughtful paper dealing with the issues of the present war with the following conclusions:

"My conclusion is that we must prepare ourselves to participate in the making of just international arrangements and of preserving international peace by some agency pooling the resources of civilized governments. Call it the league, or the federation, or whatever is most useful, the fact is that if anyone desires to be free of criminal attack we must have a world government capable of reasoned judgment and resolute to maintain justice as well as peace. You will not have the opportunity to be 'little Americans.'"

As a graduate of Randolph-Macon, Mr. Chenery opened his address by paying tribute to Dr. Robert Emory Blackwell, late president of the college.

He compared the period of Reconstruction in the

South at the time of Dr. Blackwell's boyhood to the present "jeopardy of the whole civilized world."

Honorary degrees of Doctor of Divinity were conferred upon Walter Clark Gum, Richmond, Edwin Samuel Sheppe, Jr., Roanoke, and Harrold Norman Smith, Elizabeth, N. J. These are all former graduates of the college.

#### Peele Gets Degree

Doctor of Laws were conferred upon William Walter Peele, Richmond, and Richard Taylor Wilson, Jr., Petersburg. In his citation of Bishop Peele, President Moreland said:

"William Walter Peele, bishop of the Methodist Church, graduate of Trinity College, teacher, college administrator, pastor, Christian statesman, student of life, friend of man—under the authority vested in me by the board of trustees of Randolph-Macon College, I hereby confer upon you the degree of Doctor of Laws."



Bishop W. W. Peele

On every hand were heard commendation of the new president of the college. They count themselves most fortunate in securing J. Earl Moreland to fill the place made vacant by the death of the greatly beloved R. E. Blackwell, who had been connected with Randolph-Macon as student, instructor and president for more than six decades. Dr. Moreland is admirably equipped to meet the present situation as leader in Virginia.

#### Wealth of Tradition

The temptation is strong for me to write of the wealth of tradition that gathers about this Methodist campus in that section of Virginia made notable in other days by such men as Patrick Henry and Henry Clay. Near by Asheland is the old Hanover Court House in which Henry made his historic speech and also there remain certain early haunts of Henry Clay. A most interesting section this! Then, too, I for thirty years have heard much of this oldest Methodist college from Hon. L. L. Smith, who spent five years there in the days of Dr. J. A. Duncan and other notables of post war days in the seventies. He could talk by the hour about those pioneer days in the study of English under the direction of Dr. Thomas R. Price. But these war days are not favorable for exalting the quiet processes of "the piping times of peace" and the pioneer days of a great college in the days of Reconstruction in the South.

M. T. Plyler.



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### OFFICE ADDRESS, JUNE 17-JULY 10

Members of the conference staff will be at Louisburg College from June 17 to July 10. During this time our office in Durham will be closed and all business of the office will be transacted at Louisburg. Any person having requests for materials or any other business to transact with members of the staff can reach them at Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C.

### REGISTRATIONS

By the time this article is published registrations for the Senior Assembly, June 17-21, and for the First Christian Adventure Assembly, June 25-29, will likely be closed. The Senior Assembly is limited to 250 delegates, while 100 delegates will attend the Christian Adventure Assemblies.

All delegates must register in advance. If your registration for the Senior Assembly or First Christian Adventure Assembly has not been accepted **DO NOT COME**. All delegates have been notified that they have been accepted.

There is still space for delegates in the Young People's Assembly, June 21-25, and in the Second Christian Adventure Assembly, July 1-5. For these assemblies delegates may continue to register until our capacity is reached. Delegates will be notified whether or not they are accepted. Further registrations for these assemblies (the Young People's Assembly, June 21-25, and the Second Christian Adventure Assembly) should be sent to Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C.

### ARRIVAL AT LOUISBURG

Delegates to each assembly will register between 2 and 5 o'clock on the opening date of the respective assemblies. Delegates who arrive on the bus reaching Louisburg at 5:30 can register upon their arrival.

The first meal for delegates in each assembly will be the supper meal at 6 o'clock on the opening day of the assembly. It will be a real help to us if delegates will, as far as possible, delay their arrival until the afternoon in order that we will not have a "conflict" between new arrivals and the assembly already in progress.

### TENNIS

Several nice tennis courts are in shape for use of the delegates to the assemblies at Louisburg this summer. All those who will be interested in engaging in this sport are reminded to bring their tennis racquets and outfits.

### LAKE JUNALUSKA YOUNG PEOPLE'S LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

We have already received a number of applications for the Young People's Leadership Conference at Lake Junaluska, July 16-27. This conference is

designed for conference officers and union officers in the bounds of our conference. There is a quota of 26 allotted to our conference and our representation is, therefore, somewhat limited. We are very anxious that any union officers who are interested in attending the conference communicate with us at once, as it is likely that our quota will be filled at an early date. We have promised to send to the conference leaders by July 1 the applications of those from the North Carolina Conference who plan to attend. **WRITE NOW FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. JULY 1 IS THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATIONS.**

### CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS

Numerous inquiries are coming into the conference office for information about the conference for adult workers in the church school. Below we are giving full information about this assembly.

#### Who May Attend?

This assembly is for the adults who work in our church schools. The study sessions will be divided into the three groups we have in our church school: Children's Division, Young People's Division, and Adult Division. The adult workers in these three age-groups will meet in the separate groups to discuss their work. All adult workers are eligible for attendance at this conference.

#### How to Register

In order to keep the size of the assembly such that each group can work satisfactorily, the number of delegates from each district is limited. Each of the seven districts in our conference will have seven delegates in each of the three age-divisions. In each district there is a district director of each age-group. These district directors are in charge of the registrations from that particular district. You may obtain the registration blanks from them.

#### Date of Assembly

The assembly will begin with registration from 9 until 11:15 o'clock on the morning of July 8. The final session of the assembly will close with dinner, Wednesday noon, July 10. In other words, the delegates will be at the assembly from Monday noon until Wednesday noon.

#### Cost

The total cost of the assembly will be \$4. This is to be paid by each delegate as he registers at Louisburg College, July 8.

#### Your District Director NN

Here is the list of district directors, arranged by age-divisions. Write to your district director (or to your district superintendent) for a registration blank.

#### Children's Division District Directors

Durham—(Write to Miss Alma Cade, College Station, Durham).

Elizabeth City—Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Elizabeth City.

Fayetteville—Miss Bertha Baxley, Rt. 3, Rockingham.

New Bern—Mrs. H. B. Lewis, Vanceboro.

Raleigh—(Write to Miss Alma Cade, College Station, Durham).

Rocky Mount—Mrs. R. A. Barber, 214 Nash Street, Rocky Mount.

Wilmington—Mrs. W. F. Walters, Burgaw.

#### Y. P. Division District Directors

Durham—Rev. C. P. Womack, Durham.

Elizabeth City—Rev. O. L. Hardwick, Plymouth.

Fayetteville—Rev. D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro.

New Bern—Rev. C. W. Robbins, Fremont.

Raleigh—Mr. Francis Edwards, Raleigh, 524 West Morgan Street.

Rocky Mount—Rev. H. G. Ruark, Tarboro.

Wilmington—Rev. F. B. Joyner, Fairmont.

#### Adult Division District Directors

Durham—Rev. T. B. Hough, Swepsonville.

Elizabeth City—Rev. E. D. Weathers, Elizabeth City.

Fayetteville—Rev. J. W. Lineberger, Gibson.

New Bern—Rev. H. B. Lewis, Vanceboro.

Raleigh—Rev. O. L. Hathaway, Selma.

Rocky Mount—Rev. J. O. Long, Warrenton.

Wilmington—Rev. R. L. Jerome, Wilmington.

Associate director, Rev. A. L. Thompson, Faison.

These district directors have the registration blanks and have complete charge of the delegation from your district. Write to them immediately for more information about the delegates from your district and about information concerning the Assembly.

**REMEMBER THE DATE — JULY 8-10. THE COST, \$4. PLACE, LOUISBURG COLLEGE**

### LAKE JUNALUSKA SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES

Several requests have come to our office for information about the various conferences and programs available at Lake Junaluska this summer. Below we are listing a few of the attractive features of the summer program:

Conference on Evangelism, June 17-July 5.

Young People's Leadership Conference, July 16-27.

The Council on a Christian Order, July 17-21.

Laymen Conference, July 22-26.

School of Missions (Mission Inn), July 23-August 6.

Conference on Benevolences, July 26-27.

Missionary Conference, July 30-August 6.

One Week Leadership School, July 30-August 6.

Pastors' Conference, August 6-11.

Two Week's Leadership School, August 8-22.

Inspirational Week, with Broomfield and Hughes, August 21-September 1.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### WOMEN AT DUKE

The fact that in increasing numbers women are realizing and appreciating the value of the opportunities for study is both significant and gratifying. Last week at the pastors' school at Duke University Mrs. W. G. Cram of Nashville, Tenn., taught the fall mission study course, "The Church and Shifting Populations." The following women of the N. C. conference were enrolled in the class: Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon; Mrs. George Blount, Spring Hope; Mrs. A. P. Brantley, Sanford; Mrs. J. W. Burns, Rowland; Mrs. E. R. Clegg, Nashville; Mrs. R. G. Dawson, Mount Olive; Mrs. H. M. Daughtry, Faison; Mrs. Frank Lee, Faison; Mrs. N. P. Edens, Arbor City; Mrs. Dwight Fouts, Jonesboro; Mrs. E. M. Hall, Kenley; Mrs. C. F. Heath, Siler City; Mrs. L. C. Larkin, Rocky Mount; Mrs. M. W. Maness, Manteo; Mrs. J. L. Midgette, Norlina; Mrs. P. F. Newton, Rich Square; Mrs. J. W. Page, Broadway; Mrs. A. S. Parker, Kinston; Mrs. J. R. Poe, Aulander; Mrs. D. M. Sharpe, Mt. Gilead; Mrs. I. G. Strawbridge, Steadman; Mrs. A. C. Thompson, Columbia; Mrs. J. P. Thompson, Elizabeth City; Mrs. W. J. Watson, Elizabeth City; Mrs. E. D. Weathers, Elizabeth City; Mrs. Kermit Wheeler, Kinston; Mrs. M. W. Warren, Fayetteville; Mrs. B. F. Houston, Clinton; Mrs. James Allison, Jr., Raleigh; Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh.

### N. C. LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

Mrs. H. L. Rivers, conference superintendent of Christian social relations, is reminding us that again the time has come for participation in the worthy project of financing negro delegates to the N. C. Leadership Training School at Winston-Salem. The 1940 school will be held at Hanes Institutional C. M. E. church on July 15-20. Registration will begin at 1 p. m. on July 15 and classes July 16. Registration fee \$1; entertainment \$2.50; books, approximately \$1 each. Courses for ministers, workers in all departments of the church, including the woman's missionary society, will be available to all denominations. Courses will include: How the Bible Came to Be, taught by Rev. N. H. Humphreys; Guiding Children in Christian Growth, Miss Dora Zimmerman; Guiding Youth's Approach to Religion, The Christian Message for Our Present Day World, Mrs. Annie Singletary, Preparing and Preaching Sermons; Handicraft. Rev. J. S. Blaine, 821 N. Highland, Winston-Salem, is dean of the school and Mrs. L. V. Scott, 2359 Okalina Ave., Winston-Salem, is counselor.

### MISSION STUDY AT ST. PAUL'S

A most interesting mission study class was conducted recently by the woman's missionary society of St. Paul's Methodist church under the

leadership of Mrs. Allen C. Lee, superintendent of study. The women met for four sessions of one and one-half hours each, using the text books "Right Here at Home" by Meade, and "Homeland Harvest" by Limouge. The following women gave special reports: Mrs. E. B. Ward, Mrs. A. B. Stalvey, Jr., Mrs. S. V. Lore, Mrs. R. H. Coley, Mrs. W. A. Felton, Mrs. C. C. Harrington, Mrs. H. B. Memory, Mrs. A. B. Stalvey, Sr., and Mrs. E. L. Hanna.

Mrs. A. C. Lee.

### NORTHAMPTON ZONE MEETS

The Northampton zone meeting was held April 25 at Milwaukee church with Mrs. W. P. Stephenson presiding. Mrs. T. T. Stephenson, pleasant Grove auxiliary, conducted the morning devotionals on the subject of prayer. Milwaukee auxiliary made five baby life members: Robert Glenn Mulder, Doris Ann Bridger, Sonja Elaine Martin, Eva Mae Smith and Sylvia Jean Bridger. Mrs. R. L. Pritchard presented a certificate of life membership to her grandson, Thomas Pritchard Whitley. Mrs. Silas Lassiter, Conway, and Mrs. L. C. Davis, Milwaukee, were also made life members by their auxiliaries. Mrs. B. C. Thompson, conference superintendent of World Outlook, made an inspirational address on "Keeping Our Silent Sanctuaries." The Milwaukee women served a delicious lunch. For the afternoon meditation Mrs. J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard, reviewed the devotionals at conference. Mrs. Hurley and Miss Willie Pritchard gave reports of the conference. Concord won the attendance banner. Mrs. C. J. Garris, Conway, conducted the memorial service for Mrs. C. W. Martin, Milwaukee. Mrs. Luther Johnson, Conway, read a lovely tribute to Mrs. Martin and Miss Cline of Conway school faculty sang "Some Morning."

Willie S. Pritchard.

### DURHAM DISTRICT MEETS

The annual meeting of the auxiliaries of the Durham district was held in Graham Methodist church on May 15 with Miss Florine Robertson presiding. Mrs. J. R. Edwards gave the opening devotional and Mrs. Paul Garber gave the afternoon devotional. Mrs. S. E. Freeze sang "The Good Shepherd"; Mr. W. T. Wetmore sang "Fear Ye Not O Israel"; Mrs. Coman Isley and Mrs. Bill Griffith sang "The Stranger of Galilee." Mrs. T. N. Mann gave a talk on spiritual life groups. Mrs. J. D. Lee introduced the four children who won in the essay contest on alcohol. Gloria Lee Matkins, winner of the district prize, read her essay. Miss Robertson announced the winning of the brass candlestick and the Korean urn, the former for the largest per capita giving and the latter for the largest number of auxiliaries making the efficiency aim. Life memberships were pre-

sented to 12 children. Miss Josephine Dameron brought a message on Korea. The new program of work was discussed by Mrs. A. M. Gates. The challenge of the rural church was presented by Miss Ruth Brooks. The conference theme, "We Advance," was brought out in reports by Mrs. W. E. Malone and Mrs. J. M. Ormond. Greetings were brought by Rev. A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent. The work of young women's circles was presented by Mrs. Robah Baynes through the leaders of the circles. A service of remembrance was held for Miss Bessie Thompson. "The Color Line," a pageant, was directed by Mrs. J. R. Edwards and enacted by young people of the Graham church.

Mrs. J. A. Warren.

### GIVE US MORE FAMILIAR HYMNS

We are taught that when the spirit of mortal man ascends to the Pearly Gates and is here accepted, he enters a realm where singing constitutes at least an important part of the activities of the blessed.

It is our conviction that singing, in churches, on this side of those Gates is not utilized in the average church service to the extent that it might be. We think that church singing is a powerful influence toward getting many poor mortals gateway who are sometimes not as amenable as they might be to the preacher's word.

Every church service should offer to the congregation a minimum of two things. First, the preacher's sermon, and second, congregational singing. If there are other features of the service, such as a cordial friendliness among the membership, then that is all to the good. We would even go so far as to say that the preacher's sermon does not have to be a model of logic or emotion, if the singing is good.

Nobody goes to church to learn new songs; at least not on purpose. Which brings us to the core of this discussion. If we were by any chance helping to plan church services we would make almost every hymn an old and familiar one.

We'd go light on the new and strange ones and we'd hold the performances of the vested choirs to a minimum, with the knowledge that many of their presentations are over the musical heads of their listeners.

The tune and words of an old familiar hymn in any church fall upon the ears of even the most unconsecrated like a benediction. They conjure up nostalgic recollections of home and childhood; of association with long years gone by that touch the human spirit with the gentle touch of an angel's wing.

And be it remembered, that these old hymns we don't find enough of to suit us didn't become familiar and well known because of their age.

They became favorites because they had, in their words and music, exactly this quality we have talked about—of making a staircase from any house of God upon which the spirit of any man might climb to peace and quietude.—Editorial, Knoxville Journal.

Grace is everything for nothing.—C. P. Krauth, D.D.



## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### AN INTERESTING RECORD

The twenty-eighth annual report of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference is off the press, and we congratulate our conference recording secretary, Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., on the splendid work she has done in the compiling and editing of this record of the fiftieth anniversary of our conference, which was held in Salisbury April 16-18, 1940.

This record of more than 100 pages is not only attractive in appearance, in its colors of white and gold, but is filled with information that is of great value to the members of the woman's auxiliaries in our conference.

The conference treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, and conference secretary are most appreciative of the dedication of this report to them because of their long service in the conference as members of the official family.

### INTERESTING EVENTS OF THE JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE

A number of social courtesies were extended the women delegates to the Jurisdictional Conference held in Asheville, all of which proved most enjoyable.

A courtesy of outstanding pleasure was the tea given by our good Presbyterian friends, Mr. and Mrs. Burnham Standish Colburn, at their Biltmore Forest Home. One hundred and fifty visiting women and their motor hostesses enjoyed the rare beauty of the gardens and the spacious grounds.

An added feature of the afternoon was viewing the notable collection of minerals and Indian relics made especially interesting as they were shown by Mr. Colburn himself. Tea from a charmingly appointed table was poured by Mrs. Frank S. Smith and Mrs. E. O. Thomas.

The Kentucky delegation honored their Kentucky-born Bishop Darlington and Mrs. Darlington with a dinner in the Wistaria Room of the Battery Park Hotel. Opening with singing "Old Kentucky Home" and interspersed with humorous and spicy talks by clergy and laymen, the delightful occasion was climaxed with the presentation of a handsome platter of Penland pewter to the honorees.

Other occasions of special interest were the luncheon tendered the bishops and their wives and other special friends by Mr. and Mrs. Canie Brown at Biltmore Forest Country Club, and the "get-together" luncheon of the Council members, conference presidents and secretaries, on Sunday at one o'clock luncheon in the Oriental Room of the George Vanderbilt Hotel, with Mrs. J. W. Perry, former Council president, as presiding hostess.

### WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT MEETING

The annual meeting of the woman's missionary societies of the Winston-Salem district was held at Walkertown June 4, with Mrs. J. G. Sterling in charge. The opening song "Are Ye Able" was followed by the morning worship service by Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., pastor of the Walkertown church, after which a duet was sung by Mrs. H. C. Martin and Miss Elizabeth Crews.

A service of remembrance, honoring the 18 members of the district who had passed away during the year, was led by Mrs. J. G. Sterling. Certificate awards for mission study were awarded to Lexington, Green Street, Central Terrace and Centenary, and the names of those making the efficiency aim were read.

After a presentation and summary of the district work for 1939, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, was heard in an interesting message in which she explained in detail the new organization for the united church which will go into effect in September, dealing particularly with the new division of the woman's work including the expansion of the work through the union. She also explained the new conference set-up and gave the dates of reorganization for local, conference and jurisdictional work.

At the calling of the roll, each auxiliary assumed its financial pledge for 1940. The morning session closed with prayer by Rev. R. E. Hunt of Walnut Cove and the members enjoyed a lunch served by the Walkertown ladies.

The afternoon session opened with the hymn "I Need Thee Every Hour," sung by the congregation, and was followed by devotion by Mrs. T. L. Speas.

Rev. E. K. McLarty was heard in a solo, "The King of Love." The maintenance and scholarship funds of Scarritt College were presented and a pledge taken.

The training school project to be held at Hanes Institutional church at Winston-Salem was presented by Mrs. L. F. Scott, and Miss Margaret Perryman discussed spiritual life.

The question hour was in charge of Mrs. Weaver, and answers given to the numerous questions asked on the various phases of the missionary work, church organization and foreign supply work. An offering was taken to be turned over to Miss Nina Troy for the work in China.

After the miscellaneous business had been dispensed with the meeting closed with the Doxology sung by the congregation and prayer by Mrs. Weaver.

We would rather speak ill of ourselves than not speak of ourselves at all.—Rochefoucauld.

O dear Lord, protect us from the devil and also from ourselves.—Luther.

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20 All the brethren greet you. Greet ye one another with an holy kiss.

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## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### TRI-ORPHANAGE COMMITTEE

At the request of Dr. A. G. Dixon, superintendent of the High Point Children's Home, and in line with our wish, the committees representing the boards of trustees of the three North Carolina Methodist child caring institutions met at West Market Street Methodist church, Greensboro, Friday morning, June 7, to further consider the best ways and means of providing for the 840 children enrolled in these institutions. The following were present: Rev. A. S. Barnes, Judge Thomas H. Calvert and Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, representing the Raleigh institution; Dr. A. G. Dixon, Dr. R. M. Andrews and George T. Penny, representing the High Point institution; and Rev. R. M. Courtney, Rev. J. S. Hiatt, G. F. Ivey and O. V. Woosley, representing the Children's Home. Other members could not be present.

### SOME PROGRESS MADE

On motion of the Raleigh delegation and seconded by the High Point delegation it was unanimously agreed, subject to the confirmation of the two involved boards of trustees, that all children in the High Point institution from the North Carolina conference area be transferred to the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh by August 1, 1940. It was further agreed that all applications for the admission of children from the North Carolina conference area would be referred to the Raleigh institution for consideration and evaluation. In the event this action is confirmed, the matter of dealing with the other North Carolina Methodist orphan children will be somewhat simplified.

### TALKED TO A STANDSTILL

In this the third committee meeting within the run of a year, little progress was made towards consolidating the interests of the High Point and Winston-Salem institutions. In line with a resolution adopted by our board of trustees in their March meeting, the Children's Home representatives unanimously favored a transference of the High Point institution's children to the Winston-Salem Children's Home. Replying to this Dr. Dixon stated that he was ready to go along with the consolidation. Dr. Andrews, chairman of the meeting, stated that he thought that whatever was done should be for the best interests of the children and for safeguarding maintenance problems for the future. George T. Penny was irreconcilably opposed to any consolidation plans that would vacate the High Point institution, raising the question as to what could be done with the High Point property and dwelling at length on the past history of the insti-

tution. Thus the committee talked itself out, as it had done twice before.

### LONG RANGE THINKING

The Winston - Salem Children's Home and the High Point Children's Home are incorporated institutions and are governed by boards of trustees after the fashion of corporations. Until these trustees are in some way consolidated into one governing body there may continue to be two Methodist Children's Homes in the Western North Carolina conference, duplicating one another's efforts and vying with one another for financial support. At the present writing the proposition made by the board of trustees of the Winston-Salem Children's Home for transferring the High Point institution's children to Winston-Salem and for consolidating the board of trustees into one body on a pro rata membership basis has remained unanswered. It is thought that some answer will now be forthcoming.

### FACTS AND FIGURES

The following statements are based on information presented to the committee:

1. The trustees of the Children's Home at Winston-Salem agree to construct on the Children's Home grounds sufficient buildings to house all children in the High Point and Winston-Salem institutions, provided equities in the High Point property are safeguarded.

2. The trustees of the Winston-Salem institution propose a consolidation of the two corporations into a combined governing board of trustees, such trustee combination to be based upon the former Methodist Protestant membership and former Southern Methodist membership within the Western North Carolina conference area.

3. Revised figures presented by Dr. Dixon show that there are now 114 children in the High Point institution, 100 from the Western North Carolina conference and 14 from the North Carolina conference.

4. The property of the High Point Children's Home along with the property of High Point College are mortgaged to secure \$141,000 bonded indebtedness on High Point College.

5. If former Methodist Protestants now within the Western North Caro-

lina conference continue to contribute to their orphans in the future as they have in the past, which contributions are nearly twice the per capita giving of former Southern Methodists to their orphans, only half enough funds will thus be received to operate the High Point institution.

6. About half of the funds necessary to operate the High Point Children's Home in the future would have to come from other sources than those previously supporting the institution.

7. The agreement of the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh and the board of trustees of the Children's Home at Winston-Salem to underwrite any operating deficit for the High Point Children's Home on one-third and two-thirds basis expires with the present conference year.

8. The big question to be considered for succeeding years is how best to conserve maintenance funds in such a way as to best serve 515 orphan children now looking to the Western North Carolina conference Methodists for security, training and an opportunity to make good in life.

### OUR LARGER BOYS

The picture this week is that of 35 of our larger boys, along with their home mother and home father, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Shaver, who stand in the front line to the left, and Mrs. Mary Hartman, their dietician, who stands in the front line to the right. Thirty-three of the boys live in the John Neal building, where the picture was taken. The other two, of similar age, live in the Tise building. These boys, along with 25 other older boys living in the Duke building, constitute our high school squad. They are a fine bunch of youngsters.

### WHIPPING GENERAL GREEN

Thanks to the good work of our boys, General Green is two-thirds whipped. It is thought that he will be completely overcome by the end of this week, even though the frequent rains continue to aid his cause. Our crops are in good shape with the exception of our rented bottom land, where they are suffering from too much moisture and too much Johnson grass. These are working days at the Children's Home.



Our big boys overcome obstacles when they so make up their minds



## THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

### WORDS OF COMMENDATION —

The board of trustees went on record as being highly pleased with the fine showing that our Orphanage made during the past year with the low per capita cost, as compared with other orphanages in the state. It is the policy of our board of trustees to operate the Orphanage just as efficiently and economically as they can, without sacrificing any vital service essential to the welfare of the children. It is a source of great satisfaction to me, as superintendent, for 21 outstanding business and professional men and women to approve of the business methods of the Methodist Orphanage.

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### THE WOODARD GYMNASIUM—

One of the high lights of the board meeting was the presentation of the Woodard Gymnasium to the Orphanage. In the presence of a large gathering in the Vann Auditorium, the Rev. H. B. Porter, pastor of the First Methodist church in Wilson, presented the gymnasium for Mr. Woodard. His address was very timely and highly appreciated by everybody present. In well chosen words Mr. J. C. Braswell, president of the board of trustees, accepted the gymnasium for the Orphanage. There were a number of friends from Wilson to witness the presentation exercises. Immediately following the barbecue dinner a large number of friends inspected the gymnasium, and were delighted with the splendid building that Mr. Woodard has given our children. It was a source of great satisfaction to us to have present for the presentation exercises the daughter and son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Woodard—Hon. and Mrs. James Shan-nonhouse of Charlotte.

**OIL PAINTING OF MR. J. C. BRASWELL**—Friends of Mr. J. C. Braswell, living in and around Rocky Mount, presented the Orphanage with a large oil painting of Mr. Braswell. Quite a large delegation from Rocky Mount witnessed the unveiling of the portrait. Hon. S. E. Winslow, a prominent attorney of Rocky Mount, made the presentation address, which was highly complimentary to Mr. Braswell. Hon. Josephus Daniels, ambassador to the Republic of Mexico, made the acceptance address for the board of trustees. Ambassador Daniels is a close, intimate friend of Mr. Braswell, and his address was a classic. Bobby Gorham, Jr., a great-nephew of Mr. Braswell, unveiled the oil portrait. The auditorium was filled with friends, together with the children and officers of the Methodist Orphanage when the portrait was unveiled. Personally and officially, I am delighted to have this large oil painting of Mr. Braswell as a gift to the Orphanage from his friends in Rocky Mount.

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### COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES —

We had very interesting exercises for the board of trustees and visiting friends on June 5. Mrs. B. B. Williford of Rocky Mount, in memory of her brother, Captain E. L. Hart, presented each of our 18 graduates with lovely gifts during the exercises. Mrs. R. E. Prince, a widow of one of our former trustees, who for many years has presented an award to the most outstanding student in the seventh grade, presented the award this year to Harold Carroll. We are delighted to have the memory of Mr. R. E. Prince perpetuated here in the Orphanage. Mr. Braswell made our graduating class very happy by giving each of them a five dollar bill. Dr. E. L. Hillman, a member of our board, presented Bibles to the graduating class. His short address was timely and inspiring. Our many guest were delighted with the exercises and with the graduating class.

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**BOARD MEETING**—The board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage held its annual meeting on the 5th of June. Twenty-one of the twenty-four members were present—the largest attendance in the history of the Orphanage. The business affairs of the Orphanage were transacted with a most satisfactory manner. The executive committee of the board looks after the details of the Orphanage, and the board of trustees in annual session considers the major things. Mr. J. C. Braswell, president of the board, dispatched matters very promptly. Our school is most fortunate in having a board of trustees that are outstanding men and women, who are thoroughly loyal and devoted to our children. The following members were present: J. C. Braswell, Dr. R. L. Flowers, C. A. Dillon, Norwood Boyd, Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, Judge Thomas H. Calvert, W. C. Chadwick, D. L. Cozart, Ambassador Josephus Daniels, Mrs. Alma Wynne Edgerton, John E. Evans, Jack Gibbons, Rev. E. L. Hillman, Mrs. W. W. Kitchin, Rev. L. S. Massey, W. A. McGirt, Mrs. Homer L. Lyon, Mrs. E. Y. Speed, A. H. Vann, Graham Woodard, and Mrs. J. C. Wooten.

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## Asheville

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Central, W. A. Stanbury .....     | 24½ |
| 4*Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton..  | 11  |
| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wil-   |     |
| kinson .....                      | 10  |
| Hendersonville, D. E. Camak ..... | 9½  |
| Haywood St., W. G. McFarland ..   | 7½  |
| 2*Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham ..   | 5   |
| Leicester-Grace, A. F. Phibbs ..  | 4½  |
| *Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea ..   | 3½  |
| Brevard, E. P. Billups .....      | 3   |
| Fletcher, H. E. Bolick .....      | 2½  |
| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....        | 2½  |
| Biltmore, E. J. Harbison .....    | 2½  |
| French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler.. | 2   |
| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman ..  | 2   |

## Charlotte

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 3*Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ....   | 48 |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ...  | 40 |
| 3*Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F.   |    |
| Womble .....                        | 16 |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....     | 15 |
| 3*Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie ..... | 7½ |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..    | 7  |
| Calvary, S. M. Needham .....        | 7  |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....   | 6  |
| Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease .....   | 6  |
| Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper .....   | 5½ |
| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....       | 5½ |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....   | 4  |
| *Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....       | 4  |
| Wesley Heights, W. O. Goode .....   | 1½ |
| Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman.....      | 1  |
| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....      | 1  |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....           | 1  |
| Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins .....      | 1  |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....  | 1  |
| Bethel-Bogers, E. R. Edwards .....  | 1  |

## Elkin

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....     | 33½ |
| 7*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....      | 30  |
| 3*Boone P. W. Townsend .....         | 11½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner..     | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....            | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....              | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....       | 8½  |
| Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....         | 6½  |
| 2*Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint .....      | 6   |
| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene .....   | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....          | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....           | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....      | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....       | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....           | 3½  |
| Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley .....    | 3½  |
| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....      | 3½  |
| Warrens ville, J. G. Wootton, Jr. .. | 4   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....          | 3   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....        | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....         | 3   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....     | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....    | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....             | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....    | 2½  |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....       | 2   |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant ....   | 2   |
| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....             | 2   |
| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....       | 2   |
| Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr.... | 2   |

## Gastonia

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 7*Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....       | 28½ |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....     | 21  |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....       | 14  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey .. | 6   |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....            | 2½  |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill .... | 2   |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....      | 1½  |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....         | 1   |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....       | 1   |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....         | 1   |

## Greensboro

|                                        |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger.. | 22  |
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....        | 21½ |
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....         | 7½  |
| Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....          | 5½  |

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....     | 21 |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....       | 7  |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....         | 5½ |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....      | 5  |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....      | 5  |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham ..  | 4½ |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogdon .....        | 4½ |
| Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse .....   | 4  |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow .....    | 4  |
| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick .....   | 3  |
| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy .....   | 2  |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....        | 2  |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle .....    | 2  |
| Bethel-Battleground, B. W. Lefler .. | 2  |
| Ruffin, J. W. Fowler, Jr. ....       | 2  |
| *Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....    | 1½ |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....     | 1  |
| Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....         | 1  |
| College Place, R. M. Courtney ...    | 1  |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....    | 1  |

## High Point

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....           | 18  |
| Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....           | 13  |
| 2*S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington ..    | 12  |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....     | 11½ |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr....  | 11½ |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....         | 8   |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....         | 7   |
| *Seagrove-Love Joy, J.H.Trollinger .. | 6   |
| *Calvary, D. V. Howell .....          | 5   |
| *Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....      | 4½  |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams .....   | 4   |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley ..   | 3½  |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....        | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II ..  | 2½  |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....            | 2   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....            | 2   |
| Linwood, O. E. Croy .....             | 2   |
| Richland, C. L. Grant .....           | 1½  |
| Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....       | 1½  |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....             | 1   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor ..  | 1   |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....       | 1   |

## Marion

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....          | 7  |
| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley.....     | 5  |
| *Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....       | 4½ |
| Spindale, F. J. Stough .....          | 3½ |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....              | 4½ |
| Rutherfordton, F. C. Smathers.....    | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....          | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace .....     | 2  |
| Linville Falls, McRae Crawford....    | 2  |
| Mcaville-Tipton Hill, H. H. Cash... 1 |    |
| Spruce Pine, J. B. Tabor .....        | 1  |

## Salisbury

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton.....     | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....           | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....          | 10  |
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....       | 10  |
| N. Kannapolis, D. T. Huss .....      | 10  |
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....         | 7½  |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner ..   | 7   |
| First, W. B. West .....              | 7   |
| Main St.-Rowan, C. R. Ross .....     | 7   |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler.....  | 6   |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson. .... | 5½  |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..   | 5   |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge .....  | 4½  |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....      | 4   |
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 4   |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3   |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½  |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores ..    | 2   |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 2   |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½  |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1   |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1   |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1   |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1   |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1   |

## Statesville

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins ..... | 30½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison .....    | 28  |
| Central, John W. Moore .....          | 13  |
| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham ..    | 8   |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....           | 7½  |

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....    | 6 |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....    | 3 |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....  | 3 |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....  | 1 |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....     | 1 |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr ..... | 1 |
| Race Street, F. H. Price ..... | 1 |
| Shepherds, A. G. Lackey .....  | 1 |
| Olin, P. F. Snider .....       | 1 |
| Lenoir, Claude Moser .....     | 1 |

## Waynesville

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| *Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 11 |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9  |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry .....  | 8  |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½ |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2  |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2  |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½ |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 1½ |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 1  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....   | 1  |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....       | 1  |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1  |

## Winston-Salem

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 9*Community, J. C. Auman .....        | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....           | 17½ |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen .....   | 14½ |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....        | 14½ |
| *Grace, R. L. Forbis .....            | 6   |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....      | 5   |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....       | 5   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....           | 4½  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....        | 4   |
| N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....     | 4   |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....            | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ...   | 3   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....            | 2½  |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison ..   | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....            | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way .. | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....        | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....       | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter ..  | 1   |

## Durham

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Burlington, Davis St., F. W. Pas- |     |
| chall .....                         | 32½ |
| 3*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....     | 25  |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ..    | 12½ |
| *Graham, J. R. Edwards .....        | 10  |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....        | 9   |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....           | 8   |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds....   | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....          | 5½  |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....      | 5   |
| Swepsonville, T. B. Hough .....     | 4½  |
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele .....       | 4   |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton .....        | 4   |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love.. | 4   |
| Milton, D. I. Garner .....          | 3½  |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. ....   | 3   |
| *Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser...  | 3   |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson .....     | 3   |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps ....   | 2   |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson .....    | 2   |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth .....   | 2   |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe ..... | 1½  |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton .....     | 1½  |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe .....         | 1   |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish .....  | 1   |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer .....         | 1   |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early .....        | 1   |

## Elizabeth City

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 4*Williamston, S. J. Starnes .....   | 14 |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness .....         | 9½ |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt .....       | 6  |
| Washington, L. B. Jones .....        | 5  |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick .....       | 4  |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe .....            | 3  |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon .....     | 2½ |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson .....       | 2  |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon .....        | 2  |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford .....     | 1½ |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis..     | 1  |
| Roper, M. R. Gardner .....           | 1  |
| Swan Quarter-Fairfield, E.G.Cowan .. | 1  |

## Fayetteville

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Siler City, C. F. Heath .....        | 15½ |
| 2*Person St.-Calvary, M.W.Warren     | 13½ |
| *Sanford, Allen P. Brantley .....    | 12½ |
| 5*Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons.....      | 11  |
| *Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams .. | 10½ |
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown .....        | 9½  |



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|------------------------------------|----|
| *Red Springs, B. T. Hurley .....   | 8½ |
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe .....     | 7½ |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood .....    | 7  |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer ..... | 6½ |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar .....       | 6  |
| *Maxton, T. R. Jenkins .....       | 5  |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard .....        | 5  |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson .....         | 3½ |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore .....        | 3  |
| West End, W. F. Keeler .....       | 3  |
| Broadway, J. W. Page .....         | 2½ |
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette..   | 2  |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton .....      | 2  |
| Lane, J. D. A. Autry .....         | 1½ |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning .....     | 1½ |
| Raeford, E. C. Crawford .....      | 1½ |

New Bern

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Mt. Olive-Calypso, R. G. Dawson..   | 4  |
| Goldsboro, W. C. Ball .....         | 3  |
| Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison.. | 2½ |
| Ayden, L. A. Tilley .....           | 2  |
| New Bern, C. B. Culbreth .....      | 2  |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston .....      | 1½ |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....          | 1½ |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens .....  | 1  |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr. ....       | 1  |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts .....            | 1  |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow .....        | 1  |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant .....       | 1  |
| Morehead City Ct., M.O.Stephenson   | 1  |

Raleigh

|                                                    |     |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----|
| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone .....                    | 33  |
| 2*Fuquay, E. C. Durham .....                       | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb .....                     | 15½ |
| *Henderson, B. C. Reavis .....                     | 14½ |
| Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes .....                     | 6½  |
| 2*City Road-White Mem., J. K.<br>Worthington ..... | 6½  |
| *Princeton, J. W. Bradley .....                    | 5   |
| Person St., M. W. Lawrence .....                   | 4   |
| Granville, J. P. Pegg .....                        | 3   |
| Selma, O. L. Hathaway .....                        | 3   |
| Louisburg, J. G. Phillips .....                    | 3   |
| Edenton St., J. C. Glenn .....                     | 2   |
| Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee .....                     | 1½  |
| Hayes Barton, Leon Russell .....                   | 1½  |
| Tar River, J. A. Martin .....                      | 1   |
| Jenkins Mem., J. A. Dailey .....                   | 1   |

Rocky Mount

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer .....     | 11 |
| *Farmville, D. A. Clarke .....      | 6  |
| *Weldon, B. P. Robinson .....       | 6  |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams .....     | 5½ |
| 2*McKendree, L. B. Pattishall ..... | 5½ |
| 2*Marvin, N. W. Grant .....         | 4  |
| *Kenley, E. M. Hall .....           | 3  |
| Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome .....   | 3  |
| Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane .....   | 2  |
| Bethel, M. Y. Self .....            | 2  |
| Enfield, B. D. Critcher .....       | 2  |
| Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington | 2  |
| Warrenton, J. O. Long .....         | 1½ |
| First, E. L. Hillman .....          | 1  |
| Northampton, W. L. Maness .....     | 1  |
| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount.....      | 1  |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd .....           | 1  |

Wilmington

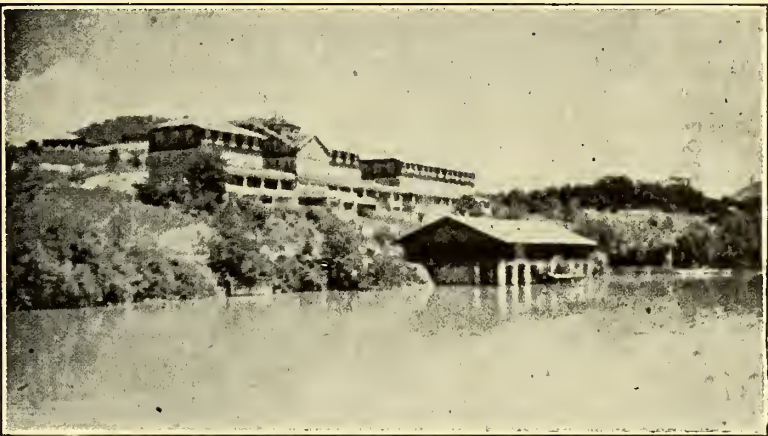
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| 2*Hallsboro, C. A. Jones .....      | 11 |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters .....         | 11 |
| 2*Southport, R. S. Harrison .....   | 7  |
| Carver's Creek, G. C. Wood .....    | 7  |
| *Epworth, Walter Pavy .....         | 6  |
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| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew .....    | 2  |
| Tabor City, N. P. Edens .....       | 2  |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews..    | 1½ |
| Bladen, R. L. Vickory .....         | 1½ |
| Trinity, R. L. Jerome .....         | 1  |
| Grace, J. F. Herbert .....          | 1  |
| Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift .....  | 1  |
| Chadbourn, E. C. Maness .....       | 1  |
| St. Paul, A. C. Lee .....           | 1  |
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# Children's



# Storyland

## MOUNTAIN PREACHER

By J. H. Bell, Ashland, Ky.

Young Davis Huckleby always remembered the day when with his pocket knife he made a little boat out of a cornstalk. It was a neat little craft when he had finished it which he named The Adventurer. He launched it in a little pool below the big rocks. It turned round and round as if puzzled by what course to pursue, then the current caught it and the little boat went whirling away.

It was one of the first summer days; the leaves were a soft young green, and the oaks were gaily trimmed with bright little rosettes that later would change, the boy knew, into green leaves. Davis was pleased with the day and with the little boat he had made. He watched it float around a large overhanging cliff and thought: Some day like the little boat, he too, might go off down the creek to a new country that was many miles away. Down there were churches and schools. He knew about these from Brother Jackson, a traveling preacher, who came once or twice a year to spend the night with him and his Uncle Sol in their cabin. Davis liked hearing the preacher talk of that country so far away where there were churches and schools.

Once he had heard his uncle ask the preacher if he were not afraid to come to the mountains to preach. "We've a bad set up here, Brother Jackson," apologetically his uncle said.

The preacher smiled, then shook his head, meaning he was not afraid to go any place his Master might send him; that he trusted him to take care of him. This attitude of the preacher impressed the boy. He thought and thought about it. What a fine man Brother Jackson was.

Today, after the little cornstalk boat had sailed away, the boy thought he would walk down the creek, see if he could see it once more. He might find it lodged among the rocks. He was walking close to the edge of the stream looking here, there for his boat, when he heard his name called.

"What is it, Uncle?" startled by his uncle's voice; plainly he was upset about something.

"The Murdocks and the Lawsons are fightin' again."

Soon Davis' uncle had told him about the fierce gun battle up Crooked Creek where the old feud had broken out once more. "I'm a thinkin'," Davy, this ain't no fittin' place fur us to be.

Davis following his uncle to the cabin remembered that he belonged to the Lawson clan, and that if he didn't go away he would be expected to fight them. The boy was excited and pleased to be going somewhere, and again was filled with regret to be leaving the cabin. It was the only home he had ever known.

## RECIPE FOR A HOME

Half a cup of friendship  
And a cup of thoughtfulness,  
Creamed together with a pinch  
Of powdered tenderness.

Very lightly beaten  
In a bowl of loyalty,  
With a cup of faith, and one of hope,  
And one of charity.

Be sure to add a spoonful each  
Of gayety-that-sings.  
And also the ability  
To-laugh-at-little-things.

Moisten with the sudden tears  
Of heartfelt sympathy;  
Bake in a good-natured pan  
And serve repeatedly.

—Christian Home.

Davis and his uncle rode the mules over the mountain. They stayed the first night with old Grabbo Kirk on the top of Kirk's Peak. The boy, riding along the narrow mountain trails, thought of the little cornstalk boat he had made, and wondered if it were still being borne along by the current. In away, he felt he was like the little boat. He too, had set forth adventuring. He and his uncle were running away from the fighting.

"It's a sin, son, the way the Murdocks and the Lawsons shoot each other. If they'd listened to the preacher same as I did, they wouldn't do that any more."

"Did you ever shoot anyone, Uncle Sol?"

"I done many a thing in the past, son, that I wouldn't do now. But that was before I knew anything the Good Book teaches. What this crick needs," jerking his thumb over his shoulder to indicate the country from which they fled, "is to git the fear of God in their hearts. Wish I was able to go back and preach a sermon that would wake them up!"

"Preach them a sermon, uncle?" wide-eyed the boy asked. Would that do any good? Make them quit their killing?"

"Yes, son, I think it would. For all their blusterin' ways and fightin', they're pore ignorant critters. Don't know anything else but to let their temper blaze, and then fire away. They think that's the best they can git out of life."

"Don't they know it's wrong to kill?" Hain't they heard the preacher tell it was?"

"Yes and no, son. They may have heard the preacher say it once or twice, but with stubborn critters sich as they

are, you've got to keep hammerin' away—wear 'em down. They need some one that lives here to be their preacher."

Right then from hearing his uncle talk a desire awoke in the boy's heart. To be a preacher—to live here in the mountains with these people and teach them the right way to live! If he might do this. And some day preach such a sermon as his uncle had talked about!

"What does it take to be a preacher, uncle?"

"The fear of God and edication. That is, son, you've got to have book larnin' enough to be able to read the Good Book so folks will understand it!"

A few Sundays later at church where Davis had gone with his uncle, he heard a Psalm read which kindled to a bright flame the smouldering desire left in his heart by his uncle's talk:

"Oh, sing unto the Lord a new song,  
For He hath done marvelous things."

The Lord who had done marvelous things, Davis thought, could change the people and their country up in the mountains. If they knew about God the way his uncle had taught him to know, they wouldn't want to kill each other.

That evening after they had gone back to Preacher Jackson's where they were now living, Davis told his uncle that he wanted to be a preacher, and go back to the mountains to his own people. The people that both he and his uncle loved. He wanted to educate himself until he could tell them—his people, of the many things in life worth living for, which they didn't know about; turn them against the evil things, such as drinking moonshine whiskey and killing each other. They did this because they were ignorant, and knew no better.

"You say you love them folks back up thar, son? And them murderin' each other in cold blood, you might say?"

"I love their souls, uncle."

From the evening Davis made his decision to dedicate his life to the service of the Master, he never once wavered. He attended church and Sunday school regularly, and the study of the Scriptures was his delight. Through his uncle's thrift and kindness he was able to go to high school in a nearby town. During the summer months he worked with his uncle at his trade of carpenter. Finally, the time came when he was to enter theological school.

Uncle Sol Huckleby always counted the day when he heard his nephew preach his first sermon the most important in his life. Second to it was the day when the young man told him he was going back to his own country—the mountains to preach: "I'm going to try and give the people up there, uncle, a new song in their hearts."—Religious Telescope.



# Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 16

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By Rollin H. Walker

## Haggai and God's House

Scripture—Haggai

A prophecy is a special message of God perfectly adapted to some immediate situation. When conditions are changed, then the prophecy needs also to be changed. As for prophecies, said Paul, they shall be done away (1 Corinthians 13:8). The very manner in which a prophetic message fits into a situation like a glove on the hand, renders it in a certain sense ephemeral, for the situation is sure to change.

Haggai was called of God to rally the courage of Israel to rebuild the Temple. There is no doubt about the divine inspiration of his message. But today we are not called upon to build a temple where offerings and sacrifices are made, and it is not the genius of Christianity to have a central sanctuary.

Jesus told the woman of Samaria, The hour cometh when neither in this mountain nor yet at Jerusalem shall men worship the Father; because God was seeking all the time to enter into the hearts of the humble and contrite, and would make a sanctuary of every place where men submitted to his will.

Some people will at once say, What then is the use of studying the prophet Haggai? And we answer, Much every day. For while a prophecy may need to be changed in its wording and application, any message from God has a permanent significance, for no prophecy is of any private interpretation (2 Peter 1:19-21). That is to say, no prophecy applies to a certain situation, and that is the end of it. For true prophecies always embody principles which can be rephrased to fit new conditions.

The first inspiring thing we note about Haggai's message is that it was issued in a time of depression. The crops had been very bad, there had been terrible droughts and ravages of insects, everything was going wrong. People said, This is no time to build a temple; our problem is to keep from starving.

But Haggai said, Go up to the mountain and get timber, and go to the quarry and get stones, and begin to do something toward restoring the temple, and God will bless you. The tide will turn when you make God first.

A good woman in humble circumstances said to the writer recently, When we give our tithe to the Lord we are doubly careful about the way we spend the rest of it. Consecration of our means and time to God is rewarded by a baptism of practical sense. Whatever the relation between the building of the temple and good crops may have been, we all know that the community that makes the service of

God central is in the long run a community on which the blessing of the Lord is richly poured out.

The lesson of Haggai is: In time of depression, start something that shows your confidence in God. One can be sure that he would not have advocated the piling up of a big church debt. All he demanded was that they should begin to do their best right now. Our fundamental danger is that when we can not do something big we do nothing at all (Matthew 25:24-26).

Who hath despised the day of small things? said Zechariah. He will soon have cause to hide his head in shame. For small things begun in the fear of God end in great things. The kingdom of God is like unto a grain of mustard seed, which indeed is the least of all seeds, but when it is grown it becometh a tree and the birds of the air lodge in the branches thereof.

How richly suggestive becomes the calling of the roll of the men and the movements that were despised at the beginning! The little band of Pilgrim exiles landing on the bleak New England shore, a Francis Asbury riding through the trackless forests without money enough to buy a dinner, a Henry Ford with his absurd little contraption, a Westinghouse with his ridiculous proposition to stop express trains with wind! But the men who despised these small beginnings have long ago been put to shame.

As we have said, Christianity does not need a central sanctuary as Judaism did in the days of Haggai. What then is the modern application of his passionate challenge to build the Temple? It is plain.

Christianity and the kingdom of heaven always need to be housed and implemented. It may not need a temple where animal sacrifices are offered, but it certainly needs a broadcasting station. The Boy Scouts need a rendezvous, and the church instead of being forced to crowd all the classes into one room needs a decent educational plant. Or perhaps the temple our town needs is one whose roof is the sky where the children of the poor can play and grow healthy. It is a burning shame to insist on commodious homes and beautiful lawns and gardens for ourselves while the work of God is crowded into some pitifully inadequate quarters.

Old Haggai's prophecy was a success. It stirred up the governor and the chief priest to begin the building of the Temple. May it be a success again in urging each one of us to do our part in placing in the center of our community outward and visible symbols of the fact that religion is central in our lives, and we seek first the kingdom of God.

In this vision of the new Jerusalem the Revelator saw no temple and the reason was that the Lord God was the temple thereof. All the life of the city was a sanctuary. And we dream of the time on this earth when the principles of the Golden Rule will be so wrought into our commercial and industrial life that when we enter a store we shall find it a sanctuary, and when the factory whistle blows it will be like a call to church because all that is done there is done to the glory of God, and the hours are filled with willing service.

The skeptic says, But can this ever be? Let him beware of the penalty of mocking at the promises of God (2 Kings 7:1-20).—Christian Advocate.

## BALTIMORE CHURCH, WEST FORSYTH CHARGE

Our pastor, Rev. G. B. Ferree, filled his regular appointment Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. His subject was "The Importance of Personal Living," showing that Elisha's coming in contact with the Shunammite's son brought back life to him. But if he had failed the child would still be cold in death. If people today expect to use their talents and do what God would have them to do, they must come in contact with him as Elisha did the dead child. Elisha did a different type of work from Elijah. He was given the power to work miracles and they were chiefly miracles of mercy. Elisha's work reminds us of the kindness of Jesus. Every man to his work. There is work enough for all and glory enough for all.

"Say not to others he has given The many talents, to me but one; 'Tis so small I'll not employ it, I'll act as though I had been given none. But use your talents, and with those Who have the ten, you'll hear God's welcome words, 'Well done.'"

Our Sunday school is continuing to grow—120 present last Sunday.

The district meeting of the ladies' auxiliary will be held at Maple Springs Methodist church June 20 at 2 o'clock. We hope all possible will be present.

Our annual revival meeting begins the second Sunday in July, and Mr. Ferree will have as his pulpit help Rev. C. L. Grant. We hope everybody will be much in prayer for this revival, for revivals depend upon prayer and must begin within our own hearts.

Josephine Phillips, Reporter.

## PUNCTUATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE

The proper use of commas, colons, semicolons, periods, etc., makes a difference. Bring order out of chaos by punctuating this first verse before reading the corrected stanza:

A funny little man said this to me  
I fell in a snowdrift in June said he  
I went to a ball game out in the sea  
I saw a jellyfish up in a tree  
I found some gum in a cup of tea  
I stirred some milk with a big brass  
key  
I opened my door on bended knee  
I beg your pardon for this said he  
But 'tis true when told as it ought to be  
'Tis a puzzle in punctuation you see.

A funny little man said this to me:  
I fell in a snowdrift. In June, said he,  
I went to a ball game. Out in the sea  
I saw a jellyfish. Up in a tree  
I found some gum. In a cup of tea  
I stirred some milk. With a big brass  
key  
I opened my door. On bended knee  
I beg your pardon for this, said he,  
But 'tis true when told as it ought to  
be—  
'Tis a puzzle in punctuation, you see.

—Selected.



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DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

June  
Alamance Ct., Rock Creek, 11 .....23  
Mt. Hermon Ct., Cedar Cliff, 3 .....23  
West Durham, E.30 .....24  
Branson, 7:30 .....26  
Graham, 11 .....30  
Mebane, Central, at First Church, 7:30 .....30  
Mebane, First, 7:30 .....30

July  
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 11 .....6  
Long Memorial, 11 .....7  
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2:30 .....7  
Brookdale, Brookdale, 7:30 .....7  
Duke Memorial, 7:30 .....9  
Calvary, 7:30 .....10  
Chapel Hill, 7:30 .....11  
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 .....14  
Cedar Grove, Prospect, 3 .....14  
Davis Street, 7:30 .....17  
Eno, 7:30 .....18  
Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11 .....20  
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11 .....21  
Swepsonville, Salem, 2:30 .....21  
Carrboro, Massey's, 7:30 .....24  
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 11 .....27  
Orange Ct., Hebron, 11 .....28  
Burlington Ct., Glencoe, 3 .....28

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

June  
Pasquotank, Hall's Creek, 11 and 1 .....14  
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 and 1 .....15  
City Road, 11 .....16  
Gatesville, Harrell's, 3 .....16  
North Gates, Parker's, 11 .....23  
Edenton, night .....23  
Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11 .....30  
Belhaven, Epworth, 3 .....30  
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night .....30

July  
City Road, night .....3  
Kinnakeet, Salvo, night .....6  
Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11 .....7  
Creswell, Mt. Elma, 11 .....14  
Roper, Rehoboth, 3 .....14  
Plymouth, Jamesville, night .....14  
Murfreesboro Intermediate Assembly .....15-19  
South Mills, Sharon, 11 and 1 .....20  
Columbia, Wesley's 11 .....21  
Williamston, night .....21  
Washington, 11 .....28  
Bath, Wares, 3 .....28

Windsor, night .....18  
First Church, Elizabeth City, night .....31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

June  
Laurel Hill-Sneed's Grove, 11 .....16  
St. John, 3 .....16  
Stedman, 8 .....16  
Caledonia-John's, 11 .....23  
Red Springs, 5 .....23  
Parkton, Cotton, 8 .....23  
West End, Doubs Chapel, 11 .....30  
Laurinburg, 5 .....30  
Maxton, 8 .....30

July  
Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 .....7  
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 .....7  
Pine Bluff, 8 .....7  
Siler City, 11 .....14  
Glendon, Caribton, 3 .....14  
Troy Ct., Brick Church, 8 .....14  
Biscoe, Star, 11 .....21  
Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3 .....21  
Troy, 8 .....21  
Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 11 .....28  
Rockingham, 3 .....28

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

June  
Pink Hill, Webbs, 11 .....15  
Morehead City Ct., Merrimon, 11 .....16  
Beaufort, North River, 3 .....16  
Harker's Island, 8 .....16-22  
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11 .....23  
Pikeville-Elm Street, 3 .....23  
Dover, Asbury, 8 .....23  
Vanceboro, Chapman, 11 .....29  
Hookerton, Ormond's, 11 .....30  
Fremont, Yelverton, 3 .....30

July  
La Grange, Institute, 11 .....6  
Mt. Olive-Calyso, 11 .....7  
Seven Springs, Zion, 3 .....7  
Goldsboro Ct., Salem, 8 .....7  
Mt. Olive Ct., Browning's, 11 .....13  
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 11 .....14  
Jones, Shady Grove, 3 .....14  
Ayden, Winterville, 8 .....14  
Oriental, Kershaw, 11 .....20  
Newport, Oak Grove, 11 .....21  
Riverside-Bridgeton, Reelsboro, 3 .....21

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

June  
Erwin, Angier, 11 .....16  
Millbrook, Youngsburg (revival services), 8 .....16  
Oxford, 8 .....19  
Henderson, Christ Church, 11 .....23  
Vance, Harris Chapel, 3 .....23  
Henderson, First Church, 8:00 .....23  
Henderson, First Church, 8 .....24  
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 .....26  
Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 11 .....29  
Cary-Apex, Macedonia, 11 .....30  
Louisburg, 8 .....30

July  
Garner, Ebenezer, 11 .....7  
Bailey, Sims, 8 (revival services) .....7

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

June  
Elm City, Zion, 11 .....16  
McKendree, Temperance Hall, 3:30 .....16  
Marvin, 8 .....16  
Garysburg, Oak Grove, 11 .....21  
Conway, Severn, 11 .....22  
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 .....23  
Rich Square, Pinner's, 3:30 .....23  
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 .....23  
Northampton, Rehobeth, 11 .....28  
Spring Church, Pleasant Hill, 88 .....29  
Warrenton, 11 .....30  
Warren, Prospect, 3:30 .....30  
Norlina, Jerusalem, 8 .....30

July  
Middleburg, New Hope, 11 .....6  
Farmville, 11 .....7  
Walstonburg, 3:30 .....7  
Stantonsburg, 8 .....8  
Weldon, 8 .....8  
Sandy Cross, Gold Valley, 8 .....10  
Rosemary, New Hope, 11 .....11  
Roanoke Rapids, 8 .....11  
Halifax, Ebenezer, 11 .....12  
Enfield, 8 .....12  
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 .....13  
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 .....14  
Nashville, York, 3:30 .....14  
Whitakers, McTyler, 8 .....14  
Konly, Lucama, 8 .....17  
Wilson, 11 .....21  
Saint Paul, 8 .....21

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

June  
Whiteville, 11 .....16  
Bladen, Center, 3 .....16  
Fairmont, Olivet, night .....16  
Southport, 11 .....23  
Shallotte, Camp, 3 .....23  
Town Creek, Bethel, night .....23  
Maysville, Pollockville, 11 .....30  
Swansboro (place to be announced), 3 .....30  
Jacksonville-Itchlands, Verona, night .....30

July  
Clinton, Keener, 11 .....7  
Roseboro, McGees, 3 .....7  
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, night .....7

Rowland (place to be announced), 11 .....14  
Pembroke (Indian Work), 3 .....14  
Lumberton Ct., Bules, night .....14  
Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11 .....21  
Lumberton, night .....21  
Wilmington, Grace, 11 .....28  
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night .....28

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

June  
Asheville Ct., Emma, 3 .....16  
Fletcher, Fletcher, night .....16  
Rosman Ct., Rosman, 11 .....23  
Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 3 .....23  
Biltmore, night .....23  
Fairview, Tweed's Chapel, 11 .....30  
Acton, Candler Pisgah (jointly), Piny Mountain, 3 .....30

July  
Asbury Memorial, Hillside St., Merrimon Avenue  
(jointly), Asbury, night .....1  
West Asheville, night .....2  
Haywood Street, French Broad (jointly), night .....3  
Hendersonville and Flat Rock, E. Flat Rock, night .....5  
Oakley, 11 .....7  
Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy (jointly), Lower  
Church, 3 .....7  
Brevard, 11 .....14  
Central (preaching), night .....14  
Black Mountain, night .....16  
Weaverville, night .....17  
Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, night .....18  
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, night .....19  
Laurel-Barnardsville, Bright Hope, 11 .....21  
Weaverville Ct., Clarke's Chapel, 3 .....21  
Oteen, Mt. Zion, night .....21  
Hot Springs, Fairview, 11 .....28  
Marshall, Walnut, night .....28

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

June  
Dilworth, 8 .....14  
Prospect, Prospect, 11 .....16  
Polkton, Mt. Vernon, 2:30 .....16  
Belmont Park, 8 .....16  
Peachland, Peachland, 11 .....23  
Aunsonville, Cedar Hill, 3 .....23  
Hawthorne Lane, 8 .....23  
Wadesboro, 11 .....30  
Pineville, Marvin, 3 .....30  
Myers Park, 8 .....30

July  
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 .....7  
First Church, Charlotte, 8 .....7

ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hlatt, D.S., P. D. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

June  
Sparta, Cox's Chapel, 11 .....16  
Laurel Springs, Zion, 11 .....23  
Jefferson, Zion, 3 .....23  
Helton, Greenwood, 11 .....30  
Jonesville, Maple Springs, 8 .....30

July  
Traphill, Rich Hill Church, 11 .....6  
Warrens ville, Clifton, 11 .....7  
Creston, Peak Grove, 3 .....7  
West Jefferson, 11 .....14  
Todd, Hopewell, 3 .....14  
Boone, night .....14  
Watauga, Mabel, 11 .....21  
Green Valley Ct., Thomas Church, 2:30 .....21  
Moravian Falls, Roaring River, 8 .....21  
Ararat, Maple Grove, 11 .....28  
Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3 .....28  
Surry-Yadkin, Level Cross, 7:30 .....28

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 605 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

June  
Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Bess Chapel, 11 .....16  
Bessemer City, Concord, 3 .....16  
Bradley Memorial, Myrtle Chapel, night .....16  
Lovesville, New Hope, 11 .....22  
Polkville, Casar, 11 .....23  
Cleveland, Kistler's Union, 3 .....23  
Shelby, Central, night .....23  
Shelby Ct., Sulpher Springs, 11 .....30  
Kings Mountain, Grace, night .....30

July  
Bessemer Ct., Pinley's Chapel, 11 .....7  
Belmont, Park Street, night .....7  
Cherryville, First Church, 11 .....14  
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, night .....14  
South Fork, 11 .....21  
South Fork, Plateau, 3 .....21  
Cramerton, South Point, night .....21  
Casar, 11 .....23  
Casar, New Home, 3 .....28  
Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, night .....28

August  
Gastonia, Trinity, 11 .....4  
Gastonia, West End, night .....4  
Rock Springs, Denver, 11 .....11  
Lovesville, night .....11  
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 .....18  
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 .....18  
Stanley, Stanley, night .....18  
Boger City, Asbury, 11 .....25  
Dallas, night .....25

September

Kings Mountain, Central, 11 .....1  
Belmont, Main Street, night .....1  
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11 .....8  
Lincolnton, First Church, night .....8  
Bessemer City, 11 .....15  
Shelby-Carolcon, Carolean, 11 .....22



GREENSBORO DISTRICT  
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                             |    |
|---------------------------------------------|----|
| June                                        |    |
| Moriah, 11                                  | 16 |
| St. Paul, 8                                 | 16 |
| Calvary, 8                                  | 19 |
| Brown Summit, 10                            | 23 |
| Ruffin, Hickory Grove, 3 (dedication)       | 23 |
| Reidsville, Main Street, 5:30 (anniversary) | 23 |
| Centenary, 8                                | 26 |
| Flat Rock, Bethel (Circuit Rally), 11       | 30 |
| Stoneville, Matthews, 8                     | 30 |
| July                                        |    |
| Bessemer, 11                                | 7  |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, 8                       | 7  |
| Spray, 8                                    | 10 |
| Pleasant Garden, 11                         | 14 |
| Proximity, 8                                | 14 |
| Greensboro: Grace, 11                       | 21 |
| Haw River, Friendship                       | 21 |
| Glenwood, 8                                 | 21 |
| Madison, 11                                 | 28 |
| Leaksville, 8                               | 28 |
| August                                      |    |
| Draper-Fairview, 11                         | 4  |
| Draper, 3                                   | 4  |
| Bethel-Battleground, 8                      | 4  |
| Pleasant Garden, 11                         | 11 |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT  
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

|                                         |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| June                                    |    |
| Liberty First, 11                       | 16 |
| Liberty Ct., 3, W. C.                   | 16 |
| Ramsour-Franklinville, Franklinville, 8 | 16 |
| Welch Memorial, 8                       | 19 |
| Pleasant Grove, 11                      | 23 |
| Fairview, 2:30                          | 23 |
| Denton-Denton, 8                        | 23 |
| Lirwood, Bethany, 8                     | 25 |
| Rankin Memorial, 8                      | 26 |
| Hillsboro Church, 11                    | 30 |
| South Davidson, Chandlers, 2            | 30 |
| Farmer, Farmer, 8                       | 30 |
| July                                    |    |
| Asheboro First, 8                       | 3  |

MARION DISTRICT  
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| June                             |    |
| Forest City, 11                  | 16 |
| Sunshine, Golden Valley, 3       | 16 |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30             | 16 |
| Old Fort, 11                     | 23 |
| Gilkey, 3                        | 23 |
| Rutherfordton, 7:30              | 23 |
| Connelly Springs, Friendship, 11 | 30 |
| Shady Grove, 3                   | 30 |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30    | 30 |
| July                             |    |
| Spruce Pine, 11                  | 7  |
| Micaville, 3                     | 7  |
| Liville Falls, 7:30              | 7  |
| Bakersville, 11                  | 14 |
| Bald Creek, 3                    | 14 |
| Burnsville, 7:30                 | 14 |
| Elk Park, 11                     | 21 |
| Avery, 3                         | 21 |
| Cliffside, 7:30                  | 21 |

SALISBURY DISTRICT  
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

The third round of quarterly conferences for the Salisbury District will be held in groups as follows:

Sunday, June 16, 3 p.m., at Forest Hill, Concord  
Mt. Pleasant, Midland, Rocky Ridge, Roberta, Westford, Harmony, Epworth, Kerr Street, Forest Hill, Central, and Ann Street.

Sunday, June 23, 3 p.m., at Trinity, Kannapolis  
Trinity, Midway, Jackson Park, Mt. Mitchell, Mt. Olivet, Bethpage, Landis, and North Kannapolis.

Sunday, June 30, 3 p.m., at Central, Albemarle  
Central, First Street, Tabernacle, Main Street, Salem, Pfeiffer, Stanfield, Albemarle Ct., Norwood, and Norwood Ct.

Sunday, July 7, 3 p.m., at Central, Spencer  
First Church, Woodleaf, Gold Hill, Granite Quarry, Park Avenue, Coburn Memorial, East Spencer-Yadkin, China Grove, Main Street-Rowan, Spencer Central, and Spencer-China Grove.

In the meantime all preaching dates for the district superintendent will be made with the pastors direct.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT  
John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                              |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| June                         |    |
| Balls Creek, Shiloh, 11      | 16 |
| Highlands, Mt. Bethel, 3     | 16 |
| Bethel, Hickory, night       | 16 |
| Newton, 11                   | 23 |
| Catawba, Hopewell, 3         | 23 |
| Maiden, May's Chapel, night  | 23 |
| Westview, Hickory, 11        | 30 |
| Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 3        | 30 |
| Hudson, Mt. Hermon, night    | 30 |
| July                         |    |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11 | 7  |

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT  
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| May                         |    |
| Clyde, Clyde, 11            | 19 |
| Junaluska, Ellis Chap., 8   | 19 |
| Highlands, Horse Cove, 9:45 | 26 |
| Highlands, 11               | 26 |
| Clear Creek, 3              | 26 |

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| Cashiers, 8                                                   | 26 | Forsyth, Marvin Chapel, 11                              | 7  |
| June                                                          |    | Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah, 11                                | 14 |
| Junaluska, Auditorium, 11                                     | 9  | Pilot Mountain, Chestnut Grove, 3                       | 14 |
| Bethel, Meadow Grove, 3                                       | 9  | Thomasville Ct., Fairview, 7:30                         | 14 |
| Dellwood, Peachtree, 5                                        | 9  | Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, Pilot, 11                            | 21 |
| Morning Star, 8                                               | 9  | Mt. Airy, Rockford Street, Blackwater, 2:30             | 21 |
| Andrews, Topton, 9:45                                         | 16 | Winston-Salem, Hiatt Memorial, Hiatt, 7:30              | 21 |
| Andrews, 11                                                   | 16 | August                                                  |    |
| Marble, 3                                                     | 16 | Winston-Salem, Centenary (third check-up meeting), 7:30 | 6  |
| Robbinsville, 8                                               | 16 |                                                         |    |
| Canton, 11                                                    | 23 |                                                         |    |
| Whittier, 3                                                   | 23 |                                                         |    |
| Sylva, 8                                                      | 23 |                                                         |    |
| Canton, First, 11                                             | 30 |                                                         |    |
| Rockwood, 3 and 8                                             | 30 |                                                         |    |
| July                                                          |    |                                                         |    |
| Cullowhee, 11                                                 | 7  |                                                         |    |
| Webster, 3 and 8                                              | 7  |                                                         |    |
| Murphy, 11                                                    | 14 |                                                         |    |
| Murphy Ct., 3 and 8                                           | 14 |                                                         |    |
| Waynesville, 11                                               | 21 |                                                         |    |
| Whittier, Blue Wing                                           | 21 |                                                         |    |
| Bryson City, 8                                                | 21 |                                                         |    |
| Hayesville, Hayesville, 11 and 3                              | 28 |                                                         |    |
| Shooting Creek, Hayesville, 11 and 3                          | 28 |                                                         |    |
| Franklin, 8                                                   | 28 |                                                         |    |
| Macon, Franklin, 8                                            | 28 |                                                         |    |
| Franklin Ct., 8                                               | 28 |                                                         |    |
| Louisa, Franklin                                              | 28 |                                                         |    |
| (Dr. Vliet speaker on 28th).                                  |    |                                                         |    |
| WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT                                        |    |                                                         |    |
| W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C. |    |                                                         |    |
| THIRD ROUND—IN PART                                           |    |                                                         |    |
| June                                                          |    |                                                         |    |
| Thomasville, Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 7:30                    | 13 |                                                         |    |
| Winston-Salem, Green Street, 7:30                             | 14 |                                                         |    |
| Doub's, Brookstown, 11                                        | 16 |                                                         |    |
| First Church and State Street, Lexington, 7:30                | 19 |                                                         |    |
| Lexington-Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30                           | 20 |                                                         |    |
| Thomasville, Community, 7:30                                  | 21 |                                                         |    |
| Winston-Salem, Central Terrace, 7:30                          | 26 |                                                         |    |
| Winston Ct., Elm Grove, 7:30                                  | 27 |                                                         |    |
| Thomasville, First, 7:30                                      | 28 |                                                         |    |
| Rural Hall, Germantown, 11                                    | 30 |                                                         |    |
| Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 3                                     | 30 |                                                         |    |
| Hanes, Clemmons, 7:30                                         | 30 |                                                         |    |
| July                                                          |    |                                                         |    |
| Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30                                | 1  |                                                         |    |
| Mt. Airy, Central, 7:30                                       | 2  |                                                         |    |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 7:30                                  | 5  |                                                         |    |
| West Forsyth, Baltimore, 7:30                                 | 6  |                                                         |    |

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## In Memoriam

**CARPER**—Julian Howard Carper passed to his reward May 28, 1940, being in his 56th year. He lived the early part of his life in Anson county; he lived the latter part in Rowland, N. C. He was highly respected and loved by all races in his home community. Early in life he joined the Shiloh Methodist church on the Lilesville charge, and has been a member of the Methodist church since. His latter few years were filled with much suffering. His life was one of usefulness and was ever willing to serve his fellowmen. We shall miss father, but we are confident that he has won his crown of eternal life. He is survived by his wife, Annie Carrie Rogers; three children, Rev. John H. Carper, Paw Creek, Mrs. D. S. Morrison, Rowland, Mrs. John Archie Long, Jr., Burlington. He was laid to rest in the Rowland cemetery beneath lovely flowers and amid sorrowing friends.

His Son.

**TOWNSEND**—Brother Claudius B. Townsend, a member of Chestnut Street Methodist church, Lumberton, went to his eternal home on March 13, 1940. For many years he was the oldest living graduate of Trinity College, now a part of Duke University. At the time of his death he was a little more than 89 years of age. He enjoyed the highest esteem of his fellow citizens, having been for more than 35 years a steward in the Methodist church and having served in positions of public responsibility in his county. Brother Townsend was a deeply spiritual man, loving his church, his home, and his community. He walked in daily fellowship with his Saviour, and his life here will long be an inspiration to all who knew him.

Brother Townsend is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Claudia Spaulding and Miss Vivian Townsend; three brothers, L. T., J. L., and W. H. Townsend; and one sister, Mrs. A. T. McCallum.

The funeral was conducted in Chestnut Street Methodist church on March 75 by his pastor, Edgar B. Fisher, assisted by Dr. C. H. Durham, and interment followed in the local cemetery.

Edgar B. Fisher, Pastor.

### IN MEMORIAM

In a tribute to the memory of our dear mother, Mrs. Annie G. Horges, who departed this life on April 14, 1940, these words were spoken of her:

She was a lovely, gentle lady, a devout Christian, always submitting herself to the will of her Master; bearing her trials with infinite patience, accepting her blessings with joy and gratitude.

She was loved for her dignity, affectionate disposition and high culture. And above all she loved our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. She was a member of two organizations, the home and the church. From childhood she united with the Methodist church. When just a young woman the Sunday school in her community apparently had vanished into the unknown. She had said that she would not live in a community where there was no Sunday school to take her children. So she reorganized the Sunday school, prayer meeting and the missionary society.

Save for my own mother, who gave me my life blood, you, dear mother, have done more for me than any other woman. You have given me my life companion, who works beside me in

my ministry. You are now with Him and all our loved ones who have gone on before—are worshipping at the feet of Him who liveth forever. "We may plant the seemingly lifeless lily bulb far beneath the dark soil, but life is within it, and one glad day it is a tender stem, from which blossoms burst forth." As the fairest flower in the garden, we have planted her body in the earth, but the flower of gracious redemptive beauty is now flowered in the garden of God. Let us not weep as those without hope, but rather rejoice in her great triumph.

Her children arise up and call her blessed, for she was a good woman.

Farewell, dear mother, we shall see you again, for we have a great interest in heaven now.

Her devoted children,  
Rev. and Mrs. F. B. Brandenburg.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the woman's auxiliary of the Wadesboro Methodist church wish to pay a loving tribute to the memory of one of our oldest fellow members and co-workers, Mrs. Charles A. Winfree, who celebrated her 83rd anniversary on Christmas Day. She was called to her heavenly home on January 4 of this year.

Mrs. Winfree was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother, a good neighbor, a true friend, a loyal Methodist, an active member of the church, church school and auxiliary. We are grateful for her life of faith, loyalty and service. Therefore be it resolved: That in her death we feel our loss; that her long life of usefulness is an inspiration to us; that our heartfelt sympathy be extended to her devoted family, composed of sons, daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

That a copy of this tribute be recorded in the minutes of the auxiliary; that one be sent to the family, and published in the Messenger and Intelligencer, also the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Ethel Kiker, Pres.  
Marion Craig.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the woman's auxiliary of the Wadesboro Methodist church wish to pay a loving tribute to our fellow member, co-worker and friend, Mrs. Judith Stanback Dockery.

She joined the Methodist church at an early age, attended college at Salem and Greensboro College, was a faithful and devoted member of her church and loyal to all of its institutions.

We express our thanks to God for her true neighborliness, gracious hospitality, and for her faith, devotion and service. Therefore be it resolved:

That in the death of Mrs. Dockery we have sustained a severe loss.

That the record of her life be commended as an example of loyalty and service we would do well to emulate.

That our deepest sympathy be extended to her devoted family, Miss Bessie Dockery, William Dockery, and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dockery.

That this tribute be recorded in the minutes of the auxiliary, that a copy be given to the family, and that it be published in the Messenger and Intelligencer and in the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

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## Liberty At Stake!

By DR. CHARLES STELZLE

**A**most of us liberty is a priceless heritage. We have glorified in our freedom, but some of us have forgotten the price with which our freedom was purchased. We have enjoyed liberty as though it were a gift which carried with it no obligation, and we have been reckless spendthrifts of our inheritance.

It seems a great bore to stand when the band plays "The Star Spangled Banner," forgetting that it represents that for which "our fathers died... land of the pilgrim's pride," whereas we should feel like jumping to our feet and waving our arms, with tears in our eyes, because of what "Old Glory" means to us. This may seem a bit hysterical, but the whole world is on the verge of a great catastrophe which may vastly affect our own country.

While we have been enjoying liberty without discipline, the people of the totalitarian countries have been subjected to discipline without liberty. They have been systematically hardened for brutal combat while we have been softened through indifference, self-indulgence and sheer laziness. The virtues which dominated the fathers of our country, who through great sacrifice won for us the freedom and liberty which we still enjoy, have been replaced by sophistication and wise-cracking, and we are permitting crackpots and irresponsible agitators to insult our constitution and ridicule our form of government.

We have supinely accepted teachers of subversive doctrines from abroad, viewed with indulgence leaders of movements who frankly declared that they are trying to create class hatred and race prejudice in our midst, and condoned politicians who are too spineless to protest against those who are boldly laying the foundations for our destruction. The same tactics indulged in in the countries which they hold up as idealistic would send them to a concentration camp or before a firing squad.

When such enemies of our country flaunt their contempt in our faces, the time has come for every loyal American to stand up in his wrath and speak out as a loyal citizen, particularly as we are now confronting forces which threaten our future as a Republic of free men and women.

We have not attained the full glory which lies inherent in our system of government, although we believe that we already have the best form of government in the world. But we must vigorously oppose those whose sole purpose is our destruction and humiliation, lest we be subjected to the rule of those who are opposed to the principles of freedom and liberty which were bought at so great a price, and which have made America the haven for the oppressed of other nations.



### AN EXCERPT FROM A LETTER OF INTEREST

Dorothy Thompson has written Mussolini a letter that is interesting from start to finish, but we quote here only a paragraph or so in which she tells the Duce of our might. Listen to this:

"We are an idealistic nation, Duce. In us is still a crusading and evangelistic spirit. Not dead in us, Duce, is a sense of historic mission, a chivalric impulse, a sympathy which our strength allows us to indulge.

"For we are very strong, Duce. We are stronger than you know; stronger, even than we know. From Italy, Germany looks mighty to you. You see her great industries, her imposing furnaces, mills, factories, storehouses, turning out and boarding for these many years airplanes, and tanks, and explosives, and great guns.

"These do not impress us, Duce. The potential industrial power, the backbone of modern warfare, is not in Germany. It is in the United States. That potential power is five times that of all Europe combined. We have at this moment the capacity to produce 8,000,000 automobiles, in factories running only on day shifts; our tractor production runs into millions; and motorized equipment and trucks with tin hats on. We can produce more steel than all Europe combined; we are a land built of skyscrapers and steel construction; our workers know how to handle steel, and their numbers are legion.

"We have no desire to turn the instruments of peace into death-dealing instruments, but if we choose to do so, then beware. If fifty thousand planes a year are not enough we can double the number. We could swarm the seas with torpedo and mosquito boats. Our resources will not run out. They are within our borders. They are in our own hands."

### RURAL-MINDED CHURCHMEN ADOPT REPORT AT DUKE INSTITUTES

On Wednesday night, June 5, a group of about 30 rural-minded churchmen who were attending the Duke Institutes came together at the call of Dr. J. M. Ormond to discuss ways in which they might work together more effectively in the interest of the rural church in North Carolina. Several denominations were represented. After some discussion, during which a proposal was made to form an interdenominational North Carolina Christian Rural Fellowship, a committee composed of G. R. Stafford, E. J. Arnold, W. J. B. Burrus, and W. C. Lyerly was appointed to bring in a report to another meeting to be held on Friday. At this latter meeting the following report was adopted:

"Your committee appointed by a group of rural church workers attending the Rural Church Institute at Duke University in 1940 makes the following recommendations:

1. That no action be taken now to set up a formal interdenominational organization of rural church workers.
2. That during the year ahead we try to think through to the best means for fellowship and co-operation among rural church workers.
3. That we request the services of Mr. Ernest J. Arnold, executive secretary of the North Carolina Council of Churches, in furnishing and exchanging information on rural work in general and between members of this group.
4. That we request the chairman of the rural life committee of the N. C. Council of Churches (Dr. J. M. Ormond) to call a similar meeting at the Convocation of Churches and during the Rural Church Institute in 1941.
5. That rural church workers in the major divisions of the several denominations in the state organize to promote the interests of the rural church.
6. That all rural church workers join, as individuals, The Christian Rural Fellowship, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y., to secure the bulletins of that organization. (Membership fee \$1 a year)."

Note: All correspondence regarding this movement should be addressed to Mr. E. J. Arnold at College Station, Durham, N. C.

### MYERS PARK CHURCH, CHARLOTTE, OUT OF DEBT, TO BE DEDICATED NEXT APRIL

It was announced last Sunday morning that the necessary \$54,000 had been raised to pay the debt on Myers Park church, Charlotte, and being now free of debt will be dedicated in April of next year.

The Myers Park church is one of the most attractive churches within our knowledge and this congregation is to be congratulated upon the success that has attended their clearance of all debts upon this superb church property which is located in a beautiful growing suburb of the Queen City.

### DOCTOR SNYDER FIFTY YEARS AT WOFFORD

In his remarks at the Wofford College commencement Mr. H. B. Carlisle, chairman of the board of trustees, reminded the audience that this year marked the fiftieth anniversary of Dr. Snyder's connection with Wofford College. Mr. Carlisle as a classmate of President Snyder's at Vanderbilt University, suggested to his uncle, President James H. Carlisle of Wofford that he try to get H. N. Snyder for the chair of English and German, there being a vacancy. He read some extracts from the Southern Christian Advocate of 1890 describing the young Vanderbilt instructor who was to become professor at Wofford, and president from 1902. Describing Wofford when Dr. Snyder came to it, he said that it was a college of only 112 students, with no endowment and hardly any plant except the main building. Today there are more than 500 students, and property and endowment valued at \$2,000,000. Dr. Snyder responded in very happy vein, recalling some of the strides which Wofford has made in the field of scholarship and pledging a continued advance.—Southern Christian Advocate.

### PROGRAM OF HICKORY GROVE METHODIST CHURCH DEDICATION, JUNE 23

10:00—Church school hour.

11:15—Sermon. Dr. A. W. Plyler.

12:45—Dinner in the grove.

1:45—Fellowship hour with former pastors and friends.

2:45—Dedication of church. Message, Rev. L. B. Hayes. Dedication, Bishop Purcell.

The Hickory Grove congregation urges all former pastors and friends to be present at this service.

### AN URGENT DEMAND FOR SCHOLARSHIP AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C.

Dear Sir: I am very much interested in attending Louisburg College, but it will be impossible for me to do so unless I can obtain all the self-help that I can possibly get. I have been raised on the farm and do not mind work.

I graduated from \_\_\_\_\_ high school, \_\_\_\_\_, N. C., May 10, 1940. I was valedictorian of my class. I wonder if you offer scholarships of any kind and if so would it be possible for me to get one. My father and mother are living, but are unable to help me because of heavy debts. I have a brother finishing at State College which has caused my father's financial condition to be worse. If you can help me in any way it will be greatly appreciated. Won't you consider this and let me hear from you at your earliest convenience?

Please send me a catalogue as soon as possible.

Yours truly, \_\_\_\_\_

### W. N. C. CONFERENCE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

By authority of Dr. Chas. C. Weaver, chairman of the Western North Carolina Board of Missions and Church Extension, this board is called to meet at First Methodist church, Salisbury, on Thursday, June 27, at 10 a. m.

R. M. Courtney, Secretary.



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Judging by the readiness of young men to enroll as students of aviation in the colleges and universities of the country there will be no lack of trained aviators even if the country should call for 100,000 men to enter this arm of the nation's service.

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The Jurisdictional Conference of the South-eastern Jurisdiction took this important action: "We do not deem it advisable to establish any independent jurisdictional Advocate. We recommend that the matter of papers for separate annual conferences be left to the determination of the annual conferences concerned."

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General good will without specific kindness and deeds of love is a snare and a delusion. The only way to love everybody is to start with a few near at hand. You cannot love humanity and ignore individuals. To have a vague but loudly proclaimed affection for "the masses" and at the same time an ill concealed contempt for men and women in your own neighborhood makes one contemptible in the sight of all right thinking people. Above all you cannot practice such a fraud upon God.

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The era of military preparedness upon which we are entering without delay seems to us timely and necessary if we are to be allowed to pursue our American way of living in this peace loving republic of the New World. But this will bring a heavy and insistent demand upon the churches of this country to preserve the spirit of the Prince of Peace in this country with these necessary instruments of defense. The implements of war that are provided for defense must ever be regarded as instruments for peace and safety and nothing more. Peace is and must ever be the great word with us if we prove worthy of our best traditions, and live as becometh those who profess to be followers of our Christ.

The United States has within its borders 70 per cent of the world's supply of gold. If there be a man in this nation who is so crazy as to think that Adolph Hitler and his German allies would not seize this gold just as soon as he completes the conquest of France and England, get for such a man a padded cell at the earliest possible moment.

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The majority of our American people are agreed (1) that we should keep out of this war, and (2) that we should send our material resources to the aid of the allies. To the average man this means furnishing military equipment and the resources that money will buy. Not many are mindful of the fate of starvation that hangs over every country in Europe. Before long we will be called on to feed the starving women and children of Europe. Those Red Cross demands are intimations of what is coming. It is all right to stress defense against the forces of destruction, but of equal concern is it to see that the yield of the fields do not fail us. Not scarcity but abundance is the pressing need. To supply food is as essential to victory as to build armaments.

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During the World War when we had two million young men in camp and overseas, with prices rising and food becoming scarcer, men said what will it profit us to have our pockets full of money with not enough to eat? So we began to conserve our food supplies by laying certain restrictions upon our people. But this was nothing to what has been going on overseas. It requires three men to keep one soldier in the field. What must be the fate of a people who are relying on women, old men and the non-fit-for-war to sustain the men in uniform! To feed this nation and to keep up its morale is a big job, to say nothing of the help we are expected to give others. Our business is to supply constructive forces as a mad world rushes on to destruction.



### "I Am a Circuit Rider"

THE above caption over a contribution by Henry Duncan, "a seventeen-year old college freshman as a supply pastor," has a prominent position in the June World Outlook. Mr. Duncan says, "I am a circuit rider. I had never been inside a country church until I went to preach my first sermon less than a year ago. I have learned a great deal." Most assuredly! Then he proceeds to indicate something of his new stock of knowledge gained. This narrative has all the freshness of a new discovery made by a child in the kindergarten stage. For any reasonably intelligent country boy not yet in high school, reared in a country church, would be entirely familiar with all these marvelous discoveries made by this young circuit rider now heralded abroad in the World Outlook.

Evidently this freshman circuit rider is a bright youth and a likeable chap. Were he to spend thirty years in the country church work he might become a useful promoter of the country church. He certainly would never be guilty of taking the following untenable position. Says he: "Many circuit riders now divide their attention between preaching and some other occupation. Some are students in colleges and seminaries. Some are teachers. Many are young and inexperienced. But despite salaries, divided time, and lack of experience, they are doing a job that must be done. They are keeping the country churches alive."

As a matter of fact, such a policy as this is letting the country church die. If a man can succeed at nothing else he goes to farming, although it takes sense and resources to succeed in farming as in any other line of business. The same view is held by some about the country minister. "Put the failures on the country circuits," sing these. How perfectly absurd! The backwoods preacher is no more. The man in the country has to compete with the city centers and to walk the highways of the world. The men making real success in the country churches today are in every respect the equal of the successes in town and city. The serious hurt of the country church are the men who use it as a springboard to get in town and the men who are "part time" preachers.

Think of the fledglings and weaklings keeping the country churches alive in this day. The men on horseback in the pioneer days with their saddle-bags and a "dog-eared Bible," to use freshman Duncan's phrase, were men of might girded for splendid conquest. We had

many of them in North Carolina. George Washington Ivey for fifty-two years on country circuits winning victories wherever he went was a good example of the giants in those days. Many of these present day piddlers in the country are not worthy to tie the shoes of those prophets of God. Yet they are persuaded that they are keeping the country churches alive. Really, any man with a fluent tongue, pleasant address and enough sense to avoid trouble can get on for awhile in a well organized city church, with helpers enough to gather up the good country people who come to town, but a superior man, able to lead and willing to grub stumps, is needed to win victories in the country as did the best of the early circuit riders.

The country situation can be saved when men are ready to carry on with able men willing to stay on the ground and lead on to conquests. Suggestions of secretaries in swivel chairs and theorists giving themselves to a diagnosis of the rural situation count for little. But this is another story for a later day.

### It Pays to Educate a Pig

HERE is a story we got out of the Methodist Recorder, London, and it concerns a colored man in Pondoland—which is a backward county in Mississippi. It runs thus:

"I say, haven't you been a sailor?" "Yes, sir," was his answer. "I thought so," said his questioner. "Traveled much?" "Yes, sir," replied the colored man, "I've been nearly all over the world, with the American navy." "Then what are you doing here in Pondoland?" his questioner continued. "Well, sir," came the reply, "I'm going to take charge of a native school."

Then the white man almost snorted, as, forgetting his manners and something more important than manners, he said: "Bah! I don't believe in you educated niggers." The colored man, with no sign of resentment, said: "Well, I'll tell you a little story. Some years ago, when I was in Chicago, I went to a theatre, and saw there on the stage a little pig. It could do all sorts of tricks almost as cleverly as a human being could have done them, and its performance was one of the most popular items on the program. A butcher wouldn't have given five dollars for it, but his owner wouldn't have sold him for five hundred dollars." Then he paused and gave the white man a beaming smile, and quietly added: "You see, sir, it pays even to educate a pig!"



### President W. P. Few at Boston University

THE commencement speaker this year at Boston University was Dr. William Preston Few, president of Duke University, who chose for his theme, "Concerning the Public Duties of Educated Men."

Zions Herald in its story of this commencement, when President Marsh awarded 1458 degrees in courses and in addition 14 honorary degrees, made copious use of President Few's address, from which we quote the following closing paragraphs which were addressed particularly to the graduating class:

"To count in the day to which you go you must be heroes as well as idealists. I could wish that all of you, and all American youth like you, might today hear loudly ringing in your ears this call to the heroes and idealists. Heroes because you have the power to stand in any crisis and at all costs; and idealists because you seek the widest good and love the widest joy.

"It is not the business of colleges to indoctrinate their students, but all American colleges should be dedicated to country as well as to causes and to humanity, should provide a high leadership of ideas and ideals in the service of the Republic. Men and women rightly educated by these colleges will make substantial contributions not only to sound thinking and sound conduct upon which a great republic may be built, but they will be contributing to that also which must be ever-present in the consciousness of any democracy if it is to endure—a reasonable ground for belief in itself and in its destiny. We still judge of a man's wisdom by his hope. We need now to be reassured by the hopefulness of the wise. The final duty of educated men, especially of educated young men, is to bring hope and forward looking thoughts.

"On the coins of old Spain there was a device in which the shield of Castile and Leon was supported by the pillars of Hercules, which marked the limit of the Old World. But the motto spoke of no limit. 'Plus Ultra,' it ran—there is more beyond, and what that more might be no man could know. So forth they went in search of El Dorado and the fountains of eternal youth; and they found—America. 'Plus Ultra' seems the best motto for the America of today. What is just ahead of us no man can know, but if enough enlightened and high-minded youth, heroes and idealists, can

be sent forth with courage and hope to go beyond the limits of past experience in search of a new El Dorado, we may expect to find, not in some sweet golden clime of the imagination, not in some far western island that lies beyond the dim horizon of the keenest-visioned seer, but here in our own time and country—we may expect to find a greater America."

### Spiritual Ideals

THE desperate hells on earth at this present day are the outcome of a world given over to force. Instead of spiritual ideals we have material force in war at its worst. Appalling is the horror of it all. Only the church of God can save us from such desolation and the faith that God is still on his throne can keep us from utter despair.

Overwhelmed by what is taking place in Europe many leaders in the church are willing to link up the church with the elements of force rather than to rely on spiritual ideals and to urge the spiritual approach to the kingdom of God. The barn builder with much goods for many days is followed by the grave-digger with nothing for eternity. Such are they who are eager to know what they are to get in return for things parted with as it was with Peter. Surely our Lord and Christ would warn us in this day against making life to consist in the stuff we have and of our success in the church to be measured by the salary we get. Above all else should be kept spiritual ideals; yea, in front of all should be kept the spiritual approach rather than the material. Not force but love as a saving agency is the only hope of mankind.

### A Fairy in Scotland

THE Canadian Churchman tells of at least one fairy among the rigid, close-fisted, practical people of Scotland. It is a rather interesting and beautiful little story that runs as follows:

The good fairy who leaves such fragrance behind her is a woman who lives a few miles out of Glasgow. She has a beautiful garden, and every now and then when she goes into the city to do her shopping, she gathers a few bunches of flowers, ties them neatly, and puts them in her basket.

Then she hurries into a poor part of the city, walks up one of the narrow passages from the street, and secretly leaves the flowers.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . . Oct. 22  
N. C. Conference (place to be announced) . . . . . Nov. 7

Robert Quillen says: "War was hell, even in Sherman's time, but this is the first one in which Satan took charge personally."

On June 10 Rev. Mack B. Stokes of the Western North Carolina conference, was awarded the Ph.D. degree by Boston University. Dr. Stokes completed his work in the field of philosophy under the direction of Dr. Edgar Brightman.

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes was the recipient of a purse of \$500 from the Peninsula conference, which convened on May 20 at Grace church, Wilmington, Del., with B. M. Johns as pastor-host. It will be hard to think of Bishop Hughes as retired.

Available are copies of the pamphlet containing the report of the Committee on Policy and Objectives which was adopted by the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference. These pamphlets should be widely distributed. They may be obtained from the Methodist Publishing House, price \$2 a hundred; 30 cents a dozen.

Rev. and Mrs. Allen C. Lee of St. Pauls announce the birth of a son, Lloyd Murrie, on Wednesday, June 12, in Thompson Memorial hospital in Laurinburg. Mrs. Lee was formerly Miss Mildred Murrie of Little Rock, Arkansas, and was director of religious education at Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh.—Allen C. Lee.

Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Bates will be at home to their friends on their thirtieth wedding anniversary which they are celebrating the 29th of June. A cordial invitation is extended through the Advocate to their friends to come out to the parsonage at Brown's Summit on Saturday, June 29, between the hours of three and five or seven and nine.

Rev. Charles D. Stokes, a member of the Western North Carolina conference, and his bride, formerly Miss Arlene Amstutz of Orrville, Ohio, will sail for Korea from Seattle on July 1 on the S. S. Hie Maru. They were recently appointed to serve as missionaries of the Methodist Church in Korea. Dr. and Mrs. M. B. Stokes, Methodist missionaries in Seoul, Korea, and father and mother of Charles, plan to meet the couple in Yokohama, Japan.

Eastern Carolina is improving greatly its farming methods. A long felt need for a two year course in practical farming will be offered this fall by Louisburg College. The aim of this course is to teach the high school graduate modern scientific methods of farming. This course is not to supplant the two year preparatory course that leads to a B.S. degree in agriculture at State College, but is set up with the purpose of holding the young men to the farm and preparing them to become successful farmers.

Dr. F. P. Culver and Dr. O. E. Goddard carried the honors in the recent Jurisdictional Conference as the elder churchmen. They have served many times in the highest bodies of the church. Dr. Culver began in 1906 and he has kept it up and his bow still abides in great strength, as do his intellectual and spiritual powers. Dr. Goddard has been a Nestor in Arkansas and Oklahoma for many years and is in high esteem in both states and throughout the entire south. His service as a missionary in China, as a secretary of home missions, as a secretary of foreign missions, as a most successful pastor and presiding elder, has given him an enviable place in his Methodism. These two great leaders were impressive figures in the Jurisdictional Conference and were listened to always with affectionate regard.—Southwestern Christian Advocate.

Having recently received my A.B. degree from Greensboro College, I am now looking for a position in a Methodist church. Because of my practical experience and training in church music, personal evangelism, and children's and young people's activities, I am qualified to fill a place as director of Christian education or assistant to a pastor. For references consult Dr. L. L. Gobbel, president, or Miss Letha Brock, Placement Bureau, Greensboro College.—Sara Smith, Cherryville, N. C.

Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C., our Methodist college for men in South Carolina, at its 1940 commencement conferred upon the Rev. John Marvin Rast of Columbia the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity. Dr. Rast, a native of Georgia, was graduated with Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Divinity degrees from Emory University, and Master of Arts degree from Columbia University. He entered the pastorate from a professorship at Wofford in 1926. Since 1936 he has been the editor of the Southern Christian Advocate, conference organ of our South Carolina Methodism.

Among the numerous June marriages in Duke University chapel was one on June 7 of very special interest to their many friends scattered over the state. We refer to that of Rev. and Mrs. Vergil Erwin Queen of Carrboro, where they are caring for the Methodist church there. He is pastor and she is "mistress of the manse." Mrs. Queen, the former Miss Frances Priscilla Sharpe of Roanoke Rapids and Mount Gilead, is a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. D. M. Sharpe, so well known in both of the Methodist conferences of the state. Rev. V. E. Queen is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Queen of Morganton. We wish for these fine young folks many happy and useful years in their chosen line of work. Every opportunity for training has been theirs.

A few weeks ago we held a school of missions at the parsonage of the Crabtree charge with 20 men and women attending. Recently the parsonage yard and lot consisting of five acres were wired in. Two rooms, two porches, the hallway, ten chairs and other furniture repainted. Brand new linoleum was put down in two rooms and a linoleum runner in the 24-foot hall; three window screens and two screen doors installed; a foot bridge and a marker decorate the front yard. The labor was done by 40 volunteers, each church co-operating. At least 50 days of labor have been given. Words cannot express our appreciation; in fact, it's a new experience for us. On June 1 a silver tea was held at the parsonage with good results, sponsored by W. S. C. S. On June 24 we begin a revival at each of the four churches to run through July 8. Eight men from Dr. Lenman's select group will hold these meetings, two men for each church.—Wm. H. Neese, Pastor.

The Good Fellowship Union held its June meeting at Broad Street Methodist church in Mooresville. The new officers of the union were installed during the worship period in an impressive service conducted by the adult counselor, Mrs. H. A. Poston. Afterward the business meeting was turned over to the new union president, Wade Troutman. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the roll called by the secretary, Miss Helen McConnell. One hundred and thirty-three were present. Plans for the young people's retreat at Camp Barium were completed and the chairmen of the various committees spoke briefly on the program plans for the retreat. The July meeting will be held at Centenary Methodist church and the union agreed to have a joint meeting August 15 with the young people's union, composed of the Methodist churches in and near Statesville, at Broad Street, Statesville. Refreshments were served by the hostess church at the close of the meeting.



A very successful young people's retreat conducted by the Good Fellowship Union was held at Camp Barium Saturday and Sunday, June 15-16, with 46 young people present. Practically all of the Methodist churches of the union were represented. The purpose of the retreat was to furnish an opportunity for the young people and the pastors of the union to get better acquainted and to receive inspiration and practical help in carrying on the work of the church in their local groups.

With Jonathan Worth Daniels, editor of the Raleigh News and Observer, as guest speaker, the Lake Junaluska Assembly will launch its 27th season Sunday with the annual observance of Haywood County Day. Admission to the grounds will be free and a big crowd is expected from all over Haywood county and from Asheville and other nearby cities. Mr. Daniels is slated to speak at 11 a. m. At 3 p. m. there will be a band concert and Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr., of Waynesville will preach at 8 p. m. After Haywood County Day the regular round of summer assemblies, institutes and schools sponsored by the Methodist Church will begin.

We were looking forward to having members of the Landis choir come up to the parsonage on Saturday evening for choir practice. It seemed a little suspicious that they came almost an hour early but more than a little suspicious when people began to show up from the other two churches. We could not figure it all out, but complications had set in when Dr. and Mrs. Clark and Brother and Mrs. J. S. Gibbs drove up. To get to the point, the people remembered that on June 15 Mrs. Avett and I had been married one year and they came to spread a bountiful supper in our back yard and to shower us with several gifts. It is grand to serve these Christian people of the Landis charge.—Clegg W. Avett.

Our Sunday school is continually growing at Mt. Zion on Pinnacle-Mt. Zion charge. We have about 165 on roll, with an attendance of about 85. Our annual home coming was held the third Sunday in May with a full house and a full day of talks and good singing. At the noon hour everyone enjoyed the picnic lunch on the grounds. Rev. J. D. Morris, our pastor, delivered a fine message Sunday, June 16, at the 11 o'clock hour. He spoke of our present waning conditions and compared it with the prophecy of the Bible that there will be wars and rumors of wars until the end of time. Our revival meeting will begin the third Sunday in July and continue through the following week. We all hope and pray that our revival will be a success.—Bryce Needham.

### SALUDA-TRYON CHARGE

Last Sunday we were very pleasantly surprised to have a delegation of 81 members of the Shiloh Methodist church congregation (Balls Creek charge) visit the parsonage at Saluda. The party was in charge of J. Mackie, W. A. Setzer, Dewey Lanier, Jess Holbrooks and Ray Mackie. They traveled in two large trucks and ten automobiles a distance of more than 100 miles. A picnic luncheon was served on the parsonage lawn. It was a happy occasion. We served Shiloh church as pastor for three years just prior to coming to this charge.

The first Sunday of this month we had the unusual privilege of delivering two baccalaureate sermons—at Tryon high school and at Saluda high school.

Mrs. Graham and I spent last week at Duke University attending the pastors' school. It was a pleasure indeed to sit in Dr. Kenneth Clark's class on "The Teachings of Jesus." The entire program this year was one of unusual interest and very helpful to both ministers and laymen.

We are assisting Rev. C. Moody Smith in revival services at Moore's Grove church of the East Flat Rock charge. The meetings will continue for ten days. We are happy to note the increased interest in the services from night to night, and we are expecting the leadership of the Holy Spirit for the glory of God and the spiritual uplift of the church.

The summer season for tourists is on in Saluda. Many people are arriving daily to spend the summer months in the beautiful "Land of the Sky." Sunday morning services will be conducted at the Saluda Methodist church during the tourist season. We cordially invite and expect all Methodists coming to this section to worship with us.

Blessings on the Christian Advocate family and our great united Methodism!

Edward M. Graham, Pastor.

### REV. W. C. MERRITT RESTS FROM HIS LABORS

Few men have been more loyal and devoted through long years to the tasks of life than was William C. Merritt for forty-seven years a member of the North Carolina conference. On the farm in Sampson county he came to know the value of labor and fidelity to a task. We knew him intimately in college and through all the other years. In the hard and exacting rounds of



Rev. W. C. Merritt

a Methodist itinerant he never faltered. Some years were hard and the way was often rough, but he always kept pressing on. Every one who knew this brother expected him to come with a good report as to additions to the church and money secured for the benevolences. Early he formed the habit of success. His triumph came at Duke hospital June 14, 1940. It was indeed the closing of a victorious life.

Brother Merritt was a graduate of Trinity College. He joined the North Carolina conference in 1893 and served various charges throughout the state. He retired in 1937 and moved to Durham.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Mary Woodley; three daughters, Julia and Ruth Merritt of Durham and Mrs. Ottis M. Hedrick of Lexington, and a son, Woodley C. Merritt of Durham.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 4 o'clock at the Duke Memorial Methodist church. Rev. H. C. Smith, the pastor, assisted by L. S. Massey, W. F. Craven and M. T. Plyler, officiated. Burial was at Maplewood cemetery.

### MINISTERS' WIVES MEET

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Greensboro district held an all day meeting on June 13 at the home of Mrs. J. H. Armbrust of Reidsville. Mrs. Armbrust and Mrs. L. B. Hayes were hostesses.

The following officers for the coming year were elected: Mrs. J. H. Armbrust of Reidsville, president; Mrs. R. M. Andrews of Greensboro, vice president; Mrs. J. Elwood Carroll of Greensboro, secretary-treasurer. The secretary was requested to write a note of appreciation to Mrs. R. T. Houts, retiring president, for her services during the past year.

The group had wanted to have this informal meeting primarily to become better acquainted with one another, and all went away feeling that this goal had been accomplished. All enjoyed the fine fellowship and are looking forward eagerly to a similar meeting in the near future.



# In Defense of the Small Rural Church

By HARRY E. BICKSLER\*

In these days of mass production, high finances, and regimentation we have a tendency to think in such big terms that we lose the true value of small things. We become so efficient that we are in danger of becoming mechanical in our church work, as is often true in educational and social work. While appreciating centralization of country schools, of farmers, co-operative work, and more and more of the country church, this country preacher dares to send up a cry against centralization simply for centralization's sake, or even for cold reasons of financial efficiency. Christ teaches us that there is something more than the rule of thumb, that one cannot measure only by mathematical processes. This must be recognized in education, or we shall continue to educate youth without moral or spiritual principles.

"Close the country churches, and make them come to town." We are doing this with our one-room school houses. We have done it largely with our country stores and our creameries. Therefore why not do it with our churches? Our great difficulty is that we generalize too much. There is little doubt in our mind that this centralizing should be done in many communities, and all concerned would be better off. But to close all of our little churches throughout the nation, without carefully considering many things beside numbers and dollars, would be a great tragedy and an irreparable loss to the church at large. According to the reasoning of some church people, all small mountain springs should be shut off. Anyone who has climbed the divides will recall the little springs and tiny streams. One realizes the purity of those mountain streamlets, and has sense enough to know that their waters combined with those of many other such insignificant beginnings will make the Mississippi or the Colorado rivers.

This country preacher is so proud of being at one of these sources in the hills that he often views with both sadness and amusement the superior attitude of some who must live in the large centers of population and who look with contempt on the home missionary or the pastor of a weak church that attempts to be self-supporting. We thank God that such scorners are few. We thank God even more for the friendly and brotherly attitude of the pastors of some of our largest and most successful city churches.

A little church, even though it receives mission support, need not hang its head if it justifies that support by its service and product. A church needs to bow in humility if it is not measuring up, whether it be small or large.

The record of many little churches, such as these of The Parish of the Templed Hills, could well be envied by much larger churches. One only needs to take count in our large churches of those members who came from such little country churches. A sad thing will be discovered if one notes the age of those who stand to say they came from the country church. Most of them will be fifty years of age or older. Why so few under fifty years? Has the country church stopped feeding the city church? If so, where will they get their new recruits? It is said that the city does not reproduce itself. Country boys and girls

are still going to the city, but most often are not going to the church. At least much of the growth of the city church is from children of those reared in the country. The country is still growing boys and girls. True, the families are only half the size they used to be, often less.

Let us consider the churches of this parish forty years ago. There are two things you will notice if you study the individual church histories recorded in brief in this booklet. You will notice that forty and fifty years ago their membership was at its height. If you had the records, you would know that even before that time the strong virile youth had been sent to college and had gone away to serve elsewhere. Others went to the cities into business, factories, or stores. Many of the fine young girls went to work in city homes. They went as church young people and united with the churches where they went.

Yes, I am a proud minister. Proud, while humble, in the honor that has been conferred upon me, to serve—this country parish. We know these churches have no right to expect ever to be much larger than they are, for we know that as fast as we rear strong youth they will go forth to serve elsewhere. Only we pray that in each generation there will be a fair number who, while they are capable of taking their place in the world with the best, will hear the call to remain at home, to carry on the work here at its best, and so serve humanity and the kingdom of God.

It is not perfect. Too often little country churches are barren, when God has given them every advantage to be beautiful. A little planting around them, a little work inside, and what a difference! But so many homes in the country are the same. Our aim in this parish is to have the beauty of God around the churches and homes and on the inside as well. We want to rear lives that are just as beautiful before God and man.

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## THE WESLEYAN ADVOCATE TALKS ABOUT THE OPEN CABINET

Now that the strong arms of the recent General Conference have torn away any imaginary barbed-wire entanglements which prevented access to the appointing powers, we may all cry out with Archimedes, "Eureka," and sing, "This is the way I have sought and mourned because I found it not." Every member of an annual conference may now make known to the cabinet the reasons he feels divinely called to the pastorate of First church in High Steepleville. But First church, through a committee, may also inform the cabinet that they have "put up the bars" against certain aspirants, and they may demand a minister who is a great preacher, a successful pastor, a good mixer who is "easy on the eye," a civic leader, a financial wizard who can initiate and direct a building program on "outside" help, and who has a faultless family.

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The Pyramids themselves, dotting with age, have forgotten their founders.—Fuller.





Friendship Methodist Church



Friendship Church Hut

### FRIENDSHIP CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED JUNE 23

The fourth Sunday in June Bishop Clare Purcell will dedicate our new church at Friendship, on the West Greensboro charge.

Bishop Purcell will preach at 11 o'clock and dedicate the church, and Rev. W. J. Miller, a former pastor, will preach in the afternoon.

All former pastors, members and friends of the church are cordially invited to enjoy the day with us.

The people of Friendship are justly proud of their new church. We are sorry we do not have a picture of the old church, so that folks who do not know might appreciate more fully the improvement that has been made. The old church was built in 1859. The weather boarding and ceiling hand dressed yellow pine, the framing was oak put together with wooden pins, not a nail in it.

The building was a small one-room structure, and in 1938 we had our architect at Duke draw plans for the new church. We turned the old church around and made it into Sunday school class rooms, and built a larger auditorium in front of it, and brick veneered the whole building. The new church is equipped with electric lights, and an oil furnace which heats the whole building.

The Duke foundation gave us \$2,000 including the architect's fee, for which we are truly grateful. The balance was contributed by the congregation.

We are looking forward to our dedication service with interest. Come and enjoy the day with us.

### EDWARDS-STEPHENSON NUPTIALS

In a ceremony characterized by simplicity and beauty Miss Ruth Lee Stephenson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Stephenson of 3009 Montrose Avenue, Richmond, Va., and granddaughter of the late Rev. John A. Hornaday of the North Carolina conference, and also of the late Mrs. M. C. Stephenson of Raleigh, was married at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, June 8, in the Barton Heights Methodist church, Richmond, Va., to Mr. John Clifton Edwards of Petersburg, Va. Dr. W. C. Gum, the bride's pastor, performed the ceremony. The bride's sister, Miss Mary Ellen Stephenson, and the groom's brother were the only attendants. After two weeks in western North Carolina the couple will be at their home in Colonial Heights, Petersburg, Va.

The bride and bridegroom are graduates of the University of Richmond, and the bride was a student at Duke University for 12 weeks last summer. The bridegroom, a chemist, holds a responsible position in Hopewell, Va., near Petersburg.

A few facts about Ruth Lee Stephenson's attendance records are remarkable and interesting. She attended kin-

dergarten and went on through all the grades and high school and college and taught three years in the Warrenton, Va., high school, and she never missed a day and never was tardy. She has not missed Sunday school since she had the whooping cough at the age of three, 19 years ago.

### REV. F. E. DIXON PASSES ON

Rev. Francis Ernest Dixon, 67, died of a heart attack at his home in Newport, N. C., June 6. Five decades ago he entered "Old Trinity" in Randolph county, where he remained a couple of years before entering the active ministry. Several years were spent in California. Then he returned to his native state and spent most of his life in eastern North Carolina, having retired a few years ago.

The funeral services were held at Newport Methodist church by Rev. Clyde Boggs, assisted by Rev. T. G. Vickers and Rev. M. O. Stephenson. Burial was in the family plot near Kinston. The Dixon family were devoted to the Methodist church.

Brother Dixon was a son of the late Joseph H. and Martha House Dixon; he was a native of Craven county. Surviving in addition to his wife, Mrs. Nancy West Dixon, are a brother, J. J. Dixon of near Grifton, and three grandchildren, Chackley, Dixon, and Hazel Ann Adams, all of Carthage.

### HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon

Our good people who are specially interested in the work and progress of the High Point Children's Home will pardon me if I do not write very much these days until some questions in regard to the operation of our children's homes are definitely settled.

The story is told of a young man who went to see a young woman for a long time, and finally he proposed marriage to her and his proposal was accepted, whereupon he became very thoughtful and had nothing to say for some time. The young lady growing a bit embarrassed said, "Why don't you say something?" And he replied, "Too much has been said already."

We are still working on the job at the same old stand, and we are getting along fine and hope to continue so until such time as definite conclusions are reached in committee meetings and conferences.

Money is coming in about as usual during the summer months and we are still hoping to live as nearly as possible up to a balanced budget. We are hoping all our Sunday schools will continue to emphasize the work of this Children's Home in your regular monthly offerings.

### Our Empty Fruit Jars

Quite a few have written requesting the fruit jars. We shall gladly deliver them and then hope to get them back filled with either fruit or vegetables, together with other produce next fall. Please let us have your orders at once.

We are also looking forward to a celebration of some kind in August. Be saving your dimes and dollars for the celebration of our thirtieth anniversary.



# History of Hickory Grove Church, Ruffin Charge

People who love the Lord are not satisfied to live in a community where there is no sacred sanctuary for Sunday worship services. Before the turn of the twentieth century, Mayfield Methodists came together under the leadership of Mr. Jim Chandler and took the first steps which led to the erection of a church. A Sunday school was organized at Sylvan with Mr. Chandler acting as superintendent. These educational and spiritual services were held each Sunday out of doors during the first summer. Love for the spiritual things of life grew and after a few weeks a weekly prayer service was begun by Mr. Chandler, Mr. J. O. Fitzgerald and Mr. Zebb Swann. These services were held for several months under a brush arbor and were conducted usually by Mr. George Anderson. The prayer meeting congregations grew

L. Roberts followed Brother Williams and during his two year pastorate a need was felt for a new and larger building.

In the fall of 1929, under the leadership of Rev. J. W. Bennett it was decided that a new building would be erected. The leaders of the church, Mr. Travis, R. F. Hazelwood and A. J. Hyler were men of outstanding faith and they, together with Rev. Mr. Bennett and the congregation, decided to erect a building of native rocks and stones and dedicate it to the worship and work of the Lord.

After this decision was made plans for a new building had to be considered. On a trip to Asheville Rev. Mr. Bennett and a group of men sought out stone churches and stu-



Hickory Grove Methodist Church

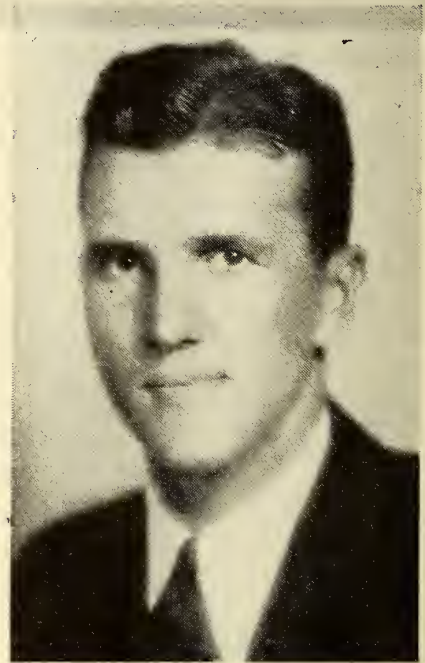
and as the weather became increasingly colder the brush arbor became inadequate and a better shelter was sought—sought with a faith in their hearts that it would be found so that the much loved and much needed meetings could continue. At this time Mrs. Jim Alverson owned an old storehouse on land close to the location of the present Hickory Grove church, and this she graciously loaned to be fixed up and used by the brush arbor congregation. Regular Sunday church services were started here with local preachers bringing inspiring messages to spiritually hungry people. The group continued to grow and in 1895 this congregation asked the Methodist conference to send them a pastor. Rev. Mr. Womble came as a result of this request and during his ministry a frame church was constructed.

The land which was to become the site of the first Hickory Grove church building was given by Mr. Kit Robeson. After the location had been determined, all set eagerly to work on the building. Most of the framing was hand hewn and was done generously and free of charge by such men as John Lumpkins, Tom and Charles Weatherford, Bob and J. A. Walls, Bill Edd, Bob Dix and George Neale. As soon as the lumber was hewn and hauled Mr. Andrew and Alex. Dix began the carpenter work and before long the building was ready for use. Its location in a beautiful grove of hickory trees gave Mr. Zebb Swann the desire to call it the Hickory Grove church and from the first it has been called by this appropriate name. The first stewards to serve this church were Messrs. Kit Robertson, Charlie Weatherford and Adolph Walker.

Rev. Mr. Womble remained as pastor for four years and much progress was made. Sunday school was held each Sunday and preaching services were conducted twice monthly. For several years the church continued with these services, but as the older members began to pass away and others moved from the community, there was a decline in membership and in interest which culminated in 1916-1917 when Sunday school was discontinued and preaching services were infrequent.

Not until 1920 did this dormant condition come to an end. In this year Rev. H. F. Starr was sent as pastor and Mr. Edd Hanks reorganized the Sunday school. Rev. Mr. Starr stayed for four years and under his spiritual leadership the church and Sunday school awakened and grew. H. D. Travis succeeded Mr. Hanks as superintendent following the death of the latter and carried on the good work Mr. Hanks had started. The congregation increased so under Mr. Starr's ministry that it became necessary to increase the size of the church in order to accommodate it.

Following Rev. Mr. Starr for periods of one year each were Rev. J. H. Brendall and Rev. G. W. Williams. Rev. I.



Rev. J. W. Fowler, Pastor

died their plans. The Hickory Grove stone church must compare favorably with any of its kind in beauty and splendor, for it was to be made the holy sanctuary of many God-loving people. Many rocks were carried back with these men and now they are lodged in the walls of the church. Each county through which they passed is represented by one or more stones.

From the Duke fund assistance was obtained to the extent of \$2500. To this was added numerous small contributions. Mr. Haines, Duke architect, made the blue print for the final plans and in the spring of 1930 men, women and children began collecting and piling rocks in their fields from whence they were laboriously taken to the present church site. Sand was hauled from Wolf Island creek to be used in making cement. The stone foundation had just been completed in the fall of 1930 when Rev. Mr. Bennett was replaced by Rev. E. W. Needham. During his two-year pastorate the frame work was put up, the roof put on and a rock mason began laying the walls. The mason left after getting the walls laid to about window height and Mr. Travis went on with the rock laying. After many long hard hours of work the walls were completed while Rev. R. M. Laughlin was serving as pastor. The church was slowly but surely being erected. Money was scarce, but the men found time between crops to donate their labor, which they did gladly. In 1935 Rev. Mr. Saffrit came as pastor. During his one year ministry the doors and windows were put in, the sub-flooring was laid, and the cellotex was put overhead. With this much accomplished, the congregation began using the new church. Rev. Mr. Saffrit preached the first sermon in the new structure in July, 1936, and it was followed by a picnic lunch on the grounds and more services in the afternoon.

During the following months under the ministry and leadership of Rev. E. C. Calhoun, the floor was laid and the interior painted. Rev. H. R. Cornelius replaced Rev. Mr. Calhoun, who temporarily stopped his ministry to begin study to be a missionary. While Mr. Cornelius was pastor the young people of the Epworth League had electric lights installed in the church. With the physical features of the church nearly cared for, Brother Cornelius emphasized the spiritual and conducted a very successful revival meeting.

In the fall of 1938 Rev. J. W. Fowler was sent to this pastorate. During his first year the spiritual side of the



church was again foremost and he conducted another successful revival which was followed by a large ingathering of new professing Christians. Thoughts now turned toward dedication of the church. Under Rev. Mr. Fowler's leadership and the generous help of Pelham and Ruffin friends the church debt was lifted. There was little money but abundance of faith in the fall of 1939 when the project of furnishing the church with new pews and pulpit was begun. Members gave generously according to their means and gave in that spirit of love, brotherhood and faith that is so characteristic at Hickory Grove.

The Hickory Grove congregation presents this church for dedication June 23, 1940. It is located on the Danville-Draper highway one mile east of Mayfield. It will be dedicated joyfully and prayerfully to the work of furthering the kingdom of God on earth.

### FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY AT SPRING HOPE

Last Sunday, June 9, the occasion of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Spring Hope Methodist church, is one that will not be forgotten by this church and community. It will be remembered as one of the happiest and most fruitful in its history. At the morning service, to a crowd overflowing the church and nearly filling the Sunday school auditorium, Dr. J. M. Culbreth of Chapel Hill, brought a most fitting and timely sermon. After the service a picnic dinner was enjoyed at the church, and there was such an abundance of good things to eat as is seldom seen. In the afternoon a most interesting and well attended historic and memorial service was held at three-thirty. Mrs. R. E. Wilder presented the history of the local church in a most effective manner. After the history two memorial windows, given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Barbee by the Barbee family, were presented to the church. The presentation was made by Rev. Carl Barbee, son of the honorees, and a product himself of the Spring Hope Methodist church. The windows were accepted for the church and trustees by Mr. J. C. Matthews, chairman of the board of trustees. The names of the ministers of the church were read and a memorial hymn was sung.

At the evening service Rev. L. A. Tilley of Ayden, a former pastor, preached most effectively to a large and appreciative congregation. At this service Mrs. M. L. Wachtel sang a lovely solo and the junior choir, instructed by Mrs. Hawkins Vester, led the congregational singing. At the morning service special music was rendered by a trio composed of Mrs. W. P. Pitts, Mrs. Hawkins Vester and Miss Eva Mae Lassiter, and a solo was given by Mrs. A. Q. Roebuck. Among the visitors present were Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Watson of Elizabeth City, Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Culbreth of Chapel Hill, Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Tilley of Ayden, Rev. and Mrs. Carl Barbee of Elizabethtown, Mrs. C. E. Blount of Wilson, mother of the present pastor, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Murray of Hertford, Mrs. Thomas H. Mallison of Greenville, Miss Mabel Dixon of Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. Norman of Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. A. Q. Roebuck of Farmville, and many others from near-by places.

The local Baptist church joined in the evening service and with the pronouncement of the benediction by Dr. W. R. Cullom, pastor of the Baptist church, a day of happy fellowship was brought to a close.

If we had no faults, we would take less pleasure in remarking those of others.—French.

He who does not keep faith with God will not keep it with man.—Dutch.

### ONE DAY AT THE JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE

Jimmie McLarty came by and carried me over the Blue Ridge mountains to the Land of the Sky, where the city of Asheville sits nestled away in all the grandeur the everlasting hills can afford. Just as we drove to the magnificent auditorium we saw J. B. Craven pulling in to the seat of the conference with the stride of a Randolph county prosperous planter. In we went and found placards and sign boards telling us where not to go. Soon found that the balcony was open and when finally seated could look down on the Western North Carolina delegation (would not use the word "look down" were it not for my own elevation), where I could recognize the outstanding figures. There sat Gill Rowe with his face set straight ahead and eyes fixed on whatever was to happen, with a determined expression that he was to hear and see if anything happened. Charlie Weaver was near—a little restless as if something might be working on his anatomy.

After a few announcements the conference recessed, and I noticed several preachers down in the pit, I was reasonably sure, had no business there. I ventured down and was told that the seats back of the bar were for anyone. The recess was soon over and Bishop Hughes had something he read that the other bishops had sent along as a message to the boys. When through with that he sailed in with a fraternal message that swept the deck. What a message it was, well worth the trip.

The place where the W. N. C. conference should have been was vacant. I wondered if they were out like that bunch of preachers who leave the conference room at an annual conference about 11 o'clock to make the round to see where the best eats are to be found. When the good bishop was going good in they began to come, and when I got a chance at Charlie Kirkpatrick I asked him if half of a thing was enough for him, and he replied that one-fourth of something was too much. When he seemed to want to be personal I dropped the matter, as I hated to think of one of the delegates spending the rest of the time in a hospital. I recalled that Paul Garber had been before the mike asking the way to where some committee was to meet, and Brother O. V. Woosley also had been up there saying something about someone had told him something more about hospitals and orphanages and he wanted to convey the word to others. So, all in all, I concluded our delegation was out trying to find out what was a Jurisdictional Conference anyway.

I asked young J. Max Brandon, who was around with some kind of an official mark Brother Smathers had put on him, what it was all about, and he said that he thought Will Lambeth had them up there to show them Junaluska. After hearing the bishop's great message on "I Am Only a Layman" I came away wondering what it is all about.

H. C. Byrum.

### THOSE TWO FELLOWS

A Methodist pastor has said:

"I have always thought that I could have done pretty well in my pastorates if it were not for two fellows—my predecessor and my successor."

Predecessors and successors are essential actors in any on-going church which has a past, a present or a future.

It might be well for any minister who thinks he has not been done well by his predecessors to remember that he would not have had a chance to do anything at all without those who went before him. With very few exceptions Methodist ministers live in parsonages provided by others, preach in churches builded by others and work with laborers gathered by others. They stand upon foundations erected by their predecessors. While a man may feel at times he is handicapped by the fellow who went before him if he would think truly he would see that he would have done less had he been placed on an empty and deserted lot without the organization that greeted him at his reception in the new pastorate. He might think that he would have done pretty well without his predecessor when the fact is that he would have done nothing without him.

Just as ministers would do very little without their predecessors they would find little use in doing anything without their successors. Who would want to be the last pastor of a charge and to know that when the work of his pastorate was ended the work would stop? A successor gives permanency to the work done in a pastorate and saves the minister from being forgotten and a sense of futility. These fellows who sometimes seem to interfere really make possible and useful all we do in the ministry. Each man is but a bridge between the past and the future and in them he finds his power and his worth.

Might it not be a fine thing for ministers, when they are inclined to complain about their predecessors and their successors, to face about, look life squarely in the face, and each say to himself, "Thou art the man?"

"All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

—The Methodist Protestant Herald.



# "The Coming of the Son of Man Shall Be As Lightning"

(Luke 17:24) Text of Dr. Hornell Hart in Duke Chapel, Sunday Morning, June 16

Dr. Hart began his gripping message with a comparison of the efficiency of the Nazi brand of lightning and the tactics of the church with the lightning of Christian love—the one destructive, the other constructive.

The noted sociologist expressed the opinion that Hitler's plan for world domination will not materialize. "Those who shudder lest he should consolidate his rule over the earth misunderstand the law of human organization," he asserted. "When society becomes so diseased and palsied that it can no longer maintain itself, as in the case of ancient Rome, then it is possible for men to come in and shatter it. But to rebuild it is beyond their skill."

The process of destruction now employed in Europe, Dr. Hart characterized as "suicidal. 'Civilization cannot be built on fear, force, and fraud,'" he declared. "Yet we need to learn the lesson of the blitzkrieg. What do we lack that this ancient vision of love and truth coming like lightning from one side of the sky to the other has been blotted out by the dark power of destruction? I think we can put our finger upon four fundamental elements that have made Hitler's system effective in his program of destruction. Perhaps we might learn something from them and add one of our own which Hitler knows not.

"First, Hitler has swept over Europe because he and his followers have had a soul-possession, heart-filling, life-dominating ideal. It is in that marching song of the Nazis, 'Today we own Germany; tomorrow we own the world.' It is in the dream of conquest, of standing astride other lands and making the lesser breeds slaves. But let us note that the power and drive of that ideal takes its energy from a deep sense of wrong. It takes its energy from having been unjustly denounced in the Versailles Treaty, having been given promises that were broken, having been exploited, having had the gates of commerce closed against it by tariff legislation in the United States.

"Second, Hitler and his followers, contemptuous of intellectual life, scornful of learning, have nevertheless made use of technology. They have seized upon applied science and made it their slave. They have utilized the minute findings of science in order to organize this blitzkrieg with devastating effect.

"Third, they have acquired rigorous steel-ribbed discipline. They have learned to bring the individual into subjection—but not the subjection of a slave, mind you. Slaves don't succeed as dive-bombers. Slaves don't do the deeds of daring and devotion that the Nazis have been doing. No matter whether we can produce one thousand airplanes a day, they are no good unless there are disciplined individuals to use them and unless there are disciplined citizens ready to sacrifice and to devote themselves for the good of the nation.

"You educators of democracy," Dr. Hart continued, "turn your eyes to Washington. Look at the silver bloc, milking America out of billions of dollars without any justification whatever. Watch the pressure groups, the farmers, the Legionnaires, the tariff boosters, the people who want their particular little creek made into a river. Hitler would not be running across Europe today unless that sort of greed and selfishness had been stamped out.

"There must be a sense of all for each and each for all." This fundamental democratic ideal, regarding hu-

manity as a brotherhood, has found expression from time immemorial, in China, in ancient Greece, among the American Indians, among the Hebrews, in other lands and among other people, he pointed out.

One of the major misfortunes in western civilization, he asserted, has been the disagreement between science and religion. "A house divided against itself cannot stand," he quoted. "We must set to work in laboratory and library the energy which God has made known to men who have followed the disciples of science, to those who have heeded the ancient saying, 'Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.'

"There is this requirement about discipline; it may be the clue to our disorganization. Paul the Apostle said, 'I bring my body into subjection.' Why? He wanted to make his body the instrument of supreme achievement, and he did it. . . . The Nazis do it for Hitler. Will we do it for Christ?

"The fourth thing that Hitler demands and gets is partnership. You say, 'I hope he doesn't come over here. I hope we are not attacked.' Who are 'we'? Aren't the French 'we'? Christ calls upon us to say, In Him there is no East or West, in Him no North or South; but one great brotherhood of men throughout the whole wide earth.' Those little children mowed down by machine guns, fleeing from villages in Belgium and France, are they not your brothers and sisters, yours and mine?

"Clarence Streit in his book 'Union Now' has been talking about a union of the peoples of the earth. From now on we must have law and order if civilization is to survive. We must have international law and order, and there is no way to have it except that the peoples of the earth—including the people of the United States of America—shall be willing to join wholeheartedly in a partnership that reaches across the ocean, to pool our resources of defense, to pool our economic resources, to work together toward this common ideal.

"If the dictators should win, it will be because they have justice in their cries that they are the exploited peoples of the earth fighting against the plutocracies—and the greatest plutocracy of the earth is the United States.

"We must transcend that selfish greed or we perish. We must learn to achieve law and order in the world on the basis of world-wide partnership in peace."

These four fundamental elements contributing to present Nazi successes can be utilized in a program for world peace and order, Dr. Hart concluded.

"Through the centuries the Supreme Will has reached down and touched this responsive mind and that responsive heart. 'Come after me, you who are ready to give up your lives, you who will live no longer for yourselves but for the brotherhood of man.'

"When that summons comes to us, if we can only hear it and give ourselves wholeheartedly in response to it, then we shall be caught up with power beyond human power, and we too shall put our feet in the footsteps of those who have already climbed the heights. We too shall seek, like them, to bring fulfillment of that prayer that 'Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.' "



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CHURCH SCHOOL DAY

Each week brings additional reports of Church School Day offerings, and we deeply appreciate this tangible evidence of interest and belief in the work which your Conference Board of Education is trying to do for the local churches in our conference. The following offerings have been reported since the last list appeared on our page in the Advocate of June 6:

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| <b>Asheville District</b>     |         |
| Central, Asheville            | \$50.00 |
| <b>Charlotte District</b>     |         |
| Hickory Grove                 | 4.60    |
| Harrison (Pineville)          | 8.70    |
| Hawthorne Lane                | 18.10   |
| <b>Elkin District</b>         |         |
| Huntsville (Farmington)       | 1.29    |
| Wesley Chapel (Farmington)    | 2.50    |
| <b>Gastonia District</b>      |         |
| Cherryville                   | 2.06    |
| Sulphur Springs               | 5.00    |
| <b>High Point District</b>    |         |
| First, Asheboro               | 21.92   |
| Wesley Memorial               | 50.00   |
| <b>Marion District</b>        |         |
| Bethlehem (Old Fort)          | 2.00    |
| Salem (Morganton)             | 2.09    |
| <b>Salisbury District</b>     |         |
| Gay's Chapel                  | 1.00    |
| Park Avenue                   | 5.15    |
| Central, Albemarle            | 19.25   |
| Trinity, Kannapolis           | 28.37   |
| <b>Statesville District</b>   |         |
| Wesley Chapel (Shepherds)     | 2.27    |
| Rocky Mount (Shepherds)       | 2.86    |
| Race Street                   | 10.00   |
| <b>Waynesville District</b>   |         |
| Fines Creek                   | 2.32    |
| <b>Winston-Salem District</b> |         |
| Ogburn Memorial               | 5.00    |
| Main Street, Thomasville      | 11.26   |

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

High Point Institute

The first in the series of summer activities for the young people of the Western North Carolina conference was held at High Point College, May 30 to June 2. Young people, ages 15-23, with their adult leaders came together for an enjoyable and profitable week-end. There were 60 in attendance. It was the consensus of opinion that this number can and will be doubled for next year. The quality of work done was of a high character.

There were 15 charges represented by the enrollment, and the following people assisted with the program: Dr. F. L. Gibbs, J. B. McLarty, J. C. Stokes, Fred Shinn, Norman Huggman, Dean P. E. Lindley, Coach Virgil, Yow, Mrs. John W. Austin, Jr., Miss Viola Brigman, Rev. and Mrs. Robert V. Martin, Nicholas E. Lefco, Mrs. Mabel T. Millikan, Mrs. John F. Kirk, and M. Teague Hipps.

Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent of the High Point district, was of invaluable assistance in the matter of planning and carrying through the program.

Dr. F. L. Gibbs, executive secretary of the board of education of the former Methodist Protestant Church, stayed through the entire assembly and took an active part on the program. His fine service was appreciated.

Dean P. E. Lindley in his very effective way brought three messages on the Bible—forceful messages that challenged the group. I would recommend him to any youth gathering.

Pfeiffer College Institute

Fifty-five young people and their adult leaders spent the week of June 3 to 7 at Pfeiffer Junior College. There were 22 charges represented in this number and the unanimous vote was to continue on a larger scale for next year.

Courses were taught by R. W. McCulley, J. J. Holmes and C. G. Hefner. Frank B. Jordan delivered the keynote address, and the following assisted with the program: Vernon A. Morton, Nicholas E. Lefco, Miss Mabel Edgerton, Mrs. Anna Rawson, Mrs. Thayer Selle, Miss Vada Stryker, Miss Frances Chapman, Rev. A. J. Cox, Mrs. Fred L. Setzer, Mrs. John F. Kirk, and M. Teague Hipps.

Pfeiffer lends itself in a fine way to program of this kind. Special effort should be made before another year to see that this program on the part of the young people of the Methodist church is expanded.

Young People's Leadership Conference

At Lake Junaluska, July 16-27, there will be held the first youth conference of the new Methodist Church in the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Here will be a real opportunity to see the youth division in action. It should be an unusual session in every sense of the word.

The following are privileged to go: Officers of the conference organizations; officers and leaders of the young people's unions; officers of district young people's organizations; officers and leaders in local churches (in limited number). Counselors of unions and other outstanding adult leaders are included in this number. As stated above, this conference is for that area included in the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

Information and programs may be had for writing M. Teague Hipps, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C. Please attend to this important matter at once. The dead line for registrations is July 1.

W. N. C. Conference Assemblies  
Lake Junaluska

Registration for these assemblies are coming in in large numbers, and at the time that this is being written, June 15, it looks like the Charlotte district is going to have the largest delegation at both the Senior Assembly and at the Young People's Assembly.

Registrations received to date for the Senior Assembly, June 24-29, are as follows:

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <b>Asheville District—</b>     |   |
| Black Mountain                 | 1 |
| <b>Charlotte District—</b>     |   |
| Central, Monroe                | 5 |
| Waxhaw                         | 3 |
| Dilworth                       | 5 |
| First, Charlotte               | 6 |
| Calvary                        | 2 |
| Ansonville                     | 1 |
| <b>Elkin District—</b>         |   |
| Elkin                          | 5 |
| <b>Gastonia District—</b>      |   |
| Boger City                     | 2 |
| First, Lincolnton              | 1 |
| <b>Greensboro District—</b>    |   |
| Muir's Chapel                  | 1 |
| <b>High Point District—</b>    |   |
| Wesley Memorial                | 6 |
| South Main Street              | 4 |
| Calvary                        | 3 |
| St. Paul                       | 2 |
| Central, Asheboro              | 2 |
| First, Asheboro                | 2 |
| Macedonia (Linwood)            | 1 |
| <b>Marion District—</b>        |   |
| First, Morganton               | 3 |
| First, Marion                  | 5 |
| Hildebran                      | 1 |
| Mt. Grove (Table Rock)         | 1 |
| Oak Hill (Table Rock)          | 1 |
| Connelly Springs               | 1 |
| <b>Salisbury District—</b>     |   |
| Mount Olivet                   | 4 |
| Ann Street, Concord            | 1 |
| Jackson Park                   | 2 |
| Coburn                         | 2 |
| First, Salisbury               | 3 |
| Shiloh (Granite Quarry)        | 2 |
| China Grove                    | 1 |
| <b>Statesville District—</b>   |   |
| Maiden                         | 2 |
| Race Street                    | 2 |
| North Newton                   | 1 |
| <b>Waynesville District—</b>   |   |
| Bellview (Murphy Ct.)          | 1 |
| <b>Winston-Salem District—</b> |   |
| Midway (Welcome)               | 2 |
| Ardmore                        | 2 |
| Lewisville                     | 1 |
| Sharon (Lewisville)            | 2 |
| Centenary, Winston-Salem       | 5 |

The following registrations have been received for the Young People's Assembly, July 1-6:

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>Charlotte District—</b>  |   |
| Wadesboro                   | 2 |
| Dilworth                    | 4 |
| First, Charlotte            | 4 |
| Belmont Park                | 3 |
| Calvary                     | 3 |
| Waxhaw                      | 1 |
| <b>Gastonia District—</b>   |   |
| Boger City                  | 2 |
| Lowell                      | 2 |
| Smyre                       | 1 |
| <b>Greensboro District—</b> |   |
| Gibsonville                 | 2 |
| Muir's Chapel               | 1 |
| Mayodan                     | 4 |
| Pisgah (Bethel)             | 1 |
| Jamestown                   | 1 |
| <b>High Point District—</b> |   |
| Calvary                     | 3 |
| <b>Marion District—</b>     |   |
| Oak Hill                    | 1 |
| First, Marion               | 2 |
| Cross Mill                  | 2 |

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## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT

Do we need to reconsecrate ourselves to God? What is consecration? Evangelism? The crime of unconcern? Our personal responsibilities? These and other heart searching questions were reverently and earnestly considered and prayed about when a group of women of the N. C. conference at Louisburg College on June 13-14 in a spiritual life retreat. "These all continued with one accord in prayer," Acts 1:14a. Attending the retreat were: Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Mrs. R. E. Brown, Mrs. J. S. Chandler, Fayetteville; Mrs. J. C. Burwell, Miss Lillie Bell Dameron, Warrenton; Mrs. C. E. Brooks, Mrs. J. H. Shore, Roxboro; Mrs. Archie Craig, Mrs. E. L. Mathews, Mrs. Walter C. Davis, Mrs. M. H. Shepherd, Wilmington; Miss Florine Robertson, Mrs. G. L. Steele, Mrs. M. D. Joye, Burlington; Mrs. P. O. Lee, Mrs. Walter Davis, Clayton; Mrs. W. N. Vaughan, Gates; Miss Lizzie Davis, Arcola; Mrs. Walter Patten, Louisburg; Miss Vara Herring, Miss Frances Burkhead, Mrs. Leon Russell, Mrs. John Park, Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh.

### OUR THREE DEACONESES

It is indeed fortunate that an industrial worker in the person of Miss Priscilla Steger has been assigned to the North Carolina conference. Recently the conference commission met in Durham to study the appointments of Miss Stegar and Miss Ruth Brooks, the latter our rural worker. After careful consideration it was unanimously decided to return Miss Brooks to the Person circuit for another year, with additional work on the Yanceyville circuit, and to appoint Miss Steger to the mills of East Laurinburg. Miss Zoa Anna Davis was transferred to State Teachers College in Texas and Miss Elizabeth Titsworth will be student director at East Carolina Teachers College in Greenville. These appointments all begin September 1.

### GRATIFYING RESPONSES

The class, "The Church Serving Shifting Populations," taught by Mrs. W. G. Cram of Nashville, Tenn., during the pastors' school at Duke University received so gratifying a response from the study leaders of both the N. C. and W. N. C. conferences that Dr. J. M. Ormond, dean of the pastors' school, has promised to provide a similar course next year. Dr. Ormond complimented the class upon having the best enrollment, the largest number of credit students and the most sustained interest of any of the classes. Of the total enrollment of 67 students, 23 were from the W. N. C. conference and 44 from the N. C. conference. From the N. C. conference were ten visitors, ten auditors (attending four or more sessions), and 14 receiving credit by attending all the sessions and doing the reading and

written work required for Council credit. The 14 credits by districts were: Fayetteville: Mrs. A. P. Brantley, Sanford; Mrs. J. W. Burns, Rowland; Mrs. C. F. Heath, Siler City; Mrs. J. W. Page, Broadway; Mrs. I. J. Strawbridge, Stedman. Rocky Mount: Mrs. J. L. Midgette, Norlina; Mrs. P. F. Newton, Rich Square; Mrs. J. R. Rice, Aulander; Miss Virginia White, Scotland Neck. Elizabeth City: Mrs. A. C. Thompson, Columbia; Mrs. W. J. Watson, Elizabeth City. Raleigh: Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon; Mrs. Frank Yarbrough, Cary. Wilmington: Mrs. H. M. Daughtry, Faison.

Mrs. B. F. Boone, Con. Supt. Study.

### THIRTEEN LIFE MEMBERS

Worthy of note is the significant fact that at the recent meeting of the auxiliaries of the Durham district Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess, and 12 children of the district were presented life memberships in the woman's missionary society. The children thus honored were: Betty Scott deFord, Robert Niholson deFord, IV, Barbara Ann Boone, Sandra Jean Boone, Franklin Lee Biggerstaff, Sylvia Ann Bayliff, Olivia Gayle Rush, William Edward Gilliam, Thomas Crawford Hoyle, III, Margaret Lee Griffith, Billie Newman and John Kern Ormond, Jr.

### FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

Mrs. L. W. Hall, president of the woman's missionary society of Stem Methodist church, Raleigh district, assisted by Mrs. F. J. Osborn and Mrs. L. D. Franklin, served a fellowship luncheon at the church recently to honor new and prospective members. Immediately preceding the luncheon a study book, "Right Here at Home," was begun. This is the second consecutive year that this auxiliary has served a fellowship luncheon. To those who attend it seems worth while project.

Eunice Manguni.

### RICHMOND ZONE MEETING

The woman's missionary societies of Richmond zone, Fayetteville district, met in East Rockingham Methodist church on May 2. Dr. J. H. Barnhardt led the opening worship. Mrs. Earl Presnell spoke words of welcome, to which Mrs. J. W. Dimmette responded. The inspirational address was made by Miss Elizabeth Lamb. Others on the program were: Mrs. Hugh R. Smith, Mrs. W. A. Biggs, Mrs. John Hamer, who gave gleanings from conference; Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, district secretary, who spoke of the district work and led a question hour; Mrs. Hugh R. Smith led the noon day devotional and Rev. J. W. Dimmette opened the afternoon session with worship. Mrs. J. H. Ellerbe rendered special music

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### INTERESTING EVENT AT COLLEGE PLACE CHURCH

Members of the woman's missionary society of College Place Methodist church in Greensboro presented a pageant a few days ago on the 50 years' work of the women in the Western North Carolina conference, which was both interesting and informative. A part of the costumed presentation was devoted to the work done by the local church and the entire program was a salute to the new organization of Methodist churches.

Mrs. I. C. Shelley presided over the pageant. Communion was in charge of the pastor, Rev. R. M. Courtney, and Miss Jennie Hunt gave a resume of the forty years of local activity. Mrs. J. T. Hughes reviewed the progress of the Western North Carolina conference.

Flowers were dedicated to Mrs. F. W. Jackson and Miss Catherine Price, both deceased, and both charter members of College Place missionary society. Work in the missionary field was reviewed by Mrs. R. F. Leavel and Mrs. D. L. Webster reviewed the bishop's address to the conference.

An impressive memorial service was held for the deceased members. Following the pageant a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments served.

### GASTONIA DISTRICT MEETING

The pretty new brick church—Sharon church on the Shelby circuit—was the meeting place of the women of the missionary societies of the district for the annual meeting, Wednesday, June 12. The church was well filled with the large delegation present, and which included besides the district representatives a number of pastors of the district: Miss Mabel Cherry, missionary from Korea; six of the conference officers, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. C. N. Clark, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Mrs. H. W. McCain, Mrs. W. R. Harris and Mrs. George Hoyle, besides other visitors. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Wilbur Baber, district secretary, with Mrs. Cashion serving as secretary.

The program which was replete with interest opened with the beautiful gospel hymn, "Jesus Calls Us," and worship service led by Rev. J. L. Rayle, pastor of the local church. A service of remembrance, honoring 18 members who had passed away since the 1939 annual meeting, was conducted by the three zone leaders in a most impressive manner. A vocal solo, appropriate to the occasion was sung by Mrs. Glenn Blanton.

A message from the conference secretary brought gratifying news of the work for 1939, showing an advance in practically every department as a result of the loyalty, fidelity and beautiful spirit of co-operation in the local societies, and giving as the total number of societies 492, an increase of 27 over the previous year, and 18,268

members, including the 2383 members of the young women's circles—a most encouraging growth.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, was heard with closest attention and interest as she brought to us in a wonderful message the new set-up of our united church, explaining in detail many of the phases of this important union which will be consummated in the fall when our woman's missionary auxiliaries will become Woman's Societies of Christian Service—a time to which the women of the three Methodisms are looking forward with the deepest interest and hope for the greater advancement and progress of our work. Miss Mabel Cherry, who is in the States on a furlough from Korea, was most interesting as she told of the work in Korea and of the loyalty and devotion the Christian Koreans with whom she has been associated for the past 12 years. Her message was most impressive and informing.

Mrs. R. C. Kennedy of the former M. E. Church was a most valued visitor and was heard in a most helpful talk in which she urged each woman to do her part in the new united church, in connection with which she has been associated for the past 12 years. Her message was most impressive and informing.

Mrs. R. C. Kennedy of the former M. E. church was a most valued visitor and was heard in a most helpful talk in which she urged each woman to do her part in the new united church, in connection with which she gave the story of the building of the wall at Jerusalem as related by Nehemiah—a co-operative work which brought gratifying results "for the people had a mind to work." She stressed co-operation in the new church to which all Methodism looks forward.

Mrs. Fields Tony, representative of the former M. P. Church, was presented and brought greetings and words of encouragement for the progress of the woman's work in the larger and greater united church.

The noon day worship service was conducted by Miss Cherry, who used as her theme "Our Gifts," stressing the importance for the advancement of Christ's kingdom on earth. Following, came the pledge service impressively led by Mrs. P. N. Peacock, conference treasurer, who also gave a highly interesting report of the financial achievements for 1939. Two young girls dressed in white robes slowly advanced to the table in front of the pulpit and lighted the candles in crystal holders, and as they stood in a reverent attitude the representatives of the societies of the district came forward and put their pledges in the crystal bowl placed for them. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Peacock, followed by benediction by Rev. G. B. Clemmer of Shelby. A vocal duet, "I Gave My Life for Thee," was sung by Mrs. Dodd and daughter.

After a most appetizing lunch spread on long tables in the grove had been enjoyed the afternoon session was called to order by Mrs. Baber and opened with worship service most impressively led by Mrs. C. N. Clark, conference vice president and spiritual life leader. Mrs. Plato Miller gave an interesting report of her work as district spiritual life leader and urged to greater activity for this year. The department of Christian social relations was represented by Mrs. H. W. McCain, conference superintendent, who expressed her pleasure at being present and called on Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., chairman international relations and world peace of the conference bureau, and Miss Hallie Stroupe, district superintendent C. S. relations, each of whom brought brief but interesting reports of their work.

World Outlook was presented briefly by Mrs. Barrineau and special message from Paine College by Annette Adams, colored girl sponsored by our conference, was heard with much interest. The three girls of the district who have attended Sue Bennett College, two of whom have graduated there, were introduced to the audience and brought greetings of appreciation for their years there. These young representatives whose records have been so highly commended, were Miss Sara Smith and Miss Billy Beam of Cherryville, and Miss Mildred Whitener of Shelby. Mrs. George Hoyle, who was to have presented the children's work, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, scheduled for report of Council, and Rev. E. M. Jones, district superintendent, were all presented, but because of lack of time gave only brief messages. The program for the day was closed with a pageant, "Fifty Years of Seed Sowing," given by Mrs. W. R. Harris and several former district secretaries and zone leaders, and brought outstanding accomplishments of the half century in our woman's work. Benediction by Rev. R. C. Goforth of Lafayette Street church, Shelby, closed this interesting day.

### LONGING FOR PEACE

By Euclid McWhorter

The battle cry is sounding  
O'er every land and sea;  
The boom of guns resounding  
With vast mortality.  
The day of Armageddon  
Foretold by saints of old,  
Seem now at hand to leaden  
Our hearts with hatred bold.

The land of many nations,  
Incarnated with blood  
Of men of fine devotion,  
Poured forth as in a flood!  
The mountain tops are trembling:  
The air sucharged with strife:  
The mighty guns rumbling  
The knell of human life.

O God of loving kindness,  
Look down in mercy still  
Upon our human blindness  
And change this stubborn will:  
Subdue this storm of passion—  
Transform it into love;  
Make brotherhood the fashion,  
Akin to that above.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### AIN'T

"We ain't feeling so well today, are we Pop?" was the salutation extended by a little girl yesterday. She was referring to the after effects of anti-typhoid serum which had been administered the day before to the majority of our family. For the past two Saturdays the city health department representatives have been helping us become immune to the attacks of typhoid germs. Consequently for two Sundays we have been nursing sore arms and dealing with slight temperatures. Only those who felt comfortable went to church. Others stayed home and grunted. The little girl and this scribe, who on yesterday sympathized with one another, are feeling fine today. We will be ready for another "shot" next Saturday.

### SAFEGUARDING HEALTH

When next Saturday's anti-typhoid serum is given we will have finished our summer inoculations. Only those who come in later will be carried through the health safeguarding processes. This morning 12 little youngsters are having their tonsils removed. Others will go through the ordeal later. Even the swimming pool is being carefully inoculated and tomorrow morning, for the first time this summer, the youngsters will take their daily dip.

### SELF VERSUS OTHERS

One day last week this scribe noted in a given community two different types of human nature. In one home was a mother and a maternal grandmother who desired to be rid of the expense attached to providing for three children, who had recently come to live with them, following a stay with a paternal grandmother, whose health had given way and could no longer provide for them. They would have the Children's Home take over their responsibility, in the face of good health and remunerative work.

In another home was a family whose father had recently lost an eye in an accident and whose mother worked in the mill to provide for the necessities of life for her husband and two children. This family was providing free of charge for a little two-year-old youngster whose father and mother's health had so given way as to be forced into one of the state's tubercular institutions. This good woman cheerfully smiled when she assured the interrogator that she was happy in temporarily providing for her friend's little boy, that she knew her friend would thus provide for her little boy under similar circumstances. The Children's Home will take the little two-year-old



Thirty in the family, but each one counts for one

for the time being, feeling assured that our Methodist friends will want to lend a helping hand to both the little boy and to the Good Samaritans.

### ON FINDING A FRIEND

Little four-year-old Ruby and two-year-old Margaret have come to live at the Children's Home after having waited throughout the winter and the spring for an opportunity to be admitted. Recently on visiting these little youngsters in an improvised home they were found care free and frolicsome, climbing over everything and everybody. Little Margaret succeeded in getting on the foot of the bed and pushing the visitor off a rickety chair onto the floor, causing some alarm to everybody except the fellow who was on the floor. Right there Margaret and the fellow on the floor became friends. So when Margaret and Ruby came to the Children's Home bewildered and perplexed, Margaret spied the fellow who had fallen to the floor and smilingly exclaimed, "There's Daddy Woosley." This morning I have been down to the baby cottage and gathered little Margaret and little Ruby in my arms for a parental hug, giving satisfaction to both the man who fell on the floor and the little youngsters who have come to live in a new home.

### CORNELIUSITES

The picture this week is that of 30 junior girls, who with their home mother, Miss Laura Scott, live in the Cornelius building, in the very center of the campus. These girls do well in school, wait on the tables in the central dining room, see all the visitors who come on the grounds and ask more questions than can be answered. They are a dependable group of happy and healthy youngsters.

### COMMUNING WITH NATURE

Five of our larger boys failed to attend Sunday school over at Centenary one Sunday recently. Investigation revealed that instead they had been walking about in a nearby park, "communing with nature." The boys said they would thus receive more benefit than to be in a class where some of the town boys misbehaved and the teacher was uninteresting. These boys

were reminded that here at the Children's Home they were not particularly noted for good behavior, that time after time they were called into account for some misdemeanor. So the boys worked Saturday afternoon cleaning up one of our wooded areas and "communing with nature." The next Sunday they said they believed they would go to Sunday school and commune with their teacher.

### EXCURSION FRIENDS

We have had another excursion train to visit us. Friends from Gaston county came in the good old fashioned excursion way with the engine blowing and puffing, the express car filled with refreshments and the passenger cars filled with people. The old train stopped at the Children's Home siding and Rev. O. L. Brown, his good family, and W. C. Davis, his good right hand man, led the way to the Children's Home grounds, where brief ceremonies made everybody welcome and happy. For five hours we mingled with our excursion friends and our excursion friends mingled with our children, who said they had been set up to more cold drinks than they had ever had in their lives.

### HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Fifteen of our boys and girls graduated from high school Tuesday night, June 11. They were a part of the 452 graduates who received diplomas at the hands of B. S. Womble, chairman of the city school board, these graduates coming from the three high schools of the city, Hanes High, Gray High and Reynolds High. Our youngsters go to Reynolds High. In addition to the 15 who graduated last week should be included five who graduated at mid-term, making 20 for the year. We would have larger classes but for the fact that we return our boys and girls to rehabilitated homes at any opportune time, one senior girl returning to her home at mid-term, just one semester before graduation. Likenesses of our graduates will appear on this page at a later date.

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LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

Beginning with this week's issue of the Advocate, I shall publish each week one or more letters from members of our recent graduating class. I feel confident that our hosts of friends will read these letters with much pleasure.

ACTIVITIES—We have been unusually busy for the past few weeks with our farm operations. Our boys are working early and late saving hay and cultivating crops and putting the campus in first class condition. We have saved a large supply of hay, which means so much to us in feeding our stock and cattle. At this writing we have had very little rain to bother us in saving hay. We are getting a large supply of nice, fresh vegetables from our truck farm, which means much to us in keeping our expenses down.

GOOD TIME—It is a beautiful sight late in the afternoon to see scores of children playing on the lawn under the spreading oaks. The campus echoes with merriment as the smaller children enjoy their play and swimming. The swimming pool is in constant use from early in the afternoon until night. All

the children have their turn at swimming and, believe me, they do not fail to take advantage of that chance. There is no finer outdoor sport for young people than swimming. Captain E. L. Hart, who gave us our swimming pool, is enshrined in the hearts of the boys and girls who are here, as well as those who have gone out from the home.

CORE CREEK—Our singing class had a most enjoyable visit to Core Creek on a recent Sunday. Core Creek church is a community church about 10 or 12 miles from Beaufort. Col. F. S. Dickinson of New Jersey erected the church and community house near the home of his childhood. In the erection of the church and community house, he spent approximately \$50,000. They are beautiful buildings and elegantly furnished. Dr. W. Y. Stewart, a former minister in the Northern Methodist Church, is pastor of the Core Creek community church. We were cordially received by Dr. Stewart and the members of the church and nicely entertained in the homes of the community on Saturday night. A large and appreciative congregation greeted the singing class for the 11 o'clock service on Sunday. I was happy to accompany the class to Core Creek community church and enjoyed worshiping with the congregation. I found Dr. Stewart to be most brotherly and a joy to have fellowship with him and his excellent wife. Col. F. S. Dickinson is to be congratulated for such a wonderful gift to his old home community.

One must pause sometimes and realize the progress he has made, especially when he is ready to challenge a different life. It is now, at the end of my high school days, that I wish you to know that I appreciate kind deeds

that continuously passed my way. So many people have sacrificed or given of their best possessions to make me happy while here. A letter of appreciation cannot express the feeling in my heart when it is as deep as mine.

Five years I have found steadfast friends who have made me happy while growing up here.

Mr. Barnes, my dad, pal and friend, has always stood by me in my saddest and happiest moments of my life. I shall always love him.

The ladies' Bible and Fidelis class of Roxboro, North Carolina, filled my heart with love when they entered my life. So thoughtful and kind were they that I often stopped to wonder why I was so lucky. I love you, dear friends, and shall always cherish the memories.

Then may I thank the alumni for the many thoughtful pleasures which came to us through them.

Last I would like to thank the North Carolina conference for making it possible for me to live in such a wonderful home. It is a privilege, and I sincerely thank you.

As I go out from this home I shall always be proud to say I lived at the Methodist Orphanage, and I hope I shall live up to its teachings.

Mamie Marlowe.

People who write an illegible hand must sometimes suffer themselves to be misunderstood, and not infrequently with amusing results. Such an experience once came to Dr. J. M. Buckley, the eminent Advocate editor, when he sent to the press a notice of the subject of his Sabbath discourse, "Oats and Wild Oats."

The editor of one of the religious weeklies really did himself proud in deciphering the good minister's handwriting. Imagine Dr. Buckley's astonishment and amusement to learn from this paper that he was to preach on "Cats and Wild Cats."—Selected.



The 1940 Graduating Class of the Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C.



# Report of Advocate Campaign

## Asheville

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Central, W. A. Stanbury .....       | 24½ |
| 4*Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton ..   | 11  |
| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wil-     |     |
| kinson .....                        | 10  |
| Hendersonville, D. E. Camak .....   | 9½  |
| Haywood St., W. G. McFarland ..     | 7½  |
| 2*Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham ..     | 5   |
| Leicester-Grace, A. F. Phibbs ..    | 4½  |
| *Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea ..     | 3½  |
| Brevard, E. P. Billups .....        | 3   |
| Fletcher, H. E. Bolick .....        | 2½  |
| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....          | 2½  |
| Biltmore, E. J. Harbison .....      | 2½  |
| French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler ..  | 2   |
| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman ..... | 2   |

## Charlotte

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 3*Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ....   | 48 |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ..   | 40 |
| 3*Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F.   |    |
| Womble .....                        | 16 |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....     | 15 |
| 3*Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie ..... | 7½ |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..    | 7  |
| Calvary, S. M. Needham .....        | 7  |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....   | 6  |
| Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease .....   | 6  |
| Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper .....   | 5½ |
| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....       | 5½ |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....   | 4  |
| *Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....       | 4  |
| Wesley Heights, W. O. Goode .....   | 1½ |
| Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman .....     | 1  |
| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....      | 1  |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....           | 1  |
| Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins .....      | 1  |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....  | 1  |
| Bethel-Bogers, E. R. Edwards .....  | 1  |

## Elkin

|                                        |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----|
| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....       | 33½ |
| 7*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....        | 30  |
| 3*Boone P. W. Townsend .....           | 11½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner ..      | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....              | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....                | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....         | 8½  |
| Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....           | 6½  |
| 2*Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint .....        | 6   |
| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene .....     | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....            | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....             | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....        | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....         | 4   |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....         | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....             | 3½  |
| Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley .....      | 3½  |
| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....        | 3½  |
| Warrensboro, J. G. Wootton, Jr. ..     | 4   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....            | 3   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....          | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....           | 3   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....       | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....      | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....               | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....      | 2½  |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant ....     | 2   |
| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....               | 2   |
| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....         | 2   |
| Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr. .... | 2   |

## Gastonia

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 7*Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....        | 28½ |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....      | 21  |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....        | 14  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey ..  | 6   |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....             | 2½  |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill ..... | 2   |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....       | 1½  |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....          | 1   |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....        | 1   |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....          | 1   |

## Greensboro

|                                         |     |
|-----------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger .. | 22  |
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....         | 21½ |
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....          | 7½  |
| Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....           | 5½  |

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....     | 21 |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....       | 7  |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....         | 5½ |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....      | 5  |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....      | 5  |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham ..  | 4½ |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogon .....         | 4½ |
| Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse .....   | 4  |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow .....    | 4  |
| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick .....   | 3  |
| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy .....   | 2  |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....        | 2  |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle .....    | 2  |
| Bethel-Battleground, B. W. Lefler .. | 2  |
| Ruffin, J. W. Fowler, Jr. ....       | 2  |
| *Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....    | 1½ |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....     | 1  |
| Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....         | 1  |
| College Place, R. M. Courtney .....  | 1  |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....    | 1  |

## High Point

|                                        |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....            | 18  |
| Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....            | 13  |
| 2*S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington ..     | 12  |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....      | 11½ |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr. .... | 11½ |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....          | 8½  |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....          | 7   |
| *Seagrove-Love Joy, J.H.Trollinger ..  | 6   |
| *Calvary, D. V. Howell .....           | 5   |
| *Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....       | 4½  |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams .....    | 4½  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley ..    | 3½  |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....         | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II ..   | 2½  |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....             | 2   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....             | 2   |
| Linwood, O. E. Croy .....              | 2   |
| Richland, C. L. Grant .....            | 1½  |
| Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....        | 1½  |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....              | 1   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor ..   | 1   |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....        | 1   |

## Marion

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley ..      | 7½ |
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....         | 7  |
| *Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....      | 4½ |
| Spindale, F. J. Stough .....         | 3½ |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....             | 4½ |
| Rutherfordton, F. C. Smathers .....  | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....         | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace .....    | 2  |
| Linville Falls, McRae Crawford ..... | 2  |
| Micaville-Tipton Hill, H. H. Cash .. | 1  |
| Spruce Pine, J. B. Tabor .....       | 1  |

## Salisbury

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton .....    | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....           | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....          | 10  |
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....       | 10  |
| N. Kannapolis, D. T. Huss .....      | 10  |
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....         | 7½  |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner ..   | 7   |
| First, W. B. West .....              | 7   |
| Main St.-Rowan, C. R. Ross .....     | 7   |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler ..... | 6   |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson ..    | 5½  |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..   | 5   |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge .....  | 4½  |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....      | 4   |
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 4   |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3   |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½  |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores ..    | 2   |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 2   |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½  |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1   |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1   |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1   |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1   |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1   |

## Statesville

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins .. | 30½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison ..... | 28  |
| Central, John W. Moore .....       | 13  |
| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham .. | 8   |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....        | 7½  |

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....    | 6 |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....    | 3 |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....  | 2 |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....  | 1 |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....     | 1 |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr ..... | 1 |
| Race Street, F. H. Price ..... | 1 |
| Shepherds, A. G. Lackey .....  | 1 |
| Olin, P. F. Snider .....       | 1 |
| Lenoir, Claude Moser .....     | 1 |

## Waynesville

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| *Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 11½ |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9   |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry .....  | 8   |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½  |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2   |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2   |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 2   |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½  |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 1½  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....   | 1   |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....       | 1   |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1   |

## Winston-Salem

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 9*Community, J. C. Auman .....        | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....           | 17½ |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen .....   | 14½ |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....        | 14½ |
| *Grace, R. L. Forbis .....            | 6   |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....      | 5   |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....       | 5   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....           | 4½  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....        | 4½  |
| N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....     | 4   |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....            | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ..    | 3   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....            | 2½  |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison ..   | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....            | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way .. | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....        | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....       | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter ..  | 1   |

## Durham

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Burlington, Davis St., F. W. Pas-  |     |
| chall .....                          | 32½ |
| 3*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....      | 25  |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ..     | 12½ |
| *Graham, J. R. Edwards .....         | 10  |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....         | 9   |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....            | 8   |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds .....  | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....           | 5½  |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....       | 5   |
| Swepsonville, T. B. Hough .....      | 4½  |
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele .....        | 4   |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton .....         | 4   |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love .. | 4   |
| Milton, D. I. Garner .....           | 3½  |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. ....    | 3   |
| *Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser ..   | 3   |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson .....      | 3   |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps .....   | 2   |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson .....     | 2   |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth .....    | 2   |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe .....  | 1½  |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton .....      | 1½  |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish .....   | 1½  |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe .....          | 1   |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer .....          | 1   |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early .....         | 1   |
| Yanceyville, A. E. Brown .....       | 1   |

## Elizabeth City

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 4*Williamston, S. J. Starnes .....   | 14 |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness .....         | 9½ |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt .....       | 6  |
| Washington, L. B. Jones .....        | 5  |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick .....       | 4  |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe .....            | 3  |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon .....     | 2½ |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson .....       | 2  |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon .....        | 2  |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford .....     | 1½ |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis ..    | 1  |
| Roper, M. R. Gardner .....           | 1  |
| Swan Quarter-Fairfield, E.G.Cowan .. | 1  |

## Fayetteville

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Siler City, C. F. Heath .....        | 15½ |
| 2*Person St.-Calvary, M.W.Warren ..  | 13½ |
| *Sanford, Allen P. Brantley .....    | 12½ |
| 5*Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons .....     | 11  |
| *Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams .. | 10½ |



|                                    |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown .....      | 9½ |
| *Red Springs, B. T. Hurley .....   | 8½ |
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe .....     | 7½ |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood .....    | 7  |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer ..... | 6½ |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar .....       | 6  |
| *Maxton, T. R. Jenkins .....       | 5  |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard .....        | 5  |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson .....         | 3½ |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore .....        | 3  |
| West End, W. F. Keeler .....       | 3  |
| Broadway, J. W. Page .....         | 2½ |
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette..   | 2  |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton .....      | 2  |
| Lane, J. D. A. Autry .....         | 1½ |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning .....     | 1½ |
| Raeford, E. C. Crawford .....      | 1½ |

**New Bern**

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Mt. Olive-Calypso, R. G. Dawson..   | 4  |
| Goldsboro, W. C. Ball .....         | 3  |
| Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison.. | 2½ |
| Ayden, L. A. Tilley .....           | 2  |
| New Bern, C. B. Culbreth .....      | 2  |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston .....      | 1½ |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....          | 1½ |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens .....  | 1  |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr. ....       | 1  |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts .....            | 1  |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow .....        | 1  |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant .....       | 1  |
| Morehead City Ct., M.O. Stephenson  | 1  |

**Raleigh**

|                                                    |     |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----|
| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone .....                    | 33  |
| 2*Fuquay, E. C. Durham .....                       | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb .....                     | 15½ |
| *Henderson, B. C. Reavis .....                     | 14½ |
| Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes .....                     | 6½  |
| 2*City Road-White Mem., J. K.<br>Worthington ..... | 6½  |
| *Princeton, J. W. Bradley .....                    | 5   |
| Person St., M. W. Lawrence .....                   | 4   |
| Granville, J. P. Pegg .....                        | 3   |
| Selma, O. L. Hathaway .....                        | 3   |
| Louisburg, J. G. Phillips .....                    | 3   |
| Edenton St., J. C. Glenn .....                     | 2   |
| Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee .....                     | 1½  |
| Hayes Barton, Leon Russell .....                   | 1½  |
| Tar River, J. A. Martin .....                      | 1   |
| Jenkins Mem., J. A. Dailey .....                   | 1   |

**Rocky Mount**

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer .....     | 11 |
| *Wedon, B. P. Robinson .....        | 7½ |
| *Farmville, D. A. Clarke .....      | 6  |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams .....     | 5½ |
| 2*McKendree, L. B. Pattishall ..... | 5½ |
| 2*Marvin, N. W. Grant .....         | 4  |
| *Kenley, E. M. Hall .....           | 3  |
| Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome .....   | 3  |
| Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane .....   | 2  |
| Bethel, M. Y. Self .....            | 2  |
| Enfield, B. D. Critcher .....       | 2  |
| Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington | 2  |
| Warrenton, J. O. Long .....         | 1½ |
| First, E. L. Hillman .....          | 1  |
| Northampton, W. L. Maness .....     | 1  |
| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount .....     | 1  |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd .....           | 1  |
| W. Halifax, W. M. Howard .....      | 1  |

**Wilmington**

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Tabor City, N. P. Edens .....       | 14 |
| 2*Hallsboro, C. A. Jones .....      | 11 |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters .....         | 11 |
| Scott's Hill, C. O. Plyler .....    | 10 |
| 2*Southport, R. S. Harrison .....   | 7  |
| Carver's Creek, G. C. Wood .....    | 7  |
| *Epworth, Walter Pavy .....         | 6  |
| Garland, O. C. Melton .....         | 5  |
| Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson  | 4½ |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner .....        | 3  |
| Bladen, R. L. Vickory .....         | 3  |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, I. T. Poole | 2  |
| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew .....    | 2  |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews..    | 1½ |
| Trinity, R. L. Jerome .....         | 1  |
| Grace, J. F. Herbert .....          | 1  |
| Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift .....  | 1  |
| Chadbourn, E. C. Maness .....       | 1  |
| St. Paul, A. C. Lee .....           | 1  |
| Roseboro, C. S. Hubbard .....       | 1  |

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# Children's



# Storyland

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About 85 years ago a 16-year-old girl, living in an isolated country home on a western prairie, stood in a barn door and asked herself these questions: "Will I ever go anywhere, meet anybody, or know anything?" Some six months ago the one hundredth birthday anniversary of this girl was observed and we now answer her questions. If you will visit Statuary Hall at our national capital you will see a statue of this person; if you will visit the Hall of Fame in New York City you will see a bronze tablet erected to her memory; if you will go to the post-office you may buy a stamp with her likeness engraved upon it. Did she "go anywhere?" Following her vocation she visited every one of the 48 states, and traveled for two years in Europe, Asia and Africa. Did she "meet anybody?" She addressed many large audiences—sometimes as many as 9,000 persons, as was the case when she spoke at one of Moody's revival services. She numbered among her friends many great personages, as the poets Lanier and Whittier, and when she visited England was the guest of Lady Henry Somerset. Did she "ever know anything?" She graduated from college, became president of a woman's college when only 33, received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Ohio Wesleyan University, and the degree of M.A. from the University of Syracuse.

Frances Willard has been called "The uncrowned queen of America," and during her lifetime was often spoken of as "the best loved woman in America." She was an ambitious woman, but hers was always a worthy ambition. From early girlhood she longed to make her life count for the utmost and to be known as a great and good woman. The key to the understanding of her life is to be found in these words from her autobiography: "I have been called ambitious, and so I am, if to have had from childhood the sense of being born to a fate is an element of ambition. For I never know what it was not to aspire and not to believe myself capable of heroism. I always wanted to react upon the world about me to my utmost ounce of power; to be widely known, loved, and believed in—the more widely the better. Every life has its master passion; this has been mine. Very few things awaken my contempt, but this couplet in the hymn book did:

'Make me little and unknown,  
Loved and prized by God alone.'

It's supreme absurdity angered rather than amused me, for who could be 'loved and prized' by the Great Spirit, and yet despised by the lesser spirits made in his image? Who could desire to be "little and unknown"—of small value and narrow circle in a world

## KITTEN

By Marion H. Addington

You little bit of fluff,  
Though scarcely strong enough  
To keep your wobbling stand;  
You nestle in my hand,  
Your manner timorous,  
Your tail ridiculous,  
Your blue eyes vague and weak,  
Your mew a feeble squeak.  
It's hard to vision that  
Some day you'll be a cat,  
And arch your coat of fur  
With most engaging purr  
That shakes your whole machine;  
To clamber up the screen  
And stalk unwary birds  
In spite of chiding words,  
Each eye a gleaming spark:  
Topazes in the dark;  
Or, stretch out in the sun  
In warm oblivion.  
You funny little thing,  
So weak and wavering,  
It's nice to think that you  
Will make your cat debut!

—Our Dumb Animals.

hungry for help and strength and uplift—yet be 'loved and prized' by God? No, I wanted to be now and in all worlds my very utmost. I fully purposed to be one whom multitudes would love, lean on, and bless. Lying on the prairie grass and lifting my hands toward the sky, I used to say in my inmost spirit: 'What is it—what is it that I am to be, O God?' I did not wish to climb by others' overthrow, and I laid no schemes to undermine them; but I meant that the evolution of my own powers should do for me all that it would. . . . I felt that a woman owed it to all other women to live as bravely, as helpfully, and as grandly as she could, and let the world know it."

When the statue of Frances Willard was placed in Statuary Hall, Senator Beveridge said: "She made purer the moral atmosphere of a continent, almost a world. She rendered the life of a nation cleaner, the mind of a people saner."

How much blood and agony might have been spared the war-torn countries if only their leaders had been men of unselfish ambition, concerned only for the welfare of their fellowmen! But we need not go abroad to see the curse of selfish ambition. Here in our own land millions live lives of poverty and wretchedness because our selfish ways have made us forget our fellowmen.

H. H. Smith.

## A DINNER-PAIL STORY

Bessie Jones and Sallie Wattles lived so far from the school house that every day they took their dinners with them. And such nice dinners, too—snowy bread, spread with sweet golden butter; toothsome chicken, or beef, or hard-boiled eggs; great pieces of pie or cake, sometimes both, a big apple or two, or peaches, plums or pears; sometimes grapes, and sometimes strawberries; and pickles! Certainly the little girls never lacked enough to eat, and almost always they ate together.

"I wonder why it is," asked Sallie Wattles one noon, "that little Kittie Burns always goes off by herself to eat her dinner?"

"It's funny," answered Bessie. "Only yesterday I asked her to eat with us, but she blushed red as a peony, and then went off alone, and I thought she was crying after she left me."

"Perhaps she hasn't much to eat," exclaimed Sallie, "and is ashamed."

"Oh! and that makes me remember," said Bessie. "Once last week I saw her stub her toe, and all the dinner fell out of her pail. But there was only a couple of slices of bread, and with no butter on them that I could see!"

"That's just it!" said Sallie.

For a moment the little girls lunched away, and then both spoke at once:

"I say, Bessie!"

"I say, Sallie!"

Then they laughed, and Bessie said: "I know, Sallie, that you were going to say just what I was; that we'd take some of our fruit to poor Kittie Burns. There she is now by the big elm tree, and eating alone as usual."

After hastily brushing up the crumbs and putting away their pails, they ran over by the big tree.

"Oh, Kittie," Sallie exclaimed, "here is a red apple more'n we could eat, and you must help us out with it. And can't you come over Saturday afternoon and go with me to Bessie's? We'll have such a nice time."

Just then the teacher unexpectedly passed by; and whether she did it purposely or not I cannot say, but she was humming loud enough for the little girls to hear:

"Little deeds of kindness,  
Little words of love,  
Make this world an Eden,  
Like the heaven above."

That noon hour was the beginning of a new life for Kittie, and wonderfully did she develop under its happy influence. And the widowed mother sang many a song when by herself alone because of what Sallie and Bessie had done for her little fatherless girl.—Selected.

"Pa," said Johnny, looking up from his composition, "is 'water-works' all one word, or do you spell it with a hyphen in the middle?"



# Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 23

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By Rollin H. Walker

## Honesty Toward God

Malachi

What is the use of serving God? That was the uppermost religious question in the days of Malachi. There is no relation, said the people, between piety and prosperity.

As a result, while the nation had not frankly forsworn the worship of Jehovah, they brought blind, lame and sick animals for sacrifice, and they sighed wearily over the boresomeness of the Temple service (1:13. Compare Amos 8:5). As is always the case when religion declines, morals degenerated. Some even brought to the Temple stolen animals that had been wrested from the poor by violence. Divorce was rampant (2:14-16). It was common for a man cruelly to turn adrift the wife of his youth.

You say, exclaims the prophet, that it does not pay to serve the Lord. What do you know about serving the Lord? Before you say it does not pay to serve God suppose you try the experiment of serving him. Turn from your iniquities, cleanse your lives and consecrate your means. Bring ye the whole tithe into the storehouse. "Will a man rob God?" Such impiety ought to be unthinkable. Yet ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.

But the people say, Wherein have we robbed thee? And the prophet answers, In tithes and offerings. Like Jesus, Malachi deemed the neglect of a plain duty to be positive wrong.

### What Proportion?

These stern words raise the question, What proportion of our income ought we to consecrate to God? The Jewish law said a tenth. The Pharisees of our Lord's time were fastidious about this. They carefully set apart a tenth of all the little plants that grew in their gardens. Jesus said that this was quite right, but he rebuked their general attitude. They did not give themselves to God. They neglected to put the stress on doing justly and overflowing with kindness. That is where Jesus always put it. The details are left to a man's own Spirit-guided judgment in the light of constantly changing circumstances.

Indeed, practically nothing is said in the New Testament on giving a tenth. None of the apostolic letters even mentions it. If it had been a rule in the early church, Paul would have been sure to refer to it in that long and beautiful passage on Christian giving in the eighth and ninth chapters of Second Corinthians.

But while the tenth is not specified, Paul puts much stress on the privilege and duty of cheerful giving. He speaks

admiringly of the grace which was bestowed on the churches of Macedonia; and tells how the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality (2 Corinthians 8:1-4). He also urges systematic giving. Upon the first day of the week, says he, let each one of you lay by him in store as he may prosper, that no collections be made when I come (1 Corinthians 16:1-2). He was averse to putting off one's giving to the seasons of "drives."

But if the Christian is not subjected to a mechanical one-tenth rule, he is certainly under obligation to put much thought on the matter of his giving, and to evolve a plan and a system for himself, and to make sure that it is a sacrificial expression of overflowing love to God. (Many of us would lose our souls if we did not give more than a tenth).

Such giving, said Paul, brings supreme blessing. God loveth a cheerful giver, and God is able to make all grace abound unto you, that ye having always all sufficiency in everything, may abound unto every good work. This is parallel to Malachi's great saying, "Bring ye the whole tithe into the store house . . . and prove me now herewith, saith Jehovah of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

### Malachi and Paul

There is an interesting contrast between the conception of the nature of the blessing and that of Malachi. Paul, when he wrote his great assurance of the rich grace that God bestows on the cheerful giver, was himself poor and persecuted. Although his physical necessities were providentially supplied, it was the extraordinary joy and inner fullness of life that he deemed to be the principal reward of liberality.

Malachi, on the other hand, feels that if the people will only consecrate their tithes to God he will save their gardens and their fruit trees from the pests that destroy the crops. But Job and the psalmists found that the righteous were often worse off than the wicked (Psalm 73).

Jesus used quite as strong words about the rewards of consecration as Malachi. He said the man that sacrificed his all should receive a hundred-fold more in this life (Mar 10:29). But he plainly did not mean to promise an invariable outward prosperity. Indeed he promised persecution. Yet he certainly meant to promise a divine capacity to make the most of life.

In a word, they were to share his own joy in the midst of his deprivations (Matthew 8:20; John 15:11), and finally to share his outward and visible glory.

### The Long Look

But these outward rewards are often very slow in coming, and the Christian is like a child whose hopes of spring are dashed by an April snow-storm. But just as the experience of the grown-up makes him sure that spring is coming after all, so a long look at history makes us equally sure that the righteous will be exalted and a hurricane will overthrow the trees, however lofty, that are rotten within.

Nothing is so uncertain from the present and momentary viewpoint as the statement that the righteous prosper and the wicked are cast down. But from the standpoint of history and the long perspective of the years, nothing is so sure.

And this look at the past makes us doubly brave to believe with Malachi that to those who fear his name the Sun of righteousness shall arise with healing in his wings; and they shall go forth and gambol as calves who have been tied all night in the dark stable, but are now released to gambol in the dewy morn.—Christian Advocate.

### FORTY YEARS AGO

I've wandered to the village, Tom,  
I've sat beneath the tree  
Upon the schoolhouse playground  
That sheltered you and me;  
But none were there to greet me, Tom,  
And few were left to know  
Who played with us upon the green  
Just forty years ago.

The grass was just as green, Tom,  
Barefooted boys at play  
Were sporting just as we did then,  
With spirits just as gay;  
But the master sleeps upon the hill  
Which, coated o'er with snow,  
Afforded us a sliding place  
Some forty years ago.

The old schoolhouse is altered some,  
The benches are replaced  
By new ones, very like the same  
Our jack-knives had defaced.  
But the same old bricks are in the wall  
And the bell swings to and fro,  
It's music just the same, dear Tom,  
'Twas forty years ago.

The spring that bubbled 'neath the hill,  
Close by the spreading beech,  
Is very low; 'twas once so high  
That we could scarcely reach;  
And kneeling down to take a drink,  
Dear Tom, I started so,  
To think how very much I've changed  
Since forty years ago.

Near by that spring, upon an elm,  
You know I cut your name,  
Your sweetheart's just beneath it, Tom,  
And you did mine the same;  
Some heartless wretch has peeled the bark,  
'Twas dying sure, but slow,  
Just as she died whose name you cut  
There forty years ago.

My lids have long been dry, Tom,  
But tears came in my eyes;  
I thought of her I loved so well,  
Those early broken ties;  
I visited the old churchyard,  
And took some flowers to strew  
Upon the graves of those we loved  
Just forty years ago.

Well, some are in the churchyard laid,  
Some sleep beneath the sea,  
But none are left of our old class,  
Excepting you and me;  
And when our time shall come, Tom,  
And we are called to go,  
I hope we'll meet with those we loved  
Some forty years ago.

—Selected.



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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT  
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                        | June |
|----------------------------------------|------|
| Alamance Ct., Rock Creek, 11           | 23   |
| Mt. Hermon Ct., Cedar Cliff, 3         | 23   |
| West Durham, E:30                      | 24   |
| Branson, 7:30                          | 26   |
| Graham, 11                             | 30   |
| Mebane, Central, at First Church, 7:30 | 30   |
| Mebane, First, 7:30                    | 30   |
|                                        | July |
| Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 11         | 6    |
| Leng Memorial, 11                      | 7    |
| Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 2:30           | 7    |
| Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 7:30           | 7    |
| Duke Memorial, 7:30                    | 9    |
| Calvary, 7:30                          | 10   |
| Chapel Hill, 7:30                      | 10   |
| Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11         | 11   |
| Cedar Grove, Prospect, 3               | 14   |
| Davis Street, 7:30                     | 17   |
| Eno, 7:30                              | 18   |
| Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11         | 20   |
| Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11           | 21   |
| Sweepsonville, Salem, 2:30             | 21   |
| Carrboro, Massey's, 7:30               | 24   |
| Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 11               | 27   |
| Orange Ct., Hebron, 11                 | 28   |
| Burlington Ct., Glencoe, 3             | 28   |

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT  
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                          | June  |
|------------------------------------------|-------|
| North Gates, Parker's, 11                | 23    |
| Edenton, night                           | 23    |
| Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11               | 30    |
| Behaven, Epworth, 3                      | 30    |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night  | 30    |
|                                          | July  |
| City Road, night                         | 3     |
| Kinnakeet, Malvo, night                  | 6     |
| Hatteras, Frisco (church dedication), 11 | 7     |
| Creswell, Mt. Elma, 11                   | 14    |
| Poplar, Rehobeth, 3                      | 14    |
| Plymouth, Jamesville, night              | 14    |
| Murfreesboro Intermediate Assembly       | 15-19 |
| South Mills, Sharon, 11 and 1            | 20    |
| Columbia, Wesley's 11                    | 21    |

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Williamston, night                  | 21 |
| Washington, 11                      | 28 |
| Bath, Wares, 3                      | 28 |
| Windsor, night                      | 18 |
| First Church, Elizabeth City, night | 31 |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT  
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                             | June |
|-----------------------------|------|
| Caledonia-John's, 11        | 23   |
| Red Springs, 5              | 23   |
| Parkton, Cotton, 8          | 23   |
| West End, Doubs Chapel, 11  | 30   |
| Laurinburg, 5               | 30   |
| Maxton, 8                   | 30   |
|                             | July |
| Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 | 7    |
| Elerbe, Concord, 3          | 7    |
| Pine Bluff, 8               | 7    |
| Siler City, 11              | 14   |
| Glendon, Carbondon, 3       | 14   |
| Troy Ct., Brick Church, 8   | 14   |
| Biscae, Star, 11            | 21   |
| Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3         | 21   |
| Troy, 8                     | 21   |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 11  | 28   |
| Rockingham, 8               | 28   |

NEW BERN DISTRICT  
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                   | June  |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Harker's Island, 8                | 16-22 |
| Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11         | 23    |
| Likeville-Elm Street, 3           | 23    |
| Dover, Asbury, 8                  | 23    |
| Vanceboro, Chapman, 11            | 29    |
| Hookerton, Ormond's, 11           | 30    |
| Fremont, Yelverton, 3             | 30    |
|                                   | July  |
| La Grange, Institute, 11          | 6     |
| Mt. Olive-Calyso, 11              | 7     |
| Seven Springs, Zion, 3            | 7     |
| Goldsboro Ct., Salem, 8           | 7     |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Browning's, 11     | 13    |
| Goldsboro, St. Paul, 11           | 14    |
| Jones, Shady Grove, 3             | 14    |
| Arden, Winterville, 8             | 14    |
| Oriental, Kershaw, 11             | 20    |
| Newport, Oak Grove, 11            | 21    |
| Riverside-Bridgetan, Reelsboro, 3 | 21    |

RALEIGH DISTRICT  
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                    | June |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Hemlersen, Christ Church, 11       | 23   |
| Vance, Harris Chapel, 3            | 23   |
| Henderson, First Church, 8:00      | 23   |
| Henderson, First Church, 8         | 24   |
| Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8         | 26   |
| Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 11         | 29   |
| Cary-Apex, Macedonia, 11           | 30   |
| Louisburg, 8                       | 30   |
|                                    | July |
| Garner, Ebenezer, 11               | 7    |
| Balley, Slms, 8 (revival services) | 7    |
| Raleigh, Person Street, 8:00       | 10   |
| Fuquay, Cokesbury, 8:00            | 12   |
| Benson, Elevation, 11:00           | 14   |
| Seima, 8:00                        | 14   |
| Raleigh, Fairmont, 8:00            | 15   |

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT  
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                  | June |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Garysburg, Oak Grove, 11         | 21   |
| Conway, Severn, 11               | 22   |
| Seaboard, Sharon, 11             | 23   |
| Elch Square, Planners, 3:30      | 23   |
| Rocky Mount, First Church, 8     | 23   |
| Northampton, Rehobeth, 11        | 28   |
| Spring Church, Pleasant Hill, 88 | 29   |
| Warrenton, 11                    | 30   |
| Warren, Prospect, 3:30           | 30   |
| Norlina, Jerusalem, 8            | 30   |
|                                  | July |
| Middleburg, New Hope, 11         | 6    |
| Farmville, 11                    | 7    |
| Walstonburg, 3:30                | 7    |
| Stantonsburg, 8                  | 7    |
| Weldon, 8                        | 8    |
| Sandy Cross, Gold Valley, 8      | 10   |
| Rosemary, New Hope, 11           | 11   |
| Roanoke Rapids, 11               | 11   |
| Hallfax, Ebenezer, 11            | 12   |
| Enfield, 8                       | 12   |
| Warrenton, Hobron, 11            | 13   |
| Robersonville, Hamilton, 11      | 14   |
| Nashville, York, 3:30            | 14   |
| Whitakers, McTyelro, 8           | 14   |
| Kenly, Lucama, 8                 | 17   |
| Wilson, 11                       | 21   |
| Saint Paul, 8                    | 21   |

WILMINGTON DISTRICT  
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                       | June |
|---------------------------------------|------|
| Southport, 11                         | 23   |
| Shailotte, Camp, 3                    | 23   |
| Town Creek, Bethel, night             | 23   |
| Mayville, Pollocksville, 11           | 30   |
| Swansboro (place to be announced), 3  | 30   |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Verona, night | 30   |
|                                       | July |
| Clinton, Koener, 11                   | 7    |
| Rasoboro, McGees, 3                   | 7    |
| St. Pauls, St. Pauls, night           | 7    |
| Rowland (place to be announced), 11   | 14   |
| Pembroke (Indian Work), 3             | 14   |
| Lumberton Ct., Bules, night           | 21   |
| Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11    | 21   |
| Lumberton, night                      | 21   |
| Wilmington, Graco, 11                 | 28   |
| Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night       | 28   |

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ASHEVILLE DISTRICT  
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                                                           | June |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| Rosman Ct., Rosman, 11                                                    | 23   |
| Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 3                                           | 23   |
| Biltmore, night                                                           | 23   |
| Fairview, Tweed's Chapel, 11                                              | 30   |
| Acton, Candler Pisgah (jointly), Piny Mountain, 3                         | 30   |
|                                                                           | July |
| A. J.ury Memorial, Hillside St., Merrimon Avenue (jointly), Asbury, night | 1    |
| West Asheville, night                                                     | 2    |
| Haywood Street, French Broad (jointly), night                             | 3    |
| Hendersonville and Flat Rock, E. Flat Rock, night                         | 5    |
| Oakley, 11                                                                | 7    |
| Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy (jointly), Lower Church, 3         | 7    |
| Brevard, 11                                                               | 14   |
| Central (preaching), night                                                | 14   |
| Black Mountain, night                                                     | 16   |
| Weaverville, night                                                        | 17   |
| Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, night                                                | 18   |
| Swannanoa, Swannanoa, night                                               | 19   |
| Laurel-Barnardsville, Bright Hope, 11                                     | 21   |
| Weaverville Ct., Clarke's Chapel, 3                                       | 21   |
| Oteen, Mt. Zion, night                                                    | 21   |
| Hot Springs, Fairview, 11                                                 | 28   |
| Marshall, Walnut, night                                                   | 28   |

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT  
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                            | June |
|----------------------------|------|
| Peachland, Peachland, 11   | 23   |
| Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 3  | 23   |
| Hawthorne Lane, 8          | 23   |
| Wadesboro, 11              | 30   |
| Pineville, Marvin, 3       | 30   |
| Myers Park, 8              | 30   |
|                            | July |
| Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 | 7    |
| First Church, Charlotte, 8 | 7    |

ELKIN DISTRICT  
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                       | June |
|---------------------------------------|------|
| Laurel Springs, Zion, 11              | 23   |
| Jefferson, Zion, 3                    | 23   |
| Helton, Greenwood, 11                 | 30   |
| Jonesville, Maple Springs, 8          | 30   |
|                                       | July |
| Traphill, Itch Hill Church, 11        | 6    |
| Warrensville, Clifton, 11             | 7    |
| Creston, Peak Grove, 3                | 7    |
| West Jefferson, 11                    | 14   |
| Todd, Hopewell, 3                     | 14   |
| Boone, night                          | 14   |
| Watauga, Mabel, 11                    | 21   |
| Green Valley Ct., Thomas Church, 2:30 | 21   |
| Moravian Falls, Roaring River, 8      | 21   |
| Ararat, Maple Grove, 11               | 28   |
| Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3             | 28   |
| Surry-Yadkin, Level Cross, 7:30       | 28   |

GASTONIA DISTRICT  
E. M. Janes, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                           | June      |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Lowesville, New Hope, 11                  | 22        |
| Polkville, Casar, 11                      | 23        |
| Cleveland, Kistler's Union, 3             | 23        |
| Shelby, Central, night                    | 23        |
| Shelby Ct., Sulpher Springs, 11           | 30        |
| Kings Mountain, Grace, night              | 30        |
|                                           | July      |
| Bessemer Ct., Pinley's Chapel, 11         | 7         |
| Belmont, Park Street, night               | 7         |
| Cherryville, First Church, 11             | 14        |
| Cherryville Ct., Beulah, night            | 14        |
| South Fork, 11                            | 21        |
| South Fork, Plateau, 3                    | 21        |
| Cramerton, South Point, night             | 21        |
| Casar, 11                                 | 28        |
| Casar, New Home, 3                        | 28        |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, night | 28        |
|                                           | August    |
| Gastonia, Trinity, 11                     | 4         |
| Gastonia, West End, night                 | 4         |
| Rock Springs, Denver, 11                  | 11        |
| Lowesville, night                         | 11        |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11                | 18        |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3                    | 18        |
| Stanley, Stanley, night                   | 18        |
| Boger City, Asbury, 11                    | 25        |
| Dallas, night                             | 25        |
|                                           | September |
| Kings Mountain, Central, 11               | 1         |
| Belmont, Main Street, night               | 1         |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11                    | 8         |
| Lincolnton, First Church, night           | 8         |
| Bessemer City, 11                         | 15        |
| Shelby-Carolcen, Carolcen, 11             | 22        |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT  
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                             | June |
|---------------------------------------------|------|
| Brown Summit, 10                            | 23   |
| Ruffin, Hickory Grove, 3 (dedication)       | 23   |
| Reidsville, Main Street, 5:30 (anniversary) | 23   |
| Centenary, 8                                | 26   |
| Flat Rock, Bethel (Circuit Rally), 11       | 30   |
| Stoneville, Matthews, 8                     | 30   |
|                                             | July |
| Bessemer, 11                                | 7    |
| Leo's Chapel-Graco, 8                       | 7    |
| Spray, 8                                    | 10   |
| Pleasant Garden, 11                         | 14   |
| Proximity, 8                                | 14   |
| Greensboro: Graco, 11                       | 21   |
| Haw River, Friendship                       | 21   |
| Glenwood, 8                                 | 21   |



|                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| Madison, 11            | 28 |
| Leaksville, 8          | 28 |
| August                 |    |
| Draper-Fairview, 11    | 4  |
| Draper, 3              | 4  |
| Bethel-Battleground, 8 | 4  |
| Pleasant Garden, 11    | 11 |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

THIRD ROUND—IN PART

|                                           |    |
|-------------------------------------------|----|
| June                                      |    |
| Pleasant Grove, 11                        | 23 |
| Fairview, 2:30                            | 23 |
| Denton-Denton, 8                          | 23 |
| Linwood, Bethany, 8                       | 25 |
| Rankin Memorial, 8                        | 26 |
| Hillsboro Church, 11                      | 30 |
| South Davidson, Chanders, 2               | 30 |
| Farmer, Farmer, 8                         | 30 |
| July                                      |    |
| Wesley Memorial, 8                        | 1  |
| Asheboro First, 8                         | 3  |
| Ram-cour-Franklinville, 11                | 7  |
| Richland, Charlotte, 2:30                 | 7  |
| Rand-Clemon, New Salem, 8                 | 7  |
| Ward Street, 8                            | 8  |
| Lebanon, 8                                | 9  |
| Main Street, 8                            | 10 |
| Oak View, 8                               | 11 |
| Farmer, 10                                | 15 |
| Why Not, New Zion, 2:30                   | 14 |
| Denton, Nazion, 8                         | 14 |
| First Church, High Point, 8               | 17 |
| Highland, 8                               | 18 |
| Shiloh, Shiloh, 2                         | 20 |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11       | 21 |
| Rand-Clemon-Union, Union, 3               | 21 |
| Asheboro Central, 8                       | 21 |
| Trinity, Fairview, 8                      | 23 |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Gray's Chapel, 11 | 28 |
| Seagrove-Love Joy, Macedonia, 2:30        | 28 |
| August                                    |    |
| Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 8                  | 4  |

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marlen, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| June                             |    |
| Old Fort, 11                     | 23 |
| Gilkey, 3                        | 23 |
| Rutherfordton, 7:30              | 23 |
| Connelly Springs, Friendship, 11 | 30 |
| Shady Grove, 3                   | 30 |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30    | 30 |
| July                             |    |
| Spruce Pine, 11                  | 7  |
| Micaville, 3                     | 7  |
| Linville Falls, 7:30             | 7  |
| Bakersville, 11                  | 14 |
| Bald Creek, 3                    | 14 |
| Burnsville, 7:30                 | 14 |
| Elk Park, 11                     | 21 |
| Avery, 3                         | 21 |
| Cliffside, 7:30                  | 21 |

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

The third round of quarterly conferences for the Salisbury District will be held in groups as follows:

Sunday, June 23, 3 p.m., at Trinity, Kannapolis  
Trinity, Midway, Jackson Park, Mt. Mitchell, Mt. Olivet, Bethpage, Landis, and North Kannapolis.

Sunday, June 30, 3 p.m., at Central, Albemarle  
Central, First Street, Tabernacle, Main Street, Salem, Pfeiffer, Stanfield, Albemarle Ct., Norwood, and Norwood Ct.

Sunday, July 7, 3 p.m., at Central, Spencer  
First Church, Woodleaf, Gold Hill, Granite Quarry, Park Avenue, Coburn Memorial, East Spencer-Yadkin, China Grove, Main Street-Rowan, Spencer Central, and Spencer-China Grove.

In the meantime all preaching dates for the district superintendent will be made with the pastors direct.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| June                        |    |
| Newton, 11                  | 23 |
| Catawba, Hopewell, 3        | 23 |
| Maiden, May's Chapel, night | 23 |
| Westview, Hickory, 11       | 30 |
| Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 3       | 30 |
| Hudson, Mt. Hermon, night   | 30 |
| July                        |    |
| Grace-Rhodiss, Rhodiss, 11  | 7  |

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| May                         |    |
| Highlands, Horse Cove, 9:45 | 26 |
| Highlands, 11               | 26 |
| Clear Creek, 3              | 26 |
| Cashiers, 8                 | 26 |
| June                        |    |
| Junaluska, Auditorium, 11   | 9  |
| Bethel, Meadow Grove, 3     | 9  |
| Dellwood, Peachtree, 5      | 9  |
| Morning Star, 8             | 9  |
| Andrews, Tipton, 9:45       | 16 |
| Andrews, 11                 | 16 |
| Marble, 3                   | 16 |
| Robbinsville, 8             | 16 |
| Canton, 11                  | 23 |
| Whittier, 3                 | 23 |
| St. Ira, 8                  | 23 |
| Canton, First, 11           | 30 |
| Rockwood, 3 and 8           | 30 |
| July                        |    |
| Cullowhee, 11               | 7  |
| Webster, 3 and 8            | 7  |

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|--------------------------------------|----|
| Murphy, 11                           | 14 |
| Murphy Ct., 3 and 8                  | 14 |
| Waynesville, 11                      | 21 |
| Whittier, Blue Wing                  | 21 |
| Bryson City, 8                       | 21 |
| Hayesville, Hayesville, 11 and 3     | 28 |
| Shooting Creek, Hayesville, 11 and 3 | 28 |
| Franklin, 8                          | 28 |
| Macon, Franklin, 8                   | 28 |
| Franklin Ct., 8                      | 28 |
| Louisa, Franklin                     | 28 |
| (Dr. Vliet speaker on 28th).         |    |

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

THIRD ROUND—IN PART

|                                                         |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----|
| June                                                    |    |
| Thomasville, Trinity-Bethel, Trinity, 7:30              | 13 |
| Winston-Salem, Green Street, 7:30                       | 14 |
| Doub's, Brookstown, 11                                  | 16 |
| First Church and State Street, Lexington, 7:30          | 19 |
| Lexington-Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 7:30                     | 22 |
| Thomasville, Community, 7:30                            | 21 |
| Winston-Salem, Central Terrace, 7:30                    | 26 |
| Winston Ct., Elm Grove, 7:30                            | 27 |
| Thomasville, First, 7:30                                | 28 |
| Rural Hall, Germantown, 11                              | 30 |
| Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 3                               | 30 |
| Hanes, Clemmons, 7:30                                   | 30 |
| July                                                    |    |
| Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30                          | 1  |
| Mt. Airy, Central, 7:30                                 | 2  |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 7:30                            | 5  |
| West Forsyth, Baltimore, 7:30                           | 6  |
| Forsyth, Marvin Chapel, 11                              | 7  |
| Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah, 11                                | 14 |
| Pilot Mountain, Chestnut Grove, 3                       | 14 |
| Thomasville Ct., Fairview, 7:30                         | 14 |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, Pilot, 11                            | 21 |
| Mt. Airy, Rockford Street, Blackwater, 2:30             | 21 |
| Winston-Salem, Hiatt Memorial, Hiatt, 7:30              | 21 |
| August                                                  |    |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary (third check-up meeting), 7:30 | 6  |

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| Salisbury District—    |   |
| Park Avenue            | 3 |
| Center Grove (Midland) | 1 |
| Mount Mitchell         | 1 |
| East Spencer           | 3 |
| China Grove            | 4 |
| South River            | 1 |
| First, Salisbury       | 1 |

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Statesville District—     |   |
| Race Street               | 3 |
| Catawba                   | 1 |
| Central, Mooresville      | 1 |
| Broad Street, Statesville | 1 |
| Whitnel                   | 2 |

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|-----------------------|---|
| Waynesville District— |   |
| North Hominy          | 2 |

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| Winston-Salem District—  |   |
| Salem (Mt. Airy Ct.)     | 1 |
| Epworth, (Mt. Airy Ct.)  | 1 |
| Sharon (Lewisville)      | 1 |
| Ogburn Memorial          | 1 |
| Centenary, Winston-Salem | 4 |

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## In Memoriam

**WOMACK**—Carrie Salina Womack was born May 5, 1871, and died March 8, 1940, being 68 years, 10 months and three days of age. She is survived by three brothers, J. E. Womack, Forest City; A. A. Womack, Greensboro; T. L. Womack of this community; and three sisters, Mrs. J. R. Harding, Forest City; Mrs. W. E. Elliott and Miss Womack, both of this community; and 13 nephews and 12 nieces, and many more relatives.

Miss Womack joined Bethlehem Methodist church, Mill Spring charge, more than 55 years ago. She showed her love for God and his church by constant association with him and his children in a most devout fashion. It can be truly said of her that she loved her church. All who knew her will miss her sweet spirit.

**PASSMORE**—James H. Passmore, a member of the Hayesville church for many years, was born September 6, 1854, and departed this life June 3, 1940. He was a quiet, unassuming gentleman of the first rank. Wherever he was known he was spoken of as a good man. When he knew that he had only a short time to live, he told his loved ones that he was ready to go when his Lord called for him to come.

The floral expression of his friends' love and esteem was beautiful to behold. The funeral was conducted by his pastor and the Masonic order. Burial was in the Sweetwater cemetery by the side of his first wife. We do not mourn for "Uncle Jimmie," because we believe he has entered into the presence of his Lord.

J. C. Gentry, Pastor.

**KEITH**—Mrs. Laura Anne Keith was born in Davidson county, N. C., June 17, 1862, and died at her home in Salisbury, May 13, 1940. She is survived by four daughters and four sons.

"Grandma" Keith, as she was affectionately known to those of us of Co-burn Memorial church, was one of the most devoted and loyal members of this church. She was quiet and unassuming, never parading her religion. Yet how sweet and real was her experience with Christ. Years ago the prophet Micah asked a question, "And what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with God?" Her pastor feels she met the requirements. We will miss Grandma Keith but are glad we knew her.

The funeral was conducted from Co-burn Memorial Methodist church by her pastor.

A. C. Waggoner.

**WILSON**—Trinity Methodist church has sustained a great loss, the community has lost a good citizen, and the family a devoted husband and father in the passing of A. W. Wilson, who died at his home near Louisburg May 15, 1940, about 9 a. m.

He was born August 25, 1862. On February 28, 1900, he married Caroline Rose Connell, who with him has made a home of love and peace and fellowship. Through the years the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson has served as the "house by the side of the road" and the preacher on all occasions for more than a generation has always found the door of this home and the hearts of these people opened wide to receive him.

"Baldy Wilson, as he was familiarly called by friends and neighbors, was a prominent planter of Franklin coun-

ty and a most honored citizen. His unswerving devotion to duty in the church and community will be missed, but faithful to the training and influence of this kind father are sons and daughters who will carry on as useful, upright citizens.

Physically, he has not been active for several years, having suffered a paralytic stroke, and we feel that it was time for him to rest from the suffering and cares of this world. I, among many others, am glad to have known him and to have counted him a true friend. Many sought his counsel because his judgment was sound, and we trusted the strength and wisdom of this quiet, dependable, unassuming man.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Carrie Connell Wilson; three daughters, Elizabeth, Helen and Dorothy Wilson; five sons, Eugene, Alexander, Thomas, John and Jordan. Affectionately called father by these children, he commanded the love and respect which that name implies.

J. C. Williams,  
Former Pastor.

**LINDLEY**—William Foushee Lindley, son of William Wesley and Frances Foushee Lindley, passed away at his home near Saxapahaw Tuesday morning, May 7, at the age of 84. He married Janette Teague, who departed this life 20 years ago. Surviving are three sons, Charles, Burlington; Hoover, Graham; and P. E. of High Point College; and two daughters, Miss Lillian of the home and Mrs. E. W. Mann, Graham. Two sisters also survive, Mrs. J. D. Bacon, High Point, and Mrs. Henry Bass, Burlington.

Funeral services were conducted from the Saxapahaw Methodist church Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. M. C. Henderson, assisted by Revs. J. Clay Madison of High Point, F. W. Paschal of Burlington, T. B. Hough of Swepsonville, and T. J. Whitehead of Henderson.

Brother Lindley was a leading and substantial citizen, a devoted husband and father, and a churchman of great loyalty. He was a charter member of the Saxapahaw church and a builder in the truest sense of the word, for it was he who hauled the materials for the erection of the first house of worship there many years ago. He loved the church and its workers. His home was a constant lodging place for the preachers, a center of Christian hospitality and a source of inspiration that will live on through the years.

Here was a man, genuine, always helpful and sincere; a man of Christian faith and practice. Of him it can be said with the poet—

"Green be the turf above thee,  
Friend of my better days,  
None knew thee but to love thee,  
None named thee but to praise."

M. C. Henderson.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of woman's missionary society of Front Street Methodist church of Burlington, wish to pay a loving tribute to the memory of one of our dear friends, Mrs. Maggie Rogers Davis, widow of the late J. L. Davis, who passed into the great beyond April 9, 1940, at the age of 96 years. In the passing of Mrs. Davis we have lost a loyal friend and a faithful member of our society. Her husband and step-son, A. L. Davis, passed on a number of years ago.

Therefore be it resolved, that we shall always cherish her memory and that a copy of this tribute be sent to her family, one to the N. C. Christian Advocate and one be placed in the records of our auxiliary.

Mrs. C. V. Long,  
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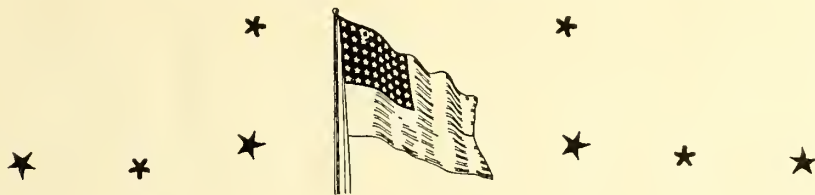


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## America

"To me America is definitely more than an aggregate of 130,000,000 people; to me America is all that the submerged races of the world wish to be and cannot; to me America is the concrete realization of what the ages have hoped for and labored for.

"It is a definition. It is a creed. It is a challenge. God built a continent of glory and filled it with treasures untold. He carpeted it with soft rolling prairies and pillared it with thundering mountains. He studded it with soft flowing fountains and traced it with long winding streams. He graced it with deep shadowed forests and filled them with song.

"Then he called unto a thousand peoples and summoned the bravest among them. They came from the ends of the earth, each bearing a gift and a hope. The glory of adventure was in their eyes and the glory of hope within their souls. And out of the labor of men and the bounty of earth, out of the prayers of men and the hopes of the world, God fashioned a nation in love, blessed it with a purpose sublime, and called it 'America!'"

—Anonymous.



## HITLER HAS LITTLE THAT IS NEW EXCEPT IMPLEMENTS OF WAR

Listen to Frederick the Great of Prussia (1712-1786). He says:

"Know once and for all that in the matter of king-craft we take when we can, and that we are never wrong unless we have to give back what we have taken."

"If there is anything to be gained by it, we will be honest; if deception is necessary, let us be cheats."

"Never blush for making alliances with a view to your being the only one to draw advantage from them."

"If you are desirous of entering into a treaty with other powers and we remember that we are Christians—we are undone!"

"When our interests change, we must change our actions accordingly."

"When Prussia shall have made her fortune, she will then be able to assume an air of good faith and of constancy."

"Unreservedly the King of Prussia must make war his principal study."

"Religion is absolutely necessary to the state. . . . A king is very foolish to permit his subjects to make ill use of it; on the other hand, a king is unwise in having any religion."

"The politics of invasion has established as its principle that the first step for the conquest of a country is to get a footing in it."

Said Frederick William IV, king of Prussia (1795-1861), in a speech from the throne on April 11, 1847: "All written constitutions are only scraps of paper."

Prince Otto von Bismarck (1815-1898) declared: "Treaties are scraps of paper. All depends upon the manner of turning them to account. Even an excellent weapon, in inexperienced hands, may cause more damage than good."

What was the dream of the Kaiser, William II, German emperor and king of Prussia (1859-)? Said he:

"From childhood I have been influenced by five great men—Alexander the Great, Julius Caesar, Theodor II, Frederick the Great, and Napoleon. Each dreamed of world empire. They failed. I have dreamed of German world domination, and my mailed fist shall succeed."

"Looking upon my self as the instrument of the Lord, without regard for daily opinions and intentions I go my way."

The Kaiser's "mailed fist" did not "succeed," but Adolf Hitler is now dreaming the same dream and at this writing, with a far crueler "mailed fist," is making considerable progress in turning that dream into a ghastly reality.

## LISTEN; MAJOR BULLEWINKLE SPEAKING

"Some twenty odd years ago, I was among the millions of American soldiers who engaged in the other conflict. Due to my age, etc., I would not have had to go, but I went. I saw hundreds and thousands of American soldiers killed. I saw thousand upon thousands of American soldiers disabled for life. Today in the government hospitals, there are nearly fifty thousand disabled American veterans. In addition to this, I saw the mothers, sisters, and families of these men who died after I returned to America and I have seen all of the horrors of war, and I am not going to permit temporary excite-

ment to carry me away from a calm and deliberate course. I saw the cost of war and the cost of the aftermath piled up against this government, and I for one will go a long way to avoid a repetition of what we went through in 1917 and 1918."

The Gazette is willing and ready to go along with any one in extending all legitimate aid both in money, munitions and supplies to the Allies, but it is not willing that this course should be so drastic as to lead us into war. This generation does not know what war is. Talk to some of the veterans of the AEF of the sights they saw, and the experiences they endured in France, and ask them if we want to get into another war.—Gastonia Gazette.

## CENTRAL JURISDICTION CONFERENCE ELECTED TWO NEW BISHOPS

The Reverend Doctors W. A. C. Hughes and Lorenzo H. King, prominent Negro clergymen of the Methodist Church, were elected bishops of that church by the Central Jurisdictional Conference meeting in Union Memorial Church, St. Louis, Missouri.

Doctor Hughes was elected on the second ballot, receiving eighty-one out of one hundred and eighteen votes. He is a member of the Washington Conference, has been a pastor, a district superintendent, and for twenty-three years one of the secretaries of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of the former Methodist Episcopal Church.

Doctor Lorenzo H. King is pastor of the Saint Mark Church in New York City. He was elected on the fifth ballot, also receiving eighty-one votes. Dr. King is a member of the New York Conference.

This first quadrennial session of the Central Jurisdictional Conference of the Methodist Church convened at 10:00 a. m., Tuesday, June 18, with Bishop Robert E. Jones of Columbus presiding. The conference opened with the observance of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, Bishops Robert E. Jones, Matthew W. Clair, Alexander P. Shaw, and James A. Mamlett, of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, administering the sacrament.

The business of the morning was the organization of the conference. Dr. John W. Haywood, president of Morristown Normal and Industrial College, was elected secretary, and Dr. David D. Jones, president of Bennett College, Greensboro, N. C., treasurer.

Bishop Alexander P. Shaw of New Orleans, La., presided at the Wednesday morning session of the conference. The conference adopted the resolution presented by the Committee on Episcopacy that there be four Episcopal residences within the Central Jurisdiction, namely, Atlanta, Ga., Baltimore, Md., Columbus, O., and New Orleans, La. It also voted to elect two bishops to serve the newly created Baltimore Area and the Atlanta Area, the latter now being served by retired Bishop Matthew W. Clair.

## MASS MEETING IN NEW HANOVER WOULD REMOVE ALL RESTRICTIONS ON FARMS

WHEREAS—there are many millions of men and women now engaged in the activities of war, either actually fighting or working to produce the supplies needed by the fighting forces in the battle lines, and

WHEREAS—there are millions of dependent people, old men and women, and helpless children, without the necessary foods and shelter, who are incapable of joining the ranks of production, and

WHEREAS—the resources of our country contain an abundance of the essentials needed for the sustenance of life which are available for greatly increased production, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED—that we, the citizens of New Hanover County, North Carolina, in mass meeting assembled, do hereby petition and urge upon the Congress of the United States the imperative necessity and importance of at once enacting the legislation necessary to remove from the farms of the country all restrictions on the production of the things necessary for food and raiment, to the end that the farmers may be encouraged to grow and produce these necessities of life.



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Governor Hoey told the American Legion at High Point that Adolf Hitler is "the biggest liar in all history." Few Americans would take issue with the Governor in this statement.

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Eternal and priceless values were the themes uppermost with the pulpit in the days of our fathers. In these last times much is made of earthly and temporal values. Stress is put upon the material rather than upon the spiritual. But this was never true of "Him who spoke as never man spake," neither should it be true in His church, especially in such a time as this.

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Senator Bailey, speaking to the Meredith girls on the theme, "The Personal Problem of a Dying Age," decried the ease and luxury most Americans have taken for granted. Said he: "We have been living under a regime of personal privilege, of the exploitation of personal rights, and generally of gay self-indulgence. We must now live under a regime of duty and self-sacrifice, of those self-imposed restraints known as morals and those law-imposed restraints known as statutes."

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More than five hundred years ago in Bohemia they burned John Huss at the stake but they failed to destroy the spirit of the Bohemians. Yes, John Huss still lives. Nations do not perish by fire and sword and armored cars. Death results from that decay within which follows the loss of beauty, truth and goodness. The decline of a soul and the collapse of a nation lies deeper than the material resources of individual or nation. "Three millions of people armed in the holy cause of liberty are invincible by any foe the enemy may send against us" enabled Patrick Henry to stir the Colonies in their fight for freedom. The spirit of America, rather than material resources, won the Revolution and this must still win.

Any church interested in entertaining the next session of the North Carolina Conference would do well to give attention to the statement on page 7 of this issue from the Committee on Entertainment. The fact that the session this year will be shorter than usual so as not to embrace a Sunday, will add to the ease of entertainment and some think it will also add to the interest of the occasion. Doubtless a number of churches will be interested in trying out this new plan.

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The little one-room school house with one little overworked teacher, has been exchanged for a finely equipped graded school with a teaching force in keeping with its material equipment, while high-powered auto buses carry the children to school in the morning and home again in the evening. The auto is responsible for the new country school that we have and the new country church that we are going to have. The big idea is to make it, whether a Ford or a Pierce Arrow, a "chariot of Jehovah."

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Up to this time, if we have correct information on the subject, the pulpits of the country have steered clear of war topic. Let us hope that this state of affairs may continue. During the days of the World War one could hear little in many pulpits but a discussion of some aspect of the war. So far the preachers of this day have shown greater wisdom. A sermon on Sunday should not be a rehash of the headlines of the daily papers. The same rule will be observed by this Advocate. Contributions about the war are already coming into this office for publication. Many of them are already out of date, and by the time they could reach the public would be of no interest whatever. The daily papers and the radio can keep abreast of war topics. So please excuse us from attempting to handle war news and opinions about the war.



## Send Help; Shun War

**T**WO convictions just now are fundamental and widespread with the American people: (1) Furnish help to the needy; (2) keep out of War.

Both of these considerations are in the very forefront at present. The urgent call of the Red Cross and the action of Congress to aid the Allies indicate our abiding desire to live up to the best of our American traditions. Famine, storm, earth quakes, the ravages of war and every other calamity that brings distress to a people get whatever aid America can render. This present time is no exception to the record of the years.

Just as imperative is the present desire of America to keep out of war—to keep out of this second world war. Such determination should be expected of us. Why? 1. Because war settles nothing. We sent our boys to France in the first World War to settle the issues over there and thereby to make the world safe for democracy by engaging in this war to end war. How perfectly absurd! These twenty-two years most effectively disclose the futility of war. War means death and hell—and the wreck of all human expectations of a better day. Nothing is more disappointing than the results following war.

2. Furthermore, we Americans are amply able to furnish food and other needed supplies so essential to the life of a people as well as to send arms and ammunitions over seas. Then, too, there must also be the supplies that go into the preservation and re-building of the nations. All these are most essential—must be furnished by some one.

To make vital and victorious the Christian Church by its becoming a greater spiritual force in American life is most essential if we are to have a nation able to offer real help to the broken and shattered of earth. This part of preparedness is as essential as are all these billions of dollars to be spent in military preparedness. Things material count, but they are not of first concern in meeting the material forces of arms on land and sea and in the air.

3. Our main emphasis in the Church must be put on Christian ideals. Back of our efforts at defense to secure a great and heroic people—strong in the strength of the spirit—there must be God. The great Builder insisted: "I Came not to destroy men's lives but to save them." He was and is always constructive rather than

destructive. He declared with assurance: "I will build my church."

The dictators and the war lords always fail at this point. They deal in death and destruction. Why then should we rely on war and material might to settle the issues of the centuries? Why in desperation should we send our boys across the seas? Dispatch material resources to aid those who do not have these and do our utmost to build here a people who can speak the master-word to all who rely on material forces in Europe? In the darkest days of the World War we heard Dr. Hugh Black in portraying the spirit of the Allies of that day, say with striking emphasis, "Imperial Germany will yet beat itself to pieces on the naked soul of man." Hitler certainly has not yet had to deal with the spirit of 1918 as disclosed by the eminent Scotch divine. Dr. Black was trying to drive home at that time the place of the unconquerable spirit of man in the coming victory.

## Circuit Builders

**T**HE circuit rider has a notable place in the church records of pioneer America. He is still celebrated in song and story. But another man of different type is now due. He is the circuit builder. He is not quite so romantic a citizen as was the man on horseback; but he is really more constructive. He has to do with the sources of our national destiny as he labors to build the kingdom of God.

In the pastors' school at Duke in June, Prof. C. M. McConnell entered a plea that the appointing powers of the Methodist Church "make room for the man who wants to do work in the country so as to secure a more permanent ministry." Let it be noted that a certain order of man is called for by Dr. McConnell. He was careful to stress this fact before the class. This must be a man with a fixed desire to spend his life in the country church.

So there must first be a man who wants to do work in the country—wants to do this work so much that he is anxious to give his life to it. Then, too, the bishops and the district superintendents must be willing to provide a place for him and to see to it that the work is kept open for him in this his life's work. Such a demand certainly will not be met until the appointing powers are determined to change the entire course of present procedure in dealing with the church in the open country. The present urge to move men into the towns and cities



must give place to a plan to secure a more stable ministry in the country.

Such procedure is out of question until men are found willing to do the work in the country and along with this desire the appointing powers must determine to see to it that the country church has equal privileges with the city church in the assignment of men to serve them. Such plan certainly does not mean sending the "city preacher" to the country and the man in the country to town. This would be to court failure all along the line. For every man of sense knows that success or failure is not determined by any such superficial adjustments.

Furthermore, an effective and more stable ministry for the country requires time for development and larger resources to carry on even though we have men willing to work and bishops and other leaders ready to promote the rural situation. In time, with proper support, men in our country work could rank the equal in every respect with the best in town. Then we would do much to keep our country boys and girls away from the crowded cities. Now, too often, the talk and plans and efforts of the bright young preachers in the country homes point to the city, where they are going to be "somebody." In this the young people are encouraged to do the same thing. Preachers who will magnify the country and stay away from the city would do much to aid the "back to the country" movement. Dr. McConnell certainly hit the spot when he said: "The appointing power of Methodism must make room for the man who wants to stay in the country."

### Unfriendly Church Members

OUR congregation ought to be more friendly," said a woman to her pastor. "You are the only person that has called on me in the two years I have been a member of your church."

To get some needed light on this situation the pastor inquired of his neglected parishioner how many new members had joined their church since she became a member. Having kept track of what was going on in the congregation she promptly replied, "About one hundred." "And my dear madam, how many of these have you called on?" asked the pastor. This question was the straw that broke the camel's back, for she had not called on one of them.

### Bishop Blake the Man of a Victorious Faith

BISHOP Edgar Blake was the other day retired by the time limit and at the request of the Michigan Christian Advocate he wrote a personal word for the paper of the Detroit Area which this eminent bishop had served during the last eight years. What Bishop Blake said should serve as a stimulant to one and all. Read this timely and inspiring message:

As I look back over my forty-six years in the Christian ministry and recall the rich experiences that have been mine, I am grateful to God and to the Methodist Church beyond words to express the privileges that have been mine. Knowing what I do of the past, and looking forward into a future full of perplexities and uncertainties, if I were young again, starting my life anew, I would not hesitate a moment to give myself to God and the Church for the Christian ministry again.

I know the future looks dark and doubtful to many: wars and rumors of wars on every side; the present order cracking up and seemingly on the verge of collapse; multitudes fearful and hopeless, their morale shattered and their courage gone; defeatism and doubt everywhere. What a day for the Christian Church and the Christian ministry! When were they needed more?

Never was my spirit more buoyant and my heart more hopeful than at seventy. Not all the evil forces of the powers of darkness can defeat the will of God. Let us not imagine for a moment that the threatening tragedies of today have caught Him unprepared and unawares. No pagan generation like ours is going to defeat the Kingdom He planned from eternity and for which He gave the life of His only begotten Son.

The moral forces of God are not fighting a losing battle. Nations rise and fall. Earthly kingdoms come and go, but the plan of God moves on irresistibly to its destined end. This is the time for hope. The darker the night the nearer the dawn.

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Multitudes handle the truth without due caution and in the front ranks of these sinners is the man who says that he did not close his eyes during the night but dozed off about daylight. The probability is that he slept soundly for six hours and was awakened by the breakfast bell.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference (place to be announced) . . . . . Nov. 7**

Camp Free is scheduled for July 28 to August 4, inclusive. Workers: Revs. Helen Vincent, Harold Lowman, and Jim H. Green, and special singers, gospel trio, etc. Jim H. Green, Supt.

"Home-coming Day, for Stonewall Church and Pamlico Circuit, Sunday, June 30, 1940. All former pastors and friends are cordially invited to be with us that day. Picnic lunch on the yard."—N. B. Strickland, P. C.

Next Sunday, June 30th, there will be Home-Coming Day and Church School Day at Chatham Church on the Pittsboro Charge. Former pastors and friends are invited. Dinner will be served.—R. Z. Newton, P. C.

Governor Hoey says the state debt, by the time his term expires, will have been reduced about twenty-six million dollars during his four years in office. As Abner would say, "Good fer you," Governor. Would that we had somebody in charge of affairs at Washington who wanted to save something.

Dr. James R. Joy, former editor of The Christian Advocate at New York, and since his retirement constantly occupied with activities connected with The Methodist Church, returns to his alma mater, Yale University, on June 18, for the fifty-fifth year reunion of his class, of which he is the secretary.

Dr. Henry C. Morrison, president of Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky., for twenty-one years (1910-25 and 1934-40), has retired after a successful administration. This college counts among its alumni such men as E. Stanley Jones, the late Frederick B. Fisher, and Bishop J. W. Pickett, all of whom have given devoted service to India.

**Rev. and Mrs. H. S. B. Thompson will be at home to their friends on their thirty-eighth wedding anniversary which they are celebrating the 7th of July. A cordial invitation is extended through the Advocate to their many friends to come to the Old Nathaniel Macon home-place, Route 3, Littleton, N. C., on Sunday, July the 7th, 1940, between 10:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. 1902-1940.**

"Proximity Celebration." The Proximity Methodist Church will celebrate its 42nd anniversary Sunday, June 30th, with appropriate services. At the morning service at 11 o'clock the Rev. John Cline, a former pastor, will preach. The evening service at 7:30 o'clock will be conducted by the Rev. P. L. Shore, who is also a former pastor. The resident members are providing good eats for all former members and pastors who will come to the celebration.

Shiloh, Shiloh Charge, C. E. Ridge, pastor, enjoys much activity. Since our last report, our Bible school was conducted by Rev. E. D. C. Brewer teaching a course on Church Administration; and Rev. Cecil Hefner a course on The New Testament, there being 25 credit certificates given. The vacation Bible school for the children will probably be held in a few weeks. Of special interest is a "singing" at Shiloh Church next Sunday night, June 30, at 7:30. All lovers of good singing are urged to be present. Just how many choruses and quartets, etc., will be present is not known but we are expecting the famous and well-known Freidberg Male Chorus from near Winston; the North State Quartet, Lexington; probably the Lovings Trio from near Winston, and the Denton Male Chorus and probably others. So come and tell your friends to come and enjoy some good singing.—Mrs. Homer Sink.

The annual Home-Coming at Cold Springs Church, Mt. Pleasant Charge, will be held Sunday, June 30th. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Sermon by Rev. H. L. Powell, a former pastor. Lunch at 12:30. A program of singing and speaking will be given in the afternoon. All former pastors, friends, and others who can are cordially invited to attend.—S. R. McEachern, Gen. Supt. Sunday School.

Leaders of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, meeting in their biennial General Council in Independence, Missouri, on April 16, were asked to institute legal action against Vardis Fisher, author of "Children of God," and against the publishers of the book, to the end that public retraction of scurrilous and damaging matter may result and that the book may be suppressed. This book is described as "an epic of the Mormons" and won the Harper fiction prize this season.—United Presbyterian.

Here is an idea worth passing on. At Trinity Methodist church, Springfield, a War Relief Plate will be at the rear of the sanctuary every Sunday from now until the European war is over. "The price of my family's Sunday dinner will be in it each week," the pastor, Rev. H. Hughes Wagner, tells his people in the June 7 issue of The Carillon, "and we shall eat bread and milk. Will you join us?" "Those in our home," Mr. Wagner says, commenting on the results of the day of self-denial, Sunday, June 2, "can vouch for the fact that we never had a more satisfactory dinner than the one we didn't have last Sunday! Even such a tiny gesture of sharing brings a sense of 'doing something about it,' however small. We have decided it is a good practice, worth continuing."—Zions Herald.

Centennial Celebration, 1840—Ebenezer—1940. One hundred years of Methodism will be celebrated at Ebenezer Church on the Garner Charge, Raleigh District, July 7. The celebration will begin at the eleven o'clock hour and will extend into the afternoon. We are inviting the former pastors, former members and their families, and friends of the church. We are sure that you will enjoy our program. A brief history of the church will be read. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach at 11 o'clock. Dinner will be served. The afternoon session begins at 2:30 o'clock. Former pastors will bring brief messages dealing with the years they served this church. We are looking forward to great day at Ebenezer; we hope you will help make it such. One and all are invited.—D. D. Traynham, Pastor.

A correspondent at New Castle, Delaware, says that a Philadelphian who has a farm near New Castle and goes to and from the city on a commuter train published the following notice. "To whom it may (but I fear it will not) concern: Once more an impulsive visitor has taken my pumpkins. I regret this on his account, because, as they were not ripe, he will have small pleasure from them. A little patient waiting would have made the pumpkins better and his act no worse. I am not discouraged, but confess a slight sense of disappointment that neither of us has reaped a reward of his labors. That he may arrange his future activities it seems but kind to advise him now that he cannot rely upon me next year, but then must seek new pastures. I would continue to plant pumpkins were it not that they seem to allure my friend and dull his conscience, to entice him to evil and ensnare his morals, and in general to degrade him. I will do nothing to hurt any man, nothing to hinder his growth in grace, and if pumpkins cause my brother to offend I will plant them no more. He and I must forego mine for the future, and if he regrets them no more than I do there will be at least two very cheerful persons in New Castle."—Religious Telescope.



The Baptist Record says: "Two hundred Catholic bishops and other clergy recently got their heads together in Baltimore and found out that Eve was not responsible for the sin of the race, but Adam. Well, big boys, you are rather slow making the discovery. If you or your predecessors had studied your Bibles, you would have found something on that subject a long time ago. Get your Bibles and read them; there's a lot of good and helpful reading in them that will astonish the clergy."

Bishop U. V. W. Darlington has invited Rev. John R. Church to be the guest preacher at the Kentucky Annual Conference to be held this year at Wilmore, Ky. The conference will be entertained by Asbury College, and Mr. Church will preach each night in the Hugh's Memorial auditorium of the college. The conference will be held this year September 3rd to the 8th and Mr. Church will preach each night. He will also deliver a short address each morning to the conference. Rev. John R. Church is a member of the Western North Carolina Conference and is one of the general evangelists of the Methodist Church.

"I wish to thank the good people of St. Andrews Church of the Fayetteville Circuit, and the good friends of Fayetteville and their good pastor, Rev. J. C. Williams, for the fine automobile they presented to me at the close of a ten day revival meeting. We were greatly in need of a mode of travel and God graciously supplied that need through these good folks, but most of all we are grateful to God for the wonderful revival in which a good number of souls were won to the Lord and the reviving of the Christians. My prayer is that the revival will not close but continue and many more souls will be brought into the Kingdom of God."—Rev. Herbert D. Garmon, Pastor of Shelby-Caroleen Circuit.

Dr. Harris Franklin Rall, professor of Christian doctrine at Garrett Biblical Institute, has been awarded the \$15,000 Bross competition literary prize, one of the largest every offered for a single book. Dr. Rall's "Christianity: An Inquiry Into Its Nature and Truth," was chosen from among 212 manuscripts submitted from thirty-one states and nine foreign countries. William Bross, a Chicago pioneer (and one of the founders of Lake Forest College), established the foundation fifty years ago "for the best single book on the connection and relation of the humanities and practical science with the Christian religion." This was the first time the major prize of \$15,000 was offered, but previously fourteen books and lectures won minor awards of the Foundation ranging upward to \$6,000. The prize manuscript of Prof. Rall will be published in book form soon.

#### ACTION OF FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

I am writing to inform you that the executive committee of the Federal Council has appointed a committee on the conscientious objector. The following persons have been invited by Dr. Buttrick to be members of this committee: Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Methodist Church; Bishop William Remington, Episcopal Church; Dr. William B. Pugh, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.; Mr. John H. Warnshuis, Reformed Church in America; Dr. L. W. McCreary, Disciples of Christ; Dr. Douglas Horton, Congregational and Christian Church; Dr. Charles E. Schaeffer, Evangelical and Reformed Church; Dr. Paul H. Krauss, United Lutheran; and Dr. Robert A. Ashworth, Northern Baptist Convention. I would welcome an announcement of the appointment of this committee in the columns of your publication.

Walter W. Van Kirk, Secretary.

#### N. C. CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD NOTICE

Recent calls have been as follows:

Call 71 ..... Rev. J. M. Wright  
Call 72 ..... Rev. F. E. Dixon  
Call 73 ..... Rev. W. C. Merritt

How to figure what you owe: those with salary of \$1,000 or less will pay \$1.00 for each call; those with salary of \$1,001 to \$2,000 will pay \$2.00 for each call; those with salary over \$2,000 will pay \$3.00; laymen will pay \$1.00 for each call.

Send check to R. L. Jerome, Treasurer, 1908 Princess Street, Wilmington, N. C.

#### ENTERTAINMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Under and by virtue of the following resolutions adopted at the Annual Conference in Fayetteville, N. C., November, 1939: The committee, composed of John F. Bruton, Chairman; L. C. Larkin, J. A. Staton, E. L. Hillman, E. W. Cobb and A. S. Parker met in Rocky Mount, N. C. to consider the question of entertainment of the next session of the North Carolina Annual Conference.

The following action was taken:

"RESOLVED: That the Conference Committee on Entertainment be empowered to accept invitations from those churches desiring to entertain the Annual Conference,

That the committee shall define the limits wherein the conference delegates shall commute daily to the session of the conference.

That the host church shall have the assistance of the towns within this well defined limit in entertaining the next session of the North Carolina Conference.

We offer this resolution because of the increased number of delegates who are to attend the conference."

For the benefit of those who may consider extending an invitation for entertainment of the Annual Conference the committee gives the following information:

With and by the approval of Bishop Purcell, the Conference will meet between Sunday, November 5-8, adjourning on Friday afternoon.

It will be observed from the above resolution that any church desiring to entertain the Conference has the privilege of calling on adjoining communities. The committee feels that those within 20 miles of the conference should commute, and towns within this radius should help entertain the conference.

The committee has no invitations, tentative or otherwise, and this is a matter of grave concern to us.

All invitations should be in the hands of the secretary, A. S. Parker, Kingston, N. C. before August 10th, at which time the committee will meet again in Rocky Mount, N. C. to consider further the matter of entertainment.

JOHN F. BRUTON, Chairman,  
A. S. PARKER, Secretary.

#### WORLD SERVICE REMITTANCES

On June 11th I sent the following instructions to all charges in the W. N. C. Conference:

"After June 1st all former M. E. and M. P. charges and churches will send all funds to me for General and Conference Work—or whatever these funds may be called, World Service, Conference Claims, Benevolences, etc., these funds will be sent to me. I will divide the amount—48% for General (World Service), and 52% for Conference Work.

"I repeat: No money can go to former treasurers of the three uniting churches. Even if money was collected or due before June 1st it cannot now be sent to a former treasurer, because he is out of existence."

When I learned that conflicting instructions had been received I wrote Dr. Orrin W. Auman, Treasurer, World Service Commission, 740 Rush St., Chicago. I have a very cordial reply from Dr. Auman in which he says that I was right in the above instructions. I suppose the conflicting instructions reached parts of our Conference by mistake.

It happens that Dr. Auman and I were "former" Treasurers. We are now Treasurers of The Methodist Church.

E. O. COLE, Treasurer.



## ASHEVILLE AND OKLAHOMA CITY

"Trail blazing" described the activities of the sessions of the Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictional conferences just closed in Asheville and Oklahoma City, respectively. For the first two or three days the delegates and visitors wondered what it was all about. These days were given over to finding the direction, seeking poise, determining limitations, delimitations, and unlimitations. To the delegates who had been in the General Conference there was a "let-down" feeling. It was like looking at a 16 millimeter movie film after having seen "Gone With the Wind." But to the Jurisdictional delegates who were not members of the General Conference every step and movement of the conferences were full of thrills. These delegates were pioneering. They were charter members of a new order. Their duties were conceived not as matters of passing moment, but as obligations to build the Jurisdictional Alliance with the whole church upon enduring foundations. Several things were noticeable: A profound consideration of the actions and recommendations of the General Conference; the complete understanding that the Jurisdictional Conference is not legislative; the sparing use of such sharp parliamentary practices, as "points of order," "personal privilege," "privilege of the house," etc. There was no hasty use of the "previous question." There was not the semblance of the fear that the Jurisdictional Conference might bear to the left and begin to draw the outline sketches of a denominational entity. On the other hand they did not veer to the right and declare themselves to be "fifth wheels" and "do nothings." If watchwords or mottoes were framed upon the acts of the conferences, in their relationship to the united church, they would be found in somewhat of an assortment like the following: "Unity in Jurisdictional Loyalty to the Union," "Obedient Child in the Mother's New Home," "The Hands and the Feet of the Whole Body."

The arrangement for the two conferences had been superbly handled. Veterans at entertainment seemed to be at work. The committees on entertainment should be given the job for life. The auditorium in which the meetings were held far outclassed the Atlantic City auditorium.

Asheville was an ideal spot for the Southeastern conference. A beautiful new auditorium with a perfect amplifying system put the conference at ease. There was no confusion and every delegate who desired recognition seemed to get it. The night meetings furnished excellent programs, but the people did not come to hear them. The woman's night was better, but a session of the conference was ordered to bolster that attendance. There was nothing to mar the harmony of the conference. But one of the strings on the instrument producing the harmony was sawed and plucked more than any other—it was the "e" string—"economy." It had to be tuned up a time or two, when it threatened discord, but the tuning held and the harmony continued. The older bishops were superb in action and the newer bishops were in action superb. The one significant thing done at Asheville which lifted the conference from routine procedure was the appointment of a Quadrennial Committee on Policy and Co-ordination. Not an administrative committee, with secretarial staff to again increase the expense, but a committee to be the eyes and the ears and the voice, for the Methodist program within the Jurisdiction. If kept within the circle of activities prescribed for itself, it will be an invaluable aid to all the interests of the church.

Oklahoma City was the becoming city for the South Central Jurisdictional meeting. The spirit of adventure and progress pervading the city gave vigor and self-assurance to the delegates. They seemed to know where they were going even during the first two days, when wings were flopping and little flying was done. The delegates were on time and in their seats all of the time. Business was quickly dispatched. It was one of the smoothest working deliberative bodies I have seen. The Municipal Auditorium is a beautiful building. Its amplifying system was miserable. The delegates speaking to the conference were on too low a level and were handicapped by the loud speaker that jumbled many sentences. This conference by its acts gave ample allegiance to the united church. The night programs were of a high order and the people attended in large number. Two thousand people heard Roy Smith on missions Thursday night. The West at Oklahoma City responded; the East at Asheville pondered and stayed away. A Committee on Policy and Co-ordination also came into existence at the South Central Conference. The conference was determined not to create a jurisdictional budget. At Oklahoma City it was the "b" string: in a minor key that gave the lead and sounded the main notes of harmony. It needed no constant tuning. It was always in time and the timing perfect. When it was "plucked and sawed" it gave the one unrelenting sound "no budget." This was all to the good when the finances of the new church are shifted to new plans and tested by rigid rules. Enough financial trial balloons are already in the air without turning loose any new ones from the jurisdictions.

This delegate slightly acquainted with the Methodist system of conferences and their seeming complexities, could

but exclaim, when seeing the Southeastern in action: "It has the stride, the Jurisdictional Conference idea is justified." And as an observer looking in on the South Central applause came forth in the hilarious fashion of the West "Zip-pee, hip-hip, hooray, its got it." W. G. Cram.

## WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

I am just back from the pastors' school held at Duke University. In many ways I enjoyed the week, and I am sure it was profitable to me and I hope may be helpful to my people through me.

The outstanding note sounded was "The church must become more God filled." And then a number of the best prepared men told us how this thing could be done. First, beginning with the individual, I would say the bishops, and then coming on down. For a hundred years we have tried to begin with some lost layman or some little preacher in the rear ranks. It has not worked up to the present, and if the Bible is true it will never work—both will fall into the ditch. How long will we go about "saying" our prayers when we ought to be living God?

You can't save the church, or the world with an unsaved ministry. You cannot save the church or world with a ministry that is afraid of holiness. The ministry, and our church is second to none, is not saving souls. Some few are being added to the rolls of our church but a much less number is being added to the kingdom of God. The condition of Germany, England, France and the whole of Europe is the result of putting names on the book but leaving God out of the heart. America is doing the same. We preachers have not got the "guts" (pardon me, but the word fits in) to preach and live the lives necessary to save the church and our people. A preacher living in known sin cannot preach the whole truth of God's Word.

Yes, it is high time to stop substituting the saying of prayers for a four square, sanctified, honest-to-God life of holiness. The first thing we do when we get together, preachers or people, is to say our prayers. I am sure much good time has been lost to ditch digging or ploughing in the "saying" of our prayers. I have seen very little change in the deepening of our spiritual lives within the last thirty years. I do not discount prayer or time spent in prayer. Praying and "saying" prayers is quite different. There is no praying until you put your sins on the altar of God. You cannot pray for others until you get rid of your own sin. Yes, I say for all preachers and laymen we have wasted a lot of time saying prayers; the results prove what I say. "God hears the prayers of a righteous man."

If only we would drop this surface, half-way, pretentious life! Don't tell me I don't know what I am talking about. Am I not one of you? We are a selfish, self-seeking, pleasure loving, easy going bunch. We know nothing of real sacrifice, and as one preacher was bold enough to say, he did not know that he wanted the God-filled life when he counted the cost.

My brethren in the ministry, if I understand God's Word, there isn't anything, including war materials, this side of heaven or hell that God can use save lost men to save a lost world but a band of holy, God-filled people. People without sin, men who are not blinded by God's greatest enemy—men who will refuse to live or let their people live in this poor "dying rate."

What you need and what I need and what America needs today is not more cannons but more of God, for only God can save us. The sword is not saving any country that is depending on it and never has. Why not believe Christ who never lied?

If it were not wrong to wish it, I would to God I was a Moses, a leader in Israel, or at least one who could be worth ten thousand times more to my people.

A veneer of religion is worth no more in the time of testing than Hitler's veneer of civilization in the time of war.

How long, how long, O Lord, will we continue to meet, talk, say our prayers and go back to the same shallow, insincere way of living? God help me. Maybe some day I can pray for you.

C. T. Rogers.

## REV. F. E. DIXON

Rev. Francis Ernest Dixon left to fill his final appointment June 6, 1940. He is survived by his widow, Nancy West Dixon; his brother, J. J. Dixon, Grifton; and three grandchildren, E. Shockley Adams, Dixon Adams, Hazel Ann Adams, Carthage. He also left many nephews, nieces and friends to think of the wonderful Christian influence that he spread wherever he served.

His friends think of him as a man of God, who served the rural people in a most Christ-like manner. He dedicated his life in serving rural people. During thirty-five years' service he was on the job telling his people through words and actions the story of Jesus and his love for all peoples.

C. S. Boggs.



## Bishop Clare Purcell to Dedicate Sulphur Springs Church, Sunday, June 30



Sulphur Springs Methodist Church, Shelby District, Rev. J. Leonard Rayle is the present pastor



### REIDSVILLE CHURCH CELEBRATES FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

A celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the erection of the present building of Main Street Church, Reidsville, was concluded on Sunday afternoon, June 23rd, 1940. On Sunday morning, June 16th, Dr. Clyde A. Irwin, State Supt. of Public Instruction, spoke on "The Relationship of the Church and School." At 5 P. M. on that day, the cornerstone that was placed fifty years ago was opened and the contents examined. All the ministers of the city participated. Masons of the city were special guests and shared in the program. The stone was laid with Masonic ceremony on September 4, 1890. Wednesday, June 19th, was designated "Church History Day." A group picture of all the pastors who have served the church since Methodism was introduced in Reidsville was unveiled by Wesley Asbury Trotter, Jr., grandson of Rev. J. H. West, a former pastor. The securing of these photographs dating back beyond 1873, when the first circuit rider, Rev. R. F. Bumpass, visited the community, was an achievement in itself.

For several months a committee of ladies, Mrs. E. D. Watt, chairman; Mrs. J. S. Turner, and Mrs. J. N. Hester, worked on the history which was read at this service. A statement of all monies raised since the congregation began its worship in the present edifice was read. A history of the Origin of the Ladies Aid Society; the Organization of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society; the Children's Work; and the Crawford Society was read. About two years ago a historical cabinet was introduced. Many valuable relics have been presented. These were mounted before the altar and will be placed in the cabinet.

On Sunday, June 23rd, at 11 A. M., the Holy Communion was celebrated as an emphasis of the spiritual foundation of the church. At 5 P. M. Bishop Clare Purcell preached on "The Church." He was introduced by Rev. L. B. Hayes, District Superintendent. Rev. E. L. Ballard, pastor of Lindsay Street Methodist Church, read the Scripture lesson, Rev. T. V. Crouse, who has had the present longest pastorate in the conference, ten years on the Reidsville circuit, offered prayer. Rev. J. H. Armbrust is the pastor.

Work of remodeling and redecorating the parsonage of Main Street Church, Reidsville, has been completed. A new vapor heating system has been installed. The kitchen has been modernized. Two linen closets built. A portion of the lower floor has been double-floored with oak. The entire woodwork has been painted and the first floor rooms papered. Seven new druggets placed. Much new furniture supplied. Fences have been built around the rear yard. The total cost of improvements was \$2,700.00, all of which has been paid.

### FACTS ABOUT THE RUFFIN CHARGE

1. Revival at Ruffin closed June 16. A marvelous manifestation of the Spirit of God was experienced. The people "delighted themselves in the Lord and he granted the desires of their hearts." On Sunday morning June 16, thirty (30) new members were received into the fellowship of the church; 21 on profession of faith. Of the

thirty new members twenty of them are of the Wesley Fellowship Classification. Following the reception of the new members, parents brought fifteen infants and small children and dedicated them to the Lord.

2. The parsonage is equipped with a new bathroom and all facilities, the gift of friends.

3. The Pelham congregation has started its building fund, and Mr. Haines of Duke is working on the plans and specifications for a new church. The building committee is composed of Paul Fitzgerald, chairman; J. H. Fowlkes, treasurer; and N. H. Swann, secretary.

### BISHOP CLARE PURCELL TO DEDICATE SULPHUR SPRINGS CHURCH

Sunday, June 30, at 11 a. m. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach the dedicatory sermon at Sulphur Springs church, Shelby circuit, and will lead in the dedication service which will follow, assisted by Rev. E. M. Jones, Gastonia district superintendent, and the present pastor and former pastors.

A historical sketch would be too lengthy here. Sulphur Springs church was organized in 1840, one hundred years ago. The present church was constructed in 1928 under the leadership of Rev. R. L. Forbis, at an estimated cost of \$10,000, who will preach at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. This last December a \$1300 indebtedness was paid. We extend a cordial invitation to the former pastors and our friends and former members.

J. Leonard Rayle, Pastor.

### MESDAMES JONES AND ROZZELLE ENTERTAIN

Entertaining at the Methodist district parsonage on South York street Thursday afternoon Mrs. E. M. Jones, wife of the District Superintendent, and Mrs. C. E. Rozelle, whose husband is pastor of Main Street Methodist Church, were hostesses to wives of the ministers of this district at a lovely party.

Rooms were charmingly appointed with a profusion of roses, mixed garden flowers and growing plants. Guests came in at 3:30 o'clock and a musical program and several clever contests were enjoyed. At six o'clock dinner was served. Twenty-one guests made up the party.

Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the Advocate campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.



# How Shall We Proceed to Develop and Enrich the Rural Church Program?

The following outline is a brief summary of the article by the above title published in February, 1939, by Dr. A. J. Wilson

## Part I. Basic Standards of a Successful Church Work Plan

1. A program or work plan striking a high and sustained spiritual note.
2. A public service stressing worship and reverence and making God vital in life.
3. A co-ordinated and co-operative work plan of activity which will provide for the Christian education of the whole church and community.
4. An every-member work plan in which each person accepts his proportionate share of responsibility and works at it faithfully.
5. A church plant and equipment which will adequately care for the work plan.
6. Literature and working materials adjusted to and sufficient for meeting the local needs.
7. Sufficient finance to enable the program to go forward.
8. More Christian education opportunities for the people not now reached by the church and the gospel.
9. More attention to the development of Christian social and economic bases of life.

## Part II. Methods of Procedure

1. Make a community inventory: How many and who are the people to be served, etc.
2. The church board of Christian education to understand the situation and plan the projects needed to achieve worthy Christian goals.
3. The officials of the church to study their tasks: Learn how to perform their task in such a way as to deepen the spiritual life of those with whom they work.
4. The women of the church: Should understand their privileges and responsibilities in sharing the total work of the church.
5. The men of the church: To discover their relation and responsibility to the total church and community program.
6. The young people of the church: Youth to share with the director or teacher of the young people's division in discovering the opportunities and responsibilities of the division.
7. The children's division of the church: The children's workers to make special effort to understand better methods of teaching and the better literature to use in improving the children's work in the rural church.
8. Sermons: The pastor should share with the local church workers in developing a work plan for the whole year, and then plan his sermons as an integral part of the total work.
9. Sharing in district and conference work: The local church should be brought into contact with the church work and movements of the district and the conference.

## Part III. Conserving Gains and Results

The rural church loses much by its frequent change of pastors. Much of this loss results from poorly kept records and reports.

a. The Board of Christian Education should keep a workable record of all plans, work and results.

1. There should be a planned follow-up of each plan and activity.

b. A permanent roll of all who attend the school should be kept by age divisions.

c. All prospects should be on a roll and used regularly in board meetings.

2. The follow-up of the evangelistic work should be carefully planned. This is needed for class evangelism, personal work, revivals or the visitation type.

3. Keep consistently and intelligently at the training needed to develop a Christian system of church finance.

a. Teach the every-member canvass plan and its merits.

b. Patiently promote the plan all through the year, and do not be tempted to cease when the finances are in full.

c. Teach all new members the value of the method and to participate in it.

d. Enlist every member in a consideration of the budget.

4. There should be more attention to the matter of Christian activities in the homes, and church and home co-operation.

a. Teach the home to practice more faithfully the basic habits of Christian living:

(1) Bible reading and study.

(2) Meditation and prayer.

(3) Conservation and discussion of religious needs.

(4) Christian neighborliness and fellowship.

b. Care for the shut-in and shut-out members of the home through some regular plan of action.

c. Provide study groups to consider home problems and community life.

## ON THE "PAY AS YOU BUILD PLAN"

Westford Methodist church located three miles from Concord on the Concord-Charlotte highway is looking keenly towards the future. Rev. T. W. Hager is the pastor and is in his second year of work at this charge. Last year under his supervision he tore away the frame building that had been used in Westford church since 1906, and erected on the same site a large brick building, complete with departmentalized Sunday school, a Sunday school assembly, pastor's study, large main auditorium, nursery, kitchen, etc.

Although the building is not completed the Westford membership is using the building for its services and are completing the church on the "pay as you build" plan. Just recently Rev. Mr. Hager printed tickets and distributed them to children of the church for plastering the entire building. Just as soon as these little folks sell the tickets the entire church will be plastered and further steps made toward the church's completion.

Able assisting Mr. Hager is J. M. Talbert as superintendent of the Sunday school and chairman of the building committee; C. W. Dabbs, chairman of the board of stewards; Charles E. Gray, secretary of the building committee; and N. N. McQueen, treasurer.

Westford Methodist church serves the Franklin and Hart-sell communities; numbers of its members come from other sections of Cabarrus county. Westford Methodist church is truly looking toward the future and further expansion of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Roy Christenbury.



## INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT CEDAR GROVE CHURCH, CHATHAM COUNTY

By Dr. S. B. Turrentine

In the issue of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, May 9, 1940, an interesting announcement appeared entitled "Dedication of Cedar Grove Church." To this announcement is added three pictures with the following explanation appended, respectively, in order: "The original Cedar Grove Church 1824-1873." "Cedar Grove Church used from 1873 to 1939." "The present Cedar Grove Church."

Inadvertently no mention was made of another building of Chatham County Cedar Grove Church, which succeeded next to the "original Cedar Grove Church" above mentioned.

All of the four Cedar Grove Church buildings above indicated were erected in Chatham County, North Carolina.

"The original Cedar Grove Church," as the picture shows, was a log house with chimney. This log meeting house was located on the east side of the public road extending between Pittsboro and Hillsboro, about one-fourth of a mile south of the Chatham-Orange County line, and about two miles north of the site of the other three Cedar Grove Church buildings, including the present Cedar Grove Church. Only the ruins of the chimney of the "original Cedar Grove Church" remain. The date of the beginning of the "original Cedar Grove Church" is published as 1824.

After this building ceased to be used for a church it was occupied by the late William (Billy) Meacham.

On the occasion of the dedication of the present Cedar Grove Church, Sunday, May 19, 1940, Moses (Mose) Meacham, son of the late William (Billy) Meacham, stated to the writer that he, Moses Meacham, was born in the building of the "original Cedar Grove Church," during the fall of 1858.

The writer remembers when he was baptized, during early childhood, in the Cedar Grove Church following next to the "original Cedar Grove Church," by the late Rev. H. H. Gibbons, whose pastorate embraced the years 1864-1866. This second Cedar Grove Church building was evidently erected, therefore, during the period within the years, 1858-1864.

This church building was located a short distance north of the cemetery on the site of the present Cedar Grove Church, was situated like each of the other three church buildings, north and south, but had the pulpit in the south end, and had two entrance doors, one on either side of pulpit. There was one entrance from the north end of this building, leading into a section for the colored people, divided by a low partition between the larger section for the white attendants and the smaller section for the colored attendants.

Later a smaller building was erected, about one hundred yards east of this church building, and was used as a school house. Only the ruins of the chimney of the school house remain.

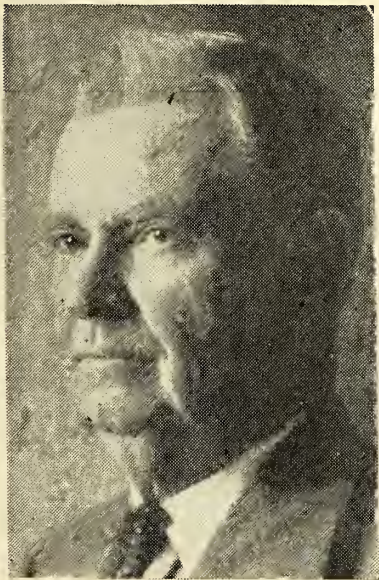
From the old conference journals the following pastorates are recorded, representing the Haw River Circuit, within which Cedar Grove Church was included:

1863—Rev Joseph B. Martin; 1864-66—Rev. H. H. Gibbons; 1867-68—Rev. Oscar J. Brent; 1869—Rev. Jesse A. Cuninggim; 1870-73—Rev. Joseph B. Martin.

## Four Business Leaders of Asheboro and Randolph County



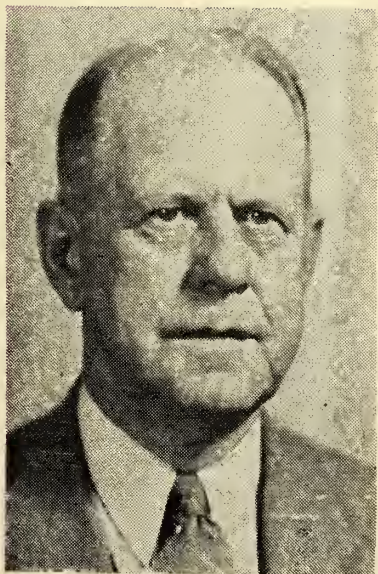
Four members of the board of directors of the Peoples Building and Loan association of Asheboro, pictured above, have rendered distinguished service to the community. They are W. J. Armfield, Jr., D. B. McCrary, Arthur Ross and W. F. Redding. Each has served as a director for 36 years and has helped materially to make the association effective in the upbuilding of the city and community. At the annual meeting of the North Carolina Building and Loan League, held at Blowing Rock on June 18 each received a certificate of award for distinguished service.



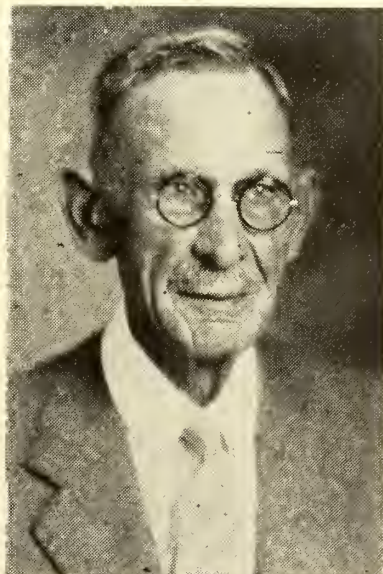
W. J. ARMFIELD, Jr.



D. B. McCRARY



ARTHUR ROSS



W. F. REDDING



## A GREAT DAY AT DEDICATION OF HICKORY GROVE CHURCH LAST SUNDAY

A congregation that filled the church and overflowed into the surrounding grove where loud-speakers enabled those on the outside to hear the messages of the day, entered with zest and joy into the program of the occasion, which was as follows:

### 11:00 O'clock Worship Service

Prelude—Mrs. J. Berry Worsham  
Hymn—All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name  
Apostle's Creed  
Invocation and Lord's Prayer—Rev. J. W. Bennett  
Male Quartette—Paul Fitzgerald, Soloist  
Scripture—Rev. Dr. A. W. Plyler  
Offertory Solo—Grateful Are We, O Lord  
Sermon—"Tie Your Life To the Fabric of a Dream"  
Hymn—O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing  
Benediction—Rev. H. F. Starr

Mrs. N. H. Swann  
Dr. Plyler

### 12:45—Dinner Hour

The women of the three congregations prepared a delicious dinner which was served in "Old Hickory Grove" fashion.

### 1:45—Fellowship Hour

Hymn—The Kingdom Is Coming  
Reading of the Church History—J. C. Gibbs, Chairman of Board of Stewards  
Talk—Rev. H. F. Starr—(Former Pastor—Refer to Church History)  
Talk—Rev. J. W. Bennett—(Former Pastor) (Refer to History)  
Incidentally—Bennett made his profession during a meeting which was being held by Brother Starr  
Talk—Brother Huey Travis—Actual Builder of the Stone Walls  
Talk—Brother R. F. Hazelwood—Actual builder of the interior—woodwork  
Presentation by the Pastor of the following:  
A. J. Hyler, Chairman of the Board of Stewards, and a good one.  
Mrs. Nellie Brown—Church Treasurer who directs the financial affairs of the church. This church has paid its benevolences in full for this year, also the children's home apportionment in full.  
Expressions of Appreciation were made to all who helped to build this church; those making contributions of money, labor and other gifts.  
Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Swicegood of Danville, were presented and were extended an expression of appreciation for their gift, the carpeting for the church.  
Mrs. Sue Lee Worsham of Ruffin receive an expression of thanks for her gift, the collection plates.  
The Young People's Class of the church school presented a handsome new Bible to the church and presented it in honour of the pastor and his wife.

### 3:00 P. M.—Dedication Service

Hymn—The Church's One Foundation  
Prayer  
Message—Rev. L. B. Hayes  
Dedication—Bishop Clare Purcell—Congregation reading responsively  
Prayer of Dedication  
Hymn—I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord  
Benediction—Bishop Clare Purcell.

## THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon, Supt.

In a Methodist Church I recently took an envelope from a pew rack and on the back of the envelope I read this remarkable statement:

"It Took Sand To Do This."

"Methodists in a little town in Brazil wanted a church building. The old building was sold and a lot purchased. Then each individual church member signed notes so that the church would not be encumbered by debt. Women and children carried sand and stone from the creek up the long hill to the building site; the men toiled long hours. And the church was built. Sand for the building and sand in the form of determination did the work." As I read it the thought occurred to me that if American Methodists just had a bit more of such sand we would be enlarging our works of mercy instead of curtailing them.

### A Remarkable Letter

Several times recently we have received checks in memory of certain ones, taking the place of flowers sent to



**ROBERT M. HAZELWOOD**  
Superintendent of Hickory Grove Sunday School

funerals. The thought seems a beautiful one and is always so touching.

I am taking the liberty of quoting such a letter which came to this children's home this morning, and runs like this:

"Dear Doctor Dixon: I am enclosing two checks which is a part of the money for flowers for my husband's funeral. He requested that it be sent to the orphan's home in memory of him instead of spending it for flowers. In loving memory of Rev. Charles Mellors, Weir, Kan. Mrs. Charles Mellors."

The two checks amounted to \$15.00 or, enough to keep a child in this home for almost one month. How much better than wilting flowers under the heat of a summer sun. However, our children wish that they might pick a bunch of flowers from our own campus and place them upon the Grave of Brother Mellors. Long live the memory of this dear brother.

### Just This Once More

Last year and the years before our good farmer women have taken about 2,000 half-gallon jars to fill with fruits and vegetables for us. We have pleaded one cause the best we know how this spring, and up to only about 1,000 have been asked for. We are sending those out this week. Will your community take any? If so, please write me as soon as you read this and tell me how many.

## A WEDDING OF GREAT INTEREST HERE

By Mrs. John A. Conley

Miss Marie Natalie Cashatt, Natalie, as she was familiarly known here in the Children's Home for nine years, is one of our finest girls. She was married on June 7th to Dr. John Amos Conley, at the home of her Aunt, Mrs. E. M. Brower, High Point, N. C. The writer had the privilege of performing the ceremony out in the open surrounded by lovely background of shrubbery and flowers.

Dr. Conley's father and mother were both physicians, and served as medical missionaries to China. The father is still living and serving in America now, his home being at Wilmette, Illinois.

The cruel war now going on, out of which there will come so many orphans, calls to mind the life history of Natalie and her two beautiful sisters who are still here. Their father was gassed and shell-shocked in the last World War, and their mother died when they were very small. So this home took them in and did what it could for them. The father still lingers in a government hospital. Natalie graduated from high school in May 1939, and entered the Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem for training. There she met Dr. Conley, and the above story tells why she gave up her course in training.

Her sisters, Elizabeth and Wilma expect to graduate from high school in the same class in May, 1940.

When it seemed impossible to take these three dear girls, Capt. A. M. Rankin of High Point and Capt. J. G. Cherry of Charlotte, N. C., trustees of the home, plead with the superintendent to crowd them in. How glad we are now that we did. God bless all of you who have helped to support them.



North Carolina Conference Board of Education

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# Conference Assembly FOR Christian Workers

Louisburg College                      July 8, 9, 10  
LOUISBURG, N. C.

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All Adult Workers in the Church School Are Invited to This  
Conference. Registrations Are Handled  
By the District Directors

WRITE TO YOUR DISTRICT DIRECTOR TODAY  
FOR YOUR REGISTRATION BLANK

Seven Workers With Children, Seven Workers With Young  
People, and Seven Workers With Adults Will Be  
Accepted From Each District. Get Your  
Registration in NOW!

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The Assembly Begins at 11:30 Monday Morning . . . . . July 8  
The Assembly Closes at 1:00 Wednesday Afternoon . . . July 10

TOTAL COST . . . \$4.00

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For further information write to Box 647, College Station,  
Durham, N. C.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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### AN IMMEDIATE NEED

Miss Zoa Anna Davis, who for the past four years has worked very effectively with the Methodist students at East Carolina Teachers' College in Greenville, has been transferred to State Teachers College in Texas. A note from Mrs. W. L. Knight, conference Superintendent of Supplies brings the information that approximately \$100.00 worth of furniture will be needed with which to replace that in the student center which is the property of Miss Davis. Mrs. Knight is making an urgent appeal that donations of money for this immediate and needful cause be sent to Mrs. J. C. Wooten, Greenville, N. C., and that the report of any such donations be made to Mrs. W. L. Knight, Weldon, N. C.

### THE SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

July 30-Aug. 10 will be Red Letter Days for all missionary minded women who shall attend the School of Missions and Missionary Conference at Lake Junaluska. Mission courses, seminars, forums, addresses on topics of current interest will be opened to all who are interested in a more thorough preparation for missionary leadership. Since we are to set up the new Woman's Society of Christian Service in September of this year, it is more than ever imperative that we take advantage of the opportunities offered at the School of Missions.

Mrs. B. F. Boone, Conference Superintendent of Study is enthusiastically hopeful that many women of our conference will attend this year. Let us be inoculated with renewed zeal and with an urge that will spur us on to making definite plans to be at Lake Junaluska on the above dates. Watch our Woman's page during the next few weeks for more details concerning the School of Missions.

### ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Elizabeth City District was held in the Methodist church in Hertford on May 29. Mrs. J. L. DeLaney, District Secretary, presided. Rev. R. F. Munns conducted a timely devotional and extended a welcome, to which Mrs. Jesse Stanton responded. A business session was held during which time reports of the zones were given. Plymouth zone won the attendance banner.

Mrs. H. C. Stokes brought Conference recommendations on Study, Mrs. E. D. Weathers rendered a vocal solo. Miss Helen Evans presented Christian Social Relations.

The new Young Women's circle at Windsor and the Wesleyan Guild at Williamston were recognized. High-lights of the Henderson conference were given by Mrs. A. C. Thompson and Woman's night at General conference was brought by Rev. J. S. Starnes.

The congregation stood in silent prayer for peace, the prayer being closed by Rev. J. D. Cranford. Rev. B. B. Slaughter pronounced the benediction.

The afternoon session opened with devotional by Mrs. J. R. Poe.

Mrs. J. R. Roach presented Conference recommendations on Supplies; Mrs. George Jackson, World Outlook; Mrs. B. B. Slaughter; Children's Work; Mrs. J. L. DeLaney, Spiritual Life. Following a few remarks by Rev. B. B. Slaughter, the courtesy committee, Mrs. J. W. Watson, chairman, brought their report. The congregation was dismissed by Rev. E. W. Downum.

### GRATEFUL FOR CLASS

Mrs. J. R. Poe, Aulander, writes: "I'd like to say through our page of the Advocate just how much I appreciated and enjoyed the course at Pastor's School, 'Shifting Populations in America.' It was so very interesting and informative to hear the discussions of the women from different parts of the State and under the able guidance of Mrs. Cram try to find solutions to this problem.

I'm sure our study this Fall is going to be much more interesting by the president of our local Missionary Society, having taken this course and I sincerely hope that this will be a yearly procedure. That is, to offer a course on our Mission Study book.

I know all of us in our Conference thank Mrs. Boone so much for her influence in making this course possible."

### LEE-CUMBERLAND ZONE

The annual Spring meeting of the Lee-Cumberland zone was held at Jonesboro Methodist Church on May 23, with approximately 200 representatives present. Mrs. B. T. Williams of Stedman is zone chairman.

The program opened with a devotional service conducted by the Rev. Dwight L. Fouts. The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Hugh L. Stone, and response was made by Miss Lizzie Dell Sutton of Fayetteville. The business session followed, during which very encouraging reports from the various Auxiliaries in the zone were given.

Mrs. R. B. John of Fayetteville brought gleanings from the missionary conference at Henderson. Mrs. B. Cole of Sanford talked on "Spiritual Life Goals" and Mrs. B. F. Boone of Zebulon spoke on "Our Study Program." Rev. Floyd M. Patterson of Durham, spoke on, "The Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise." A special collection was taken to be used by Miss Alice Green for relief work in China.

Recognition was given Mrs. R. R. Riley of Sanford and Mrs. J. R. Bright of Asbury, two of the oldest members in the Fayetteville district. Council certificates were presented to Jones-

boro, Sanford, Stedman and Broadway Auxiliaries. Mrs. W. H. White of Sanford featured the musical program with a vocal solo. The meeting closed with an inspirational devotional service conducted by Miss Elizabeth Lamb of Fayetteville. Lunch was served by the MRS. E. L. WATSON.

### AS A MAN THINKETH

The secret of weakness in your life and in mine nine times out of ten is in these unhallowed pictures of the imagination which we permit ourselves to dwell upon. You are not your own, and that applies to and comes into every single relationship of life, into the relationship of relaxation and pleasure, the relationship of the office and money, the relationship of family and society. All these relationships are touched and colored, modified and controlled, by the fact that if we are saved at all we belong absolutely to Jesus.

—J. Russell Howden.

### HER ROSE GARDEN

(Dedicated to a friend)

Long years her heart had held a dream  
Of a dear small garden fair,  
Where roses bloomed through summer days,  
And blessed the evening air.

A quiet place where she might go  
When the busy day was through,  
And rest her spirit, tired and worn,  
Where roses sweetly grew.

And then one day, 'neath wondering eyes,  
Her garden blossomed fair;  
And to the loving God her heart  
Was raised in grateful prayer.

At morn she held a radiant bud  
With early dew still wet.  
At eve she looked into its heart  
Ere the glowing sun had set.

The heart of a rose! So fair, so pure!  
Only the dear God knew  
Her soul's rapt joy and poignant pain  
As her deepening wonder grew.

Gently she gathered them one by one—  
Pink, yellow, red and white.  
Her dear ones, friends, and those so ill  
Found joy in their beauty bright.

One rose she picked, of sunset hue,  
And placed it where its glow  
Would fill her hours of labor sweet  
With the strength she needed so.

On through the summer days she watched  
Their matchless beauty unfold,  
Until the last loved bud had gone  
With autumn's chilling cold.

And year by year they bloom again,  
The glad, full days to bless;  
And always her grateful heart is stirred  
By their quiet loveliness.

God bless the dream of long ago,  
And the dear small garden fair!  
God bless her life, as pure and bright  
As the roses blooming there!

—Elisabeth F. Whisner.



Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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PROGRAM MATERIAL FOR NEW WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Conference Superintendent of Literature and Publicity, sends us the following information just received from Miss Estelle Haskin, Council Superintendent of Literature, and we urge a careful reading of this information by our societies.

"You are already aware of plans for the program material for the new Woman's Society of Christian Service. An organizational meeting is to be held in September and for this a special program is being provided. It is earnestly hoped that later in the month, each society will hold a second meeting, at which time the new program material, which is now off the press, will have its first use. This second program provides an installation service for officers, as well as other important items.

In all of the former societies excepting our own, the book of worship and the book of program material is being sold to each society. Because of our former custom, the Woman's Missionary Council, in session at New Orleans, voted that for this year, we should continue to send some of the new materials free. Just what the future will bring when the merger is completed, we cannot say.

In line with this custom we are mailing from this office during the last week in July, one program book and one worship book for each society. Because of the expense of our own materials for 1940, charged to our account we cannot do more than this. Materials for Circles must be purchased by the auxiliaries at the regular price: Worship Book, 10 cents; Program Book under the title "Investing Our Heritage," 20 cents.

A map showing the work of Methodist women around the world carries a regular price of 50 cents. However, we are subsidizing these maps so that the societies of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, may secure them for twenty-five cents each, for a certain period. Please help us in restricting this special price to these societies. Any other procedure would be unfair to the other former societies."

STUDY COURSE AT DUKE UNIVERSITY

We have the following from Mrs. A. A. Kyles of Cooleemee for publication: "The course on 'The Church and Shifting Population' which was taught by Mrs. W. G. Cram of Nashville, Tenn., recently at Duke University, was exceedingly helpful to those women who attended from both of our State Conferences (North Carolina and Western North Carolina). A good number of women from our W. N. C. Conference were enrolled as members of the class. Those who are study

leaders and those who assisted in any way with the teaching of mission study courses, will find themselves better prepared to teach the course on 'The Church and Shifting Population' to their own groups next fall, after having had the privilege of taking this course under so able a teacher as Mrs. Cram."

JOINT DISTRICT MEETING AT MUIR'S CHAPEL

A joint meeting of the Greensboro and High Point Districts was held at Muir's Chapel near Greensboro, Wednesday, June fifth with the two district secretaries presiding, Mrs. W. T. Powell of the High Point District in the morning and Mrs. R. G. Rives of the Greensboro District in the afternoon.

There was a large attendance of delegates and visitors present to enjoy the day's program. The meeting opened with the hymn, "Lead On O Great Eternal" followed by Scripture reading and devotional by Mrs. R. M. Andrews, who used "The Mind of Jesus" as an inspiration for us to advance in the work of the united Church. Greetings were extended by Mrs. Archie Morris, President of the Muir's Chapel Society.

Mrs. W. T. Powell gave a most encouraging report of her work for the past year in all departments, making special mention of the divisional changes.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Conference President, was present and in a very clear and distinctive way presented the new "set-up" of the Woman's Work in the new Methodist Church, using as her theme "Investing Our Heritage."

The guest speaker for the morning session was Miss Nina Troy, a returned missionary from China. She spoke about her work as a teacher of music in the University of China. She took us on an imaginary trip to China and told us of the inspiration she had gathered while here to use in resuming her work. She stressed the urgent need of our responsibility to share our Christ with others, in a more abundant manner. It was learned that five cents will buy a Bible in China and she was presented with a purse of 200 nickels to be used for this purpose.

An offering was taken and directed to the Scarritt Membership Fund and World Outlook subscriptions.

The impressive Memorial Service was in charge of Mrs. R. G. Rives who read the names of those who had passed away during the past year and whom this service honored, and Mrs. Margaret Hickerman sang with feeling "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere." Miss Carey Atkins gave a reading, "Loved and Lost" and a lovely basket of white lillies was placed on the table in memory of those whose names were called. Morning session adjourned with benediction by Rev. J. P. Hipps. After the

lunch served by the ladies of Muir's Chapel the afternoon session was opened with a hymn, followed by devotional services led by Rev. G. A. Stamper of West Greensboro. The guest speaker for the afternoon was Miss Josephine Dameron, missionary from Korea, who gave very interestingly, a survey of her work in the Orient speaking especially of the deep appreciation of the Koreans for everything done for them. She had a small boy and girl dressed in the native Korean costume at the new year. Mrs. A. L. Thompson, presented the World Outlook and urged every society to have a week of cultivation in which to acquaint their members with the publications of our Church papers and magazines, reminding us to pray definitely for our religious institutions, asking that a special program be put on for Scarritt College.

This was followed by report of the Spiritual Life Group Chairman of the Greensboro District, Mrs. J. H. Armbrust, who said that the call to prayer at a definite time, had been sponsored by numbers of societies and through this quiet communion with God it had proven beneficial to the individual lives. June 12th at three P. M. was designated for the observance of prayer for world peace.

Mrs. H. W. McCain talked on C. S. Relations stressing our responsibility as a Christian nation toward the achievement of world relationship. It was voted at this time to give Miss Troy \$5.00 to be used, as she saw fit, in her work in China.

A recognition of visitors, report of the findings committee were heard and adoption of motion to send a message of remembrance to Mrs. R. R. Alley, a former District Secretary, who is now in the hospital was unanimous. Meeting closed with a hymn and benediction.

SPOILING A FINISHED WORK

"But I can't see it," said a certain cabinetmaker to a friend who was trying to show him how the death of Christ completed the work of atonement. At last an inspiration struck his friend, who, lifting a plane, made as though he would plane the top of a beautifully French-polished table that stood near.

"Stop!" cried the cabinetmaker; "don't you see that's finished? You'll simply ruin it if you use that plane on it."

"Why," replied his friend, "that's just what I have been trying to show you about Christ's work of redemption. It was finished when he gave his life for you, and if you try to add to that finished work you can only spoil it. Just accept it as it stands—his life for yours, and you go free."

Like a flash he saw it, and received Jesus Christ into his life as his Saviour. Will you?—"The Reason Why," by R. A. Laidlaw.

No man is bound to be rich or great, no, nor to be wise; but every man is bound to be honest.—Author unknown.

Rich honesty dwells like a miser, sir, in a poor house; as your pearl in your foul oyster.—Shakespeare.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### THE DAY IS DYING

The day is not only dying in the west; it is taking down its flag at the Children's Home. The lights have come on and the boys and girls are coming in from their dating places on the campus. Just a little while ago our young people had their open air meeting in front of the Brown Building. Six youngsters, three boys and three girls, reviewed religious matters they had noted in the paper during the past week. Special music and special emphasis featured the meeting. Other services have been well attended during the day. Another Sunday is coming to a close and our children are assembling into twelve cottages not only to say their evening prayers but to feel them.

### NEXT SUNDAY COMING

As this Sunday passes into history our minds are turning towards next Sunday and the history it will make. It will be the last rare day in June, a day when our church school friends will have an opportunity to liberally share with their children at the Children's Home. A fifth Sunday is always interesting to us, but a June fifth Sunday is of peculiar interest. We sincerely trust that before the day has passed hundreds and thousands of our friends will have made themselves happy in providing security and happiness for their foster children.

### BOB SMILES

Our little seven-year-old Bob has gone to live for a few months in the Children's Building at the State Tuberculosis Sanatorium. Bob's mother and grandmother died of tuberculosis. The lad's daddy still lives but he lives more for his liquor than he does for Bob, though he loves Bob very much when he is sober. After fluoroscopic and x-raying the little fellow it was found that treatment at the sanatorium would be beneficial, and so Mrs. Woosley and I carried the little fellow over there one day last week. Several times during the day we have thought of our smiling little friend who when we were leaving him looked up and said, "I will be happy here till you come after me." A letter from Miss Whitley, the good woman in charge, says that our little Bob is still smiling.

### GEORGIANNA HURTS

Sixteen-year-old Georgianna had just begun to learn to cook well in her new assignment when she was stricken with an emergency case of appendicitis. Hurrying over to the hospital, the operation was performed late yesterday

in the nick of time. This little Miss is hurting today but she looks up from her pillow in gratitude to those who have ministered to her. Doubtless Georgianna will be a better cook when she comes back to us, and better than that, she will be a better girl.

### WATCHFUL WAITING

The twelve little youngsters who have just been put to bed in our infirmary preparatory for the removal of their tonsils early tomorrow are not yet asleep. While the wards are dark, they lie in watchful waiting for one who always comes by with a word of encouragement and with an assurance of personal interest. In the morning while that one is driving a bus filled with twenty-two youngsters to the Youth Crusade Assembly at Lake Junaluska, he will be thinking of the twelve little fellows who have been put to sleep, their mouths pried open and their tonsils removed, ready for the awakening. It will be fine when it is all over.

### TISE II BOYS

The picture this week is that of the junior boys who live in one section of the Tise Building. These boys, together with their home mother, Mrs. Mildred Reed, were standing in the sun when the picture was snapped. But the sun that fell on them that day is nothing like the sun that beats down upon them during these summer days as they work on the truck farm. They transplanted more tomato plants and more sweet potato slips this year than have ever been placed in one year at the Children's Home. They have also kept the grass out of our fine Irish potato crop, hoed a lot of corn and kept the weeds out of the strawberries. They are also the vegetable gatherers. We hardly know how we could get along without our Tise II boys. Squint an eye at them.

### HONOR SOCIETY

Only a little money is coming in these days. But every little helps. We are particularly glad to call attention to the new members of our honor society, those having forwarded their ten per cent apportionment in full since last report. Kindly note them with their pastors and join us in grateful thanks:

Trinity, Kannapolis, Rev. W. A. Kale  
Main Street, Gastonia, Rev. C. E. Rozzelle  
Elizabeth Chapel, Junaluska, Rev. C. E. Brown  
Cliffside, Cliffside-Avondale, Rev. T. R. Wolfe

### WORK DAYS

The boys and girls are now busy with their summer tasks. In addition to the usual farm work the boys are now combining the small grain, meaning that they are cutting and threshing in the same process some 900 bushels of barley and 3,000 bushels of oats. The girls are getting adjusted to their new work assignments. At least once a year we have a change of work for our youngsters. Every one of the family is given an opportunity to express a preference for the type of work desired, this preference being given due consideration. Changes may occur at any time but the big change comes in the summer-time.

### PLAY HOURS

About the best way to get youngsters to work well is to give them an opportunity to play well. All work and no play not only makes Jack a dull boy but it makes Jill dissatisfied. So we have lots of play, not only for Jack and Jill, but for all our boys and girls who go up and down the hill. Soft ball, horseshoe pitching, croquet and swimming are the major forms of

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They work while they work and play while they play



THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**SOUTHPORT** — It was my happy privilege to be guest preacher for Brother Russell Harrison, in Southport, on the third Sunday in this month. I was received most cordially by the pastor and his congregation. It was my first official visit to the Southport Methodist Church since coming to the Orphanage. The pastor and his congregation are devoted friends of the Methodist Orphanage, and I feel confident that from now on, the Church will do more for our cause than ever before.

**A SURPRISE**—Doubtless it will be a surprise to many of our leaders to know that there are pastoral charges in the North Carolina Conference which have not paid anything on their Orphanage Apportionment for this Conference year. Practically eight months of the Conference year have come and gone, and it is sincerely hoped that all the Charges which have not paid anything on their Apportionment will rally to our support at an early date. A great many Charges have only paid a very small per cent of their Apportionment so far, and I am hoping that they will also bestir themselves and come to our aid as soon as possible.

**FIFTH SUNDAY**—I am anticipating great results from the fifth Sunday Specials from all our Sunday Schools this coming fifth Sunday. Several years ago the North Carolina Conference unanimously and enthusiastically voted to ask all the Sunday Schools in the Conference to remember the Methodist Orphanage each fifth Sunday in the year by taking a Special offering. Our finances are running low, and I sincerely trust that all the Sunday Schools

in the Conference will do their best for us on the fifth Sunday in this month. In the event that it is not convenient for all the Sunday Schools to remember us this coming Sunday, I want to suggest that they do so on the first Sunday in July. We have three hundred boys and girls who are dependent upon the generosity of our Sunday Schools for a good portion of their support.

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The Methodist Orphanage has been my home for the past eleven years. During this time I have attended school regularly and I have looked forward to the time when I could receive a high school diploma, realizing that this event would mark an important mile stone in my life. In thinking about this event I have a feeling of gratitude and deep appreciation to those who have made this possible for me.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank each person who has had a part in my training.

I wish to thank especially our beloved Superintendent, Reverend A. S. Barnes, for the great love and friendship that he has always given me.

For the past year I have been taking vocational training at the Raleigh Letter Writing Company. I wish to thank those who made it possible for me to become acquainted with this work.

I have spent many happy days at this home and I am proud of it. The Methodist Orphanage will always be my home and I shall boost it all my life.

I again thank everyone for the loyal support they have given in making my stay at this home most pleasant.

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| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wil-   |     |
| kinson .....                      | 10  |
| Hendersonville, D. E. Camak ..... | 9½  |
| Haywood St., W. G. McFarland ..   | 7½  |
| 2*Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham ..   | 5   |
| Leicester-Grace, A. F. Phibbs ..  | 4½  |
| *Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea ..   | 3½  |
| Brevard, E. P. Billups .....      | 3   |
| Fletcher, H. E. Bolick .....      | 2½  |
| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....        | 2½  |
| Biltmore, E. J. Harbison .....    | 2½  |
| French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler.. | 2   |
| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman ..  | 2   |

## Charlotte

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| 3*Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ..     | 48½ |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ..   | 40  |
| 3*Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F.   |     |
| Womble .....                        | 16  |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....     | 15  |
| 3*Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie ..... | 7½  |
| 2*Calvary, S. M. Needham .....      | 7½  |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..    | 7   |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....   | 6   |
| Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease .....   | 6   |
| Thrift-Moore, J. H. Carper .....    | 5½  |
| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....       | 5½  |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....   | 4   |
| *Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....       | 4   |
| Wesley Heights, W. O. Goode .....   | 1½  |
| Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman .....     | 1   |
| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....      | 1   |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....           | 1   |
| Wadsworth, T. R. Higgins .....      | 1   |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....  | 1   |
| Bethel-Bogers, E. R. Edwards ..     | 1   |

## Elkin

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....     | 33½ |
| 7*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....      | 30  |
| 3*Boone P. W. Townsend .....         | 11½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner ..    | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....            | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....              | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....       | 8½  |
| Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....         | 6½  |
| 2*Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint .....      | 6   |
| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene .....   | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....          | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....           | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....      | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....       | 4   |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....       | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....           | 3½  |
| Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley .....    | 3½  |
| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....      | 3½  |
| Warrensburg, J. G. Wootton, Jr. ..   | 4   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....          | 3   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....        | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....         | 3   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....     | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....    | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....             | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....    | 2½  |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant ..     | 2   |
| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....             | 2   |
| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....       | 2   |
| Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr. .. | 2   |

## Gastonia

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| 7*Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....     | 28½ |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....   | 21  |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....     | 14  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey  | 6   |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....          | 2½  |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill .. | 2   |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....    | 1½  |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....       | 1   |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....     | 1   |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....       | 1   |

## Greensboro

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|----------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger.. | 22  |
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....        | 21½ |
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....         | 7½  |
| Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....          | 5½  |

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| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....   | 21 |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....     | 7  |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....       | 5½ |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....    | 5  |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....    | 5  |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham   | 4½ |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogon .....       | 4½ |
| Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse ..... | 4  |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow .....  | 4  |
| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick ..... | 3  |
| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy ..... | 2  |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....      | 2  |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle .....  | 2  |
| Bethel-Battleground, B. W. Lefler. | 2  |
| Ruffin, J. W. Fowler, Jr. ....     | 2  |
| *Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....  | 1½ |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....   | 1  |
| Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....       | 1  |
| College Place, R. M. Courtney ..   | 1  |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....  | 1  |

## High Point

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....          | 18  |
| Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....          | 13  |
| 2*S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington ..   | 12  |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....    | 11½ |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr. .. | 11½ |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....        | 8½  |
| 2*Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger | 8   |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....        | 7   |
| *Calvary, D. V. Howell .....         | 5   |
| *Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....     | 4½  |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams .....  | 4½  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley     | 3½  |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....       | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II    | 2½  |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....           | 2   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....           | 2   |
| Linwood, O. E. Croy .....            | 2   |
| Richland, C. L. Grant .....          | 1½  |
| Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....      | 1½  |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....            | 1   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor    | 1   |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....      | 1   |

## Marion

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley .....  | 7½ |
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....        | 7  |
| *Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....     | 4½ |
| Spindale, F. J. Stough .....        | 3½ |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....            | 4½ |
| Rutherfordon, F. C. Smathers .....  | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....        | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace .....   | 2  |
| Linville Falls, McRae Crawford ..   | 2  |
| Micaville-Tipton Hill, H. H. Cash.. | 1  |
| Spruce Pine, J. B. Tabor .....      | 1  |
| Mill Spring, M. W. Edwards .....    | 1  |

## Salisbury

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton .....    | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....           | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....          | 10  |
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....       | 10  |
| N. Kannapolis, D. T. Huss .....      | 10  |
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....         | 7½  |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner      | 7   |
| First, W. B. West .....              | 7   |
| Main St.-Rowan, C. R. Ross .....     | 7   |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler ..... | 6   |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson ..    | 5½  |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..   | 5   |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge .....  | 4½  |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....      | 4   |
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 4   |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3   |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½  |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores       | 2½  |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 2   |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½  |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1   |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1   |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1   |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1   |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1   |

## Statesville

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|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins ..... | 30½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison .....    | 28  |
| Central, John W. Moore .....          | 13  |

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| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham | 8  |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....     | 7½ |
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....     | 6  |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....     | 3  |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....   | 2  |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....   | 1  |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....      | 1  |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr .....  | 1  |
| Race Street, F. H. Price .....  | 1  |
| Shepherds, A. G. Lackey .....   | 1  |
| Olin, P. F. Snider .....        | 1  |
| Lenoir, Claude Moser .....      | 1  |

## Waynesville

|                                 |     |
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| *Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 11½ |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9   |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry .....  | 8   |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½  |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2   |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2   |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 2   |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½  |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 1½  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....   | 1   |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....       | 1   |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1   |

## Winston-Salem

|                                     |     |
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| 9*Community, J. C. Auman .....      | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....         | 17½ |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen ..... | 14½ |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....      | 14½ |
| *Grace, R. L. Forbis .....          | 6   |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....    | 5   |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....     | 5   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....         | 4½  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....      | 4½  |
| N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....   | 4   |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....          | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ..  | 3   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....          | 2½  |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison    | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....          | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way  | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....      | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....     | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter   | 1   |

## Durham

|                                     |     |
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| 3*Burlington, Davis St., F. W. Pas- |     |
| chall .....                         | 32½ |
| 4*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....     | 26½ |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ..    | 12½ |
| *Graham, J. R. Edwards .....        | 10  |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....        | 9   |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....           | 8   |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds ..... | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....          | 6   |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....      | 5   |
| Sweepsonville, T. B. Hough .....    | 4½  |
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele .....       | 4   |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton .....        | 4   |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love.. | 4   |
| Milton, D. I. Garner .....          | 3½  |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. ....   | 3   |
| *Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser ..  | 3   |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson .....     | 3   |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps ..     | 2   |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson .....    | 2   |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth .....   | 2   |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe ..... | 1½  |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton .....     | 1½  |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish .....  | 1½  |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer .....         | 1½  |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe .....         | 1   |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early .....        | 1   |
| Yanceyville, A. E. Brown .....      | 1   |

## Elizabeth City

|                                    |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| 4*Williamston, S. J. Starnes ..... | 14 |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness .....       | 9½ |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt .....     | 6  |
| Washington, L. B. Jones .....      | 5  |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick .....     | 4  |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe .....          | 3  |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon .....   | 2½ |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson .....     | 2  |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon .....      | 2  |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford .....   | 1½ |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis..   | 1  |
| Roper, M. R. Gardner .....         | 1  |
| Swan Quarter-Fairfield, E.G.Cowan  | 1  |

## Fayetteville

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Siler City, C. F. Heath .....     | 15½ |
| 2*Person St.-Calvary, M.W.Warren  | 13½ |
| *Sanford, Allen P. Brantley ..... | 12½ |



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| 5*Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons.....      | 11  |
| *Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams .. | 10½ |
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown .....        | 9½  |
| *Red Springs, B. T. Hurley .....     | 8½  |
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe .....       | 7½  |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood .....      | 7   |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer .....   | 6½  |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar .....         | 6   |
| *Maxton, T. R. Jenkins .....         | 5   |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard .....          | 5   |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., B. F. Meacham ...    | 4½  |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson .....           | 3½  |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore .....          | 3   |
| West End, W. F. Keeler .....         | 3   |
| Broadway, J. W. Page .....           | 2½  |
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette..     | 2   |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton .....        | 2   |
| Lane, J. D. A. Autry .....           | 1½  |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning .....       | 1½  |
| Raeford, E. C. Crawford .....        | 1½  |

New Bern

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Mt. Olive-Calypso, R. G. Dawson..   | 4  |
| Goldsboro, W. C. Ball .....         | 3  |
| Pikeville-Elm St., E. N. Harrison.. | 2½ |
| Ayden, L. A. Tilley .....           | 2  |
| New Bern, C. B. Culbreth .....      | 2  |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston .....      | 2  |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....          | 1½ |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens .....  | 1  |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr. ....       | 1  |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts .....            | 1  |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow .....        | 1  |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant .....       | 1  |
| Morehead City Ct., M.O.Stephenson   | 1  |

Raleigh

|                                                    |     |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----|
| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone .....                    | 33  |
| 2*Fuquay, E. C. Durham .....                       | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb .....                     | 15½ |
| *Henderson, B. C. Reavis .....                     | 14½ |
| Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes .....                     | 6½  |
| 2*City Road-White Mem., J. K.<br>Worthington ..... | 6½  |
| *Princeton, J. W. Bradley .....                    | 5   |
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| Selma, O. L. Hathaway .....                        | 3   |
| Louisburg, J. G. Phillips .....                    | 3   |
| Edenton St., J. C. Glenn .....                     | 2½  |
| Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee .....                     | 1½  |
| Hayes Barton, Leon Russell .....                   | 1½  |
| Tar River, J. A. Martin .....                      | 1½  |
| Jenkins Mem., J. A. Dailey .....                   | 1   |
| Rougemont, J. T. Green .....                       | 1   |

Rocky Mount

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer .....     | 11 |
| *Wedon, B. P. Robinson .....        | 7½ |
| *Farmville, D. A. Clarke .....      | 6  |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams .....     | 5½ |
| 2*McKendree, L. B. Pattishall ...   | 5½ |
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| *Kenley, E. M. Hall .....           | 3  |
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| Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane .....   | 2  |
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| Enfield, B. D. Critcher .....       | 2  |
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| First, E. L. Hillman .....          | 2  |
| Warrenton, J. O. Long .....         | 1½ |
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| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount.....      | 1  |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd .....           | 1  |
| W. Halifax, W. M. Howard.....       | 1  |

Wilmington

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|-------------------------------------|----|
| Tabor City, N. P. Edens .....       | 14 |
| 2*Hallsboro, C. A. Jones .....      | 11 |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters .....         | 11 |
| Scott's Hill, C. O. Plyler .....    | 10 |
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| Grace, J. F. Herbert .....          | 1  |
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# Children's



# Storyland

## WALNUT CAKE

It was warm and bright in Aunt Grace's kitchen. The canary sang lullily from his cage in the window, and there was a cheerful atmosphere everywhere.

Uncle Justin sat reading the weekly Clarion.

"I think I'll make Alice Ann a walnut cake this morning," said Aunt Grace suddenly. "She always set such store by it, and it won't be a bit of trouble. Justin, you get to work and crack some walnuts, and I'll run out to the barn and see if there are eggs enough."

Uncle Justin folded up his paper.

"All right, Grace," he replied good-naturedly.

He was silent a minute.

"I wish Alice Ann would come back," he added reflectively. "We've got this big farmhouse, plenty to eat and warm clothes to wear, and there's no sense in her wearing her life out in a city store. But what can we do about it?"

"Nothing, I'm afraid, Justin. We'll try not to worry about it too much. I'll go now and see if I can gather some eggs."

There were eggs enough, and in the bright, warm farmhouse kitchen a wonderful walnut cake was prepared and baked.

When Aunt Grace took it out of the oven her face beamed.

"It couldn't be better," she said happily. "We'll send it off this afternoon."

Alice Ann came up the stairs wearily. Her room was on the second floor, and she dreaded entering it. She wished many times that she had never come to the city, but she had a great deal of pride and she didn't like to go back when she had not succeeded.

Poor little Alice Ann's lips quivered.

She couldn't earn enough to even keep her in clothes, and she was growing thin now from the lack of nourishing food. What would Aunt Grace and Uncle Justin think of her meager shelf with its store of tea, crackers and canned soup?

She opened the door and went in.

On her little table was a box, and she lifted it. Could it be from home? Yes, there was her name, and there was Aunt Grace's name also.

She hurriedly untied the strings that held it. And then she took from it the wonderful walnut cake. There was a pound of butter there, too, and a loaf of homemade bread.

And as she stood and looked at all this plenty, Alice Ann felt a wave of distaste rush over her. Distaste for the little hall bedroom, for crowded city streets, for unfamiliar faces and much loneliness.

The walnut cake brought back the old, sunny kitchen, the smell of violets in spring, the fragrance of freshly

## SPARROWS

By Salvatore Marsiglia

In winter 'neath the apple tree,  
I, many sparrows, daily see;  
A group of greedy, chirping things,  
Wee feathered friends who do not bring

The robbin's springtime message sweet,  
Who with gay songs the season greets.

They're nondescript in hue and song,  
They quarrel and scold the whole day long,

And pounce upon a crumb or crust  
As thought 'twere cake upon the dust  
That lies upon our wondrous earth.  
Ah! still, in all, they bring me mirth.

I gaze upon the snow-swept grass  
And view their footprints small, that pass

Around the corner by the hedge  
And all atop the graystone ledge  
That forms the wall about the well,  
(And through bare land I cannot sell).

Ah, sparrow-folk! ye homely bird!  
Far better voices have I heard!  
Far better plumage have I seen  
In foreign lands that I have been.  
But your staccato little voice  
Spells home to me, and I rejoice!

—Our Dumb Animals.

baked bread, and more than all else,  
the kind, affectionate faces.

She was going back.

She would stay only long enough to have a little party in her room for a few of the girls she knew. And then back to peace and plenty, sunshine and love.

Alice Ann looked at the walnut cake almost solemnly. And then right there and then she made up a happy little rhyme concerning it:

Isn't it strange that a walnut cake,  
That my precious, blessed Aunt Grace  
did bake,

Would bring back reminders of things  
I lack?

It's strange, but oh, joy, I'm going  
back!

—Girlhood Days.

Mary had been taken by her aunt to see the parade, but they got there rather late and Mary had to glimpse what she could of it through a tiny gap between adults in front of her. On the way home a neighbor greeted her with "Hello, Mary! Did you see the parade?"

"Well, Mrs. Blake," Mary replied, "I did a lot of looking, but not very much seeing."

## A GAME OF BIRDS

The game of birds will prove interesting to a party of young people and give a pleasant evening's entertainment.

The game itself is a game of questions and answers, the questions to be written upon sheets of paper, and the answers to be written after each question.

Each guest should be given a sheet of questions, and a pencil and only a given number of minutes must be allowed to write the answers. The list should then be corrected and the prizes awarded, if prizes are to be given.

What birds tell the time? Cuckoo.

What bird is apt to be cowardly? Quail.

What bird belongs to the laboring classes? Pheasant.

What bird is impertinent? Mockingbird.

What bird is needed in the harvest field? Thrasher.

What bird do you find at the meat market? Butcher.

What bird would you choose to make you a suit? Tailor.

What bird comes in early winter? Snow.

What bird is the children's pet? Catbird.

What bird is Uncle Sam's pet? Eagle.

What bird is mentally deranged? Loon.

What bird is a pessimist? Blue.

What bird was caught thieving? Robin.

What bird is a colored letter? Bluejay.

What bird represents rapid motion? Swift.

What bird represents a girl's nickname and a form of pastry? Magpie.

What bird represents a foreign country? Turkey.

What bird stands in the fireplace? Crane.

It should be understood by the guests that the questions do not refer at all to the habits of the birds, but simply play upon their names.

An interesting feature may be added to the evening's entertainment by having each guest relate some anecdote or story of a bird, or tell of some unusual habit or character of the bird.—Selected.

## INTRODUCING SLAVERY

The dull boy in the class unexpectedly distinguished himself in a recent examination when in replying to the question, "How and where was slavery introduced into America?" He wrote:

"No women had come over to the early Virginia colony. The planters wanted wives to help with the work. In 1619 the London Company sent over a shipload of girls. The planters gladly married them and slavery was introduced in America."



# Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 30

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By Rollin H. Walker  
Outreach of God's Love  
Scripture—Jonah 3:4

Carl Budde, the famous Old Testament scholar, said, "I can never read the book of Jonah without tears." What a contrast, that, to the Bible class that will treat the whole story as a theme for laughter!

But Professr Budde looked upon the story precisely as we look upon the parable of Jesus. When, for instance, we read in the parable of the unmerciful servant that he owed the king ten thousand talents—the equivalent of \$10,000,000—we do not spend time in discussing whether any servant of a king was ever allowed to pile up such a debt, but rather go on to read that the king frankly forgave him the whole debt, and see in the story a symbol of the unspeakable mercy of God and our corresponding obligation to be merciful toward our fellow servants.

After the same manner, Professor Budde's mind was not diverted by the question as to whether a man could live three days and nights in a whale's belly. The profound impression the book made upon him was due to his concentration on its essential message.

There is supreme danger that in discussing the credibility of the whale story we should miss the main point. The man who takes it as literal history says, heatedly, If you begin to take the Old Testament narratives as mere stories, where will you stop? And the man who takes the opposite view answers, warmly, If you begin to take all the Bible as literal fact, where will you stop?

Will you deny the fact that the earth revolves on its axis because the psalmist said, Thou hast established the earth that it should not be moved for ever? Neither side is likely to convert the other, and the result of the argument is heat and not light.

Let each man hold to his own view as to whether the story is literal history or not, but be sure to treat the opposing view with charity. And, in the name of God, let us devote our energies to the realization of the message of the book of Jonah, for it is so great that all of us will have all that we can do to take it in.

In the days of Jonah, Nineveh was like an angry bull raging to gore anything in sight. The announcement of its coming destruction would strike Jonah precisely as the prediction of the downfall of Hitler would strike a modern Jew. And even if he did seek to save them from coming destruction, what earthly hope was there that Nineveh would repent? On the contrary, they would likely kill him, on the spot, just as the Jews had killed their own prophets (Jeremiah 26:20-21). Besides

there were plenty of heathen at home, and the journey to Nineveh was very long and hard. There was just no sense in his going.

So he took a ship for Spain. If he got there he would be well out of Jehovah's territory, and God would not be constantly ringing him up. But he found that the farther he got away from him, the more terribly near he was. And yet God was very merciful, and gave Jonah another chance.

When Jonah arrived at Nineveh the altogether unexpected happened. The whole city bowed down, mourning and repentant, and God repented of the evil that he purposed to do, and did it not.

Jonah's mission had been a wonderful success, but instead of rejoicing, and guiding the Ninevites in their newly formed purposes, he still hoped as he sat in his booth over against the city that the destruction would come, and his reputation as a reliable forecaster would be established. How glad he would have been to hear the roar of an approaching fleet of airplanes coming to bomb the city!

As he sat, impatient and disconsolate, God refreshed him by causing a gourd vine to deepen the shade over his head. But the next day a worm smote the vine and it withered, and Jonah was grieved and angry. Are you grieved over the destruction of the gourd? said the Lord; you never gave it any care or thought. And should I not be sorry to destroy this great city wherein, not to speak of the repentant grown-ups, there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand babies who have never done anything to deserve punishment, for they know not their right hand from their left?

The book is a foregleam of Jesus' proclamation of the love of the Father for all sorts and conditions of men. It is a skillful thrust at Jewish nationalism and arrogance. It shows up the heathen sailors in a very favorable light, and paints the supposedly reprobate Ninevites as more responsive to the call of God than the Jews had been.

It is the great missionary book of the Old Testament, a warning to the Jews, and through them to all Christian nations, that if they do not fulfill their function as lights in the world, the storm will break upon them as it has broken upon us today. All Christian nations are now in the whale's belly. We have hideously failed to make the sacrifices necessary to penetrate the godless nations with the gospel of Christ, and these God-defying nations have thrown both us and our religion overboard. May God grant us the grace of hearty repentance, so that he may cause the whale to bring us again to land, and give us another chance!—Christian Advocate.

Jesus never uses the term "hope," but it is hope in the living God which dominates his message, hope rising from a deep, inward consciousness of God's loving will for men.—James Moffatt, D.D.

Hope is like the sun which, as we journey toward it, casts the shadows of our burden behind us.—Samuel Smiles.



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| Eno, 7:30                              | 18   |
| Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11         | 20   |
| Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11           | 21   |
| Swapsboro, Salem, 2:30                 | 21   |
| Carrboro, Massey's, 7:30               | 24   |
| Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 11               | 27   |
| Orange Ct., Hebron, 11                 | 28   |
| Burlington Ct., Glencoe, 3             | 28   |

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                          |       |
|------------------------------------------|-------|
|                                          | June  |
| Mattamuskeet, Watson's, 11               | 30    |
| Belhaven, Epworth, 3                     | 30    |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Fairfield, night  | 30    |
|                                          | July  |
| City Road, night                         | 3     |
| Kinnakeet, Salvo, night                  | 6     |
| Hatteras, Edison (church dedication), 11 | 7     |
| Creswell, Mt. Elma, 11                   | 14    |
| Roper, Rehobeth, 3                       | 14    |
| Plymouth, Jamesville, night              | 14    |
| Murfreesboro Intermediate Assembly       | 15-19 |
| South Mills, Sharon, 11 and 1            | 20    |
| Columbia, Wesley's 11                    | 21    |
| Williamston, night                       | 21    |
| Washington, 11                           | 28    |
| Bath, Wares, 3                           | 28    |
| Windsor, night                           | 18    |
| First Church, Elizabeth City, night      | 31    |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT  
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                             |      |
|-----------------------------|------|
|                             | June |
| West End, Doubs Chapel, 11  | 30   |
| Laurinburg, 5               | 30   |
| Maxton, 8                   | 30   |
|                             | July |
| Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 | 7    |
| Elberhe, Concord, 3         | 7    |
| Pine Bluff, 8               | 7    |
| Siler City, 11              | 14   |
| Glendon, Caribton, 3        | 14   |
| Troy Ct., Brick Church, 8   | 14   |
| Biscoe, Star, 11            | 21   |
| Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3         | 21   |
| Troy, 8                     | 21   |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 11  | 28   |
| Rockingham, 8               | 28   |

NEW BERN DISTRICT  
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                   |      |
|-----------------------------------|------|
|                                   | June |
| Vanceboro, Chapman, 11            | 29   |
| Hookerton, Ormond's, 11           | 30   |
| Fremont, Yelverton, 3             | 30   |
|                                   | July |
| La Grange, Institute, 11          | 6    |
| Mt. Olive-Calvary, 11             | 7    |
| Seven Springs, Zion, 3            | 7    |
| Goldboro Ct., Salem, 8            | 7    |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Browning's, 11     | 13   |
| Goldboro, St. Paul, 11            | 14   |
| Jones, Shady Grove, 3             | 14   |
| Ayden, Winterville, 8             | 14   |
| Oriental, Kershaw, 11             | 20   |
| Newport, Oak Grove, 11            | 21   |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, Reelsboro, 3 | 21   |

RALEIGH DISTRICT  
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                       |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
|                                       | June   |
| Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 11            | 29     |
| Cary-Apex, Macedonia, 11              | 30     |
| Louisburg, 8                          | 30     |
|                                       | July   |
| Garner, Ebenezer, 11                  | 7      |
| Bailey, Sims, 8 (revival services)    | 7      |
| Raleigh, Person Street, 8:00          | 10     |
| Fuquay, Cokebury, 8:00                | 12     |
| Ben-on, Elevation, 11:00              | 14     |
| Seema, 8:00                           | 14     |
| Raleigh, Fairmont, 8:00               | 15     |
|                                       | August |
| Louisburg Circuit, Leah's, 11:00      | 4      |
| Franklinton, Wesley, 3:00             | 4      |
| Raleigh, Person Street, Epworth, 8:00 | 4      |

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT  
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                  |      |
|----------------------------------|------|
|                                  | June |
| Northampton, Rehobeth, 11        | 28   |
| Spring Church, Pleasant Hill, 88 | 29   |
| Warrenton, 11                    | 30   |
| Warren, Prospect, 3:30           | 30   |
| Norlina, Jerusalem, 8            | 30   |
|                                  | July |
| Middleburg, New Hope, 11         | 6    |
| Farmville, 11                    | 7    |
| Walstonburg, 3:30                | 7    |
| Stantonsburg, 8                  | 7    |
| Weldon, 8                        | 8    |
| Sandy Cross, Gold Valley, 8      | 10   |
| Rosemary, New Hope, 11           | 11   |
| Roanoke Rapids, 8                | 11   |
| Hallfax, Ebenezer, 11            | 12   |
| Enfield, 8                       | 12   |
| Warrenton, Hebron, 11            | 13   |
| Robersonville, Hamilton, 11      | 14   |
| Nashville, York, 3:30            | 14   |
| Whitakers, McTyre, 8             | 14   |
| Kenly, Lucama, 8                 | 17   |
| Wilson, 11                       | 21   |
| Salnt Paul, 8                    | 21   |

WILMINGTON DISTRICT  
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                       |      |
|---------------------------------------|------|
|                                       | June |
| Maysville, Poilocksville, 11          | 30   |
| Swansboro (place to be announced), 3  | 30   |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Verona, night | 30   |
|                                       | July |
| Clinton, Keener, 11                   | 7    |
| Roseboro, McGees, 3                   | 7    |
| St. Pauls, St. Pauls, night           | 7    |
| Rowland (place to be announced), 11   | 14   |
| Pembroke (Indian Work), 3             | 14   |
| Lumberton Ct., Bules, night           | 14   |
| Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11    | 21   |
| Lumberton, night                      | 21   |
| Wilmington, Grace, 11                 | 28   |
| Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night       | 28   |

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                                                         |      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
|                                                                         | June |
| Fairview, Twced's Chapel, 11                                            | 30   |
| Acton, Candler Pisgah (jointly), Piny Mountain, 3                       | 30   |
|                                                                         | July |
| Asbury Memorial, Hillside St., Merrimon Avenue (jointly), Asbury, night | 1    |
| West Asheville, night                                                   | 2    |
| Haywood Street, French Broad (jointly), night                           | 3    |
| Hendersonville and Flat Rock, E. Flat Rock, night                       | 5    |
| Oakley, 11                                                              | 5    |
| Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy (jointly), Lower Church, 3       | 7    |
| Brevard, 11                                                             | 14   |
| Central (preaching), night                                              | 14   |
| Black Mountain, night                                                   | 16   |

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Weaverville, night                    | 17 |
| Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, night            | 18 |
| Swannanoa, Swannanoa, night           | 19 |
| Laurel-Barnardsville, Bright Hope, 11 | 21 |
| Weaverville Ct., Clarke's Chapel, 3   | 21 |
| Oteen, Mt. Zion, night                | 21 |
| Hot Springs, Fairview, 11             | 28 |
| Marshall, Walnut, night               | 28 |

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                            |      |
|----------------------------|------|
|                            | June |
| Wadesboro, 11              | 30   |
| Pineville, Marvin, 3       | 30   |
| Myers Park, 8              | 30   |
|                            | July |
| Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 | 7    |
| First Church, Charlotte, 8 | 7    |

ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                       |      |
|---------------------------------------|------|
|                                       | June |
| Helton, Greenwood, 11                 | 30   |
| Jonesville, Maple Springs, 8          | 30   |
|                                       | July |
| Traphill, Rich Hill Church, 11        | 6    |
| Warrensville, Clifton, 11             | 7    |
| Creston, Peak Grove, 3                | 7    |
| West Jefferson, 11                    | 14   |
| Todd, Hopewell, 3                     | 14   |
| Roone, night                          | 14   |
| Watauga, Mabel, 11                    | 21   |
| Green Valley Ct., Thomas Church, 2:30 | 21   |
| Moravian Falls, Roaring River, 8      | 21   |
| Ararat, Maple Grove, 11               | 28   |
| Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3             | 28   |
| Surry-Yadkin, Level Cross, 7:30       | 28   |

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                           |           |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|
|                                           | June      |
| Shelby Ct., Sulpher Springs, 11           | 30        |
| Kings Mountain, Grace, night              | 30        |
|                                           | July      |
| Bessemer Ct., Pinley's Chapel, 11         | 7         |
| Belmont, Park Street, night               | 7         |
| Cherryville, First Church, 11             | 14        |
| Cherryville Ct., Beulah, night            | 14        |
| Scuth Fork, 11                            | 21        |
| South Fork, Plateau, 3                    | 21        |
| Cramerton, South Point, night             | 21        |
| Casar, 11                                 | 28        |
| Casar, New Home, 3                        | 28        |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, night | 28        |
|                                           | August    |
| Gastonia, Trinity, 11                     | 4         |
| Gastonia, West End, night                 | 4         |
| Rock Springs, Denver, 11                  | 11        |
| Lovesville, night                         | 11        |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11                | 18        |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3                    | 18        |
| Stanley, Stanley, night                   | 18        |
| Boger City, Asbury, 11                    | 25        |
| Dallas, night                             | 25        |
|                                           | September |
| Kings Mountain, Central, 11               | 1         |
| Belmont, Main Street, night               | 1         |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11                    | 8         |
| Lincolnton, First Church, night           | 8         |
| Bessemer City, 11                         | 15        |
| Shelby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 11             | 22        |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                       |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
|                                       | June   |
| Flat Rock, Bethel (Circuit Rally), 11 | 30     |
| Stoneville, Matthews, 8               | 30     |
|                                       | July   |
| Bessemer, 11                          | 7      |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, 8                 | 7      |
| Spray, 8                              | 10     |
| Pleasant Garden, 11                   | 14     |
| Proximity, 8                          | 14     |
| Greensboro, Grace, 11                 | 21     |
| Haw River, Friendship                 | 21     |
| Glenwood, 8                           | 21     |
| Madison, 11                           | 28     |
| Leaksville, 8                         | 28     |
|                                       | August |
| Draper-Fairview, 11                   | 4      |
| Draper, 3                             | 4      |
| Bethel-Battleground, 8                | 4      |
| Pleasant Garden, 11                   | 11     |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

|                                           |        |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|
|                                           | June   |
| Hillsboro Church, 11                      | 30     |
| South Davidson, Chandlers, 2              | 30     |
|                                           | July   |
| Wesley Memorial, 8                        | 1      |
| Asheboro First, 8                         | 3      |
| Ramseur-Franklinville, 11                 | 7      |
| Richland, Charlotte, 2:30                 | 7      |
| Randleman, New Salem, 8                   | 7      |
| Ward Street, 8                            | 8      |
| Lobanon, 8                                | 9      |
| Main Street, 8                            | 10     |
| Oak View, 8                               | 11     |
| Farmer, New Hope, 10                      | 14     |
| Why Not, New Zion, 2:30                   | 14     |
| Denton, Newsum, 8                         | 14     |
| First Church, High Point, 8               | 17     |
| Highland, 8                               | 18     |
| Shiloh, Shiloh, 2                         | 20     |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11       | 21     |
| Randleman-Union, Union, 3                 | 21     |
| Asheboro Central, 8                       | 21     |
| Trinity, Fairview, 8                      | 23     |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Gray's Chapel, 11 | 28     |
| Seagrove-Love Joy, Macedonia, 2:30        | 28     |
|                                           | August |
| Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 8                  | 4      |



MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                  | June |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Counelly Springs, Friendship, 11 | 30   |
| Shady Grove, 3                   | 30   |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30    | 30   |
|                                  | July |
| Spruce Pine, 11                  | 7    |
| Micaville, 3                     | 7    |
| Linnville Falls, 7:30            | 7    |
| Bakersville, 11                  | 14   |
| Bald Creek, 3                    | 14   |
| Burnsville, 7:30                 | 14   |
| Elk Park, 11                     | 21   |
| Avery, 3                         | 21   |
| Cliffside, 7:30                  | 21   |

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

The third round of quarterly conferences for the Salisbury District will be held in groups as follows:

Sunday, June 30, 3 p.m., at Central, Albemarle

Central, First Street, Tabernacle, Main Street, Salem, Pfeiffer, Stanfield, Albemarle Ct., Norwood, and Norwood Ct.

Sunday, July 7, 3 p.m., at Central, Spencer

First Church, Woodleaf, Gold Hill, Granite Quarry, Park Avenue, Coburn Memorial, East Spencer-Yadkin, China Grove, Main Street-Rowan, Spencer Central, and Spencer-China Grove.

In the meantime all preaching dates for the district superintendent will be made with the pastors direct.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyte, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                            | June |
|----------------------------|------|
| Westview, Hickory, 11      | 30   |
| Lenoir Ct., Olivet, 3      | 30   |
| Hudson, Mt. Hermon, night  | 30   |
|                            | July |
| Grace-Rhodiss, Rhodiss, 11 | 7    |

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                      | June |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| Canton, First, 11                    | 30   |
| Rockwood, 3 and 8                    | 30   |
|                                      | July |
| Cullowhee, 11                        | 7    |
| Webster, 3 and 8                     | 7    |
| Murphy, 11                           | 14   |
| Murphy Ct., 3 and 8                  | 14   |
| Waynesville, 11                      | 21   |
| Whittier, Blue Wing                  | 21   |
| Bryson City, 8                       | 21   |
| Hayesville, Hayesville, 11 and 3     | 28   |
| Shooting Creek, Hayesville, 11 and 3 | 28   |
| Franklin, 8                          | 28   |
| Macon, Franklin, 8                   | 28   |
| Franklin Ct., 8                      | 28   |
| Louisa, Franklin                     | 28   |
| (Dr. Vliet speaker on 28th).         |      |

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                                         | June   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Thomasville, First, 7:30                                | 28     |
| Thomasville, Community, 7:30                            | 29     |
| Rural Hall, Germanton, 11                               | 30     |
| Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 3                               | 30     |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 8                               | 30     |
|                                                         | July   |
| Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30                          | 1      |
| Mt. Airy, Central, 7:30                                 | 2      |
| West Forsyth, Baltimore, 7:30                           | 6      |
| Forsyth, Marvin Chapel, 11                              | 7      |
| Pilot Mountain, Chestnut Grove, 11                      | 14     |
| Mt. Airy Circuit, Beulah, 3                             | 14     |
| Thomasville Ct., Fairview, 7:30                         | 14     |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, Mt. Zion, 11                         | 21     |
| Mt. Airy, Rockford Street, Blackwater, 2:30             | 21     |
| Winston-Salem, Hiatt Memorial, Hiatt, 7:30              | 21     |
|                                                         | August |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary (third check-up meeting), 7:30 | 6      |

CHILDREN'S HOME

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play just now. Bobby Templeton, Thurmond Darnell and Sarah Kate Maree, three of our older youngsters, under the direction of Mr. Murray, have charge of these activities. Every youngster has a half an hour in the swimming pool on each of the five days in the week it is filled with water. So our youngsters play, swim and splash before and after work hours.

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## In Memoriam

**WILLIAMS** — Angie L. Williams passed from this sphere of life into life eternal on May 19, 1940. For 76 years she had been a much loved citizen of God's Kingdom on earth. She had joined the Methodist Church in Kinston in early childhood and until her death she was a lover of that church and a diligent laborer in it. Fifty-two years ago she was married to W. B. Williams of Duplin county where she then made her home. For over half a century she lived a life of neighborliness which endeared her to the entire countryside. At the time of her death she was a beloved member of Smith's Chapel. She is survived by her husband, two sons, four daughters, and numerous grand-children.

**SMOOT** — Mrs. Nannie V. Smoot, widow of the late J. W. Smoot, builder of our beautiful First Methodist Church, died May 28, age seventy-three. She was a beautiful, serene, saintly Christian character, though physically blind, her spiritual eyes were wonderfully open. Her life was an inspiration and benediction. She loved life, people, music, flowers. Though she suffered intensely, she did so silently, heroically. Her death was a sweet release, preceding a happy reunion with her devoted husband, and others whom she had loved and lost for a time.

Surviving her is a sister, Mrs. Bailey of Bluefield, W. Va., several nephews and nieces, including Mrs. R. B. Barrett, who tenderly cared for her.

Daniel Lane.

**MORRIS** — Mrs. Elsie Jones Morris, a beloved member of Tabernacle Methodist church, passed into the great beyond May 26, 1940. Her life span of more than 91 years (she was born March 1, 1849) made her at the time of her death the oldest member of the church which she joined early in life. Her passing, coming as it did at the end of a long day of useful and unselfish living, was as peaceful as "one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams." Her husband, John Quincy Adams Morris, preceded her into the beyond many years ago, leaving to her the responsibility of rearing the five children who survive her—Fitzhugh Lee, Nancy Jane, Brice Allen, John Starkey and Aurilla.

The funeral services were conducted from the home in Onslow county by her pastor and interment took place in the family cemetery beside her husband.

H. L. Harris, Pastor.

**HYATT** — Mrs. Lassie Dickey Hyatt, daughter of Col. B. K. Dickey, passed from this life Wednesday, March 20, 1940. She was born in Buncombe county October 8, 1856; was married to Mr. John Hyatt on January 6, 1875. To this union were born six children—Mrs. J. M. Scroggs of Haynesville, Mrs. H. G. Hampton of Sylva, U. K. Hyatt of Hayesville. The following preceded Sister Hyatt in death: Miss Bertha Hyatt, Mrs. Abbie Gillespie, and Thomas Hyatt.

Sister Hyatt was a member of the Methodist church for 60 years. During this long membership in her church she was loyal to its institutions and her heart was in the work of her church. Even while on her death bed she made her usual contribution to the missionary work of her church. She

wished to help make this world a better place by her life and by the help that she was able to give to others that they could be used by her Lord in making her Lord known to every creature.

Mrs. Hyatt was a devoted wife, loyal to her children, and true to her many friends. She was a true type of womanhood. To be in her presence made you a better person. She possessed that spiritual power that would make you realize that you were in the presence of one who walked close to her Lord. We shall miss her in the Brass-town church and community, but her life as she lived it in this community should be an inspiration to the younger generation.

The pallbearers were: John Hyatt, Glenn Hyatt, Woody Hampton, grandsons; Willard Hampton, Carl Slagle and Burt Slagle, nephews.

J. C. Gentry, Pastor.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the woman's missionary society of Trinity Methodist church, Wilmington, pause to pay tribute to one of our most beloved and honored members, Mrs. H. M. Melville, whose translation occurred April 22, 1940. Like Enoch, "She was not for God took her." Truly she walked with God while on earth and so intimately and closely that like Enoch, God honored her by relieving her of pain and suffering usually associated with the passing through the valley. For her there were no dark shadows. Just a good night to earthly friends at church that evening and a good morning to the heavenly ones in less than an hour.

Mrs. Melville, while on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. M. H. Shepherd, many years ago, organized the missionary society of Trinity at the request of the district secretary, Mrs. Murphy.

Time and fortune brought about many changes, but happily for Trinity three years ago Mrs. Melville returned to make her home in Wilmington, and Trinity auxiliary again was blessed by her presence and this time her membership. How often her sympathy, her words of encouragement, her prayers have brought new hope and zeal to some lagging younger member. How blessed her memory to each one of us. We therefore resolve:

First, That we thank our heavenly Father for lending us one of his saints for a season.

Second, That we praise her for her beautiful life and happy translation.

Third, That we express to her daughter our deepest love and sympathy.

Fourth, That we ask our Advocate to give space to this expression of appreciation.

Mrs. E. R. Clarke,  
Mrs. G. A. Smith,  
Mrs. E. L. Matthews.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It has pleased our Heavenly Father to call from our midst one of our beloved members, "Jake" Mayo, who passed away May 31, 1940.

We, the members of Bobbie Speight Bible Class of Fremont Methodist Church, wish to pay loving tribute to his memory. We shall miss his kindly voice, and his faithful attendance at Church and Sunday school.

Therefore, be it resolved: That we shall always cherish his memory; a copy of this tribute be sent to his wife, who feels the bereavement most keenly; that a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and to the daily paper.

Mrs. Herman Wellons  
Mrs. Harvey Dickinson  
Mrs. Dudley A. Powell.

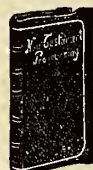
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## A Methodist Declaration of Independence

N this present 4th of July, the one hundred and sixty-fourth anniversary of our American declaration of independence, we call upon all Methodists for a new declaration against war and against alcoholic liquors. The mass of our people are for America to stay out of this present war, and an increasing number call for freedom from the curse of the liquor traffic. They shout defiance at the war lords and the liquor barons. Congress votes billions for security against enemies without and the more subtle enemies within. Long may Old Glory wave over a temperate, secure and free people!

North Carolinians, gird yourselves afresh for a crusade against liquor in the state. The General Assembly will be called on next winter to grant the people a referendum against alcoholic liquors. These coming months should find all the dry forces of the state active in this crusade. The preachers in the country churches will be able to get the ear of thousands over North Carolina these coming weeks. The young people should march in solid phalanx against the liquor forces. Farmers come together in large and interested groups in country places. The press can be enlisted to fine advantage. This paper expects to revive its old time fervor against liquor in all its forms. Then, too, many a Sunday night service in town could be revolutionized by a special gathering for temperance and national security. Tell the folks how the poor people of the state have spent more than eight million dollars in the liquor stores of North Carolina these last few years. Quit justifying this by talking taxes instead of moving for the uplift of the people. With billions spent for defense against war we would do well to take our stand against the curse of the liquor traffic. If we are to save our land from the doom of war and liquor, Methodists and all others in North Carolina should this day make a new declaration of independence.



# Men of North Carolina Lead On!

"First at Bethel, farthest at Gettysburg and last at Appomattox" has been our boast. Why not give this a rest and put in its place, first and farthest and to the last in a crusade against beverage alcohol in this tragic hour? Has North Carolina forgotten the obligation of a state to its citizens? It is intolerable that any government, through sharing in revenues, should be a party to a business which evermore thrives upon the physical, social, moral and spiritual decay of its people.

The legalized liquor traffic is today as it has always been, an anti-social institution. It feeds and fattens on the masses and leaves a blighted society with its wrecked and ruined individuals. Human values mean less than nothing to its promoters. The hour has struck in North Carolina to press a crusade against alcohol. Our security is threatened from without and also within. Who will make reply?

Next to war alcohol is acknowledged to be the most destructive foe of the human race. Not to mention the slaughter on the highways, the situation becomes more and more complicated with the automobile and other means of rapid transportation. States must act as a unit to deal with this common enemy of mankind—beverage alcohol.

"Carolina! Carolina! Heaven's blessings attend her!  
While we live we will cherish and defend her."

We appeal to all good citizens by word and deed to make these fine sentiments their own.

## CONFIDENTIAL WORDS WITH OUR PASTORS

We are soon to be enlisted in a cause in which every Methodist preacher has a place. We refer to the coming fight against liquor in North Carolina. The hour has struck for the advance. The people of the state are going to have a referendum on our present liquor laws. Many of our Methodist people are waiting to hear from these leaders. They are anxious to know where their pastors stand.

We are asking every pastor to make an effort in this present campaign to feature the Advocate as an ally against liquor. Many Advocates should go into homes where it does not go. To make a plea for the North Carolina Christian Advocate is a fine way to announce opposition to the liquor trade. For more than eighty years this paper has rung clear. It will not fail the temperance folks in this present advance. Hundreds of additional new subscribers can be secured and great impetus be given the campaign. Many pastors have done nobly but many more will want to catch step in this auspicious hour. Not since Repeal has there

been such an opportune day in North Carolina to renew the fight against alcoholic liquors. Give us your hand; our hearts are with you.

## METHODIST LAYMEN, LEND US YOUR EARS

Every year the boards of lay activities of both our conferences make clear and bold pronouncements for temperance and they set themselves against the liquor traffic. Why not at this hour lead in a definite way to do something about it? Line up the laymen of your churches and move for the circulation of your church paper which has been in the forefront of every prohibition campaign.

Taxes! taxes! Billions of dollars are going for national defense against foreign foes. Why not act to curb Enemy No. 1 here at home? Millions on top of millions of tribute money goes to this monster right here in North Carolina.

Methodist leaders, strike for temperance and economy!

## PROPHECY?

Johnston county has repudiated liquor stores by a two-to-one vote and the leaders of the dry movement in the state, with their hats in the air and chests poked out, are wondering if the time has not come to make their contemplated drive for a complete elimination of the ABC's.

Whatever other interpretations are to be placed on the reverse action of the voters of this large eastern North Carolina county, it is evident from the magnitude of the vote against legalized stores that the people have dramatically changed their views and positions on this issue.

Whether that is true in other counties having experimented with legal as against illegal liquor—which is about the proper way to state it—is open to question, but the dries have abundant reason for suspecting the first surges of a tidal wave in the heavy decision of the Johnstonians against the state stores.—Editorial in Charlotte Observer.

## DEDICATION OF CHURCH AT FRISCO

The Little Grove Methodist church located at Frisco, N. C., will be dedicated Sunday, July 7, at 11 o'clock. Dr. J. M. Ormond of the Duke school of religion will preach the dedication sermon. A picnic lunch will be served at 12:30 p. m. on the church grounds. We shall be very happy to have all former pastors and friends present on this occasion.

J. R. Regan.

## DURHAM DISTRICT NOTICE

The ministers of the Durham district along with their families are invited to gather Tuesday morning, June 9, at 11 o'clock at Duke Park in Durham. Bring your lunch. It is a picnic. Duke Park is located in North Durham just off Roxboro road.

Mrs. W. L. Clegg,

Secretary Ministers' Wives' Association.



# NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

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One weather prophet in Greensboro explains the cool weather of this summer by saying it is caused by the war in Europe. One can never tell how a weather prophet's mind works. Or, does he rely on his mind?

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With two old line Republicans in President Roosevelt's cabinet and a good Democrat nominated for President by a Republican convention, what is going to become of the boasting of those party regulars who always vote the straight ticket? Please tell us, somebody who knows.

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These summer days when church attendance is running down would be an appertune time to parade the deviltry of the liquor traffic, both the legal and illegal. Why not prepare a few good, sensible sermons that are hotter than the weather and give the people something to think about? If you are afraid to preach on the subject send your resignation to the district superintendent and tell him that you are a coward and that there is no place in the Christian church for a coward. Then go get a job with the WPA and lean on your shovel.

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This is the season when ice cream is at its best. Ice cream is the ideal food for hot weather. It has a cooling and soothing effect upon both mind and body and it is highly nutritive. All children love ice cream. Give them this food that they love and that is good for them. And ice cream is not more expensive than any other good food. Don't be too lazy to turn the ice cream freezer because you think that is hard work. Suppose it is. Hard work is good for folks. It is the very thing that lazy people ought to have. All ice cream is good but peach cream makes the strongest appeal except in case of the fellow who does not know what he wants; then he takes vanilla because it is the standard.

"No one can define beauty," says Hoyt M. Dobbs, "but all recognize and enjoy it." The beauty of the human face; the beauty of the land, the sea, and the sky; the beauty of art; the beauty of character; and the beauty of intellect are only intimations of the "beauty of the Lord our God." When clothed with His beauty, life, character, and service are at their highest and best. We become like that upon which our minds habitually dwell.

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The fathers and mothers who labor and love and grow faint in the exacting demands of the long weary years in the home should cheer up, having the assurance of a rich harvest in the far off days. The devoted teachers in the midst of a multitude of hirelings must know that their labors are not in vain, for many will yet rise up to call them blessed. Some yet are worthy to wear the crowns of Arnold of Rugby and Webb of Bellbuckle. Faithful and patient and consecrated followers of the Man of Galilee, found in all our churches, should fresh courage take. A full harvest will follow those who faint not. More than leaves will be theirs in the day of final reckoning.

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The function of the minister today is prophet, priest, pastor and organizer. That is he must be preacher, mediator, shepherd and administrator—a spokesman for God, a mediator between God and man, a shepherd of the flock, and an administrator of the affairs of the church. The man who gives due attention to all these functions succeeds. The man who stresses one to the neglect of the others fails to be a good minister of Jesus Christ. To neglect all these, living a nominal, indifferent life, is the lot of the man who goes into the prophet's office for a piece of bread. Officials often say we need a preacher; or we need a pastor; or we need an organizer; they really need all of these. Such is the effective minister.



### Circuit Co-operatives

TWO weeks ago we drew attention to circuit riders. Last week we stressed the place of circuit builders in our country work. Along with these should go co-operative efforts in our rural activities. The old time circuit riders came, did their work and then passed on to other fields. At that time Methodism was in the saddle and "the people called Methodists" were a pioneer people. We have now come to a more stable order and co-operative efforts are of vast importance in all constructive undertakings in both town and country.

More than half of our Methodist people in North Carolina are in the country churches. These churches furnish the seed corn for our harvests. Such should secure a more stable and organic life with each passing year. The former loneliness and isolation of country life is no more. So the old order of the country church is passing. Co-operative rural life is the demand of this day. All such activities are coming to the front in the various churches. Rural-minded churchmen at the Rural Church Institute at Duke in June took action looking to a better rural fellowship in North Carolina. County councils of churches are being organized in some sections of the state. These are straws in the wind indicating the trend of things. As our country churches develop their organic life and secure a more stable ministry these co-operative efforts will appear more and more.

Our Methodist organization lends itself to adjustments in the country work in a way impossible to a congregational system. The circuit system is fundamental with Methodism, and it should be used in the present transition. We have had a feeling for years that the desire of many of our strong churches in the country and the villages to become stations, leaving the weak churches to become missions, is most unfortunate. Why should not we have strong circuits with a strong man in charge, he being provided assistants sufficient to carry on effectively in a plan something after the English circuit system? Young men in their earlier years as ministers, along with the students of Duke school of religion, could be used to fine advantage in large constructive efforts in the country. The man so fortunate as to be in charge of such a rural field would have opportunities for shaping the destiny of individuals and communities superior to any man in a city church or in charge of a district. There

and then, he would be at the fountain head of life forces imparting direction to future leaders and at the same time able to do constructive work that would last. Out of such a system would develop a finer and more effective co-operation with the rural churches of all denominations. This is one of the dreams of the North Carolina Council of Churches. North Carolina should certainly take the lead in this work, especially in our Southeastern Jurisdiction. But all this waits for new adjustments to be made by our bishops and district superintendents and rural workers in many of our country churches. This will require time, wisdom and men willing to give themselves to the people of our rural sections.

### Johnston County Votes Out Liquor Stores

BY an overwhelming majority the citizens of Johnston county Saturday of last week voted to close the county's liquor stores.

Reports from all of the 27 precincts showed a total vote of 11,535 with 7,579 votes against the stores and 3,956 for the stores a majority of 3,623 votes.

Only one complete township out of the 17 in the county favored continuation of stores. This was O'Neal's, casting 431 for and 296 votes against the stores.

Johnston county becomes the first county to return to prohibition under this county option plan and other counties of the 27 that have these liquor stores will likely follow. If any stores remain when the legislature meets in January, that law making body in our opinion will repeal this law that has never been approved by a vote of North Carolina, that has never been popular, and each year has become more unpopular, as the recent vote of Johnston county indicates.

### Hold to Fundamentals

OUR wisest and most thoughtful men in private and public life are much exercised over the issues that are fundamental to business and civic life. They are doing their best to hold the people to the things of first importance. Why should not the leaders in the churches do the same? The church is of God.

The one business of all leaders in the Christian church is to keep God and the life of the spirit to the front. This is the only institution to which the people can look for spiritual guidance and through which God can move upon



the world. Ministers are the messengers of God and also the priests of the most high. How perfectly absurd is it to trifle away the hour on Sunday in dealing with the passing fads and foolish discards of the week. Worse than that. The war, social disputations, the ruin of a wrecked and broken world are kept to the front rather than a serious and prayerful effort to enable discouraged and broken men and women to see Jesus. In the midst of the carnage and despair of the Roman world Jesus talked of peace and his Father's presence and the mansions above. So the men and women—the crowds of that day—went away saying, "We never heard it on this wise." It is glorious in such a day as this for the people to be sent away from church feeling they have been in the presence of God and that they have listened to a message from God. In the presence of such disclosures, the trivialities of life fade away. A new light kindles in the eye and hope springs eternal.

### Poets Listen to a Sample of Your Wares

**A**RNOLD Justice Coffee in the Charlotte Observer pays his respects to would be poets by giving a sample of his own output which is far above the average. Listen to Mr. Coffee:

Every now and then a feller gets the fever to bat off a column. He wants to rear up on his hind legs and spout out poetry, advice to the love-lorn, and a hodge podge of what nots. Usually it sounds about as good as my dog Fritz howling at the moon. Whether it suits you or not, my gentle readers, we're off. Strum on the guitar Pancho and lets burst forth into song.

"They use to tell me  
When I was a naughty babe.  
That the goblins were about  
And would get me if I didn't hush my shout.

"Now when I rock the baby  
As the clock strikes twelve or about.  
I say shet yer trap ye brat.  
The fifth column will get you  
If you don't wach out."

### Too Far Apart

**A**N author, or would-be author, sent a manuscript to a publisher with the request that he give a brief opinion or criticism thereof. The publisher replied, "The covers of your book are too far apart."

Something of a kindred sort could be said of sermons not a few. Why not put it, "Your text and your benediction are too far apart"?

### Citizens of North Carolina Should Give Attention to Question of Taxes

**T**HE daily press reports that real estate holdings which belong to the endowment funds of church schools and colleges and orphanages—hitherto untaxed—is now being put on the tax books and will be taxed as other real estate. This action concerns Wake Forest College, Meredith College, Guilford College, Greensboro College, Davidson College, Brevard College and every other church school and college that holds any real estate as an endowment. It also calls upon the Thomasville Orphanage, the Barium Springs Orphanage, the Episcopal Orphanage in Charlotte, the Children's Home in Winston-Salem, the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh and all the rest to pay tribute money to the counties and municipalities of North Carolina where any of the property is located.

This tax will not amount to much to the cities and counties that secure it, but it will be a heavy drain upon the struggling schools and orphanages which are dependent upon the voluntary contributions of beneficently disposed people. Furthermore, the trustees of this real estate did not willingly secure it, but during the depression much of this property was thrust upon these trustees who held mortgages upon real estate which had so depreciated in value that it satisfied only a small part of these loans.

But now after these losses and the trustees' present inability to sell the property, the state proposes to tax it and thereby tax orphan children and collect money out of the incomes of church schools while millions are paid by taxation into the coffers of the state schools, when all should be working together harmoniously in a common task and not the big fellow go into the pockets of the poor little fellow.

We do not here and now make reference to the long established custom in the state to extend consideration to churches, schools and eleemosynary institutions that ministered to the religious, intellectual and social welfare of the people.

We do not believe that the people of North Carolina will endorse any such action. This matter may be settled in the next legislature, but in the meantime we call upon all fair-minded people to keep the matter in their thinking and be prepared to see that justice is done all who will be affected by this proposed taxation.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m...Oct. 22  
N. C. Conference (place to be announced).....Nov. 7

**Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the Advocate campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.**

Our campaign report is crowded out this week. Will appear later brought up to date.

Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Thompson of Faison announce the birth of a son, Edward Everett, on June 26.

**Anyone interested in a helper as church worker such as assistant to pastor would do well to confer with Miss Elizabeth Braswell, Box 343, Hamlet, N. C.**

Dr. Izora Scott, legislative director of the National W. C. T. U. at the Washington, D. C., office for ten years, is reported seriously ill.

Our Trenton church under the leadership of Dr. S. A. Maxwell has had a week of masterful preaching. Great inspiration and enlarged vision has been caught by our people.—Pastor.

**Economical apartments at Lake Junaluska, N. C., Methodist Assembly. Altitude of house 2800 feet. Fine summer program and training courses. Write J. B. Kilgore, Lake Junaluska, N. C.**

Young people's week has just closed at Glenwood church in Greensboro. Rev. Lee F. Tuttle of Thomasville brought the messages each evening. The young people of the Glenwood church highly recommend Mr. Tuttle as a speaker for young people. He brought fine messages each night and the week was very helpful and inspiring to all.

The annual home coming at Chestnut Ridge church, Orange charge, will be held Sunday, July 14. Sermon by Rev. A. G. Dixon, D.D., a former pastor, at 11 a. m. Lunch at 12:30. Afternoon speaking by Rev. R. C. Stubbins, Rev. D. R. Williams, and others. All former pastors, friends and others who can are cordially invited to attend.—C. H. Jones.

**The centennial celebration of Ebenezer's church, six miles east of Raleigh, will be observed next Sunday. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach at the morning hour. After lunch to which all are invited former pastors will be heard. This celebration of one hundred years of Methodism at this place will be a notable occasion. An interesting day, a great crowd, cherished memories!**

The Methodist ministers and their wives of Rutherford county were delightfully entertained at the home of Rev. and Mrs. C. M. McKinney of Bostic on the evening of June 20. About 25 guests were present to enjoy a delicious fish supper and an evening of fellowship. During the evening the wives of the ministers assembled to organize the Rutherford County Ministers' Wives' Association. Mrs. T. R. Wolfe of Cliffside was elected leader of the group. Plans for the future, including a picnic meeting in August, were discussed.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, spoke at Pleasant Garden Methodist church at 11 o'clock on Sunday morning, June 29, upon invitation of the pastor, Rev. E. E. Snow, who was conducting Bible services in another church. On Sunday afternoon at a circuit wide rally held at Bethel church on the Flat Rock charge near Stokesdale, of which Rev. J. A. Burgis is the pastor, Dr. L. L. Gobbel delivered the closing address of the day. The all day meeting with dinner on the grounds opened in the morning with an address by Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent. Beginning the afternoon session, Mrs. R. M. Andrews of Greensboro spoke on woman's work.

The Central Jurisdiction drew heavily on Greensboro for members of the general boards. David D. Jones, president of Bennett College, was elected a member of the board of education and Mrs. David D. Jones, his wife, was elected a member of the board of missions and church extension.

Bethpage Methodist church, Kannapolis, N. C., will observe its annual home coming day the first Sunday in July. All former pastors, former members and friends of the church are urged to attend this occasion. There will be good preaching, good music, good food, and good fellowship. Rev. J. S. Gibbs of Salisbury will bring the morning message and Rev. A. A. Lyerly of Concord will be the afternoon speaker.—R. W. McCulley, Pastor.

Bethel church on the Mount Olive circuit is to be dedicated July 14, at 11 in the morning. Professor Ormond of Duke University will be the speaker. There will be an afternoon sermon by the pastor. Bethel church was begun by Brother J. M. Carraway in 1901, while pastor of the Mount Olive circuit. The new building cost approximately \$10,000. The work was begun and carried almost to completion by Brother W. C. Benson. We extend a cordial invitation to the public generally and an especial invitation to all former pastors of the charge. Our quarterly conference July 13 will be at Providence instead of Browning's.—J. L. Joyce.

Someone has said, "The trouble with moderate drinkers is that so often they keep on taking post-graduate courses." This many of them do in spite of the fact that they know that alcohol is directly and indirectly responsible in the United States for at least one-fourth to one-half of all poverty and neglect, for more than one-half of pauperism, for one-fifth of insanity and divorces, and for one-half the crimes. No other evil in the world, excepting only war, is so prolific a source of human tragedy and suffering. How can one who in any way encourages the spread of this evil think of himself as a follower of Jesus?—Myers Park Church Bulletin.

The board of trustees of the Wesley Foundation at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill., met in the Stevens Hotel, Chicago, Thursday, June 27, to review the results of the campaign for the financing of debt recently concluded. A total of \$177,738.63 was reported paid in. Plans were made for collecting outstanding pledge to realize the total now subscribed of \$231,182.70. Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf of Chicago, chairman of the board, presided. H. P. Scott of Evanston, Ill., was elected business secretary of the foundation for the year 1940-41. A committee of seven was named to act with the board of trustees in studying proposals for the increased usefulness of the foundation to Methodist students at Illinois.

The Smithfield Herald, Johnston county's good paper, in an editorial discussing the recent dry vote says: "The single major factor in the defeat of the ABC stores was the large group of sincere drys who think that the sale of any kind of liquor, legal or illegal, is wrong and constitutes a menace to decent society. Saturday's election was carried by sincere advocates of prohibition. But prohibition in actuality did not return to Johnston county by virtue of Saturday's landslide vote. The voters merely declared that they wanted it. It is now up to Sheriff Rose, Solicitor Godwin, Judge Wood, Solicitor Canaday, the superior court judges who are assigned to Johnston, and all officers connected with the law enforcement division of our county government to give the voters an effective prohibition system. It is up to the people to give the law enforcement officers full co-operation in the war against illicit liquor traffic. It is in the power of the officers and the public, working together, to make prohibition work in Johnston county."



JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

SCHEDULE OF SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES

- Camp Cheonda (Intermediates) ..... July 10-Aug. 7
- Junaluska School of Religion, Affiliated with Duke University (Educationn Building)...July 15-Aug. 24
- Young People's Leadership Conference (Education Building) ..... July 16-27
- The Council on a Christian Social Order ..... July 17-21
- Laymen's Conference ..... July 22-26
- School of Missions (Mission Inn) ..... July 23-Aug. 6
- Conference on Benevolences ..... July 26, 27
- Missionary Conference ..... July 30-Aug. 6
- One-Week Leadership School, Merged with W.N.C. School for Christian Workers (Ed. Bldg.)...July 30-Aug. 6
- Pastors' Conference ..... Aug. 6-11
- Two-Weeks' Leadership School ..... Aug. 8-22
- Camp Cheonda (Seniors) ..... Aug. 9-23
- Inspirational Week, with Broomfield and Hughes ..... Aug. 21-Sept. 1

Junaluska Program

- Sunday, July 7, 11:00 a. m.—Sermon, Dr. W. A. Stanbury, "Christians in an Unchristian World."
- 8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, "Wake Up and Dream."
- Monday, July 8, 10:30 a.m.—Dr. R. L. Wiggins, "The Poet's Way of Life: (1) Greet the Poet."
- 8:00 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Gulliver's Travels," and Disney Cartoon.
- Tuesday, July 9, 10:30 a.m.—Dr. R. L. Wiggins, "The Poet's Way of Life: (2) The Poet Sees and Hears."
- 8:00 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Gulliver's Travels," and Disney Cartoon.
- Wednesday, July 10, 10:30 a. m.—Dr. R. L. Wiggins, "The Poet's Way of Life: (3) The Poet Feels."
- 8:00 p.m.—Bishop James Cannon, Jr., "Battles in Which I Have Participated"Part I.
- Thursday, July 11, 10:30 a.m.—Dr. R. L. Wiggins, "The Poet's Way of Life: (4) The Poet Speaks."
- 8:00 p.m.—Bishop James Cannon, Jr., "Battles in Which I Have Participated"—Part II.
- Friday, July 12, 10:30 a.m.—Dr. R. L. Wiggins, "The Poet's Way of Life: (5) The Poet Beckons."
- 8:00 p.m.—Drama, "Once There Was a Princess (Samuel French), Presented by Wesley Foundation Cast of Winthrop College.
- Saturday, July 13, 8:00 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Judge Hardy and Son," and Disney Cartoon.
- Sunday, July 14, 11:00 a.m.—Sermon...Bishop Paul B. Kern
- 4:00-5:00 p.m.—Band Concert.
- 8:00 p.m.—Sermon ..... Bishop Paul B. Kern
- Monday, July 15, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop Paul B. Kern, Address, "Finding Our Way to God."
- 8:00 p.m.—Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler, Lecture, "The Mystery of Marshal Ney."

Addresses

While morning and evening addresses are announced by various boards, the assembly calls attention to the following speakers who will make addresses at other dates during the season: Bishop James Cannon, Jr., on the 10th and 11th of July; Bishop Jaul B. Kern, on the 15th and 16th of July; Bishop Clare Purcell, on the 22nd of July; Dr. J. E. Skillingto of Bloomsburg, Pa., on the 29th and 30th of July; four college presidents, August 12th-14th, Dr. G. I. Humphreys of High Point College, Dr. W. P. Few of Duke University, Dr. Frank P. Graham of the University of North Carolina, and Dr. Henry N. Snyder of Wofford College; Bishop John C. Broomfield of St. Louis, Mo., on August 21st-28th; and Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of Washington, D. C., August 29th-September 1.

ACTIVITIES ON ATLANTIC CHARGE

Perhaps the two outstanding events or accomplishments of the year center about the charge union of young people and the successful evangelistic work done thus far. Early in the year the young people of senior ages came together at Atlantic from the four points of the charge—Williston, Sea Level, Cedar Island, and Atlantic. Ninety-five attended the union, organized for activity, and carried through a fine program for the late afternoon and evening. The enrollment numbers around 125. Last week the intermediate union of the charge came into being. This group numbers nearly 100 intermediates. A gathering at Cedar Island last week with a picnic supper included brought to a close a very successful day with these children. The charge plan calls for one

such meeting for both groups each quarter in the year. Each church has its organized group of senior and intermediate work. In all the young people of the Atlantic charge numbers 225 in the organizations.

On the 26th of May the pastor began a series of evangelistic services which continued without a break until Sunday night, June 30. Beginning at Williston first, then at Atlantic, from there to Sea Level, and closing at Cedar Island. Mrs. Georgie Frost Barnes of Lucama was with the writer and the congregation at Williston and Atlantic for three weeks. Mrs. Barnes without question is the most effective and useful assistant this pastor has ever had in evangelistic work. All the way from directing music, children's work, and young people, she is deeply consecrated and the people of every rank hear her gladly. She is scheduled to come to the charge next year for a return engagement of three or four weeks. Not in a long time, if ever, have such crowds attended these churches in revival. From beginning to close of the 35-day program the church where the revival centered was full to capacity seating every night. Truly this has been a revival in the church. The matter of additions has not been completed, and something may be reported in that connection later on.

A third thing has been repair work on church and parsonage buildings. Cleaning up programs have gone through each church and yard and the buildings are reaching the point of looking well. Steeple and new roof on Williston church, work of raising funds to complete Cedar Island church, repair work at Sea Level, and plans for same at Atlantic are all in process now. The charge is becoming more of a unit in work, and there is a fine feeling existing between these four congregations of mutual interest. Otherwise, the work is in fine condition, and there is every reason to look forward to a year of substantial development as the final report goes to conference. L. D. Hayman, Pastor.

THE LIBERTY BELL

How many know the history of the Liberty Bell, whose ringing first announced to the waiting people the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776? The bell is now 185 years old, and, though cracked and voiceless, still hangs in Independence Hall in Philadelphia.

The bell was brought from England in 1752 and hung in the old State House in Philadelphia. Among its uses was to spread a fire alarm in the city. It soon cracked, however, and in April, 1753, was melted and recast by American workmen. But the bell did not sound right, and in June of the same year was again recast. This time the words, "Proclaim liberty through all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof," were inscribed upon its crown. After that the bell was used by the city of Philadelphia until July 8, 1835, when it cracked while being tolled at the funeral of Chief Justice John Marshall.

The inscription on the bell is taken from the Bible.—Selected.

WORLD SERVICE COMMISSION

District apportionments and acceptances, 1939-40:

| District            | Appor'd      | Accepted     | Pct. |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|------|
| Asheville .....     | \$ 19,874.81 | \$ 14,984.81 | .75  |
| Charlotte .....     | 31,056.00    | 27,499.00    | .83  |
| Elkin .....         | 16,317.00    | 7,325.00     | .44  |
| Gastonia .....      | 28,547.00    | 21,598.00    | .75  |
| Greensboro .....    | 29,900.00    | 25,869.00    | .86  |
| High Point .....    | 20,482.00    | 17,297.00    | .84  |
| Marion .....        | 19,288.00    | 11,639.00    | .60  |
| Salisbury .....     | 27,446.00    | 20,980.00    | .76  |
| Statesville .....   | 26,857.00    | 16,966.00    | .63  |
| Waynesville .....   | 14,333.00    | 7,531.00     | .52  |
| Winston-Salem ..... | 33,906.00    | 27,378.00    | .80  |
| Totals .....        | 268,006.81   | 199,066.81   | .74  |

TO GOLDEN CROSS TREASURERS

Please send all Golden Cross funds to Rev. R. M. Courtney at Greensboro, N. C. Funds have been going to A. F. Hartsell, the former treasurer, and have to be sent back to the persons sending them in. If there are money orders the senders can not reissue them without an additional fee.

Brother Hartsell has been unable to handle these matters on account of ill health and all funds are to go through the conference Golden Cross treasurer, Rev. R. M. Courtney, and be forwarded by him to the hospital at Elkin. L. B. Abernethy, Conf. Director.



## WENDELL WILLKIE'S COURTSHIP AND MARRIAGE

The Associated Press of June 28 furnished the public the following story:

She was maid of honor at a wedding, he was an usher, and they met in his home town, Elwood, Ind. She was Miss Edith Wilk of Rushville, Ind.—he was Wendell Willkie; and he said it would be simple to change her name "because it's Wilk already."

That's what he told his mother as soon as he got home. He said he had met a little girl and fallen in love. Miss Wilk came back to Elwood a few weeks later to visit her newly-married friends, and Willkie's parents dropped in from across the street.

Wendell Willkie's mother beamed at Edith and said, "So you're the little girl Wendell's going to marry."

Edith blushed, said there must be some mistake, said she hadn't heard a thing about it. "Oh, no," said Wendell's mother. "There's no mistake."

Soon Miss Edith Wilk became Mrs. Willkie. Today the wife of the Republican presidential nominee laughs merrily over that incident and also at the memory of the difficulties she and Willkie had getting married.

### Stalled Three Days

The wedding was set for 8:30 p. m. A big wedding at her home in Rushville, with white satin, a veil, and flowers. A blizzard started. The bridegroom was stuck in the snow. His train stalled 85 miles away, and the roads were impassable.

He had the bouquet, too. White orchids and lilies of the valley. She had telephoned him to bring them from Louisville, Ky., where he was stationed in Camp Taylor, after enlisting in the U. S. Army.

Willkie, stalled at a way station, kept telephoning his bride-to-be that Saturday afternoon, Sunday, and most of Monday. He finally arrived Monday, and they were married on January 14, 1918.

Today Mrs. Willkie is youthful looking, friendly, with soft chestnut hair curling around her face. She says she's had only two jobs in her life—"one taking care of a library, and one taking care of a little boy and his father."

For a while before her marriage, she was assistant librarian in Elwood. The Willkie's son, Philip, is 20.

### "THE WAR IS GETTING ME DOWN"

More than one religious person has remarked during the past week, "The war is getting me down." We suppose it is inevitable. It happened that way in the last war. But men and women with religious convictions have a double responsibility upon them now to hold fast to the things that do not fail and which, given a chance in our souls, will not fail.

What an array of young intellectuals went to smash as a result of the last war! The libraries are full of the books that they wrote in which they expressed their disillusionment and despair. Some of them became agnostic. Some boldly accepted force as the only god. Some revealed bitter contempt for human nature. Others mocked the God of the Hebrew-Christian tradition.

If history means anything, we are to have all that over again, unless voices clear, persuasive, confident, and strong, can turn the tide and leaven our society with a new faith.

Where are the voices? Well, there was one representing the Universalist Church at the Worcester Convention on Tuesday night, expressing with power our indestructible faith in God and man. It was a great occasional sermon.

Are we going to sit down in sackcloth and ashes because blind, brutal force seems to be winning the day in Europe? And are we to give up because of the bitter choice forced upon us between meeting force with force or letting the arch enemy of liberty have his way?

The tanks are rolling not only over the bodies of Frenchmen defending their homes, but over our convictions of freedom and democracy. Yet we should remember that there is not only force opposing them but idealism, sacrifice, courage, high and noble human qualities.

Our race is being tested and proved in a fiery furnace, but we should remember that the furnace reveals gold tried in the fire as well as the flame throwers.

We heard some school children during the past week read the 46th Psalm responsively. It begins, "God is our refuge and strength." Midway there is a verse, "The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved, he uttered his voice, the earth melted." Then came, "Come behold the works of the Lord, what desolations he hath made in the earth."

An answer followed: "He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire . . . Be still and know that I am God. . . The Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge."

Let our voices proclaim that man is responsible, that God has left it to us to choose evil or good. But let us never be deterred by fear of the charge that we are "escapists" from saying what our fathers in all ages have said: "God is our refuge and strength, the Lord of hosts is with us."—The Christian Leader.

### "NORTH CAROLINA DAY" AT THE LAKE

Special attention is called to the special day which has been set apart for a very special program at Lake Junaluska. The day is Friday, July 26, and will be a fitting way to close out a truly great week during which the Board of Lay Activities will have a most challenging conference. The special "North Carolina Day" is being arranged by the Commission on Benevolences. The program will get under way at 3:30 p. m. with an address by Dr. C. K. Vliet. A beautiful pageant, "The Feast of the Lights," will be given at 8 p. m. under the direction of Mrs. Vliet. Let all our people who can possibly get to the Lake that day take advantage of this opportunity to get much helpful information about the great program of benevolences of the Methodist Church.

By special arrangement with the Assembly management there will be no gate charge for those attending the program at the Auditorium. Clare Purcell.

It is thus through our trials and afflictions that God gives us fresh revelations of himself; and the Jabbok ford leads to Peniel, where, as the result of our wrestling, we "see God face to face," and our lives are preserved. Take this to thyself, O captive, and He will give thee "songs in the night," and turn for thee "the shadow of death into the morning."—William Taylor.



**HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME**

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

Last week we published the story of the marriage of one of our girls, Natalie Cashott, to Dr. John A. Conley of Illinois. Somehow the cut failed to reach the Advocate office in time to accompany the article, so we are asking the editor to use the cut this week. Sorry the picture and the article did not appear together.



Mrs. John A. Conley

This is the week when most of our children who are away will be coming back and another group will be going away for a few weeks to visit relatives and friends. Our smaller children, for the most part, have now had their outing and they seem glad to get back. The older ones have been working hard to keep the farm, household and dairy barn going. They will be going in smaller groups, since much of the work here is done by the older children.

**Some Pleasant Surprises**

In the early part of last week we received a check for \$5.00 from the ladies' aid society of the Oak Ridge community church with these kind words penned by their secretary, Mrs. D. B. Stafford, "We appreciate the work you are doing and feel that we would like to have a share in it." The note carried me back to those happy days when I was a student at Oak Ridge and helped to collect the money to build the church in which these good ladies worship. I have happy memories of Oak Ridge and greatly appreciate the help of these good women.

For some weeks our good friend and brother, Mr. M. F. Hinshaw of Randleman has been working up a rally of the Methodist churches of that community. He enlisted the co-operation of the Methodist pastors thereabout, and he invited us to be present with a group of children and Dr. J. L. Stokes, the pastor of St. Pauls, joined heartily in the invitation. So Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Lamb took a group of our children down and presented a program, to the pleasure of a splendid audience, and it was my privilege to speak to them for a few minutes. Then Brother Hinshaw took the offering, and as a result they promised to mail to us a check for \$110. My, what a help! The congregation was a splendid mixture of former M. E. S.'s and former M. P.'s. A fine combination united into Methodists, and they looked good together and they worked well together. The former M. E. S.'s had already paid their apportionment to the Winston-Salem Children's Home, so sought the privilege of helping this one. We sincerely thank them, and bid you "go and do thou likewise."

Brother Hinshaw is assisting in working up another rally for July 14th at Gray's Chapel. And Rev. H. L. Isley, the pastor, has bidden us to come. We are expecting a good day.

**Looking to the Future**

We are anxiously awaiting an early meeting of our board of trustees, and when we meet they will have some very important matters to consider. Pray that they may have wisdom to act wisely. If they take definite action, then we will

report the same, never feeling that it is wise to make announcements until something is done.

**Empty Fruit Jars**

Orders came in splendidly during the last few days, so we are sending out early this week 714 empty half-gallon jars. And you can readily see what a help that will be next fall. Just a few more orders will make out our usual 2000. We thank you, and may God richly bless each of you.

**THE FLAG AND SALUTES**

The final word has been spoken about compulsory salutes to the national flag in the public schools. On June 3 the United States Supreme Court, by a decision of 8 to 1, sustained the rule of a school board in Minersville, Pa., which required pupils to recite, with hand outstretched, the pledge to the flag or be denied the privilege of attendance. The pledge, written by Francis Bellamy nearly fifty years ago and taught in many public schools, reads as follows:

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands; one nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

The court held that the issue was one exclusively for local control.

"It is not our province to choose among competing considerations in the subtle process of securing effective loyalty to traditional ideals of democracy while respecting at the same time individual idiosyncrasies among a people so diversified in racial origins and religious allegiances."

Some of the lower courts, while sustaining such a rule, recommended patience and tolerance in its enforcement. The expulsion of children from the public schools because they refuse, by order of their parents, to salute the flag in school programs is a penalty too severe. It punishes the dependent and helpless boys and girls of teen age or younger whose parents may be fanatical and narrow-minded. The children suffer in such a dilemma between the teacher whom they respect and the fathers and mothers whom they love. Some other form of penalty than expulsion from school could be devised for violation of the rule.

If youngsters are to be punished for refusal to salute the flag in school, some penalties in justice ought to be inflicted upon those careless or indifferent adults who never pause and stand at attention, uncover their heads, or salute the flag of their country as it passes before them in parade, or when they pass under its folds.

Patriotism has close kinship with religion, but it cannot be created by force. It is a product of intelligence, conviction, and gratitude. It is difficult to understand the attitude of parents who hold that a salute to the flag is an act contrary to religious freedom or that it is a form of idolatry. The flag is a symbol of the nation's unity, freedom, justice, and heroic history. Among the ideals and rights which it offers is freedom of worship. To salute the flag at any time or anywhere is a form of grateful testimony that beneath it freedom of religion, speech, and press are made possible.

While compulsory salutes have been held legal by the highest court in the land, school boards and communities will be wise if they avoid the tendency to become intolerant, and seek methods of prudence and persuasion in dealing with helpless boys and girls rather than extreme measures which probably would create future citizens of bitterness and resentment.—Christian Advocate.



# At the Sign of A Harp

By JOHN M. TROUT

Two or three weeks ago, just after the march of armies had begun in Europe, a rector in London, one of those parts of London most exposed to air raids, said to his congregation: "I am not going to talk to you about the war on Sunday, because you have enough of it during the week." He was not unpatriotic, any more than his people were. Neither was he seeking escape from his world by trying to live in some seventh heaven. He knew what was in man, how much stress and strain the average person can stand, and incidentally he suggested one of the great missions of religion in every age, the use of the harp or some other instrument of joy to lessen the fret and strain to which human being are subject.

At times when we come to church it is not to be told our duty. We know our duty. Neither do we come to solve some world problem which cannot immediately be solved. We do not crave exhortations. What moves us is a gentle prayer, soft organ notes, or chimes ringing from a distant tower, and we go away feeling as if a weight had been lifted from our spirits.

In one crucial hour, all will recall, Jesus said to his friends, "From now on I am not going to talk much with you"—about what? It was the night before judgment in Pilate's palace, the night before a lonely march through the Damascus Gate, the night before his cross on a hilltop. These things did not need to be talked about; they were already too close to all the company. But what he did say about vineyards, and shepherds in the field, and shelters against winds and storms, was like balm for wounded spirits. There was a harp in the upper room.

In days present and to come the church may need to remind men of duty, to set forth anew the abiding principles of the Christian faith, but not without keeping a door open into silence and release where the soul can find itself again and regather its scattered strength.

The other compelling reason why in times like these we must keep our harp is danger that faith itself may collapse. Historically and symbolically this instrument suggests man's hope. Its clear, penetrating and gentle notes can help our dreams. It speaks of what angels and men most want on earth, good will and peace. There are times when good souls feel like hanging up their harps, giving way to doubt and despair. But if we accept confusion and setbacks and depressions as final, we ourselves are lost. Facing facts just as they are, we are bound to reach beyond them. Through darkness must come a heartening note, springing out of the very nature of things, which revives courage and enables us to keep on the march toward a better, although at present invisible, country.

Silence was certainly broken in that upper room. There is a strain of good cheer, an assurance that those halted for the moment would yet arrive, that light would yet master darkness, never the reverse. On another occasion a little later when churches seemed to be in revolt and the apostle of Christianity to the Gentiles on the point of collapse, Paul tries to describe his state of mind, and quite unconsciously breaks into rhythm. Poetry is hope's native tongue. This is how the refrain runs:

Harried, but not hemmed in;  
Perplexed, but not despairing;  
Persecuted, but not abandoned;  
Struck down, but not destroyed.

Once the question was asked: Why are there so many songs and so many harps, to the number of ten thousand times ten thousand, in the last book of the New Testament, which we call Revelation? The answer is, it represents one farther stage in the Christian conquest of despair. It comes out of persecution. It is the Christian answer to the materialism and cruelty of the Roman empire. Not Caesar but Christ is king, and in the end the kingdoms of this world are to become his kingdom.

Part of the wonder and appeal of so-called spirituals is not just melody, but the fact that the melodies are the human soul's answer to slavery: Once when I asked a descendant of former slaves about the spirituals he replied: "You know all those people in the cotton fields had a harp under the rough garments close to their hearts, and when the overseers were at the other end of the row they sounded it:

'Go down Moses;  
Tell old Pharaoh,  
Let my people go.'"

Against a singing world neither the old nor the new Pharaoh prevails.

Those who predict an early end of the Jewish race reckon without this people's perennial refusal to accept extermination or defeat, from the days of their first prophets until now. Today Robert Nathan speaks for them, sometimes with laughter that diverts attention from misery, or with matchless descriptions of the great trek which is to bring them back to the mountains of Israel, or in the outbreak of a matchless sonnet. While a race sings it has more than a chance to live.

Now from the world the dream of God is gone,  
And men in darkness move and are afraid . . .  
Turn not away, or cry that all is lost;  
It is not so. . .  
For still the heart, by love and pity wrung,  
Finds the same God as when the world was young.

And latest exiles and pilgrims resist the extinction of hope and the death of their dreams just as fervently as earlier ones.

Yesterday, Eduard Benes was president of a growing democratic state. Now his state is absorbed and he is once more, as in 1914-17, a man without a country. But there is no despair. When he speaks he tells us that he confidently expects his people to come back: "We shall live again." Honored above most men, the idol of the literary world, loyal to his homeland as long as he could remain in it, Thomas Mann is confident of "the coming victory of democracy," because humanity, to which the present German system does violence, is bound to reassert itself. Men cannot forever keep peoples deprived of the very stuff out of which human life is made, freedom and truth and honor.

Here, then, is the plain mission of the church in times like these, not merely to define issues and build outlines



for better days, but also to keep eternal notes sounding over all wastes and through deepest darkness.

In this constant summons to courage and hope let organs sound with harps. Sometimes fingers fall on the keys and men ask—we all do—why do so many discords rush in? Then we let fingers fall a second time and we marvel to notice how notes blend, how even discords can be absorbed into harmonies, as Robert Browning said once,

Out of three sounds we frame, not a fourth sound,  
but a star.

So, in spite of the discords, perhaps because of them even,

A resting place is found,  
The C major of this life.

—Christian Leader.

### THE SHRINES OF THE HEART

By Harold E. Mayo

Some years ago "Among My Souvenirs" was one of the popular songs. It was sung by almost everyone. It stirred forgotten memories and brought back scenes of childhood. Many eyes were moist and many hearts gladdened as the pages of time were turned back.

Souvenirs are mementoes and keepsakes reminiscent of the vanished yesterdays. They are the forget-me-nots of the soul. Shortly after the close of the last war I visited a humble home among the New England hills. The mother led me upstairs and reverently opened the door to a little old-fashioned bedroom. "This is my boy's room," she said. "Everything is just as he left it when he went to the front."

On the bed were the boy's clothes as he had dropped them in his hurry to get away to camp. Everything was just as he had left it; for once mother had not picked up after her boy. Somewhere on the fields of France there is an unmarked grave. But within the shrine of a mother's heart that boy lives forever. And that little bedroom is the sanctuary of a mother's love.

In this day of modern nomads, when everyone is on wheels and going around in circles, when home becomes a filling station and a parking place for the human mechanism, the flame of sentiment burns low. The souvenirs of yesterday, the time-hallowed mementoes, and the shrines of the heart are often neglected.

In northern Maine, old homesteads have fallen in crumbling ruin; raspberry bushes grow about the ancient cellars, while the pastures, and once fertile fields are returning to the forest primeval. The new generation has scattered to the four corners of the earth, and the shrines of memory are in decay.

Is there a tiny pair of baby's first shoes among your souvenirs? Are the tangible mementoes of your baby's childhood discarded? In later years these material mementoes can help you live again in the sanctuary of the family. If we can but stop in our mad rush after fame and fortune to linger at the shrines of memory, life will be sweeter and better. If we can pause in our scramble for place and pleasure to play with our children and live with our family, the twilight years will be alive with memories that are a joy to recall.

Home is more than four walls and a roof. Life is more than the perfect functioning of a machine. Happiness requires more than fleeting pleasures sipped here and there as we taste of sense satisfaction in the journey

of experience. There are abiding loyalties, deep-seated sentiments, and shrines of love which must be maintained if life is to be a roseate dream of anticipation rather than a nightmare of dread.

May there be a song of gladness on our lips as we fondle our children's playthings and feel the joy of their trusting love as in bygone days. The shrines of the heart will be fragrant with the forget-me-nots of memory if the weeds of neglect are not allowed to grow.—Zions Herald.

### NO NEED TO NAME HIM

By Edgar DeWitt Jones

He was born in poverty, brought up in a carpenter's shop, a peasant prince. His heritage was rich in the traditions of His people and He dreamed great dreams as boy and man. The hill country of Galilee was His home and almost every way He looked history unrolled at His feet.

He never wrote a book, held public office, led an army or built an empire. Yet His name is above every name, and every dated document pays Him tribute.

His public life consisted of three crowded years. The first year of His ministry witnessed the pinnacle of His popularity. Vast crowds hung upon His every utterance. The common people heard Him gladly. Little children clambered about His knees. Multitudes thronged Him, wishing to make Him king, but He refused the crown.

He began to announce His death, spoke of a cross upon which He must die, and the crowd, confused, fell away. His disciples, dismayed, drew back. He became engulfed in controversy. The opposition in church and state turned upon Him savagely. Enemies conspired to put Him to death. One of His intimate friends betrayed Him. Another denied Him. All forsook Him in His hour of peril.

At His makeshift trial justice was missing. The judge acquitted Him, then fearful of the political repercussion, delivered Him up to the rabble. With indecent haste they hurried Him to the place of execution, where amid the jeers and taunts of the bystanders, He died; but not until He had prayed, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

The bright dream was ended. Gone was the vision splendid. All was over. Judged by external things, this man's death was cruelly, terribly, pathetically anticlimax. Actually, his death on the cross was the apex of His life, crowned Him forever, made the instrument of His passing our Divinest symbol.

Yet we call Him Lord and, like Simon Peter, follow Him afar off.—(c) 1940 by Religious News Service.

### WHITTLINGS

By Dr. R. L. Akers

Imitate no man except the Man of Galilee.

No war without can overcome him who has peace within.

The man "with an empire in his brain" should also have a heaven in his heart.

"The Passing of the Great White Race" comes only when man passes up the white ideals of the Great Galilean.

How marvelous the versatility of the gospel. It discovers man, covers his needs, uncovers his sin, recovers his manhood, and rediscovers his divinity.

Young America will continue to patrol the streets during church hours just as long as the services resemble a group of mourners sitting up with a corpse.

For fatalities "the charge of the light brigade" in 1854 was as nothing compared to the charge of the auto brigade in 1940 against the locomotives at our railroad crossings.



# Is the Holy Spirit in the Church?

By EBENEZER MYERS

Comparing modern churches with original churches should answer this question.

Once my presiding elder asked me if the Holy Spirit was in the church. I turned the question back to him. He said after some hesitation that he did not think so. After we had discussed the matter at some length, we agreed that in our opinion that He was not. There were no manifestations of His presence and power in the church as a whole or in the average church.

Expressing this opinion calls for a diligent comparison of modern churches with the early church or churches when He was in the church.

First, the church at Jerusalem, or Pentecostal church: Jesus had said in his ministry, "I will build my church," but he built no church while here on earth. He did get material ready. He had saved and gathered "living or lively slaves"—more than 500—but only 120 put themselves in readiness for the building by tarrying in the upper room, the place for the building or organization, which took place when they were baptized with the Holy Ghost.

How was it organized or built? There were perhaps no chairman, secretary or committee in that group of 120 souls. They were simply obeying Jesus in tarrying for the promised Holy Ghost. And on the tenth day he came cleansing, filling, resting upon and empowering them for the work they were to do. Thus the 120 were built, fused or welded together, as the welding of red hot steel into the church or body of Christ in the world by their baptism of the Holy Spirit. John the Baptist said that Jesus would baptize with the Holy Ghost but he did not while here on earth, but repeated the promise just before he ascended to heaven. Acts 1:5: "John truly baptized with water but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence," which took place ten days later.

Now this church built—organized by the Holy Spirit and empowered for the work it was to do, that of saving lost souls, went immediately to its work and on the first day—that day—three thousand souls were saved, and then daily others were saved till within a few days there were five thousand believers. See Acts 4:4. Here is God's idea of his church; even when scattered by persecution they "went everywhere preaching the word." Acts 8:4.

The second church, that in Samaria: Phillip went to Samaria, held a revival, many were converted, demons cast out, and great rejoicing. The church at Jerusalem sent Peter and John to confirm and strengthen the new converts, to organize the church, putting apostolic authority into it, and they laid their hands on them and they were baptized with the Holy Ghost, and thus the church so organized goes on its mission of saving Samaria.

Third, the Gentile church: In the house of Cornelius at Caesarea. This devout Roman Centurion had used the light he had and he and his household had become Christians; also servants and soldiers had become Christians. He was instructed in a vision to send for Peter, who came and preached the gospel to them, and the Holy Ghost fell upon them all, and he then and there organized the first church among the Gentiles.

Fourth, the church at Antioch: Here is a model church for all ages. It was subject to the Holy Spirit; it was a fasting and praying church; a ministering church; a hearing church, and an obeying church. When the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them, they heard and obeyed and laid their hands upon them and sent them away, having the honor of sending out the first missionaries to the Gentiles.

Fifth, the church at Ephesus. Acts 19:1-7. Paul having come to Ephesus found twelve disciples, the converts of a recent revival, held by Apollus, an eloquent Jew. Paul said to them, Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed? He did not say when ye believed, for he knew that was not God's order, but he said since ye believed. They said they did not know about it. So Paul instructed them more fully, rebaptized them and laid his hands on them and they were baptized with the Holy Ghost; then he, with the twelve spirit-filled men, went into a great revival which lasted two years, and all Asia heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks.

We see that all five of these churches were spirit baptized churches and were therefore spiritual institutions. In all of these we see Jesus doing as he said he would do, "building his church."

I make this observation here. The church that does not have the Holy Spirit, and denies the baptism of the Holy Spirit, is not a spiritual institution; and how much better is a church that does not have the Holy Spirit than a lodge or some other social institution?

I heard one of our best and most spiritual bishops say in a revival meeting that he was conducting in one of our first

churches, "that many of our churches were mere social clubs." And it certainly is the truth, as anyone can see who desires to look into it.

Study the early Methodist church. It began very much like the apostolic church began—with the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Besides John Wesley's experience of conversion at Aldersgate church, and his sanctification on the twenty-third day following, on the night of January first following that he with six of his preachers and sixty of the members at Fetter Lane church in an all night prayer meeting had a pentecostal baptism. (See McTyre's History of Methodism, page 147).

Whence all this change, all this difference between the apostolic church and the worldly churches of today? I suppose the greater responsibility rests upon the ministry, and then back of the ministry on the schools that are making the ministers. "Like priest, like people" is very true, and it is also true that what we put into the schools we put into the people.

The truth is that very few preachers preach the gospel they think they do. They think that anything they preach is gospel, but the gospel is preached only by men "with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven" (1 Peter 1:12). And Paul said the gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth, and we see no such power in their preaching. They do not preach about the personality and power of the Holy Spirit. You hear them say occasionally "the Spirit of the Christ," also "the Christ, the Christ," but never refer to or acknowledge the personality and work of the Holy Spirit.

Only those people who have tarried for and sought the Holy Spirit with a whole consecration as a definite baptism or gift as did the disciples at Pentecost have him; they may have the witness of the Spirit to their conversion, and have him with them, seeking to get into them, as Jesus said (John 14:17: "He dwelleth with you and shall be in you," which took place at Pentecost. They were powerless till he came into them (Acts 1:8).

The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Holy Trinity, masculine gender—he, him and his. He has charge of the affairs of the Godhead in this his dispensation.

Jesus and the apostles all honored him. Jesus in John 16:13-14 said, "Howbeit, when he the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth; for he shall not speak of himself, but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak; and he will show you things to come. He shall glorify me, for he shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you."

Right here I want to raise the danger signal. You see here the Holy Spirit came to reveal Jesus to men, just as Jesus came and revealed the Father to men. The Jews rejected Jesus and in doing so they rejected the Father and they have had no God for nearly two thousand years. They claimed the God of Abraham, but rejected him when they rejected Jesus; so as they could not reject the Son and have the Father, so neither can we reject, neglect, ignore or substitute anything for the Holy Spirit and have Jesus and the Father.

The Methodist Church is, or will be when completed, one of the most extensively organized bodies in the world. The Roman Catholic Church may be ahead in this respect, but what of it? It is a great politico-ecclesiasticism with its corruption and idolatry.

But a highly mechanized institution without proper motorization would fail to accomplish its purpose. This great church of ours with nearly eight million members must be properly motorized by the power of the Holy Spirit or become another big ecclesiasticism with no salvation for the lost.

If we will gather our churches around their altars, repent of our backslidings and our sins, pray through until the Holy Spirit comes upon us and into us enduing us with his power, and taking us into his hands and using us, instead of our just adding on another board, committee or some more humanism, we can go forward and accomplish the great work God has for us in the world. But if we are going to depend on mere humanism, we will utterly fail. This is the only true way that Methodism can make a real advance.

And that calls for preaching the gospel as our Methodist fathers preached it, including sin, the judgments of God for sin, hell, the punishment for sin, repentance, forgiveness, the new birth, sanctification and the witness of the Spirit; calling penitents to the altar, instructing and helping them to find God, not just accepting and confessing Christ as so many are teaching today. This teaching ignores the gospel truth and the things of the Spirit, the depravity of the race, and the lost and ruined condition of man, and puts him on a sort of equality with Christ, so that all he needs is to ac-



cept and confess him, for he can do neither till he has repented of his sins and mourned over his lost estate. Jesus put mourning at the very foundation of the Christian experience (Matt. 5:4, "Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted.") Only one element before mourning and that is the poor in spirit, which leads to mourning (Matt. 5:3).

Many modern preachers seem to be eliminating these things that are essential to salvation and to a real revival of religion. That word salvation seems to be clear out of their vocabulary. It meant so much to old time Methodists, but it does not seem to fit into anything they have now.

And we ask why? The answer seems to be because the Holy Spirit is ruled out now, that ambitious men may rule the church, just as church leaders crucified Christ that they might seize the inheritance and rule it themselves. When Jesus was here he ruled the affairs of his church and when he went away he sent the Holy Spirit to have charge of and to rule the church till he comes again, and to present it to him as his bride without spot of wrinkle, etc. (Eph. 5:25-27).

Some of the young preachers fresh from the schools of religion call this gospel "that sob stuff," making fun of the way of salvation, and showing not only ignorance of the Bible truth but indicating that they are not saved themselves, and therefore cannot help to save others.

Young man, if you are starting into the ministry with a human Christ and making fun of the sob stuff, you had as well go plow cotton and corn, for you have no gospel and therefore no place in the ministry.

Yes, is is "sob stuff" and without it no sinner can be saved. The emotional nature as well as the intellect must be stirred to its depths. There is no heartfelt religion without a heart repentance, and no salvation without the heart or emotional nature being involved. Dependence on mere intellectualities is the main cause in sidetracking the church. See Jude 19 (in Greek), also Moffitt's translation, the revised version, and twentieth century New Testament.

I am glad I know the truth of the things I am writing, for I have preached this gospel for more than fifty years and have helped thousands of souls to the Lord around the altars of our churches, in homes, and in hospitals. So I am not just theorizing but writing mature thought and settled facts; I have the experience test also, which abundantly satisfies and supports my convictions on the subject.

### "THE FRIENDLY MAN" IN AN UPPER ROOM

We had three flights of stairs to climb from the city street. It did not matter—we were so much the nearer heaven. And so much farther from the pagan crowds.

I was ashamed of this thought, but it was beating into my brain all the time we were walking, that golden Sunday evening, to the little room where John will most likely keep his bed till the angels gather round his brass bedstead and sing his soul to rest.

Sunday evening, and the streets were paraded by young men and girls, careless and indifferent, unmoved, it seemed, by any higher hopes, uninspired by any shining vision. Through the jostling, noisy crowds we made our way from church to an after-service up three flights of stairs.

It was kind of them to invite me to go with them, these ten or twelve men and women who once a month hold a little service round John's bed.

John is young and handsome—though his face is not without traces of the pain he has had to bear this last three years or so. His dreams of doing big things for his Lord are faded. His is the privilege of doing that bigger thing—witnessing by suffering bravely, preaching by keeping his faith when nothing would be easier than losing it.

"We shouldn't be holding the fort at Wesley," said one of the stewards with whom I was walking in step, "if it wasn't for John. It's these little monthly services round his bed that keep us going."

Three flights of uncarpeted stairs brought us to John's bedroom—a spotless place of worship with a Victorian washstand, a chipped mirror, a shelf of devotional books, a spray of flowering currant near the window, from

which one might look beyond miles of roofs and through the smoke of countless chimneys to a blue haze of hills.

It was the simplest service ever held. The roar of the city was hushed, the glory of the flaming sunset shone round about us, as it might have been tongues of fire. John prayed with us and for us, and his face lit up with unspeakable joy.

He spoke to us with his hand on his open Bible. "Up here," said he, smiling, "life seems to have been turned inside out! When I was always busy doing things I seemed as if I lived in a house of bricks and mortar, with only a peep of God now and then from the pantry window! And now I see God all day long—and all through the night sometimes. Like Enoch, I seem to walk and talk with God; and I know that although I have lost a penny, I have found a guinea!"

But it was not what John said, but what John was that impressed me so tremendously. It was his happiness, so real and genuine. It was his certainty of things unseen—a certainty so few of us seem to share today. It was his triumph over suffering, and the sheer splendor of his gallant witness. How the tears sprang to my eyes as we sang Faber's hymn, "Hark, hark, my soul!" And how suddenly, as it had been a rushing, mighty wind, came with Pentecostal power the realization that life is not shaped by what happens without, but only by the spirit within.

"Angels, sing on, your faithful watches keeping;

Sing us sweet fragments of the songs above,

Till morning's joy shall end the night of weeping,

And life's long shadows break in cloudless love!"

Round about us was the golden evening and God's stillness above the fretful tramp of tired feet, and the glory of the upper room where God revealed himself. I could not sing, but when we knelt to pray I said in my heart of hearts: "Dear God, fill all my life with joy, that others, seeing me, may be refreshed."

And God went with me down three flights of stairs.—The Methodist Recorder, London.

### A. F. HARTSELL OF CONCORD DIED LAST SUNDAY NIGHT

A malady of the heart, with which he had suffered for several years, caused the death Sunday night of A. F. Hartsell, 66, prominent Concord realtor and former mayor.

Funeral services were held at Central Methodist church, of which Mr. Hartsell had been an active member for many years, Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock.

Augustus Franklin Hartsell was born September 21, 1873, in Mount Pleasant, his parents being the late William S. and Mary Belle Shumaker Hartsell.

Mr. Hartsell was a director of the Concord National Bank, a director and vice president of the Concord Telephone Company, and a director of the Cabarrus County Building and Loan Association.

As a churchman, Mr. Hartsell was recognized as a leader in Concord and other communities of the state.

One of the charter members of the Concord Rotary Club, Mr. Hartsell served as its president for the year 1924-25. Mr. Hartsell belonged to the Knights of Pythias and was a trustee of the Pythian home at Clayton.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Robert Biggers and Miss Margaret Hartsell, and two grandchildren, all of Concord.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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### THE GUIDE

The new book of direction for the Woman's Society of Christian Service is now available and contains invaluable information for setting up and carrying on the Woman's Society of Christian Service; duties of all officers and committees; how to raise and distribute funds; constitution and by-laws for societies in local church, district and conference. Order The Guide from Literature Headquarters, Doctors' Building, Nashville. Price ten cents.

### CHALLENGING COURSES

In addition to the forums, seminars and lectures which will be features of the School of Missions at Lake Junaluska on July 30-August 10 interesting and challenging courses are offered. These courses and their instructors will include: "The Christian Mission in China Today," our spring 1941 topic, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon; "The Church Serving Shifting Populations," our fall 1940 topic, Mrs. Hume R. Steele; The Acts, our newest Bible study, Miss Mary deBardleben; Christianity and Economic Relations, Dr. James Myers; The Missionary Task of the Church, Mrs. J. W. Perry; Missionary Education of Children, Miss Noreen Dunn; The Church Training Volunteer Workers, Deaconess Margaret Young. The variety of these courses meet the need of every interested member of the woman's missionary society and it is of utmost import that we heed the urgent appeals of Mrs. E. L. Hillman, conference president, and Mrs. B. E. Boone, conference superintendent of study, for a large number of women from the North Carolina conference in attendance upon the school of missions this year.

### AN INVESTMENT IN LIFE

A few years after Miss Mary Pescud went to Brazil to serve as missionary, the missionary society at Edenton Street church which bears her name became devoutly interested in supporting a scholarship at Colegio Bennett, Dio De Janeiro. For 37 years various Brazilian girls have, through this scholarship, been enabled to receive an education which has made for them a more fruitful and abundant life. The most recent recipient of the Mary Pescud Scholarship is Nilza Chagas Garcia. In a letter from Miss Eva Louise Hyde, principal of Colegio Bennett, she states: "Nilza is 19 years of age, quite attractive, a niece of a young Brazilian preacher, and has been highly recommended by another preacher. She is a very bright girl and has a lovable and friendly disposition, a devoted Christian and a member of the Methodist Church. She is very much in earnest about preparing herself for service in the kingdom of the Master. She has already enrolled in the Sunday school normal class and is taking an active part in the young people's so-

ciety and in the Christian Service Club here at school."

Truly only God can measure the far-reaching influence of the generosity resulting from the loyalty and devotion of these women of the Mary Pescud society to the cause of Christ.

### MOORE-MONTGOMERY ZONE

The Star Methodist church was hostess to the Moore-Montgomery zone of the Fayetteville district on May 29, 1940. The zone chairman, Mrs. H. Lee Thomas, presided. The morning worship was conducted by Rev. H. R. Ashmore. Special music was rendered by a group of young people of Star. Mrs. G. C. Holton extended a welcome, to which Mrs. S. A. Maxwell responded. Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, district secretary, talked on some outstanding phases of the missionary work. Mrs. C. G. Spencer and Mrs. R. G. Fitzgerald gave interesting accounts of the conference at Henderson. At the roll call of auxiliaries the presidents gave splendid reports. Mrs. W. H. Brown gave a talk on "What the Missionary Society Means to Me." The noon day worship was conducted by Miss Elizabeth Lamb. After a prayer, led by Rev. H. R. Ashmore, a delicious lunch was served by the ladies of Star. At the afternoon session Miss Joyce Womack gave an account of the assembly at Louisburg last summer. Mrs. Ethyl Davis talked on the work of the young people; Mrs. H. R. Ashmore talked on mission study; Miss Nan Royal discussed Christian social relations; Mrs. W. B. Cole, spiritual life. Rev. W. G. Farrar closed the meeting with prayer.

Blanche Monroe.

### FORMER M. P. WOMEN MEET

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood and Mrs. D. S. Coltrane of Raleigh were the principal speakers at the district meeting of the former Methodist Protestant auxiliaries held at Spring Valley church near Henderson recently. Mrs. T. P. Hester, district chairman, presided. Rev. J. F. Starnes led the devotional of the morning session. A special selection was given by the choir of the church. Glenn Starnes, accompanied by Mrs. W. B. Hight, sang a solo. In Mrs. Hood's talk she spoke of the hopes and plans of the future missionary work of the united Methodist Church, stating that the united missionary group hopes to go forward to greater heights. Reports from each church in the district were heard. Luncheon was served in the church dining room. The afternoon session was opened with the devotion led by Rev. T. J. Whitehead. Mrs. C. L. Finch spoke on "Woman's Opportunity in United Methodism." Mrs. Coltrane told of preparations and plans being made in the new missionary work. Miss Iris Dickerson, with Mrs. Hight as accompanist, played two violin solos. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. T. J. Whitehead.

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## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### AN EVENT OF SPECIAL INTEREST

An event, not listed on the program of the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Gastonia District, but which proved to be of great interest, was the observance of the birthday of the District Secretary, Mrs. Wilbur Baber, which came upon the day of the meeting.

This observance took place at the noon hour during the lunch which was served by the ladies of Sharon Church and other district representatives. A table for the visiting Conference officers, missionary, Miss Cherry of Korea, the District Secretary and others was spread under the trees in the grove at the back of the church, and near the close of the luncheon one of the ladies of Sharon church placed a large, beautifully decorated cake in front of Mrs. Baber, who was taken completely by surprise, and those at the table sang "Happy Birthday to You." Numerous other gifts attractively wrapped found their way to Mrs. Baber, proving a real "shower" for her.

In a voice full of emotion, Mrs. Baber thanked her co-workers for those lovely expressions of their love for her assuring them of her deepest appreciation not only for the pretty and useful gift, but for the spirit which prompted their beautiful remembrance of her, and which she valued most highly.

### MEETING OF ELKIN DISTRICT

Mrs. Max F. Boyles, Secretary

The first meeting of the recently organized Elkin District was held in the Elkin Methodist Church, June 6th, with Mrs. J. S. Hiatt, District Secretary, presiding and Mrs. Max Boyles acting as Secretary, with approximately 150 members in attendance.

Mrs. J. L. Hall of Elkin had charge of the opening devotional; Mrs. George Royall, President of the Elkin Auxiliary gave the address of welcome to which Mrs. W. D. Halfacre, of the N. Wilkesboro society responded.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, President of the Woman's Missionary Conference, gave an inspiring talk on "United Methodism." She outlined in detail the new set-up of the Woman's Work which will take place in September. Her address was followed by the impressive Pledge service conducted by Mrs. R. G. Smith of Elkin.

Miss Mabel Cherry, returned missionary from Korea, gave a highly interesting talk on her work. She said that missionary effort was encouraged by the eagerness of the people for schools and an increased number of churches.

Miss Josephine Paul, accompanied at the piano by Miss Mamie Blackwood, sang a beautiful solo. The morning session closed with a period of worship conducted by Rev. Herman F. Duncan, pastor of the Elkin Church.

At the noon hour a bountiful luncheon was served the guests by the Elkin Society.

The afternoon session opened with special music by the vested Junior choir. Miss Lena Sale sang "The Holy City," with Miss Mamie Blackwood as accompanist.

Mrs. J. L. Clement assisted by other members of her society, presented literature in a unique way. Mrs. Geo. Hoyle, Conference Supt. Children's Work spoke of the work of the Children, outlining in detail the plan now in use.

Mrs. J. W. Harbison, Conference Superintendent of Supplies, presented the work of her department and Mrs. J. W. Payne, Conference Superintendent of Study, had for her subject Mission and Bible Study. She used as the theme of her talk "Freely ye have received, freely give." Stressing the necessity for the giving of our time for the study of missions. As a closing message Mrs. J. S. Hiatt read the poem, "The Hills Ahead." Pages for the Conference were Misses Faye Hiatt, Peggy Royall, Mary Elizabeth Allen, and Eleanor Hayes all of Elkin.

### STATESVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

We are indebted to Mrs. Forrest Sharpe for the following report of the Statesville District meeting:

"The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Statesville District was held at Granite Falls, N. C., June 11th, with Mrs. T. V. Goode, District Secretary, presiding. The opening song, "God of Grace and God of Glory" was followed by an impressive worship service given by the Rev. Reid Wall, pastor of Granite Falls Church. Mrs. Goode gave a report of the district work for the past year, and presented fourteen certificates for mission study to those having made the necessary requirements. Names of those attaining the Efficiency Aim were also read.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Conference President, was heard in an interesting message in which she explained in detail the new organization of the united Methodist Church, which will go into effect September 1st, dealing particularly with the division of the Conference set-up and giving the dates for re-organization of local, Conference and Jurisdictional work.

Miss Mabel Cherry, missionary from Korea, talked interestingly on the subject, "Our Task." Special music was rendered by Miss Margaret Sprouse and Mrs. W. I. Pitts of First Church, Lenoir, N. C. Mrs. C. C. Weaver was in charge of the pledge service which closed the morning session, with prayer by Rev. John Hoyle, Jr., after which the members enjoyed a lunch served by the Granite Falls ladies.

The afternoon session opened with a hymn, "Building the King's Highway" and was followed by a worship ser-

vice by Mrs. A. D. Abernethy of Granite Falls. Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle discussed the spiritual life work. The names of the twelve members of the district who have passed away during the year were read by Mrs. T. V. Goode, followed by prayer by Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr. Christian Social Relations works was presented by Mrs. H. W. McCain of High Point, Conference Superintendent, and Mrs. W. I. Pitts of Lenoir, discussed rural work. A playlet based on Mission Study was given by Mrs. Harold Wilson, Mrs. Paul Scarborough and Mrs. Fred Bunch, Jr. of Broad Street Church, Statesville.

An interesting message from the annual Conference was given by Mrs. Florene Brown of Mooresville, followed by a beautiful message in song by Miss Margaret Sprouse, accompanied by Mrs. Pitts.

An invitation for the 1941 meeting was extended by First Church, Hickory, and unanimously accepted. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. John Hoyle, Jr., District Superintendent of Statesville District.

### UNSELFISHNESS

An effective way to teach children virtues is by means of stories. Here is a sample to illustrate unselfishness:

"Robert E. Wilder, founder of the Student Volunteer Movement, was the son of a missionary who spent thirty years in India. When Wilder's father was dying, he called his sons and said, 'In my college days I tied with a man named Foote for first honors in scholarship.

"When he learned of my plan to go to India, he said to me, 'Wilder, you are a fool to bury yourself among the heathen. You can make a fortune at law.' I told him the selfish life was the buried life.

"After I reached India, I corresponded with him for a time and then his letters ceased. On my return to America, I found he had amassed a fortune and married a beautiful girl. Through financial reverses he lost his money and he finally took his own life.

"For twenty years, your mother and I have been the only ones to hold up Christ among four millions."

### WHEN GOD LOOKS

There is no darkness intense enough to hide your sin from the eye of God. I went into a doctor's office to see the wonders of the X-ray machine.

He made ready and handed me a strange lens and I looked upon the covered veil of flesh. The tacks in the soles of his shoes seemed to hang in space; the bones of his foot were plainly seen; but when I turned my attention to the vertebrae I saw the ribs standing like grim specters, and when I reached the region of the heart I saw the dim outline of a living, moving organ which meant life and action.

I trembled as I thought: Man has discovered a ray that reveals the vitals of a man in action; his heart is open for observation under that light. But the Lord God reads the sins of the heart. For the first time I understood the words "God looketh upon the heart."—The Sunday School Times.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### THE MORNING IS YOUNG

This is early Monday morning and we here at the Children's Home have just started another week. The morning is young, in fact it is only in its beginner stage. The primary, junior and adolescent stages are waiting their hourly turn and before one is hardly aware of it each will thrust itself into the day's busy picture. The girls have cleansed the houses are busily ironing stitching away in the industrial building, preparing vegetables at the kitchens and doing such other things as are required in a well regulated household. The boys have delivered the milk to the various cottages, gathered the vegetables and are busy at their farm work, woodwork, printshop and repair work. While all this is going on others of our number are carefully looking after 12 little youngsters in our infirmary where they are having their tonsils removed, this being the third Monday morning's ordeal. The morning is yet young but it begins a day of activity and development.

### DID YOU HELP?

Did you help somebody yesterday? Did you help somebody along life's way on yesterday's Sabbath day? It was the last rare day in June, a fifth Sunday, a Children's Home Sunday, a fine day for helping somebody. Hundreds and thousands of our friends did help somebody yesterday. If you did not do it you doubtless had a good reason. Other days of helpfulness will come. Those who are free from devastating tanks, machine-gun fire and aerial bombings will want to express their gratitude in sharing with those in need through the various channels of helpfulness. There is much need of helping children both at home and abroad.

### HONEY FOR HUMMING BIRDS

The little primary boys in the Anna Hanes cottage take great pride in providing for the birds and squirrels who live so plentifully around them. Right now the birds are more interesting. These little fellows feed the birds during the winter and now all about their building the little feathered tribes have built their nests. Little Billy Malcolm and Norman Wallace came over the other day to announce that they had discovered a humming bird's nest. In their planning for providing for the mother bird they purchased a little honey, placed it in a bottle wrapped in red paper in such a way as to make it look like a flower. Now they have much interest in seeing the little mother bird sip honey from the bottle and then return to her nest. When Billy

discovered the nest he was moved to write as follows: "The Anna Hanes boys have a humming bird's nest. This is the first humming bird's nest in our yard. It has two eggs in it. On Tuesday afternoon I found it. It looks like a pack of tinfoil. We asked Mrs. Woosley to come and see it. If you look good in the trees you will find one."

### BOYS WILL BE BOYS

Mrs. Abram Tanner has come to be home mother at Tise II building where 30 of our junior boys live, relieving Mrs. Reed, the regular home mother, for a couple of months. The boys in this building are showing much interest in their new home mother. It has been a long time since they have had a new home mother. One has been interested in their remarks as they have gathered around to make them. One boy thought the newcomer's name suggested whipping, that he hoped Mrs. Tanner didn't tan him. Another contributed the observation that she could see mighty well, that before one day was over she could tell when a boy was missing. The general consensus of opinion was that the group was going to make the new home mother like the Children's Home, that instead of making it hard for her they were going to help her in every possible way. This is a vastly different attitude from what once prevailed among our rambunctious youngsters, when they prided themselves in being able to give a severe initiation to any newcomer. The boys have long since learned that they can have plenty of fun without annoying anybody, thanks to a constructive program of work, play, recreation, and good home mothers.

### THREE OF EACH

Three of our young men and young ladies attended the Youth Crusade Assembly at Lake Junaluska last week, two as representatives from Centenary church school and the others as representatives from the Children's Home. They report a most beneficial sojourn. It was interesting to hear their reports made to our young people's meeting yesterday afternoon. Those enjoying this privilege were Jim Reed, Buren Blackwelder, Benny Doggett, Louise Fowler, Lucile Fowler and Evelyn Carter.

### ORPHANAGE CONFERENCE

The nineteenth annual meeting of the Methodist Conference of Orphanage Workers was held at Epworth Orphanage, Columbia, South Carolina, last week where representatives from 13 child caring institutions in the Southeastern and South Carolina jurisdictions assembled. Those attending from the Children's Home were Mrs. Nancy Barbour, Mrs. Helen Campbell, Miss Eva Harbour and Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Woosley. Mrs. Barbour interestingly and effectively discussed the topic, "The Dignity and Privilege of Working in an Orphanage." The next meeting of this conference will be held at the Children's Home, to which representatives from the hospitals in the aforementioned areas will be invited as well as representatives from orphanages.

### A HOUSE FULL

The picture this week is that of 35 early teen-age girls, most of them in the eighth and and ninth grades in high school. Thirty-two of those herewith presented live in the Julia Higgins building with their home mother, Mrs. Sara Scott. The others live in nearby buildings where they serve as family helpers. They are presented with the Julia Higgins building family because they are of similar age and go into this building to entertain their boy friends. These girls and their home mother have a lot of fun living together. Of course they do not do the right thing all the time, but they do the right thing most of the time. There is nothing more interesting than a group of girls, unless it be a group of boys.

### VACATION PLANS

Arrangements are being made for our annual vacations. All our boys and girls for whom definite plans are made will have an opportunity to visit friends and relatives for two weeks, beginning Saturday, July 27. Those for whom no requests are made will be privileged to spend a week at Camp Fellowship over on the Catawba river, this camp having been placed at our disposal through the kindness of Supt. Joseph B. Johnston of the Presbyterian Orphans' Home at Parium Springs. The summer work days for our boys and girls are being made more attractive because of the anticipated thrill of vacation.



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# THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**FIFTH SUNDAY OFFERING**—At this writing we have heard from only a very few Sunday schools with reference to their fifth Sunday offerings. I sincerely trust that every Sunday school in the conference remembered us last Sunday. In the event that there are some that did not observe Orphanage fifth Sunday, I hope they will do so this coming Sunday. It would be hard to over estimate the importance of every Sunday school in the conference taking a free will offering every fifth Sunday, since our need is so imperative. All fifth Sunday offerings for the Orphanage are sincerely appreciated, whether they be large or small.

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**ORPHANAGE CONFERENCE**—The former Southern Methodist Orphanage conference met at Epworth Methodist Orphanage, Columbia, S. C., last week. This organization was founded 19 years ago. Dr. W. D. Roberts, superintendent of Epworth Orphanage, entertained the conference in a most successful manner. Orphanage representatives were present from Maryland to Texas. The addresses and discussions were of a high order, and the fellowship was ideal. Three of my cottage mothers accompanied me to the conference, and we derived much benefit from the meeting. The next conference will meet with our sister orphanage—The Children's Home, Winston-Salem, N. C.

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**LETTER FROM BRONELL HAWKINS**—For the past eleven and a half years it has been my pleasure to live at the Methodist Orphanage and to enjoy numerous privileges along with 310 other lucky children.

I feel that my life has been made better for having lived here and having received the care of the Method-

ists of North Carolina. I wish to thank each individual who has aided this home in any way.

I shall never cease to thank Mr. Barnes for the guidance, and I wish to express my appreciation to him for influencing me along with many others to do the right. He has been a father as well as a superintendent to all of us.

Next I wish to thank most sincerely the missionary society of the Ebenezer church in New Hill, which has for the past nine years sent me semi-annually a box of lovely clothes.

The doctors of Raleigh have been so generous to our home, and I wish to say that though they have served us a long time we never tire of thanking them and expressing our appreciation.

I couldn't end this letter without thanking the matrons and teachers of our home, for the guidance they have given me and the many services rendered.

By coming to this Christian home, the outline of my life was changed and I'm thankful to each individual who helped to make this change possible. It was all for the best.

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**LETTER FROM WOODROW CARROLL**—I now realize that I am about to bring to a close the happiest years of my life at the Methodist Orphanage.

The Methodist Orphanage has been my home for the past 11 years. These have been the shortest years of my life. I feel as if I am leaving the best home that anyone could have. At the age of eight I was admitted to the home with three brothers, two of whom are still here. I started my first year here and have continued on through the eleventh grade. It did not take me long after coming here to realize that I was very lucky to have such a good home.

First of all I thank Mr. Barnes who has been so good to me. He has never spoken an unkind word to me and he has always encouraged me and given me good advice.

As I leave I shall never forget the workers and children who have made my life here a pleasant and happy one. The workers have always been patient and kind to me. They have understood me and helped me in many ways. I shall remember the boys and girls who have been like brothers and sisters to me.

I wish to thank the Sunday school class at Rocky Mount which has been so kind to me. They have willingly sent me a box of nice clothes twice a year. They will always be remembered for their kindness to me.

In leaving this fine home I shall never forget it and I will always think of it as a place I am proud to be from.

An old darky approached the minister.

"Pahson, suh," he said, "Ah wants you all to pray for me."

"Well, Rastus, what's wrong?"

"Suh, I's got a floatin' kidney, suh."

"But, Rastus," said the minister, "I cant pray for physical things like that; I only pray for spiritual things."

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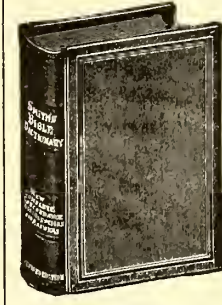
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### INSTITUTES FOR CHURCH SCHOOL WORKERS

Beginning Monday afternoon, July 8, at Friendship church on the Wilkesboro charge (Elkin district), and closing Wednesday night, August 7, at Clyde (Waynesville district), there will be a series of institutes for church school workers sponsored jointly by the district superintendents, pastors involved, and the Board of Education.

The program for these institutes will be made to fit local conditions. In general, they will include a discussion for workers with children, led by Miss Elizabeth Oliver, conference director of children's work; a discussion for leaders and workers with youth, led by Rev. M. Teague Hipps, conference director of young people's work; and a discussion for leaders and workers with adults, led by Rev. Earl Brewer, conference extension secretary. All officers and teachers and prospective leaders should be in one of these discussions. The discussions will be followed usually by a picnic supper at the church.

Concluding the institute for church school workers, there will be an inspirational message by the district superintendent or someone whom he will select. To this meeting the entire membership of the charge will be invited. It will close with a re-consecration to the teaching ministry of our church.

The pastors involved, the district superintendents, and the extension secretary have worked out the following schedule for these institutes for Christian workers:

#### Elkin District

July 7—Moravian Falls.  
 July 8—Wilkesboro.  
 July 9—Watauga.  
 July 10—Jefferson.  
 July 11—Helton.  
 July 12—Warrensville.  
 July 13—Sparta.  
 July 14 (morning)—Traphill; (evening) Yadkinville and Surry-Yadkin.  
 July 16—St. Paul.  
 July 17—Jonesville.  
 July 18—Advance.  
 July 19—Davie.

#### Marion District

July 21—Morganton Ct.  
 July 22—Connelly Springs.  
 July 23—Bakersville.  
 July 24—Elk Park.  
 July 25—Spruce Pine.  
 July 26—Bostic and Sunshine.

#### Waynesville District

July 28—Hayesville and Shooting Creek.  
 July 29—Murphy and Murphy Ct.  
 July 30—Andrews and Robbinsville.

July 31—Bryson City and Whittier.  
 August 1—Cullowhee, Webster, Sylva and Highlands.  
 August 2—Bethel.  
 August 4—Franklin, Macon and Franklin Ct.  
 August 5—Crabtree.  
 August 6—Dellwood and Jonathan.  
 August 7—Clyde, Canton, Rockwood, Morning Star and Junaluska.

### CHURCH SCHOOL DAY

Contributions to the Board of Education from Church School Day are coming in constantly each week. The annual budget is planned and the program of the board is projected on the basis of an estimated income of \$2,000 from this source each year. To date approximately \$1200 has been received. We are grateful to the following churches, which reported the week of June 16-23, and hope that many more will be in the next group reported. Mr. H. A. Dunham, Asheville, will receive all contributions cheerfully!

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| Main Street, Gastonia ..... | \$50.00 |
| Weddington .....            | 3.00    |
| Park Street, Belmont .....  | 5.00    |
| Gibsonville .....           | 4.50    |
| Bethel, Hickory .....       | 5.00    |
| Biltmore .....              | 5.00    |
| Bethany and Liberty .....   | 4.10    |
| Franklinville .....         | 5.00    |
| Wesley Heights .....        | 10.00   |

### ONE DAY MEETINGS

#### Elkin, Marion and Waynesville

The series of one day meetings scheduled for the Elkin, Marion and Waynesville have great possibilities for a consideration of the local church program of Christian education. Mr. Brewer, extension secretary, has given considerable time and thought to preparation for these meetings. Pastors and district superintendents have co-operated in a fine way. It is hoped that the response will be such as to justify many more meetings of this nature.

### BISHOP PURCELL HOLDS IMPORTANT MEETING IN SALISBURY

At the call of Bishop Purcell, members of the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance, members of the executive committee of the Board of Education and district superintendents met with the Board of Missions to consider the new "financial plan" of the church. After a careful and most helpful presentation of the new plan by Bishop Purcell, several other financial matters were discussed. The calling of this meeting is another indication of the fine, thoughtful and considerate leadership of Bishop Purcell. The quadrennium ahead bids fair to be one in which fine progress should be made by the united Methodism.

### CHILDREN'S DIVISION

#### Opportunities for Children's Workers at Conference School, Lake Junaluska, July 30-August 6

Our children's workers will have unusual opportunities this summer at the Conference School at Lake Junaluska. This is being held in co-operation with the General Board of Education, and will offer excellent courses for all church school workers.

In the children's division our workers will be glad to know that they will have the opportunity to observe the actual teaching of children. This is the first time we have been able to offer this opportunity in the conference school, and we are hoping that many of our workers will take advantage of it. Courses will be:

Materials for Beginner Children (with observation). Taught by Mrs. J. C. Burrow, specialist in children's work, Columbia, Miss.

Materials for Primary Children (with observation). Taught by Mrs. W. B. Ferguson, editor Elementary Teacher.

Materials for Junior Children (with observation). Taught by Miss Barnett Spratt, author "The Land Where Jesus Lived," and other children's materials.

The summer offers no greater opportunity for training than will be found in these courses for children's workers. Send your teachers to Lake Junaluska for this school. Programs will be sent on request to Box 828, Salisbury, N. C.

### THE CALL TO PRAYER

Great Britain is a country which has inherited great Christian traditions and beliefs. Despite many influences working in a contrary direction, the British people is in fundamental spirit and aim and purpose a Christian people. This being the case, His Majesty the King rightly interpreted the nation's mind when he appointed Sunday, May 26, as a day of National Prayer for our country, our allies and our cause. We are engaged in a struggle, not only with armed and armoured hosts, but with Satanic powers. The arm of the flesh alone cannot prevail. We must use every spiritual weapon which is available to us. Of these the most effective is prayer. This is no time for discussing the philosophy of prayer. It is a time for trust in the promises of God, and for reliance on the experience of the generations. "Men ought always to pray."

We are thankful that the King is leading his people to the throne of the heavenly grace. That is true leadership. Let there be a great and united response to the King's call, in the sure confidence that "we shall obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need."—Methodist Recorder (London).

Shamgar had an ox goad,  
 David had a sling,  
 Dorcas had a needle,  
 Rahab had a string,  
 Samson had a jawbone,  
 Moses had a rod,  
 Mary had some ointment,  
 And they all were used of God.  
 —Emanuel.



Golden Cross Receipts

Receipts for the Golden Cross bycharges and districts in the Western North Carolina conference to June 29,

| Asheville District       |          | Liberty                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |        |
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| Asheville Central        | \$ 78.51 | Ramseur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 9.00   |
| Asheville, Hillside      | 21.25    | Randleman Union                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 15.00  |
| Black Mountain           | 27.50    | Randolph Ct.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 28.00  |
| Fairview                 | 16.50    | Shiloh                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 3.00   |
| Fletcher Ct.             | 17.00    | Total                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 3.00   |
| Hot Springs              | 27.30    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 177.96 |
| Laurel-Barnardsville     | 5.45     | Marion District                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |
| Marshall                 | 10.50    | Bakersville                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 16.17  |
| Merrimon Ave.            | 5.50     | Morganton First                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 111.00 |
| Pisgah Ct.               | 10.50    | Old Fort                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 7.12   |
| West Asheville           | 10.50    | Rutherford College                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 36.00  |
| Total                    | 230.51   | Spindale                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 8.78   |
|                          |          | Total                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 179.07 |
| Charlotte District       |          | Salisbury District                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |        |
| Charlotte, Calvary       | 21.25    | Concord, Forest Hill                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 35.00  |
| Charlotte, Chadwick      | 13.00    | Concord, Kerr St.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 29.50  |
| Hawthorne Lane           | 64.39    | China Grove                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 5.50   |
| New Hope-Bethel          | 9.07     | First, Salisbury                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 249.25 |
| Pleasant Grove-Homestead | 23.00    | Stanfield                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1.00   |
| Thrift-Moores            | 7.50     | Total                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 320.25 |
| Wadesboro                | 50.00    | Statesville District                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |        |
| Waxhaw                   | 19.19    | Cool Springs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 29.00  |
| Total                    | 207.40   | Granite Falls                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 35.30  |
| Elkin District           |          | Hickory First                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 153.56 |
| Advance                  | 15.80    | Hickory, Bethel                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 5.50   |
| Ararat                   | 13.10    | Hudson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 22.81  |
| Ararat-Mt. View          | 1.00     | Mt. Zion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 11.00  |
| Boone                    | 1.00     | Shepherds                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 12.50  |
| Cooleemee                | 51.00    | Total                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 269.67 |
| Creston                  | 1.00     | Waynesville District                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |        |
| Davie                    | 35.22    | Andrews                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 10.70  |
| Dobson                   | 1.15     | Bryson City                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 6.00   |
| Elkin                    | 603.25   | Clyde                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 15.75  |
| Farmington               | 12.00    | Franklin                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 21.00  |
| Green Valley             | 1.00     | Total                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 53.45  |
| Helton                   | 1.00     | Winston-Salem District                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |        |
| Jefferson                | 25.80    | Lexington First                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 12.50  |
| Jonesville               | 35.15    | Lewisville                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 6.00   |
| Laurel Springs           | 1.00     | Mt. Airy Central                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 233.00 |
| Mocksville               | 1.00     | Walnut Cove                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 7.03   |
| Mocksville Ct.           | 1.00     | Welcome                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 25.00  |
| Moravian Falls           | 4.55     | Winston-Salem, Ardmore                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 21.00  |
| North Wilkesboro         | 1.00     | Winston-Salem, Grace                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 50.00  |
| Sparta                   | 46.67    | Total                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 354.53 |
| St. Paul                 | 14.00    | R. M. Courtney, Treas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |        |
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| Warrenville              | 1.00     | Smiles help to lighten the darkest days. And it ought to be easier for Christians to smile than for other folks. Christ is living in every Christian, and Christ is "the light of the world." A genuine, warm-hearted smile is one of the best ways by which Christians can let their "light so shine before men." Someone has written this inviting statement: "A smile costs nothing, but gives much; it enriches those who receive, without making poorer those who give. It takes only a moment, but the memory of it sometimes lasts forever. No one is so rich or mighty that he can get along without it; and no one is so poor but what he cannot be made rich by it. A smile creates happiness in the home, fosters goodwill in business, and is the symbol of friendship. It brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and it is nature's best antidote for trouble. Yet it cannot be bought, borrowed, begged or stolen, for it is something that is of no value to anyone until it is given away. Some people are too tired to smile. Give them one of yours, as no one needs a smile so much as he who has no more to give."—Sunday School Times. |        |
| Watauga                  | 1.00     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |
| West Jefferson           | 7.25     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |
| Wilkesboro               | 5.50     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |
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| Yadkinville              | 1.00     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |
| Surry-Yadkin             | 1.00     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |
| Traphill                 | 1.00     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |
| Total                    | 898.44   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |        |
| Gastonia District        |          | Greensboro District                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |        |
| Cleveland Ct.            | 14.65    | Bethel-Battleground                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 3.00   |
| Main Street, Gastonia    | 200.00   | Brown Summit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 3.50   |
| Kings Mountain Grace     | 5.55     | Gibsonville                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 10.25  |
| Polkville                | 22.65    | Glenwood                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 10.00  |
| Rock Springs             | 10.00    | Greensboro (Lee's Chapel)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 20.00  |
| Stanley                  | 7.74     | Greensboro, Carraway Memorial                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 11.00  |
| Total                    | 260.59   | Greensboro, College Place                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 79.00  |
|                          |          | Jamestown                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 30.00  |
|                          |          | Madison                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 18.00  |
|                          |          | Reidsville                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 49.27  |
|                          |          | Reidsville Ct.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 55.00  |
|                          |          | Sandy Ridge                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 5.00   |
|                          |          | Stoneville-Mayodan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 25.70  |
|                          |          | Summerfield                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 13.00  |
|                          |          | West Greensboro                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 18.00  |
|                          |          | Total                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 350.72 |
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By James S. Chubb

## The Tests Job Met

Scripture—Job 2:1-13

Our next three lessons are studies in the book of Job. Let us refresh our memories concerning the real importance of this book, which is really an answer to the question, Why do men suffer?

Theologians, philosophers, and sociologists have given many answers to the question. Some have said that men suffered because and only because they had sinned. This was the commonly accepted view among the Hebrew people at this particular period. The inspired author of this religious drama, for the book of Job is that, gave other answers to the question. Job is the hero who combats the accepted idea that only those who sin suffer.

In the book we see Job as the perfect servant of God. He was religious; he was generous; he was wealthy; he lived well with God and with man. God was proud of Job. He was God's man.

He stood the money test and the family test of Satan's temptation. Frequently such privations cause men to lose their faith and their confidence in God. But Job passed this test with flying colors. He understood the frailty of things earthly. He had seen this issue so clearly that when they went the way of all flesh, his faith still stood supreme.

The next great test was related in our Scripture: it was the personal health test. Satan is never satisfied, so he strolled about the court of God asking or hinting for another chance. He had lost once. He had his chance to do anything he would except take the life of Job. So he sent the pestilence of boils upon Job. That is a terrible affliction.

The arguments between the characters in the drama are better understood if this is kept in mind, for they are the language and pointed jabs of sick minds. When Satan has his way he makes us sick. I have often thought of this in the light of modern psychology.

Job stood his health test well. He was stronger than his wife, for she broke under the strain of this affliction. She had been loyal and staunch, but this sight of her sick husband broke her. Job not only carried on with his sickness and misfortune, but also carried on without the favor and sympathy of his wife. But his religious faith was stronger than the evil that had fallen to him.

The friends came to watch with Job. It is inconceivable that these men were genuine friends of Job or were real servants of God. They were shocked and disturbed at Job's desperate con-

dition. They set up a religious wail instead of extending consolation, sympathy, and inspiration. They were the type of friends who let their own feelings get the better of them. They indulged in morbidity before a sick man whose strength was fast ebbing. They would have served God much better to have brought understanding and good cheer.

Job stood the test of his wife, he stood the health test and the financial test, but he broke under the strain of their religious weariness. He broke into a personal wail which started the religious argument that is the main body of the book.

Now one of the issues we must face is, Did God turn Job over to Satan to test him? It seems to me that this kind of testing is believed in by most men who go the limit in their religion. There is a time when we must settle the issue whether or not we are primarily loyal to God, and will be under all conditions. If one passes that critical test, then God can lead him into useful fields and into a much more meaningful kind of life. Here is the fundamental issue of the temptation, How loyal would Job be to God?

Satan said that Job served God for a price. God said that Job was loyal because he loved God most. The test had to be made, and in my judgment it is made in every life. Whatever one's theological opinion is, every religious person must meet and pass this test. Abraham met it when he was called to sacrifice Isaac; Jesus met it in the temptation experience; it must be met by lesser souls like ourselves.

Job wavered with his lips and gave vent to fevered ranting. There were times when it seemed that he could never again return to a belief in God. But he did. He came through with a religious triumph that was as dramatic as were his outbursts against the religious ideas of his friends. When Job turned away from the ranting of his friends and toward God, he passed the test of his temptation victoriously.

There is a lesson for us here: Our human opinions about God and His ways may injure a man in his dark moments of temptation. The atmosphere of a joyful religious faith and a personal confidence in God alone can succeed in temptations like those of Job.

The main point of this temptation is: Does God allow His people to be tempted? The answer is "yes." We simply cannot go through this life without them. The greater the ambition of people, the greater the temptation; the greater the soul and the higher the religious achievement, the more temptation the man must face.

All three of the friends represent the old point of view—that men suffer because they sin. Eliphaz is the most intelligent. His speeches are well composed and he leads off in the arguments. He does not chide Job until Job reacts obstinately to suggestions. Bildad has only one idea which he monotonously repeats three times. His is a one-track mind. Zophar enrages Job the most. He uses pointed and inflammatory language. He makes insinuations. He is a conceited dogmatist.

Such men do not aid a man in a moment of temptation. The writer of Job is correct in interpreting them as men

who make a bad matter worse. Their kind do that. They have none of the spirit of mercy.

The writer of Job is correct in pointing them to defeat when they discuss with men of Job's type. They are defeated because their convictions and methods are the methods of men, not those of God.

—Christian Advocate.

## A TREE-IN-A-ROCK

By Georgia Moore Eberling

A long time ago a tiny seed fell into a crevice of a great rock on Herman Hill in Wyoming.

Today there is a tree-in-a-rock which stands like a lone soldier on guard in the midst of sagebrush and prairie grass. For at least eighty years this tree has been a landmark.

The Cheyenne Indians and the Sioux in early days considered it sacred and protected it from harm.

The caravan trains plodding over the desert toward the far West welcomed the green pine as a resting place. Later the stage lines passed by it, and the stages used to stop to allow the passengers to enjoy this one break in the vast extent of prairie.

Then came the railroads. Miles away from a station was the tree-in-a-rock, but trains stopped beside it long enough to permit the firemen to get out of the cab and throw a bucket of water over the thirsty roots.

A story is told among old-timers that the surveyors of the first railroad lines were told to change the course of the road a little to avoid having to destroy the huge rock with the tree in it.

Today the tree is surrounded by an iron fence to protect it from vandals, while the boulder has a strong steel cable about it to keep it from splitting entirely in two.

Motorists along the smooth Lincoln highway, on their swift way to the coast, pause today to stop and marvel at the courage of the hardy pine and to admire it, even as the pioneers of almost a hundred years ago did.—Sentinel.

## LIVE FOR SOMETHING

Live for something, have a purpose,

And that purpose keep in view;

Drifting like a helmless vessel,

Thou canst ne'er to life be true.

Half the wrecks that strew life's ocean

If some star had been their guide,

Might have now been riding safely,

But they drifted with the tide.

Live for something, and live in earnest;

Though the work may humble be,

By the world of men unnoticed,

Known alone to God and thee.

Every act has priceless value

To the architect of fate;

'Tis the spirit of thy doing

That alone will make it great.

Live for something—God and angels

Are thy watchers in the strife,

And above the smoke and conflict

Gleams the victor's crown of life.

Live for something; God has given

Freely of His stores divine;

Richest gifts of earth and heaven,

If thy willest, may be thine.

—Robert Whitaker.



# Children's



# Storyland

## SUE'S MAY BASKET

Sue sat at the window on the last day of April and watched the other children troop off to the woods for May flowers and ferns.

"I do wish I could go, too," she sighed, "but my sprained ankle won't be well for several days yet."

Sue almost cried as she thought about it, but at last she decided to be a good sport and try not to mind.

"I will watch for Billy and Betty and all the rest to come back from the woods," Sue told herself. "Then I will see all the flowers and beautiful ferns they bring home."

A little later Sue saw them passing. Her chums waved and smiled, and Sue waved and smiled back.

The next morning she woke up with a smile, and she decided to keep smiling all day, even without any May basket to give her chums. After breakfast, Mother settled her in the chair by the window in the playroom. Sue took up her story-book and began to read. It was a lovely story, and in a short time Sue had forgotten everything but that. She read on and on.

After a while a soft knock came at the door.

"Come in," Sue called, wondering who could be knocking, for Mother would walk right in.

The door opened with giggles and chuckles, then Billy and Betty and Babs and Jane and Johnny all came trooping in. Sue's eyes opened wide in surprise and she smiled gladly at her playmates.

"Happy May Day to you!" they sang, and Sue clapped her hands in glee.

"Here is a May basket for you," said Betty with a smile, holding out a lovely little basket filled with dainty ferns.

A slip of paper was attached to the ferns. It said, "Lift us up."

Sue's fingers trembled with excitement as she carefully lifted the delicate ferns. Underneath was a small package, wrapped in tissue paper and tied with a pretty ribbon bow.

"This is a surprise!" Sue laughed, while all the others watched with interested smile as she opened it.

Inside the package was a box of crayons. Sue thanked Betty and then Billy handed her another large basket.

"Oh, what a sweet one!" Sue breathed, for nestling on a soft bed of pretty green moss, was a tiny black and white kitten. "Thank you, Billy. I will have fun with him. He will keep me company while my ankle heals."

"I have a May basket for you, too," said Jane, as Sue cuddled the kitten close to her neck.

"How pretty!" Sue cried, as she accepted the basket, and when Sue opened the package she found beneath the flowers, there was a painting-book.

"Oh, I will use my new crayons with this!" Sue exclaimed.

## JULY

By Theodora Horton

So still, there's not a sound they say  
Upon this breathless summer day.  
Yet I can hear so many things—  
The gentle whirr of tiny wings,  
The drowsy hum of bees that pass,  
The chirp of cricket in the grass;  
The murmuring of the little stream  
That sleeping, talks about its dream.  
And hark! within the orchard wall,  
I heard the ripe apple fall.  
Yet all these things in some strange  
way,

Seem stillness on a summer day.

—The Sentinel.

Johnny and Babs had May baskets for Sue, too. Under the flowers in Johnny's basket, Sue found a game that all of them could play. Inside of Bab's basket was a thick story-book with lovely pictures in it.

"Oh, thank you all," Sue cried happily. "You are such good friends to think of me."

Just then Mother came into the room, carrying a huge basket.

"Here is my May basket to you," she laughed. "It is a picnic basket, for it is time for lunch."

All the children exclaimed with pleasure, for the basket was filled with the nicest picnic lunch, complete with everything, even hot cocoa.

The chums enjoyed their picnic and afterward they played quiet games that Sue could play.

"This has been the nicest May Day I ever had!" Sue called after the boys and girls as they began to get ready to go home.

"It is the nicest one we ever had, too," Betty smiled. "It was such fun surprising you and making you happy."

—Grace Krogh in "Storytime."

## A DETERMINED PUPPY

A playful puppy in a garden of the rarest of flowers! It could not be tolerated on account of the destruction that would be certain to result.

So thought Luther Burbank, the noted plant genius, as he watched uneasily the playful antics of a little brown and white fox terrier that had come into his yard and was romping happily at his feet.

Burbank had no idea where the puppy had come from but he felt sure that he must get rid of it as soon as possible. The kind man did not want to send the helpless dog away hungry so he took it into the house and fed it before placing it outside his gate. He hoped the puppy would then go home but instead she found an opening in the fence and squeezed through and ran back joyfully to the worried man.

Burbank again put the puppy outside the gate but it was of no use for she hurried back to him. Her playfulness and apparent trust in him quickly won a place in the famous man's heart for the little dog and he decided to give her a trial and to keep her if possible.

Thus started one of the finest and most devoted friendships between man and dog that has ever been recorded. Burbank gave his little pet a name of endearment, "Bonita." From the day Bonita came into his life, Burbank was a happier man, for she became his constant companion, cherished, trusted and loved always.

Bonita would follow Burbank about at his work and seemed to love his beautiful plants as much as he did. Never did she injure even one, and her master trusted her wherever he worked in his gardens, nothing being too rare or marvelous a creation for Bonita to come near. Man and dog were together day after day in beautiful and trusting companionship.

Bonita perhaps met more noted people than any other dog in the world ever did. Whenever anyone called to see her famous master, Bonita was there by his side to greet them. Among those visitors were some crowned heads and members of the nobility of different foreign countries as well as countless famous people of our own United States. Thomas Edison held the little fox terrier on his lap and was proud to do so, although he was the great Edison to whom we owe a debt of gratitude for our electric lights.

Many years passed by for Burbank and his faithful pet, but sad days came when the kind man became seriously ill. Bonita stayed by his bed constantly and for three days before her loved master's death she would not eat. His trembling hand gave her a final pat one day, a touch that recalled many happy ones of the past.

Joy went from Bonita's life when her master's body was taken away, but when it was returned to the home to lie in state she crept into the room and found a place beneath the casket where she kept her last vigil among the banked-up flowers that both she and her master had loved so well.

Bonita lived several years after the death of Burbank and gave her affection and trust to Mrs. Elizabeth Waters Burbank, her master's widow. When Bonita died she was buried in the Experimental Garden where she had gone joyfully many times with her loved master.

Burbank, the noted horticultural genius, had taken into his heart the little dog that came so strangely into his life, determined to stay there. And Bonita, that little fox terrier, repaid the kind man through a faithfulness and a devotion that even death could not efface.—Our Dumb Animals.



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Duke Memorial, 7:30 ..... 9  
Calvary, 7:30 ..... 10  
Chapel Hill, 7:30 ..... 11  
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 ..... 11  
Cedar Grove, Prospect, 3 ..... 14  
Davis Street, 7:30 ..... 17  
Eno, 7:30 ..... 18  
Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11 ..... 20  
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11 ..... 21  
Sweepsonville, Salem, 2:30 ..... 21  
Carrboro, Massey's, 7:30 ..... 24  
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Kinnakeet, Salvo, night ..... 6  
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Plymouth, Jamesville, night ..... 14  
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Goldsboro Ct., Salem, 8 ..... 7  
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Goldsboro, St. Paul, 11 ..... 14  
Jones, Shady Grove, 3 ..... 14  
Ayden, Winterville, 8 ..... 14  
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Garner, Ebenezer, 11 ..... July 7  
Bailey, Sims, 8 (revival services) ..... 7  
Raleigh, Person Street, 8:00 ..... 10  
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 8:00 ..... 12  
Benson, Elevation, 11:00 ..... 14  
Seima, 8:00 ..... 14  
Raleigh, Fairmont, 8:00 ..... 15  
August  
Louisburg Circuit, Leah's, 11:00 ..... 4  
Franklinton, Wesley, 3:00 ..... 4  
Raleigh, Person Street, Epworth, 8:00 ..... 4

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THIRD ROUND

Middleburg, New Hope, 11 ..... July 6  
Farmville, 11 ..... 7  
Walstonburg, 3:30 ..... 7  
Stantonsburg, 8 ..... 7  
Weldon, 8 ..... 8  
Sandy Cross, Gold Valley, 8 ..... 10  
Rosemary, New Hope, 11 ..... 11  
Roanoke Rapids, 8 ..... 11  
Haltfax, Ebenezer, 11 ..... 12  
Enfield, 8 ..... 12  
Warrenton, Hobron, 11 ..... 13  
Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 ..... 14  
Nashville, York, 3:30 ..... 14  
Whitakers, McTyelre, 8 ..... 14  
Kenly, Lucama, 8 ..... 17  
Wilson, 11 ..... 21  
Saint Paul, 8 ..... 21

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, O.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

Clinton, Keener, 11 ..... July 7  
Roseboro, McGees, 3 ..... 7  
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, night ..... 7  
Rowland (place to be announced), 11 ..... 14  
Pembroke (Indian Work), 3 ..... 14  
Lumberton Ct., Rules, night ..... 14  
Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11 ..... 21  
Lumberton, night ..... 21  
Wilmington, Grace, 11 ..... 28  
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night ..... 28

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Oakley, 11 ..... 7  
Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace, Sandy (jointly), Lower  
Church, 3 ..... 7  
Brevard, 11 ..... 14  
Central (preaching), night ..... 14  
Black Mountain, night ..... 16  
Weaverville, night ..... 17  
Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, night ..... 18  
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, night ..... 19  
Laurel-Barnardsville, Bright Hope, 11 ..... 21  
Weaverville Ct., Clark's Chapel, 3 ..... 21

Oteen, Mt. Zion, night ..... 21  
Hot Springs, Fairview, 11 ..... 28  
Marshall, Walnut, night ..... 23

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July  
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 ..... 7  
First Church, Charlotte, 8 ..... 7

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THIRD ROUND

July  
Trap Hill, Rich Hill Church, 11 ..... 6  
Warrensville, Clifton, 11 ..... 7  
Creston, Peak Grove, 3 ..... 7  
West Jefferson, 11 ..... 14  
Todd, Hopewell, 3 ..... 14  
Boone, night ..... 14  
Watauga, Mabel, 11 ..... 21  
Green Valley Ct., Thomas Church, 2:30 ..... 21  
Moravian Falls, Roaring River, 8 ..... 21  
Ararat, Maple Grove, 11 ..... 28  
Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3 ..... 28  
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THIRD ROUND

July  
Bessemer Ct., Pinley's Chapel, 11 ..... 7  
Belmont, Park Street, night ..... 7  
Cherryville, First Church, 11 ..... 14  
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, night ..... 14  
South Fork, 11 ..... 21  
South Fork, Plateau, 3 ..... 21  
Cramerton, South Point, night ..... 21  
Casar, 11 ..... 23  
Casar, New Home, 3 ..... 23  
Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, night ..... 23  
August  
Gastonia, Trinity, 11 ..... 4  
Gastonia, West End, night ..... 4  
Rock Springs, Denver, 11 ..... 11  
Lowesville, night ..... 11  
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 ..... 18  
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 ..... 18  
Stanley, Stanley, night ..... 18  
Boger City, Asbury, 11 ..... 25  
Dallas, night ..... 25  
September  
Kings Mountain, Central, 11 ..... 1  
Belmont, Main Street, night ..... 1  
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11 ..... 8  
Lincolnton, First Church, night ..... 8  
Bessemer City, 11 ..... 15  
Shelby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 11 ..... 22

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THIRD ROUND

July  
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Lee's Chapel-Grace, 8 ..... 7  
Spray, 8 ..... 10  
Pleasant Garden, 11 ..... 14  
Proxhult, 8 ..... 14  
Greensboro: Grace, 11 ..... 21  
Haw River, Friendship ..... 21  
Glenwood, 8 ..... 21  
Madison, 11 ..... 28  
Leaksville, 8 ..... 28  
August  
Draper-Fairview, 11 ..... 4  
Draper, 3 ..... 4  
Bethel-Battleground, 8 ..... 4  
Pleasant Garden, 11 ..... 11

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Randleman, New Salem, 8 ..... 7  
Ward Street, 8 ..... 8  
Lebanon, 8 ..... 9  
Main Street, 8 ..... 10  
Oak View, 8 ..... 11  
Farmer, New Hope, 10 ..... 14  
Why Not, New Zion, 2:30 ..... 14  
Denton, Newcom, 8 ..... 14  
First Church, High Point, 8 ..... 17



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|-------------------------------------------|----|
| Highland, 8                               | 18 |
| Shiloh, Shiloh, 2                         | 20 |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11       | 21 |
| Randleman-Union, Union, 3                 | 21 |
| Asheboro Central, 8                       | 21 |
| Trinity, Fairview, 8                      | 23 |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Gray's Chapel, 11 | 28 |
| Seagrove-Love Joy, Macedonia, 2:30        | 28 |
| August                                    |    |
| Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 8                  | 4  |

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| MARION DISTRICT                                      |    |
| J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C. |    |
| THIRD ROUND                                          |    |
| July                                                 |    |
| Spruce Pine, 11                                      | 7  |
| Micaville, 3                                         | 7  |
| Linville Falls, 7:30                                 | 7  |
| Bakersville, 11                                      | 14 |
| Bald Creek, 3                                        | 14 |
| Burnsville, 7:30                                     | 14 |
| Elk Park, 11                                         | 21 |
| Avery, 3                                             | 21 |
| Cliffside, 7:30                                      | 21 |

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| SALISBURY DISTRICT                                                                                                                                                              |  |
| C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.                                                                                                                                             |  |
| THIRD ROUND                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
| The third round of quarterly conferences for the Salisbury District will be held in groups as follows:                                                                          |  |
| Sunday, July 7, 3 p.m., at Central, Spencer                                                                                                                                     |  |
| First Church, Woodleaf, Gold Hill, Granite Quarry, Park Avenue, Coburn Memorial, East Spencer-Yadkin, China Grove, Main Street-Rowan, Spencer Central, and Spencer-China Grove. |  |
| In the meantime all preaching dates for the district superintendent will be made with the pastors direct.                                                                       |  |

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| STATESVILLE DISTRICT                      |   |
| John Hoy'e, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C. |   |
| THIRD ROUND                               |   |
| July                                      |   |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11              | 7 |

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| WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT                     |    |
| W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C. |    |
| THIRD ROUND                              |    |
| July                                     |    |
| Cullowhee, 11                            | 7  |
| Webster, 3 and 8                         | 7  |
| Murphy, 11                               | 14 |
| Murphy Ct., 3 and 8                      | 14 |
| Waynesville, 11                          | 21 |
| Whittier, Blue Wing                      | 21 |
| Bryson City, 8                           | 21 |
| Hayesville, Hayesville, 11 and 3         | 28 |
| Shooting Creek, Hayesville, 11 and 3     | 28 |
| Franklin, 8                              | 28 |
| Macon, Franklin, 8                       | 28 |
| Franklin Ct., 8                          | 28 |
| Louisa, Franklin                         | 28 |
| (Dr. Vliet speaker on 28th).             |    |

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| WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT                                        |    |
| W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C. |    |
| THIRD ROUND                                                   |    |
| July                                                          |    |
| West Forsyth, Baltimore, 7:30                                 | 6  |
| Forsyth, Marvin Chapel, 11                                    | 7  |
| Pilot Mountain, Chestnut Grove, 11                            | 14 |
| Mt. Airy Circuit, Beulah, 3                                   | 14 |
| Thomasville Ct., Fairview, 7:30                               | 14 |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, Mt. Zion, 11                               | 21 |
| Mt. Airy, Rockford Street, Blackwater, 2:30                   | 21 |
| Winston-Salem, Hiatt Memorial, Hiatt, 7:30                    | 21 |
| August                                                        |    |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary (third check-up meeting), 7:30       | 6  |

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A friendly heart for all mankind,  
A trust in self—without conceit,—  
And strength to rise above defeat.  
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## In Memoriam

**WOODRUFF**—Walter V. Woodruff, for thirty years chairman of Board of Stewards, teacher, devoted member of First Methodist Church, died of cancer May 23. He was one of God's truest, noblest Christian gentlemen. His first love was his Church. His homegoing is an irreparable loss to his splendid family, the Church and community. He was a faithful servant of the Lord, and heard the "well done, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary Coburn Woodruff, daughter Mary Woodruff, sons Grover and Harvey of Roanoke Rapids, daughter Mrs. Dewey Cage of New York, and son Rufus of Charlotte.

Daniel Lane.

**SHEPPARD**—Benjamin Titus Shepard was born in Onslow county on December 20, 1874. In early life he came to Duplin county where he married Miss Mary Bryant Smith in 1900. He had not been long a resident of Duplin before he joined Smith's Chapel. Soon he assumed a position of leadership in the Methodist congregation of this union church. He served until his death on the board of stewards. From time to time he served in other capacities as he had opportunity to do so. For the past few years he had been in declining health and had been confined to his bed for several weeks before his death on May 16, 1940. A worthy servant has been promoted to a merited place in his Father's house above. He is survived by one son, three daughters, numerous grandchildren, two brothers and three sisters.

### IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Bettie James Hicks passed to her final reward April 2, 1940. Aged 69, she left a record of faith and good works that speaks for itself.

She was reared in Orange county, near Little River Church, which she joined in early life. Later, while the wife of Mr. Henry James, she moved to New Sharon Methodist Church. During her second married life, as Mrs. Hicks, she resided in Caswell county, and moved to Prospect Church. The last years of her life were spent with her step-son, Mr. H. E. James, of Orange County, and she again joined New Sharon Church.

Thus, having lived in three communities and having belonged to three churches, she had an unusually large circle of friends. They all mourn her passing, even though they know that she has but passed to a better land, the "Promised Land" she loved so well.

She was a faithful member of the New Sharon Woman's Missionary Society. She was the oldest member and the first to pass away since the society was organized five years ago. She loved the church and always attended when health and circumstances permitted. She gave liberally to support the church and its institutions.

Her relatives and friends will not soon forget her kindness, her helpfulness, her cheerfulness, and above all, her simple, child-like faith. So great a faith we rarely see, and truly she lived to serve. "She did what she could."

By Woman's Missionary Society of New Sharon Church.

Mrs. Beth B. Roberts,  
Mrs. Billie Walker.

### IN MEMORIAM

One of the most faithful members of Trinity Methodist church, Belhaven, N. C., went to his heavenly reward on February 26, 1940, after a lingering illness. Brother L. T. Houston was born at Salisbury, Md., September 10, 1858, and when just a young man he moved to North Carolina, first coming to Plymouth, where he lived several years, and while there joined the Methodist church. From Plymouth he moved to Bath and engaged in business, but soon thereafter moved to Belhaven, where he established permanent residence.

When Brother Houston moved to Belhaven there was no Methodist church here. However, he and several other Methodists soon started a movement for the establishment of a Methodist church, and it was not very long thereafter until their efforts were realized. It was not very long after the church had been built that Brother Houston started a move for the erection of a parsonage and once again his efforts were successful. He served on the board of stewards of Trinity church for more than 25 years. His home was always open to ministers, he having entertained the presiding elders times and bishops on several occasions. Brother Houston was very active in the work of the church school, holding several offices from time to time. He was also a true Mason and a loyal Odd Fellow. At the time of his death he was 82 years of age. He was not only one of our town's oldest citizens, but truly one of her finest and most loyal sons. Of him it may be truly said:

"He goes to life and not to death;  
From darkness to life's native sky;  
He goes from sickness and from pain  
To health and immortality.

Let our farewell, then, be tearless,  
Since he bids farewell to tears;  
Write this day of his departure  
Festive in our coming years."

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Missionary Society of Sharon Methodist church, Shelby circuit, wish to pay a loving tribute to our dear friend, Mrs. D. D. Dodd. She was a faithful and devoted member of her church and society. She endeared her life to all with whom she came in contact, and in a very tender and loving way to the children of the Beginner class of which she was a faithful and loving teacher for thirty years. Her Christian character and unflinching loyalty were widely known, and because of these and many other good qualities she will be sorely missed in the church and throughout the community.

Therefore, be it resolved: First, that we bow in humble submission to God's will, who doeth all things well.

Second, that we thank God for having known her and through our memories of her we may be more faithful to the work in which she was interested, and that we will cherish in loving remembrance her many years of service to her church and society.

Third, that our deepest sympathy be extended to her family in the great loss that they have sustained.

Fourth, that a copy of these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of our society; that a copy be sent to the family, and to each of her sisters, and that a copy be published in the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. J. Leonard Rayle,  
Mrs. F. A. Queen,  
Mrs. D. E. Grigg.

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## Historic and Beautiful Chapel Hill

The "Old Well" is the center of the campus of the University of North Carolina.

The "Old Davie Poplar" is the historic tree on the campus. Both of these are most dear to the hearts of all "old grads."

But nothing is more cherished than the beautiful trees such as those above unless it be the always lovely, the widely known arboretum at the University which reaches its beauty peak with the spring season.

Here the soul awakes and romances begin marking the prelude of many students' fate who there learn the truth of Longfellow's words:

*"The first sound in the song of Love!  
Scarce more than silence is, and yet a sound.  
Hands of invisible spirits touch the strings  
Of that mysterious instrument, the soul,  
And play the prelude of our fate."*



## ANOTHER WORD TO PASTORS

We are all much interested in the coming advance against liquor in the state by both legal enactments and the educational process. One of the agencies of the Methodists against alcoholic liquors is the North Carolina Christian Advocate. We have enlisted for the duration of the war. Everyone knows that the measure of its influence is the extent of its circulation. So the demand upon every pastor is clear and urgent. Every Methodist preacher is expected to do his duty.

The stir just now is defense against war. Why not set ourselves also to provide defenses against liquor? It has never yet been settled which has caused most misery, intemperance or war. These are the twin enemies: No. 1, No. 2. We would build defenses against both of them. Washington appropriates billions for military defenses; and it gathers billions from the liquor trade. Such is our American paganism. Why not make a pass at being Christian by advancing against these two arch enemies of humanity?

## METHODIST LAYMEN, LEND US YOUR EARS

Every year the boards of lay activities of both our conferences make clear and bold pronouncements for temperance and they set themselves against the liquor traffic. Why not at this hour lead in a definite way to do something about it? Line up the laymen of your churches and move for the circulation of your church paper which has been in the forefront of every prohibition campaign.

Taxes! taxes! Billions of dollars are going for national defense against foreign foes. Why not act to curb Enemy No. 1 here at home? Millions on top of millions of tribute money goes to this monster right here in North Carolina.

Methodist leaders, strike for temperance and economy!

## MILLIONS SPENT AT ABC STORES IN WAKE COUNTY

The Wake ABC Board had a big day yesterday in announcing that \$1,084,988.30 had been turned in by the seven stores in the county during the 1939-40 fiscal year, and that Henry E. Litchford, for three years chairman of the board, had been re-elected to his position with a \$600 boost in salary.

Returns from liquor sales along during the year amounted to \$1,067,076, and \$17,483.65 was received from wines, bringing the gross profit to \$1,073,586 for the three years' operation. Total sales in 1939 amounted to \$975,479.20, falling short of the 1939-40 fiscal year mark by \$109,509.10.

The foregoing given in Tuesday's News and Observer of this week tells part of the story. Three years ago Litchford gave assurance that every effort would be made to reduce the sale of alcoholic liquor in Wake county so as to aid in temperance. Instead seven stores were opened over the county and efforts made to increase the sales. Think of one million dollars spent a year to no profit! Poverty and moral and physical degradation must follow such a course.

Durham county just west of Wake sells more than a million a year. Good for Johnston! They say we are done with the ABC business.

## LIQUOR STORES IN VIRGINIA ALARMING

The conditions in Virginia as regards the drink evil since repeal are alarming. It was argued that the ABC Board was to promote temperance. If that was to reduce the amount of liquors legally sold by the state, it has done nothing of the kind. The sales in the first year, 1934-35, amounted in round figures to \$12,230,000; in 1935-36 to \$12,936,000 and in 1936-37 to \$16,162,000; in 1937-39 to \$16,844,000 and in 1938-39 to \$16,948,000, or a growth in sales in five years of \$4,718,000 or more than 33 1-3 per cent.

The revocation of driving permits on account of drunken driving beginning with 1933: For 1933, 516; 1934, 1042; 1935, 1841; 1936, 2529; 1937, 3127; 1938, 3115, showing that the revocation of permits was six times greater in 1938 than in 1933. The number of ABC stores has steadily increased.

## Jail Commitments Increase

The jail commitments in Virginia have increased to a most alarming extent, reaching approximately 90,000 in the past year. In Richmond, our capital city, and perhaps the most moral city in the state, arrests for drunkenness increased from 2080 in 1932 to 5914 in 1938. The ABC Board has opened not only about 90 hard liquor stores but has licensed more than 5600 beer and wine shops; the contents of this beverage can be fortified to 20 per cent in alcoholic content. These beer and wine shops are in operation in almost every community in the state, with a great damage to the youth of Virginia.

## Bootleggers Remain

Bootlegging has not been eliminated, but the arrest of bootleggers has been made more difficult for the officers of the law. The Richmond News Leader reported 80 stills seized in October, compared with 49 in October of the former year; 72,000 gallons of mash as compared with 28,500; 3000 gallons of whiskey as compared with 1600 gallons in the previous year.

According to the Travelers' Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, drunken driving accidents have increased from 50 per cent in some states to 500 per cent in some other states. The New York Times stated, editorially, that during prohibition there was lacking the old political power of the saloon. Since repeal, beer, wine and other liquor interests have been rapidly rebuilding the old-time liquor political power with active and menacing lobbies in Washington, in every state capital, and in all the great municipalities of the country to influence legislatures and to change city ordinances in the interest of profit for the liquor dealers.



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Most of those who stress sharing with the less fortunate mean dividing other people's money. Dr. E. K. McLarty this week suggests a "sharing" far more effective and usually less selfish than the dividing of estates can possibly be. Read and share.

§ § §

If one desires to get first news from the war zone in Europe stay in America. America serves it hot and serves it first. Anyhow this is the united testimony of men who are best informed on this subject. And it is easy to understand because the news agencies of the United States are most alert and efficient and they all converge on the home base.

§ § §

The Statue of Liberty in New York harbor with her uplifted torch, a gift of France to America, will stand as a reminder of the better days which the French people enjoyed during the days of the Republic when they gloried in their liberty. Let us hope that it may lead that people to throw off the slavery of nazism and to again enjoy the freedom that once was theirs. And this turn of affairs in the life of the French nation should be a timely and forceful warning to all Americans that "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

§ § §

The Baptists and Methodists seem to have converted Justice Heriot Clarkson to the use of robes by the Supreme Court of North Carolina. We let Justice Clarkson tell how it all came about in the following story which we clip from the News and Observer. It appears that the Baptists were the last straw that broke the camel's back. Listen to the Judge: "For years I held out against robes although they have always been used in my church," said Justice Clarkson, who is an Episcopalian. "When the Methodists began to have vested choirs, I weakened and when the Baptists put their choirs in robes, I surrendered entirely."

Judge Clawson L. Williams told a court house full of Johnston county citizens last Sunday afternoon assembled to consider "law enforcement," "You cannot make a success of a law by simply getting it on the statute books. The people of the county must stand four square behind the officers and co-operate in giving evidence in the conviction of violators." A revolution would result in every county of the state were the suggestion of Judge Williams lived up to.

§ § §

Hobson of Merrimac fame in the Spanish-American War seems to have a rival for daring in Lieutenant Commander R. H. Bristowe of the British Navy, who with his little boat filled with bombs and a handfull of volunteers slipped in under the stern of the Richelieu, France's most powerful battleship, and dropped depth bombs which rendered this most modern and formidable capital battleship in the world helpless. What shall we say of the invincible qualities of battleships costing millions upon millions that can be sent to the bottom by a few heroic and daring men of the sea?

§ § §

Many centuries ago Isaiah, the prophet, cried: "O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into a high mountain." God's message may perchance come from the valley of a debased manhood, but has not carrying power. Neither does God desire that his messenger shall live upon the dead level of a commonplace manhood. Moral altitudes and the sunlit spiritual heights must be the dwelling place of those who tell good tidings to Zion. It is no mere incident that the Ten Commandments were given on the mount, that we have the "Sermon on the Mount," that Transfiguration took place on a mount and that there is a Mount Calvary. All these are but in accord with the command of God's ancient prophet: "O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into the high mountain."



### Among the Sowers

CIRCUIT riders, circuit builders and circuit co-operatives have enlisted our serious interest for the past three weeks. These men who gave their lives to the country places have been more than pioneers who made possible the country churches as we have them today. They have been among the saving forces of the land keeping vital the churches of the country. We certainly would do well to magnify the work done by such among the sowers of every age.

"A sower went forth to sow." This best known parable of Jesus deals with that which is fundamental with every people. The growing child and the germinating seed were given a first place by the Man of Gallilee. With him the child and the mustard seed stood for expanding life—the life rendering significant the sower sowing in the field. Do we in this materialistic age with its mechanism and artificial processes properly appreciate the place and importance of those who work among life forces at the sources? This present day stress upon the back-to-the-country movement is highly significant. It is an effort to get the people back to live among the sources of seed in which are lodged the sources of every civilization. The sowers continue to sow for future harvests.

We all know that the men and women who keep the country churches going are of first importance in American Methodism and that the Methodist preachers who labor in these fields sow the seeds that produce the future harvests. They are at the sources not only of the religious life of the people but are also contributing to all phases of community well being. The country church makes possible the country school, the best country homes and also the essential virtues of community life. Nowhere else does the real man of God count for so much for individual and social welfare as does the alert and unselfish minister in the country church. Home, school, civic enterprises, as well as church life, take color and gain strength from such as he. The life lived among the sowers touches the well springs of existence and deals with the sources of destiny.

We Methodists would do well during this coming quadrennium to exalt country life in our thought and in our plans so that we might give more consideration to our country people. In many places their needs are urgent, but this is not all. It remains for us here in this state to point the way for the work in the country in

all our Southland. Many are theorizing about the rural situation, but the real need is for men who will get down among the sowers and show them the way. This effort is to begin at the sources so as ultimately to get a glorious harvest.

A gentleman last week speaking of the fight for temperance said we must first stir up the country people as to the curse of liquor. This suggestion holds in every other effort at uplift. Are we going to be wise enough to deal with the origins of movements?

### Poll Your Candidates

ALICQUOR campaign in North Carolina is close at hand if not already begun. Johnston county in an election last week went dry by an overwhelming majority and will in ninety days close up its liquor stores. An election has just been ordered for Person county to be held the last of August, and unquestionably there will be elections in other counties during the fall months. Then in January of 1941 the legislature will meet in Raleigh and liquor legislation will be a live issue in that session of the General Assembly.

Since the national administration in Washington effected the repeal of the Eighteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States liquor has been enthroned in the national capital and the influence thereof reaches to all sections of the nation. Some men seemed to think that they could not get as much as an appointment for postmaster without being in favor of liquor. This influence was very powerful in Raleigh and we suppose in many other state capitals. But "them days are rapidly passing." No man now can be elected senator or to any other state office in North Carolina on a liquor platform. And we should see that no man is elected a member of the legislature unless he is willing to allow the citizens of this state to vote upon the question of a state-wide referendum.

What we insist upon is that each candidate for senator and member of the House be asked to let the public know whether he is willing to grant such a referendum and the answer be given to the public. This is democratic and we are fighting a world war for democracy. Why fight for democracy if unwilling to put it into practice?

Poll your candidates and give the facts to the public as to how they stand on this referendum.



## Building the Defenses

**J**UST now we are spending billions for national defense and all lines of industry are being called upon to aid. Nothing like this has ever occurred in American life. The inevitable tendency of this is to build up a military system beyond anything we have ever dreamed of and certainly beyond all demands of the situation prior to what has happened in Europe under the lead of Hitler. All of which will result in our becoming military minded so as to rely on force rather than on those resources so truly American.

This enforced outlay of billions for defense and the consequent military training of our citizens should not blind us to the real and effective defense of every people, without which all the material resources on sea and land and in the air will fail. Churchill says men and not mortar win battles. Material resources always count for less than does the soul of man. Truly, we must strengthen our defenses both without and within. Most of all we must certainly keep the heart of America sound. This note was most often heard this year in the celebrations of the Glorious Fourth.

During every period of war when the effort is to lay hands on all resources and to corral every organization, one of the dangers ever foremost is that the Christian church—the church of the Prince of Peace—shall be made to do the bidding of the war lords. Remember, the church is the one institution to keep fresh and strong the spiritual life of the people. If the church fails to nourish the inner life of man, fails to keep vigorous the moral and spiritual forces of a people, it has proven false to its Lord.

Especially vigilant should be every man called to stand in the pulpit and to guide the destinies of the church to see that the church is not divested of its high and holy mission. During the world war the church was called on to sell war bonds and to foster the efforts of the military set-up of the land. The same tendency is again abroad in the land. The church better be building spiritual defenses.

## God Reigns

**T**HIS world is not under the dominion of evil forces and of wicked men. It is in the hands of a God of justice and of mercy. "All things were made by him and without him was not anything made that hath been made." The

forces that make for righteousness are as deeply grounded in the constitution of the universe as those which control sun, moon and stars. Unrighteousness is an intruder and has never been able to establish a claim to permanent citizenship.

The ancient Greeks believed that evil carries within it the seeds of its own ruin. As one has well said, "Retribution is a word that has been coined in the mint of the age long experience of mankind." The ancient Psalmist had the same idea in mind when he declared, "Justice and judgment are the habitation of his throne," for there is retribution with God.

"The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth, he breaketh the bow, cutteth the spear in sunder, he burneth the chariot in the fire. Be still and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth." "Clouds and darkness are round about him, but righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his throne."

For those who have grown despondent, feeling that the end is near, it is fine to remember that God Almighty is still on his throne which endures even with the rise and fall of tyrants and the seeming triumph of conquerors who wade through slaughter to a throne. This is the lesson of history.

## Are You Short on Sermon Outlines?

**I**F so let us supply you, dear pastor, with a good outline that was the product of the fertile brain of a negro preacher who was one of the really great preachers of the past generation. His subject was the Prodigal Son and there are three general heads, each of which is divided into three parts as follows:

1. Madness:
  - A. Caviled—he caviled with his father.
  - B. Traveled—traveled to a far country.
  - C. Raveled—raveled out his character.
2. Sadness:
  - A. Hogs—he fed the hogs.
  - B. Togs—he wore out his togs.
  - C. Dogs—he went to the dogs.
3. Gladness:
  - A. Sealed—he was sealed by his father's ring.
  - B. Vealed—he got the fatted calf.
  - C. Healed—by his father's love.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference (place to be announced) . . . . . Nov. 7**

Rev. J. A. Fry's postoffice address is Peachland instead of Carthage, N. C.

Said the Cynic: "I could have made a better world than this." Said the Sage: "That is why God put you here. Go to it."—S. W. Graffin.

We have had a great meeting and a fine vacation Bible school at Coburn Memorial, Salisbury. We are still planning to dedicate this fine church on Sunday, September 8. We have received forty new members into the church this year.—A. C. Waggoner.

Westminster Theological Seminary, Westminster, Maryland, is pleased to inform its alumni and friends in North Carolina that on June 5 the American Association of Theological Schools was pleased to put it on the accredited list.—C. E. Forlines, President.

A ten-day series of revival services at Boulevard, Statesville, closed June 26. Rev. G. E. White, pastor of Grace-Rhodhiss charge, was with us and did the preaching. His messages each evening were inspiring and most helpful. A fine spirit of interest was manifest throughout the meeting.—G. F. Hood, Pastor.

Prohibition reduced the consumption of legal liquor to less than two gallons per capita. Since repeal it has jumped to more than 14 gallons per capita and is steadily climbing to the pre-prohibition all-high record of over 22 gallons per capita. Besides, there are now, "ripening" in storage nearly 500,000,000 gallons of whiskey—the highest record in our national history.

The family picnic meeting of the Statesville District Ministers' Wives' Association will be held at Ball Creek Camp Ground, Tuesday, July 23. Plan to arrive by four o'clock, bringing your picnic basket. We will have our separate meetings of ministers and ministers' wives promptly. Then we will have our recreation, followed by the lunch served at six so any may return in time for evening services that may be in progress. Bring reports on parsonage improvements.—Secretary.

Ronald Hocutt, director of the division, said a total of 2,774 drivers' licenses were revoked in the state from January 1, 1940, through June 30, 1940. Since the Driver's License Act went into effect November 1, 1935, a total of 28,367 drivers have had their licenses revoked by the state. Drunken driving, by itself and in combination with other offenses, accounted for 95 per cent of the revocations, and the remainder followed convictions on miscellaneous offenses, including manslaughter, larceny of automobile and repeated offenses of reckless driving.

Weavers Chapel, Littleton Charge, Rev. D. D. Broome, Pastor.—Our hearts go out in deep sympathy to our pastor in the loss of his father last week. We are also sorry to hear of the illness of his wife, and we hope for her a speedy recovery so she can soon be back with us again. We were glad to have Rev. H. L. Davis of the Littleton Methodist church preach for us last night. Hope he will come again. We are glad to report that Douglas Wilson, the son of Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Wilson, operated on last week for appendicitis, is getting along just fine. Mrs. Lena Walker, who has been sick for some time, was able to be out to worship with us last night.—Alice Mae Whitley, Assistant Reporter.

**Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the Advocate campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.**

Several pertinent questions: "Happiness is the pursuit of something, not the catching of it," said the wisacre. Have you ever chased the last car on a rainy day? Do women like egotistical men as well as the other kind? "What other kind?" asked the woman who knew men. "What are you doing in the pantry?" asked mother. "Fighting temptation," replied Willie.

Rev. Elam F. Dempsey of Atlanta, Ga., and former editor and business manager of the Wesleyan Christian Advocate, has completed his biography of Bishop Atticus Green Haygood. Five hundred additional copies will be printed. The author recently received a warm commendation from Bishop Thomas Nicholson concerning the original method of treatment and the just appreciation concerning Bishop Haygood.

Bethesda, North Davidson, Rev. O. B. Williams, Pastor.—Our revival meeting will begin the third Sunday in July, preaching in afternoon at 3 o'clock, and running over the fourth Sunday with all day services the fourth Sunday. Rev. W. L. Harkey of Bess Chapel will be the helper. The second Sunday in August will be the annual home coming day. This will also be all day, dinner on the grounds. Every one has a cordial invitation to come and enjoy the day with us.—Mrs. J. O. Everhart, Reporter.

Realizing the import and value of the Golden Cross movement Dr. John C. Glenn, pastor of Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, created in the hearts of his hearers at the morning service on June 30 a sense of their responsibility in supporting this Christ-like cause. Following a forceful and helpful sermon upon the subject, "The Voice of the Great Physician," the congregation knelt at the altar to partake of the sacrament of holy communion, where they quietly and reverently placed their love gifts of money for the Golden Cross funds. As a result of this service \$100 has been sent to the conference director of the Golden Cross movement.—Mary Gardner.

Cedar Cliff church, Mt. Hermon charge: Our third quarterly meeting was held on the fourth Sunday in June. Our district superintendent, Rev. A. J. Hobbs, was present and brought us a very splendid message. At this time we elected our delegate to annual conference, Mr. John P. Foy. Our Sunday school is going forward, our attendance is above average, and we expect a much larger enrollment and attendance. We are still working on the "Golden Cross" in our church. Our revival meeting will start the second Sunday in July and continue through the week. Everyone is invited to come and have a good time with the Lord. Mrs. A. G. Thompson was elected superintendent for Sunday school next year. Her assistants are Mr. W. T. Coble, Mrs. Flora Allen and Mr. Desmond Wood.—Mrs. R. M. Boger, Reporter.

We are in the midst of a very fine summer program for the Kitty Hawk circuit. During the week of June 24-30 the congregation and visitors at the Kitty Hawk church enjoyed the fellowship together and the splendid preaching of Daniel Lane from Roanoke Rapids. Just prior to his coming the members of the church sensed the probable need of an addition to the pantry supply and just filled it with nice food. And the parsonage got a fine new coating of paint inside and out, which has made it a beautiful and lovely home. For these thoughtful deeds the pastor and his dear wife are especially thankful. Our schedule includes further a vacation Bible school in each of the church on the circuit, a week of revival preaching and fellowship at Colington with Henry Lewis from Vanceboro and a similar week at Duck with Charlie Vale from Murfreesboro. We extend a hearty welcome to children and adults to any of the services of our churches on the Kitty Hawk circuit.—Thomas Merriman, Pastor.



## OFFICERS ELECTED AT YOUTH CRUSADE ASSEMBLY, LAKE JUNALUSKA

Names of officers elected for the ensuing church year by more than 300 young people 18 to 23 years of age attending a Youth Crusade Assembly at Lake Junaluska July 1-6 were announced as follows:

President, Kempton Jones, Salisbury; vice president, Gilreath G. Adams, Jr., Matthews; secretary, Carolyn York, High Point; associate secretary, Peggy Royal, Elkin; treasurer, Mrs. Agnes Kirk, Salisbury (re-elected); publicity superintendent, R. Harold Hipps, Gastonia.

The following young people were elected to membership on conference boards: Board of Education, Jean Steelman, Winston-Salem; Sam W. Taylor, Jr., High Point. Board of Missions and Church Extension, Martha Medford, Canton; Jean Sutton, Greensboro; David Rock, Lewisville; Ernest Brewer, Winston-Salem. Board of Temperance, Bill Daniels, Charlotte; Aileen Sigmon, Bryson City. Youth Planning Committee for Leadership Conference, Burron Fleming, Greensboro; Wayne Kernodle, Greensboro.

With a delegation of 43, Charlotte district led in attendance at the Youth Crusade Assembly and Salisbury came a close second with 42 enrolled in classes. In addition, each district sent its district director of young people's work as follows: Asheville, McMurry Richey; Charlotte, Harold Patrick; Elkin, Miss Caroline Lillard; Gastonia, Harold Hipps; Greensboro, Mack Kernodle; High Point, Miss Viola Briggman; Marion, Mrs. Connie Cope; Salisbury, Worth Sweet; Statesville, Marshall Mills; Waynesville, George Swearingen; Winston-Salem, Miss Blanche Gluck.

Officers compose the staff of the Young People's organization of the Western North Carolina Conference, Methodist Church, which has sponsored two Youth Crusade assemblies at Junaluska this season, June 24-29 for young people 15-17, and the one now in session which has attracted an attendance from the Asheville, Charlotte, Elkin, Gastonia, Greensboro, High Point, Marion, Salisbury, Statesville, Waynesville and Winston-Salem districts of the conference.

## ADULT EDUCATION

The unified church depends upon adult education. Unless we can plough up the soil of our people's thinking and plant the seeds of new attitudes and new ideas, we can hope for nothing. The whole church must be a learning fellowship. Plans for covering definite areas of interest and need must be carefully made. The whole parish must be a learning fellowship. Plans for covering definite areas of interest and need must be carefully made. The whole parish must hear and understand and be ready to act. The program of a church must be premised upon certain spiritual loyalties, and the activities in that program must be determined by reference to those loyalties. Otherwise we are committed to mere traditionalism, or hit and miss effort that never yields a sense of achievement.

Adult education is the alternative to revolution in our social thinking. As a democratic people, can we learn enough about ourselves, our institutions and our powers to make peaceful and constructive change? That is a real question. Is it too much to say that any church which is not working toward an adequate adult education program is falling down on the job—at least, is missing a great possibility?—Team Work.

## SHARING IN REVIVALS IN RURAL CHURCHES

"Fellowship of Evangelism" is one of the happiest combinations of words in use in religious circles at the present time. Both fellowship and evangelism are strong words on their own account, but when they are joined together their value is greatly enriched and enhanced. It is said that in spiritual arithmetic two and two do not make four. While one is able to chase a thousand, when he is joined by another the two are able to put ten thousand to flight.

Fellowship means the mutual exchange of all we have and are. In fellowship we give to others while they give to us. The Evangel is the proclamation of the truth that

the forgiving grace of God is equal to the needs of men everywhere and for all time. When we share the good news with others we give them the best we know. Is it not the purpose of God that the gospel should be carried to all people by living witnesses? Then every Christian should be an evangelist.

This is the revival season in our rural churches. Possibly more souls will be converted and join the church during the months of July and August than any other period of the same length. All of us have the high privilege of sharing in these revivals. Attend as many of them as possible and make your contribution in person. Your presence and your prayers will be of great help. Many of them you will not be able to attend but you can be present in spirit, in the fellowship of prayer. It is a good practice to make a note of all the revivals you know to be in progress each day and remember the pastor by name in your prayers, and all the people of the community. In this way we can share in all the revivals of the conference and beyond. Let us not forget those great words of Tennyson: "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

E. K. McLarty,

Chm. Commission on Evangelism.

## A LAYMAN'S CREED

By Walter P. Reeves

I believe that in our perceptions of truth we but catch glimpses of a Being who is far beyond our power wholly to see or understand.

Thus the austere truth of mathematics, in all its complicated and orderly progression, is one aspect of the eternal verity of God.

So music, in all its sweetness of melody and chord, is one aspect of the fundamental harmony that is God.

So art, in all its perfection of form and line and color, is one aspect of the divine beauty that is God.

To the individual, these perceptions are essentially similar, that is, they come as flashes of insight or poetic vision. Jesus had to a supreme degree this poetic quality of understanding. He saw, and revealed to men, that at the core of things, in the midst of all this infinity of beauty, harmony and truth, there is a heart of love. This revelation stands on equal grounds, and is quite as valid as the others.

The mathematician finds truth as he solves problems; the musician enjoys harmony as he plays or sings; the artist sees beauty as he carves or paints. So the Christian knows God only through experience, in quiet meditation and in loving service to his fellowmen.—Advance.

## "ALL THINGS TO ALL MEN"

Christ was a home missionary, in the house of Lazarus. Christ was a foreign missionary, when the Greeks came to him.

Christ was a city missionary, when he taught in Samaria.

Christ was a Sunday school missionary, when he opened up the Scriptures and set men to studying the Word of God.

Christ was a children's missionary, when he took them in his arms and blessed them.

Christ was a missionary to the poor, when he opened the eyes of the blind beggar.

—Amos R. Wells.



## GREAT WORK AT REHOBETH: REV. E. E. SNOW ACCOMPLISHING WONDERS ON PLEASANT GARDEN CHARGE

Two weeks of daily vacation Bible school and revival services came to an end at Rehobeth Methodist church, Pleasant Garden circuit, last Sunday night. The Bible school was held each morning from 9:30 to 11. There were 167 on roll and the average attendance was 131. The ages of those attending the school were 5 to 15. A remarkable piece of work was done by the teachers. These were: Mrs. Earl McGee, Mrs. Wm. Dempsey, Mrs. J. W. Thacker, Mrs. Glenn McDonald, Mrs. J. G. Gray, Mrs. James Davis, Mrs. Hoover Clark, Mrs. C. W. McCuiston, Mrs. Leo Pugh, Mrs. Clarence Lewis, Mrs. C. L. Steidley, and the pastor.

The preaching in the revival was done by Mrs. C. L. Steidley, whose spirit and preaching has yielded and will yield permanent results. This consecrated woman is an efficient and sane worker and preacher in the field of evangelism. A good deal of work was done by the pastor and many of the members before and during the meeting. There were quite a number of conversions and 44 additions to the church, 38 on profession of faith and six by letter. This gives us a total of 175 for the three years at Rehobeth church. A fine spirit of co-operation prevailed during the meeting, and I believe much of the results will be permanent.

Our camp meeting will begin at Bethlehem the fourth Sunday in August and Mrs. Steidley and the pastor will do the preaching. We have now had 471 additions to our three churches for the three years with Bethlehem—still we go. We are hoping to win enough to bring this total to 500 by conference, and confidently expect to do it. We sincerely ask an interest in your prayers.

E. E. Snow, Pastor.

## SOFT-HEARTEDNESS AND SOFT-HEADEDNESS

It is not pleasant to find that you have been worked, but it may not be to your discredit. In fact, it may be much to your credit, particularly when you have fallen for a sob story that seemed well authenticated. Usually it indicates a tender heart, a fellow-feeling toward the unfortunate. The sympathetic soul prefers to suffer as a victim sometimes rather than refuse to respond to a possible need.

The editor has been at the sucker end of the line more than once and may be again. Just now an aged, haggard-looking gentleman approached him on the street with a sad story. He could find no work, so he said, and from his age and general appearance we could easily believe it. He had no home and being a wanderer—not an ordinary tramp—there was no place where he could legally receive help from local agencies. And he was hungry. What can be done in the presence of such an appeal? Maybe he was unworthy. Maybe his story was all "wet." We don't know, but we helped him a "little" and felt better for it.

It is difficult sometimes to tell where soft-heartedness leaves off and soft-headedness begins. And it is well to be on guard against the fellow who has an eye for soft heads. We have played the sucker end of his game also, but have gained a little wisdom from such experiences. There are times when the part of wisdom would be to give yourself, not the other fellow, the benefit of the doubt.

But we may well pray to be saved from a cynical, hard-boiled attitude of mind and a cold, unsympathetic heart that would place us "on the other side" of every road where the wretched and the hungry and the unfortunate are to be found.—Religious Telescope.

## HEROES

By Harold E. Mayo

No, I am not singing the praises of some soldier in spick and span uniform with shining buttons and a cross of war. He has had his share of laurels. Nor am I thinking of the life guard who, with sturdy assurance and steady stroke, swims to the aid of damsels in distress.

I am thinking of a doctor whose continued illness was pronounced cancer. Without flinching or faltering, he went about his business of healing sick bodies for nearly two years after his own death sentence had been pronounced. His patients and even his intimate friends were unaware of his secret suffering until a few weeks before the end.

I think of a widowed mother doing the most menial work without complaint, that her children may be fed, clothed, and educated. I think of a wife and mother keeping up a brave front and trying to instill ideals in the heart of her growing boy while the husband and father is chronically unfaithful. I think of the mother in the old days who took in washings to keep her children fed when her husband squandered his wages in the corner saloon.

I think of a small boy standing almost heartbroken at the side of his mother's open grave and in spite of choking sobs trying to comfort his younger sister.

I am thinking of a host of those who have been wilfully lied about and misrepresented by careless and selfish men. They are of that noble company to whom the Master addressed the words, "Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely. . . ." I think of those who in the springtime of every generation's youth put aside the clamorous call of passion, that the life may be clean and true—white souls, tried and tested and coming forth as pure gold, with the body kept as a temple of the living God.

I think of those who have seen the savings of a lifetime, designed to provide security and comfort in old age, suddenly lost in a fall of the market, but who face a business depression heroically, go serenely on, and start to build anew from the wreck of yesterday. I think of those mothers and fathers who sacrifice health, wealth, pleasure, and the recognition of the world because their choice of rolicking children precludes the things that others strive for and win.

The heroes of the world are those who in the valleys of arduous toil and self-sacrificing effort keep reason on the throne of the personality and love at the heart of life.

Black may be the clouds about you  
And your future may seem grim,  
But don't let your nerve desert you;  
Keep yourself in fighting trim.  
If the worst is bound to happen,  
Spite of all that you can do,  
Running from it will not save you,  
See it through!

—Selected.



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Denmark, Sweden, and Germany in the field of physical education under the leadership of Dr. J. F. Williams, Columbia University, July-August 1936. B.S. Teachers College, Columbia University, 1937. Director girls' physical education Roosevelt junior high school, Westfield, N. J., 1937-39. Senior life saver and instructor life saving and water safety American Red Cross. Springfield—Coach girls' swimming team West Springfield. Interests—scouting, girl scout leader 8 years; camping, camper 3 years, swimming counselor 6 years, unit counselor 1 year; girls' clubs, leader girls' athletic clubs Y. W. C. A., 2 years; hosteling, 2 summers bicycling through 8 European countries. Graduate thesis, "Curriculum Building for High School Swimming for Girls."

**HOME COMING DAY IN HAMILTON**

The following members of the Hamilton Methodist church met January 31, 1901, at the home of Mrs. C. H. Baker to make plans for moving the old church building organized in 1879 to the new site: Miss Lizzie Slade, Miss Fannie Slade, Mrs. Bill Sherrod, Miss Georgia Pritchard, Miss Hennie Waldo (now Mrs. Hennie Ballard), Miss Bell Carstarphen (now Mrs. Harry Waldo), Mrs. Arch Sherrod, Mrs. D. C. Jones, Mrs. C. H. Baker, Mrs. Sallie Ewell, Mrs. Lenora Collins, Mrs. Fannie Melson and Mrs. Sherrod Salisbury. Miss Lizzie Slade was president, Miss Hennie Waldo was secretary, and Miss Bell Carstarphen was treasurer.

Mrs. Henry Sherrod gave the lot on which the Methodist church now stands. The first service held in the then new church was in the year 1903.

From records now owned by the Misses Maggie Bell and Annie Jones of Hamilton, N. C., we find the following pastors' names, date of appointment, and term of service: W. H. Watkins, 1879, two years; W. B. Doub, 1881, three years; J. E. Bristoe, 1884, one year; Jos. L. Keen, 1885, one year; J. O. Guthrie, 1886, one year; W. T. Cuthire, 1887, one year; W. H. Townsend, 1888, one year; J. G. Nelson, 1889, two years; G. G. Harley, 1891, two years; E. C. Sell, 1893, one year; J. R. Sawyer, 1894, two years; J. A. Parker, 1896, two years; G. W. Fisher, 1898, two years; J. T. Bagwell, 1900, T. H. Sutton, 1901-1904, four years; E. E. Rose, 1905, one year; P. L. Kirton, 1906, one year; C. L. Read, J. T. Stanford, N. M. Wright, E. E. Eure, L. C. Larkin, Marvin Chambers, T. W. Lee, O. P. Fitzgerald, L. C. Brothers, A. E. Brown, Robert Hardesty, Robert Pitts, Daniel Boone.

The church will observe home coming day July 14. The present preacher, Rev. Mr. Boone, has been very faithful in

getting the building remodeled for the occasion. Morning services will start at 11 o'clock. Rev. L. C. Larkin, district superintendent, will preach. Services in the afternoon will begin at 2:30 with Rev. S. J. Starnes as preacher.

All former pastors are cordially invited.

Dorothy Perkins.

**A TRIBUTE TO THE ALTAR**

By Mrs. D. C. Hickman, President, The Fidelis Class

(Upon presentation of the illuminated cross to First Methodist church of Granite Falls by the Fidelis Bible Class)

We do not realize how great a part the altar plays in our lives, how closely it is connected with all the milestones that mark off the span of human existence.

It is to the altar that we are brought when they bestow upon us the name which we will carry through life. It is at the altar that we take those solemn vows which unite us with the church, pledging ourselves to observe the teachings of our faith. It is at the altar that we receive the holy sacrament which purifies our souls and unites our lives with God. It is at the altar that our life is joined with the life of another. It is to the altar that we in turn bring our children to consecrate them to the Christian way of life. And finally it is to the altar that our mortal remains are brought when our life here is over and our spirit has returned to the heavenly home.

What is more fitting therefore than that the altar of our church should bear this lighted cross, a cross which by its light and beauty will reflect the reverence we have for this sacred place.

It is my great pleasure as president of the Fidelis class to present to this church on behalf of our class members this cross, the symbol of our Master's love.

We know that its presence here will inspire us to a greater determination to fulfill our vows and to pattern our lives after that of the Saviour.

**THE CHARMING IRISH WAY**

The way the genuine Irishman expresses himself always charms me. What could, for example, be more delightful than the words of Mr. Grogan about the female sex? "Wimmin," he said, "is mighty similar in wan way." "An' phwat's that?" enquired his friend Mr. Hogan. "Well," said Mr. Grogan, oracularly, "no matter how minny av thim ye get acquainted wid before they're all aloike in bein' different from wan another!"

Mr. Grady, too, said something worthy of immortal remembrance at a meeting of an Hibernian society at which he was given the honor of proposing the toast of the president. He did so most happily. "Here's to the president av the society, Misther Patrick O'Rafferty," he said, "an' may he live to ate the hin that scratches over his grave!" Mr. Doolan's remark to his boy should not be forgotten, either. Mr. Doolan was gardening. "Where did ye put the hoe I saw ye wid?" he asked his son, who was assisting him. The boy looked around, and answered: "I dunno. It's gone intoirely." Then Mr. Doolan got angry. "Thin Oi'll break ivery bone in yer body wid it if ye don't foind it," he said.

Different in kind, but very delightful, were the words Mr. Ryan used about his wife on the day she left this world for another. "Bridget's gone, poor soul," he said, and added: "Faith, an' she was a good woman; she always hit me wid the soft end av the mop!" So had she tempered justice with mercy, as we all should strive to do.—Ezra, in Methodist Recorder.



# "The Kingdom of Heaven at Hand"

By OLIN ADER

## The Atonement

Three steps in the fall of man:

First, man believed the lie Satanic gossip whispered into his mind about God; and man began to doubt God. This doubt shuts the kingdom of heaven out of his mind.

Second, man began to dislike God. This shut the kingdom of heaven out of his heart. Love died—spiritual death.

Third, man disobeyed God; and this shut the kingdom of righteousness out of his will. Man became an ally to Satan in rebellion against the kingdom of heaven.

How shall the kingdom be restored in man? In redemption these three steps must be retraced, that the reign of God may be restored in man.

As sin began in the mind of man, so salvation must begin in man's mind, restoring the mind to moral-spiritual sanity. "Have this mind in you." Mind is spirit as God is spirit: mind is God-like.

Doubt in the mind of man is the original sin—the origin of all manner of sins. Before man learned from Satan to doubt God he could say, "Thou art my God; I have no good beyond thee. . . . In thy presence is fullness of joy." He found all good in God; no good outside.

After man began to doubt God he began to seek other gods. The first commandment is a stop-gate to this prodigality, this going out from the father into a far country, seeking pleasure—doubting his father's goodness till, perishing to death, he feels the folly and shame of his doubt, and says, "I will arise and go to my father." Out of the insanity, darkness, and death of doubt, "he comes to himself."

How must the heavenly Father deliver his lost, prodigal child from his Satan-born doubt of God and wash his mind clean of all the foul brood of sins that doubt brings into the life of man? He must do it by a "creative teaching" process, uprooting satanic error and planting "truth and grace" in the mind-heart-will of man, and so restore his soul to sanity and salvation. Hence Christ came as a teacher, sent from God; Holy Spirit comes as a teacher to lead man into all truth; and the church is sent out to "teach all nations."

## I. The Atonement—in Fancy

It is a problem in psychology: How to get doubt out of man, with all its evil sprouts.

1. God could have set the stars in order so as to spell out in letters of light "God Is Love." This shining sentence set in the east sky would remind man in his waking moment of an almighty love for him. Set in the west sky and draped with fleecy clouds fringed with gold and silver and purple in sunset splendor, this love sign would surely soothe the soul of man as he fell asleep. Set straight up over his head, the light of this divine truth might shine into his heart brighter than the noonday sun.

But the All-Wise One could do something better than that to wash the sin of doubt out of the mind of man; and he must do his best, or doubt would linger in the troubled mind of man.

2. God could set the flowers in order in field and flower garden, on hillside and river-side and roadside, and say it with flowers, that "God Is Love," and so seal the happy truth upon his doubting heart, and bring him into blessed assurance, beautiful, blissful assurance that his heavenly Father loved him, and wanted him to come back to his divine heart of love.

But the Holy Father could do something better than to send a choir of angels to sing doubt out of the heart of man; and God must do his best—to satisfy his or still leave room for doubt.

3. God could have sent a choir of holy angels to sing to man, as angels sang at the birth of Christ; and God could have given them as the theme of their song this word of fire—"God Is Love!"

But the heavenly Father could do something better than to send a choir of angels to sing doubt out of the heart of man; and God must do his best—to satisfy his own divine heart and also the heart of doubting man.

4. God could have written it in the brilliant aurora borealis and on the bosom of the rainbow; and he could have made the flashing lightning spell it out, and the rolling thunders to speak the glad, glowing sentence—"God Is Love."

But God could do something better than that to strike doubt dead and cast it out of his soul; and God must do his best, or the doubting fiend would still find a hiding place in the heart of man.

5. God could make the grain field and fruit trees of earth stand in line so as to spell—"God Is Love." Truth is they do spell it to him who has eyes to see; for "The flowers are God's thoughts in bloom, and grain fields are God's thoughts in bread for his children." Jesus was moved to take this way of winning men's minds to God's loving care for them.

But there was a better way to show his loving care for man, and the Father must take the best way to banish doubt from human hearts, and bring in faith, love, obedience—the kingdom of heaven within.

## II. The Atonement in Fact

The All-Wise Father chose the way of the cross as the best way to reveal his love for man, so that man could no longer doubt.

"Greater love than this hath no man, that a man lay down his life for his friends." But Jesus went a step farther, dying for his enemies. How can any rational man doubt his love and remain an enemy of Christ when Christ shows such love for him?

"I yield, I yield to love divine, I can no longer doubt."

"O Gallilean, thou hast conquered!" cried a criminal pagan king.

Beautiful is the tribute of Bob Ingersoll, the eloquent infidel: "And let me say, once for all, that for the man Christ Jesus I have infinite respect; and let me say, once for all, that the place where man has died for man is holy ground; and let me say, once for all, to that great and serene Man I gladly pay the homage of my adoration and my tears!" (Perhaps it was his inherited Calvinistic misconception of God that made Ingersoll an infidel).



Now, do not misunderstand. It was not by a divine decree that Christ died; nor did he make the sacrifice on the cross to make a display of God's love for man, and nothing more. Satan had man in hand, held him captive in his mind-heart-will, so that man was in rebellion against God. Sin in the heart of man nailed Jesus to the cross, against the will of God. In the council of heaven before the world was, the divine Son saw that sin in man would crucify him; but he surrendered himself to face Satan on the field, suffer death at his hands, but in his death he would destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil (Heb. 2:14-15). Hence, he is "the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." The psychological fact came long before the physical act of crucifixion.

Some students of theology are shocked at the statement that "the blood of Christ cleanses from all sin." This seems to be a bloody doctrine and a "religion of the shambles," irrational, crude, repulsive. Trouble is, they are crude in their thinking about it, as was Nicodemus about the New Birth. The blood is the life. To say Jesus shed his blood to save from sin is to say that he gave up his life for man. Every drop of blood shed on Calvary from hands and feet and side and brow of the Son of man spells out his love for me so distinctly and so divinely that my heart breaks at the sight, and I shed bitter tears for my sin—the same sin in my heart that nailed him to the cross—and as I weep for my sins I feel somehow that they are washed away. He saw thus that the travail of his soul would work salvation in man, and was satisfied, saying, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me."

I can no longer be an enemy, to such a friend. This is the Atonement, making man at one with God, the reconciliation that brings redemption.

The mind of Satan in man moved him to crucify the kindest, holiest, most sacrificing and loving spirit this world has ever known. Thus sin in man committed the highest crime in the universe and in this act and fact we see the exceeding sinfulness of sin. And in his surrender of his life's blood on the cross Christ reveals the heart of God toward man. The physical blood shed by a dying Saviour at the hand of sinful man convicts man of his sin and works in him a psychological change that cleanses his soul and make him a new man with a new mind.

The kingdom of heaven is no longer merely "at hand"; "the kingdom is within you."

"I know not how that Calvary's cross  
A world from sin could free;  
I only know its matchless love  
Has brought God's love to me."

### WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

Birthdays may be milestones or gravestones.  
How small man's "big business" of today compared to the King's business of eternity.

A pessimist sees only humanity. An optimist sees humanity yoked up with divinity.

Blessed is the man who can use his stumbling stones as paving stones in the way to success.

"Killing time" is a misnomer. Man is not so much a time killer as time is a man killer.

Why is it the interesting news we like to tell becomes malicious gossip when told by our neighbors?

Through the marvelous alchemy of Grace, Faintheart in the devil's byway today may become Greatheart in the highway tomorrow.

We have known the church bazaar to become bizarre and the festival to be a fest-evil.

When we see how easily some grown-ups are amused we cease to wonder at baby's interest in a feather or a broomstraw.

Many so-called "sane people" still believe in miracles. They expect their preacher to be a Chesterfield in dress, a Solomon in wisdom, a Daniel in courage, and a Beecher in eloquence all on \$1100 per year.

"Toot your horn" so they say, but a horn thru bad abuse, cracked by over-strenuous use, sounds much like a donkey's bray.

If most church members were as generous with their means as they are with advice we might reasonably expect the millenium with the next sixty days.

Alcoholic "blues" create a wretched color scheme: red eyes, a purple nose, a yellow streak, black thoughts, and the white feather.

### ALL TOO SADLY TRUE

It is all too sadly true that the church has sanctioned and even blessed many wars across the centuries. (Remember please the last world war, its results and aftermath). War is not cured by more war. We have tried that out O, so long, so long! Can we do no better than to cultivate a civilization that will produce a Hitler, a musolini, a Stalin, and numbers of their kind? The church of God as it has been and now is has had its part in producing a civilization that gave to this age a great army of ministers and missionaries. The church has had its part too in what she has done, and by what she has not done, in giving to our broken and bleeding world one Hitler and a great many others of the same breed. Do we propose to continue in the same dual way? We have sown to the wind and truly we are reaping the whirlwind!

Why then are we so slow to know the meaning of the words of Jesus to Simon Peter and to us: "Put up thy sword into his place; for they that take the sword shall perish by the sword" (Matt. 26.25).

Certainly this was not a mere incident or an accidental word from the Great Teacher just to be thrown aside with the moment's passing. But it was the enunciation of a great truth that is as unfailing as the law of gravitation or as the multiplication table. It was true and must be true now and for all the tomorrows and centuries.

We are quite familiar with all the arguments for war; and plenty of arguments there are. But I find that no one of them is in harmony with the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. So it does seem to me that when, and if we ministers are ready to present arms and make our war speeches and sermons, we should have enough tender regard for our peerless Christ to leave him and his teachings out of it. Jesus was not in the war business nor of that spirit in a single line of his teaching. He was born and reared and lived his life in a subjugated nation. He was mixed up with soldiers for 33 years. They spat on him and scourged him and nailed him to a cross. But without a sword he marched through the midst of them and out into the dark; climbed out of Joseph's new tomb on the far side victor over death and hell. And he proclaimed and declared, "I have overcome the world!" Yes, even on this side the tomb he prayed for the soldiers who drove the nails in his hands and feet. Indeed he is peerless! And brethren, I know that everyone must be fully persuaded in his own mind what course one must take. But it does seem perfectly clear to me that when one is, as everyone now must be, with undivided allegiance, for Hitler and his system or with the swordless Nazarine and his spirit and method, that we as his ministers have the opportunity of our lives. And God grant us wisdom, grant courage for the facing of this hour and for the living of these days!

J. O. Erwin.



## UNSEEN BUILDERS

By Leslie E. Dunkin

The public usually sees only the later or at least the outer results from the faithful work of unseen builders. Little recognition may be given them, yet all the visible and prominent developments in life—whether a movement or human lives—are dependent upon the preparatory and the supporting work by the unseen builders. Hence these unseen builders are needed and are very important everywhere, especially in our homes today.

Back in 1636, people were becoming dissatisfied with living conditions in England. Among these was a man with his wife and family. Religious persecution and extreme difficulties in making even a comfortable living had arisen for these people. But what could they do, especially with the number dependent upon the head of this family? There were nine children in this family group and three other relatives, making a total of fourteen people.

Between 1620 and 1640, more than 65,000 people left England for America and the West Indies. This large family turned their attention toward America. They realized it would mean giving up everything in England. If they failed, they would die in a strange land. They saw an opportunity for them in America, so they set out, leaving their English home behind them—never to return, at least to live permanently.

No house was waiting for them in their new homeland. They received a small amount of land, if they would go there and live on it. They would have to build their house or whatever structure they might use for a home. Heavy forests covered the ground for this new house. During all this time a living had to be provided for the fourteen healthy people. This would include food, shelter, and clothing. They assumed all of this for the entire group of fourteen. In addition to all these, training or education for the children had to be considered.

Their first house in their new homeland contained only two small rooms with an attic overhead. Their furniture included only three regular beds for the fourteen people and these were not the modern comfortable beds. All the furniture was very crude and meager in quantity.

Ten years after their arrival in America the head of this family died, leaving a somewhat barren New England farm with a house, a barn, one cow, one calf, a few pigs, and a few pieces of furniture and other utensils. Judged by many modern standards, he might have been considered quite mediocre, if not a decided failure.

Such a situation continued for four generations, including this man's children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. They lived quiet, ordinary lives with none of them becoming prominent. The highest distinction during all that time was when one became the minister of a small struggling church in a small remote New England village.

Then came the second boy who was named "John." His parents desired the best for this, their oldest son. The public reward came for all those four generations of unseen builders when this John Adams became the Vice President of the United States under George Washington, later to become President himself. With him and after him, four generations of this Adams family served

America prominently including another President, John Quincy Adams. Those unseen builders had done their work well.—The Better Home.

## JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

### SCHEDULE OF SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES

|                                                                                            |                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Camp Cheonda (Intermediates) .....                                                         | July 10-Aug. 7  |
| Junaluska School of Religion, Affiliated with Duke University (Education Building)...      | July 15-Aug. 24 |
| Young People's Leadership Conference (Education Building) .....                            | July 16-27      |
| The Council on a Christian Social Order .....                                              | July 17-21      |
| Laymen's Conference .....                                                                  | July 22-26      |
| School of Missions (Mission Inn) .....                                                     | July 23-Aug. 6  |
| Conference on Benevolences .....                                                           | July 26, 27     |
| Missionary Conference .....                                                                | July 30-Aug. 6  |
| One-Week Leadership School, Merged with W.N.C. School for Christian Workers (Ed. Bldg.)... | July 30-Aug. 6  |
| Pastors' Conference .....                                                                  | Aug. 6-11       |
| Two-Weeks' Leadership School .....                                                         | Aug. 8-22       |
| Camp Cheonda (Seniors) .....                                                               | Aug. 9-23       |
| Inspirational Week, with Broomfield and Hughes .....                                       | Aug. 21-Sept. 1 |

### Junaluska Program

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| Sunday, July 14, 11:00 a.m.—Sermon...                                                                                                               | Bishop Paul B. Kern |
| 4:00-5:00 p.m.—Band Concert.                                                                                                                        |                     |
| 8:00 p.m.—Sermon .....                                                                                                                              | Bishop Paul B. Kern |
| Monday, July 15, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop Paul B. Kern, Address, "Finding Our Way to God."                                                                |                     |
| 8:00 p.m.—Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler, Lecture, "The Mystery of Marshal Ney."                                                                          |                     |
| Tuesday, July 16, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop Paul B. Kern. Address, "Is Christianity Able to Answer the Need of Our Present Day World?"                     |                     |
| 8:00 p. m.—Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler. Lecture, "The Mystery of Theodosia Burr."                                                                      |                     |
| Wednesday, July 17, 10:30 a. m.—Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler. Lecture, "The Mystery of Virginia Dare."                                                  |                     |
| 8:00 p. m.—Dr. Hornell Hart, "The Honest Skeptic and the Church."                                                                                   |                     |
| Thursday, July 18, 9:00 a. m.-12:00—Open forum discussion with Dr. Hornell Hart.                                                                    |                     |
| 8:00 p. m.—Dr. James Myers and Mrs. W. A. Newell, "Industrial Workers and the Church."                                                              |                     |
| Friday, July 19, 9:00 a. m.-12:00—Open forum discussion with Dr. James Myers, Dr. Garland Hopkins, Miss Lucy Randolph Mason, and Mrs. W. A. Newell. |                     |
| 8:00 p.m.—Mr. C. T. Carpenter and Mr. Sam Franklin, "Farm Tenants and the Church."                                                                  |                     |
| Saturday, July 20, 9:00 a. m.-12:00—Open forum discussion with Mr. C. T. Carpenter and Mr. Sam Franklin.                                            |                     |
| 8:00 p. m.—Moving Picture, "Goodbye, Mr. Chips," and Disney Cartoon.                                                                                |                     |

### Music

For the fourth successive season, the music will be under the direction of Walter Vassar, head of the voice department of Greensboro College, Greensboro, N. C.

Associated with Mr. Vassar will be leading musicians and talented students drawn from all over the South. It is interesting to note that there were more than fourteen states represented in the choir last season.

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MURFREESBORO CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE ASSEMBLY JULY 15-19

The Christian Adventure Assembly to be held at Chowan College, Murfreesboro, is planned especially for the Intermediate boys and girls of the Elizabeth City district and the upper part of the Rocky Mount district. This assembly will begin Monday afternoon, July 15, so there is still time to make plans to have someone to represent your church if you are in this area. The assembly will run from Monday noon through noon on Friday, closing on July 19.

Rev. B. B. Slaughter, Elizabeth City district superintendent, will serve as dean of this assembly. Rev. R. E. Walston, former district director of young people's work, will be on the staff. Rev. R. W. Bradshaw will serve as director of the assembly and also teach. The recreation will be directed by Mr. Linwood Blackburn.

THERE IS ROOM FOR OTHER DELEGATES.

THE SENIOR ASSEMBLY

The Senior Assembly of the North Carolina Methodist Conference convened at Louisburg College on June 17 and closed on June 21, with 245 registered delegates and a staff of 28. The theme of the assembly was "For Christ—Today" and all the programs, morning devotions, vespers and platform hours were centered about the theme. Dr. G. Ray Jordan, pastor, lecturer and author, who is now serving Centenary Methodist church at Winston-Salem, was the principal speaker. His words of inspiration and stimulation were enthusiastically received by the delegates. Dr. Jordan not only spoke at the evening platform hour but conducted an open forum each afternoon, discussing problems uppermost in the minds of the delegates.

On Thursday afternoon Rex Ingram, "De Lawd" of the screen version of Green Pastures, appeared at the forum hour. Mr. Ingram spoke of his life, his struggle to gain an education, his entry into pictures quite by chance, his part in Green Pastures and his plans to aid delinquent negro boys. Mr. Ingram then entertained the delegates with several scenes from Green Pastures.

Each delegate attended class for three hours; this was divided into two 90-minute periods. The courses and instructors were:

"China, an Unfolding Nation," Miss Marguerite Clarke.

"Life of Jesus," Rev. H. G. Ruark.

"Enriching the Spiritual Life," Rev. T. J. Whitehead.

"Christian Use of Leisure," Rev. Leon Russell.

"Citizenship and Community Service in the Young People's Division," Rev. W. A. Crow.

"Worship in the Young People's Division," Mrs. F. M. Patterson.

"What It Means to Be a Christian," Miss Zoe Anna Davis.

"A Methodist and His Church," Rev. F. M. Patterson.

Rev. M. W. Lawrence served as dean of the assembly and he was assisted by the following staff:

President, T. M. Phillips, Jr.

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Rev. F. B. Joyner, Wilmington.

Director of Assemblies, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw.

Assistants to the director: Linwood Blackburn, Miss Kitty Cline, Miss Mary Elizabeth Myers, Joseph Newsom.

On Wednesday afternoon the annual faculty-student ball game took place and the faculty went down before a strong student team. This was only one of the many recreational features of the assembly which came under the direction of Rev. Forrest Hedden and his assistant, Francis Edwards.

The annual banquet took place on Tuesday evening. The decorations and program centered about a nautical theme. Anchors, life savers, ships and sails suggested the cruise on the "Good Ship Louisburg." The sailor's star hung low to guide us to port and a pale moon lent a glow of enchantment to the room. Kitty Wilson, the skipper and toastmistress, started us on smooth sailing.

Following the banquet the missionary pageant "The Cross Lifted Up" was presented and the pledges to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise were presented at the altar by the district directors.

Officers elected in the Senior Assembly were:

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## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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### MID-SUMMER MEETINGS

The annual mid-summer meetings for Durham district will be held as follows: Alamance and Caswell zones at Yanceyville, Tuesday, July 23; Durham, Person and Orange zones on Wednesday, July 24, at Orange, two miles from Chapel Hill. Both meetings will begin at 10 a. m.; everybody brings lunch. Afternoon sessions will close at 3. Misses Josephine Dameron and Ruth Brooks will be speakers. Each president is asked to bring a large delegation and have report. The new set-up will be presented and many other features of interest are on the programs. Florine Robertson.

### SHALL WE HELP?

Again our attention is centered upon the annual North Carolina Leadership Training School for negroes at Winston-Salem on July 15-20, and upon the opportunity of the local woman's missionary societies to further the cause of Christ in this interracial relations project by contributing to the expenses of the school. The courses offered will be varied and applicable to all churches and denominations and will include all departments of the church. The approximate expenses of each delegate will be small—a profitable investment in building Christian character. Rev. J. S. Blaine, 121 N. Highland Ave., Winston-Salem, is dean of the school.

### COUPONS STILL VALUABLE

When the dream of a much needed electric range at the Methodist Orphanage has been made a reality coupons from Octagon products, Rumford baking powder, Luzianne coffee and tea and Ballard's Obelisk flour will still be valuable to the Orphanage and will be used for a definite and needful purpose there. Let's continue to send these coupons to Rev. A. S. Barnes at the Orphanage that he may convert them into cash which he will judiciously use.

### FORUMS

Included in the many interesting and valuable features of the School of Missions at Lake Junaluska on July 30-August 6 will be a forum hour each day dealing with various themes, and led by carefully selected and capable men and women. On Wednesday, July 31, "The City Church Saving Its Community" will be led by Dr. John S. German; August 1, "Need, A Missionary Minded Church, How to Obtain Such?" Dr. Stephen J. Corey; August 2, "The Woman's Society of Christian Service," Mrs. J. W. Perry; August 3, "The Rural Church at the Center of Community Life," Dr. Ralph A. Felton; August 5, "How Christian Missions Will Stop War," Dr. A. W. Wasson; August 6, "The World Mission of Christianity," Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen.

What more worth while way in which to spend a vacation? How excellent if each district and possibly each zone in the N. C. conference should send a car filled with women eager for the advantages at Lake Junaluska and the School of Missions.

### MISS NOBLE AT SCARRITT

Fortunate are the North Carolina conference and Miss Mary Noble, Smithfield, N. C., in that the latter was one of five girls in former Southern Methodism chosen to be the recipient of a Christian Social Relations Scholarship to the summer school at Scarritt College. Miss Noble has written an enthusiastic letter to Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh district secretary, expressing her gratitude and her intense interest in her work at Scarritt. She is majoring in Christian Social Relations and writes that the members of her class are putting in written form their findings of the studies and the projects, and that it is her intention to bring her papers when she returns to North Carolina, hopeful that they will prove beneficial and influential to the Christian Social Relations Department of the woman's missionary societies of our conference. So meaningful has the work at Scarritt become for Miss Noble that she is anticipating remaining for the second session of the summer school.

### DARE ZONE MEETS

Dare zone, Elizabeth City district, met on May 22 in the Methodist church at Hatteras. Rev. J. R. Regan led the opening worship. Mrs. Horton Austin extended welcome, to which Mrs. L. D. Hooper responded. Mrs. A. C. Hooper, zone leader, called for reports. Three new auxiliaries were reported to have been organized since the last meeting of the zone. These were Buxton, Frisco and Mann's Harbor. Mrs. J. L. DeLaney spoke on "The Now Work in Missions." Mrs. Ruby Gray led the noon day devotional. The afternoon session began with a prelude, "Wonderful Grace of Jesus." Rev. Vance Lewis gave a talk on the theme, "The Saving Grace of God." Mrs. H. J. Faison talked on the subject of "Givers." The World Outlook subscription was awarded to Frisco, our newest auxiliary. The World Outlook committee made a report. Mrs. Dewey Wise gave a report of the conference at Henderson. Mrs. Ruby Gray reported for the courtesy committee and Mrs. Horton Austin responded. The retreat hour was led by Mrs. C. E. Payne, her theme being "The Gift of Friendship." At the evening session Rev. Thomas Merriman gave a talk. A psalm was presented by the juniors. The young people sang "God Bless America" and "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations." Mrs. Faison addressed the assembly on "Missions at Home and Abroad."—Mrs. D. S. Oden.

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## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### RED LETTER DAY IN FIRST CHURCH, CHARLOTTE

Mrs. Andrew W. Smith

The Day of Prayer recently sponsored by the spiritual life group of First church, Charlotte, proved to be a highly interesting and inspiring occasion. All the Methodist churches of the city were asked to participate, each pastor's wife representing her church on the program.

Our own Mrs. C. C. Weaver led the two hours of deeply spiritual communion filled with inspiration and dignity. Assisting were Mrs. Edwin D. Mouzon, Mrs. Clare Purcell and Mrs. G. T. Bond. The chapel was well filled and the day is often referred to and will long be remembered.

Another event of interest was the review of "Right Here at Home" by Dr. Mead, at our general meeting for June, by Mrs. Clare Purcell. She presented this splendid book in such an interesting manner.

### SCHOOL OF MISSIONS AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

At the School of Missions to be held at Lake Junaluska July 30-August 10, will be offered:

The Acts of the Apostles, by Miss Mary Debardeleben; The Christian Mission in China Today, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon; The Church Serving Shifting Populations, Mrs. Hume R. Steele; Christianity and Economic Relations, Dr. James Myers; The Missionary Task of the Church, Mrs. J. W. Perry; Missionary Education of Children, Miss Noreen Dunn; The Church Training Volunteer Workers, Miss Margaret Young.

A number of the officers and district secretaries of the W. M. Society, W. N. C. Conference, are expecting to attend, and it is hoped that a large number of the members of the auxiliaries may take advantage of the opportunities offered by this splendid program with so splendid a group of capable leaders.

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT MEETING

Mrs. J. E. Youtz sends us the following interesting account of Charlotte district meeting held June 13 at Morven with Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, secretary of the district, in charge:

The meeting opened with the hymn "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" and Rev. P. T. Dixon, pastor of the Morven charge, conducted the worship service.

Special greetings were extended by Mrs. E. L. Ham, Jr., with a most appropriate response given by Mrs. T. F. Higgins of Wadesboro.

In the report of the district spiritual life leader, Mrs. E. W. Russell, she stressed the importance of prayer and urged each one of her hearers to pray more, and asked that we use The Upper Room and World Outlook in our

prayer groups. The report of Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, district secretary, was most gratifying. A wonderful structure has been built and much progress was manifested in the report. As the names of 22 members, who had passed away during last year, were called each auxiliary was requested to stand in silent prayer.

The following visitors were introduced at this time: Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president; Mrs. W. W. Hagood, vice president emeritus; Mrs. H. W. McCain, Supt. C. S. Relations; Mrs. J. W. Payne, Supt. Study; Mrs. George Hoyle, secretary of Children's Work, and Miss Mabel Cherry, missionary from Korea. A number of pastors from the district were also present.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, in her usual interesting manner, brought to us a set-up of our new organization, the Woman's Society of Christian Service, which will go into effect in September. She also conducted a question hour and many interesting questions were answered that will be most helpful in our new plan. Special music was rendered by the hostess church, followed by hymn "O Zion, Haste." Miss Mabel Cherry brought us a splendid message from Korea, telling of the wonderful work that is being done there and the deep love and appreciation of the Korean people.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver conducted the pledge service, reading the 17th chapter of John, centering her theme on "That they may all be one." Helpful statements made by Bishop Arthur J. Moore were read: (1) "We must have a vital religious experience; (2) we must have vision; (3) our church must keep up the spirit of cross bearing; (4) our church must have a world field in which to work; (5) face the future unafraid." As each auxiliary was called a representative brought forward the financial pledge for 1940. The morning session closed with prayer. At the intermission a delicious lunch was served to all present.

The afternoon session opened with a hymn, "Love Divine," and Rev. G. T. Bond, Charlotte district superintendent, brought the message, which was followed by report of annual meeting in Salisbury by Miss Lillian Walker.

Mrs. J. W. Payne, superintendent of study, reported the year's work, and in her report was shown considerable gain in study classes. She also brought out the importance of the study course at Duke University, which many leaders should take advantage of next year.

Mrs. W. W. Hagood reported for supplies, and brought the cheering news that Charlotte district was 100 per cent in supplies.

Mrs. H. W. McCain, Supt. C. S. Relations, brought a fine report of the year's work. She urged each auxiliary to send a colored delegate to the Hanes Institutional church in Winston-Salem July 15. Mrs. George Hoyle brought an interesting report on the work of

the children, and one of the chief things she stressed was proper reporting, stating that oftentimes because of failure to report the children's work, no credit was given for it.

Miss Mabel Cherry brought a second message, inspiring and helpful. At the close of her talk Mrs. Wakefield presented her a love gift of \$5 from the Charlotte district. Mrs. George Dooley expressed the appreciation of the entire district to the Moven ladies who had made the day so pleasant. Mrs. Wakefield, district secretary, expressed her thanks to the district for the wonderful work accomplished throughout the year, and asked each on to go into the new organization and help to keep the good work going on.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver brought the closing message, asked us all to go back home and "let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." She led the closing prayer.

### BRAVE ENOUGH TO BE COURTEOUS

Courage and courtesy may both be shown at the same time by the same man. Coarseness is not a necessary counterpart of conviction. Perhaps Christians could sometimes take a leaf from the books of famous soldiers or officers of the law in the matter of standing firmly for a principle, and without being brutal toward an opponent. William MacLeod Raine wrote a thrilling sketch of the life of William Tilghman, who, he said, was "from some points of view the greatest peace officer the west ever had." "Other marshals and sheriffs held office for two or three years and made reputations," wrote Mr. Raine. "Tilghman fought against crime for more than fifty years . . . and survived till he was well into the seventies. He made more arrests of dangerous bad men, broke up more gangs of outlaws, sent more criminals to the penitentiary, than any individual officer on the frontier. And with it all he was quiet, gentlemanly, soft-spoken, never overbearing, a friend of all the little boys in the neighborhood. 'Uncle Billy' fell in the line of duty." Here was a really brave man, whose life was constantly in danger, but who found it possible to be gentlemanly and not overbearing. It was not mere tongue-lashings or sharp letters that Tilghman had to face, but buffalo guns and Colt's revolvers. These are days of division and controversy, when we must indeed stand for certain principles. But there ought to be no place in our vocabulary, as Christians, for abusive language, or in our hearts for a belligerent attitude or contempt and hatred toward those who disagree with us. If the heart is right, the tongue will not offend, and God can so shed abroad his love in our hearts that there will be no room for unworthy feelings.

—S. S. Times.

Adversity is the school in which one learns courage, the crucible in which we are proved worthy. Adversity is not an affliction—it is an opportunity for us to see what we are really made of. Life is tasteless—like food—without seasoning—until experience flavors it.

—Carrie Jacobs Bond.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

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### THAT SERMON

I recently listened to a sermon from a distinguished Methodist minister in an adjoining state on the topic, "What Is the Best Service a Christian Can Render in Building the Kingdom of God?" Through the process of elimination the distinguished minister presented various fine services, ending each with the statement, "But good as this is, it is not the best service one can render." With sustained interest the minister finally came to a discussion of what he termed the best service, "The implanting of the love and principles of Jesus Christ in the life of a child." The speaker recounted that as a child in a farm home in which there were only two books, the Bible and Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress, his mother from the light of an open fireplace used both books to lead her three boys along the Christian way. All three are now prominent Methodist ministers. That sermon lingers in my mind.

### SELECTION OF SERVICE

Some years ago this scribe decided that his best service could be rendered to boys and girls rather than to men and women. Through the years his emphasis has been placed on John and Mary rather than on Brother Smith and Sister Jones. Many invitations for addressing congregations of adults have been declined in order to discuss with boys and girls their religious problems and opportunities. The making of appeals to adults has been left to those who can do it better in favor of making appeals to children in their formative years. So when the Children's Home man fails to function before this and that congregation let it be assumed that he is trying to function through the hearts and minds of youngsters.

### THINKING THINGS THROUGH

A good deal of interest is now being shown on the part of our older boys and girls in evaluating their religious opportunities and experiences. The process through which they are going is not attended by any outstanding expression but through consistent self-evaluation. Religion does not seem to fall upon our family in one swoop but rather through those processes of every-day living which tend to bring the selection of right doing as over against bad behavior. Last Sunday our theme for discussion was "Living the Unselfish Life." Next Sunday afternoon the youngsters, two on each side, will discuss the question, "Resolved, That We Should Continue Compulsory Church Attendance at the Children's Home." We here at the Children's

Home are coming more and more to the position of deciding our policies with our children rather than for them.

### STIMULATED INTEREST

Our entire family is now much interested in their vacation plans. By common consent we kept our minds off vacations until the first of July, after which time we began to make definite plans for two weeks' leave of absence, beginning Saturday, July 27, and extending to Saturday, August 10. Many plans are being made and high hopes are being registered. We will be glad for any of our youngsters to visit such friends and relatives as can provide for them, this provision including transportation cost. As previously stated, those children not having any other place to go will have a week's outing at Camp Fellowship on the Catawba river, thanks to Joseph B. Johnston, superintendent of the Presbyterian Orphans' Home, at Barium Springs.

### DUKE BUILDING BOYS

The picture this week is that of the 30 young high school boys who live in the Duke building, most of whom are in the eighth and ninth grades. They, with their home mother, Mrs. Mary Tesh, have a good time living together. They are an honorable and dependable set of youngsters and we think of them with pride and satisfaction. Since school is out these boys, along with the slightly older boys in the John Neal building, are doing their bit at their various occupational tasks, among them being the cultivation of our promising crops.

### FARM NEWS

Our truck farm and farming operations this year are very promising. The spring hay crop was good and most of it was harvested without severe damage from the rains. The small grain crop has amounted to 4800 bushels, the largest we have ever produced. Ninety acres of corn are in various stages of promising growth. The alfalfa and the soy beans give promise of continued hay harvestings. On the truck farm the early vegetables were good and the later ones are coming along in a fine way. The Irish potato crop, now being harvested, is very good. The tomatoes give promise of producing all we will need this summer and all we can use

from cans during the winter. The sweet potatoes are spreading over the ground and the corn is beginning to ear. Crops are good, for which we give grateful thanks.

### BERRY PICKING PICNIC

One of the annual features of Children's Home interest is that of the annual berry picking picnic on the Davie farm. This comes on or about the fourth of July each year and is attended by those who have made the honor rolls or honorable mention scholarship rolls in our elementary school. This year the list included 169 boys and girls. These happy youngsters were gathered in our trucks and buses and transported to the pasture fields on the Davie farm, where they picked berries, caught chiggers, waded in the creek and enjoyed a picnic supper. When the afternoon was over the youngsters came back singing songs of joy, and voted the afternoon a success.

### HONOR SOCIETY

It seems that money reaching us in the summer time stands out as a little bit more noteworthy than at any other time, this state of mind being brought about because of the limited amount reaching us. The good old summer time is not noted as the good old money time. However, we do have some funds finding us. Those having paid their ten per cent apportionment in full since last report are among this number.

Central, Spencer, Rev. F. B. Jordan.  
Trinity, Gastonia, Rev. F. H. Shinn.  
Main Street-Rowan, Salisbury, Rev. C. B. Ross.

New London, Badin-New London, Rev. M. F. Moores.

Landis, Landis circuit, Rev. C. W. Avett.

### FIFTH SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions so far received from the June fifth Sunday indicate a slight decline from similar receipts from the March fifth Sunday. It usually happens that when other important altruistic campaigns are being emphasized the Children's Home appeal is affected. For this state of affairs we have no criticism. The needs elsewhere are also insistent and we join all children, at home and abroad, in the feeling that their actual needs will be provided for.



These thirty sons with the sun back of them have the future in front of them



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INDEPENDENCE DAY—We had a special service in the chapel on the night of the fourth of July commemorating our independence. We sang three appropriate hymns and had two short addresses. Hon. A. K. Smith, from Montana, and Dr. Walter Cutter of Raleigh spoke to the children and workers on the meaning of Independence Day.

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WOODARD GYMNASIUM — The basket ball boys and girls took advantage of the cool nights last week to have practice games in the new Graham Woodard gymnasium. They enjoyed the sport immensely. The gymnasium is one of the most beautiful of its kind in the state. The boys and girls of our home never cease to sing the praises of Mr. Woodard for his wonderful gift.

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JUST IN TIME—Copious showers last week came at a most opportune time to save our early corn and vegetables. A few more days without rain would have caused serious damage. The dry weather gave our farmer and boys an opportunity to get the crops thoroughly clean before the welcome showers. So far, we have been getting an abundance of nice, fresh vegetables from our truck farm.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives gives the following account of the visit of our class: "At 11 o'clock June 30 we filled an appointment in City Road church, Elizabeth City, with Rev. E. D. Weathers. For the evening service we were at First church, Elizabeth City, with Rev. Hiram K. King. We had splendid congregations at both churches and received cordial welcome. It was a delightful week-end the class spent with friends there."

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WELCOME VISITORS — Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Johnson and their daughter, Marie, from Waco, Texas, visited our home last week. Mr. Johnson is superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage in Waco, and has more than 400 children under his supervision. Superintendent Johnson is a wide-awake, progressive orphanage man, and has one of the best orphanages in the South. These friends are always cordially received by our staff and children. While visiting us he made a fine address at one of our chapel services.

Every possible courtesy was extended to these good friends of ours from Waco.

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EASY TO MISJUDGE—within the last twelve or fifteen years well-to-do friends have given the Methodist Orphanage large and expensive automobiles for the use of our singing class. Before his death, Mr. B. N. Duke gave the Orphanage a beautiful Packard automobile. Four or five years ago Brother B. G. Thompson of Goldsboro gave us a \$5000 Lincoln car for the use of the singing class. In the early part of this year Mrs. N. E. Edgerton of Raleigh, a trustee of the Orphanage, donated to the Orphanage her Cadillac. These gifts have provided transportation for our singing class for many years. Occasionally people remark that they can't see how the Methodist Orphanage can afford to buy and operate such expensive cars, not knowing that they were a gift to us. The Methodist Orphanage is practicing rigid economy in every department of its work. We are operating on a much lower per capita cost than the other larger orphanages of the state. This statement can be substantiated by the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage.

OUR MIRROR

Suppose we had no mirrors of any kind. We would not know when our faces were clean nor if our hair looked neat or tidy. It would be very difficult indeed.

We do have mirrors, but what would you think of a person who went around with dirt on his face, his hair mussed up, and his collar crooked because he simply did not look into the mirror? I think you will say that such a person ought to be ashamed, and so he should.

There is a mirror that will show us all our spots, and that is God's Word. How long has it been since you looked into it? Do you use it often? Or are you going around with the marks of sin in you, thinking you are clean just because you do not see yourself in God's mirror? Jesus said, "Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you" (John 15:3). Read your Bible, and let it be the mirror that keeps your life clean, so that the beauty of Jesus will be seen in you.—Mary Kohli in The Moody Monthly.

WANTED A HARD JOB

Forbid for me an easy place,  
O God, in some sequestered nook  
Apart to lie  
To doze and dream and weaker grow  
And less and less to do or know  
Until I die!

Give me, O Lord, a task so hard  
That all my powers shall taxed be  
To do my best;  
That I may stronger grow in toil  
For harder service fitted be,  
Until I rest!

This my reward, development  
From what I am to what thou art,  
For this I plead!  
Wrought out by being wrought upon  
By deeds reflexive, done in love,  
For those in need!

—Charles Earle.

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E. O. Cole, Treasurer.  
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Asheville District

|                               |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Acton .....                   | \$ 114.14 |
| Asheville: Asbury Memorial .. | 99.00     |
| Biltmore .....                | 82.37     |
| Central .....                 | 1405.42   |
| French Broad Ave. ....        | 26.64     |
| Haywood Street .....          | 369.00    |
| Hillside Street .....         | 65.00     |
| Merrimon Ave. ....            | 64.15     |
| Oakley .....                  | 94.30     |
| West Asheville .....          | 357.50    |
| Asheville Ct. ....            | 49.11     |
| Black Mountain .....          | 162.18    |
| Brevard .....                 | 219.01    |
| Candler .....                 | 209.75    |
| Fairview .....                | 40.01     |
| Flat Rock .....               | 98.31     |
| Fletcher .....                | 182.39    |
| Hendersonville .....          | 593.63    |
| Hot Springs .....             | 70.93     |
| Laurel-Barnardsville .....    | 27.53     |
| Leicester-Bell .....          | 46.80     |
| Leicester-Grace .....         | 65.62     |
| Marshall .....                | 75.01     |
| Mills River .....             | 96.85     |
| Oteen .....                   | 28.65     |
| Pisgah .....                  | 24.18     |
| Rosman .....                  | 54.90     |
| Saluda-Tryon .....            | 84.10     |
| Sandy .....                   | 11.07     |
| Swannanoa .....               | 110.28    |
| Weaverville .....             | 306.09    |
| Weaverville Ct. ....          | 60.00     |
| Total .....                   | 5293.97   |

Charlotte District

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Ansonville .....              | 80.58   |
| Big Springs .....             | 62.50   |
| Charlotte: Belmont Park ..... | 400.00  |
| Brevard Street .....          | 180.09  |
| Dilworth .....                | 700.00  |
| Duncan Memorial .....         | 120.00  |
| First .....                   | 3050.00 |
| Hawthorne Lane .....          | 1350.00 |
| Derita .....                  | 10.00   |
| Hickory Grove .....           | 212.50  |
| Homestead-Pleasant Grove ..   | 225.00  |
| Huntersville .....            | 76.00   |
| Lilesville .....              | 70.00   |
| Marshville .....              | 37.50   |
| Monroe: Central .....         | 424.98  |
| North Monroe-Grace .....      | 100.30  |
| New Hope-Bethel .....         | 115.00  |
| Peachland .....               | 30.00   |
| Pineville .....               | 200.00  |
| Polkton .....                 | 70.25   |
| Thrift-Moores .....           | 203.13  |
| Trinity .....                 | 150.00  |
| Unionville-New Hope .....     | 28.00   |
| Total .....                   | 7895.74 |

Elkin District

|                        |        |
|------------------------|--------|
| Advance .....          | 100.00 |
| Cooleemee .....        | 150.00 |
| Creston .....          | 29.50  |
| Dobson .....           | 80.00  |
| Elkin .....            | 662.50 |
| Farmington .....       | 40.00  |
| Green Valley .....     | 5.00   |
| Helton .....           | 41.00  |
| Jefferson .....        | 23.50  |
| Jonesville .....       | 70.00  |
| Mocksville .....       | 125.00 |
| Moravian Falls .....   | 69.51  |
| North Wilkesboro ..... | 525.00 |
| St. Paul .....         | 19.30  |
| Surry-Yadkin .....     | 5.00   |
| Warrensville .....     | 90.00  |
| West Jefferson .....   | 75.00  |
| Wilkesboro Ct. ....    | 67.05  |

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|-------------------|---------|
| Yadkinville ..... | 355.00  |
| Wilkesboro .....  | 9.75    |
| Total .....       | 2542.11 |

Gastonia District

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Belmont: Main St. ....        | 400.00  |
| Park Street .....             | 165.00  |
| Bessemer City .....           | 50.00   |
| Boger City .....              | 307.75  |
| Cherryville .....             | 275.00  |
| Cramerton .....               | 132.00  |
| Gastonia: Bradley Mem. ....   | 930.00  |
| East End .....                | 200.00  |
| Main Street .....             | 1650.00 |
| Maylo-Smyre .....             | 225.00  |
| West End .....                | 245.00  |
| Kings Mountain: Central ..... | 262.50  |
| Grace .....                   | 79.60   |
| Lincoln Ct. ....              | 115.22  |
| Lincolnton .....              | 250.00  |
| Linclonton-Bess Chapel .....  | 36.40   |
| Lowell .....                  | 100.00  |
| Mt. Holly .....               | 250.00  |
| Polkville .....               | 150.00  |
| Rock Springs .....            | 180.00  |
| Shelby: Central .....         | 1050.00 |
| Lafayette St. ....            | 293.00  |
| Shelby-Caroleen .....         | 50.44   |
| Shelby Ct. ....               | 330.00  |
| Total .....                   | 7726.91 |

Greensboro District

|                              |         |
|------------------------------|---------|
| Brown Summit .....           | 17.50   |
| Draper .....                 | 150.00  |
| Gibsonville .....            | 222.00  |
| Greensboro:                  |         |
| Bethel-Battleground .....    | 90.38   |
| Carraway Mem. ....           | 300.00  |
| Centenary .....              | 600.00  |
| College Place .....          | 100.00  |
| Glenwood .....               | 167.50  |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace .....     | 71.67   |
| St. Paul .....               | 86.50   |
| West End .....               | 6.20    |
| West Greensboro .....        | 350.00  |
| West Market .....            | 4000.00 |
| Guilford .....               | 94.50   |
| Haw River .....              | 57.78   |
| Jamestown-Oakdale .....      | 25.00   |
| Midway .....                 | 159.72  |
| Mt. Pleasant .....           | 12.50   |
| Pleasant Garden .....        | 200.00  |
| Reidsville: Lindsay St. .... | 50.00   |
| Main Street .....            | 850.00  |
| Reidsville Ct. ....          | 110.00  |
| Ruffin .....                 | 97.75   |
| Stoneville-Mayodan .....     | 75.00   |
| Summerfield .....            | 141.00  |
| Total .....                  | 8035.00 |

High Point District

|                              |         |
|------------------------------|---------|
| Asheboro: Central .....      | 50.00   |
| First .....                  | 936.00  |
| Coleridge .....              | 77.00   |
| Denton: Central .....        | 75.80   |
| First .....                  | 51.38   |
| Farmer .....                 | 200.00  |
| High Point: Archdale .....   | 77.50   |
| Calvary .....                | 250.00  |
| First .....                  | 126.00  |
| Highland .....               | 37.50   |
| Lebanon .....                | 100.00  |
| Rankin Memorial .....        | 30.00   |
| Ward Street .....            | 87.50   |
| Welch Memorial .....         | 85.00   |
| Wesley Mem. ....             | 5800.00 |
| Liberty .....                | 5.70    |
| Liberty Ct. ....             | 16.30   |
| Linwood .....                | 118.25  |
| Oak View .....               | 75.00   |
| Pleasant Grove .....         | 100.00  |
| Ramseur-Franklinville .....  | 161.00  |
| Randleman-Union .....        | 275.00  |
| Randleman Ct. ....           | 38.17   |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel ..... | 98.48   |
| Richland .....               | 26.00   |
| Seagrove-Lovejoy .....       | 10.00   |
| Shiloh .....                 | 106.00  |
| Whynot .....                 | 30.00   |
| Total .....                  | 9043.58 |

Marion District

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|--------------------------|---------|
| Avery .....              | 33.75   |
| Bakersville .....        | 60.00   |
| Bostic .....             | 122.50  |
| Cliffside-Avondale ..... | 271.25  |
| Connelly Springs .....   | 165.00  |
| Elk Park .....           | 20.00   |
| Forest City .....        | 400.00  |
| Gilkey .....             | 31.80   |
| Glen Alpine .....        | 25.00   |
| Henrietta .....          | 58.00   |
| Linville Falls .....     | 30.00   |
| Marion: Cross Mill ..... | 135.00  |
| Marion Mills .....       | 115.00  |
| Marion Ct. ....          | 82.00   |
| McDowell .....           | 70.00   |
| Mill Springs .....       | 55.00   |
| Morganton: First .....   | 960.00  |
| Morganton Ct. ....       | 150.00  |
| Old Fort .....           | 90.00   |
| Pleasant Grove .....     | 150.00  |
| Rutherford College ..... | 200.00  |
| Rutherfordton .....      | 250.00  |
| Spindale .....           | 300.00  |
| Table Rock .....         | 100.00  |
| Valdese .....            | 102.71  |
| Total .....              | 3977.01 |

Salisbury District

|                              |         |
|------------------------------|---------|
| Albemarle: Central .....     | 1315.00 |
| First Street .....           | 200.00  |
| Main Street .....            | 61.25   |
| Albemarle Ct. ....           | 200.00  |
| Badin-New London .....       | 175.00  |
| China Grove .....            | 165.00  |
| Concord: Ann Street .....    | 16.00   |
| Central .....                | 400.00  |
| Epworth .....                | 265.00  |
| Forest Hill .....            | 700.00  |
| Kerr Street .....            | 86.50   |
| Rocky Ridge .....            | 18.25   |
| Friendship .....             | 53.25   |
| Gold Hill .....              | 102.00  |
| Granite Quarry .....         | 150.00  |
| Kannapolis: Midway .....     | 150.00  |
| N. Kannapolis .....          | 31.50   |
| Trinity .....                | 145.84  |
| Landis .....                 | 113.65  |
| Mt. Olivet .....             | 325.00  |
| Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs .. | 250.00  |
| Norwood .....                | 112.50  |
| Pfeiffer Ct. ....            | 122.55  |
| Roberta .....                | 100.00  |
| Salem-Tabernacle .....       | 112.50  |
| Salisbury: First .....       | 1325.00 |
| Spencer: Central .....       | 400.00  |
| Total .....                  | 7095.79 |

Statesville District

|                             |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Balls Creek .....           | 125.00  |
| Catawba .....               | 332.75  |
| Cool Springs .....          | 12.35   |
| Davidson-Fairview .....     | 125.00  |
| Elmwood .....               | 31.00   |
| Grace-Rhodhiss .....        | 100.00  |
| Harmony .....               | 33.80   |
| Hickory: Bethel .....       | 125.50  |
| First .....                 | 1250.00 |
| Hudson .....                | 217.41  |
| Maiden .....                | 160.00  |
| Mooresville: Central .....  | 450.00  |
| Mooresville Ct. ....        | 117.00  |
| Mt. Zion .....              | 150.00  |
| Newton .....                | 150.00  |
| Olin .....                  | 17.85   |
| Shepherds .....             | 93.75   |
| Statesville: Broad St. .... | 337.50  |
| Race Street .....           | 250.00  |
| Troutman .....              | 150.00  |
| Total .....                 | 4228.91 |

Waynesville District

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Andrews .....         | 165.75 |
| Bethel .....          | 58.31  |
| Bryson City .....     | 58.00  |
| Canton: Central ..... | 720.00 |
| Clyde .....           | 31.93  |
| Crabtree .....        | 2.28   |
| Cullowhee .....       | 92.71  |
| Dellwood .....        | 7.35   |
| Franklin .....        | 150.00 |
| Franklin Ct. ....     | 31.25  |
| Hayesville .....      | 50.30  |
| Highlands .....       | 2.00   |
| Jonathan .....        | 33.38  |
| Junaluska .....       | 75.00  |
| Louisa .....          | 4.00   |



|                      |         |
|----------------------|---------|
| Morning Star .....   | 72.81   |
| Murphy Ct. ....      | 12.50   |
| Rockwood .....       | 123.61  |
| Shooting Creek ..... | 28.04   |
| Sylva .....          | 50.00   |
| Waynesville .....    | 350.00  |
| Webster .....        | 40.58   |
| Whittier .....       | 22.18   |
| Total .....          | 2181.98 |

Winston-Salem District

|                               |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Davidson .....                | 188.00    |
| Doubs .....                   | 26.04     |
| Forsyth-Maple Springs .....   | 67.25     |
| Kernersville .....            | 150.00    |
| Kernersville-S. Winston ..... | 5.00      |
| Lewisville .....              | 25.00     |
| Lexington: Erlanger .....     | 70.00     |
| First .....                   | 1050.00   |
| State Street .....            | 50.00     |
| Mt. Airy: Central .....       | 1100.00   |
| Rockford St. ....             | 50.00     |
| Mt. Airy Ct. ....             | 200.00    |
| North Davidson .....          | 4.00      |
| Reeds .....                   | 27.50     |
| Rural Hall .....              | 54.00     |
| Thomasville: Community .....  | 75.00     |
| Main Street .....             | 1075.00   |
| Trinity-Bethel .....          | 108.00    |
| Thomasville Ct. ....          | 60.00     |
| Walkertown: Loves .....       | 280.00    |
| Walnut Cove .....             | 88.45     |
| Welcome .....                 | 260.00    |
| West Forsyth .....            | 15.00     |
| Winston-Salem: Burkhead ..    | 406.00    |
| Centenary .....               | 4000.00   |
| Central Terrace .....         | 87.50     |
| First .....                   | 45.84     |
| Green Street .....            | 180.00    |
| Hyatt Mem.-Sedge Garden..     | 65.50     |
| Oak Summit-Shiloh .....       | 43.66     |
| Ogburn Memorial .....         | 50.00     |
| Winston Ct. ....              | 33.00     |
| Total .....                   | 10,039.74 |

“AS A MAN THINKETH...”

The secret of weakness in your life and in mine nine times out of ten is in these unhallowed pictures of the imagination which we permit ourselves to dwell upon. You are not your own, and that applies to and comes into every single relationship of life, into the relationship of relaxation and pleasure, the relationship of the office and money, the relationships of family and society. All these relationships are touched and colored, modified and controlled, by the fact that if we are saved at all we belong absolutely to Jesus. —J. Russell Howden.

A CALL OF YOUTH

You whose hearts possess a dream,  
You whose vision still is true,  
Will you follow still the gleam?  
Will you build the world anew?

Futile is the reign of hate,  
Fated is the rule of gold;  
On your deeds great issues wait,  
Let your hearts with love be bold.

Vain are all the tools of war,  
Vain the boastings of success;  
These the dreams you battle for;  
Faith and truth and righteousness.

Let who will despise your youth,  
Let them trail your words in dust;  
You shall conquer, with the truth;  
In your visions be your trust.

You whose hearts possess a dream,  
God is God; his word is true;  
Follow still the luring gleam  
Till the world is built anew.

—Thomas Curtis Clark.

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# Sunday School Lesson

JULY 14

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By James S. Chubb

## Immortality as Job Saw It

Scripture: Job 14:13-17; 17:13-18; 19:23-29

Our references contain the bluest chapter of the Bible, as far as man's personal destiny is concerned (Job 14). Job reached the spirit of rock-bottom depression and became engulfed in the spirit of utter despair. There is hope for trees but not for man. (See Job 14). Because of the strain of his own ill-health and the misfortune that struck him, plus the utterly unsympathetic remarks of his friends, Job sank to the depths.

Yet Job could not remain in that darkness. His soul went on the eternal quest of man, "Shall he live again?" It is a question that has ever been with us because men were made for life, not for death. The very nature of human life is such that the issue of immortality will not down.

This is not a pious hope; it arises from the very vitals of life. It is not cowardice that gives rise to the question, for men can be trained to die, and many of them do die without flinching. It is not "wishful thinking" as the irreligious psychologist loves to repeat so glibly. There are many very good reasons for a belief in immortality, the greatest of which are the nature of life and the nature of God. So Job's question becomes our question.

This passage (14:13-16) shows much religious insight. Job seems to know that God has turned away from him, though he is wrong in attributing wrath to God. This turmoil is Satan's inning, not God's disinterest. Job is fearful lest in Sheol he will still be haunted. (Some scholars disagree on the importance of this passage, but it seems to me that there is implication here of a belief of life after death). Job worries about his fate; he seems to see his sins and iniquities with him still; and the implication is clear that death does not end the record. This is Job's better religious self, reasserting itself after his hopeless burst at the beginning of the chapter.

The author of Job shows uncanny insight into the ways of men. He has seen men burst out before, after which their better natures expressed their longings. So have we. The careful religious teacher soon learns to let people rave. When they cool down their better natures may regain control. The author so works out the character of Job. After the storm the sunshine is bound to come.

The second stage of Job's longing (17:13-16) is best understood in the light of the entire speech (16, 17). Job twice calls for understanding for his friends and, of course, receives no response. They are not that kind. He is

hopeful of the righteous man (9), but he regards himself as broken.

The entire speech is a mixture of darkness and bright light. He does see that the hope of Sheol is not sufficient. There is a dreary ending for the children of God. It is a place of dark and dreary existence, not the place that is a proper abode for God's children.

This passage, with the previous one, seems to me to be clear-cut evidence of the belief in immortality as a prevailing one among the people. The distinctive thing about Job so far is that he knows that Sheol is the limit of existence for a man whose face is turned from God. The author remains consistent with his theme that the Godward look and the divine belief alone can satisfy religious needs.

This speech (19) shows Job pulling out into the clear. He has bested the friends; they are quieted. He has ranted and raved in the agony of his soul, but now the skies begin to clear rapidly. The very loneliness of his life, because even his own relatives and old friends have turned against him, causes him to look at the eternal things and he senses victory. Now, unexpectedly, he bursts forth with a great belief in the life after death. Men may desert and leave him alone, but his Redeemer will not do so.

This passage should be supplemented with John 14:1-5 and 1 Corinthians 15. When one discusses immortality he should be thorough. Half-way beliefs in this realm are not enough. It is well during a discussion of this type carefully to consider the objections against belief. One is not really capable of convincing testimony for his religion, until he has wrestled with and vanquished unbelief. Wishful thinking and blind belief that is afraid of opposition is responsible for much of the aversion to the belief in immortality. There are good and solid reasons for Christian belief and they should be thought through.

Job's reason for belief here is one of the best of reasons. Because his "Redeemer liveth," he shall live. St. Paul put his basic trust on the same foundation. Because Jesus was resurrected, St. Paul believed that he would be resurrected, too. Jesus placed his trust on the same foundation. God had put many mansions in his eternal house, and that was the reason for Jesus' belief.

Put broadly, it means: we believe in life eternal because we believe in the Christian God. Our God is not a killer, but a Saviour and a lover. Saviours and lovers do not kill; they save and love. Job was right—when the light through and he saw that God lived, he could easily see that he, too, would live.

Many people tell us that they do not think about death, that such subjects have no concern for them. My experience with men leads me to believe otherwise. Discussions of immortality are popular with old and young alike, when lifted to a Christian level of reasoning. Triumphant stories of the entry of people into the other world have a charm for most groups of people.

Snowden's Christian Belief in Immortality is a reasonably priced volume that very well summarizes the

Christian evidence for immortality. Georgia Harkness's Conflicts in Religious Thought has a helpful discussion of the Christian belief. I cite these because we must give more solid teaching in our church schools of these great, tested, and tried Christian beliefs. Modern knowledge is enabling us to be more positive with our beliefs than we could be in previous decades.—Christian Advocate.

## A FONT OF FRIENDSHIPS

John P. Dinneney

Eighteen months ago I came to the city, a stranger from the country. I soon discovered the cold unfriendliness of the metropolis to be a harsh reality. Lonesome and heart sick, I sent for my dog whom I had left behind. I then took on a new lease on life, began enjoying myself, but poor "Spot" simply pined in the close confinement of leash, busy streets and cramped apartment houses. After two months I reluctantly came to the decision that the city was no place for the little fellow, and sent him back to his beloved lots and hills.

But that is not the main point of my story. Spot's short stay greatly helped me to adapt myself to metropolitan life, not so much from his presence alone, but rather from the friends and acquaintances I made directly through him. It once again illustrates the universal appeal dogs make to all manner of men, and the power they possess to draw folks together in congenial brotherhood.

Hardly a day passed, when exercising Spot, that I did not strike up several acquaintances. Instinctively, it seemed, other dog lovers on the same chore and myself were drawn together to talk about our pets, the weather, and eventually other topics. And many who were not owners lingered, stopped, with a friendly pat, a "nice dog," "wish I had one." Their faces, ordinarily masked by the city's callousness, would light up in a shy wistful smile, and in those moments I'd glimpse the collective heart of mankind in all its eagerness to seek everything that is noble and good if given the opportunity.

These daily rounds of exercising Spot laid the foundations of several valued and enduring friendships. Gratefully I thank him, now happily roaming his beloved countryside. And sometimes when I get thinking way up in the clouds, I give every man a dog—rich, poor, black, white, Republican, Democrat, in fact every opposite, and turn them all loose on an exercising stroll. Then I like to imagine the solution of all our many problems in a spirit of tolerance and understanding based upon a dog-inspired camaraderie. But here the sense of reality intervenes. Yet of such stuff dreams are made, and to the majority of people throughout the world today, dreams are mankind's only remaining benison.

—Our Dumb Animals.

You may dodge responsibility, but you cannot dodge the consequences of dodging responsibility.

The only permanent defeat any man can suffer is the collapse of his ideals.



# Children's



# Storyland

## WHAT WE DID ABOUT POLLY

There were three of us boys, and we had never wanted a sister. When mother told us one was coming on the four o'clock train, we didn't know what to say.

"You are getting too rough," mother said. "You need a little sister to help you to be kind. A friend has just died; she leaves a child about as old as you, Bert. Poor Polly has no one to care for her, so she is coming to be my little girl and your little sister. Of course, boys, you will be very kind to her."

Bert looked at Walter, and then they both looked at me. We did not say a word, but we all knew none of us liked it. Just as soon as we could get away, we went to the old apple tree. We always went there to talk things over.

"Bert," said Walter, "do we need a girl?"

"Horace," said Bert, "do any of us want a girl?"

"Of course we don't," I said. "Of what use are girls anyway? They always scream at every mouse or snake. They don't hit a ball or throw one. Doesn't it make you laugh to see a girl try to throw anything? Of course we don't want a girl.

"But she is coming, and we can't help it," said Bert. "What are we going to do?"

"Why do nothing or just as we did before she came. It will be very easy to ignore her."

"But mother says we are to be kind to her."

"We can let her alone. Let her play with Janet Day, or with some of the other girls.

"Girls ought not to expect to tag after boys, anyway," said Walter.

Mother expected us to drive to the train with her, but we all went down to the river early that afternoon. We did not ask if we might go, either. When we got home, it was late. They were eating supper, and that girl was sitting by mother in my place. Mother made us all shake hands with her. None of us said a word, but Bert grunted a little. Then we sat down to eat. We could not help looking at the girl on the sly, to see what she was like.

Polly was thin and pale; she had dark eyes and hair and seemed afraid. Her black dress made her look even paler. She was not pretty, and I knew she was timid.

Well, I am afraid we were not very kind to her. Somehow we could not let her alone as we had planned. You see she did not want to play with the other girls. She wanted to be with us, and was always tagging after us. We did not say much to her, and sometimes we teased her.

I did feel a little sorry the day I let the see-saw down. It must have hurt her, but she never said a word; she did not even cry, but I saw tears in her eyes.

## TEN LITTLE FINGERS THAT WERE ALWAYS CURIOUS

A little girl lives in our town  
And she was wondrous wise,  
Because she puts her fingers ten  
In other people's pies.

If mother slipped her Christmas gifts  
Into a handy box,  
Miss Lulu's fingers searched them out  
In spite of keys and locks.

When sister left her watch and rings  
Upon the dresser tray,  
Small Lulu's fingers tried them on;  
That always was her way.

She even handled people's clothes—  
She loved to feel of silk;  
She tried to see sow thick the cream  
Was on the morning's milk.

Her fingers fluttered here and there;  
She couldn't keep them still,  
Until one day she looked at them  
And bravely said, "I will!

My fingers I will keep at home;  
They must not poke and pry;  
I'll hold them fast—see if I don't—  
When off they want to fly!"

And since that time we love her more,  
Because we know she tries  
To keep her little fingers out  
Of other people's pies!

—F. L. N., in Story World.

The small river, near our house, where we often played, was not quite safe, because the bed was full of deep holes. If you know the river, you could wade out to some rocks all right; if you did not know it and were not careful, it would be unsafe to try.

One day I was playing at fishing, and the rest were wading near the shore. I hated to tell about this, but I must if I tell anything, and truly I did not remember the holes.

"Polly," I said, "wade out to this rock where I am."

"I don't believe mamma wants me to go so far," said Polly.

"Oh, you silly thing, come along!"

Polly looked at the water, but she did not stir.

"Are you coming?" I said, and I know my voice was cross. "If you don't come, I'll duck you under the water."

Polly started; she looked pale, but tried to smile. When she was up to her knees she stopped.

"Come along," I said. She took one step, and was in up to her neck. If she could have kept still it would not have been so bad. But she slipped and went out of sight. She had stepped into one of the deep holes.

We were terribly frightened, but we caught hold of her dress and pulled her out. We took her home and waited around the house to see how she was. Pretty soon the doctor was sent for, the fright had thrown Polly into a fever.

We could not sleep that night. At last Bert said: "If she will only get well I'll let her have my rabbits."

Finally we all fell asleep. Mother came to us the next morning. "Polly is better," she said, smiling, "and she wants to see you, Horace."

"Horace," she said, "don't worry. I didn't tell! I won't ever."

Polly kept her word—she never told, but I did. I went straight to mother and told her how unkind we had all been. Since then we have all been kind to her. And Polly—you ought to see Polly now.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

## CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Young Douglas had reached the age of seven when he was promoted to the dignity of having a room to himself. His fond parents had furnished it with great care and showed it to him with no little pride and satisfaction.

Douglas viewed in silence.

"Now, son," said his father, "this furniture is of the best. It will last you a lifetime."

Still Douglas kept silent.

"Don't you like it, Douglas?"

"Oh, yes, I like it. But how do I know my wife will like it?"—Christian Science Monitor.

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A freshman in high school was regaling her family with the French for potato, bread, milk, and about everything else in sight.

Marjorie, eight years old, listened and asked her big sister, "You have algebra, too, don't you, Joan?"

"Oh, yes, Marjorie, we have algebra."

"Well, what's algebra for mashed turnips?"—Boston Post.

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Teacher—"I have went"—that is wrong, isn't it?

Pupil—Yes, sir.

Teacher—Why is it wrong?

Pupil—Because you ain't went yet—Broadcast.

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"Daddy," exclaimed the little boy.

"One more question, then," sighed the tired father, "only one."

"How for is it," inquired the tot, "between to and fro?"

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Teacher—Who discovered America?

Student—Ohio.

Teacher—No, sonny, Columbus.

Student—Aw, that was just his first name.—Washington Star.



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THIRD ROUND

|                                      |      |    |
|--------------------------------------|------|----|
| Chapel Hill, 7:30 .....              | July | 11 |
| Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 ..... |      | 14 |
| Cedar Grove, Prospect, 3 .....       |      | 14 |
| Davis Street, 7:30 .....             |      | 17 |
| Eno, 7:30 .....                      |      | 18 |
| Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 11 ..... |      | 20 |
| Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11 .....   |      | 21 |
| Swepsenville, Salem, 2:30 .....      |      | 21 |
| Carrboro, Massey's, 7:30 .....       |      | 24 |
| Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 11 .....       |      | 27 |
| Orange Ct., Hebron, 11 .....         |      | 28 |
| Burlington Ct., Glencoe, 3 .....     |      | 28 |

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                     |      |       |
|-------------------------------------|------|-------|
| Creswell, Mt. Elma, 11              | July | 14    |
| Roper, Rehobeth, 3                  |      | 14    |
| Plymouth, Jamesville, night         |      | 14    |
| Murfreesboro Intermediate Assembly  |      | 15-19 |
| South Mills, Sharon, 11 and 1       |      | 20    |
| Columbia, Wesley's 11               |      | 21    |
| Williamston, night                  |      | 21    |
| Washington, 11                      |      | 28    |
| Bath, Wares, 3                      |      | 28    |
| Windsor, night                      |      | 28    |
| First Church, Elizabeth City, night |      | 31    |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

| THIRD ROUND                |       | July |
|----------------------------|-------|------|
| Siler City, 11             | ..... | 14   |
| Glendon, Caribnton, 3      | ..... | 14   |
| Troy Ct., Brick Church, 8  | ..... | 14   |
| Discoe, Star, 11           | ..... | 21   |
| Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3        | ..... | 21   |
| Troy, 8                    | ..... | 21   |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 11 | ..... | 28   |
| Rockingham, 8              | ..... | 28   |

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                     | July |
|-------------------------------------|------|
| Mt. Olive Ct., Browning's, 11 ..... | 13   |
| Goldsboro, St. Paul, 11 .....       | 14   |
| Jones, Shady Grove, 3 .....         | 14   |

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Aiden, Winterville, 8             | 14 |
| Oriental, Kershaw, 11             | 20 |
| Newport, Oak Grove, 11            | 21 |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, Reelsboro, 3 | 21 |

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                              |        |    |
|----------------------------------------------|--------|----|
| Fuquay, Cokesbury, 8:00                      | July   | 12 |
| Benson, Elevation, 11:00                     |        | 14 |
| Selma, 8:00                                  |        | 14 |
| Raleigh, Fairmont, 8:00                      |        | 15 |
|                                              | August |    |
| Louisburg Circuit, Leah's, 11:00             |        | 4  |
| Franklinton, Wesley, 3:00                    |        | 4  |
| Raleigh, Person Street, Epworth, 8:00        |        | 4  |
| Princeton, Micro, 8                          |        | 7  |
| Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 8                  |        | 8  |
| Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 8                     |        | 9  |
| Granville, Mt. Carmel, 11                    |        | 11 |
| Sten, Roberts, 3                             |        | 11 |
| Smithfield, 8                                |        | 14 |
| Garner, Mt. Zion, 8                          |        | 15 |
| Raleigh: Jenkins Memorial, Pleasant Grove, 8 |        | 16 |
| Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 10              |        | 18 |
| Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3                         |        | 18 |
| Dunn, 8                                      |        | 18 |
| Bailey, Middlesex, 8                         |        | 21 |
| Four Oaks, Antioch, 8                        |        | 22 |
| Zebulun-Wendell, Wendell, 8                  |        | 23 |
| Moncure, Jones' Chapel, 11                   |        | 25 |
| Tar River, Ebenezer, 8                       |        | 25 |
| Raleigh: Hayes-Barton, 8                     |        | 26 |
| Millbrook, Oak Grove, 8                      |        | 27 |
| Rougemont, Riverview, 8                      |        | 28 |

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                             | July |
|-----------------------------|------|
| Rosemary, New Hope, 11      | 11   |
| Roanoke Rapids, 8           | 11   |
| Halifax, Ebenezer, 11       | 12   |
| Enfield, 8                  | 12   |
| Warrenton, Hobron, 11       | 13   |
| Robersonville, Hamilton, 11 | 14   |
| Nashville, York, 3:30       | 14   |
| Whitakers, McTyre, 8        | 14   |
| Kenly, Lucama, 8            | 17   |
| Wilson, 11                  | 21   |
| Saint Paul, 8               | 21   |

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                     |      |    |
|-------------------------------------|------|----|
| Rowland (place to be announced), 11 | July | 14 |
| Pembroke (Indian Work), 3           |      | 14 |
| Lumberton Ct., Buies, night         |      | 14 |
| Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11  |      | 21 |
| Lumberton, night                    |      | 21 |
| Wilmington, Grace, 11               |      | 21 |
| Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night     |      | 21 |

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                       |      |    |
|---------------------------------------|------|----|
| Brevard, 11                           | July | 14 |
| Central (preaching), night            |      | 14 |
| Black Mountain, night                 |      | 16 |
| Weaverville, night                    |      | 17 |
| Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, night            |      | 18 |
| Swannanoa, Swannanoa, night           |      | 19 |
| Laurel-Barnardsville, Bright Hope, 11 |      | 21 |
| Weaverville Ct., Clarke's Chapel, 3   |      | 21 |
| Oteen, Mt. Zion, night                |      | 22 |
| Hot Springs, Fairview, 11             |      | 23 |
| Marshall, Walnut, night               |      | 24 |

ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                       |      |    |
|---------------------------------------|------|----|
| West Jefferson, 11                    | July | 14 |
| Todd, Hopewell, 3                     |      | 14 |
| Boone, night                          |      | 14 |
| Watauga, Mabel, 11                    |      | 21 |
| Green Valley Ct., Thomas Church, 2:30 |      | 21 |
| Moravian Falls, Roaring River, 8      |      | 21 |
| Ararat, Maple Grove, 11               |      | 28 |
| Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3             |      | 28 |
| Surry-Yadkin, Level Cross, 7:30       |      | 28 |

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                           |        |    |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|----|
| Cherryville, First Church, 11             | July   | 14 |
| Cherryville Ct., Beulah, night            |        | 14 |
| South Fork, 11                            |        | 21 |
| South Fork, Plateau, 3                    |        | 21 |
| Cramerton, South Point, night             |        | 21 |
| Casar, 11                                 |        | 28 |
| Casar, New Home, 3                        |        | 28 |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, night |        | 28 |
|                                           | August |    |
| Gastonia, Trinity, 11                     |        | 4  |
| Gastonia, West End, night                 |        | 4  |
| Rock Springs, Denver, 11                  |        | 11 |
| Lowesville, night                         |        | 11 |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11                |        | 18 |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3                    |        | 18 |
| Stanley, Stanley, night                   |        | 18 |
| Boger City, Asbury, 11                    |        | 25 |
| Dallas, night                             |        | 25 |

|                                 |       |           |
|---------------------------------|-------|-----------|
| Kings Mountain, Central, 11     | ..... | September |
| Belmont, Main Street, night     | ..... |           |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11          | ..... |           |
| Lincolnton, First Church, night | ..... |           |
| Bessemer City, 11               | ..... | 1         |
| Shelby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 11   | ..... | 1         |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                        |        |    |
|------------------------|--------|----|
| Pleasant Garden, 11    | July   | 14 |
| Proximity, 8           |        | 14 |
| Greensboro: Grace, 11  |        | 21 |
| Haw River, Friendship  |        | 21 |
| Glenwood, 8            |        | 21 |
| Madison, 11            |        | 28 |
| Leaksville, 8          |        | 28 |
|                        | August |    |
| Draper-Fairview, 11    |        | 4  |
| Draper, 3              |        | 4  |
| Bethel-Battleground, 8 |        | 4  |
| Pleasant Garden, 11    |        | 11 |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

THIRD ROUND—IN PART

|                                           |        |  |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|--|
|                                           | July   |  |
| Oak View, 8                               | 11     |  |
| Farmer, New Hope, 10                      | 14     |  |
| Why Not, New Zion, 2:30                   | 14     |  |
| Denton, Newsom, 8                         | 14     |  |
| First Church, High Point, 8               | 17     |  |
| Highland, 8                               | 18     |  |
| Shiloh, Shiloh, 2                         | 20     |  |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11       | 21     |  |
| Randleman-Union, Union, 3                 | 21     |  |
| Asheboro Central, 8                       | 21     |  |
| Trinity, Fairview, 8                      | 23     |  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Gray's Chapel, 11 | 28     |  |
| Seagrove-Leve Joy, Macedonia, 2:30        | 28     |  |
|                                           | August |  |
| Celeridge, Mt. Olivet, 8                  | 4      |  |

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

|                               |        |    |
|-------------------------------|--------|----|
| Bakersville, 11               | July   | 14 |
| Bald Creek, 3                 |        | 14 |
| Burnsville, 7:30              |        | 14 |
| Elk Park, 11                  |        | 21 |
| Avery, 3                      |        | 21 |
| Cliffside, 7:30               |        | 21 |
|                               | August |    |
| Glen Alpine, 11               |        | 4  |
| Valdese, Warlick's, 3         |        | 4  |
| Table Rock, Oak Hill, 7:30    |        | 4  |
| Spindale, 11                  |        | 11 |
| Mill Springs, Manus, 3        |        | 11 |
| Hostie, Oak Grove, 7:30       |        | 11 |
| Henrietta, 11                 |        | 18 |
| Broad River, Harris, 3        |        | 18 |
| Cross Mills, 7:30             |        | 18 |
| McDowell, Nebo, 11            |        | 25 |
| Old Fort Ct., 3               |        | 25 |
| Morganton, North Forest, 7:30 |        | 25 |

September

|                            |    |
|----------------------------|----|
| Sunshine, Hollis, 11       | 1  |
| Gilkey, Thermal City, 3    | 1  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30       | 1  |
| Rutherford College, 11     | 8  |
| Morganton Ct., Denton's, 3 | 8  |
| Morganton, First, 7:30     | 8  |
| Rutherfordton, 11          | 15 |
| Marion Ct., 3              | 15 |
| Old Fort, 7:30             | 15 |
| Lanville Falls, 11         | 22 |
| Avery Ct., 3               | 22 |
| Spruce Pine, 7:30          | 22 |
| Bald Creek, 11             | 29 |
| Micaville, Tipton Hill, 3  | 29 |
| Burnsville, 7:30           | 29 |

October

|                                    |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11      | 6  |
| Shady Grove, 3                     | 6  |
| Connely Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30 | 6  |
| Elk Park, 11                       | 13 |
| Bakersville, 3                     | 13 |
| Marion, First, 7:30                | 13 |
| Cliffside, 11                      | 20 |
| Forest City, 7:30                  | 20 |

Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stewards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church.

Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed to the district superintendent at this meeting.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

|                                      | July |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| Murphy, 11                           | 14   |
| Murphy Ct., 3 and 8                  | 14   |
| Waynesville, 11                      | 21   |
| Whittier, Blue Wing                  | 21   |
| Bryson City, 8                       | 21   |
| Hayesville, Hayesville, 11 and 3     | 28   |
| Shooting Creek, Hayesville, 11 and 3 | 28   |
| Franklin, 8                          | 28   |
| Macon, Franklin, 8                   | 28   |
| Franklin Ct., 8                      | 28   |
| Louisa, Franklin                     | 28   |
| (Dr. Vilet speaker on 28th).         |      |

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

| THIRD ROUND                                             |       | July   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------|
| Pilot Mountain, Chestnut Grove, 11                      | ..... | 14     |
| Mt. Airy Circuit, Beulah, 3                             | ..... | 14     |
| Thomasville Ct., Fairview, 7:30                         | ..... | 14     |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, Mt. Zion, 11                         | ..... | 21     |
| Mt. Airy, Rockford Street, Blackwater, 2:30             | ..... | 21     |
| Winston-Salem, Hiatt Memorial, Hiatt, 7:30              | ..... | 21     |
|                                                         |       | August |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary (third check-up meeting), 7:30 | ..... | 6      |

For, to take the matter rightly, honesty is always the nearest way to success.—Marcus Aurelius.



### THE SOLDIERS OF THE CROSS

God bless the soldiers of the cross on  
foreign coasts today,  
Who go the stranger's wounds to bind,  
to lead the feet that stray;  
To plant the cross upon the heights,  
the Christ-name to repeat  
Until the children of the dark kneel at  
the Saviour's feet.

God keep the soldiers of the cross  
when danger marks the way,  
The blight of evil mars the trail to  
trample and to slay,  
May they with wisdom's power be  
shod, and undismayed press by  
To echo on Christ's sacred name, to  
plant his standard high.

God lead the soldiers of the cross along  
the paths unknown  
To find the bruised human hearts  
across each stranger zone;  
To lift the lighted standard up until  
across the night,  
Christ's ransomed ones in joyous  
throgs behold the Christ the  
Light.

—George Klinge, in The Messenger.

### OUR THOUGHTS

As you think, you travel; as you  
love, you attract. You are today where  
your thoughts have brought you; you  
will be tomorrow where your thoughts  
take you. You cannot escape the re-  
sult of your thoughts, but you can en-  
dure and learn, can accept and be glad.  
You will realize the vision (not the  
idle wish) of your heart, be it base or  
beautiful, or a mixture of both, for you  
will always gravitate toward that  
which you, secretly, most love. In your  
hands will be placed the exact results  
of your thought; you will receive that  
which you earn; no more no less.  
Whatever your present environment  
may be you will fall, remain, or rise  
with your thoughts, your wisdom, your  
ideal. You will become as small as  
your controlling desire; as great as  
your dominant expiration.

—A Church Bulletin.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION (Continued from page 13)

Publicity Superintendent, Charles  
Davis of Roanoke Rapids.

Other officers will be named in the  
Young People's Assembly.

Many interesting projects were un-  
dertaken at the assembly. An assem-  
bly newspaper, the Assembly Hi-Lite,  
was published daily. This publication  
served to heighten interest, promote  
fellowship, and offered opportunity  
for creative work. Plans were made  
for observance of Youth Crusade Week  
throughout the conference and the offi-  
cers are subject to call to aid in an ef-  
fective program.

On Friday morning the assembly  
closed with the administering of the  
sacrament of the Lord's Supper. This  
annual service is regarded as the high  
light of the assembly and offers a fit-  
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dedicate their lives to the work of the  
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# In Memoriam

**YORK**—Mrs. Rebecca Ringstaff York was born November 27, 1859; died June 29, 1940, age 80 years, seven months and two days. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. F. L. York, Central Falls; Mrs. W. H. Fields, Greenville; Mrs. G. G. York, Central Falls; and five sons, C. L. York, Gibsonville; W. L. York, Danville, Va.; E. E. York, Greensboro; J. E. York, Charleston, S. C.; R. B. York, Central Falls; also 18 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Mrs. York has been a faithful member of Giles Chapel Methodist church for over 40 years. She loved her Lord and his kingdom. We feel that she has gone to a better land. Funeral services were conducted at Giles Chapel by the writer, assisted by Rev. J. B. Trogdon and Rev. J. O. Cox.

Rev. C. L. Grant.

**RECTOR**—On June 20, 1940, E. L. Rector, 70, veteran of the Spanish-American war, died in his home in Andrews. He had been married twice and is survived by five sons by his former marriage and by his wife, the former Miss Lena Phillips.

The funeral was conducted from the Methodist church by his pastor and Rev. E. F. Baker of the Baptist church. Interment was in the family plot in Andrews cemetery.

He was a native of Marshall, Madison county, having moved to Andrews 30 years ago. He was a faithful member of the church, always in his place before becoming disabled, continuing faithful in his interest, prayers and support to the end. "Be thou faithful unto death and receive a crown of life. Well done, good and faithful servant"—his life suggests such expressions found in the holy Bible. A faithful soldier has crossed over the lines to rest under the shade of the tree of life.

G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

**WHITE**—George Thomas White, son of William Pinkney and Nancy Adeline White, was born January 27, 1865. He died June 22, 1940, age 75 years, four months and 26 days.

He was married to Mary McCollis Johnson, April 20, 1887. To this union were born ten children, eight of whom survive: Mrs. Mantie Couth of Winston-Salem, Mrs. Bessie Reece of Elkin, Mrs. Addie Jennings of Mt. Airy, Mrs. Mary Brown of Burlington, William White of Hamptonville, Roy White of Elkin, N. D. White of Mt. Airy, and Charles White of Fort Worth, Texas.

He was later married to Mollie L. Thomasson, who also survives, with one brother, Lee White of Mt. Ulla; three sisters, Mrs. W. A. Hartness of Winston-Salem, Mrs. Bud Mason of Statesville, and Mrs. Sidney Click of San Antonio, Texas; 16 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was one of Yadkin county's best known citizens in helping to build this community and county. He served as county commissioner, county sheriff for two terms, representative in the state legislature for two terms, and as state senator for one term and one special session for this district.

He joined the Methodist church at Mountain View in 1899. Later he transferred his membership to St. Paul. He was a leading and substantial citizen, a devoted husband and father and a church worker of real loyalty. He loved the church and its workers. He contributed the lumber for our building at St. Paul. His home was a center of

Christian hospitality and a source of inspiration that will live on through the years to come. He was a man genuine, always helpful and sincere; a man of Christian faith and practice. Of him it can be said:

"None knew thee but to love thee,  
None named thee but to praise."

A Friend.

## RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Since it has pleased our heavenly Father to remove from us our brother and fellow member, Geo. L. Emerson, who died in a Greensboro hospital June 9, 1940, be it resolved:

First, That in this brother's death our class has lost a faithful member.

Second, That we commend to all our men his vital Christian experience and worthy example of devotion to his church and his Master.

Third, That we hereby express our sympathy to his widow, children and other relatives, and pray the presence of the Comforter with them in this sad hour.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the family, a copy put on the record book of the adult department, and a copy sent to our Advocate with request for publication.

A. C. Sherrill,  
W. C. Garrett.

The above was adopted by the men's class of Centenary church, Greensboro, June 16, 1940.

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**"When Life Tumbles in, What Then?"**

**T**HE first sermon preached by Arthur John Gossip, distinguished British preacher, following his wife's dramatically sudden death bore the title "When Life Tumbles in, What Then?" In it he thinks aloud on the world-old problem of evil and in the midst of his own agony discusses his grounds for faith in God. What is the "problem of evil" and how does it affect faith?

Summarized in very brief fashion, the profound question that has troubled the world—both believers and half-believers—almost since time began is this: How can a good and wise God possessed of infinite power allow injustice and cruelty, suffering and death to hold sway in the world? "Why?" "Why?" is the cry of men and women throughout the ages when faced with the devastating storms of life. If God loves us, "Why?" If he has all wisdom, "Why?" If he has all power, "Why?"

Dr. Gossip takes as his text for this memorable sermon a verse found in Jeremiah 12:5, "If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? And if in the land of peace, wherein thou trustedst, they wearied thee, then how wilt thou do in the swelling of Jordan?" Elaborating his theme, he says:

Carlyle, you recall, used to say that the chirpy optimism of Emerson maddened him. Emerson across whose shadowed life no cloud or shadow was allowed to blow. He seemed to me, panted the other, like a man, standing himself well back out of the least touch of the spray, who throws chatty observations on the beauty of the weather to a poor soul battling for his life in huge billows that are buffeting the breath and the life out of him, wrestling with mighty currents that keep sweeping him away. It did not help. And I, too, have had a happy life; and always when I have spoken of the gospel, and the love of God, and Christ's brave reading of this puzzling life of ours, it has seemed to me that a very easy answer lay ready to anybody's hand who found these hard to credit. Yes, yes, they might say irritably, if I stood in the sunshine where you are, no doubt I, too, could talk like that! But if your path ran over the cold moors, where the winds cut and whistle and pierce to the very bone, if you were set down where I am, I wonder if you would be so absolutely sure? As Shakespeare says, it is not difficult to bear other people's toothache; but when one's own jaw is throbbing, that is another matter. We will listen to Jesus Christ: for he spoke from the darkness round the cross. We mayn't understand him, or agree with him, or obey him; but nobody can challenge his right to speak. But you! Wait till you stand in the rushing of Jordan, till to you there has come some fulfillment of that eerie promise, "Behold, your house is left unto you desolate," and what will you say then?

Zions Herald.



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## IS RELIGION IMPORTANT?

"A churchless community, a community where men have abandoned and scoffed at or ignored their needs, is a community on the rapid down grade."—Former President Theodore Roosevelt.

"The older I grow, the more certain I am that morality is dependent upon the spread of religious conviction in the government and civilization of this country."—Former President Woodrow Wilson.

"The strength of a country is the strength of its religious convictions."—Former President Calvin Coolidge.

"It is my considered conviction that there can be no enduring alleviation of the social and political ills which plague us, unless and until there is an essential change of ethical and spiritual attitude in the rank and file of men."—James Rowland Angell.

"The government's indifference to religion must not be allowed to become opposition to religion."—President Nicholas Murray Butler.

"Mere tax paying is not a substance for the springs of human brotherhood. Collective self-indulgence cannot take the place of self-sacrifice."—Robert E. Speer.

"... just as human values transcend statistics, so we must use the Golden Rule to measure true progress."—Robert A. Milliken.

"Only the Golden Rule will save the country—not a rule of gold."—Roger W. Babson.

"Some day people will learn that material things do not bring happiness, and are of little use in making men and women creative and powerful."—Charles P. Settemetz.

"The churches of our land have been and always will be the greatest factor in the development of truly noble

character, molded in the divine pattern."—Thomas J. Watson.

"The spiritual activities of men are no less real than physical and chemical phenomena—and their importance is much greater. The emancipation from the dogma of materialism will usher in an era when human life will be broader and more complete.

Civilization today stands at the crossroads. The strength of nations like that of man is composed of spiritual as well as material elements. Therefore, the call of the hour must be a call to moral and physical virility. And the spiritual rearming of man and nations must lead the way."—Dr. Alexis Carrell of the Rockefeller Institute.

—From Educational News Bulletin.

## A HYMN FOR THESE DAYS

O brother man, fold to thy heart thy brother;  
Where pity dwells, the peace of God is there;  
To worship rightly is to love each other,  
Each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.

Follow with reverent steps the great example  
Of him whose holy work was "doing good."  
So shall the wide earth seem our Father's temple,  
Each loving life a psalm of gratitude.

Then shall all shackles fall; the stormy clangor  
Wild war music o'er the earth shall cease;  
Love shall tread out the baleful fire of anger,  
And in its ashes plant the tree of peace.

—John Greenleaf Whittier.

This hymn is given here that church schools using hymnals in which it does not appear may have access to it.



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More and more do the news men who come out of France and are now able to write without restraint convince us that the collapse of France was a moral breakdown. The morale of the people could not stand the strain. There was from top to bottom a lack of that resolute spirit which is born of moral conviction.

§ § §

The German commander in the Netherlands is said to be upset because the Dutch people do not show the proper "loyalty" toward the German occupation. By "loyalty" he means that they shall think what the Germans shall tell them to think, read only what they want them to read, listen only to German broadcasts while they hasten to become slaves of these murderous invaders. But the Germans will learn that the Holland Dutch are not apt pupils of Hitler's way of doing things.

§ § §

The liquor stores in North Carolina were established, so said the promoters thereof, to put the bootleggers out of business. Now the latest report is that the price of liquor in these stores will be reduced the first of August in order to compete with the bootleggers. In other words, the bootleggers have so flourished in liquor store territory that they are about to put the legal stores out of business. A blind man is able to see how little was in the argument offered at first by the proponents of liquor stores.

§ § §

Of supreme interest from several viewpoints is President Franklin D. Roosevelt's message to the national Democratic convention in Chicago last Tuesday night. It is as follows: "The President has never had, and has not today, any desire or purpose to continue in the office of President, to be a candidate for that office, or to be nominated by the convention for that office. He wishes in all heartiness and sincerity to make it clear that all of the delegates to this convention are free to vote for any candidate."

Said Winston Churchill in justification of his demolition of the French navy to save it from Hitler's hands: "When you have a friend and comrade at whose side you have faced tremendous struggles, and your friend is smitten down by a stunning blow, it may be necessary to make sure that the weapon that has fallen from his hands shall not be added to the resources of your common enemy."

§ § §

And now we are to stop Hitlerism in America by building up a military system similar to that which is wrecking the nations of Europe. Peace time military conscription is the major premise of every dictatorship and all totalitarianism. For generations millions of Europeans have fled from their native countries to America in order, among other things, to enjoy freedom from military conscription. So peace time conscription would be a radical departure from our American tradition. The next step is to accept the doctrine that free men are pawns of the state—of the unlimited power of the state. This proposed peace time conscription is highly dangerous to our American democracy which we are striving to save.

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Simpson Payton says: "Youth was in the saddle at Philadelphia. Governor Stassen, the keynoter, is only 33. Herbert K. Hyde, chairman of the platform committee, is 42. Russell W. Davenport who left the managing editorship of *Fortune* to promote Mr. Wilkie's candidacy is 41. Congressman Charles A. Halleck who nominated his fellow Hoosier is 40. Senator Lodge who summarized the platform is 38. And Mr. Willkie, the nominee, is only 48. Willkie's parents were members of the First Methodist church. When Wendell was at home Wendell listed as member with his family. His name marked 'Withdrawn to unite with Episcopal Church' after college. Father was trustee, steward, superintendent and teacher in church and Sunday school. Methodists will at least agree that he got off to a good start."



## Encouraging Home Owning

CERTAIN phases of church life in the country places have enlisted our interest of late. We have stressed the place of the preacher in the country church and also insisted on certain changes in our church set-up that has to do with the religious life of the country places. Just now we would draw attention to the need for rural home owning citizens. This desire has been one of the fine virtues of our people in North Carolina since early pioneer days. And we are putting new stress on this these last days.

Mr. D. A. Tompkins, an outstanding citizen and effective leader in many constructive efforts of the state, used to say that an industrial society would always be difficult to hold in hand unless it was housed in its own homes and, therefore, inspired to take a proprietary interest in the plant, in the community, in the church and in the institutions of our government. This is especially true of a country life which becomes invaluable for economic security and useful citizens in a vigorous commonwealth. Such sense of ownership imparts substantial qualities to a people. One of the specially fine features about the back-to-the-country movement is that it becomes possible for a sober, sensible and industrious people to be home owners. The thriftless, liquor-drinking masses must ever remain deprived of those fine virtues that come with home ownership. These defenses are both social and spiritual. Not much can be made of a people who drift here, there and yon, passing a shiftless kind of existence. A decided change must be wrought with such people before much can be done to cure the evils of the share-cropper. Change of environment will not transform incompetents who are wanting in the elements necessary to success.

If we are to save America serious attention must be given those who are on the land. "Save the city and thereby save America" is a slogan of little value. It would be far better to seriously set about saving the country life of America by increasing the number of home-owning citizens of the country places in our land. Here the real and effective defenses of our land will be supplied. With such a substantial peasantry our billions voted for defence will count. A sober, industrious, provident people settled on the land, cherishing the family, the school, the church make invincible

any nation. So all who love America and cherish the welfare of humanity should give themselves to building the defenses lodged in a noble and heroic people devoted to their own homes and proud of the virtues of an industrious and free people.

The salvation of our land rests not with the crowds of the big cities. City populations have always fled when troubles arose and the threatened desolations came. A people with their shrines and their homes have evermore been the stable populations. They are ready to die for their altars and their firesides. Yes, the future of America is lodged with the country people. What an obligation rests upon the country home and the country church!

## Miami and the Duke of Windsor

REPORTS out of Miami indicate that some of the people of that enterprising city are greatly elated because they expect that the Duke of Windsor and his American wife will be drawing cards for next winter's tourist business, since the Duke is now governor of the Bahama Islands. It is reported that the former governor of these islands made two formal visits to Miami each year and it is expected that the Duke will continue the custom.

Perhaps so and perhaps not, and if he does, his drawing power is a question of doubt. Distance lends enchantment to a man with the record of the Duke of Windsor. For our part we prefer the Miami dog races as a drawing card, which will prove more effectual than the new governor of the Bahamas.

## Vacation Days

THESE hot days of summer are truly vacation days for the man who toils the rest of the year. The time now spent in recreation will yield large returns next fall and winter when the tasks are exacting. The constant grind prevents the most effective work in any sphere of human activity, whether it be mental or physical.

By vacation we do not mean a period of dissipation wherein one returns to his task in worse physical and mental condition than when he left it. A man or woman who has no better judgment than that should surrender his or her place to one who knows how to play, for the presumption is that such an one will also know how to work.



## Opposed to Universal Military Training

**I**N recent weeks several trial balloons have gone up from Washington in an effort to learn whether the government should attempt to impose military training upon the American people. We desire to join those who are opposed to universal military training by this country.

First and foremost there is no need for it. Our preparedness program is for defense and for defense only. Whenever this country is about to be invaded by a foreign foe untold millions of volunteers will rally to the defense of the flag without drafting a single man. Furthermore, no direct attack upon the United States is conceivable in the near future. The only country in Europe with a navy to speak of is Italy and that navy is bottled up in the Mediterranean with Gibraltar at one end and the Suez Canal at the other. And by the time Germany can build a navy that amounts to much the United States will have the greatest navy on earth, even greater than England. It is the navy that will keep foreign foes from our shores. Why set about militarizing this land of the West?

This talk of sending no soldiers to Europe and in the same breath advocating a standing army of millions has back of it in somebody's mind an army for invasion. Now let us keep this fact in mind and rest assured that somebody is trying to double cross the American people.

Listen to the following words of wisdom from Dr. Charles A. Ellwood, professor of sociology in Duke University:

"A former officer in the United States Army has said that citizens trained to military ideals and practices in peace time will automatically carry those ideals and practices into government. The policy thus becomes a menace to personal liberty, although, he added, the modern militarist maintains his activities are entirely for the sake of peace! These words of wisdom should especially be borne in mind in view of the fact that all students of human society, without exception, agree that a prolonged war is inevitably followed by an economic depression. Economic depressions bring discontent, and if the masses are trained to military methods and armed, we can safely count on a revolution in the United States within a dozen years after the present war closes; and

revolutions cannot be put down when the masses have had military training and experience in arms."

## To Be a Humdinger

**T**HE approaching presidential campaign already gives promise of being a warm number. Already we note that a little editor located near one of the big swamps of eastern North Carolina, like a little frog of the early spring time has lifted up his squeaking little voice in terms of rejoicing because Wendell Willkie has been associated with Wall Street in big business and that this is all that will be needed to defeat him for President.

The Charlotte Observer, one of the great dailies of North Carolina, in discussing the same subject says:

"If he, as former president of Commonwealth and Southern, is to be held up to scorn and calumny before the American people as one of unclean hands, why is it that Henry L. Stimson, who was his attorney in the fight made by his company against the New Deal, should be considered so immaculate as to be worthy of being called by the President into his cabinet? You can clearly see that the presidential campaign this year is going to be resoundingly a humdinger for excitement when the rousements go on."

## Not Even Half-Truths, But Interesting

**T**HROUGH the years the following bits of wit have been gathered together and they make interesting reading even if they add nothing to the total of human knowledge. Here they are:

Athletics—The excuse for modern institutions of higher learning.

Bacteria—Backdoor of a cafeteria.

College-bred—A four-year loaf made with father's dough.

Compliments—Lies in full dress.

Etc.—The sign used to make people think you know more than you do.

Pedestrian—A man who has two cars, a son and a daughter.

Research—Getting things out of many old books never read, and putting them into a new book which nobody is going to read.

Social Tact—Making people feel at home when you wish they were.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference (place to be announced) . . . . . Nov. 7**

The Rich Square Methodist church will have its home coming day next Sunday, July 21. Friends, members and former pastors are invited to come.—P. F. Newton, Pastor.

**Anyone interested in a helper as church worker such as assistant to pastor would do well to confer with Miss Elizabeth Braswell, Box 343, Hamlet, N. C.**

Our annual home coming at Moore's on the Thrift-Moore's charge will be Sunday, August 4. All former pastors, members and friends are urged to attend.—John H. Carper, Pastor.

Determined opposition to the Burke-Wadsworth Conscriptio Bill is being expressed before the Senate Committee on Military Affairs by official representatives of the Methodist Church.

Mrs. Sisk, my wife, is recovering very satisfactorily from an operation. She will be at the Davis hospital in Statesville for the next ten days and will appreciate a visit or word from any friend.—B. A. Sisk.

Rev. J. T. Stover of Rutherford College, the oldest superannuated minister in the Western North Carolina conference, celebrated his 88th birthday Wednesday, July 10. The anniversary was passed quietly at his home.

Dr. Edward J. Rees, pastor Belmont Methodist church, Roanoke, Va., formerly of the North Carolina conference, is to be the platform speaker at Forest Home Epworth League Institute of Southern California the week of July 21.

The annual family picnic of the Fayetteville District Ministers' Wives' Association will be held at the Public Park at Sanford on Monday, July 22. Plan to arrive in time for a picnic lunch at the noon hour.—Mrs. J. P. Lineberger, Sec.

Paul in prison seemed defeated. His enemies thought he was. His friends were inclined to believe it. Not he. Read what he wrote: "I would have you know that all the things that have happened unto me, have turned out for the progress of the Gospel."

Fine church school group and a larger and more representative congregation met for the first time in the new incomplete Mt. Sylvan church, Roxboro Road, July 14, in the morning. Pastor's report showed more than 90 per cent of \$12,600 value already secured by payments and pledges to finish and furnish the entire building.—I. B. McKay.

Last week Mrs. R. M. Hauss, wife of Rev. R. M. Hauss, pastor of the Ramseur-Franklinville Methodist churches, entered the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital in Elkin for treatment. Her condition is not considered dangerous but she will be confined to the hospital for an extended period of time. Her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

On Wednesday, July 10, Mrs. R. E. Stackhouse, wife of Rev. Dr. Stackhouse, former editor of Southern Christian Advocate, fell at her home at Lake Junaluska and broke her right leg just below the hip joint. She was taken to the County Hospital at Waynesville, where skilled surgeons operated, and assured the family that they would have her in a rolling chair in a few days and on her feet again by late summer. She has had the attention of good nurses and everything possible is being done for her comfort. She has borne up with remarkable fortitude and greets friends with her accustomed cheery smile. Her friends call in large numbers and keep her room bright with flowers and with fruit. Her daughter, Mrs. Gregory, came from Griffin, Ga., to have charge of the home and stay with Dr. Stackhouse.

Jonathan Daniels writing his paper, the News and Observer, from the Chicago convention says: "In the North Carolina delegation are several men who accepted election as delegates with the knowledge that they were accepting the right to come to Chicago to vote only as the people in North Carolina told them to. They were only allowed to come on that condition. They have no more independent powers than the Postal and Western Union messenger boys in the press boxes may be big shots in their communities, but they are only Roosevelt votes to be counted in the North Carolina delegation."

First Methodist church, Morganton, began last week work on a new \$10,000 parsonage and the work is to be completed within four months from date. The church, it was announced, has on hand about \$2000 to go toward the construction, the men's Bible class has voted to donate \$1000, and the women's organizations are giving \$2000. The remaining \$5000 will be raised in a campaign which will begin next week, conducted by the younger group of church members under the direction of a committee consisting of Lawrence Crouch, chairman, Frank C. Patton, and Mrs. E. A. Kirksey. Rev. Fletcher Nelson is pastor of First church.

Bishop Edwin F. Lee, D.D., LL.D., in charge of Methodist interests in Malaysia and the Philippines, will appear on the program of the missionary conference at Lake Junaluska on Sunday, August 4. Bishop Lee, who is a new bishop to the southern area of the Methodist Church, will discuss work in a mission field also new to this area—in the Malay Peninsula, Borneo, Sumatra, and the Philippine archipelago. Here the former Methodist Episcopal Church has a number of schools and churches. Bishop Lee is a native of Iowa and was educated in Upper Iowa University, Northwestern University, Garrett Biblical Institute, and the University of Chicago. Prior to going as a missionary to Java in 1911, he served pastorates in Illinois. During the first World War he served as chaplain in the army and was decorated by the French government for war services and by the government of Serbia for his relief work, in which he engaged at the close of the war. Afterwards he served as associate secretary of the Methodist Board of Foreign Missions and then returned to the Orient as superintendent of the Singapore district. He was elected a bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1928.

Rev. Joe Caldwell, Duke worker, assisted Rev. J. R. Bowman for four weeks on the Rosman circuit, June 17-July 13. A two weeks' school was held first in the Lake Toxaway church. Mrs. R. F. Andrews taught the beginner-primary department, Rev. Mr. Caldwell the juniors, and the pastor taught the intermediates. There was an enrollment of 43, and 29 diplomas were granted. A second two weeks' school was held in the Rosman church during the second two weeks. Mr. Caldwell taught the juniors and the pastor taught the beginner-primaries, assisted by Mrs. Bowman. In this school there was an enrollment of 39 and 32 diplomas were awarded. Pictures were taken of the children at work and in groups in both schools, and some good views were secured. Both schools enjoyed a picnic at the close. Mr. Caldwell also taught the short training course for Christian workers in the Lake Toxaway, Rosman, Oak Grove, and East Fork churches. The subject of the course was "The Educational Work of the Small Church." Only 12 certificates were awarded during the four weeks, but good work was done nevertheless. Several of those who attended the course were too young to receive credit. Rosman circuit has been greatly helped during these weeks, and pastor and people are grateful for Mr. Caldwell's unselfish labors among them, and to the Duke Endowment which makes his services possible.—J. R. Bowman, P. C.



## HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

There came to us last week by motor express a most wonderful gift in the shape of two large rolls of Biltmore hand-woven homespun for our boys. We cannot tell how many yards there are yet, because we do not wish to unroll it until we have completed plans by which to have it made into suits for our boys. But the way bill says there are 117 pounds of it, and from the bulk of it we know there is enough of it to make a suit each for 25 and more of our larger boys. So you may think of our larger boys next winter wearing for their Sunday suits such goods as wealthy men pay fancy prices for. They will look fine and their clothing will be fine. And it is all the gift of The Biltmore Industries. We are thankful and the boys will be doubly pleased with these suits this fall. It will cost about \$6 each to have the suits made. Will you take a suit? Thank you.

### A Wonderful Day

One of the most wonderful privileges a preacher can have is to go back to preach to a home coming group at an old country church where he was pastor as a young preacher in the long ago, and where everybody loved him in spite of his boyish preaching, and where everybody, even the children, seem to love him yet and to think his preaching is among the best. Just this happened to this preacher on last Sunday, when in response to a promise of long standing he journeyed back to old Chestnut Ridge on Orange circuit and preached to a church full of interesting and interested people.

Rev. C. P. Morris is the young pastor, and he welcomed the folks and the preacher and also gave the people a chance to contribute to this Children's Home. The offering was wonderful in itself. You rarely ever see one like it. There were just \$16 of it and the smallest coin in it was a dime. There were also lots of dimes and quarters and half dollars, but no nickels nor pennies. We will long remember the day.

### At Gray's Chapel

Over at Gray's Chapel on the Randolph-Gray's Chapel charge Mr. M. F. Hinshaw with the help of the pastor, Rev. H. S. Isley, had planned another rally in the interest of this Home. Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Lamb went over with a group of children and presented a play and sang for the people, and Brother Lamb spoke to them, and the people gave liberally of their money, and our group came back with \$45.64 for the Home.

May the dear Lord bless and prosper all his people who by their gifts make it possible for homes like this to care for dependent children.

## DILWORTH CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE CAMP

More than 100 persons will participate in the first annual Dilworth Christian Adventure camp to be held from Monday morning, July 29, through Saturday evening, August 3, at Camp York, near King's Mountain, N. C. Eighty boys and girls from the intermediate-senior department and third year classes of the junior department of Dilworth Methodist church have registered for the camp. Ages of the campers range from 11 through 16. An adult staff of 10 men and 16 women will supervise the program. Paul S. Jones, counselor of the intermediate-senior department, will serve as director and registrar.

"I Will Follow Thee" will be the camp theme, the religious training program to be under the direction of Miss Janet Robinson, well known and widely loved Bible teacher of Charlotte Central high school. Five Christian Adventure courses will be offered as follows: "What Prayer and the Bible May Mean to Me," taught by Miss Robinson; "How I May Know I Am a Christian," taught by Rev. Mark Q. Tuttle, pastor of Brevard Street Methodist church, Charlotte; "Getting Along with People," taught by Rev. Earl H. Brendell, pastor of Park Street Methodist church, Belmont; "Our Neighbors in China," a missionary unit taught by Mrs. Fred J. Kerr of Dilworth church; and "Choosing Our Heroes," taught by Mrs. W. Jeddy Johnson of Dilworth church.

Rev. John H. Croyder of Paw Creek and Mrs. W. G. Searcy, Miss Lenore Lloyd and Miss Mary Margaret Johnson, all of Dilworth, will lead committee study and project groups. Miss Johnson will serve as director of girls' activities, while Rev. James Hornbuckle, Jr., of Hickory will direct the boys' activities.

Dr. Howard P. Powell, pastor of Dilworth church, will serve as adviser of the camp. Other adult counselors include

S. Russell Mickle of the Second Presbyterian church, Charlotte, and the following from Dilworth: Mrs. Paul S. Jones, Misses Lillian Walker, Mildred Hutchinson, Clara Carpenter, Dorothy Bird, Mary Guille Morrow, Mrs. Jack Hyland, Melvin Fogg and Bill Daniels. Miss Frances Kelly of Mount Holly will serve as special camp pianist.

The campers will be divided into four Indian tribes, all games and contests to be on a team basis with points offered to the winners. Six-inch letter "D's" will be given at the close of the week to each member of the tribe scoring the largest number of points. In addition, silver cups will be given to the boy and girl selected as the best all round campers. Swimming, baseball, softball, ping pong, volley ball, horseshoes and dodge ball will be offered on the athletic program. Interest groups will include basketry, bead work, weaving, soap carving, spatter print work, first aid, nature lore and photography.

Morning watch and vesper services will be held each day, the worship to culminate in a beautiful candlelight consecration service on Friday evening. Closing event of the camp program will be a banquet on Saturday evening.

The Dilworth Christian Adventure camp gives promise of being the outstanding endeavor ever planned for the youth of Dilworth church. The camp is being sponsored by the council of the intermediate-senior department and has received the enthusiastic endorsement of both the church board of stewards and board of education. Paul S. Jones.

## TWO NEW NEGRO BISHOPS

First bishops elected in the new Methodism since the session of the recent General Conference are Wm. Alfred C. Hughes and Lorenzo H. King, who were chosen for that high office at the meeting of the Central Jurisdictional Conference held in St. Louis, Mo., June 18-23.

\*Bishop Hughes, oldest of eight children of the late Rev. and Mrs. Singleton R. Hughes, was born in a rural community in the state of Maryland where his father was pastor. The new episcopal leader was educated at Morgan College, Gammon Theological Seminary, and Union Theological Seminary. He served some of the leading churches in the Washington conference, of which he was a member, and also in the district superintendency. Nearly a quarter of a century ago he was appointed head of the Bureau of Negro Work of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. In this office he labored with great faithfulness and efficiency, helping to aid churches and lift the standards among his people. His forcefulness and eloquence as a speaker and his wide contacts with the churches of the colored conferences have made him the best known leader of his race, with the exception of the Negro general superintendents, in American Methodism during the last few years.

Bishop and Mrs. Hughes are the parents of one son and three daughters. The son, W. A. C. Hughes, Jr., is a distinguished attorney of Baltimore. Two of the daughters own a beauty culture establishment in Virginia, and the third one is a stenographer.

Bishop King has the distinction of having been elected by a jurisdiction of which he was not a member. He was born in Macon, Miss., the son of Houston and Lea King, and was educated at Clark University, Gammon Theological Seminary, and Columbia University. For five years he was head of the English department at Clark University, Atlanta, Ga., for eight years pastor of Central Methodist Church in Atlanta, for eleven years editor of The Christian Advocate, Southwestern Edition, and for the last nine years he has been pastor of St. Mark's church, New York City. He is recognized as the outstanding platform speaker among the clergy of his race in America.

Bishop and Mrs. King have three sons: Earl, a law student at Howard University, Washington, D. C.; Lorenzo H., Jr., a teacher in the Booker T. Washington high school, Atlanta, and Walter, a graduate of the University of Edinburgh, who is a practicing physician in New York City.—Zions Herald.

(\*Bishop Hughes died in Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Friday, July 12, only twenty-one days after being elected bishop. At this writing we have not learned the cause of his death).—Editor Advocate.

## TO ALL WHO HAVE BUSINESS WITH THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

Miss Margaret Hartsell has been doing the work of her father as treasurer of our Board of Missions while he was sick, and by action of the executive committee she will continue this work until conference. But all letters regarding money are to be sent to me and through this office to be tabulated and sent to Miss Hartsell.

L. B. Abernethy.



# "A Colony of Heaven"

The Occasional Sermon of the Convention

By OWEN WHITMAN EAMES

We are a colony of heaven.—Philippians 3:20.

I am resolved to say to you tonight, as Universalists, something which might be addressed quite as appropriately to any similar assembly of Methodists, or Unitarians, or Episcopalians, or Baptists—some word which may deepen our awareness of all that we are and all that we must be if we are to meet successfully the challenge of this hour.

I find that word in a striking sentence from Paul's letter to the Philippians. Written from a prison cell in Rome, this letter is the most intimate, personal and radiantly hopeful of any that he sent to the churches. The members of the church at Philippi—the first founded on European soil—were Paul's best-beloved friends. Far removed from them, in prison and awaiting death, he wrote this letter, so full of joyous faith and encouragement, urging them to remember—however beset by the enemies of Christ—that they were citizens of a heavenly city. "We are a colony of heaven," he said, to use the words of Dr. Moffatt's vivid modern translation.

"We are a colony of heaven!" The friends who received that message understood what Paul meant. Philippi was a colony of Rome. Most of its inhabitants could boast of Roman citizenship. No doubt they looked down on the little band of Christians who did not share that high gift. The members of the little church, despised and rejected as they were, must have known how it felt to be reproached by their aristocratic neighbors because they were not citizens of Rome. So it is not difficult to imagine how much it must have meant to them when they read those words written by their beloved leader, reminding them of their allegiance to a kingdom greater than any of the kingdoms of this earth.

Yes, they must have said, we are citizens of a kingdom greater than Rome. Christ—not Caesar—is our King. Our supreme loyalty is to him. Our lives are committed to the eventual establishment of his kingdom on earth. "We are a colony of heaven!"

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Yes, I know that the actual church is very far from the ideal I have described. And I know, too, that is precisely what ails us. That is why at this very moment in Europe, German Christians are killing Polish Christians, and English and French Christians are killing German Christians, and all are praying to the same God to give them the victory. Because, though nominally Christian, they are not colonists of heaven. Because the dream of Christ, shining like a star in the heavens, high above the sordid aims of earth, is obscured to them by the ground-fog of national, racial and cultural differences in which they struggle. I know that far too often our loyalty to the ideal of Christ is crushed into some narrow compartment of ours to make room for some loyalties which should be secondary.

But I submit to you that in our moments of deeper insight we realize this and confess our guilt. We compare the church as it is with the ideal of it as a colony of

heaven, and are not satisfied. We come from far and wide in conventions like this to take counsel together as to how we may best unite our efforts to bring the actual church a little closer to the ideal. In our hearts we know, as George Tyrrell once said in a shining sentence, that "God will not ask us what sort of a church have you lived in, but, what sort of a church have you longed for?" And the church we long for is a colony of heaven. It has only one function in the world, a function which no other organization can fulfill—to bear witness to the Gospel of Jesus, with all its deep personal and social implications. It has only one responsibility—to make manifest the spirit of its Lord in the affairs of everyday life. It has only one proclamation to utter—that the way of Christ is the way of victory, and that no other way can ultimately satisfy the wistful longing in the hearts of men. It is a living temple, building and built upon, upheld today, despite its imperfections, by the spiritual presence of him who first lifted it into being. Its business is with higher claims than those of any earthly power. It dares not be conformed to the world, for its bold objective is the transformation of the world according to the pattern of its King.

For nineteen centuries the sublime audacity of that objective has challenged the souls of men, commanding them to spend and be spent in its attainment. It lays upon us, and will lay upon our children, the same high command. The call of its trumpets summons us forward, even amidst the gathering gloom of seeming defeat, forward with Christ and those who have been his true followers in every generation. It bids us risk our lives in the longest, bitterest battle ever fought—the battle of right against wrong, of light against darkness, of love against hate. In this battle of the ages there can be no such thing as neutrality or compromise. We are either with Christ or against him. The world's bright hope or black despair hangs on the outcome of that battle.

"We are a colony of heaven." See what that ideal meant to the heroes of the faith in the first century. Staunchly following its leading, they "conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong," and gave us the Christian church.

See what the ideal means in the world today—to the valiant company of those in Germany who count themselves a colony of heaven. Faithful and resolute they stand amid the dark hosts of paganism, nursing the little spark of truth which will one day burst into flame and consume all that corrupts the German soul.

So it may be with us if we are true to the ideal that is set before us. So it will be if we lift up our hands and hearts to accept the challenge of heaven. Let us have the faith and courage of those who refuse to compromise with Caesar, who stand firm in their allegiance to Him before whose holy presence the rulers of earth appear as spiritual pygmies, and who claim citizenship in an everlasting dominion which will endure when earthly kingdoms shall have crumbled to dust. Let us be true to our



commission as colonists of heaven, that the kingdoms of this world may become the Kingdom of our God.

This is my message. We are met here to embark upon a forward-looking program for our churches—to engage ourselves in a new venture of faith. Our affairs demand skillful and consecrated attention. Our responsibilities and problems lie heavy upon us. Never before have our churches faced such an opportunity as confronts them in this hour. Never, in spite of all outward appearances, has there been a time so acceptable—so full of deliverance. “Now is the accepted time!” May we, in all the councils and deliberations of this convention, guard against the danger of becoming so involved in mere technicalities that we lose sight of the ideal which brings us together.

In a day of confusion and strife, at once dark with despair and bright with promise, may we remember the words of Paul: “We are a colony of heaven.” May we emphasize anew the glory of the spirit of Rupert Brooke, who said, in a day as dark as this: “Now, God be thanked who has matched us with His hour.”

### A BIG EVENT IN LEXINGTON METHODISM

Last Sunday at 11 o'clock the Methodists of Lexington celebrated the union of State Street Methodist church and First Methodist church. State Street church, a former Methodist Protestant church, is located just across a narrow block from First church, a former Southern Methodist church, and a short cement walk now connects these two church buildings and the State Street structure is used for an educational plant, which relieves the overcrowded condition at the other church. The State Street parsonage will be rented and thereby become a source of income for the united church. And Rev. C. E. Coble, pastor of State Street church, will become assistant pastor of the united church till the annual conference meets, when he will probably give his whole time to his studies at Elon College.

Rev. H. G. Allen, the pastor, was in charge of the Sunday services. O. V. Woosley, who for years was a member of First church, brought greetings, as did Paul Evans, lay leader of the Winston-Salem district. Also among the speakers was Dr. Raymond Smith of Greensboro College, at one time a Lexington pastor. Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College, delivered the sermon for the occasion. Dr. Humphreys' sermon greatly pleased the big congregation and added no little to the success of the occasion.

The formal ceremonies of the hour consisted of the Declaration of Union, which in part is as follows:

“Whereas, the First Methodist Church, the State Street Methodist Church, did through their respective Quarterly Conferences and congregations vote unanimously to merge and become one church, to be known as First Methodist Church and,

“Whereas, this new First Methodist Church desires to be loyal to the teachings and government of the Methodist Church.

“Now, therefore, we, the members of the new First Methodist Church, here assembled on this the 14th day of July, 1940, do solemnly in the presence of God and before all the world make and publish the following declaration of fact and principle.”

The new church now has more than 1300 members and is one of the larger churches of the conference.

## JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

### SCHEDULE OF SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES

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| Camp Cheonda (Intermediates) .....                                                        | July 10-Aug. 7  |
| Junaluska School of Religion, Affiliated with Duke University (Educationn Building)....   | July 15-Aug. 24 |
| Young People's Leadership Conference (Education Building) .....                           | July 16-27      |
| The Council on a Christian Social Order .....                                             | July 17-21      |
| Laymen's Conference .....                                                                 | July 22-23      |
| School of Missions (Mission Inn) .....                                                    | July 23-Aug. 6  |
| Conference on Benevolences .....                                                          | July 26, 27     |
| Missionary Conference .....                                                               | July 30-Aug. 6  |
| One-Week Leadership School, Merged with W.N.C. School for Christian Workers (Ed. Bldg.).. | July 30-Aug. 6  |
| Pastors' Conference .....                                                                 | Aug. 6-11       |
| Two-Weeks' Leadership School .....                                                        | Aug. 8-22       |
| Camp Cheonda (Seniors) .....                                                              | Aug. 9-23       |
| Inspirational Week, with Broomfield and Hughes .....                                      | Aug. 21-Sept. 1 |

### Junaluska Program

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| Sunday, July 21, 11:00 a. m.—Sermon, Dr. John W. Shackford, “The Council Looks Forward.” |                      |
| 4:00-4:30 p. m.—Choir Concert.                                                           |                      |
| 8:00 p. m.—Sermon .....                                                                  | Bishop Clare Purcell |
| Monday, July 22, 10:30 a. m.—Address..                                                   | Bishop Clare Purcell |
| 8:00 p. m.—Song and Praise Service.                                                      |                      |
| 8:30 p. m.—Sermon .....                                                                  | Bishop Edgar Blake   |
| Tuesday, July 23, 9 a. m.—Devotions...                                                   | Mr. Edgar T. Welch   |
| 9:30 a. m.—Class Period .....                                                            | Dr. G. L. Morelock   |
| 11:00 a. m.—Class Period .....                                                           | Dr. G. L. Morelock   |
| 12:00 m.—Sermon .....                                                                    | Dr. James W. Workman |
| 8:00 p. m.—Song and Praise Service.                                                      |                      |
| 8:20 p. m.—Sermon .....                                                                  | Bishop Edgar Blake   |
| Wednesday, July 24, 9 a. m.—Devotions..                                                  | Mr. Edgar T. Welch   |
| 9:30 a. m.—Class Period .....                                                            | Dr. G. L. Morelock   |
| 11:00 a. m.—Class Period .....                                                           | Dr. G. L. Morelock   |
| 12:00 m.—Sermon .....                                                                    | Dr. James W. Workman |
| 8:00 p. m.—Song and Praise Service.                                                      |                      |
| 8:20 p. m.—Sermon .....                                                                  | Bishop Edgar Blake   |
| Friday, July 26, 9 a. m.—Devotions....                                                   | Mr. Edgar T. Welch   |
| 9:30 a. m.—Class Period .....                                                            | Dr. G. L. Morelock   |
| 11:00 a. m.—Class Period .....                                                           | Dr. G. L. Morelock   |
| 12:00 m.—Sermon .....                                                                    | Dr. James W. Workman |
| 3:30 p. m.—Address .....                                                                 | Dr. C. K. Vliet      |
| 8:00 p. m.—Pageant, “A Feast of Lights,” by General Commission on Benevolences.          |                      |
| Saturday, July 27, 10:30 a. m.—Address..                                                 | Dr. Thos. S. Brock   |
| 8:00 p. m.—Moving Picture, “Young Mr. Tom Edison,” and Disney Cartoon.                   |                      |

### Junaluska Woman's Club

The chief function of the club is to provide social life for the women who come to the Lake each summer. Meetings of the club are held twice each month. At each meeting a worth while program is presented and delightful fellowship is experienced. In addition, other social events are scheduled every season.

Every woman who pays one dollar becomes a member. The membership is made up of the women who come to Junaluska for the season, for the month, for a few weeks, or even for a few days.

The projects of the club are the Young People's Recreation Center at the Boat House and the Handicraft Center at the Woman's Club cottage. Both these projects furnish pleasing leisure-time activities for all ages. The Tea Room is sponsored by the Woman's Club. Mrs. E. O. Harbin, Nashville, Tenn., is the president of the club.

### NEW HOPE HOME COMING DAY

In conformity with long established custom, it is the pleasure of the members and pastor of the New Hope Methodist church to announce its annual home coming day, which is to be held on the fourth Sunday in July. All members, former pastors, and friends are cordially invited to attend. Dinner will be served on the grounds.

D. I. Garner, Pastor.



# The Newness of Our Religion

By BISHOP RAYMOND J. WADE

"Behold I make all things new."

Personally I am very fond of this text. There is so much of hope in it. It is distinctly encouraging. Coming out of an area where there is anxiety, tension, horrible aggression, war, I need to hear this clear ring of victory. "Behold I make all things new." No defeat! Boundless possibility!

Nothing can daunt the sincere believing Christian. Inevitably the Christian is an optimist. He cannot be a pessimist. He may be a realist. He recognizes sin in the world. He may have felt the pull of sin in his own being. He may have been hindered by sin. Probably he has suffered because of sin. Nevertheless he knows that there is a power that is stronger than sin. There is One in the world who forgives sin and cleanses from all unrighteousness. There is One who has defeated sin and who is defeating sin today. There is One who constantly is engaged in "making all things new."

In spite of every disaster, every downfall, every blackout, this is the firm faith. This conception is in harmony with the world in which we live. Old things are passing away; new things are in process of becoming. There is so much that is new to be done that that which has been accomplished shrinks in comparison. Instead of the thought of our world as about finished, we substitute the idea that the world has just begun. The creative powers of God and man are not exhausted. Continuously we are to work together with Him who said, "I make all things new."

Let me raise the question, What have men a right to expect of the church and Christ in a period like this? I answer—

## The Right to a New Start

I. They have a right to expect that men and the world shall have a new start. How much this old war-torn, sin-cursed world needs a new start today! How desperately the whole world needs a new start toward peace, toward disarmament, toward brotherhood! How very much we need to do away with distrust, rivalry, retaliation, fear! How urgent is the call for nations with courage enough, with intelligence enough, with good will enough, to co-operate to make a new start in the practice of the principles of Jesus.

The need is equally urgent in the field of social welfare, of economics, indeed, in all human relations. It may not be the duty of the church as such to provide detailed plans and to construct the exact organizations to bring this about, but in my judgment, it is the duty of the Christian church to produce good men who in their several relationships will so think and toil that the world may have a new start in every needed direction.

If the world obtains a new start it will be because individual men have caught the vision, have felt the need and have obtained the power for a new beginning. Changed individual lives will ever be the necessary predecessors of a changed world life; and it is equally evident that a changed world life will render it easier to secure changed individual lives. When men become "new creations in Christ Jesus," then "old things do pass away" and "all

things become new." Through Christ and the church men do find the needed strength to become what they ought to be and to endeavor to make the world what it ought to be.

## A New Insight Must Follow

II. Men must have more than a new start. A new start must be followed by a new insight. When we enter the kingdom we are babes in Christ Jesus. We must be nurtured. Men must be guided. They must be taught. "Not as though I had already attained, but," says Paul, "I follow hard after." We may well be here to secure that new insight.

It is said that a distinguished actor and an aged minister met at a certain gathering. The actor was asked to give a recitation before the company, and at the minister's request he repeated the twenty-third Psalm. Such was the beauty of his voice and the charm of his manner that at the conclusion a subdued murmur of praise went around the room. The actor then invited the old minister to repeat the Psalm. When the minister ended there were tears in the eyes of many, for he had spoken out of his true experience with deep tenderness and true spiritual understanding. No one felt the difference more keenly than the great actor who humbly said, "I know the Psalms, but you know the Shepherd." A new insight!

## Finding a New Passion

III. A new passion. Usually men think favorably of the good and quietly they wish that the good shall prevail in the world; but too frequently they do not do anything more about it. Sometimes this attitude gets into the Christian church. God's Methodist people—indeed all Christians—must take a very definite and vigorous stand for righteousness in every form and against every evil.

Dear Bishop McDowell said, "I think we have ten times as good a theology as our forefathers had, ten times as good an understanding of Jesus and his teachings, ten times as good a theory of social service and human welfare, but nothing like their ardor to bring men to God." Whether or not the first is true, the last certainly is correct. We need more ardor—more passion. We need a new view of him on the cross so that we will go forth with more passion into the world.

Intense passion in the world must be matched by equally intense passion in the church. There sat as a delegate in the General Conference a veteran, the Rev. Karl Hurtig, from Finland. He is completing his thirty-sixth year as pastor of our Swedish congregation in the city of Helsingfors. He has successfully guided his people through three wars—the World War, the War for Finnish Independence and the recent struggle against a gigantic aggressor nation. The lay delegate from the same conference was not privileged to come. A letter tells me that Edwin Karlstom is "not allowed to leave for America since every man able to work has to stay in the country and do his part in the big rebuilding program of this heroic nation, whose stand sent a thrill to the hearts of freemen everywhere. Spiritual passion in Christian world-rebuilding must match material world rebuilding. New passion is the desperate need.



### New Power Must Be Furnished

IV. Likewise new power. The church, our church, must be a furnisher of power to the lives of men. Frequently we say that more power is harnessed today than ever before. Obviously Christ is the source of that spiritual power which the world needs—but we must be the new channels of power. Our own church history reveals that it is marvelous what men can do when men truly become instruments in God's hands. New power in a new heart! It was not a new hemisphere in which to work that John Wesley needed. It was a heart strangely warmed and newly empowered. In his journal Wesley records: "Before, I was sometimes if not often conquered; now I am always conquered." It is no wonder that a recent biographer can say so truly and beautifully of him: "Wesley brought to England the spring-time of God and thawed out its frozen heart."

V. A new start, new insight, new passion, new power; one thing more, a new outlook. This too is the mission of the church. Fogs obscure, but no fog can long obscure the sky when shines the Sun of Righteousness. Then men begin to see things as they really are. Doubt and despair do not and cannot long live in a good spiritual atmosphere. We see clearly both those things that are close at hand and at a distance. Christianity does afford a new outlook. We see the needs of man as never before; and we rush to respond to them. Stanley Jones truly wrote: "The test of my Christianity is how widely I will go to help other people. A church that lives only for itself is a poor, miserable group of people—a group not Christianized." Christ gives us the missionary outlook. With John Wesley we are ready to say, "The world is my parish."

### FACULTY ADDITIONS AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

Miss Alice A. Cramer, whose picture appeared in the *Advocate* last week, will become the head of physical education for women at Louisburg College for the coming year.

Miss Rose Maricole of Plymouth, Mass., comes to teach Spanish, and in the commercial department. She has had experience in teaching in Cuba, Florida, and the summer school at East Carolina Teachers College. She comes with experience and fine recommendations.

Mr. W. I. Shope comes with the important tasks of establishing a two years' Agricultural Terminal Course for Practical Farming and managing the farm. He is a graduate of State College, and for the past six years has taught agriculture in the Stoney Point high school. He has been highly recommended for the tasks that are assigned to him. Mr. and Mrs. Shope and daughter, Cynthia Caldwell, arrived at the farm this week and are busy getting adjusted.

Mr. Williard Clatworthy comes to teach mathematics and science. He graduated at Berea in 1938. For the past two years he has been doing graduate work and teaching at the University of Kentucky, and will receive his M. A. degree this summer.

We raise questions, more or less vital about the Gospels, but the Gospels have only one question to put to us, "What think ye of Christ?"—and they put it, sure of what the answer ought to be.—James Moffatt, D.D.

### "MIGHTILY IN DE GRASS"

It was quite a number of years ago that a certain Georgia cotton planter, driven by desperation by awakening each morning to find that the grass had outgrown the cotton during the night and was liable to choke it in spite of his efforts, caused a state-wide laugh by exclaiming: "It's all stuff about Cincinnatus leaving the plow to go into politics for patriotism; he was just a-runnin' from grass!"

This condition of the tender young cotton roots, struggling against the hardier roots of the grass suckers, is described by the phrase, "in the grass." The Georgia poet, Sidney Lanier, and his brother Clifford wrote a dialect poem entitled, "Uncle Jim's Baptist Revival Hymn," in which Uncle Jim finds a great similarity between the roots of the cotton choked in the grass and his own church, overrun, as it was, by the cares of the world. Each stanza concludes with this chorus:

Dey's mightily in de grass, grass,  
Dey's mightily in de grass!

In recent years, I'm afraid, the roots of our preaching have been "mightily in de grass." And the result has been a tragic lack of vitality and assurance in preaching.

I suppose the question, "What is preaching?" would have as many replies as the question, "What is truth?" Each minister probably has his own idea. One man thinks that to preach is accurately and systematically to divide a given topic, to illustrate it clearly, and to preserve a cold and perfect logic throughout. Another is satisfied to take a given passage of Scripture and carefully bring out all that there is in it, and nothing more. He adds no vital inspiration of his own. He makes no contact with our modern world. Dr. George A. Gordon said that his oldest brother, after hearing a certain sermon on Paul ("a man with a thousand points of contact with our modern world") which was a "quiet little essay upon a man who lived nineteen centuries ago," remarked: "It was a good sermon for Paul, and I am sorry he was not there to hear it." For another a sermon must be a theological or philosophical lecture; while another wants flowers, and is satisfied with them even though they are not fresh from the soil.

Each minister certainly has definite ideas about preaching. Why, then, such a lack of vital preaching?

Mr. T. S. Eliot was recently asked why so little religious poetry of a high order was being written today. He replied very significantly that it was probably because those who were writing religious verse were writing about what they would like to experience rather than what they had experienced. I have an idea that the trouble with our preaching is just that. We have been preaching about something that we should like to experience rather than preaching something we have experienced. Such a thought calls for a careful and prayerful searching of mind and heart.

There is a subtle, but very real, difference between a theological lecture and a sermon. The purpose of the former is to instruct the mind; that of the latter to influence the soul. The lecture is to be remembered; the sermon is to become part of one's experience. A sermon may be extremely valuable even though the ideas presented in it are forgotten.—Advance.



## I LOVE THE CHURCH

By Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes

(From the closing message to the first Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference)

I love thy kingdom Lord,  
The house of thine abode,  
The Church our blest Redeemer saved  
With his own precious blood.

I love thy Church, O God!  
Her walls before thee stand,  
Dear as the apple of thine eye,  
And graven on thy hand.

I love the Church because she sent her itinerants into the Southern mountains, won my ancestors to piety and service, and put into them an ambition for the best things of the intellectual and spiritual life.

I love her because she sought my father in the distant hills, claimed a tall and awkward youth for Christ, gave him a career that involved heroic decisions and vast sacrifices, and wrought in him a lofty character as a priceless legacy to his children.

I love her because she captured the heart of my mother, gave a girl the standards of feminine grace, made her the comrade of my father in a parsonage home, endowed her in the plenteous love of God, and finally caught her up to heaven as her lips breathed the name of Christ.

I love the Church because she quickly claimed me for the kingdom, put the seal of baptism upon my young life, and when my feet could so easily have become wayward, guided them along the everlasting paths.

I love her because in careless years she kept my name upon her book of remembrance and love and in great patience waited for my return to her altar of pardon.

I love her because she took me into one of her colleges, made kindly investments in my education, and best of all, in my freshman year under the call of a university president summoned my conscience to the throne and led me to the great decision.

I love her because she offered me my chance to preach, enrolled me in a school of theology, where fees were paid mostly in the coins of love and gratitude, and started me on an itinerant career with a thousand stations of joy.

I love her because, as life developed, she gave me enlarging opportunities, handed me the inheritances of churches and parsonages and congregations, and honored me always beyond my deserts.

I love her because she has taught me lessons of holy character for myself, and lessons of social obligation for others, and has made my heart busy in reaching the adjustments of duty and affection.

I love her because in her ministry she has given me good and tender memories of countless friendships among preachers and laymen and has made me rich in associations that are like a prelude to heaven.

I love her because she has created within me a fatherhood that, being only a feeble copy of God's heart, has still helped me to claim my children for the divine kingdom and to make a home as an entry into God's household.

I love her because when death drew near and my beloved slipped from my view, she came to a stricken spirit with her consolations; made me know that

There is no place where our sorrows  
Are more felt than up in Heaven.

And told me that there is no shelter so assuring as the everlasting arms.

I love her because amid the shifting scenes of an itinerant life she hung for me a light in the skies lest I should get lost on an upward journey, taught me the songs of a mansion in the Father's house.

I love her because in more than fifty years of ministry I have seen her educating hundreds of thousands of students; preparing countless doctors and teachers and preachers for our plucky Negro people; gathering little orphans from the mournful ways of loneliness into the loving care and instruction of her children's homes; halting the feeble march of the aged, and ushering trembling and anxious old men and women into the doors of her peace; bringing crippled lives that now reach toward the million mark into those hotels of God, known as her Christian hospitals, and sending them outward in strength or skyward in hope.

I love her because in following the footsteps of the Carpenter of Nazareth she has built in his name so many cottages and palaces of mercy that the mere listing of them would make a plenteous directory of the philanthropy of Christ our Lord.

And I do love her most and best because she has brought me into the fellowship and rapture of a wonderful, wonderful Redeemer; has given me here to know him, the power of his resurrection, the beauty of his realm of grace, and the safety of his keeping; and has so led me along the devious path of life that now I feel the assurance of a clear title to a dwelling in the skies and await the day of God's appointing when mortality shall be swallowed up in the eternal victory. Then shall I greet my many dear comrades in the church's life and offer ceaseless praises to that Saviour who said, "I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it," in any age, or in any land.

## TRAGIC PASSING OF A YOUNG LIFE

On July 1, ultimo, our granddaughter, Mrs. Ruth Pender Pearson, beautiful daughter of L. Dow Pender and wife, Ruth, and consort of A. Conrad Pearson, lost her life in a car accident near Rich Square, as she and her husband were driving to Norfolk, Va., where Mr. Pearson was to accept a position as architect in the Navy.

She expired a few hours later in the hospital at Tarboro, never having gained consciousness after her injury. Her body was removed to Raleigh and her funeral rites took place in Edenton Street church, conducted by her pastor, Dr. Glenn, attended by a multitude of friends, Wednesday following.

Ruth was the first born of her parents, and was just 25 years of age. The little boy, just two months old, is left to the tender care of its grandmother, Ruth Pender.

The shock of her tragic going was and is most distressing. She was favorably endowed in person and intellectually—beautiful in body and spirit. She was cheerful and vibrant and loved God and his people.

This was the first death in our immediate family and was particularly shocking because of its unanticipated stroke.

Besides many relatives on the paternal side is her grandmother Pender of Tarboro and family. She was our first grandchild and was loved devotedly. But heaven is closer, and we are sure that it will be richer to us because we are confident that we will find her there. Nor could that estate be complete without youth and childhood, and Jesus has assured us that of such is the kingdom of God.

Euclid McWhorter.

## MINISTERS' FAMILIES PICNIC AT COLONIAL BEACH

The summer picnic for the families of the Ministers' Wives' Association of the Elizabeth City district will be held at Colonial Beach Tuesday, July 30. We are asked to arrive by eleven o'clock and bring picnic basket.

Colonial Beach is in Tyrell county on the Albemarle Sound. Watch for the sign "Colonial Beach on the left-hand side of the highway going toward Columbia and follow the road to the Joe Cahoon farm.

Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.



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#### General Board Dormitories

Rooms in the General Board dormitories and meals at the cafeteria are provided at very moderate prices. For information about rates and for reservations write Mrs. M. L. Hill, General Board Cafeteria, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

#### Lower Lakeside Lodge

Room and meals may be secured at Lower Lakeside Lodge for a flat rate of \$8.50 to \$10.50 for the entire period. The higher rate is for room with bath. This rate covers room and meals beginning with supper, Tuesday, July 30, and closing with lunch on Tuesday, August 6. For information and reservation write Mrs. George L. Foard, Lower Lakeside Lodge, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

#### Enrollment Fee and Ground Fee

The ground fee for the one week school will be \$2.00. Tickets may be purchased at the main entrance or at the registration desk. An enrollment fee of fifty cents will be due at the time of registration on the opening day.

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For programs and further information write to Mrs. John F. Kirk  
Box 828, Salisbury, N. C.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### ARE WE CONCERNED ENOUGH?

At the spiritual life retreat held at Louisburg College on June 13-14 Miss Elizabeth Lamb made a magnificent statement which we should pause to consider and about which we should be concerned. Said she: "There are 300,000 women in the missionary societies of the former Southern Methodist Church. Fifty full time workers were needed last year, only five were sent out. If these 300,000 women had prayed for 50 workers we could have had them. We need to read over and over again Mark 11:22-24, learn the words and the power of God in the words. The money is on hand for the workers. God never gives a call that he does not provide for the fulfilling of that call; he never expects us to do more than he gives us power to do."

### MISSION STUDY TEXTS

Already many of us are thinking of the fall mission study classes and are desiring information concerning the topics and texts. The fall topic this year will be "The Church Serving Shifting Populations" and the major text will be a series of pamphlets entitled "Uprooted Americans," edited by Benson Y. Landis. The price is 60 cents and it may be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. An additional helpful pamphlet is "Methodism and Shifting Populations," compiled by Ruth Esther Wheaton, its price is ten cents, and it may be ordered from Literature Headquarters, 712 Church Street, Nashville, Tenn. "Dangerous Opportunities" by Earl H. Ballou is the approved mission study text on China, the topic of which is "The Christian Mission in China Today." "Dangerous Opportunities," the price of which is 60 cents, may be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House. An artistically written booklet entitled "With Kindness in His Hands" is an excellent supplementary material for the study of China. Its price is ten cents and it may be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House.

### EVENING ADDRESSES

Each week brings us nearer to the very important dates of July 30-Aug. 10, when the School of Missions will be held at Lake Junaluska and when some of the women of our conference shall have become enthusiastic attendants. Will you be among them? We have previously enlightened the readers of our woman's page of the general program, specifically the courses offered and the forum hours. Another enjoyable feature will be the evening addresses. Dates, speakers and their subjects will be: July 30, Dr. W. A. Smart, "Leadership for a Day of Opportunity," and Dr. John S. German, "The City"; July 31, Dr. Stephen J. Cory, "Missions in the Local Church"; August 1, Mrs. Fred B. Fisher, "Wo-

man and Missions in the Methodist Church"; August 2, Dr. Ralph A. Felton, "The Rural Church the World Around"; August 4, "News from the Front—An Evening with Our Missionaries," and an address by Dr. W. G. Cram, "Missions in the World Today"; August 5, Dr. Henry Van Dusen, "A World Christian Community." On the evening of August 3 a motion picture, "Stanley and Livingstone," will be shown.

### APPRECIATION EXPRESSED

Mrs. W. J. Watson, Elizabeth City, writes: "I wish to say through our woman's page that it was a pleasure and a privilege to attend the course on 'The Church Serving Shifting Populations' at the Pastors' School. I have never seen a group show deeper interest and Mrs. Cram gave us information that will be very beneficial in our fall study. We hope these courses may continue." Editor's note: Such expressions of this and of Mrs. J. R. Poe which was published on our page recently are indicative of the significance of our fall mission study and of the opportunities offered at the Pastors' School each year.

### NEWPORT AUXILIARY

Newport auxiliary is doing some worth while work. The June meeting was especially interesting and featured an impressive spiritual life service led by Mrs. I. N. Howard. Mrs. Letha Henderson, superintendent of World Outlook, reported nine subscribers. Mrs. Carl Harrington made a talk on the new Woman's Society for Christian Service which will be set up in September. The spiritual life group meets once each month. Posters are placed in the church. The old literature is given to a negro church. The auxiliary is going forward on many plans in raising funds to help rebuild the church. Recently names were solicited and worked into a bed spread and the total receipts from this were \$40.80. The members regularly sell brooms and sponges, which bring in small sums. Other projects are being planned.

Mrs. B. E. Garner.

### WORLD OUTLOOK GUILD

Haygood Memorial church of Atlanta, Ga., has organized a World Outlook Guild, whose membership is composed of subscribers to World Outlook. At the quarterly meeting of the guild articles appearing in World Outlook for the past three months are reviewed and discussed. A scrap book, arranged by countries is being made of articles clipped from each issue of World Outlook. The World Outlook Guild is a literary club or book review circle, and has attracted many persons interested in such organizations. Since the guild was organized, subscriptions have greatly increased. Mrs. Otis Barfield, World Outlook superintendent, is president of the guild.

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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. W. W. Hagood, custodian of our conference records, asks us to say that she has found duplicate copies of the minutes of our Woman's Missionary Conference for the years 1900, 1902, 1903, 1907, 1908, 1909 and 1910, that she will be glad to give to anyone who desires them. If you want to secure these copies write Mrs. W. W. Hagood, 417 West 10th St., Charlotte, N. C., and she will be glad to "pass them on to you."

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM COUNCIL LEADERS

Letters from the Department of Education and Promotion of the Woman's Missionary Council signed by the Council president, Mrs. J. W. Perry, and Mrs. Bourne, secretary of the department, have been mailed to the district secretaries for distribution to their auxiliaries and we ask a careful reading of these letters and a hearty cooperation in the plans for the new set-up of our woman's work that are found therein.

These preliminary steps are most important and the suggestions contained in these letters will be most helpful to the auxiliaries in proceeding with the new order of things; so be on the lookout for these important suggestions and be ready to carry out all of them in each auxiliary.

WORLD OUTLOOK GUILD

The World Outlook for July brings the important item of news that the Haygood Memorial church in Atlanta, Ga., has organized a World Outlook Guild, whose membership is composed of subscribers to the World Outlook. At the quarterly meetings of the guild articles appearing in the World Outlook for the past three months are reviewed and discussed. A scrap book, arranged by the countries, is being made of articles clipped from each issue of the magazine. The World Outlook Guild is a literary club or book review circle, and has attracted many persons interested in such organizations. Since the guild was organized, subscriptions have greatly increased. Mrs. Otis Barfield, World Outlook superintendent, is president of the guild. Wouldn't it be fine if many of our auxiliaries would adopt this plan for increasing the number of subscribers to our splendid missionary magazine? We feel sure it would help greatly in reaching our goal for 1940. Let's try it.

CHINA PLACES UNITED STATES FLAG ON POSTAGE STAMP

Another news item of special interest from the July issue of the World Outlook says that "China feels such a kinship to the United States that she has placed the American flag in red, white and blue colors on her postage stamps. This is probably the first time

in history that one great nation has thus used the emblem of another nation on her official stamp.

"The new Chinese stamp is a large one, 2 1-8 inches by 1 5-8 inches in size. It appears in all denominations, the background of the stamp being in different colors for the various issues. On all of them, however, appears in natural colors both the Chinese and the American flag.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Your editor is always glad to announce new organizations of our woman's missionary society, and this week she calls your attention to six new societies, one in the Marion district and five in the Elkin district. We congratulate Miss Harbison and Mrs. Hiatt, district secretaries, on their splendid work in organizing these groups.

The society for the Marion district is at New Hope church on Sunshine charge and the following are the officers: President, Miss Vada Glover; vice president, Mrs. B. W. Robbins; recording secretary, Mrs. C. D. Edwards; corresponding secretary, Miss Beulah Edwards; treasurer, Mrs. L. E. Jenkins; assistant treasurer, Mrs. Howard Spratt; secretary children's work, Miss Minnie Spratt; Supt. baby specials, Mrs. A. E. Edwards; Supt. study, Mrs. J. J. Patterson; Supt. literature and publicity, Miss Nell Davis; Supt. C. S. Relations, Mrs. R. F. Carpenter; Supt. supplies, Mrs. A. A. Edwards; Supt. World Outlook, Mrs. John Glover; Supt. local work, Mrs. Leo Glover. (Address of all officers Ellenboro, Rt. 1, expecting Supt. C. S. Relations, which is Rt. 2, Ellenboro, N. C.)

Elkin district—Friendship society, Boone charge. President, Miss Edith Hampton; recording secretary, Miss Pauline Castle; corresponding secretary, Miss Mary E. Castle; treasurer, Mrs. B. A. Holder; vice president, Mrs. W. B. Castle. (All addresses, Blowing Rock, N. C.)

Green Valley, Green valley charge. President, Mrs. M. L. Chappell; secretary, Mrs. Earl Snyder; treasurer, Mrs. Alex. Wilson. (Addresses Trade, Tenn.)

Mt. View, Green Valley charge. President, Mrs. W. E. Knight; vice president, Mrs. Minta Grubb; secretary, Miss Aldine Goode; treasurer, Mrs. D. B. Thomas. (Addresses Creston, N. C., excepting president, Trade, Tenn.)

Elbaville, Advance charge. President, Mrs. T. F. Bailey, Advance, N. C.

Hanes Grove, St. Paul charge. President, Mrs. H. A. Steele, Hamptonville, N. C.; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Beulah Dickerson, Hamptonville, N. C.

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Cato said the best way to keep good acts in memory was to refresh them with new.—Bacon.

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## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

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### OPEN FORUMS

We are having plenty of discussions here during these summer days. Debates and open forums are giving our youngsters cause for thought and opportunity for expression. Sunday afternoon in the young people's meeting a very interesting debate centered on the question, "Resolved that the Children's Home should continue compulsory church attendance for its young people." Jim Reed and Jesse Dodgen spoke for the affirmative while Aubrey Dees and Mary Hilda Gibson championed the negative side of the question. There were judges and no decision was rendered as to the debate winners, but the group of youngsters that completely filled the Brown building were about as one-sided in their aggregated opinion as the average congregation would be on the question, "Resolved that tithing is a necessary Christian virtue."

### SHALL WE DANCE?

In addition to the worship service with special music, prayer and choice scripture reading, our young people will hold an open forum in their next Sunday afternoon meeting on the question, "Will it be wise to allow Children's Home boys and girls to dance with one another under proper chaperonage?" This scribe, as one who has never danced in his life, will be interested in conducting an open forum on this subject, giving each youngster who is properly recognized an opportunity to express his opinion without fear or favor. We aren't deciding anything yet awhile, but, brethren and sisters, we are doing some thoughtful thinking and some energetic talking.

### WHAT ABOUT BOXING?

Last summer when it was found that a few of our boys, who were not interested in other forms of athletics, and were therefore offering some behavior problems, had become interested in boxing we bought a couple of pairs of gloves and let them use them. The interest in the project grew and there were some informal boxing matches that drew quite a gallery of youthful spectators. Recently there appeared unheralded posters at strategic points on our grounds announcing boxing matches, five bouts for five cents. The promoters of the boxing matches, Robert Jones and Donald Welborn, selected the Saturday afternoon that the boys and girls were paid their honorarium. A cold drink stand was set up. About \$12 was cleared on the project, which was divided equally among the boxers and the promoters after the boys assessed themselves \$1.50 for some damaged equipment. Now the boys are

wondering whether they will be permitted to have another boxing tournament, and the answer has been given, "We will have an open forum on the matter."

### CURING CUSSING

The printshop boys, led by Jim Reed, have organized themselves into a "non-cussing band." According to their agreement each boy has to pay a fine of two cents each time he says a curse word. If he is penalized in the run of a month more than his honorarium will pay for, he then has to submit to a paddling every time he uses profane speech. Harry Whitaker, the club's treasurer, has secured enough money from paid fines to provide for ample refreshments for a picnic the club proposes to give themselves next Saturday afternoon. I have raised the question with the boys as to whether they are not putting a premium on cursing.

### DOES ANYBODY WANT ME?

In these days of excitement about vacations many youngsters come dashing out from different nooks and corners on our campus with questions such as these: "Will I get to go on vacation?" "Does anybody want me?" "Have you had a letter from my friends?" and "Do you reckon you will hear tomorrow?" In answer to these questions we assure the youngsters that some plan will be worked out for them to get away on a vacation, either to visit friends or relatives or go to camp. But the uncertainty as to which place they will go still lingers in their minds.

### SHORTENING THE HAIR

The question of keeping the hair the right length on the heads of our boys and girls is a continuous problem. We try to produce our own barbers, but about the time a boy or a girl gets to be real efficient at the job graduation time comes and we have to start all over. For the last several weeks we have gotten very much behind with our barbering and the girls have gotten very far ahead with their opinions that their hair does not need cutting. The opinion of about 200 girls can become very assertive when consolidated.

One who knows all too little about hair dressing entered into the question with some degree of uncertainty. But finally representative girls were taken over to an expert barber and then returned home to serve as models. Eight young men came by two's from the Winston-Salem barber school to shorten the girls' hair. These young men, along with the home mothers, have just finished an interesting series of lessons in barbering. Be it said for the girls that they are very much pleased with their appearances.

### TISE I GANG

The picture this week is that of 27 early teen-age boys in the right half of the Tise building, known to us as Tise I, along with their home mother, Mrs. Nancy Barbour. This is not only a happy family but an interesting and dependable group. It has been weeks and weeks since any boy in this group has had to receive a serious reprimand for poor behavior. These boys are beginning to climb fool's hill without slipping.

### CHEERING MESSAGES

"I want to honor the memory of my mother, Mrs. Maude Foust Lane, by sponsoring one of our Home children for my Mother's Day gift. My mother was very fond of little children and I think nothing I could do would be more in keeping with her life than to clothe a little girl."—Mrs. Alton W. Craven, Ramseur.

"The boys and girls of the Methodist Orphanage who are members of the junior department of Edenton Street church school have become interested in the child from the Children's Home who is a patient at Sanatorium and of whom you wrote in the Advocate recently. They have already begun to collect and bring to church school pictures for a scrap book which they plan to make for him. They are also planning to make some get-well cards, share some story papers and perhaps some other things. May I express to you my interest in the Children's Home page of the Advocate which I read each week with much pleasure."—Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh.

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Who said a teen-age boy had to be bad?



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**SINGING CLASS**—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows about the visit of our singing class: "The singing class left the Orphanage after supper for Hollands church, on the Garner charge, last Sunday evening. Rev. D. D. Traynham is the pastor in charge. Mr. L. P. Rand invited us to give the concert at the League hour, and we are glad to serve our friends when we can. Mr. Barnes, our superintendent, honored us with his presence."

**ELECTRIC RANGE**—The order for the electric range has been placed and we are confidently expecting it to be installed within the next week or two. It is certainly badly needed. The heat from the large coal range is almost unbearable. It is hoped that the missionary societies will send us as many coupons as they possibly can right away. Our dietitian and the girls who prepare three meals each day for more than 300 children and workers join me in expressing sincere gratitude to the missionary societies and other friends for making possible the large electric range.

**SILENCE**—We have had very little to say this year about our financial needs, but not because our needs are not imperative. I have had a feeling that it might be good psychology to say but little about our financial situation. Since our funds for operating expenses are about exhausted, I feel it incumbent upon me to let our pastors and churches know that unless they rally to our support right away, we shall be forced to borrow money for our operating expenses. I trust that our friends will do all within their power to supply us with the necessary funds for carrying on our work.

**HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY** — The hundredth anniversary of Ebenezer church, several miles east of Raleigh, on the Garner circuit, was observed on Sunday, July 7, with appropriate services. Bishop Purcell preached at the 11 o'clock hour to a large and appreciative congregation. Several former pastors were present for the celebration, and a sumptuous dinner was served on the church grounds. In the afternoon several short and interesting talks were made by different former pastors. Bishop Purcell was at his best and preached a great sermon. Ebenezer church has had a long and useful history, and at present has more than 300 members. The future is most encouraging.

**VALEDICTORY**  
Martha Exum Lewis

"Little by little the time goes by,  
Short if we sing through it, long if we sigh;  
Little by little—an hour, a day,  
And another year has passed away."

And with the passing of this year comes the end of our high school days. This means that we seniors will soon be leaving the home of our childhood. I deem it an honor to voice the sentiment of the class of 1940 as we bid farewell to those who have helped us thus far on our journey.

To the members of the faculty may I say we appreciate your love and interest in us. We hope that for your efforts we shall reward you with our accomplishments. Someone has said, "Education is that process which prepares man to make a living, and in so doing to make a living worth while."

For the advice and care we have received from matrons we are grateful.

"Life can hold no treasures  
More lasting or more true  
Than just to have the friendship  
Of splendid folks like you."

To Mr. Barnes in whom we've always found a real dad, we would say we shall think of you as one who—

"Always ready your aid to lend,  
Always ready to be our friend;  
Whenever we think of friends who are true,  
We shall certainly always think of you."

As we go we shall carry a warm feeling of love and friendship for our brothers and sisters of the home.

"It's happy recollections  
Of happy hours we've had  
That makes remembrance extra sweet  
And friendship extra glad."

There is another host of friends—those throughout the Eastern conference who have helped us by so many acts of kindness and deeds of love.

To one and all of from each of us here's "Thank you" and best wishes.

Though we are leaving the Methodist Orphanage it will always be "near and dear to our hearts." For—

"Though the years pass on, and our roadways part,  
Time will make your friendship still dearer to our hearts."

May I personally thank the ladies who have clothed me.

To the ladies of Central Methodist church, Raleigh, who gave me lovely clothes for two years.

To the "Daughters of Wesley," Duke Memorial church, Durham, I wish to say I appreciate the beautiful clothes you gave me twice each year during my high school years.

My heart is overflowing with gratitude to each member of the two groups. I shall try not to disappoint you. To all I would say:

"The Lord bless thee and keep thee;  
The Lord make his face to shine upon thee,  
And be gracious unto thee.  
The Lord life up his countenance upon thee,  
And give thee peace."

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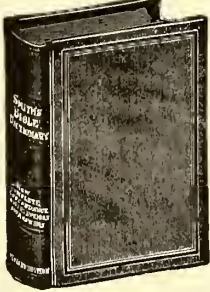
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| 4*Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton ..   | 13½ |
| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wil-     |     |
| kinson .....                        | 10  |
| Hendersonville, D. E. Camak .....   | 9½  |
| Haywood St., W. G. McFarland ..     | 7½  |
| 2*Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham ...    | 5   |
| Leicester-Grace, A. F. Phibbs ....  | 4½  |
| *Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Betha .....   | 3½  |
| Brevard, E. P. Billups .....        | 3   |
| Fletcher, H. E. Bolick .....        | 2½  |
| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....          | 2½  |
| Biltmore, E. J. Harbison .....      | 2½  |
| French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler..   | 2   |
| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman ..... | 2   |

## Charlotte

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ..     | 48½ |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ...  | 40  |
| 3*Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F.   |     |
| Womble .....                        | 16  |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....     | 15  |
| 3*Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie ..... | 7½  |
| 2*Calvary, S. M. Needham .....      | 7½  |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..    | 7   |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....   | 6   |
| Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease .....   | 6   |
| Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper .....   | 5½  |
| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....       | 5½  |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....   | 4   |
| *Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....       | 4   |
| Wesley Heights, W. O. Goode .....   | 1½  |
| Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman .....     | 1   |
| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....      | 1   |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....           | 1   |
| Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins .....      | 1   |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....  | 1   |
| Bethel-Bogers, E. R. Edwards .....  | 1   |

## Elkin

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....     | 33½ |
| 7*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....      | 30  |
| 3*Boone P. W. Townsend .....         | 11½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner..     | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....            | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....              | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....       | 8½  |
| Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....         | 6½  |
| 2*Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint .....      | 6   |
| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene .....   | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....          | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....           | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....      | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....       | 4½  |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....       | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....           | 3½  |
| Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley .....    | 3½  |
| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....      | 3½  |
| Warrensburg, J. G. Wootton, Jr. ...  | 4   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....          | 4   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....        | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....         | 3   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....     | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....    | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....             | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....    | 2½  |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant .....  | 2   |
| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....             | 2   |
| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....       | 2   |
| Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr.... | 2   |

## Gastonia

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 7*Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....       | 30½ |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....     | 22  |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....       | 14  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey    | 6   |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....            | 2½  |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....       | 2½  |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill .... | 2   |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....      | 1½  |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....         | 1   |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....         | 1   |
| Shelby-Carolcen, H. D. Garmon ..     | 1   |

## Greensboro

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| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger. | 22  |
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....       | 21½ |

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|------------------------------------|----|
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....     | 7½ |
| Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....      | 5½ |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....   | 21 |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....     | 7½ |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....       | 5½ |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....    | 5½ |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....    | 5  |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham   | 4½ |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogon .....       | 4½ |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow.....   | 4½ |
| Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse ..... | 4  |
| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick ..... | 3  |
| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy ..... | 2  |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....      | 2  |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle .....  | 2  |
| Bethel-Battleground, B. W. Lefler. | 2  |
| Ruffin, J. W. Fowler, Jr. ....     | 2  |
| *Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....  | 2  |
| College Place, R. M. Courtney .... | 1½ |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....   | 1  |
| Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....       | 1  |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....  | 1  |
| Moriah, J. L. Pittard .....        | 1  |

## High Point

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....          | 18½ |
| Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....          | 13  |
| 2*S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington ..   | 12  |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....    | 11½ |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr..   | 11½ |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....        | 8½  |
| 2*Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger | 8   |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....        | 7   |
| *Calvary, D. V. Howell .....         | 5   |
| *Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....     | 4½  |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams .....  | 4½  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley     | 3½  |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....       | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II    | 2½  |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....           | 2   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....           | 2   |
| Linwood, O. E. Croy .....            | 2   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor    | 2   |
| Richland, C. L. Grant .....          | 1½  |
| Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....      | 1½  |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....            | 1   |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....      | 1   |
| Archdale, O. B. Mitchell .....       | 1   |

## Marion

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|-------------------------------------|----|
| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley ..     | 7½ |
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....        | 7  |
| *Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....     | 4½ |
| Spindale, F. J. Stough .....        | 3½ |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....            | 4½ |
| Rutherfordton, F. C. Smathers....   | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....        | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace .....   | 2  |
| Linville Falls, McRae Crawford...   | 2  |
| Micaville-Tipton Hill, H. H. Cash.. | 1  |
| Spruce Pine, J. B. Tabor .....      | 1  |
| Mill Spring, M. W. Edwards .....    | 1  |

## Salisbury

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton .....    | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....           | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....          | 10  |
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....       | 10  |
| N. Kannapolis, D. T. Huss .....      | 10  |
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....         | 7½  |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner      | 7   |
| First, W. B. West .....              | 7   |
| Main St.-Rowan, C. B. Ross .....     | 7   |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler....   | 6   |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson..     | 5½  |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..   | 5   |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge ..     | 4½  |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....      | 4   |
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 4   |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3   |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½  |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores       | 2½  |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 2   |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½  |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1   |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1   |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1   |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1   |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1   |

## Statesville

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| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins .. | 30½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison ....  | 28  |
| Central, John W. Moore .....       | 15  |
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| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....        | 6   |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....        | 3   |
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| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....      | 1   |
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| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9   |
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| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½  |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2   |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2   |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 2   |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½  |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 1½  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....   | 1   |
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| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1   |

## Winston-Salem

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| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....         | 17½ |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....      | 15½ |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen ....  | 14½ |
| *N. Davidson, O. B. Williams ....   | 12  |
| *Grace, R. L. Forbis .....          | 6   |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....    | 6   |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....     | 5   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....          | 5   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....         | 4½  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....      | 4½  |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....          | 3   |
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| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison    | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....          | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way  | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....      | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....     | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter   | 1   |

## Durham

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| 3*Burlington, Davis St., F. W. Pas- |     |
| chall .....                         | 35  |
| 4*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....     | 26½ |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ...   | 14  |
| *Graham, J. R. Edwards .....        | 10  |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....        | 9   |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....           | 8   |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds....   | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....          | 6   |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....      | 5   |
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| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele .....       | 4½  |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton .....        | 4   |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love.. | 4   |
| Milton, D. I. Garner .....          | 3½  |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. ....   | 3   |
| *Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser...  | 3   |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson .....     | 3   |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps ....   | 2   |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson ....     | 2   |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth .....   | 2   |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe ....  | 1½  |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton .....     | 1½  |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish .....  | 1½  |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer .....         | 1½  |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe .....         | 1   |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early .....        | 1   |
| Yanceyville, A. E. Brown .....      | 1   |

## Elizabeth City

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|------------------------------------|----|
| 4*Williamston, S. J. Starnes ..... | 14 |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness .....       | 9½ |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt .....     | 6  |
| Washington, L. B. Jones .....      | 5  |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick .....     | 4  |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon ....    | 3½ |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe .....          | 3  |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson .....     | 2  |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon .....      | 2  |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford .....   | 1½ |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis..   | 1  |
| Roper, M. R. Gardner .....         | 1  |



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Murfreesboro, C. E. Vale ..... 1

Fayetteville

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\*Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer .....6½  
Carthage, W. G. Farrar ..... 6  
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New Bern, C. B. Culbreth ..... 2  
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Dover, R. N. Fitts ..... 1  
Grimesland, W. A. Crow ..... 1  
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Morehead City Ct., M.O.Stephenson 1

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## Sunday School Lesson

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By James S. Chubb

### Job's Repentance

Scripture—Job 42:1-13

Let us refresh our memories concerning the real nature of Job's temptation. Satan wanted to prove that Job served God because he had so many blessings. The tempter cynically believed that Job could not and would not maintain his faith, if these favors were withdrawn. God allowed his son to be tested regarding his wealth and family; still Job was faithful. He entered into a bitter controversy with his "friends" during the health temptation. The teaching of the book of Job, among other things, is that God does allow his children to be tried and tested. The teaching also is clear that God does not desert his children in these moments, nor does he allow the temptation to go beyond certain endurable limits. Job's life was spared. Satan could not have that.

There are breaks now and then in the book of Job, the ones we noticed in last week's lesson, indicating that Job, for all his fuming, still remembered God. The decisive change comes in the thirty-eighth chapter when Jehovah spoke. Man's voice has been keeping the spiritual atmosphere pretty well churned up. Now that man is still, God speaks. Job reacts immediately with silence before the mighty things of the Lord (40:35). God speaks again, following which, we have the triumphant note in our Scripture lesson.

#### Seeing Us Through Temptation

The first and great teaching in this lesson is that God sees his people through their temptation. There are dark, stormy moments when all seems to be lost. There are times when the soul cries out in its agony. There is always a Gethsemane as well as wilderness temptation, but God is there in the shadows "keeping watch o'er his own."

Job won because God did not desert him. There was no victory and no hope as long as the argument lasted. Triumph arrived when God stepped into the picture with his thoughts and his chiding. The main idea of all temptations is missed unless we keep uppermost the central thought: God wins out when the tempted one relies on him.

What are the elements of this victory? God was recognized as the great One who "can do all things." It takes a faith like this to win Job's victory in our lives as well as his. A small faith, a little belief in the limitation of God's power and Job would have lost. Job admitted that God could do all things and "no purpose of thine can be restrained." This God was greater than the evils, troubles, and miseries that

Job pointed out so effectively. This God was great enough to bring order into Job's chaotic soul, great enough to restore Job to his pre-eminent place.

Second, Job admitted his own shortcoming in knowledge. When God spoke of the things that he had done, Job was hushed in the spirit of humility. The little man had said too much about the things of man—his injustices, his troubles, and the woes of the innocent. God's two speeches had revealed Job's previous utterances to be the small things that they were. Job had correctly pointed out the weakness of the older point of view (that suffering is due to sin), but it was nothing compared to the greatness of God's knowledge of God, the knowledge of man is small indeed.

Third, Job indicates that his faith had been a second hand faith until now (5). He had heard and listened to the wisdom of others, but now he had seen with his own eyes. That makes one's faith a direct thing of personal experience and knowledge. It is the most significant faith that one can obtain. Job belongs from now on to the men who know because they have seen for themselves.

#### Teachable As a Child

Fourth, Job was really humbled (6). His own shortcoming and foolishness had burst upon him. He was a small soul now, really in need of God. His proud, argumentative self had collapsed. Face to face with God was different from being face to face with his short-sighted friends. Humble men are the only men who really are eligible to receive the best religious experiences. It is doubtful if men really ever are converted until they feel a deep need. Men certainly do not grow religiously until they have a profound need in their own inner lives. The arrogant, the satisfied, the defenders of their life and religion cannot receive the good news of the gospel. Unless one becomes teachable as a little child, he does not and cannot see the kingdom. Job had arrived at that place.

This repentant man was now restored to his former place. Satan had played his tricks, Job had passed through fire and wavered; but when God spoke, he responded in a hearty, distinctive way. Then came the triumph.

The friends were humiliated. They had not spoken righteously of God. They had made a poor case for Jehovah. They were weary and dogmatic defenders of a great faith. They had sent arguments at Job instead of sympathy and prayers. God rebuked them and demanded penance and offering for their poor record.

Some raise the question, Could the friends have known that God allowed Job to be tempted? The answer is "yes." Had they been seeking God's will and way, God would have guided them to a deep understanding. This is the Christian faith, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." This is a part of a self-revealing belief in God.

Job's greatness is seen (10) in the prayer he offered for his friends. This proves the greatness of his soul. It is akin to the prayer that Jesus offered on the cross. It proves that the great-

est soul by far in this group was Job. He had reached to the heavenly places and had acted as a true and tried son of God.

Although the ending of this book is that of a novelist or playwright, the religious principle is there. Now that Job had won, the friends came around to offer their congratulations and to express their post-mortem sympathy. They brought their gifts, too. That is the way of the people of this world. They are not too often close by in a time of need; they are likely to be very close by in a time of triumph.

Considerable trouble is made by the wealthy ending of the book. Perhaps it would be well to be temperate in discussing this detail, but remember that men who are tried by fire like this emerge much stronger and richer men in soul.—Christian Advocate.

#### CHURCH BUILDINGS

The church is the window in the house of human life from which to look out and see heaven; and it does not require a very ornamental window to make the stars visible. The finest name ever given, outside the Bible, to the church, is Bunyan's Palace Beautiful. Yet the churches which he was acquainted with were only the Baptist meeting houses of Bedfordshire; and in an age of persecution they were certainly as humble structures as have ever served for places of worship. No better than barns, they seemed common rafters; but in his eyes each was a Palace Beautiful, because when seated on one of its rough benches, he felt himself in the general assembly and church of the first-born; and the eye of his imagination, looking up through the dingy rafters, could describe the gorgeous roof and shining pinnacles of the church universal. It is the sanctified imagination that invests the church building, whether it be brick meeting house or noble cathedral, with true sublimity; and love of God, whose house it is, can make the humblest material structure a home of the spirit.—James Stalker, D.D.

#### I AM THE BIBLE

"I am the recorder of the gate.

"I speak every language under the sun, and enter every corner of the earth.

"I bring information, inspiration, and recreation to all mankind.

"I am the enemy of ignorance and slavery, the ally of enlightenment and liberty.

"I treat all persons alike, regardless of race, color, creed, or condition.

"I have power to stretch man's vision, to deepen his feeling, and enrich his life.

"I am a true friend, a wise counselor, and faithful guide.

"I am as silent as gravitation, pliant and powerful as the electric currents, and enduring as the everlasting hills.

"I am the Bible."—Christian Action.

We are all manufacturers—making good, making trouble, or making excuses.—Exchange.

Friends tie their purses with a spider's thread.—Italian.



# Children's



# Storyland

## THE FOURTH OF JULY SURPRISE

By Ina Agnes Poole

"I can't go anywhere on the Fourth of July," wailed Joan. "Mother says that we will have to stay right here in the tourist camp all day."

Phil, who was stopping with his parents at Far View Tourist Camp for a few days, turned to Joan and said, "Joan, you remember that story we read yesterday—how Betsy Ross made the first American flag for George Washington—"

"Yes, I remember the story and the picture, too," said Joan. "But that won't help me to have a good time on the Fourth of July."

"Yes, it will," Phil declared. "Let's make a play out of that story. You can be Betsy Ross."

"That's a dandy idea," Joan cried. She was interested in the plan now. "You and my two brothers can be George Washington and the other two Colonial gentlemen who came to Betsy Ross' home for the flag, and Nancy will be my helper."

Phil nodded his head. "That's the idea. We will charge admission."

"We'll make lots of money because we have so many tourists here this summer," Joan said delightedly.

The children were very busy the next few days. Joan's mother helped her make a flag with thirteen stars on it. The boys cleaned the one-room tourist cottage next to the oil station. Then they planned the play. They practiced it over and over.

Fourth of July came at last. The children got up early, but a very strange thing happened. All of the tourists except Phil's parents packed and went away.

"Other people will come soon and they will go to our play," Joan said hopefully.

After dinner Joan and Nancy put on the Betsy Ross dresses mother had made. They powdered their hair. The three boys put on their Colonial suits. They powdered their hair, too. Then they sat down in front of the Betsy Ross cottage to wait for their audience.

Car after car passed the tourist camp. Now and then one stopped for gas at the gas station, but it went on again.

"I can't understand why no one stops," Joan mourned.

"I guess that everyone is going to hear the governor speak," said Phil.

A car passed, then another and another. The children looked at each other gloomily. People do not spend the day in a tourist camp when they can hear the governor speak!

"That car is stopping," Phil said excitedly. "Maybe those people will come to our play."

The car which drew up in the shade near the Betsy Ross cottage was a very fine one. The chauffeur climbed out to

## A HAPPY FAMILY

What makes a happy family?

Listen, and I will tell.

It's not your house, it's not your clothes,

Nor the car you like so well.

Nor trips you take, nor the radio,

Nor money you have to spend.

It's something better than all of these.

Something that will not end.

It's love of dad, who works so hard

To get the things you need.

It's mother, loving and helping you

By every kindly deed.

It's brother's love and sister's love,

And your love for each one

That makes the joy and happiness,

When every day is done.

—Susie Potter Hesse, in Storytime.

change a flat tire. The three boys ran to the car to watch the chauffeur change the tire. Joan, with the flag in her arms, went too.

"What are you doing with that flag?"

Joan looked up. A very beautiful lady and a white-haired man were sitting in the car. "We wanted to give a play about Betsy Ross, but no one came. I'm Betsy Ross and this is the flag," Joan explained.

"Tell me all about it," the beautiful lady begged.

Joan sat down beside her and told her about the play. "No one came to see it because everybody is going to hear the governor speak," Joan said sadly.

"So the governor is spoiling your play!" the white-haired man said with a twinkle in his eyes. "We'll have to see about that, won't we, Barbara?"

"We certainly will! How would you three Colonial gentlemen like to go with us to hear the governor speak?"

"Will we have time to change our clothes?" Phil asked.

"There won't be time. Go just as you are, and I want Miss Betsy and Miss Nancy to take the flag," the beautiful lady said merrily.

The white-haired man climbed out of the car and talked to Joan's father for a moment. The chauffeur changed the tire. Then the big car flew along the road to the next town. It entered the park where the governor was to speak. It stopped beside the platform and they all got out of the machine.

"Children, come with us," said the beautiful lady.

Can you guess where she went? The beautiful lady and the white-haired man walked right up on the platform.

The people shouted, "The governor!"

The beautiful lady and the white-haired man bowed. Little Miss Betsy Ross and the three Colonial gentlemen had gone riding with the governor!—Apples of Gold.

## NOTED SAVANT PRAISES CATS

I cannot remember the time when any cat, no matter how humble in origin and social station, failed to arouse in me an almost breathless adoration. Of all domestic animals, the cat is the most beautiful and the most graceful. His anatomy is precisely adapted to his needs and although he takes only a hundredth as much athletic exercise as the dog, he is always in perfect condition. Whoever saw a housemaid exercising a cat?

Every household should contain a cat not only for decorative and domestic values, but because the cat, in quiescence, is medicinal to irritable, tense, tortured men and women. When a cat decides to rest he not only lies down, he pours his body out on the floor like water. It is reposeful merely to watch him. The dog is an intellectual fellow, but he does not compare in intellectual power with the cat. The cat has an acute mind, an inflexible will and a patience almost divine. It is often said that a dog is more intelligent because he learns tricks so easily. But is this good evidence? You command a dog to sit up and he, poor fellow, thinks he has to do it. The average cat throws off, pretends unconquerable limpness of body and stupidity of mind and an inability to understand what is wanted. Of course he understands, only too well. Why sit up? There is nothing in it.—Wm. Lyon Phelps in "Autobiography."

## AN INDIAN LEGEND

Have you ever observed the head of a turkey gobbler? It appears to be burned and blistered. The American Indian left us this legend. Said he: "Once upon a time all the fire in the world had been extinguished except one little spark in the hollow of a tree. The turkey gobbler found this and started fanning it with his wings. He kept up the exercise for some time and then he turned around and stuck his head into the hollow of the tree to see if the fire was still burning. It was in a red hot heat and the poor turkey got his head blistered and since that day he has had no feathers on his head. He had saved fire to the world but he had lost the beauty of his top-not." To the Indian, the red head of the turkey was his crown of glory. There are deformed men and women, carrying scars and bended bones that make them unsightly, but if the truth were known these very things are their crown of honor. How many badges of honor do you carry with you?—Moral Echoes by D. W. Haskew.

"Tommy," said the teacher, "I am going to keep you in after school."

"Well," replied Tommy, "I don't think it will do any good. I'm a woman hater."



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First Church, Elizabeth City, night .....31

#### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McBae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

July  
Bliscoe, Star, 11 .....21  
Mt. Gilead, Zion, 3 .....21  
Troy, 8 .....21  
Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 11 .....28  
Rockingham, 8 .....28

#### NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

July  
Oriental, Kershaw, 11 .....20  
Newport, Oak Grove, 11 .....21  
Riverside-Bridgeton, Reelsboro, 3 .....21

#### RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

August  
Louisburg Circuit, Leah's, 11:00 .....4  
Franklinton, Wesley, 3:00 .....4  
Raleigh, Person Street, Epworth, 8:00 .....4  
Princeton, Mero, 8 .....7  
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 8 .....8  
Creedmoor, Grave Hill, 8 .....9

Granville, Mt. Carmel, 11 .....11  
Stem, Roberts, 3 .....11  
Smithfield, 8 .....14  
Garner, Mt. Zion, 8 .....15  
Raleigh: Jenkins Memorial, Pleasant Grove, 8 .....16  
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 10 .....18  
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3 .....18  
Dunn, 8 .....18  
Bailey, Middlesex, 8 .....21  
Four Oaks, Antioch, 8 .....22  
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8 .....23  
Moncure, Jones' Chapel, 11 .....25  
Tar River, Ebenezer, 8 .....25  
Raleigh: Hayes-Barton, 8 .....26  
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 8 .....27  
Rougemont, Riverview, 8 .....28

#### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

July  
Wilson, 11 .....21  
Saint Paul, 8 .....21

#### WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

July  
Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11 .....21  
Lumberton, night .....21  
Wilmington, Grace, 11 .....28  
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night .....28

## Western North Carolina Conference

#### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

July  
Saluda-Tryon, Tryon, night .....18  
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, night .....19  
Laurel-Barnardsville, Bright Hope, 11 .....21  
Weaverline Ct., Clarke's Chapel, 3 .....21  
O'een, Mt. Zion, night .....21  
Hot Springs, Fairview, 11 .....28  
Marshall, Walnut, night .....28

August  
Fletcher, Balfour, 11 .....4  
Rosman, Lake Toxaway, 3 .....4  
Mills River, Etowah, night .....4  
Biltmore, 11 .....11  
Fairview, Bethany, 3 .....11  
Acton, Acton, night .....11  
Candler, Laurel Hill O.C., 11 .....17  
Candler, Pisgah, 11 .....18  
Pisgah Ct., Brown's View, 3 .....18  
Asbury Memorial, night .....18  
Hillside Street, 11 .....25  
Asheville Ct., Elk Mountain, 3 .....25  
Merrimon Avenue, night .....25

September  
West Asheville, 11 .....1  
Flat Rock, Upward, 3 .....1  
Haywood Street, night .....1  
French Broad Avenue, 11 .....8  
Oakley, 3 .....8  
Hendersonville, night .....8  
Leicester-Bell, 11 .....15  
Sandy-Big Sandy, 3 .....15  
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night .....15  
Central, Asheville, 11 .....22  
Saluda-Tryon-Saluda, 3 .....22  
Brevard, night .....23  
Black Mountain, 11 .....29  
Swannanoa, Tabernacle, 3 .....29  
Weaverville Station, night .....29

#### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

August  
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 11 .....4  
Thrift-Moore, Moores, 2:30 .....4  
Hawthorne Lane, 8 .....4  
Hickory Grove, 11 .....11  
Unionville-New Hope, Bethel, 3 .....11  
New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 8 .....11  
Bethel-Bogers, Bethel, 11 .....18  
Matthews, 3 .....18  
North Monroe-Grace, North Monroe, 8 .....18  
Trinity, 3 .....23  
Monroe, Central, 11 .....25  
Indian Trail-Stallings, Beulah, 3:30 .....25  
Chadwick, 8 .....25  
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 8 .....26  
Big Springs, 8 .....28

September  
Peachland, Fountain Hill, 3 .....1  
Marshville, Marshville, 8 .....1  
Calvary, 8 .....2  
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 8 .....4  
Brevard Street, 8 .....6  
Wesley Heights, 11 .....8  
Polkton, Poplar Hill .....8  
Pineville, Pineville, 8 .....8  
Morven, 8 .....9  
Belmont Park, 7:30 .....11  
Dilworth, 7:30 .....13  
Lileville, Lileville, 11 .....15  
Huntersville, Asbury, 3 .....15  
Derita, 7:30 .....15  
Central Avenue, 11 .....22  
Prospect, Bethlehem, 2 .....22  
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 .....22  
Duncan Memorial, 11 .....29  
Wadesboro, 7:30 .....30

#### ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

July  
Watauga, Mabel, 11 .....21  
Green Valley Ct., Thomas Church, 2:30 .....21  
Moravian Falls, Roaring River, 8 .....21  
Ararat, Maple Grove, 11 .....28  
Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3 .....28  
Surry-Yadkin, Level Cross, 7:30 .....28

#### GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

July  
South Fork, 11 .....21  
South Fork, Plateau, 3 .....21  
Cramerton, South Point, night .....21  
Casar, 11 .....28  
Casar, New Home, 3 .....28  
Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, night .....28  
August  
Gastonia, Trinity, 11 .....4  
Gastonia, West End, night .....4  
Rock Springs, Denver, 11 .....11  
Lowesville, night .....11  
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 .....18  
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 .....18  
Stanley, Stanley, night .....18  
Boger City, Asbury, 11 .....25  
Dallas, night .....25

September  
Kings Mountain, Central, 11 .....1  
Belmont, Main Street, night .....1  
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11 .....8  
Lincolnton, First Church, night .....8  
Bessemer City, 11 .....15  
Shelby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 11 .....22

#### GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

July  
Greensboro: Grace, 11 .....21  
Haw River, Friendship .....21  
Glenwood, 8 .....21  
Madison, 11 .....28  
Leaksville, 8 .....23  
August  
Draper-Fairview, 11 .....4  
Draper, 3 .....4  
Bethel-Battleground, 8 .....4  
Pleasant Garden, 11 .....11

#### HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

July  
Highland, 8 .....13  
Shiloh, Shiloh, 2 .....20  
Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 11 .....21  
Randelman-Union, Union, 3 .....21  
Asheboro Central, 8 .....21  
Trinity, Fairview, 8 .....23  
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Gray's Chapel, 11 .....28  
Seagrave-Love Joy, Macedonia, 2:30 .....23  
August  
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 8 .....4

#### MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

July  
Elk Park, 11 .....21  
Avery, 3 .....21  
Cliffside, 7:30 .....21  
August  
Glen Alpine, 11 .....4  
Valdese, Warlick's, 3 .....4  
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 7:30 .....4  
Spindale, 11 .....11  
Mill Springs, Manus, 3 .....11  
Rostie, Oak Grove, 7:30 .....11  
Henrietta, 11 .....18  
Broad River, Harris, 3 .....18  
Cross Mills, 7:30 .....18  
McDowell, Nebo, 11 .....25  
Old Fort Ct., 3 .....25  
Morganton, North Forest, 7:30 .....25  
September

Sunshine, Hollis, 11 .....1  
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 .....1  
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 .....1  
Rutherford College, 11 .....8  
Morganton Ct., Denton's, 3 .....8  
Morganton, First, 7:30 .....8  
Rutherfordton, 11 .....15  
Marion Ct., 3 .....15  
Old Fort, 7:30 .....15  
Linville Falls, 11 .....22  
Avery Ct., 3 .....22  
Spruce Pine, 7:30 .....22  
Bald Creek, 11 .....29

Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stew-  
ards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church.  
Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed  
to the district superintendent at this meeting.

#### STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

July  
Statesville, Race Street, --- .....21  
Statesville, Boulevard, night .....21  
Whitnel, Zion, 3 .....28  
North Newton, night .....28  
August  
Taylorsville, Taylorsville, 11 .....4  
Harmony, New Union, 3 .....4  
Jones Memorial, night .....4  
Statesville Ct., Trinity, 11 .....11  
Olin, Moss, 3 .....11  
Granite Falls, night .....11  
Leola, First Church, 11 .....18  
Hildentle, Rocky Springs, 3 .....18  
Union Grove, Friendship, night .....18  
Elmwood, Elmwood, 3 .....25  
Cool Springs, Cool Springs, night .....25  
September

Shepherds, McKendree, 11 .....1  
Mooreville Ct., Centenary, 3 .....1  
Mt. Zion, Mt. Zion, night .....1  
Hickory, First Church, 11 .....8  
Hickory, Highland, 3 .....8  
Maiden, Maiden, night .....8  
Catawba, Concord, 3 .....15  
Stony Point, Stony Point, night .....15  
Davidson, Fairview, 10 and 3 .....22  
Mooreville, Central, 11 .....22



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|---------------------------------------|----|
| Mooresville, Broad St., night .....   | 22 |
| Newton., First Church, 11 .....       | 29 |
| Balls Creek, St. Paul, 3 .....        | 29 |
| Troutman, Troutman, night .....       | 29 |
| October                               |    |
| Statesville, Broad Street, 11 .....   | 6  |
| Grace-Rhodiss, Grace, 3 .....         | 6  |
| Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night ..... | 6  |
| Hickory, Bethel, 11 .....             | 13 |
| Hudson, Colliers, 3 .....             | 13 |
| Hickory, Westview, night .....        | 13 |

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| WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT                       |    |
| W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.   |    |
| THIRD ROUND                                |    |
| July                                       |    |
| Waynesville, 11 .....                      | 21 |
| Whittier, Blue Wing .....                  | 21 |
| Bryson City, 8 .....                       | 21 |
| Hayesville, Hayesville, 11 and 3 .....     | 28 |
| Shooting Creek, Hayesville, 11 and 3 ..... | 28 |
| Franklin, 8 .....                          | 28 |
| Macon, Franklin, 8 .....                   | 28 |
| Franklin Ct., 8 .....                      | 28 |
| Louisa, Franklin .....                     | 28 |
| (Dr. Vliet speaker on 28th).               |    |

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| WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT                                        |    |
| W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C. |    |
| THIRD ROUND                                                   |    |
| July                                                          |    |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, Mt. Zion, 11 .....                         | 21 |
| Mt. Airy, Rockford Street, Blackwater, 2:30 .....             | 21 |
| Winston-Salem, Hiatt Memorial, Hiatt, 7:30 .....              | 21 |
| August                                                        |    |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary (third check-up meeting), 7:30 ..... | 6  |

CHILDREN'S HOME  
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"I am glad we were able to get around \$50 for you for our fifth Sunday offering. Most of this amount came from the adult department. We have you and the children at heart all the time and I can see the interest growing among our church school enrollment. I gather all the news items from your page in the Advocate and at certain times try to keep my department posted as to what our Home is doing. You are doing a fine job."—Abe Womack, Reidsville.

"I am enclosing check for \$5.55 from Harmony Sunday school. This is the first time this church has contributed to the Home. It was formerly a part of the Northern branch of the Methodist Church. We have an enrollment of only 80 members. I took some time to tell the group about the work there. I noted that a few of the graduates were in the baby cottage when I was a member of the Children's Home family."—Myrtle Cox Burgess, Supt.

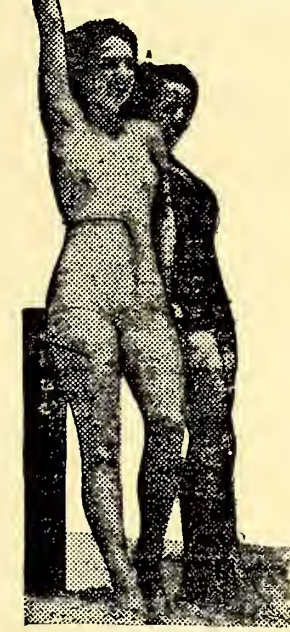
"Dear Pop, I am wondering how everything goes at the Children's Home. Words will never express how I thank you and the Children's Home for what you did for me. It is the best place in the whole world for young boys and girls. I thank you for sending the Chronicle to me. To tell you the truth, I am a little homesick for the Children's Home, but you know you have to face everything with a stern face. Tell Mom Woosley I sure thank her for helping us with our graduation plans."—Stan Crofts.

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|-------------------------------------------|----|
| *Epworth, Walter Pavy .....               | 6  |
| Garland, O. C. Melton .....               | 6  |
| Rowland, W. C. Wilson .....               | 6  |
| Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson .....  | 5½ |
| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew .....          | 4½ |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner .....              | 3  |
| Bladen, R. L. Vickory .....               | 3  |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, I. T. Poole ..... | 2  |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews .....      | 1½ |
| Trinity, R. L. Jerome .....               | 1  |
| Grace, J. F. Herbert .....                | 1  |
| Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift .....        | 1  |
| Chadbourn, E. C. Maness .....             | 1  |
| St. Paul, A. C. Lee .....                 | 1  |
| Roseboro, C. S. Hubbard .....             | 1  |
| Elizabeth, C. W. Barbee .....             | 1  |

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## In Memoriam

**POOLE**—On April 20, 1940, Trinity Methodist church, Troy, N. C., lost one of its most useful members. Robert T. Poole, born September 30, 1872, Montgomery county, N. C., son of James C. and Elizabeth Bruton. He was educated at Trinity College (now Duke University), graduating in A.B. 1898. Attended University of North Carolina, where he graduated in law. Married Bessie Pulliam May, 20, 1908, and the following children were born: Mary Elizabeth, Helen, Madge, and Nell.

Robert Poole was superintendent of public schools for Montgomery county 1904-05; member of the House of Representatives 1909-11 and 1919-20. He was county attorney for Montgomery county for several years; attorney for Troy, Mt. Gilead and Star; also attorney and president of the Bank of Montgomery. He was a charter member of the Rotary Club, Troy, N. C.

But Robert T. Poole was more than a leader in educational progress, more than a civic builder, more than an outstanding attorney, he was a Christian gentleman of the first water. For 35 years he was a leading layman in Trinity church. He served on every official board in the church. At his death he was chairman of the board of stewards and charge lay leader.

No finer tribute can be written about this man than the magnificent church building, its modern equipment of the best kind, a church edifice superior to any within the Carolinas for the size of the town. This temple of God stands today in large measure to his vision, courage and sacrifice. A great man has lived in our midst. O. P. Fitzgerald.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

In recognition of the faithful and untiring services of Rev. J. H. West in the interest of Brevard College, the board of trustees of the college at their annual meeting in Brevard, N. C., on June 18, 1940, stated their wish to express their sense of personal loss for themselves and for the institution in the death of Brother West on December 11, 1939, and their appreciation of his services as a member of the board of trustees.

Brother West had been a member of the board since Brevard College was founded in 1934, and from that time until his death he never failed to be present at every meeting of the group. He was instrumental in bringing the college to Brevard, and he constantly held its interest uppermost in his mind. A gentleman of high Christian ideals, he ever worked toward bringing out the best in humanity.

It is resolved, therefore, that this expression of appreciation be sent to the family of Brother West, the North Carolina Christian Advocate, the public press, and to such other persons and places as may be desirable.

Eugene J. Coltrane, Sec.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Sweet memories of a beautiful and useful Christian life are left to the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Central Methodist church of Monroe, in the passing to the beyond of Mrs. N. S. Ogburn, the last charter member of the organization, who fell asleep in March 22, 1940, almost attaining her 84th year, leaving to the world a son, Rev. Sneed Ogburn, who is and has been for many years a missionary to Japan, and other members of her family to carry on where she laid down.

Her noble character, kindly and sympathetic nature and her deep and abiding love for the church and all its activities made her presence an inspiration, and we feel that our organization has sustained an irreparable loss.

If the mansion on high is builded here, then hers will be bright with jewels, for day by day she laid up treasures in heaven. Therefore be it resolved:

That the removal of such a life leaves a vacancy that will be felt by our church and our community.

That we pledge anew our lives and prayerfully endeavor to follow more closely our Saviour whom she followed so faithfully.

That we extend our deepest sympathy to her loved ones and commend them to Him who giveth light amid the shadows of life.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be recorded in our minutes, and a copy be sent to the local papers.

Mrs. J. E. Bailey,  
Mrs. E. B. Stack,  
Mrs. Eugene Ashcraft.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

At a meeting of the board of stewards of Grace Methodist church held July 1, 1940, the passing of our brother member, George W. Bailey, was noted and the following minute recorded:

We bow in humble submission to the divine will who in his infinite wisdom has called George W. Bailey from our midst.

Our church suffers the loss of a valued and faithful member, whose loyalty and devotion exemplified the cardinal virtues of our religion. His courtesy and gentleness of manner will ever linger in the memory of those among whom he lived.

Our community deplores the death of a straightforward and upright man whose business enterprises were always characterized by fairness in dealing with his fellowmen.

To the grief stricken family we offer our deepest and heartfelt sympathy, and we bid them, in this their hour of grief, to find consolation in the teaching of our common Christian faith.

Resolved: That a page of our minutes be inscribed in his memory; and that a copy be transmitted to the family and the press.

Clayton C. Holmes,  
E. C. Whit,  
S. D. Hurst, Jr.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the men's Bible class of Raeford, N. C., on this the first Sunday (June 30, 1940) after the untimely death of John B. Covington, a most faithful member of our class, wish to take note of his passing in the following resolution:

First, That we give thanks for our years of association with him. We shall ever esteem his memory as a man of worth, a friend to his neighbors in every hour of need, liberal always in his support of every worthy cause.

Second, That we remember again his faithfulness to his church and Sunday school, and though his death is a grievous loss to us, we believe it will be for him an ascension into the glorious freedom of life eternal.

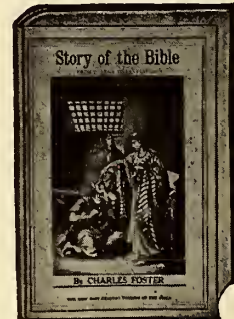
Third, That we extend our sympathy to his relatives in this time of sorrow, and as a class dedicate ourselves again to the service of the Christ in whom he trusted for salvation.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, the News Journal, and the family of the deceased.

L. M. Upchurch,  
R. B. Lewis,  
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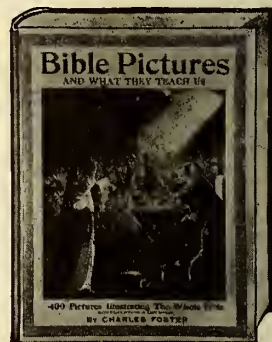
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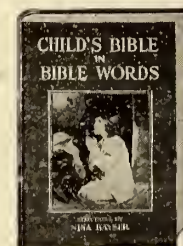
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## "The Toy-Strewn House"

"Give me the house where the toys are strewn,  
Where the dolls are asleep in the chairs,  
Where the building blocks and the toy balloon  
And the soldiers guard the stairs;  
Let me sleep in the house where the tiny cart  
With its horses rules the floors,  
And rest comes into my heart,  
For I am at home once more.

Give me the house with the toys about,  
With the battered old train of cars,  
The box of paints and the books left out  
And the ship with her broken spars;  
Let me step in a house at the close of day  
That is littered with children's toys,  
And dwell once more in the haunts of play  
With the echoes of bygone noise.

Give me the house where the toys are seen,  
The house where the children romp,  
And I'll be happier than man has been  
'Neath the gilded dome of pomp.  
Let me see the litter of bright-eyed play  
Strewn over the parlor floor,  
And the joys I knew in a far-off day  
Will gladden my heart once more.

Whoever has lived in a toy-strewn house  
Though feeble he be and gray,  
Will yearn, no matter how far he roam,  
For the glorious disaray  
Of the little house with its littered floor  
That was his in the bygone days  
And his heart will throb as it throbbed before  
When he rests where a baby plays."

—Author unknown.



## CIVIC LEADER AND POPULAR PASTOR PASSES IN GREENSBORO

Dr. Richard Travis Weatherby, 67, pastor of St. Matthews Methodist church for 27 years and a prominent worker in civic life of the city, pertaining both to activities of the negro race and otherwise, died Sunday evening, June 21, at L. Richardson Memorial hospital following an illness of ten days.

Dr. Weatherby entered Richardson hospital upon his return from the regional meeting of the Methodist Church at St. Louis, Mo., having become ill there. He underwent an operation from which he failed to recover.

In addition to his duties as pastor of St. Matthews church, Dr. Weatherby was a member of the board of directors of L. Richardson Memorial hospital, a member of the advisory committee of the recreation commission, a member of the board of executives of the city Carnegie library, and secretary of the local inter-racial commission.

He was prominently identified with a number of civic activities. He was instrumental in securing the Windsor community center, the Hayes-Taylor Memorial Y. M. C. A. and the negro Boy Scout camp located north of the city. As a representative of the negro people of Greensboro, he aided in solving a number of social problems through various agencies of the city.

Dr. Weatherby was born in Durant, Miss. He attended Gammon Theological Seminary and was awarded his doctor's degree by this institution. For a number of years he was lecturer at the Methodist Preachers' Institute in Orangeburg, S. C. He came to Greensboro in 1911 from the pastorate of the Methodist church in Nashville, Tenn. During the war he left the church here to serve as a Y. M. C. A. secretary. In 1924 he returned again to St. Matthews church and has served as pastor continuously for the past 16 years.

Dr. Weatherby was a quiet, unpretentious pastor, who like his Lord and Master went about doing good. He was a valuable citizen of Greensboro and a good minister of Jesus Christ. We always esteemed it a privilege when opportunity offered to occupy his pulpit. He will be greatly missed by a host of friends.

## NINE HUNDRED FARM YOUTH AT RALEIGH

More than 900 farm boys and girls assembled on the campus of State College Monday night of this week for the opening of their annual 4-H club short course, which will continue through Friday.

The girls wore green and white dresses, and the boys white shirts and trousers with black ties and shoes, as they gathered in Riddick stadium for a welcoming speech by Dean J. W. Harrelson of the college. Also on the program were L. R. Harrill and Miss Frances MacGregor, state 4-H club leaders and co-directors of the short course, and Henry Vanstory of Iredell county, president of the state 4-H honor club.

Attractive Margaret Ellis of Durham county, a student at the Woman's College in Greensboro and president of the 4-H council, presided. County delegations were introduced by Eugene Berryhill of Mecklenburg.

These boys and girls gathered from every section of the state represent the future men and women who are to make and save the state. The victory rests with these.

Saturday before the tobacco farmers of the state rejoiced in the victory won for the three year crop control. The Daily News says editorially:

The best way out of a bad situation may have been taken when control was voted last week, but in the light of the facts emphasized by Mr. Floyd that way is none too dependable.

Control at its best will not supply the food and feed which is imperative the farmers raise instead of buy. A great many will join with the AAA economist in his earnest hoping that the same people, organizations and institutions which lined up so solidly behind the tobacco control program would help him promote increased production of food and feed crops and the building up of soil fertility, to him the most important part of the triple A program.

It is of familiar and universal knowledge that emergency saving of the farmer by ballot is one thing, and making the long pull that will accomplish that which operates for permanent security is quite another. "Farmer, food and feed first" is an ancient preachment, line upon line, precept upon precept; here a little, there a little. The realization that in no sort of an election is there an approximation of perfect salvation may be more than a little, and more effective than volumes of preachment to farmers, by farmers, and by others less vested with authority for preaching.

Nothing encourages us more than the fine young men and women who are to come out of the 4-H clubs in every section of the land.

## A DECADE OF ACHIEVEMENT

On Sunday, July 21, the Duke University Hospital completed its tenth year of unique service to North Carolina, and the Southeast.

The story of this decade is not completely covered by statistics. It is well enough to recall that the hospital has within the past year given 137,000 days of care of bed patients, while the dispensaries received patients making nearly 86,000 visits for treatment. It affords a better appreciation of the work done at the institution to know that 11,000 children alone have been given bed care during the decade and 8200 have received dispensary treatment, while 3700 births have occurred at the hospital and nearly 45,000 important operations have been performed.

Much might be said about the modern equipment of all types, the large number of beds now available (569), the hospital auxiliary, the hospital pharmacy and the school of nursing. But back of all these stand the personalities, the ideals of service, and the vision, not only of the founders, but of those who have carried on in a spirit of genuine altruistic social service.

For it is not only what has been done in hospital ward and laboratory which has made the Duke Hospital so invaluable to North Carolina and the Southeast. No less beneficial has been the inspiration and encouragement which the institution and its able staff have given to medical men and institutions in other communities throughout the state. Especially encouraging has been the liberal and pioneering attitude of the Duke Hospital staff toward the promotion of preventive medicine activities and the establishment of better hospital and clinic services in local communities. In many vital health programs the co-operation of the Duke staff has resulted in improved community service.

Too, the work accomplished on the ground at Duke Hospital has been highly exemplary and has influenced the establishment of improved hospital facilities in many places.

These are things which never appear in a table of dry statistics. They form the human element in the equation—an element which gives to an institution its spirit and its meaning, and which determines to a greater degree than any other factor, the success or failure of great missions.—Editorial in Winston-Salem Journal.



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Reports from the field indicate the fine work being done during the revival meetings in the country churches. God bless abundantly those faithful and devoted workers, clerical and lay.

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Keep a few fundamentals in mind such as: (1) The Prince of Peace is against war; (2) war is a cure for nothing—it ends in death and hell; (3) war-minded nations crush humanity and blacken history.

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One unusual thing about the coming campaign is the release that has come to those formerly bound by party ties. The “high ups” of both parties are not bound by consistency. Why should not the average man be free? Bolting seems to be a virtue rather than “anathema.” Every elector is now free to make answer to his own court of final appeal without fear of party boss.

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What answer can the candidates for office, committed to keeping America out of war, make to the people? To train all the young men of a nation to slay and kill is to substitute the German way for the American way. We are to take the sword and ultimately to perish with the sword. Are we to accept the war lords or to make answer to the heart of America? Congress must speak for us.

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It is now said by men who should know that politics and mismanagement are responsible for the growing dissatisfaction with North Carolina liquor stores. Possibly so. In fact this is an old story. The liquor traffic's control of politics and its abominable business methods caused the American people to write the Eighteenth amendment into the constitution. And the liquor politicians were the driving power in repealing this amendment. Liquor just will not stay out of politics nor will it go straight in business affairs.

The farmers and their families and the young people of the 4-H clubs, gathered now and then at State College, Raleigh, count for more than most people know. They are the pride of the state and the assurance of the continued welfare of North Carolina. We esteem them more than words can tell.

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Why this rush for a peace time military draft before the volunteer method has failed? Never before has such been thought of. Only in war time has the draft been employed. Such inevitably makes the nation war-minded; although the declarations of both political parties are against war. We Americans are for peace. What are our representatives in the House and in the Senate going to do about it? Certainly, the War Department is for war. The business of these men is to train men for war—to teach men to kill. They would put into the soul of every young man a love of war and a thirst for blood. This is the inevitable of the universal military draft. The draft means for the nation to become war-minded.

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A two-column editorial in The Methodist Recorder, London, indicates sore disappointment as to the nature and extent of the help extended Britain by the United States. The attitude of America is one of “deepening disappointment, a sickness of heart at hope deferred,” says the editor. Evidently Great Britain expected intervention as well as material aid. Billions of treasure and millions of men sent to make the world “safe for democracy” have proven a sore disappointment to America these last twenty years. All this seems to have been forgotten. So deep-seated in America is the desire to stay out of the war both parties have written this into their platforms. America is for peace. Preparation for war and all that tends to make the nation war-minded is opposed by the vast body of the people of the United States.



## Hul-la-ba-loo at National Conventions

ONE of the absurdities of American life is the hul-la-ba-loo that has become a part of our national political conventions. It is a make-believe of spontaneous enthusiasm. As a matter of fact, these have come to be the most artificial and mechanical mass movements possible. The radio is disclosing the absurdities that gather about these outbursts lasting for an hour or more following some fourth-rate partisan speech timed to set off the fireworks.

At the close of William Jennings Bryan's "Cross of Gold" speech an outburst of enthusiasm resulted in a twenty-minutes demonstration. This was not artificial nor mechanical. Governor Thomas J. Jarvis of north Carolina who stood unmoved through it all said there had never been anything like it in our political history. Since then the effort has been at each convention to out-do all preceding ones until it would seem the time has come for the good sense of Americans to demand a reform so as to help save us from the pretense of politics. Do the best we may more than enough buncombe gets into every political campaign.

We are for enthusiasm at a ball game, in a religious meeting or in a political gathering when there is something to stir the depths of emotion. We believe in shouting at a religious meeting when those indulging have something to shout about, but otherwise it becomes a miserable pretense. So was much of the hul-la-ba-loo heard this year at Philadelphia and Chicago. This too by men who averaged middle age. We expect school boys to have their "pep" meetings and "celebrations" before and after games so as to give vent to youthful enthusiasm. Such is natural and most interesting. But for staid old bucks and a few old maids—the radio reported one of these "girls" to be beyond eighty—the situation becomes absurd. Doubtless much of this exuberance of spirit was from those who rely on keeping their spirits up by pouring spirits down.

Will some one tell us how much the hul-la-ba-loo at a convention has to do with determining the outcome of a campaign. Good, sound sense and deliberate judgment of sensible and patriotic men and women in convention assembled ought to count for more than four days spent in a miserable pretense of an unbounding enthusiasm that does not exist. Certainly this would do much to keep the artificial and mechanical in the background even

though it did not result in the selection of more satisfactory candidates. Give us a rest from hul-la-ba-loo for awhile unless the radio can be silenced. None of us would want that to happen.

## Nobler Self; Nobler Society

THE individual and the group are intimately linked together. An uplifted society always results from a new order of individuals who are passing from one stage to a better and higher order of existence. The static must give place to the moving impulse within. As the Negro spiritual goes—

"No use standing here, I must keep moving along.

There are long white robes in the heavens I know;

There are golden slippers in the heavens I know."

Aspiration of soul such as this for the nobler life will result in a nobler society on earth as well as disclose a company in the heavens with white robes and golden slippers. Had we more of this high aspiration in the modern church we would recover some of the former revolutionary fervor the church seems to have lost. A new spirit of adventure would be ours. Another note would be sounded in pulpit and in pew. More nobler selves would result in a nobler society.

## John's Ax Handle

JOHN THE BAPTIST laid the ax to the root of the tree, but when he went to chopping down the trees of sin he did not have an ax handle a thousand miles long. Jesus looked the Scribes and Pharisees in the face and told them plainly that they were hypocrites. Why should a preacher thunder against the Mormons beyond the Rocky Mountains, or the Roman Catholics a thousand miles away, when bootleggers, adulterers, Sabbath breakers, and men who worship mammon are easily within reach of his voice? The reader has heard of the man who preached against the sin of dancing to a little bunch of old maids and a lame Confederate soldier and about the evils of theatre-going to a congregation of rustics who never saw a theatre. But these are not the only two instances when the gospel messenger has missed the mark.



### The Third Term Issue

A THIRD term for the President of the United States is a live issue just now and has been a fundamental question from the first years of our national history. George Washington, the father of our country and "first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen" not only of his own generation, but of the generations following, refused a third term and with his accustomed wisdom and sanity advised against it in future years. Thomas Jefferson, author of that immortal document, the Declaration of Independence and the father of the Democratic party, put away the crown and warned of its dangers. And this American tradition has been respected by all the Presidents except Grant whose efforts were abortive, and Theodore Roosevelt who tried it with the Bull Moose party, but the American people at the polls repudiated his effort to secure an additional term of office.

On February 10, 1928, the Senate of the United States adopted the following resolution:

"That it is the sense of the Senate that the precedent established by Washington and other Presidents of the United States in retiring from the presidential office after their second term has become, by universal concurrence, a part of our republican system of government, and that any departure from this time-honored custom would be unwise, unpatriotic and fraught with peril to our free institutions."

Among those who voted to approve this denunciation of the third term as "unwise, unpatriotic and fraught with peril to our free institutions" were Senator Alben W. Barkley, permanent chairman and second keynoter at Chicago; Senator Robert F. Wagner, chairman of the platform committee of the same convention; Senator Key Pittman, chairman of the foreign relations committee of the Senate; Senator Pat Harrison, chairman of the finance committee of the Senate; Senator Henry F. Ashurst, chairman of the judiciary committee of the Senate; and the following other distinguished Democrats, all members of the present Senate: Gerry, Glass, Hayden, King, McKellar, Neely, Sheppard, Smith, Thomas of Oklahoma, Tydings and Wheeler.

Thomas Jefferson, three years before his death, and near the end of his second term, wrote:

"If the principle of rotation be a sound one, as I conscientiously believe it to be with respect

to this office, no pretext should ever be permitted to dispense with it, because there will never be a time when real differences do not exist, and furnish a plausible pretext of dispensation."

We wonder if all those senators who in 1928 voted for that historic resolution warning against a third term and are now members of the Senate will remain true to Jefferson and to themselves in 1940.

### The Share-Cropper

ONE of the present fads with certain groups of would-be social reformers is to cry out against the sorrowful fate of the share-cropper. In some sections grave injustices exist, if we are to believe the reports, but with us in North Carolina the men on the land, both tenants and land owners, are reasonably considerate of each other.

Of course there are situations here and there in which both classes have a hard time. Land owners receive scarcely enough to take care of their expenses, to say nothing of profits, and the tenants likewise have no easy time of it. But wherever there is thrift, temperance and industry the situation is generally favorable for all. Laziness, liquor and improvident habits of life are the most serious hurts. These elementary troubles and weaknesses keep down a certain class of tenants that otherwise might become home owners. Were they provident, temperate and industrious, life would take on new meaning.

The country sections in which the people keep a sustained interest in the country church and in the country school, with due regard for the simple virtues of life such as honesty, industry and devotion to family, we do not hear a distressing hue and cry about the neglected and depressed classes.

The country preacher and the country school teacher have wonderful fields of service in church and school. They are real social reformers in the best sense of the term and they become out and out builders of a better citizenship. For out from the homes of the well-to-do and from the less well-to-do come boys and girls to fill a large and important place in the world. A few such workers as these are worth scores and scores of would-be social reformers who cry out against the evil of the share-cropper. These agitators furnish fierce accusations for the press instead of getting down with the people and help to bring in a better day.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference (place to be announced) . . . . . Nov. 7**

Rev. and Mrs. John R. Hamilton (Stanfield charge) announce the birth of John Reynolds, Jr., on July 16, 1940. Weight, 8 pounds.

Home coming day at Calvary church on the Littleton charge the first Sunday in August. All former pastors, former members and present members invited to attend.—H. L. Davis, Pastor.

The Olin Methodist church will hold its annual home coming and 100th anniversary Sunday, August 4. All former friends are urged to be present. Everyone bring lunch for picnic dinner.

My wife and I were recently called to Little Rock, Ark., due to the critical illness and death of her mother, Mrs. Oscar Murrie. Mrs. Murrie died July 7 several hours before we arrived.—Allen C. Lee.

We are seeking to secure some pews for one of our churches, and would like to get in touch with some church having pews which are not now needed.—R. Z. Newton, Pastor, Pittsboro, N. C.

We are now in our fourth revival on the Green Valley charge, having many converts. The Lord is with us in a wonderful way. Will give all of our meetings in one report later.—M. L. Chappell.

Governor Clyde R. Hoey was the guest speaker on last Sunday morning to a great audience, which heard him with much delight and profit at Central Methodist church in Canton, N. C.—W. R. Kelly.

We have just closed a gracious revival at our Sims church, Bailey circuit. Rev. H. I. Glass did the preaching. Much interest was manifested and ten souls were added to our church.—W. L. Loy.

Home coming at Littlejohn's on Lenoir circuit the fourth Sunday in July. All former pastors and friends are invited to come and be with us. Rev. John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., will preach at 11 a. m.—J. W. Combs, Pastor.

**Miss Pauline Fitts, an honor graduate of Greensboro College, class '39, with an A grade certificate in French and English, is available as teacher or church worker. She is a daughter of Rev. R. N. Fitts, pastor at Dover, N. C. Anyone interested may address her at Dover.**

Cecil G. Hefner, director for the Franklin N. Parker fund, has done a most outstanding job and is now within \$200 of the \$5000 quota for the Western North Carolina conference. Brother Hefner has worked faithfully and diligently and his loyalty will long be remembered.

We have just finished a very successful revival at Whitsett Methodist church. Rev. Lee Roy Spencer, Jr., brought some wonderful messages. We had nine conversions and the church is greatly revived. Our offerings for the revival amounted to \$46.75. The church school has been reorganized, and we think that Whitsett church will see better and brighter days in the future.—John Cagle, Pastor.

Mt. Pleasant station of the Greensboro district closed a splendid revival July 21. There were 21 additions on profession of faith. Rev. J. O. Ervin was the preacher. Brother Ervin was most effective as a leader. During the week of the revival a vacation church school was conducted. There were 74 certificate awarded. Rev. Jack Cook, a ministerial student from Duke University, directed this school. Brother Cook is as fine a leader in this work as I have known.—P. L. Shore.

Rev. C. C. Benton, a member of the Western North Carolina conference, has agreed to help the pastor during the remainder of the year, and this arrangement has had the approval of the district superintendent and Bishop Purcell. We are very happy to have him, and he is anxious to respond to any calls that might be made in carrying on the church work. He may be reached at the church office each morning.—First Church Bulletin, Charlotte.

The home coming for Littlejohn's Methodist church on Lenoir circuit will be held Sunday, July 28. The service will begin at 10:30 with a service for the young people by a former pastor, Rev. T. H. Swafford. At 11:30 the district superintendent, Rev. John W. Hoyle, will preach. There will be picnic lunch. In the afternoon there will be a short business session. All friends, relatives and former pastors are cordially invited.—Home Coming Committee.

"Every driver in North Carolina is supposed to know the various arm signals and their meanings, yet hardly a day goes by but that an accident occurs somewhere in the state as a result of some driver disregarding a signal, failing to give a signal, or giving a wrong signal." In connection with the above statement, Ronald Hocutt, director of the Highway Safety Division, reported this week that 160 accidents occurred in North Carolina last year as a result of drivers failing to give a signal before coming to a stop or making a turn. Another 341 accidents, 23 of which were fatal, resulted from disregard of signals.

John Swomley of New York, vice president of the National Council of Methodist Youth, in testifying before the Senate Committee on Military Affairs in Washington on Tuesday, July 11, on the Burke-Wadsworth conscription Bill, stated that the bill provided nothing short of dictatorship under the guise of perpetuating democracy. Mr. Swomley, who represented both the National Council of Methodist Youth and the Peace Commission of the Methodist Church, expressed determined opposition to the passage of the conscription bill on the grounds that it "means the concentration of all human resources upon war and preparation for war."

The July meeting of the Good Fellowship Union was held at Centenary Methodist church Tuesday night, July 16, with 159 persons present. After an impressive working service given by the young people of the hostess church the vice president, Junior Simpson, presided in the absence of the union president, Wade Troutman. Interesting reports were given on the retreat held at Camp Barium and the young people's assembly at Lake Junaluska by Mary Morrow, Ruby Pless and Bill Blanton. The caravan that is to be held at Central church, Mooresville, beginning July 28 was also discussed. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the young people of Centenary. The next meeting of the union will be held at Broad Street, Statesville, Thursday, August 15.

The New Bern district pastors' picnic for 1940 will be held at Atlantic Beach on July 30. A committee has arranged for everything and the pastors and their families will spend the day at the seashore having a jolly good time. All the lunches will be put together at 12:30. The Atlantic Beach management gives its bathing facilities at half price to all picnic parties of 20 or more persons. This includes life guards, towels and showers, individual dressing booths under lock and key, and the limitless waves of the sea. The pastors and their families will get the advantage of all these things, besides having tables, shelter and drinking water provided. Cold drinks for all at wholesale will be provided for by passing the hat. The D. S. hopes for 100 per cent attendance.—The Committee: W. S. Potter, M. O. Stephenson, T. G. Vickers.



Rev. R. N. Fitts of Dover reports two successful vacation church schools held on his charge this summer. These schools, held in Dover and Asbury, were capably directed by Mr. Ernest R. Bromley, a student in the Duke University school of religion. Attendance in each school averaged between 30 and 35 pupils daily. Each school had four classes which used as text books the following: "Let's Go Out of Doors," beginners; "To Market, To Market," primaries; "The Land Where Jesus Lived," juniors; and "O Come, Let Us Worship," intermediates. During two weeks of the summer Mr. Key W. Taylor and Mr. Brooks Waggoner, also of Duke University, assisted Mr. Fitts in a revival in Lane's Chapel.

The Pan-American Highway, which is to be completed in a few years, will extend from Alaska to Argentina and cover about 16,000 miles. Three branches of our government—the Department of State, the United States Bureau of Public Roads, and the Army Air Corps—have been helping Mexico and the other Central American republics push the ribbon of concrete over the heights of the Mexican plateau, along the adventurous coast of the Spanish Main, and through the jungles of the interior. When this roadway is completed, such commodities as oil, rubber, hemp, and camphor will come north by the truckload, and automotive products from the United States will travel south.—Christian Advocate.

One of the most successful vacation Bible schools in the history of the church was held at Jones Memorial church in June. The school lasted for one week and was directed by the pastor, Rev. Gilbert S. Miller, assisted by Joe Caldwell of Hickory, a student worker from Duke University. There were four classes, the beginners, taught by Mrs. Florence M. Brown, with Miss Pauline Daughtery assisting. The book, "Let Us Go Out of Doors," was used. Miss Evelyne Deaton taught the primary class, using the book, "Our Daily Bread," as a basis for study. The juniors studied "Trips to Palestine" under the direction of Joe Caldwell. This class did some very fine hand work, such as drawing maps. Mr. Miller directed the intermediate-seniors in the study of "Finding God in Beauty." This class also made fine progress. Each day, Monday through Friday, two study periods of one hour each with a 30 minute recreation period in between were held. The school closed on Friday with a picnic for the primary and beginner classes. The other classes enjoyed their outing with a picnic at Mirror Lake on Saturday, July 6. The enrollment was 111, with 81 receiving certificates of credit and 50 receiving gold stars for perfect attendance. During the week of the Bible school Mr. Caldwell, who has had one year in the school of religion at Duke University, conducted a most successful leadership training course which had an enrollment of 21, with 15 taking credit. The classes were held in the evening and consisted of two 50 minute study periods and a ten minute recess each evening.

### SOUND SENSE EXCELLENTLY EXPRESSED

Dr. Robert B. House of the University of North Carolina in a few words gave ample significance to the much overworked acclaim as to preparedness. Dean House, speaking at the annual banquet of the North Carolina Automobile Association at Blowing Rock, said: "Preparedness means not only more ships, airplanes, and tanks and more preparedness in them, but also more schools and better schools, more business and better business, more and better social institutions, more and better churches."

"For," he continued, "we must equip ourselves not only against outward dictators, but against inward enemies of our personal and national spirit. We need to learn more the spirit of the technique of co-operation and mutual en-

joyment of ourselves and our fellows. If we do not feel the basis of solidarity we can present no solid front. We need to think in terms of persons and institutions. It is a call to joyous and effective living."

### MRS. ALLEY DIES IN PITTSBURGH

Mrs. R. R. Alley, the former Miss Ella V. Davis, librarian at Greensboro College for 27 years, died Tuesday, July 23, 1940, in a hospital in Pittsburgh, Pa., after two years of declining health.

The funeral was held at Hanes chapel Thursday. Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor of West Market Street church, and



Mrs. Reuben R. Alley

Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College, conducting the service.

Among others she leaves a daughter, Dr. Reuben G. Alley, director of the Diagnostic X-ray department of the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, Pittsburgh; a grandson, W. D. Alley, Jr., of Mt. Airy; two sisters, Miss Gertrude Davis of Newport News, Va., and Mrs. Charles Ruffin of Raleigh.

Her husband, Reuben R. Alley, died in Greensboro many years ago, and her only son, Wilton D. Alley, died in Mt. Airy in 1938.

Mrs. Alley had lived in Greensboro since the early nineties. She was a member of West Market Street Methodist church and was very active in all phases of the church work. She was vitally interested in the work of the woman's missionary society. About 1911 she was a conference officer serving as superintendent of mission study. She also served as president of the missionary society and always was an advisor to the new president. Some time before she left Greensboro her church honored her by making her a life member of the society.

Mrs. Alley was made an honorary member of the Greensboro College Alumnae Association many years before she left the college, which indicated the esteem in which she was held by the alumnae. The dedication to her of the 1939 annual, The Echo, was an expression of the love and affection of the students.

A noble spirit has passed on. She was a perfect embodiment of loyalty and devotion.



Dr. R. B. House



# Democrats at Chicago

By JACOB SIMPSON PAYTON

When at high noon on July 15 Chairman James Aloysius Farley, gavel in hand, bent over the desk like the village blacksmith over his anvil and rapped for order out at the Chicago Stadium, the 1094 delegates who composed the thirty-sixth national convention faced a situation entirely new to Democrats. This party, oldest political organization in America, has survived about every misfortune that can befall contenders for office in a democracy. It has been rent assunder by war. Members have deserted it to march off into oblivion under populist, gold standard and other banners, and once or twice its conventions have moved from place to place like a flying circus. Slow death has threatened it as when at Madison Square Garden it took 103 ballots to elect John W. Davis, a dark horse. Often its members have fought to exhaustion, but always to live to fight another day.

Not a roaring lion but a silent sphynx loomed up at Chicago for two days. Often Democrats have met and silenced the former, but how to deal with the latter was to tax the ingenuity of the master strategists. Naturally the first embarrassment was to the candidates who knew that they did not stand a ghost of a chance against President Roosevelt. Foremost was Chairman Farley, field marshal of the forces that had twice swept Mr. Roosevelt into the White House. He had arrived in Chicago possessed of the momentous secret for only a few short days and had guarded it as a vain woman has been known to guard her age. Up from Texas had come the "Garner for President" cavalcade led by B. V. Germany. When their caravan had rested in the Sherman Hotel they sought to give their headquarters a "homey" atmosphere by putting on display some pots of cactus, a fancy saddle astride a wooden horse and the head of a Texas "long horn" looking benignly down from the walls. They also had a set of resolutions which was available but not on exhibition, which read, "We hereby declare to the nation that our distinguished fellow Texan is the logical successor to President Roosevelt," but which continued, "We will not join in any movement to embarrass President, or any program which might be interpreted as an anti-Roosevelt or stop-Roosevelt program." Even Texans who usually hang together like the defenders of the Alamo cannot join in a roundup until they are sure which branding iron is to be used.

## The Sunset for Notables

The sunset guns had boomed for Senators Walsh, Joseph T. Robinson and J. Hamilton Lewis. "The Happy Warrior," Alfred E. Smith, John J. Rascob, John W. Davis and Jouett Shouse had all either walked off the reservation or been shown to the door. Albert R. Ritchie, Newton D. Baker and others whose budding candidacies then alarmed Farley, rested from the feverishness of political strife. Mayor Cermak who had welcomed the delegates eight years before, and Huey Long, the Louisiana "Kingfish" who sought to steal the show had fallen by assassins' bullets. "Boss" Tom Pendergast who brought the Missouri delegation into Farley's camp for Roosevelt had turned from political conventions to prisons as a place in which to spend time. Frail Louis Howe, who

shared with Farley the terrific pre-convention labor of 1932, and was gasping for breath in his hotel room due to an asthmatic affliction even during Roosevelt's Chicago ovation, months ago had gone coughing his way into the silences, loyal to his chief until the last. So it was that at Chicago last week with so many familiar faces gone, Chairman Farley no longer appeared the upstart from Grassy Point, but a veteran strategist of acknowledged standing. The ironic situation of one who has written of Roosevelt, "He stands in the panorama of public life like a mountain peak above a plain," now finding his way blocked by the very person whom he had twice lifted into eminence, elicited not a little sympathetic comment in Chicago.

There were some resemblances between Republicans met in convention in Philadelphia and Democrats met in Chicago. Both were in danger of boasting until they burst. The same reason, the eagerness for a winner, decided both nominations. In Philadelphia it was "Willkie is the only candidate who can beat Roosevelt," and in Chicago it was simply reversed. In both camps there was no abatement of confidence talk about a supporter's candidate coming out victorious, which would have been like a soldier emptying his cartridge box just before going into battle. However, there were differences. The rivalry of a dozen candidates heightened the excitement in Philadelphia. They descended on the Quaker City with the flourish and burst of speed that old stage coach drivers used to put on when they approached an overland station. In Chicago the silence of President Roosevelt proved a contagion that spread its muteness over the stadium at the very outset. There was far less rummaging around in search of votes. Doubtless those who aspire for power at every political convention are not what may be termed lily-white, yet at Chicago there was less inclination on the part of the pot to call the kettle black. By Tuesday night the Democrats after rather a prosaic start were in full swing with all the fervor and colorfulness for which their national conventions are famed. Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf who has demonstrated that he can pray with equal faith for Democrats and Republicans in the act of choosing nominees, offered an invocation that was singularly helpful and impressive, and perhaps needed. And the keynote speech of Speaker Bankhead was followed with more interest and applause than was any address delivered before the distracted hunters for a winner at the City of Brotherly Love.

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This communication of a man's self to his friend works two contrary effects, for it redoubleth joys, and cutteth griefs in halves; for there is no man that imparteth his joys to his friends but he enjoyeth the more; and no man that imparteth his griefs to his friend but he grieveth the less.—Bacon.

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The one real sin against the unity of the church is the spirit which would exclude from its fellowship any who confess Christ as Head and own the common brotherhood in him.—D. W. Forrest, D.D.



### STUDENTS OF HIGHEST DISTINCTION IN GREENSBORO COLLEGE

The distinction of making the highest academic records in their respective classes in Greensboro College for the scholastic year 1939-1940 goes to Miss Celeste Horne of Washington, D. C., junior, Miss Thelma Loftin of Kinston, sophomore, and Miss Sara Newton of Shelby, freshman, according to announcement made by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president.



Thelma Loftin

Celeste Horne

Sara Newton

The achieving of this distinction together with a good attitude and conduct record, entitles each of these students to a highest proficiency scholarship in the amount of \$70 for the session beginning September 10.

Miss Horne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Lloyd Horne of Washington, D. C., is a member of the rising senior class, the Greensboro Honor Society, the Emerson Society, and the Greensboro College Glee Club. Miss Horne also won highest proficiency scholarship as a freshman in 1937-1938. Her hobbies are scrapbooks, photography, and tennis.

Miss Loftin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kirby W. Loftin of Kinston, is a member of the rising junior class, the Junior Honor Society, the Emerson Society, Greensboro College Glee Club, and International Relations Club. During the past year she served as assistant literary editor of the college paper, *The Collegian*.

Miss Newton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Z. Newton of Shelby, is a member of the rising sophomore class, the Irving Society, and the International Relations Club. During her freshman year she was reporter for *The Collegian*. Her hobbies are reading and swimming.

Among members of the rising senior class, Miss Roberta Schoenland of Berlin, Germany, received honorable mention as being second in scholastic record for the year. Misses Anna Leo Nelson and Dorothy Moore, both of Greensboro, tied for third place.

In the rising junior class, Miss Jean Davis of Guilford College rated second position, while Miss Mary Elizabeth Myers of Asheville was named as third place winner.

Miss Virginia Osborne of Candler won honorable mention as being second in scholastic record in the freshman class with Misses Anna Rue Hauser of Mt. Airy and Doris Fowlkes of Danville, Va., tying for third place.

### SESQUI-CENTENNIAL OF REHOBETH CHURCH SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, at 11 O'CLOCK

Sunday, August 3, will be a great day on Rock Spring circuit at old Rehobeth church (located at Terrell, ten miles west of Mooresville on Lincolnton and Mooresville highway). Dr. Paul N. Garber of Duke University will speak at the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the establishment of this the first Methodist church organized west of the Catawba river.

About 1789 a little colony of devout Methodists from Brunswick, Va., settled near the site of Rehobeth and soon the pioneer preacher, Rev. Daniel Asbury, visited the colony and organized the congregation. Soon a log church was built, later a larger building and then 1889, the present spacious church was erected. The late Rev. M. V. Sherrill placed on the wall above the pulpit the following tablet:

"Rev. Daniel Asbury, the pioneer of Methodism in western North Carolina, was born February 18, 1762. Died May 15, 1825. He organized the circuit in 1789, and the same year organized here the first Methodist church in the state west of the Catawba river. The first church building was erected here in 1791. The first camp meeting was held here in 1794"

Nancy Morris of the Virginia Colony professed faith in Christ at a Methodist meeting in Virginia and joined the church with William McKendree and Enoch George, both of whom were later bishops. She married Rev. Daniel Asbury

January 4, 1790, and their home was a short distance from Rehobeth. They reared a large family and all the Asburys and collateral kin in North Carolina and other states are descendants of this couple.

Bishop Francis Asbury (cousin of Daniel) preached several times at Rehobeth and his last sermon there (according to Esquire Wm. Long was in May, 1811), when he was so old and feeble that he sat in his carriage and preached from the text, "Thou shalt see my face no more," then drove away and died in Virginia four years later.

After the service at Rehobeth Dr. Garber will preach the opening sermon of the 1940 Rock Spring camp meeting near Denver at 3 o'clock.

This camp ground was established in 1930, when Joseph M. Monday conveyed to Freeman Shelton, Richard Proctor and James Bivens, trustees, and their successors in office, for the use of the Methodist church, 40 acres of land by deed dated August 7, 1830. Meetings have been held at Rock Spring annually, I think, since 1830, and many great preachers, Bishop Wightman, Bishop Mouzon, Hartwell Spain, Angus McPherson, Albert M. Shipp, L. S. Burkhead, W. M. Robey, E. J. Meynardie, O. A. Darby, H. T. Hudson and many others of equal rank have preached there to great multitudes, and a great company which cannot be numbered have found the new life at its altars.

Rev. J. M. Brandon, the pastor, invites all friends and former pastors to be at Rehobeth next Sunday at 11 and at Rock Spring at 3 o'clock. William L. Sherrill.

### THE SILER CITY CHARGE ADVANCES

Our new religious educational building at First church will be completed by September 1. This building will make possible the departmentalization of our combined Sunday schools. And the good part about it is that we will pay in full the \$15,000 the building will cost and not leave a debt on the church. Bishop Clare Purcell will dedicate our building on Sunday, October 6, at eleven o'clock.

Dr. J. M. Ormond will dedicate our pipe organ at First church on the fourth Sunday in July. This organ was purchased less than a year ago and we paid our last note last week.

The West End church kept up her over eight year record of paying each quarter the total obligations for the quarter.

We have just closed a successful two weeks' revival at West End. The preacher was Brother Lacy Marshall, street preacher of Burlington, and Rev. Aubert M. Smith led the singing. Brother Marshall was converted around six years ago in a revival at the West Burlington Methodist church. He has a real message. His salvation is no guess work with him. He knows that God reached down into the gutter and saved him. During his preaching the altar was filled night after night. There were some 45 conversions. Many of them were already church members who had wandered away from God and the church. Since the meeting we have held three prayer meetings. We had 49 at the first one, 63 at the second, and 93 at the last one. At the last prayer meeting we baptized a husband and father.

We will begin our revival at the Mt. Vernon church on the fourth Sunday in July with Rev. Dwight L. Fouts doing the preaching. The meeting will begin at 11 o'clock, dinner on the ground, and preaching again at 2 p. m. This Sunday will be observed as home coming day. All friends and members of the church are invited to be present.

Rev. Aubert M. Smith and I are doing our best to make this the best year the churches of the Siler City charge have ever had. It is our hope that the First Methodist church will be one of the strong stations of the North Carolina conference and that the other churches will form a good circuit.

C. Freeman Heath, Pastor.



# God and Man-Made Disaster

The wholesale slaughter, the rape of peaceful nations, the conquest of France and the threat to free government everywhere has disturbed the faith of many. There are some who have concluded that the world-wide catastrophe is an indication that there is no God. Others who still hold their faith find themselves sorely perplexed in the effort to reconcile existing conditions with the government of the heavenly Father as Jesus has revealed him. There is a problem here which cannot be mathematically solved. The far-reaching purposes of God are quite beyond the limits of our understanding; consequently the wisest among us can present no solution that will be wholly adequate. There are a few considerations, however, which may give us a slight approach.

One of these is the limitation which God has put upon himself by granting man freedom of choice. He has created us with the power to choose between good and evil; when we choose evil certain consequences are bound to ensue. His situation is similar to that of parents. They desire their children to become honorable men and women but they cannot compel them to take that course. In spite of wise restraints, careful teaching and the persuasion of love, the children can, if they are intent upon it, go the evil way. Jesus illustrated this in representing the father of the prodigal as allowing his son to leave home and take his journey into the far country. Character has been defined as the choice of good in the presence of opportunities to choose evil. It is this power of choice which makes human beings individual entities each with his own responsibility. So long as men remain men, not puppets, God has placed himself under an extensive and definite limitation. War is a man-made disaster and man cannot be stopped from choosing this line of action with its disastrous consequences.

A second consideration is that under the limitation imposed by human freedom, God IS at work trying to remedy the disasters which man brings upon himself and put an end to them. The fact of human freedom makes it necessary for God to work through human agents. His servants, men of good will and peace, serve as channels through which he seeks to work for healing the wounds which men have inflicted on themselves. It is through such men that God works for overruling human folly and sin and to bring in a new and better day. The people of the world have not wanted war. The economic imperialism which has been behind and influenced governments has made war inevitable. A world that tries to run on the materialistic principles fostered by greed and economic imperialism is bound to destroy itself. It is not beyond the range of imagination to picture a new world order built upon the ruins of the old, one that God will establish by working through the lives of the men and women who are willing to do his will.

A third consideration is that the present distress instead of establishing that there is no God is an emphatic indication of the opposite. It is easier to deny the existence of God when men who live in defiance of him are seemingly more prosperous than when the judgments of God are abroad in the earth. God is conspicuously at work now sustaining the moral order which arises out of his own character. We are having a striking demonstra-

tion of the principle announced by Paul, "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." No one doubts that if Christian principles had been put into effect at the close of the World War in dealing with the conquered we would be at peace today. As it was, vindictiveness, greed and selfishness ruled at the council table at Versailles. What we are expecting now makes it plain that men and nations cannot defy the moral order of God and get away with it. The isolation of moral principles has made possible the rise of a Hitler and his own violation of the moral order will just as certainly end in his own downfall. Although in the pressure of the immediate distress it is difficult to see it, the long look at history shows that God's moral order always vindicates itself.

The situation of some of the Hebrew prophets was precisely similar to our own. Their little state was in danger of being crushed under the clashings of two great world powers who were contending for supremacy. Ruthless force was the order of the day then as now and physically the Hebrews were helpless. Under such conditions, the prophets emphasized three principles which apply to us as well. They explained what was happening on the basis of the moral order. They said that the Hebrews were suffering in consequence of their sins and that the oppressor who was inflicting the suffering would, in the end, go down as the result of his own defiance of God. Their second principle was that the Hebrews had something which no oppressor could destroy. They symbolized it by the temple which stood among the Hebrews for God and moral values. For the people of this day the indestructible possessions are the love of liberty, the essential spirit of Christian civilization and those principles which find expression in government of free men. Their third point of emphasis was that the way out did not lie in military strength or in an alliance with the conquering power but in turning from sin to God. This applies to us with peculiar force. No military establishment, however large, can make America and its free institutions safe. The world cannot exist as an armed camp, a state of existence which not only snuffs out democracy in the militarized countries but fosters war as well. Our civilization can save itself only by a return to God which, in modern language, means the introduction of Christian principles into our personal, national and international life.

While we cannot explain God nor his principles of action, we can rest in the confidence that the Judge of the whole earth will do right. Though we cannot see the immediate outcome of the collapse of the world as we know it, our faith in God leads to the confident belief that somehow he will make the wrath of man to praise him and that, in the end, the blood that is now being shed will fertilize the soil for the growth of a new and better world order.—Editorial in United Presbyterian.

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I should not deny that the sea is deep because inshore it is shallow, nor that the sky is clear because sometimes it is covered with clouds, nor that the earth is fruitful because in some places there is but barren ground, nor that the crops are rich and full because they sometimes have wild oats mingled with them.—Ambrose.



## TWO PICTURES

Did you ever study the details of the first picture in the Bible? A beautiful garden, with two human beings in it. In the center of the garden two magical trees. The fruit of one gives knowledge, the fruit of the other eternal life. One day the human beings violate God's command and eat the fruit of the first tree. God discovered what has happened, and is enraged and alarmed. What if these rebels should eat of the fruit of the other tree as well? They have already gained knowledge. Then they would have immortality too. So in anger and fear "God drove Adam out of Eden, and at the east of the garden set a cherubim with flaming swords to guard the tree of life." This is the scene with which the Bible opens. The tree of life is closely guarded. God is keeping immortality for himself.

What is the final picture in the Bible? A celestial city, with a crystal stream flowing through it. That stream is the river of the water of life. Anyone who drinks will be immortal. On either side of the stream magical trees are growing. They are trees of life, and their fruit gives immortality. Within the city is a great company, gathered from every tongue and tribe and kindred. Is God barring those people from the trees of life and the waters of life? Quite the contrary. Throughout the celestial city his voice sounds. "The Spirit and the bride say, come. And let him who is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Why is there such a difference between the two pictures? Why does Genesis say that God drove Adam away from

the tree of life, while Revelation says that to it he invites ten thousand times ten thousand? Because a long interval elapsed between the writing of these two books, and because during that period the conception changed profoundly. Men came to see that he is not selfish and he is not jealous. They realize that he is loving and helpful, that he can be trusted to share immortality with his children. Thus the basic idea of Genesis gave place to those of Revelation. The flaming swords vanished from the tree of life, and the tree was planted in the very center of the celestial city.—James Gordon Gilkey.

## NATURE'S BEAUTY

Consider the lilies of the field (Matthew vi. 28).

"A happy life is not built up of tours abroad and pleasant holidays, but of little clumps of violets noticed by the roadside, hidden away almost so that only those can see them who have God's peace and love in their hearts; in one long continuous chain of little joys; little whispers from the spiritual world; little gleams of sunshine on our daily work. So long as I have only got happier every day."—Edward Wilson of the Antarctic.

"By the faith that the flowers show when they bloom unbidden,  
By the calm of the river's flow to a goal that is hidden,  
By the trust of the tree that clings to its deep foundation,  
(Wonderful secret of peace that abides in Nature's breast!)

Teach me how to confide, and live my life, and rest."

—Henry van Dyke.



**NEW GYMNASIUM MR. GRAHAM WOODARD OF WILSON GAVE TO THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE, RALEIGH**

The Woodard Gymnasium was recently completed and accepted by the Board of Trustees at the annual meeting of the board on the 5th of June. The donor of this beautiful gymnasium has conferred upon the children of the Methodist Orphanage a most timely gift.



## JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

### SCHEDULE OF SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES

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| Camp Cheonda (Intermediates) .....                                                            | July 10-Aug. 7  |
| Junaluska School of Religion, Affiliated with<br>Duke University (Educationn Building)...     | July 15-Aug. 24 |
| School of Missions (Mission Inn) .....                                                        | July 23-Aug. 6  |
| Missionary Conference .....                                                                   | July 30-Aug. 6  |
| One-Week Leadership School, Merged with W.N.C.<br>School for Christian Workers (Ed. Bldg.)... | July 30-Aug. 6  |
| Pastors' Conference .....                                                                     | Aug. 6-11       |
| Two-Weeks' Leadership School .....                                                            | Aug. 8-22       |
| Camp Cheonda (Seniors) .....                                                                  | Aug. 9-23       |
| Inspirational Week, with Broomfield and<br>Hughes .....                                       | Aug. 21-Sept. 1 |

### Junaluska Program

- Sunday, July 28, 11:00 a. m.—Sermon, Dr. J. E. Skillington, "The Life That Brings Light."  
4:00-4:30 p. m.—Choir Concert.  
8:00 p. m.—Dr. J. E. Skillington, "A Faith to Live By."
- Monday, July 29, 10:30 a. m.—Dr. J. E. Skillington, Address, "Democracy and Christianity: Democracy Defined."  
4:00-5:00 p. m.—Band Concert.  
8:00 p. m.—Mr. Archibald Rutledge, "Old Plantation Days."
- Tuesday, July 30, 10:30 a. m.—Dr. J. E. Skillington, Address, "Democracy and Christianity: Democracy and Freedom."
- Missionary Conference Theme: The Methodist Church Faces the Future—Find of Leadership Needed.  
8:00 p. m.—Opening Address, Dr. W. A. Smart. Address, Dr. John S. German, "The City."
- Wednesday, July 31—"In the City."  
10:30 a. m.—Forum—Led by Dr. John S. German, "The City Church Saving Its Community."  
8:00 p. m.—Dr. Stephen J. Corey, "Missions in the Local Church."
- Thursday, August 1—"In the Local Church."  
10:30 a. m.—Forum—Led by Dr. Stephen J. Corey, "Need—A Missionary-Minded Church—How to Obtain Such"  
8:00 p. m.—Address on Woman's Work.
- Friday, August 2—"With the Woman's Society of Christian Service."  
10:30 a. m.—Forum on the organization and work of the women.  
8:00 p. m.—Dr. Ralph A. Felton, "The Rural Church."
- Saturday, August 3—"In the Country."  
10:30 a. m.—Forum—Led by Dr. Ralph A. Felton, "The Rural Church at the Center of Community Life."  
8:00 p. m.—Moving Picture, "Stanley and Livingstone," and Disney Cartoon.

### GREAT REVIVAL AT BRADLEY MEMORIAL, GASTONIA

One of the most successful revival meetings ever held at Bradley Memorial Methodist church in Gastonia came to a close Sunday evening. Rev. Ralph E. Johnson of Nashville, Tenn., did the preaching and he was assisted by his wife and Mr. Wallace Battles. Mrs. Johnson served as personal worker, pianist and registrar for the young people and children's services, and Mr. Battles served as personal worker and assistant in the promotion of the entire evangelistic program. These consecrated Christian workers gave unstintingly of their time and efforts during the two weeks of the meeting.

There was a special service at the church every morning at ten o'clock for children, 12 years and younger, at which time a five-minute sermon was given, an object lesson presented, scripture, prayer and song were given during the remainder of the hour. The children were so fond of Mr. Johnson and his assistants that many of them came to church at 8:30 every morning instead of waiting and coming at the designated time. One hundred and fifty children enrolled and there was an average attendance of 130. One morning the children were taken into the auditorium of the church for their service and after Mr. Johnson had delivered his sermonette, he gave them an opportunity to come to the altar and give their hearts to Jesus. Without any singing or music of any kind, or any personal workers, 25 of the

youngsters came and knelt at the altar. The pastor of the church, Rev. P. W. Tucker, said that was one of the most beautiful sights he had ever seen to see all those children kneeling at the altar seeking the Lord.

Every evening at 6:30 Mr. Johnson and his assistants put on a special program for the young people. Not only the young people from Bradley Memorial attended, but they brought their friends from all parts of town until their assembly room was overflowing. Over 82 per cent of these young people remained for the preaching services night after night. For the past 15 years Mr. Johnson has been keeping statistical records of his services with children and young people and the attendance record of the fine group of young people at Bradley Memorial broke all records. He was not only gratified by their presence, but rejoiced in their interest and participation in all of the services.

Rev. Mr. Johnson brought wonderful messages in music, poetry and sermon to congregations that packed and jammed the auditorium every evening. He planned a surprise for every night and all those who attended the services felt the presence of the Spirit and were wonderfully blessed. One hundred and twenty young people knelt at the altar some time during the two weeks' meeting and accepted Christ. There were many reconsecrations and the spiritual life of the entire community was uplifted by the meeting.

On Saturday evening and Sunday evening Rev. Mr. Johnson showed the wonderful motion picture "Golgotha," depicting the last week in the life of Christ. It was a marvelous, awe-inspiring revelation to all who witnessed it and everyone was so touched there was hardly a dry eye in the audience. Mr. Johnson owns his projection and sound producing machine and the picture is leased for this year from a firm in New York representing three French banking houses.

This week Rev. and Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Battles are the guests of Rev. P. W. Tucker, pastor of Bradley Memorial Methodist church, and Mrs. Tucker at 210 S. Webb street. All their friends are so happy because they are going to be in Gastonia for another week, and then they will go to Calvary Methodist church, Charlotte, where they will begin a revival meeting next Sunday.

To any pastor or layman reading this column, we wish to say that you will make no mistake in calling Rev. Mr. Johnson and his assistants to your church if you are in need of a real revival of the old time religion, and we heartily recommend him and his program to you.

### THE END OF THE DAY FOR A NOBLE SPIRIT

Mrs. Lucy Mays Furman, 75, well known writer, died July 22, 1940, in Oxford, her native home.

Mrs. Furman held sacred the memory of her remarkable father. The people of Oxford also esteemed the beautiful life lived by this most unusual daughter of a cultured and cherished citizen. She was the oldest daughter of the late John W. and Sullie Duty Hays, pioneers in the development of this section of North Carolina.

Mrs. Furman was active, until her health failed several years ago, in the work of the Oxford Woman's club, Woman's Literary club and Oxford Shakespeare club.

She was the widow of H. Otis Furman and has two surviving children, Mrs. W. A. Parham, Oxford, and Frank Hays Furman, Atlanta, Ga.; a sister, Mrs. J. P. Pillsbury, Raleigh, and two brothers, Frank B. Hays and Dr. B. K. Hays, Oxford.

Mrs. Furman was the author of a number of poems and articles.

The funeral was conducted Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock from Oxford Methodist church, of which she had been an active member since early childhood. Interment took place in the Hays family plot in Elmwood cemetery.

### S. S. ELLINGTON WANTED BY OFFICERS OF THE LAW

This man's specialty seems to be passing worthless checks on preachers. At times, he gets them to endorse a check. We understand he is wanted in Chadborne, Lumberton, Wilson, Raleigh, Clinton and other places. Preachers would render a good service by aiding the officers of the law to apprehend such a fraud.



Other workers who assisted in the work of the assembly were: T. B. Hough, E. D. Weathers, J. W. Lineberger, O. L. Hathaway, J. O. Long, R. L. Jerome, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Miss Fannie O'Keef, Miss Elizabeth Montgomery, Miss Kitty Cline, F. D. Hedden, and F. M. Patterson.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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### MISS ZOA ANNA DAVIS

To East Carolina Teachers' College, Greenville, four years ago came Miss Zoa Anna Davis, deaconess—attractive, eager, cheerful, courageous and filled with a purposeful determination to help the Methodist students there "meet the needs of college young people and to prepare them for active service in community and church in post colleges days." Through campus activities, the local church and the Student Center, she has most successfully carried out her program of work. Last year of the total enrollment of 1200 students at E. C. T. C. 357 were methodists and to them and those of other years of her service there Miss Davis has proved a wise counselor, a helpful guide and a loyal friend. She has taught in several young people's summer assemblies in our conference and has participated in numerous local, zone, district and conference meetings of the woman's missionary society. By the fruitage of her work and the Christ-like attributes of her character she has endeared herself to countless folk throughout the North Carolina conference. Miss Davis is returning to her native state, where she will teach in West Texas State Teachers' College, Canyon, Texas. The N. C. conference is indeed richer for having had her in our midst and it is with regretful hearts that we relinquish our claim upon her and at the same time grateful for her services and the influence of her life we sent with her our prayers and best wishes for her happiness and abundant success in her new work.

M. E. G.

### OUR NEW ORGANIZATION

Organization material and a letter relative to the organization of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in each church before September 15 have been sent to each pastor in the North Carolina conference. This new organization will take the place of the present woman's missionary society and will be the only recognized organization for women in the Methodist Church. The responsibility of the pastor in steering the organization meeting does not, however, lessen the responsibility of the members of the woman's missionary society in the matter and each of us should be much in prayer and earnest effort to enroll EVERY woman in the church as a charter member of the new Woman's Society of Christian Service.

The organization meeting for the North Carolina conference will convene at East Carolina Teachers' College, Greenville, on September 23 at 2 p. m. and will adjourn after lunch on September 24. The cost will be \$1.50 and each person is asked to bring her own linen and towels. The newly elected president of each society is the official delegate and every member who will do so is urged to attend. Send

name and fee to Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern. This is an excellent opportunity to spend two days studying the plans of the new organization.

### ARE YOU GOING?

It is yet not too late for plans to be made for attendance upon the School of Missions at Lake Junaluska on July 30-August 10. The dividends derived from the investment of money and time in this great and momentous event will be a happy vacation in a place where one's thoughts and souls are lifted to loftiest heights and where the information and inspiration, fellowship and friendship gained will result in a revived life of more joyous and fruitful service in building the kingdom of God.

### WAYS OF PROMOTING PEACE

The National Council of Prevention of War is suggesting some ways in which we may still work for peace. It urges that there must continue to be an uninterrupted expression by the people of their determination to keep out of war. This may be done through letters, which today are being watched by the White House, the State Department and members of the Senate and House. Anyone can write five letters—one to the President, one to the Secretary of State, one each to his two senators and one to his own congressman. Brief but pointed letters written to editors and printed in newspapers have an effect not only on government officials who read them carefully, but influence the point of view of the editor himself. Ask a group of your neighbors to meet at your house and write joint letters to those suggested above. What is said in the churches exerts a tremendous influence on public opinion. Ask your minister to help keep this country out of war and urge instant action toward a negotiated peace. Talk with everyone you meet. Let it be known that you refuse to vote for any candidate for Congress in the coming election who does not pledge himself to vote against foreign war.—Missionary Bulletin.

### ENLARGED OPPORTUNITIES

For the great industrial city of Wusih, China, comes the statement that since a place for working has been made available, there has been a fine opportunity for enlarging the program. "The response this year has been finer than ever before," writes Miss Margaret Rhue, "so, of course, we have had a greater joy in all of it."—Missionary Bulletin.

He who waits to do a great deal of good at once will never do any.—Dr. Johnson.

It is a great weariness to do nothing.—Proverb.

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## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### MISS KATE HACKNEY IN ASHEVILLE

The many friends of the conference of Miss Kate Hackney, missionary to China, will be interested to know that she is in the United States for a month's visit with her relatives in Asheville. She arrived in Seattle on Sunday, July 14, on the Japanese steamship Heian, and reached Asheville Thursday morning, July 18. Other missionaries from our conference now in the homeland are Miss Nina Troy of Greensboro, missionary to China, and Miss Mabel Cherry of Newton, missionary to Korea. It is always a genuine joy to welcome these ambassadors of our conference to the States, and we hope that the stay of each of them will be most pleasant. Our conference is justly proud of her missionaries, for each of them is making a most gratifying record in her chosen field of labor.

### ORGANIZATION OF WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

We are giving the major part of our space this week to that which we consider most important for our missionary societies—excerpts from a letter from our former Council president, Mrs. J. W. Perry and Mrs. Helen Bourne, secretary of Department of Education and Promotion of Woman's Work, which is as follows:

"Plans for the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension were adopted by the General Conference, and preparations for putting them into effect are moving forward as rapidly as possible. The committee on organization has worked diligently and effectively in outlining the steps to be taken.

"The Board of Missions and Church Extension will meet the latter part of this month (July) for organization and for planning to take over the work of all the uniting boards. Early in September the women of the local churches will be called together by the pastors for organizing in every charge a Woman's Society of Christian Service. This meeting will be termed the charter meeting.

"In preparation for this meeting a letter will go out to every pastor, enclosing plans for the charter meeting, a charter certificate, and a flier giving information about materials to be ordered, the prices and where to order.

"The pastor is asked to appoint a study committee as soon as possible that they may become familiar with the plans and be ready to suggest the number and the types of meetings to be held each month and to explain to the women the new organization. The packets will be needed—the organization packet containing The Guide and other materials, price 15 cents; the program materials containing a book of worship, price 10 cents; 'Investing Our

Heritage,' price 20 cents; and a world map, priced to former Southern Methodist societies at only 25 cents. The Woman's Missionary Council bears the balance of the cost. These may be ordered from Literature Headquarters, Doctors' Building, Nashville, Tenn.

"The pastor will also appoint a nominating committee, whose duty it will be to present to the charter meeting the list of officers needed in the society and the names of persons qualified to fill the respective offices. The Guide outlines the duty of each.

"A third committee the pastor is requested to appoint is a publicity committee. This is very important for every woman in the local church should have a personal invitation to attend this organization meeting and become a charter member of the Society of Christian Service.

"The plans also include a second meeting in September for which program material has been prepared and at which time the officers will be installed. The charter meeting program will appear in the September issue of The Methodist Woman.

"Following the organization of the society in the local churches a conference meeting will be called for the purpose of organizing the Conference Society of Christian Service, and the newly elected president of her alternate is the official delegate to this conference meeting. It is to be held before October 15 and more detailed information will be sent you by the conference organization committee. The woman's societies of Christian service which organize before the conference organization date are to be known as charter organizations, and those members who join before the conference date are to be known as charter members.

"Every woman signing the membership roll of the Woman's Society of Christian Service is expected, as a token of her loyalty, to contribute a sum of money as a membership offering, which will be a part of her annual contribution to the total budget of the local society. The amount of such membership offering to be determined by the individual member. All mission funds including those accruing from membership offerings for the new organization of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, shall be held by the newly elected treasurer of the society in the local church, until the election of the conference treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, who will in turn hold the funds until instructions are received from the treasurer of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

"It must be kept in mind that while the new plans are becoming effective, during the remaining months of this year we must not fail to meet all of our financial obligations which have been assumed under the former plan of organization. All pledges, financial re-

sponsibilities of the woman's missionary societies and the reports will channel just as they have been until the officers are notified of a change.

"Mrs. Perry and Mrs. Bourne ask our loyalty to the plans and objectives of the new organization 'feeling sure that the same loyalty and consecration which has prompted our service to the former organization and church will motivate our service in the new organization of the Methodist Church, so that we may come to the close of 1940 with rejoicing, in that the reports will show advancement along all lines of the work and with confidence in facing the future. May we be worthy of the great trust committed to us!'"

### TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Perhaps no word in our vocabulary is used more loosely than the word Christian. In most minds its limitations are not well defined, and it is made to take in a wide territory with shimmering boundaries.

A personal worker in an evangelistic meeting approached a man with the usual preliminary question, "Are you a Christian?" The man did not relish the question, and answered rather vehemently, including words bordering on profanity, "Well, what do you think I am, a heathen?"

He may have been nearer a heathen in fact than a Christian, though he took it for granted that it would not be very respectable to be considered a heathen here in America.

Among written inquiries in a pastor's question box was this: "How can I be a Christian and have my own way?" The question had the quality of frankness, and may have expressed the concern of more people than one is inclined to think.

The big difficulty in being a Christian is that there is so much human nature wrapped up in all of us—perverse human nature which Christianity seeks to refine, to cleanse, to sanctify, but with which it has a hard struggle.

Perhaps we cannot define the word Christian perfectly. It is bigger than any of our definitions, and the best we can say by way of describing a Christian still leaves something unsaid.—Selected.

### CHRIST UNITES; DOCTRINES DIVIDE

At the central place of our experience of Jesus we are one. It is Christ who unites us; it is doctrines that divide. As someone has suggested, if you ask a congregation of Christians "What do you believe?" there will be a chorus of conflicting beliefs, for no two persons believe exactly alike. But if the question is asked, "Whom do you trust?" then we are together. If the emphasis in our approach to Christianity is "what" then it is divisive, but if the emphasis is "whom" then we are drawn together at the place of this Central Magnate. One has the tendency of the centrifugal and the other the tendency of the centripetal. He is the hub that holds together in himself the divided spokes.—E. Stanley Jones.

And learn the luxury of doing good.—Goldsmith.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### WORKING ON VACATIONS

The vacation season brings additional work to some of us. Someone has to make arrangements for supplying the vacancies made by those who are entitled to get away from their continuous and arduous duties. Added to the vacations members of our staff are entitled to enjoy and for which substitutions must be made is the planning for vacations of our children. This is a very exacting responsibility. One must be in position to know a great deal about the environment into which about 300 of our children will be placed when away visiting two weeks during the summer. Plans must also be made for the other 100 who are expecting a great time with their week's camping experience. This is the vacation season for everybody except those who have to plan for the vacation of others.

### OFF THEY GO

The children are packing their clothes and getting ready their plans for their vacation trips. Those going by bus or train will use suit cases. The younger members of the family going with relatives in cars will use boxes. We have learned to store away boxes to be ready for such an occasion as this, beginning months ahead of the vacation season. So many are going by bus this year as to cause a careful tabulation of bus schedules with all attendant arrangements necessary for getting to the bus station, checking baggage and getting on the right bus. One little youngster on the wrong bus going in the wrong direction would serve to mar the value of the entire proceedings. By the time our friends are reading these lines 300 of their children will be ready for traveling in anticipation of happy days ahead of them.

### PULL OF THINGS

There they sat on the dirty porch, Louise, thirteen; James, ten; and John, three years of age. The little pet dog was close by. Flies were everywhere. Mother had died and father was away from home except at week ends, during most of which time he spent in a drunken condition. The social worker came by and talked to the youngsters. They had had their morning meal but the dishes were unwashed and the house was unkept. Louise was resting a bit. She showed the need of it. She had the entire responsibility of the home. Enlarged tonsils and overgrown adenoids had affected her speech and her hearing. Conversation continued. The girl told about the passing of her mother, denied of many of the necessities of life, and about her desire to go to school. The boys listened, as

did the dog. Finally when the question was put to Louise as to whether she wanted to come to the Children's Home to live she said, "Yes, but I hate to leave the things here in the house. They are the things that my mother got and I sorter hate to leave them." Then she brightened up a bit and said, "But I'll get to go to school at the Children's Home, won't I?" The things that Louise had in mind were an old stove, a well worn kitchen cabinet, two beds and an old dresser with the mirror failing to function. The house was papered with newspapers, much of whose stick-to-it-iveness was sadly lacking. But it was the place where mother lived and they were the things that mother worked for.

### SERVICE TO OTHERS

I have just received a letter from my mother, nearly eighty years of age. The letter recounts the many visits she has made to the hospitals and the cheering words she has tried to give to those in sickness and distress. My mother has spent a great deal of her life ministering to others. In the letter she enclosed the following verses:

"If something of you isn't living  
Long after your spirit is fled,  
If your hand ceases toiling and giving  
The minute your body is dead,  
You have quitted the world as a debtor  
And failed in the infinite plan;  
And earth shall your memory smother  
For you've rendered no service to man.

You may work for the profit of labor  
And claim all its payments of gold,  
But if you do not help your brother  
Your toil is but selfish and cold.  
Yea, if nobody's burdens are lighter  
Than when first the world you trod,  
You have dismally failed as a fighter  
For you've rendered no service to God."

—Rabbi Louis L. Mann.

### THE JURY'S VERDICT

Word came that one of our boys had sold ten cents worth of Irish potatoes to a colored woman living near our boundary line and that he had failed to return the change for the dollar bill the woman had given him. An accurate description of the boy could not be given, but when the matter was dis-

cussed here at the Home the boys searched out the young salesman. His story was that he had gleaned the potatoes from the field after all gathering processes had stopped, that he had gone to a filling station to get the change and that he had placed it in a pocket that had a hole in it, losing it. He expected to pick blackberries to make enough money to repay the woman, but had never got around to it. This story was very well told to a jury of twelve boys who listened intently and returned a verdict, nine to three, that the boy was guilty. The change has been restored to the woman and the boy is going through the process of learning that "honesty is the best policy."

### HIGH POINT COTTAGE FAMILY

The picture this week is that of the early teen-age and their home mother, Miss Harriet Barr, who live in the High Point building. The picture was taken on a slightly sloping piece of ground. If we were doing the job over we would try to find a level place, even though the sun did shine in the faces of those looking at the camera. These girls make happy members of our family and all of them will get away on a vacation this summer, those not having friends or relatives to take them will have a week's stay at camp.

### BIG DECLINE

Our June fifth Sunday offerings show a big decline over similar offerings from the March fifth Sunday. We were prepared for a small decline but not for the decided one we now realize is upon us. June never seems to be a good time for our church schools to share with us. The next fifth Sunday will come in late September. We shall hope for better responses.

### HONOR SOCIETY

Money matters are at a low ebb with us. We would be seriously disturbed but for our faith in our friends. We feel sure that when the summer season is over and the harvesting season comes along our friends will have more money to share with us. Those congregations having completed their ten per cent apportionment payment since last report serve to help us quite

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Pictured on the decline but they live on the up-climb



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SINGING CLASS — The singing class had a pleasant day with two congregations Sunday. Our morning worship was at Goshen church. Rev. A. L. Thompson, the pastor, could not be present, so Mr. James Weeks, superintendent of the church school, opened our service. The evening service was at Newton Grove. Here the pastor, Rev. W. B. Cotton and friends gave us a cordial welcome. Congregations at both churches very good. We wish to express our gratitude for the kindness shown the class.

Mrs. Nellie Rives.

NEW ELECTRIC RANGE — After much effort and long waiting, we have secured and installed a large electric range for our kitchen. The large coal range was about worn out and made the heat in the kitchen almost unbearable. I feel grateful to the woman's missionary societies of the North Carolina conference for their successful efforts in raising funds for the electric range. The missionary societies not only collected large quantities of Octagon soap coupons, but also sent money for the electric range. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood had charge of the campaign and much of the credit is due to her efficient and successful leadership. To Mrs. Hood and the missionary societies and all others who aided in campaign, I wish to express my grateful appreciation.

FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR GIFT— The Methodist Orphanage is rejoicing over the five hundred dollar gift of Mr. J. C. Braswell, president of our board of trustees. This large contribution will be used for our new athletic field. The grading will be begun immediately and we hope to have the baseball and football field completed during the summer or early fall. This gift makes possible a larger and more suitable athletic field for our baseball and football practice and games. When I made public announcement of Mr. Braswell's gift, our youngsters gave loud and prolonged applause. The donor has made a distinct contribution to the health and happiness of our children. Mr. Braswell has not been consulted about the name of the new athletic field, but I am sure that every boy and girl in the Methodist Orphanage will call it the Braswell Athletic Field. In behalf of our 300 boys and girls, I wish to thank Mr. Braswell for his timely gift.

From Alice Overby:

The time is drawing near when I must say goodbye to all of those who have loved and taken care of me during my ten years at the Methodist Orphanage. Though I am leaving, I am taking many happy memories with me which I shall treasure through the years.

To the members of the North Carolina conference, who have given me such wonderful opportunities to prepare me for a successful future, I wish to say "thanks."

I also wish to thank the ladies of the Philathea class of the Oxford Methodist church for the lovely clothes that they provided for me twice each year for seven years. For their efforts to make me happy and content, I hope I will never cause them to be disappointed in me. I realize that when I leave the shelter of this home the journey along the highway of life will not always be easy. When the road looks dark the knowledge of the love and interest of friends like these good ladies will give me courage to travel on and strive harder to reach the goal.

To "Dad" Barnes, Mr. Sanderson and each member of the staff, I want to express my sincere appreciation for your patience and love shown me and for the many happy days we have spent together. To one and all I say "thanks for everything."

Wherever I may go, I will always remember the Methodist Orphanage and will never forget the friends who have guided me during the past several years and will be an inspiration to me in the future.

ARE YOU ONE OF 'EM?

Roy Leslie Crawford, in an exchange, classifies optimists thusly:

The Lazy Optimist: He believes everything will come out all right sometime, and just won't do a thing about it.

The Happy Pessimist. He has just found something that was worse than he thought it was.

The Discouraged Pessimist. He has just about decided that nothing will ever be quite as bad as he had hoped it would be.

The Real Optimist. He sees that there are a lot of things with something wrong about them. But he gets to work to help make them better. He is one who sees the thorns, but gathers the blossoms.—Religious Telescope.

MOTIVES

There is an old fable about a dog that boasted of his ability as a runner. One day he gave chase to a rabbit and failed to catch it. The other dogs made all manner of fun over him. He retorted, "Remember, the rabbit was running for his life and I was only running for my dinner."

Success in life depends upon the motive. If you are in the race merely for your meal ticket, you will not put the same energy into your running as you will if your ambition is deeper and more serious. Get the right motive and your chances for success will be much greater.—Adapted from Nash Journal.

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| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....       | 5½  |
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| Wesley Heights, W. O. Goode .....   | 1½  |
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## Elkin

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| 7*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....        | 30  |
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| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner ..      | 9   |
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| Advance, P. L. Smith .....             | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....        | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....         | 4½  |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....         | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....             | 3½  |
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| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....        | 3½  |
| Warrensville, J. G. Wootton, Jr. ...   | 4   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....            | 3   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....          | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....           | 3   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....       | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....      | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....               | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....      | 2½  |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant .....    | 2   |
| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....               | 2   |
| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....         | 2   |
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## Gastonia

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| 7*Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....        | 30½ |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....      | 22  |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....          | 15  |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....        | 14  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey ..  | 6   |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....             | 2½  |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....        | 2½  |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill ..... | 2   |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....       | 1½  |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....          | 1   |
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## Greensboro

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| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....         | 21½ |

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| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....       | 7½ |
| Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....        | 5½ |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....     | 21 |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....       | 7½ |
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| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....        | 2  |
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## High Point

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| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley ..     | 3½  |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....          | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II ..    | 2½  |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....              | 2   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....              | 2   |
| Linwood, O. E. Croy .....               | 2   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor ..    | 2   |
| Randolph, C. L. Grant .....             | 1½  |
| Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....         | 1½  |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....               | 1   |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....         | 1   |
| Archdale, O. B. Mitchell .....          | 1   |

## Marion

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| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley ..      | 7½ |
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....         | 7  |
| Morganton, Fletcher Nelson .....     | 5½ |
| *Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....      | 4½ |
| Spindale, F. J. Stough .....         | 3½ |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....             | 4½ |
| Rutherfordton, F. C. Smathers .....  | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....         | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace .....    | 2  |
| Linville Falls, McRae Crawford ..... | 2  |
| Micaville-Tipton Hill, H. H. Cash .. | 1  |
| Spruce Pine, J. B. Tabor .....       | 1  |
| Mill Spring, M. W. Edwards .....     | 1  |

## Salisbury

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton .....    | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....           | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....          | 10  |
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....       | 10  |
| N. Kannapolis, D. T. Huss .....      | 10  |
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....         | 7½  |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner ..   | 7   |
| First, W. B. West .....              | 7   |
| Main St.-Rowan, C. B. Ross .....     | 7   |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler ..... | 6   |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson ..    | 5½  |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..   | 5   |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge .....  | 4½  |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....      | 4   |
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 4   |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3   |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½  |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores ..    | 2½  |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 2   |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½  |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1   |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1   |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1   |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1   |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1   |

## Statesville

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins ..  | 30½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison .....  | 28  |
| Central, John W. Moore .....        | 15  |
| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham ..  | 8   |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....         | 7½  |
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....         | 6   |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....         | 3   |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....       | 2   |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....       | 1   |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....          | 1   |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr .....      | 1   |
| Race Street, F. H. Price .....      | 1   |
| Shepherds, A. G. Lackey .....       | 1   |
| Olin, P. F. Snider .....            | 1   |
| Lenoir, Claude Moser .....          | 1   |
| Davidson-Fairview, E. D. Ballard .. | 1   |

## Waynesville

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| *Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 11½ |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9   |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry .....  | 8   |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½  |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2   |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2   |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 2   |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½  |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 1½  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....   | 1   |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....       | 1   |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1   |

## Winston-Salem

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 9*Community, J. C. Auman .....        | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....           | 17½ |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....        | 15½ |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen .....   | 14½ |
| *N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....    | 12  |
| *Grace, R. L. Forbis .....            | 6   |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....      | 6   |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....       | 5   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....            | 5   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....           | 4½  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....        | 4½  |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....            | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ..    | 3   |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison ..   | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....            | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way .. | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....        | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....       | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter ..  | 1   |

## Durham

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Burlington, Davis St., F. W. Pas-   |     |
| chall .....                           | 35  |
| 4*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....       | 26½ |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ..      | 14  |
| *Graham, J. R. Edwards .....          | 10  |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....          | 9   |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....             | 8   |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds .....   | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....            | 6   |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....        | 5   |
| Sweepsonville, T. B. Hough .....      | 4½  |
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele .....         | 4½  |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton .....          | 4   |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love ..  | 4   |
| Milton, D. I. Garner .....            | 3½  |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. ....     | 3   |
| *Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser ..... | 3   |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson .....       | 3   |
| Branson, John Cline .....             | 3   |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps .....    | 2   |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson .....      | 2   |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth .....     | 2   |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe .....   | 1½  |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton .....       | 1½  |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish .....    | 1½  |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer .....           | 1½  |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe .....           | 1   |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early .....          | 1   |
| Yanceyville, A. E. Brown .....        | 1   |

## Elizabeth City

|                                    |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| 4*Williamston, S. J. Starnes ..... | 14 |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness .....       | 9½ |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt .....     | 6  |
| Washington, L. B. Jones .....      | 5  |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick .....     | 4  |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon .....   | 3½ |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe .....          | 3  |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson .....     | 2  |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon .....      | 2  |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford .....   | 1½ |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis ..  | 1  |



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|-----------------------------------|---|
| Roper, M. R. Gardner .....        | 1 |
| Swan Quarter-Fairfield, E.G.Cowan | 1 |
| Murfreesboro, C. E. Vale .....    | 1 |

Fayetteville

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Siler City, C. F. Heath .....        | 15½ |
| 2*Person St.-Calvary, M.W.Warren     | 13½ |
| *Sanford, Allen P. Brantley .....    | 12½ |
| 5*Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons .....     | 11  |
| *Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams .. | 10½ |
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown .....        | 9½  |
| *Red Springs, B. T. Hurley .....     | 8½  |
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe .....       | 7½  |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood .....      | 7   |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer .....   | 6½  |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar .....         | 6   |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard .....          | 5½  |
| *Maxton, T. R. Jenkins .....         | 5   |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., B. F. Meacham ...    | 4½  |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson .....           | 3½  |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore .....          | 3   |
| West End, W. F. Keeler .....         | 3   |
| Broadway, J. W. Page .....           | 2½  |
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette..     | 2   |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton .....        | 2   |
| Lane, J. D. A. Autry .....           | 1½  |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning .....       | 1½  |
| Raeford, E. C. Crawford .....        | 1½  |
| Caledonia, M. F. Hodges .....        | 1½  |
| Rockingham, J. H. Barnhardt .....    | 1   |
| Roberdel, F. B. Brandenburg .....    | 1   |

New Bern

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Mt. Olive-Calypso, R. G. Dawson..     | 4  |
| Pikeville-Elm St., J. H. Overton, Jr. | 3½ |
| Goldsboro, W. C. Ball .....           | 3  |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....            | 2½ |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....            | 2½ |
| Ayden, L. A. Tilley .....             | 2  |
| New Bern, C. B. Culbreth .....        | 2  |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston .....        | 2  |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens .....    | 1  |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr. ....         | 1  |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts .....              | 1  |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow .....          | 1  |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant .....         | 1  |
| Morehead City Ct., M.O.Stephenson     | 1  |

Raleigh

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone .....  | 35  |
| 2*Fuquay, E. C. Durham .....     | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb .....   | 15½ |
| *Henderson, B. C. Reavis .....   | 15½ |
| Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes .....   | 7   |
| 2*City Road-White Mem., J. K.    |     |
| Worthington .....                | 6½  |
| *Princeton, J. W. Bradley .....  | 5   |
| Person St., M. W. Lawrence ..... | 4   |
| Granville, J. P. Pegg .....      | 3   |
| Selma, O. L. Hathaway .....      | 3   |
| Louisburg, J. G. Phillips .....  | 3   |
| Edenton St., J. C. Glenn .....   | 2½  |
| Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee .....   | 1½  |
| Hayes Barton, Leon Russell ..... | 1½  |
| Tar River, J. A. Martin .....    | 1½  |
| Jenkins Mem., J. A. Dailey ..... | 1   |
| Rougemont, J. T. Green .....     | 1   |

Rocky Mount

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer .....     | 11 |
| *Weldon, B. P. Robinson .....       | 8½ |
| *Farmville, D. A. Clarke .....      | 6  |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams .....     | 6  |
| 2*McKendree, L. B. Pattishall ...   | 5½ |
| 2*Marvin, N. W. Grant .....         | 4  |
| W. Halifax, W. M. Howard .....      | 3½ |
| Clark St., B. H. Black .....        | 6  |
| *Kenley, E. M. Hall .....           | 3  |
| Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome .....   | 3  |
| Enfield, B. D. Critcher .....       | 2½ |
| Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane .....   | 2  |
| Bethel, M. Y. Self .....            | 2  |
| Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington | 2  |
| First, E. L. Hillman .....          | 2  |
| Warrenton, J. O. Long .....         | 1½ |
| Northampton, W. L. Maness .....     | 1  |
| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount.....      | 1  |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd .....           | 2  |

Wilmington

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Tabor City, N. P. Edens .....     | 20 |
| 2*Hallsboro, C. A. Jones .....    | 11 |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters .....       | 11 |
| Scott's Hill, C. O. Plyler .....  | 10 |
| 2*Southport, R. S. Harrison ..... | 7  |

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# Sunday School Lesson

JULY 28

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By James S. Chubb

## Weighing Consequences

Scripture: Prov. 1:7-10; Isaiah 5:11, 12, 18, 23; Galatians 6:7-9

The Hebrews and Christian faiths are consistent teachers that "what a man sows that shall he also reap." They were the forerunners of the scientific era in the realm of human relations. Good actions reap good consequences; evil actions reap evil consequences. That is the Christian teaching.

Perhaps it would be well to clear up one confusion that so frequently creeps into this discussion. Many teachers use the word "reward" when discussing good and evil. The trouble with this word is that it suggests a contract. This, of course, does not fit into the Christian religion, for Christianity goes beyond anything that is purely legal. The language and symbolism of the family yields more light in religion than legal terms, though legal terms do have their place.

Students of psychology are saying that years are required before an idea that is received through the mind comes back from the subconscious in the form of an inevitable action. This suggestion yields much light on our lesson. It teaches us to be patient, both when we see evil temporarily winning and when we see good advancing so slowly. Yet we know from experience that time is always on the side of the good and against the evil. This fact is further illuminated by the psychologist's observation cited above.

The passage in Proverbs is an appeal to be teachable. The capacity to be taught by God and by one's parents is indispensable in good religion. This teachable attitude is all-important because we know so little. There are few experiences that are not worth some reflection. The stubborn, headstrong, self-willed person who cannot be taught not only remains unnecessarily ignorant of the laws of life, but also loses the benefit of the many great experiences of other men. The person who is open-minded and open-eared to the experiences of other people learns many valuable things without having his own fingers burned. The wisdom of parents and the wisdom of God makes it easier for one to say "no" when the enticers tell of the thrills.

It is easy for us to pass up the importance of being teachable. Psychologists properly point out to us that complacency is the worst spiritual sin we have. Complacency emerges from the impulse to hunt for security, but security is never found in smugness but in worth-while achievement. The very nature of religious experience and good teaching is such that it awakens new powers within us. It also en-

ables us to see visions of better things to be done. The unteachable and the irreverent find many of these lines closed.

Isaiah was a great "cause-and-effect" teacher. He saw clearly that what one sows he must reap, even if the entire king's court thinks otherwise. He had the keenest insight into the many-sidedness of sin. He was equally at home in seeing through social, religious as well as personal sins. He knew that ungodliness, no matter what its label and promises, reaped disaster.

Our Scripture has to do with several kinds of this sin. It condemns the drinking group. Drink and gambling are the besetting sins of many socially prominent wealthy people. Their kind of life is an artificial one in that few of them make their own living by daily work; and their social life is a round of self-importance. This gets to be deadly monotonous. There really is little to live for. They live up their boredom with drink and other kindred dissipations.

Isaiah knew that this meant an inescapable court and an incompetent business group. People who dissipate do not think clearly; they do not rise to occasions; they have lost the ability to be masters of their own destiny.

The subtlety of verse 12 is sometimes missed. Read it carefully. Note that Isaiah chides because they do not turn to the work of Jehovah nor the operation of his hands. Why? Because Jehovah can give them the thing that they are seeking to find through drinking. They search in drink for the ability to rise above their troubles and their smallness. But drink is an escape and a poison and therefore leaves men worse off. Worship of Jehovah is a strength producer; it enables men to face life and life's task with divine strength. Isaiah subtly brings this in. It should not be overlooked in our lesson.

The result of such actions as described in this lesson is that leadership and knowledge are lost. One can so destroy and cloud his soul that true knowledge and true leadership are missed. One finds that so frequently in communities where selfishness has domination. People look, in such a place, not for wisdom and for leadership with vision, but for those who will follow their own little policies. This means degeneration because, before a community or a nation can advance, it must listen to its great thinkers and its great leaders. The real glory, the real pageantry of the nation had disappeared because drunks, gamblers and revelers did not have the powers of sacrificial leadership. A people that turns their leadership to such people will find that they are blindly led by the blind.

I have lived in places where this condition existed. It is common in many spots over our own nation. I suspect that many of the readers of this lesson have lived where there was no thirst for knowledge or decency or good leadership. Men had allowed minds to be so poisoned that all articles were regarded as "propaganda," and they believed that every man had his "price." Such ideas are largely the product of blindness caused by one's own sins. The consequences of de-

bauchery, spiritual as well as physical, is to lose sight of the seers and to lose the taste for real knowledge.

The summary of this Scripture lesson is in Galatians. There is the law written in black and white so that even a wayfaring man can read it. It is written so clearly that a modern man riding at sixty miles an hour can see it. We frequently hear men boast, or we hear other men discuss someone who violates and breaks these great laws of temperance and justice. We are doing a confused job of thinking when we say such things. It would be more factual to say that this person has crashed into the moral law but it will crush him.

This Scripture states the eternal law of spiritual and moral activity. It is well for us to remember that we are in the process of Christianizing the world. There are still vast pagan centers in our nation, as well as elsewhere that do not see the Christian way. There are multitudes of people who see the right way but do not live it.—Christian Advocate.

## VOICES FOR GOD'S PRAISE

The best music has been rendered under trouble. The first duet that I know anything of was given by Paul and Silas when they sang praises to God and the prisoners heard them. The Scotch Covenanters, hounded by the dogs of persecution, sang the Psalms of David with more spirit than they have ever since been rendered.

There ought to be a great multitude of men and women willing to sing the praises of God. Those who can sing must throw their souls into the exercise, and those who cannot sing must learn how.

Have you ever noticed the construction of the human throat as indicative of what God means us to do with it? In only an ordinary throat and lungs there are fourteen direct muscles and thirty indirect muscles that can produce a great variety of sounds. What doth that mean? It means that you should sing! Do you suppose that God who gives you such a musical instrument as that intends to keep it shut? Suppose some great tyrant should get possession of the musical instruments of the world and should lock up the organ of Westminster Abbey and the organ of Lucerne and all the other great musical instruments of the world—you would call such a man as that a monster. And yet you are more wicked if, with the human voice, a musical instrument of more wonderful adaptation than all the musical instruments that men ever created, you shut it against the praise of God.—T. DeWitt Talmage.

Nebuchadnezzar who, so far as history goes, was the first of the genus homo to eat grass, may not have been as daffy as he was supposed to be. A new food is being manufactured and is labeled "powdered grass." It is to be taken for granted that we can add sugar and cream, luxuries which Nebuchadnezzar did not enjoy, but anyway it seems that we are returning to Nebuchadnezzar's simple diet.—The Religious Telescope.



# Children's



# Storyland

## A COAT FOR BABY GRAY

By Elsie Ball

Baby Gray had a little white coat. She always wore it when she went out to ride with grandpa and grandma.

One day grandma said, "What is the matter with Baby Gray's coat? It gets smaller and smaller every day."

"The coat is not getting smaller," said grandpa. "Baby Gray is getting bigger. She grows bigger and bigger every day."

"I must get a new coat for Baby Gray," said grandma.

So she went to the Jersey cow.

"Jersey," said she, "can you tell me where I can get a new coat for Baby Gray?"

"I can give you some nice sweet milk for Baby Gray," said the Jersey cow, "but I cannot tell you where you can get a new coat for her."

Then grandma went to the speckled hen.

"Speckle," she said, "can you tell me where I can get a new coat for Baby Gray?"

"I can give you some nice fresh eggs for Baby Gray," said Speckle, but I can not tell you where you can get a coat for her."

Then grandma went to the dappled horse.

"Dapple," she said, "can you tell me where I can get a new coat for Baby Gray?"

"I will carry the nice sweet milk from the cow to Baby Gray," said Dapple. "I will take the fresh eggs from the hen to Baby Gray, and I will take Baby Gray for a ride on my back. But I cannot tell you where you can get a coat for her."

Then grandma saw the young sheep, playing in the meadow.

"Pretty sheep," she said, "can you tell me where I can get a coat for Baby Gray?"

"Baby Gray may have my winter coat," said the sheep. "I shall have a warm new coat when winter comes, so I shall not need my old coat any more. Go to the shepherd and ask him to give you my coat for Baby Gray."

So grandma went to the shepherd.

"Shepherd," she asked, "will you let me have the sheep's winter coat for Baby Gray?"

"I sent the sheep's coat to the mill," answered the shepherd. "Go and ask the man at the mill for a coat for Baby Gray."

Then grandma went to the mill.

"Can you tell me," she asked the man, "where I can get the sheep's winter coat? I should like to have it for Baby Gray."

"I made some soft white woolen yarn out of the sheep's winter coat," said the man at the mill. "I sent the yarn to the storekeeper. Go and ask him for a coat for Baby Gray."

So grandma went to the storekeeper.

## THE PUPPY

By Olive Herford

The puppy cannot meow or talk,  
He has a funny kind of walk,  
His tail is difficult to wag,  
And that's what makes him walk zig-zag.

He is the kitten of a dog.  
From morn till night he's all agog—  
Forever seeking something new  
That's good, but isn't meant to chew.

He romps about the tulip bed,  
And chews the flowers white and red,  
And when the gard'ner comes to see  
He's sure to blame mamma or me.

One game that cannot ever fail  
To please him is to chase his tail—  
(To catch one's tail, 'twixt me and you,  
Is not an easy thing to do).

If he has not a pretty face,  
The puppy's heart is in its place.  
I'm sorry he must grow into  
A horrid, noisy dog—aren't you?

—Harper's Magazine.

"Can you tell me," she asked the storekeeper, "where I can get the sheep's winter coat? I should like to have it for Baby Gray."

"I have some soft white woolen yarn," said the storekeeper, "that the man at the mill made out of the sheep's winter coat. You can take the woolen yarn and knit a coat for Baby Gray."

So grandma took the soft white woolen yarn and knitted a coat for Baby Gray.

Baby Gray likes her new coat. She likes to run and play when she wears it, just as the young sheep did.

When she sees the sheep she says, "Thank you, pretty sheep, for my new coat."—Child's Life.

## HOW OLD IS THE HORSE?

By Harriet Smith Hawley

Do you know that the horse is probably the oldest of man's helpers? And that when the first man came upon earth the horse had been here ages before him? Yes, the horse is so old nobody can tell just how old he is. Millions and millions of years, and then presumably millions more.

For along with the great dinosaurs, whose tremendous skeletons sometimes measure 75 feet in length, there came the first horses. But, oh, very different from our horses. So different that quite likely we would not recognize them as being horses at all.

Their bones were first found out in the rocks of our middle west. And when put together, the wise men who

found them and who knew the characteristics of most of the animal families, said, "Look here, this must be the ancestor of our modern horse." But, instead of being big like the dinosaur, he was little. Only about as large as a dog or a boy's rocking horse. And instead of having a hoof as the horse has today, he had five toes on each foot. "This then," continued the learned discoverers, "we will call the dawn horse, since, long before man, he came way back in the dawn of animal life." And as nowhere else in the world were the bones of the dawn horse found, they stated that North America was the home of the first horses.

But now other learned men, digging for signs of ancient life in the river valleys of India, have uncovered bones of these same dawn horses.

Way over there in India, if you please. "And how did they get there?" they asked. Which question is a real puzzler, isn't it?

But then they remembered that the North American dawn horses were living here long before the ice-age, that age which was noted for the enormous ice-sheets that swept down from the north over central and eastern North America and either destroyed in their path all life or else sent it migrating elsewhere. So these swift little horses must have gone on the march, seeking a warmer climate and grasses on which they could feed. And as in those remote ages what is water now might have been land then, some way they traveled on until finding luxuriant plants and grasses around the rivers of India, they settled down to live. Nor did they return to America. Instead, they remained in Asia, continuing to develop strength and size until there came to be the fine horses we know today. Horses that can carry heavy burdens. Horses that can charge in battle. Horses that can plow vast fields. Horses that can jump barriers or gallop gallantly across the turf. Horses so wonderful that the land is dotted with statues of famous horses and riders.

But you may ask if the ice-age destroyed all of the dawn horses that remained, how did it happen when the early colonists went out to make homes for themselves in the West, they found wild horses rushing up cliffs and across plains?

Yes, here they were, the wild horses, but descendants not of the ancient and original dawn horses but of the Spanish horses that had been brought to South and Central America by Coronado and Cortez.

So, from the first dawn horses to the road and draft horses we know today, there is one of the oldest and most fascinating histories of any of our domestic animals. Think of it the next time you see a white horse drawing a load of hay.—Our Dumb Animals.



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DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, O.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                            |      |
|----------------------------|------|
|                            | July |
| Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 11   | 27   |
| Orange Ct., Hebron, 11     | 28   |
| Burlington Ct., Glencoe, 3 | 28   |

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, O.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                     |      |
|-------------------------------------|------|
|                                     | July |
| Washington, 11                      | 28   |
| Bath, Wares, 3                      | 28   |
| Windsor, night                      | 28   |
| First Church, Elizabeth City, night | 31   |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, O.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                            |      |
|----------------------------|------|
|                            | July |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 11 | 28   |
| Rockingham, 8              | 28   |

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                 |      |
|---------------------------------|------|
|                                 | July |
| Wilmington, Grace, 11           | 28   |
| Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night | 28   |

September

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Shallotte, Andrews, 11                | 1  |
| Tabor City, St. Pauls, night          | 1  |
| Wilmington, Grace, 11                 | 8  |
| Warsaw-Macnolia, Trinity, 3           | 8  |
| Burgaw, Rocky Point, night            | 8  |
| District Conference at Garland, 10    | 12 |
| Elizabeth, Purdies, 11                | 15 |
| Carver's Creek, Council, night        | 15 |
| Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11              | 22 |
| Chatham, Cerro Gordo, night           | 22 |
| Wallace-Rosehill, Rosehill, 11        | 29 |
| Penderlee, night                      | 29 |
| October                               |    |
| Town Creek, Zion, 11                  | 6  |
| Scott's Hill, Seagate, night          | 6  |
| Wilmington, Epworth, night            | 9  |
| Faison-Kenansville, 11                | 11 |
| Fairmont, Trinity, 11                 | 13 |
| St. Pauls, Regans, 3                  | 13 |
| Lumberton, night                      | 13 |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11 | 20 |
| Swanboro, Oak Grove, 3                | 20 |
| Maysville, Belgrade, night            | 20 |
| Southport, night                      | 23 |

|                                         |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| Bladen (place to be announced), 11      | 24 |
| Garland (place to be announced), night  | 24 |
| Roseboro, Halls, 11                     | 25 |
| Clinton, night                          | 25 |
| Rowland, Purvis, 11                     | 27 |
| Pembroke (Indian work), First Church, 3 | 27 |
| Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night          | 27 |

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
|                            | November |
| Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11 | 3        |
| Wesley Memorial, 3         | 3        |
| Whiteville, night          | 3        |
| Wilmington, Trinity, night | 4        |

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, O.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                              |        |
|----------------------------------------------|--------|
|                                              | August |
| Louisburg Circuit, Leah's, 11:00             | 4      |
| Fraunkinton, Wesley, 3:00                    | 4      |
| Raleigh, Person Street, Epworth, 8:00        | 4      |
| Princeton, Micro, 8                          | 7      |
| Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 8                  | 8      |
| Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 8                     | 9      |
| Granville, Mt. Carmel, 11                    | 11     |
| Steat, Roberts, 3                            | 11     |
| Smithfield, 8                                | 14     |
| Garner, Mt. Zion, 8                          | 15     |
| Raleigh: Jenkins Memorial, Pleasant Grove, 8 | 16     |
| Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 10              | 18     |
| Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3                         | 18     |
| Dunn, 8                                      | 18     |
| Bailey, Middlesex, 8                         | 21     |
| Four Oaks, Antioch, 8                        | 22     |
| Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8                  | 23     |
| Moncure, Jones' Chapel, 11                   | 25     |
| Tar River, Ebenezer, 8                       | 25     |
| Raleigh: Hayes-Barton, 8                     | 26     |
| Millbrook, Oak Grove, 8                      | 27     |
| Rougemont, Riverview, 8                      | 28     |

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                           |      |
|---------------------------|------|
|                           | July |
| Hot Springs, Fairview, 11 | 28   |
| Marshall, Walnut, night   | 28   |

August

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Fletcher, Balfour, 11          | 4  |
| Resman, Lake Toxaway, 3        | 4  |
| Mills River, Etowah, night     | 4  |
| Hiltmore, 11                   | 11 |
| Fairview, Bethany, 3           | 11 |
| Acton, Acton, night            | 11 |
| Candler, Laurel Hill Q.C., 11  | 17 |
| Candler, Pisgah, 11            | 18 |
| Pisgah Ct., Brown's View, 3    | 18 |
| Asbury Memorial, night         | 18 |
| Hillside Street, 11            | 25 |
| Asheville Ct., Elk Mountain, 3 | 25 |
| Merrimon Avenue, night         | 25 |

September

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| West Asheville, 11                | 1  |
| Flat Rock, Upward, 3              | 1  |
| Haywood Street, night             | 1  |
| French Broad Avenue, 11           | 8  |
| Oakley, 3                         | 8  |
| Hendersonville, night             | 8  |
| Leicester-Bell, 11                | 15 |
| Sandy-Big Sandy, 3                | 15 |
| Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night | 15 |
| Central, Asheville, 11            | 22 |
| Saluda-Tryon-Saluda, 3            | 22 |
| Brevard, night                    | 22 |
| Black Mountain, 11                | 29 |
| Swannanoa, Tabernacle, 3          | 29 |
| Weaverville Station, night        | 29 |

October

|                                                                                                                                |    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Laurel-Barnardville, Laurel, 11                                                                                                | 6  |
| Weaverville Ct., South Fork, 3                                                                                                 | 6  |
| Oteen, Bethel, night                                                                                                           | 6  |
| Hot Springs, Antioch, 11                                                                                                       | 13 |
| Marshall, Marshall, night                                                                                                      | 13 |
| Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30<br>p. m. Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to<br>be handed in. |    |

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                             |        |
|---------------------------------------------|--------|
|                                             | August |
| Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 11               | 4      |
| Thrift-Moore's, Moore's, 2:30               | 4      |
| Hawthorne Lane, 8                           | 4      |
| Hickory Grove, 11                           | 11     |
| Unionville-New Hope, Bethel, 3              | 11     |
| New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 8                  | 11     |
| Bethel-Rogers, Bethel, 11                   | 18     |
| Matthews, 3                                 | 18     |
| North Monroe-Grace, North Monroe, 8         | 18     |
| Trinity, 8                                  | 23     |
| Monroe, Central, 11                         | 25     |
| Indian Trail-Stallings, Beulah, 3:30        | 25     |
| Chadwick, 8                                 | 25     |
| Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 8 | 26     |
| Big Springs, 8                              | 28     |

September

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Peachland, Fountain Hill, 3 | 1  |
| Marshville, Marshville, 8   | 1  |
| Calvary, 8                  | 2  |
| Wexhaw, Wexhaw, 8           | 4  |
| Broadway Street, 8          | 6  |
| Wesley Heights, 11          | 8  |
| Polkton, Poplar Hill        | 8  |
| Pineville, Pineville, 8     | 8  |
| Morven, 8                   | 9  |
| Belmont Park, 7:30          | 11 |
| Dilworth, 7:30              | 13 |
| Lileville, Lileville, 11    | 15 |
| Huntersville, Asbury, 3     | 15 |
| Derita, 7:30                | 15 |
| Central Avenue, 11          | 22 |
| Prospect, Bethlehem, 3      | 22 |
| Spencer Memorial, 7:30      | 22 |
| Duncan Memorial, 11         | 29 |
| Wadesboro, 7:30             | 30 |

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
|                               | October |
| First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 | 7       |
| Myers Park, 7:30              | 14      |

ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                 |      |
|---------------------------------|------|
|                                 | July |
| Ararat, Maple Grove, 11         | 28   |
| Dobson, Pleasant Ridge, 3       | 28   |
| Surry-Yadkin, Level Cross, 7:30 | 28   |

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, O.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

|                                           |      |
|-------------------------------------------|------|
|                                           | July |
| Casar, 11                                 | 28   |
| Casar, New Home, 3                        | 28   |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, night | 28   |

August

|                            |    |
|----------------------------|----|
| Gastonia, Trinity, 11      | 4  |
| Gastonia, West End, night  | 4  |
| Rock Springs, Denver, 11   | 11 |
| Lovesville, night          | 11 |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 | 18 |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3     | 18 |
| Stanley, Stanley, night    | 18 |
| Boger City, Asbury, 11     | 25 |
| Dallas, night              | 25 |

September

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Kings Mountain, Central, 11     | 1  |
| Belmont, Main Street, night     | 1  |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11          | 8  |
| Lincolnton, First Church, night | 8  |
| Bessemer City, 11               | 15 |
| Shelby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 11   | 22 |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, O.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                       |      |
|---------------------------------------|------|
|                                       | July |
| Leaksville and Spray at Leaksville, 8 | 28   |

August

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Draper, Draper-Wayside, 8      | 4  |
| West Market, 11 (preaching)    | 11 |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 2:30         | 11 |
| Bethel-Battleground, Joyner, 8 | 11 |
| Summerfield, Center, 6, Sat.   | 17 |
| Grace, 11                      | 18 |
| Tabernacle, 3                  | 18 |
| Mount Pleasant, 6, Sat.        | 24 |
| Pleasant Garden, 11            | 25 |
| Carravay Memorial, 8           | 25 |
| Stoke-dale, Sat.               | 31 |

September

|                            |    |
|----------------------------|----|
| Danbury, 11                | 1  |
| Sandy Ridge, 3             | 1  |
| Reidsville: Lindsey St., 8 | 1  |
| Reidsville: Main St., 8    | 4  |
| Moriah, 7:30 Sat.          | 7  |
| Stoneville, 11             | 8  |
| Ruffin, 3                  | 8  |
| West Greensboro, 8         | 8  |
| West Market, 8, Q.C.       | 9  |
| Reidsville Ct., 11 Sat.    | 14 |
| St. Paul, 11               | 15 |
| Oak Ridge, 8               | 15 |
| Centenary, 8               | 18 |
| Gulford Ct., Sat.          | 21 |
| Proximity, 11              | 22 |
| Midway, 3                  | 22 |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30   | 22 |
| Jamestown-Oakdale, 7:30    | 25 |
| Flat Rock, Sat.            | 28 |
| West End, 11               | 29 |
| Madison, 3                 | 29 |
| Leaksville, 7:30           | 29 |
| Bessemer, 7:30             | 30 |

October

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Calvary, 7:30                  | 2  |
| Brown Summit, 11               | 6  |
| College Place, 7:30            | 6  |
| Glenwood, 7:30                 | 9  |
| Haw River, Sat.                | 12 |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11           | 13 |
| Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 | 13 |
| Gibsonville, 7:30              | 13 |
| Draper-Fairview, 7:30          | 16 |
| Tabernacle, Julian, 11         | 20 |
| Stokesdale, Glencoe, 3         | 20 |
| Grace, 7:30                    | 20 |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, O.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

|                                           |      |
|-------------------------------------------|------|
|                                           | July |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Gray's Chapel, 11 | 28   |
| Seagrove-Love Joy, Macedonia, 2:30        | 28   |

August

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 8 | 4 |
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MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, O.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
|                               | August |
| Glen Alpine, 11               | 4      |
| Valdese, Warlick's, 3         | 4      |
| Tablo Rock, Oak Hill, 7:30    | 4      |
| Spindale, 11                  | 11     |
| Mill Springs, Manus, 3        | 11     |
| Hosie, Oak Grove, 7:30        | 11     |
| Henrietta, 11                 | 18     |
| Broad River, Harris, 3        | 18     |
| Cross Mills, 7:30             | 18     |
| McDowell, Nebo, 11            | 25     |
| Old Fort Ct., 3               | 25     |
| Morganton, North Forest, 7:30 | 25     |

September

|                            |    |
|----------------------------|----|
| Sunshine, Hollis, 11       | 1  |
| Gilkey, Thermal City, 3    | 1  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30       | 1  |
| Rutherford College, 11     | 8  |
| Morganton Ct., Denton's, 3 | 8  |
| Morganton, First, 7:30     | 8  |
| Rutherfordton, 11          | 15 |
| Marion Ct., 3              | 15 |
| Old Fort, 7:30             | 15 |
| Lileville Falls, 11        | 22 |



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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Avery Ct., 3                                                                                           | 22 |
| Spruce Pine, 7:30                                                                                      | 22 |
| Bald Creek, 11                                                                                         | 29 |
| Micaville, Tipton Hill, 3                                                                              | 29 |
| Burnsville, 7:30                                                                                       | 29 |
| October                                                                                                |    |
| Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11                                                                          | 6  |
| Shady Grove, 3                                                                                         | 6  |
| Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30                                                                    | 6  |
| Elk Park, 11                                                                                           | 13 |
| Bakersville, 3                                                                                         | 13 |
| Marion, First, 7:30                                                                                    | 13 |
| Cliffside, 11                                                                                          | 20 |
| Forest City, 7:30                                                                                      | 20 |
| Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stewards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church.         |    |
| Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed to the district superintendent at this meeting. |    |

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|-------------------------------------------|----|
| STATESVILLE DISTRICT                      |    |
| John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C. |    |
| FOURTH ROUND                              |    |
| July                                      |    |
| Whitnel, Zion, 3                          | 28 |
| North Newton, night                       | 28 |
| August                                    |    |
| Taylorsville, Taylorsville, 11            | 4  |
| Harmony, New Union, 3                     | 4  |
| Jones Memorial, night                     | 4  |
| Statesville Ct., Trinity, 11              | 11 |
| Olin, Moss, 3                             | 11 |
| Granite Falls, night                      | 11 |
| Lenoir, First Church, 11                  | 18 |
| Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 3               | 18 |
| Union Grove, Friendship, night            | 18 |
| Elmwood, Elmwood, 3                       | 25 |
| Cool Springs, Cool Springs, night         | 25 |
| September                                 |    |
| Shepherds, McKendree, 11                  | 1  |
| Mooreville Ct., Centenary, 3              | 1  |
| Mt. Zion, Mt. Zion, night                 | 1  |
| Hickory, First Church, 11                 | 8  |
| Hickory, Highland, 3                      | 8  |
| Maiden, Maiden, night                     | 8  |
| Catawba, Concord, 3                       | 15 |
| Stony Point, Stony Point, night           | 15 |
| Davidson, Fairview, 10 and 3              | 22 |
| Mooreville, Central, 11                   | 22 |
| Mooreville, Broad St., night              | 22 |
| Newton, First Church, 11                  | 29 |
| Balls Creek, St. Paul, 3                  | 29 |
| Troutman, Troutman, night                 | 29 |
| October                                   |    |
| Statesville, Broad Street, 11             | 6  |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 3                  | 6  |
| Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night           | 6  |

|                                                               |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT                                          |    |
| W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.                      |    |
| THIRD ROUND                                                   |    |
| July                                                          |    |
| Hayesville, Hayesville, 11 and 3                              | 28 |
| Shooting Creek, Hayesville, 11 and 3                          | 28 |
| Franklin, 8                                                   | 28 |
| Macon, Franklin, 8                                            | 28 |
| Franklin Ct., 8                                               | 28 |
| Louisa, Franklin                                              | 28 |
| (Dr. Vliet speaker on 28th).                                  |    |
| WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT                                        |    |
| W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C. |    |
| THIRD ROUND                                                   |    |
| August                                                        |    |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary (third check-up meeting), 7:30       | 6  |

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| (Continued from page 19)            |    |
| Carver's Creek, G. C. Wood          | 7  |
| *Epworth, Walter Pavy               | 6  |
| Garland, O. C. Melton               | 6  |
| Rowland, W. C. Wilson               | 6  |
| Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson  | 5½ |
| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew          | 4½ |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner              | 3  |
| Bladen, R. L. Vickory               | 3  |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, I. T. Poole | 2  |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews      | 1½ |
| Trinity, R. L. Jerome               | 1½ |
| Grace, J. F. Herbert                | 1  |
| Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift        | 1  |
| Chadbourn, E. C. Maness             | 1  |
| St. Paul, A. C. Lee                 | 1  |
| Roseboro, C. S. Hubbard             | 1  |
| Elizabeth, C. W. Barbee             | 1  |



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## In Memoriam

**CHRISMAN** — William McKenzie Chrisman after a sojourn in this life of 86 years was called away to his heavenly home on the 3rd of July, 1940. His wife preceded him to the glory world many years ago, and when he was called to go he leaves three daughters, quite a number of grandchildren and several great-grandchildren, and many dear relatives and friends to miss his genial smile and words of love and friendship. He was waiting by the river, watching on the shore, and when the messenger came all he had to do was to pass over into the beautiful city of God. *Pattie Ralls.*

**SHOAF**—Mrs. Clara C. Shoaf died at the home of H. Luther Leonard, R. 3, Lexington, where she had made her home for many years, on July 3, at the age of 80 years, 11 months and 10 days. She was married to Robert Lee Shoaf October 16, 1884. Her husband preceded her in death some 50 years ago, and she is survived by two sons, Wiley L. Shoaf and Clinton V. Shoaf, and one daughter, Mrs. Luther Leonard, all of R. 3, Lexington. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. W. B. Hampton of Clemmons, and one half sister, Mrs. Emma Morgan of Winston-Salem, 19 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Mrs. Shoaf became a member of Shiloh Methodist church after her marriage to Mr. Shoaf, to which she gave her fullest measure of devotion until her death. *C. E. Ridge, Pastor.*

**ORDERS**—Mrs. Flora Etta Pitts Orders was born in Hickory September 30, 1872; died at her home near Morganton July 9, 1940.

February 19, 1890, she was married to James Monroe Orders, who preceded her to the grave. To this union were born ten children, nine of whom survive. They are as follows: Mrs. A. A. Franklin, Mrs. L. T. Rockett, Mrs. Ralph Harris, Pearl, Glenn, Ralph and Roscoe Orders of Morganton, and Mrs. Ransom Williams of Detroit, and Will Orders of Lynchburg, Va. She is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Minnie Shook of Asheville, and 23 grandchildren.

Mrs. Orders has been a member of the Methodist church since childhood, having been a member of the Glen Alpine Methodist church for about 30 years.

Her church, community and friends will miss her, and join the family in mutual love and sympathy in this their hour of bereavement.

Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. R. L. Young, assisted by Rev. R. C. Goforth and Rev. W. H. Brown. *R. L. Young, Pastor.*

**ALDRIDGE** — William Carl Aldridge was born in Pamlico county on May 31, 1906. He had served for 15 years in the navy, elevating himself through hard work and enthusiasm from the ranks to chief electrical mate on the U. S. Destroyer Concord. He left the navy because of tuberculosis. He spent the next two years in hospitals at Annapolis, Portsmouth and Oteen. For the past five months he was at home, where he was confined to his bed until he passed away July 6, 1940. Carl was a faithful servant of his country and in his 15 years of service in the navy never had a single black mark against his record. He is survived by his wife and three children, Billy, Bruce and Eleanor; his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W.

C. Aldridge; three brothers, Fred, Elwood, and John Purdy, and two sisters, Mrs. Alvin Garner of Morehead City and Mrs. Bruce Poe of Durham. Many relatives and loved ones were present for the interment at the Oriental cemetery. *J. Kern Ormond.*

**KIRKPATRICK** — Thomas Lawson Kirkpatrick went on to his eternal reward June 10, 1940, having attained to the age of 71 years. The deceased is survived by his widow; two daughters, Mrs. Ernest Jamison and Mrs. T. G. Highfill, the wife of Rev. T. G. Highfill; three brothers and four sisters, together with a host of other relatives and friends.

Until sickness prevented Mr. Kirkpatrick was actively identified with the Methodist church, having professed faith in Christ in early life. He was active in his home, on the farm, in the community and in the church. "None knew him but to love him; none named him but to praise."

Funeral service was held from Fincher's Chapel June 12. The writer was assisted by Rev. Frank Phibbs, a former pastor, and Rev. Pink McCracken, a life long neighbor and friend. *Wm. H. Neese.*

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the men's Bible class of Raeford, N. C., on this the first Sunday (June 30, 1940,) after the untimely death of John B. Covington, a most faithful member of our class, wish to take note of his passing in the following resolutions:

First, That we give thanks for our years of association with him. We shall ever esteem his memory as a man of worth, a friend to his neighbors in every hour of need, liberal always in his support of every worthy cause.

Second, That we remember again his faithfulness to his church and Sunday school, and though his death is a grievous loss to us, we believe it will be an ascension into the glorious freedom of life eternal.

Third, That we extend our sympathy to his relatives in this time of sorrow, and as a class dedicate ourselves again to the service of the Christ in whom he trusted for salvation.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, the News-Journal, and the family of the deceased.

*Robert Hasty,  
Roland Covington,  
Lewis Upchurch.*

### RESOLUTIONS OF DESPECT

Whereas, the Omnipotent Architect, who planneth all things well, has seen fit to remove from our midst, our church and our class Brother W. T. Huckabee, Sr., after a long useful life. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That in the passing of Brother Huckabee our church and class have lost one of its most faithful members and one whose life had been devoted to the church for many years.

Second, That we cherish the memory and emulate the example of this good member whose life and services in Christian principles and practice has meant so much to us.

Third, That we extend to the family our deepest sympathy in this great loss and prayers that a great and loving God will comfort them and guide the future.

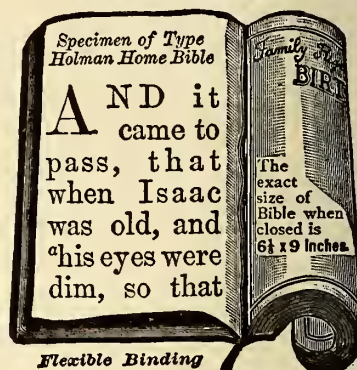
Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, that a copy be sent to the family, that a copy be published in the local newspaper and that a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

*Chas. A. Reap,  
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## A PRAYER IN 1917



LORD, our God, what of the night—this long, dark night of sin and woe? Gross darkness is covering the nations of the earth like a pall, and unutterable griefs are resting like leaden weights upon the spirits of the peoples. Sorrows upon sorrows are harrowing the hearts of untold millions of stalwart men, and many more tender women are tasting the saltiness of flowing tears. Brave young hearts are quaking out of fear of man, and pious souls are beginning to doubt the favor of the living God. The gaunt forms of want and suffering are stalking across the earth, while whole races beyond the seas are sobbing themselves to death. Humanity, created in the image of God, has been nailed to the cross of worldly interests and is crying aloud: "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani!" Alas! what the sins of men have wrought, the sins of selfishness and greed, of envy and hatred, of pride and lust of power!

O, thou sinbearer of the world, thou Christ of God, made perfect through suffering, in this dark hour of anguish and despair teach humanity the lesson of the cross—teach humanity to spurn the opiate of sleep and vain delusions that awake it might realize the sinfulness of sin, and calmly drink the cup of sorrow to the lees. May the tears that bedew the eyes of the nations be transformed into crystalline lenses, through which they might learn to see aright—to see that universal hate is hell, that universal love is heaven.

O God of Love, for Jesus' sake, renew the heart of mankind through thy Spirit. And then may humanity, redeemed and transfigured, arise from its grave of sin and death, and as a luminary of God shine forth in the dark night until the specters and grim shadows of murder and hatred shall flee away—until the mists and fogs of unbelief and sin shall recede into the distance like retreating clouds spanned with the bow of God.

E. F. S.



## BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION FULLY ORGANIZED

The final step in the organization of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church—the officers and staffing of the board and of its four divisions—the goal toward which committees and conferences and commissions have been working for almost a quadrennium—was consummated in the city of Chicago on July 23 to 25. Despite heat that passed the hundred mark during three days, the meeting of the board was largely attended, its discussions and planning were on a high level, and throughout the sessions there was a high spirit of resolve and of courage to carry on the vast benevolent and missionary program of the Methodist Church in these days of uncertainty throughout the world.

This quadrennial organizational meeting was largely a business session. But there were many moments of high spiritual note as well. When thirty-eight young people, from every section of the country, stood before the altar of Chicago Temple and were commissioned as carriers of the gospel message, in its various expressions, into the remote corners of the world and into needy places in America, was one such moment. When the newly chosen staffs of the four divisions and the officers of the divisions—the men and women upon whom there rests the responsibilities of executive and promotional service the world over—were introduced to the board that had elected them upon nomination of the several divisions, was another such moment. And the periods of intercession and of short addresses and messages by Bishop Arthur J. Moore were other moments that brought the missionary program into its central place in the Christian life of the church.

This new Board of Missions and Church Extension unites into one board missionary and related activities formerly carried on by nine different boards and societies of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the former Methodist Protestant Church. About thirty-five bishops of the church, together with more than one hundred leading pastors, laymen, and lay women from every section of the country, comprise the board. These members were chosen at the Jurisdictional conferences held throughout the country in June and early July. They come from every state and represent more than 8,000,000 members of the church.

Bishop Arthur J. Moore, who has been president of the Board of Missions in the Southland, was elected president of the new board. The presidents of the four divisions are the vice presidents of the board. Dr. Morris W. Ehnes, long associated with the treasurership of the missionary funds of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was elected treasurer.

Bishop Francis J. McConnell, who for twelve years has been president of the Board of Foreign Missions in the former Methodist Episcopal Church, was chosen president of the division of Foreign Missions. Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, for sixteen years corresponding secretary of the former northern board, was chosen executive secretary of this division.

Bishop A. Frank Smith of Texas heads the division of Home Missions and Church Extension. This division chose three executive secretaries: Dr. E. D. Kohlstedt for home missions interests; and Dr. Fred W. Mueller and Dr. Thomas D. Ellis for church extension interests.

The women, who comprise half the non-episcopal membership on the entire board, chose as their president Mrs. J. D. Bragg of St. Louis. They chose four co-ordinate secretaries of the Foreign Department of the Woman's Division of Christian Service; five for the Home Department, and one in the Department of Christian Service.

Dr. J. W. Hawley, formerly president of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Protestant Church, is president of the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation. The executive secretary of this division is Dr. Willard G. Cram of Nashville, formerly general secretary of the board in the Southern Church.

### "DOLLARS AND HUMANITY"

When North Carolina's John W. Hanes resigned as undersecretary of the treasury to which he had been called by President Roosevelt, the latter indicated deep regret because of the severance of these official ties, and exhibited also deep and deserved appreciation and gratitude for the sacrifices Mr. Hanes had personally made in laying down his lucrative private connections in order to engage in this public service for a small compensation.

But now that Mr. Hanes announces his support of Mr. Willkie instead of his former chief for the Presidential nomination, Mr. Roosevelt shows sourness and applies the smear-brush.

"More interested in dollars than in humanity," he now says of "Johnny."

This is not the largeness of mind and spirit that we would properly associate with a man of the President's position and statute.

On the contrary, it is much of the exact opposite.—Editorial in Charlotte Observer.

### "THE WORLD'S LAZIEST TOWN"

Fishville, La.—Yessuh, this is Fishville—the same as people last year started calling the "laziest town in the world." It's been the loafing center of Louisiana for more than 100 years, but folks outside never heard much of it until some newspaper feller who had too much energy to belong here anyway wrote a story about it and put Ed's picture in the paper.

Ed is the mayor. Ed Hawthorn, his name is. And he's the laziest man in Fishville, and that makes him the laziest man in the world. He's been here going on twenty-seven years now, and the only thing he's ever done was fish and gab.

Ed opened a store when he first came out here, after he quit the sawmill business. But he don't run in it now. Mrs. Hawthorn kind of keeps an eye on it, but she don't run it either. The store just runs itself. If you want to buy your lunch over there, you just go in and wait on yourself, and if nobody's there, you just make your own change out of the register. Folks used to tell Ed he would go broke, doing business that way, but he's just kept right on fishing, and hasn't gone broke yet. The wholesale grocery man over in town keeps Ed stocked up with what he needs, without any bother at all.

Lots of people are coming here this year. We're glad to have them, as long as they look like they haven't got anything on their minds but loafing and fishing, and as long as they are not too dressed up. Why, last year, Henry Ford and Mrs. Ford came and Ed says he was just about to ask Mr. Ford to go put on his overalls, when they had to leave anyway. Folks were right interested in that meeting, between the laziest man in the world, and one of the world's most industrious. They got along fine.

Ed didn't get to be mayor by election. Elections are too much bother. We all just called him mayor, and mayor he has been. The only thing he has to see to is that nobody here works, and I could count the offenders on the fingers of one hand if I was of a mind to.—New York Times.

Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the Advocate campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.



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Cordell Hull in his quiet and persistent way has done a great work for the world. The results of the Hayana meeting will appear with the years. A good beginning has been made with the republics of the western hemisphere. Unless all prospects fail the world will delight to honor the name of Cordell Hull for the work begun in 1940.

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The colossal waste of war is scarcely matched by the colossal waste in preparation for war; the sickening waste of both these certainly do not match the sickening consequences that follow the more ruthless and brutal militarism—the blood and death of war ending in hell and damnation. Such is the life and spirit of war when it is finished. One Adolph Hitler calls for many Hitlers.

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For years the Democrats of North Carolina poked fun at the Republicans of this commonwealth because President Taft appointed Judge Connor of Wilson, and a Democrat, as federal judge because, as he said, he could find no Republican fit for the place. Now President Roosevelt has put two Republicans in his cabinet presumably because he could find no Democrat fit for these important posts.

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It is well for the American people to know that the Methodist Church has taken an advanced position as to compulsory military service. It is: "We ask and claim exemption from all forms of military preparation or service for all conscientious objectors who may be members of The Methodist Church. In this they have the authority and support of their church. However, we recognize the right of the individual to answer the call of his government in an emergency according to the dictates of his Christian conscience." With the years this position of the church will assume larger and larger proportions.

The two outstanding hurts of our humanity are war and beverage alcohol. Why should not the men in Christian pulpits crusade against these? Methodist preachers for two hundred years have been true to their calling. Was there ever a time in which the call for such a crusade was more urgent? Men of North Carolina, answer the demands of this hour.

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At the congressional committee hearings on the Burke-Wadsworth bill for peace time conscription, Frederick J. Libby declared the bill "would fill our jails and prisons, not only with young men but with their pastors and with church leaders." Whereupon Senator Sherman Minton of Indiana retorted, "Then we'll build more prisons." This happens in Washington and not in Berlin. Such talk as this by a senator contributes to the increasing number of "conscientious objectors" who know that war is unchristian and they refuse to have anything to do with it. They live under a flag that means to them a land of free men, with a free conscience, able to make reply to God. Conscience is to such more than prison walls.

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Human absurdities can reach the limit. We Americans set out to drink ourselves rich and to buy ourselves rich, so we removed the restraints such as the 18th amendment and many honest business methods; and then along with these ventures we set limits to the yield of the fields and of the flocks so as to get larger returns in cash. Truly, "they that would be rich fall into divers temptations." Just now we would train every man to use a gun and to fly a plane so as to save ourselves by force, although One wiser than we said, "They that take the sword shall perish with the sword." Notwithstanding all these inconsistencies we boast of our great humanitarian leaders and consider ourselves real Christians. Would that all might push aside our absurdities and follow Him who went about doing good.



## The Annual Conference in Transition

ANNUAL conferences in the early days of Methodism did more than hear reports of victories won and get their marching orders to carry on into the new fields of conquests. They renewed friendships, told of their heroic escapes in floods and field, gathered fresh courage and got larger visions for the future. Often they were great in soul saving. Really this was the one occasion in which the itinerants got together. So they spent at least a week in this annual conclave.

These last years this is only one conference among many. The women, the young people and the educators get together often. So there is no need for the time of former years. This last move to assemble between Sundays is all to the good. Entertainment becomes lighter and the pastors can get home and go to work for the new year. We are to try out this new plan in North Carolina this present year. Even though the conferences are larger since union, the care of them will not be more exacting.

Those preachers and laymen who are determined to make a good closing this present year will be eager to get started for the still better year ahead. Remember, one year's work well done makes possible a better one in the future. Most of us have our faces to the sunrise. We are not for the back-look. Forward, to the conquest!

## The Young Carpenter Among His Neighbors

FRANK W. BOREHAM, the gifted Australian essayist, with a few touches of his genius can picture Jesus as a lad who mingled among his neighbors in a way that makes him remarkably interesting to the average man or woman who is busy with daily duties.

Listen to Boreham:

"It is a pleasure to think that Jesus handled money, and handled it as one who loved it and was proud of having earned it. And it is pleasant to think that, later on, he bought tools and timber, sold wagons and yokes and furniture, and built cottages for the villagers of Nazareth. And, all the while, we are expressly told, he grew in favor there. Grew in favor! Was, that is to say, a general favorite! Everybody—young and old, rich and poor—felt a little thrill of gladness when the young carpenter

turned aside to talk to them. They all thought well of him. Those who paid him money felt that he had given them their full money's worth and it was a pleasure to hand him his just reward. And those who took his money felt that they were being adequately and promptly paid; so that, with both classes of people, he was honored and trusted and popular. He had monetary transactions with everybody; but the way in which he charged and the way in which he paid, the way in which he worked and the way in which he rewarded labor rendered to him, endeared him to all the peasant-folk around him."

## Beware of Vaulting Ambition

OH, that vaulting ambition that so often overleaps itself! This lies at the heart of the tragedy of Macbeth. Lady Macbeth is a notable example of this urge. Raymond Clapper the other day, referring to President Roosevelt and the third term, wrote, "The urge to power and glory is an overwhelming thing when it takes hold of a public man." Alas! this applies to more than public men!

The desperately unfortunate feature of this "thing" is that it overwhelms men and women in every walk of life. Those in the high places where the light beats fiercest are the more notable; but the fall is as certain and as deadly for the many aspiring souls in the obscure ways of life. The more tragic does it seem to be for those who are expected to practice the simple virtues of humility and peace. No one will tolerate the treacherous love of place and power in a gospel minister save in one's ownself. Flee ambition is the divine demand of a gospel minister. He assuredly is expected to keep under foot a vaulting ambition. Such a love cherished will lead him to be guilty of disloyalty and duplicity in all the most sacred and tender relations of life. So insidiously does it work that he will prove false whenever it becomes necessary for him to compass his ends. Then even the closest and dearest friendships must go. So there are very few who will lay down their lives for a friend. For this means that self must die that another may live.

Robert Browning in "A Soul's Tragedy" traces the life of Chiappino as he rises toward the height of his moral grandeur to that high moment when he was ready to die for his friend, Luitolfo. Then came the beginning of



his soul's decline when he was willing to claim as his own the honor and glory that was due his friend, Luitolfo. So in that moment of a moral crisis when a man hesitates to take his stand for a friend or for a cause, in that moment he is damned. The inevitable and gradual decline of his soul will certainly end in treachery. Judas is in the making. Vaulting ambition thus leaves its victims scattered all along the pathway of history.

What an overwhelming thing is ambition for place and power or glory! Beware of the disloyal man who satisfies his ambition at the expense of life's dearest relationships.

### Can We Qualify?

WHEN King Arthur enrolled his Knights of the Round Table he made them take the oath to "speak no slander; no, nor listen to it." Diogenes, that quaint philosopher who with a lantern searched the streets for an honest man, when asked what beast was most to be feared replied: "Of wild beasts the backbiter; of tame, the flatterer." Demon is an English term derived from the Greek word for slanderer. God gave as one of his fundamental laws of life, both personal and social: "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor." This is a divine command, not against lying in general, but against lying about other people. The Bible says, "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches," and Shakespeare declares—

"Good name in man or woman, my lord,  
Are the immediate jewels of their souls.  
Who steals my purse steals trash,  
But he that filches from me my good name  
Robs me of that which not enriches him,  
And makes me poor indeed."

Yet there are men and women calling themselves Christians whose daily delight is to blacken the good reputation of other people. Can we qualify for a seat among the Knights at King Arthur's Round Table" because we "speak no slander; no, nor listen to it"?

What is wrong with the Watchman-Examiner, a good Baptist paper published in New York City, that it should carry the following?

Said a monk, as he swung by his tail,  
To the little monks, female and male;  
"From your offspring, my dears,  
In a few million years  
May evolve a professor in Yale!"

### Peace Time Draft a Dangerous Innovation

THE Senate bill for a peace time draft is titled "to protect the integrity and institutions of the United States through a system of selective compulsory military training and service." This title is a misnomer so far as its ultimate results go. For the integrity of this nation rests upon the ancient conviction of our people that in times of peace free men with a free conscience shall be free citizens of this Republic. Under this bill even the conscience of Quakers and of the rapidly increasing hosts of the followers of the Prince of Peace known as "conscientious objectors" who think and feel about war as do the Quakers will be subject to the Department of Justice. All such legal enactments as this is foreign to the spirit and history of this Republic. God save us from any such regimentation.

A few years ago we were told that the War Department has on file every provision for a draft whenever the time comes to act. It would seem this present move for adequate defense is regarded as the propitious hour to strike. The inevitable result will be in this time of peace to make the nation military minded by putting millions of our young men in training camps to render war glorious as they are trained to kill.

If not, why then this present haste for a peace time draft before voluntary enlistment has been tried? Furthermore, the country should have ample time to ponder well this revolutionary move in American life. The Congress certainly should act with care and deliberation in the light of all the facts rather than make hasty response to the plans of the War Department. Think of it. One congressman last week said that all he desired to know was what the army men want.

America is against war and opposed to any system of military training in times of peace that would make us war-minded.

We insist, 1. That the voluntary system of enlistment be fully tried out in the effort for national defense.

2. That Congress give ample time for the American people to give full expression to this revolutionary proceeding in American life.

3. That we be slow to ape the practices we so much despise in other governments—practices that have not saved them from revolution and tyranny.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference (place to be announced) . . . . . Nov. 7**

Dr. M. B. Stokes, Jr., a recent graduate of Boston University and member of the Western North Carolina conference, has accepted a teaching position in the department of philosophy at Illinois Wesleyan University for the year 1940-41.

The debt on the parsonage at Mooresville for these two splendid churches has been paid. This morning at Centenary church the mortgage which has hung over the parsonage was burned. Centenary and Triplett now have a lovely six-room brick parsonage free from debt.—H. L. Powell.

Wastefulness is one of the great faults of the American people. An average European family could probably live on what the average American family wastes. With half the world—not our half, thank God—facing starvation, Americans should conserve every ounce of food from now on.

The last three editions of the Christian Advocate have been the best ever published. There are three fine sermons in the Advocate this week that everyone should read. "I Love the Church" by Bishop Hughes ought to be read in every department of our church school. United Methodism brings us a much better church paper and those who do not take it must become cheated Methodists.—Belmont Park Bulletin.

We closed our revival services at Keener last Sunday night. The interest and attendance were good throughout the meeting. Bill Edon led the singing but was taken sick about the middle of the week. The pastor did the preaching. Rev. Howard M. McLamb, who went out from Keener church, preached the opening night. Twenty were received on profession of faith. The church was revived.—B. H. Houston.

The Olin Methodist church, 15 miles north of Statesville, will observe its 100th anniversary at the home coming on Sunday, August 4. An interesting program has been arranged, including special music by various soloists and groups. The services begin at 11 o'clock. Dinner will be spread picnic style. There will be a short program in the afternoon. All members, former pastors and friends are invited to come and bring filled lunch baskets.—Mrs. W. T. Tatum.

A daily vacation Bible school followed by a series of evangelistic services were conducted by the pastor at the Lucama church for two weeks. Three members were received. The Kenly church school united with other local churches in a vacation Bible school and ten-day revival services, and a number of conversions resulted. The Woman's Division of Christian Service in the Lucama and Kenly churches are doing fine work. Interesting Bible study courses have been held in each place.—E. M. Hall.

The question of missionary motives has been well answered by a Japanese Christian woman who says: "One is not true to himself if he does not share with others what he has, which he considers the true religion." When one begins to question why one has to propagate Christ to others, he shows that he does not have Christ. For the nature of Christianity is such that the motive power of missionary endeavor is the irresistible power welled up from the gratitude toward Christ Jesus. So if one feels that missionary enterprise is a burden, one has to realize that he has not found Jesus Christ yet. Then there is a moral dynamic in Christianity not found in other religions, for the cross of Christ gives a Christian a dynamic to practice it.—Religious Telescope.

Home coming will be observed at Stokesdale Methodist church the third Sunday in August. There will be a morning and afternoon service with picnic dinner. All former pastors, members and friends are cordially invited to enjoy the day with us. This will also be the opening of our revival, conducted by Mrs. C. L. Steidley.

The library of the late D. G. Smith is for sale. It consists of around 250 books in good condition, including Matthew Henry's Commentary, The Expositor's Bible, The Expositor's Dictionary of Texts, Bible Dictionary and many others. Can be bought for fifty dollars. If interested write, or see Mrs. Liller Smith, Denton, N. C.

Two weeks ago you made the statement that Rev. J. T. Stover was the oldest superannuate in the Western N. C. conference. Well, Rev. T. F. McCulloch of Greensboro was 89 years old on July 28. This would make him almost a full year older than Brother Stover. You see it is hard to get ahead of these former Methodist Protestants even in the matter of years.—J. E. Pritchard.

Brother Garland Stafford in gracious words cheers us on after this fashion: "For some time I have intended to write you my 'appreciations' of the splendid editorials that have been appearing on the rural church and rural life in general. The points have been well taken. It is good to know that we have a paper that realizes that the Methodist Church in North Carolina is a rural church. We of the rural church do not make much fuss but we far out number the urban church."

The Pleasant Grove camp meeting on the Waxhaw charge will be held August 11-18. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of Duke University will preach. Rev. John Carper will direct the singing and choir. The memorial program will be on Sunday afternoon, August 11. The Monday night service will be especially for young people. Wednesday will be home coming day. Daily preaching services will be at 10:30 every morning and 8 at night. Mr. Carper will hold a service on week day afternoons for children and young people. A cordial invitation to all is extended as usual.—Norman Huffman, Pastor.

Revival services were held in our church in Boone a short while ago with Rev. R. L. Young of Glen Alpine preaching. The meeting was one of the most effective in reaching all our membership that we have had in several years. Congregations were large and continued to grow to the last night. The deeply earnest and sincere messages which centered about the love and power of Christ turned many hearts anew toward God and gave us all a firmer grip on the realities of the gospel. The church has been greatly rebuilt and the results are continually being manifested.—Paul Townsend.

Two good revivals have just been held on the Fuquay charge. At Cokesbury Rev. R. L. Crossno was the preacher, as he was last year, and the attendance was even better this year than last. A throng of young people came every night to hear him. Adults as well as youth admire his preaching. The results were good. Three young people united with that church on profession of faith at the close of the series. And last night one choice youngster united with the church at Holly Springs, at the close of a most helpful series of meetings during which Rev. D. T. Dale, yet a student in college, did the preaching, and Pate Fish, a Fuquay Springs boy of music talent and ability, conducted the singing. These fine young men won their way into the hearts of young and old. And most certainly they can always look back with most pleasant memories of the week, even if it was the hottest week of their lives. In September we shall conduct revival services at Kipling and Fuquay Springs.—E. C. Durham, Pastor.



During the week of July 7-12 Rev. Ralph Reed of Monroe taught a study course of the book of Romans at Midway church, Kannapolis. Two classes met and 22 received credit for qualified work. Spiritual life and victorious living were the keynotes of the course. The Holy Spirit honored every session and many spiritual blessings were experienced. New converts were established and older Christians were edified. God is with us at Midway and we have received 132 new members since last annual conference, 116 on profession and 16 by certificate.—W. C. Dutton, Pastor.

Miss Kate Hackney, a member of the Southern Methodist Missionary Board, located in China, and a sister of George and Fred Hackney of this city, was here for a visit over the week end. She came to this country the middle of this month for a short visit with relatives. She will return to her duties in Shanghai, China, in September. Miss Hackney, who was accompanied here by her sister, Miss Amy B. Hackney of Asheville, who is district secretary of the Asheville district of woman's missionary work in the Western North Carolina conference, has been located with her work in China since 1915; therefore she is well acquainted with the situation in the Orient.—Lexington Dispatch.

Love Joy Church, Rev. J. H. Trolinger, pastor.—A Children's Day program was given at our church July 14. S. S. Supt. John Galloway led the devotion, after which the children brought a program in songs and recitations. A picnic lunch in the grove was enjoyed during the noon hour. A dialogue and Bible questionnaire was presented in the afternoon. The service was brought to a close with a splendid message by our pastor on "The Life of Job." Sunday school at our church each Sunday morning at 9:45. Preaching each second and fourth Sunday morning at 11. Prayer meeting each first and third Sunday morning at 11. We welcome all in reach of our church.—Mrs. L. L. Russell, Reporter.

Prof. Ralph E. Browns, head of the department of philosophy at Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, has been granted a year's leave of absence to be spent in study under Dr. E. S. Brightman of Boston University. Professor Browns and family will move to Hull, Mass., in August, where he is to serve a church as pastor. During his absence his work will be conducted by Dr. M. B. Stokes, a graduate of Asbury College and the Duke University school of religion. For several years he has served as assistant to Dr. Brightman at Boston University, holding the highest honor the department offers, the post of Borden Parker Bowne Fellow in Philosophy. He has also served as part-time secretary to Dr. Dickinson S. Miller, a well known writer. At the recent commencement he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Boston University. He expects to come to Bloomington for work at the beginning of the school year.—New York Christian Advocate.

We are now holding revival services at Centenary church, Mooresville. Our vacation school closed the second Sunday of July. Fine work was done by the teachers and pupils under the supervision of Mrs. Clarence McLaughlin. Next Sunday morning (fourth Sunday) the mortgage and note on the parsonage is to be burned on the altar at the preaching hour. Our vacation Bible school is to begin on July 29 at Triplett and the revival will be conducted at the same time at that church. Our people have placed a studio couch, a double bed with springs and mattress and a Kelvinator in the parsonage since we moved in last fall. The women have made three pretty quilts and placed them here during the cold winter weather. It is impossible for us to even list all of the fine thoughtful things done for our comfort and happiness during the short months spent here—the poundings, presents, entertainment, etc. It is nothing unusual to answer a call at the door, greet someone there with a load of fine vegetables, a chicken or some kind of meat or good country butter; and at church often good things are placed in our car. Love them? Yes, from the depths of our hearts. And we know that some of God's very best folks are living and working together on this charge. We hope to be able to send in either new or renewals later on.—By Mrs. Powell (for Rev. H. L. Powell, Mooresville).

## NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE ASKED TO MEET IN DURHAM

At the Sunday morning services of the Trinity Methodist church July 28 a gracious invitation was extended to the North Carolina Methodist Conference to meet at Trinity church during the annual conference, November 5-8 inclusive.

The Rev. George W. Perry, pastor of Trinity church, and Dr. W. W. Rankin, chairman of the board of stewards, have conveyed the invitation to the conference committee on entertainment, Col. J. F. Bruton, chairman, and it is fully expected that the invitation will be accepted.

In 1926 the North Carolina conference met at Trinity just after the new church building was completed.

Every Methodist church in Durham through its pastor and official board has agreed to join with Trinity in the entertainment of the conference with its more than 400 ministers and delegates. Much remains to be done before November.

Trinity church is the mother of Methodism in Durham, and has an interesting historic background concerning the founding of this particular communion in this community. With its new edifice and large office space the building is ample for the efficient handling of the conference meetings and committee sessions.

Approximately 450 ministers and delegates are expected to attend the annual conference in November.

## CONFERENCE COURSES OF STUDY

Mr. Hugh H. Harris, the director of our Correspondence School at Emory University, writes me that only eight of the 26 men who are supposed to enroll in the school from the Western North Carolina conference have done so, and that several of these are behind in their work. We take this means of calling attention to this vital matter. Whatever is done must be done soon, as Mr. Harris tells me that it will soon be too late to enroll in the school. Please remember, brethren, that there is no other way to get credit for this work. The committees at conference are not allowed to give examinations on these courses of study. The work must be done through the Correspondence School. All the committees can do is to meet and check the work already done in the Correspondence School.

Below are the committees on the various courses of study and their respective chairmen:

For Admission on Trial: P. N. Garber, chairman, P. E. Lindley, V. A. Morton.

For First Year Conference Course: E. P. Billups, chairman, Frank B. Jordan, W. Q. Grigg.

For Second Year Conference Course: J. B. McLarty, chairman, W. M. Smith, L. P. Barnett.

For Third Year Conference Course: C. G. Hefner, chairman, W. O. Goode, J. C. Groce.

For Fourth Year Conference Course: C. C. Herbert, Jr., chairman, Lee F. Tuttle, J. C. Wilkinson.

The chairmen of these committees will at the proper time make announcement of the time and place of their meetings at the conference.

W. A. Jenkins, Chairman,  
Board of Ministerial Training.

## ANNUAL TEA FOR MINISTERS' WIVES AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

The annual tea honoring the visiting ministers' wives at Lake Junaluska will be Thursday afternoon, August 8, from four until six o'clock at Mission Inn. All visiting bishops' wives, conference officers, missionaries and deaconesses are invited to be in the receiving line. The wives of the Waynesville district will be hostess.

Mrs. Walter Lee Lanier, Chm.



## THOMAS JEFFERSON AND THE THIRD TERM

By Henry Steele Commager, Professor of History,  
Columbia University

Now at last, after three years of conjecture and one of ceaseless debate, the third-term issue is definitely before us. For the first time in our history a major political party has nominated its candidate to a third consecutive presidential term. The opposition to this nomination in the Democratic convention was feeble, but we may be sure that the issue will figure prominently in the forthcoming presidential campaign.

It is proper, therefore, to examine again the third-term tradition. What is it? How did it originate? How has it been observed? What has it meant in past politics and what does it mean today? What is its logic? What are its weaknesses and its strength?

At Chicago, Senator Carter Glass was right in tracing the tradition to Jefferson rather than to Washington. The Father of his Country to be sure, retired after only two terms of office, but his retirement is generally attributed to the fact that he was old and weary, satiated with honors and responsibilities, anxious to return to his plantation on the banks of the Potomac. With Jefferson, however, the principle emerges: preference for rotation in office, fear of indefinite tenure.

When the Constitution was formulated Jefferson confessed to Washington that the "perpetual re-eligibility of the President" might make for life or even for hereditary tenure and deplored the absence of any limitation on the term of the office.

Near the close of his own second term in the Presidency he rejected the suggestion of a renomination and added that "I should unwillingly be the first person who, disregarding the sound precedent set by an illustrious predecessor, should furnish the first example of prolongation beyond the second term of office." And, almost twenty years later, after both Madison and Monroe had voluntarily retired at the end of their second terms, the Sage of Monticello admonished his countrymen: "Should a President consent to be a candidate for a third election, I trust he would be rejected on this demonstration of ambitious views." By 1824, certainly, the third-term tradition was established.—New York Times.

## A MOST UNUSUAL FUNERAL

Funeral service for Mrs. Elizabeth Holt Steele Maynard, in 97th year, was held at Clover Garden Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, July 28. Rev. V. E. Queen, Carrboro, pastor, assisted by Rev. J. A. Thorpe of Swepsonville, superannuate and former pastor, and Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president-emeritus of Greensboro College, relative of deceased, officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

An Alamance county native, Mrs. Maynard was the widow of James Maynard and the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Andrew M. Steele. She was a great-granddaughter of Col. John Steele, hero in the battle of Alamance.

For the past 72 years she had been a member of the Clover Garden church, having been a member of Salem Methodist church, Alamance county, twelve years previous.

She died at 8:45 o'clock Friday night at the home of her son, George L. Maynard, in Orange county.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. J. D. Williams of High Point, and Mrs. F. F. Stowd of Chapel Hill, Route 1; three sons, George L. Maynard, Chapel Hill, Route 1, W. I. Maynard of Greensboro, and J. R. Maynard of Salisbury; 21 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Grandsons were active pallbearers, and granddaughters and great-granddaughters were floral bearers.

The body was taken to the church at 10 o'clock Sunday morning and lay in state until the time of the funeral.

Miss Blanche Stowd, granddaughter, a supervisor in a government hospital, arrived by airplane from Memphis at Greensboro-High Point airport early Sunday morning in time to attend the funeral.

## APPRECIATION OF MRS. R. R. ALLEY

By Dr. S. B. Turrentine

Mrs. Ella Virginia Davis Alley was born in Petersburg, Virginia, October 11, 1864; died in the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, Pittsburgh, Penn., July 23, 1940.

Having moved to Greensboro about 1891 and going to Pittsburgh in 1938, she lived about 47 years in Greensboro.

Among my early and pleasant recollections of Mrs. Alley are those associated with her and family during my pastorate of West Market Street Methodist church in Greensboro, 1900-1904, when I became acquainted with the Alley family. Among the outstanding illustrations of devotion to church was the regular, punctual attendance of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben R. Alley at the Wednesday evening prayer meetings. Such church loyalty was evidenced by attending and supporting other interests of the church.

In the Alley home, near the parsonage, the pastor and family were accorded a warm welcome. Amid the arduous duties of the pastorate such loyalty of church members is essential to a pastor's success and joy.

Of the twenty-seven years of Mrs. Alley's association with Greensboro College as librarian she served in three college administrations: two years with Mrs. Robertson, twenty-two years with myself and three with Dr. Gobbel, closing with voluntary resignation occasioned by declining health.

Already praiseworthy notice has been published in the press regarding Mrs. Alley's honorable service in the woman's missionary society, including life membership in the society, of having been made honorary member of the Greensboro College Alumnae Association, of the dedication to her of the 1939 annual, *The Echo*, as an expression of the love and affection of the Greensboro College students, and also mention of the high appreciation of Mrs. Alley's faithful service indicated in the resolutions of the board of trustees of the college in accepting her resignation at the close of the college's centennial year in 1938.

During her long period of efficient service as librarian of Greensboro College, Mrs. Alley did constructive work in building up the library and magnified her opportunity to promote the welfare of the cause of Christian education represented by the college. Her motherly influence over the students, and her sympathetic interest in the official members and faculty and college community in general, cannot be estimated. Mrs. Alley's untiring solicitude for the welfare of Mrs. Robertson, especially during the closing years of infirmity of the latter, was beautiful.

Being conservatively-progressive, Mrs. Alley exerted a steady, wholesome influence in the machinery of the college progress.

With a happy disposition she rendered radiant the way of life. With kindness she could offer fitting rebuke without sacrificing friendship.

Combining modesty with courage, culture with gentleness and kindness, this elect woman was spared through a gracious providence for many years to benefit the lives of the multitudes, that have arisen to call her name blessed.



### A TRUE BROTHERHOOD TO BE

For preachers to preach brotherhood, and not practice it—too bad!

Here are three ways Methodist ministers might put their brotherhood preaching into practice:

1. When a preacher dies, let all preachers belonging to the brotherhood pay in proportion to salary received: Those receiving \$100 up to \$2000 pay one-tenth of one per cent, i.e., \$1.00; those receiving \$200 and up to \$3000 pay one-fifth of one per cent—\$.20; those who receive \$3000 up to \$4000 pay three-tenths of one per cent—\$.30; and those who receive from \$4000 to \$5000 pay \$.50, and those who receive over \$5000 pay \$.60 at the death of a preacher.

That's practical brotherhood, and would save our preaching from being "sounding brass."

2. Abolish present system of meal tickets at conference, and let every preacher and layman at conference be paid mileage to conference. Begin at 10 miles from seat of conference and pay six cents a mile—\$.60 to one who comes 100 miles and on the mileage scale. One who comes 200 miles gets \$12 on his conference expenses.

This would equalize conference expenses in a real, fair, fraternal way that would give more meaning to his message on brotherhood in the kingdom of God.

3. Abolish present rate of nine per cent on salary of district superintendent, and let each pastor pay in proportion to salary he receives; that is, let pastor who gets \$100 salary pay one per cent to D. S. fund; let preacher who gets \$2000 salary pay four per cent of his salary; let pastor who gets \$3000 salary pay eight per cent; let preacher who gets \$4000 salary pay 10 per cent; and let preacher who gets \$5000 and above that pay 15 per cent of salary received. If this system gets too much for D. S. fund, reduce the scale; if too little, raise it. This gets the money where the money is; and if the state taxes its citizens on some such scale, how can the church excuse itself for a less humane system of taxation?

Let there be less and less talk about salary, and more and more about the salvation of souls and the building of the kingdom in our midst. The carnal minded man who commercializes his ministry does unspeakable damage to the cause of Christ in saving men. When our people get the idea that our ministry is out for the money and that the church is a collecting agency, then the day of doom is here. Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and the Father will see to it that you have bread. If money hangs as millstone around the neck of the ministry, God will cast it into outer darkness. God save the church!

O. P. Ader.

### GOOD NEWS OR BAD?

Much of the news in our favorite daily paper is of a dark and sad and sinister sort—the story of trouble and disaster and sorrow and sin. A man robs a bank, steals a purse, cuts a throat, runs away with his neighbor's wife, and the papers exploit him and his doings with scare-heads and photographs of himself, his great-grandfather and the family's little yellow dog.

News, in the ordinary acceptance of the term, seems to be little other than the detailed account of wrong and evil. Yet there are other things than these that characterize modern life. Life is not altogether vile and depraved. Many are the deeds of kindness, the sacrifices of

love, the achievements of courage, the patience, the forbearance, the sympathy, the helpfulness of heroic souls loving God supremely and their neighbors as themselves.

Why do we, almost vulturelike, choose the revolting and decaying things of life, and turn away from that which is sweet, and pure and good? Centuries ago one said: "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

Do not therefore allow your mind to dwell too long on the foolishness, sensuality and human contentions which fill the day's news. We cannot escape these things for they press on our attention from all sides, but we can pursue uplifting truth.—Watchman-Examiner.

### BUSY YEAR AT GARLAND

This has been one of the busiest years of our ministry. We began this year two new educational buildings for our churches at Antioch and Epworth. These will be completed, paid for and ready for dedication on the second Sunday in September. Each cost approximately \$3600; two-story, Sunday school rooms above, a kitchen and social hall below.

All claims have been presented during the year and we are now in our revival with Brother Victor Hickman, graduate of Duke, assisting. Thus far we have had eight accessions to the church on profession of faith. Our revival services have been well attended and our vacation Bible schools held along with the revivals have been a decided success.

Now this invitation: I would like very much for you to be present for the dedication of the two buildings the second Sunday in September. We are having home coming day at each. We will be at Antioch in Bladen county in the morning, dinner on the grounds; at Epworth in the afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. At latter place we will be served barbecue after service.

All former pastors and members who have moved away from either Antioch or Epworth are cordially invited to return to the old home church and friends on the second Sunday in September.

O. C. Melton, P. C.

### HOME COMING AT WESTFORD

Sunday, August 4, is home coming day at Westford Methodist church, less than three miles from Concord, on the Concord-Charlotte highway. The church was erected in 1907 and at various times additions were made. In 1939 the frame structure was razed, and at present a departmentalized Sunday school and church building of brick is being erected. When completed it will be one of the most modern churches in the rural sections of Cabarrus county.

The present pastor, Rev. T. W. Hager, is in his third year. Under his supervision the new church was started, and he labors daily to complete the structure. Aably assisting Rev. Mr. Hager is C. W. Dabbs, chairman of the board of stewards; J. W. Talbert, Sunday school superintendent and chairman of the building committee; C. E. Gray, secretary, and N. N. McQueen, treasurer of the building committee, as well as other laymen and women of the church.

All former members, pastors and friends are cordially invited to the home coming services next Sunday. The initial service will be Sunday school at 9:45, followed by the home coming address at 11 by J. J. Barnhardt, outstanding leader in church work in the county, dinner at one o'clock, and afternoon song service at 2:30. All are expecting a great day. Former pastors are especially urged to attend.

Roy Christenbury, Cor.

The Federal Council has publicly endorsed and commended to the churches the Red Cross drive for a European War Relief Fund of \$10,000,000, and asked the society to administer relief impartially to all countries.



# Real Issue Involved in Vote on Liquor Stores

The letters ABC which appear on liquor store signs stand for Alcoholic Beverage Control. This does not mean the control of the drinking of alcoholic beverages, but it means the control of the manufacture and sale of such beverages. It is not the county, nor the state, nor the federal government that is seeking this control, but the distillers combine, which has more than a billion dollars capital.

## Therefore, Do Not Vote for Control

In the following statements in the Durham Morning Herald of July 17, 1940, appear some startling figures:

"The Durham county ABC stores sold during the fiscal year of 1939-1940 \$1,223,343.20 worth of intoxicating beverages, an increase of \$191,597.60 over the previous year." Mr. J. H. Harris, county chairman of the ABC board, commented that the amount of the sales and profits were "all out of proportion with the population of the county." It is of interest to note that in the same issue of the paper in which this statement occurs, there appeared six illustrated ads of special brands of liquor. Advertising is designed to increase sales. Thus it is obvious that the ABC stores do not seek to control the drinking of liquor, but rather to increase the sales. The boast of the large sales might be commendable if it were not for the fact that about \$750,000 of these receipts went out of the state to buy the liquor. Who profited by the sales of the ABC stores in Durham county? That much life blood has been sucked out of the veins of the business and industrial life of Durham and the state of North Carolina. Yes, and perhaps 50 per cent of that amount represents unpaid food, clothing and shelter bills.

This situation is not only true in Durham county but wherever there are liquor stores in the state. Last year in North Carolina \$7,000,000 was paid over the counters of ABC stores. Of this amount about \$5,000,000 went to the distributors and distillers of Maryland and Kentucky and elsewhere.

## Who Gets the Revenue?

Johnston county tried the ABC stores for three years and recently voted them out by a majority of 4,000. The following quotation from a letter received from Col. Winfield H. Lyon of Smithfield explains why Johnston county has reversed herself:

"The liquor control stores have not controlled liquor in this county. On the contrary, there has been an increase in the number of convictions, as compiled from a minute examination of the court records by Judge Brooks and me, and the increase in the county courts has been of such a nature that many of the liquor cases were taken directly to the federal courts."

"The tax rate was not reduced by an income of \$100,000 from the liquor stores, but instead of a reduction, our rate has been increased 10 cents for 1940."

No, ABC stores do not check nor control the consumption of alcoholic beverages, nor do they bring added revenue into the treasuries of our government.

In the present financial situation of the country with its ever increasing demands for national defense and relief, assistance to agriculture, public works, pensions to veterans of past wars and to the aged, maternal and child

welfare, and public health work, every cent of private and public income should be used to promote the security and welfare of the individual. We see on the contrary, about \$4,500,000,000 spent annually for the purchase of alcoholic beverages; more than was spent for recovery and relief, and about 80 per cent as much as the federal government spent for all purposes during the fiscal year of 1939.

It is staggering to note the rapidly increasing amount and cost of the consumption of alcoholic beverages. Senator Morris Shepherd in an address before the United States Senate on March 16, 1940, said: "We cannot continue to pour nearly 2,000,000,000 gallons of alcoholic drink every year into the veins of our democracy and expect to retain the vitality essential to the protection and program." Undoubtedly Senator Shepherd in this remark has uttered a truth that ought to be a trumpet call to the American people.

Roger Babson, recognized everywhere as the greatest statistician and one of our great business men and a great student of public affairs, in a recent public address uttered these significant words: "After most careful study, I am convinced that only by crushing the liquor traffic can democracy survive. I go further and say that the American people are now fast approaching the time when the liquor traffic will be running the government."

In confirmation of this prediction, the following Associated Press article dated July 14, 1940, appeared in print, which shows the attempt of the liquor traffic to control national politics:

"Objecting specifically to Secretary Hull, Mr. W. H. Stayton, head of Repeal Associates, urged the Democratic national convention today, 'To avoid the mistake' of nominating an advocate of national prohibition. Stayton said that Hull while a member of Congress, voted for the 18th amendment and that in the 1932 Democratic convention 'he led the dry forces in fighting the repeal plank which was eventually inserted in the party platform.'"

Governor Frank D. Fitzgerald of Michigan said:

"In prohibition days we battled against the illicit maker and distributor. Today our battle is against the licensed distributor whose greed blinds him to his social responsibility. The situation today with respect to the legalized liquor traffic is worse than it was in the darkest days of the saloon."

A recent United States census of county and city jails shows that 51 per cent of the prisoners are there for offenses directly attributed to liquor.

The argument that liquor stores control the drinking of liquor and crime is absolutely untrue and the argument that it would bring added revenue is also absolutely untrue. But that is not the real issue before us. Granted that the liquor stores might control the drinking of liquor, which they do not, and granted that they may bring an increase in revenue resulting in reduced taxes, which they do not, the real issue is not control, nor revenue, nor is it the question of a man's right to manufacture and drink his own liquor; nor is it a question of temperance. Brushing aside all of the disguises and the smoke screens and the subterfuges that are used to hide the real issue, we see revealed an issue of vital importance to every decent and self-respecting citizen.

Some will say that people are going to drink anyway, so why not let the community go into the business and



sell the liquor to them, instead of the bootlegger? When you sell a man a pint of liquor and you know that perhaps he is going home to beat up his family after having spent the money with which he should have bought them food and clothing, and knowing that drink is blasting his life and the lives of those who are near and dear to him, then you become guilty of the grossest kind of a crime. Habakkuk 2:15: "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him and maketh him drunken." Whenever an individual or a group of individuals seek to exploit the weakness, the passions and the appetites of another for their own gain, then they become guilty of the most despicable crime one can be guilty of, and the operating of an ABC store makes every citizen of the community guilty of that crime.

The crime of slavery was its exploitation of human weakness, and men have swept it off the face of the earth. It is the exploitation of human passions that has brought the ban upon the white slave traffic. It is the exploitation of human desire that has brought about our stringent narcotic laws. Our sense of decency makes the very thought of such things obnoxious to us, and yet, when we deliberately cast our vote to open liquor stores in our county to sell liquor to men and women, knowing that three out of every ten who drink liquor become helpless and hopeless addicts, we become guilty of the same offense that the slave trader, the whoremonger and the dope peddler are guilty of—exploiting human weakness and passion for gain.

We are sure that every decent, self-respecting citizen who will think this matter through will not want to become guilty of the exploitation of his fellowmen, and will cast his vote against the ABC stores.

And furthermore, we ask this question:

**"CAN A REAL FOLLOWER OF THE CHRIST HAVE ANY PART IN SUCH A BUSINESS?"**

W. F. West, Chairman,

Organization Against the Legalizing of  
Intoxicating Beverages in Person County.

#### AGAINST MILITARY CONSCRIPTION

A declaration against conscription of our boys for military service has been issued by 240 American leaders, among whom are the following editors, ministers, educators and other leaders:

Dr. F. W. Burnham, pastor of Seventh Street Christian church, Richmond, Va., Dr. Charles F. Boss, Jr., of Chicago, Prof. W. Russell Bowie of Union Theological Seminary, N. Y., Mrs. A. Morris Carey of Baltimore, Md., Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Carhart of Chevy Chase, Md., Prof. Charles A. Ellwood of Duke University, Durham, N. C., Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick of New York City, Paul Hutchinson of Chicago, Ill., Prof. Rufus M. Jones of Haverford College, Haverford, Penn., Dr. William P. King of Nashville, Tenn., Rev. Dow Kirkpatrick of Atlanta, Ga., Prof. Halford E. Lucock of Yale University, New Haven, Conn., Prof. Eugene W. Lyman of Union Theological Seminary, New York City, Dr. Charles A. Maddy of Richmond, Va., Benjamin C. Marsh of Washington, D. C., Dean Elbert Russell of Duke University, Dr. Frederick K. Stamm of Brooklyn, N. Y., Dr. Ernest Fremont Tittle of Evanston, Ill., and Oswald Garrison Villard of New York City.

#### THE WINDOW WITH THE WIDE OUTLOOK

They called him Limpy because he has a short leg. He is one of the old school, and looks upon the new-fangled mechanism that fills repair shops in town with undisguised contempt. Crusty and opinionated, he is something of a sage. Sitting there with his spectacles on the end of his nose, he is the typical country cobbler, except that his views are of a conservative cast.

But it is not old Limpy, I would have you observe, but his window. It looks out over the sea. Beyond those sand-grasses that wave in the foreground lie the vast unsleeping waters, with sails that gleam in the sun, and, on the far horizon, the smudge of a steamer's smoke. Limpy may have a tiny workshop, but it has a glorious outlook. Not that he may often give it much attention; we mortals are apt to ignore great things at hand. There is, nevertheless, a dreaminess about his grey eyes which betokens some commerce with far spaces.

Life for everyone is rather like old Limpy's hut. We are hemmed in by circumstances, and spend much of our time in little tasks. Few of the things we do appear to be of cosmic importance. The world, we think, would still go round even if our hands were slack. Perhaps, like Limpy, we mend shoes, or sell sugar over a counter, or add up columns in a ledger, or prepare meals for a somewhat fastidious family. And as these things are so necessary and so near, we can scarcely be blamed if we forget the view that may be had through the window. For there is a window in every life that opens out upon the infinite. God is always close at hand. Glimpses of his glory may be caught at any time and in any place, however humble that place may be. Our little hut is pitched on the edge of the limitless sea; and if our engrossment in common things renders us oblivious to it, the fault is ours, as also is the loss.

A barber I know has shaved chins in the same little shop for 35 years. Think of it—half a lifetime doing that, there! But he has a garden, and when he starts talking about roses—well, unless you watch he will get so absorbed that when your haircut is accomplished you will look as if you had been in jail. Life for him is never dull. Beauty, which is of God, shines in upon him, transfiguring a lowly task. What seems trivialities are seen in the light of the infinite to have a place in the purposes of God. What seem impossibilities become commonplaces when done in his power.

Old Limpy was once a sailor. That is why he still lives on the edge of the sea. He has often been heard to say that some day he will go back to it again. Like a caged eagle, he would fly away over the sea's rim towards the dawn. We are apt to settle down in time as if we were permanent residents. Then we wonder at our disquietude. Hungry, we cry out for something more satisfying than pearls. The hour arrives when the best things this life can afford become as discarded toys. We realize ourselves to be travelers who must pass on, embarking upon the sea that breaks at the door of our little hut. And, gazing through the window, we dream already of the glory that awaits us beyond the restless tide.—A. J. Edwards, in the Methodist Recorder, London.

The greater submission, the more grace; if there be one hollow in the valley lower than another, thither the waters gather.—Bishop Hall.



## HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

The heat wave has hit us here, as elsewhere, and our gardens and corn fields look a bit sick. But rain will come one of these days and refresh them.

Vacation time is nearly over with our children for the summer and most of them are getting back. Dentists and throat specialists have been setting teeth and throats in order.

### Finances

Since plans are already being worked out among the Methodists for the entertainment of the Western North Carolina conference, our attention is sharply called to the shortness of time before conference convenes. We must get in several thousand dollars before conference or not have our budget balanced. So we are this week sending out letters to former Methodist Protestant pastors and Sunday school superintendents asking for their most earnest co-operation for these three months. The following is a copy of the letter:

Our Dear Friends:

This conference year is fast coming to a close. We have not had the Herald through which to reach our people this year; the summer slump in offerings has come as usual this year, except worse; so we are running behind financially. We want so much to go to conference with a balanced budget. Hence, this urgent appeal.

For many reasons it does not seem fitting to try to hold the regular home coming day exercises this year. So instead of inviting you here as usual, we are asking that you, every one of you, send us a special offering, as well as your regular offerings for the next three months, and thus help us to go to conference with a balanced budget.

Count the offering you would make for Home Coming Day, the box of dinner you would gladly bring, and the cost of gasoline you would use to bring you here, and then chip in a bit extra and send it along to us for the support of these children.

In former years we have gone to conference with a deficit and have depended upon your Thanksgiving offerings to pay us out; but this time we must pay up by conference. We need, so badly, a special offering from every former Methodist Protestant church in both conferences to take the place of the regular home coming offering. Surely no church will fail us in this.

Somebody must see that this is done or it will not be done. So we are sending these letters to pastors and Sunday school superintendents, asking that they present this to the people for us.

We haven't any other way to give your people a chance to help us in this needy and worthy cause. So if you fail us we can but suffer. Because of the very circumstances under which we labor this is a very urgent call.

With only good wishes for all of you, and thanking you most sincerely for your deep interest and your good help during these many years, and praying God's richest blessings upon each of you, I am,

Yours in His blessed service,

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

A few have already anticipated and sent this home coming offering, and we appreciate that. We have many friends throughout the state who have helped and who will help with the work here. Thank you, and God bless you.

## FORTUNATE PFEIFFER COLLEGE

Receipt of \$115,000 from G. A. Pfeiffer of New York City, to be added to the endowment fund of Pfeiffer Junior College at Misenheimer was announced last week by Dr. W. S. Sharp, president of the Methodist school at Misenheimer.

Mr. Pfeiffer is president of the William R. Warner Company in New York City. He is a brother of the late Henry Pfeiffer and Mrs. Pfeiffer of New York City, philanthropists, whose liberality has made Pfeiffer Junior College one of the best equipped small colleges in North Carolina.

Added to the endowment of \$150,000 made by Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer and \$25,000 made by G. A. Pfeiffer several months ago, the contribution brings the total endowment of the college to \$290,000.

The contribution brings the total of Pfeiffer philanthropies to the institution to \$790,000. Begun several years ago by the late Henry Pfeiffer, the financial backing of the school was continued by Mrs. Pfeiffer after her

husband's death, and as a result the college stands today with one of the best physical plants to be found in any junior college in the state. Co-educational, the college meets the needs of young men and women largely from the piedmont section of North Carolina, many of whom would not otherwise have had the benefit of college training. By using a system of combined work and study, students are able to attend Pfeiffer at a surprisingly low cost, at the same time learning a vocation and absorbing the liberal arts.

## JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

### SCHEDULE OF SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES

|                                                                                               |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Camp Cheonda (Intermediates) .....                                                            | July 10-Aug. 7  |
| Junaluska School of Religion, Affiliated with Duke University (Education Building) .....      | July 15-Aug. 24 |
| School of Missions (Mission Inn) .....                                                        | July 23-Aug. 6  |
| Missionary Conference .....                                                                   | July 30-Aug. 6  |
| One-Week Leadership School, Merged with W.N.C. School for Christian Workers (Ed. Bldg.) ..... | July 30-Aug. 6  |
| Pastors' Conference .....                                                                     | Aug. 6-11       |
| Two-Weeks' Leadership School .....                                                            | Aug. 8-22       |
| Camp Cheonda (Seniors) .....                                                                  | Aug. 9-23       |
| Inspirational Week, with Broomfield and Hughes .....                                          | Aug. 21-Sept. 1 |

### Junaluska Program

Sunday, August 4—"In Lands Afar."

- 11:00 a. m.—Sermon ..... Bishop Arthur J. Moore
- 3:00 p. m.—Home Missionaries and Deaconesses.
- 8:00 p. m.—"News from the Front" (An evening with our missionaries).

Monday, August 5, 10:30 a. m.—Forum—Led by Dr. A. W. Wason, with the use of missionaries who have served in war zones, "How Christian Missions Will Stop War."

- 8:00 p. m.—Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen, "A World Christian Community."

Tuesday, August 6, "The Ecumenical Movement—A Challenge."

- 10:30 a. m.—Forum—Led by Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen, "The World Mission of Christianity."
- 8:00 p. m.—Dr. Edgar S. Brightman, Address, "An Airplane View of Philosophy of Religion."

Wednesday, August 7, 9:00 a. m.—Dr. Arthur W. Hewitt.

- 11:00 a. m.—Dr. Edgar S. Brightman (Open Forum).
- 8:00 p. m.—Dr. Burris Jenkins.

Thursday, August 8, 9:00 a. m.—Dr. Burris Jenkins.

- 11:00 a. m.—Dr. Arthur W. Hewitt (Open Forum).
- 4:00-5:30 p. m.—Tea by Ministers' Wives of Western North Carolina Conference at Mission Inn.
- 8:00 p. m.—Dr. Edgar S. Brightman, Address, "Religion and Totalitarianism."

Friday, August 9, 9:00 a. m.—Dr. Arthur W. Hewitt.

- 11:00 a. m.—Dr. Burris Jenkins (Open Forum).
- 8:00 p. m.—Dr. Arthur W. Hewitt, Bishop W. W. Peele, Address, "Major Objectives of Methodism."

Saturday, August 10, 8:00 p. m.—Drama, "Prisoner at the Bar" (As presented at Uniting Conference in Kansas City).

- 9:00 p. m.—Personal Moving Picture, "Junaluska and Environs," with pictures made and presented by Mr. J. M. Stackhouse.

### The Waynesville Township School Band

It is with pleasure that the Lake Junaluska Assembly announces a broadening of its program of entertainment to be offered its patrons this season. Such outstanding days as Haywood County Day, Duke Day, the day of the Boat Pageant, and other occasions will be further increased in their general interest by the presence of the newly organized 100-piece Waynesville Township School Band. Although this is the first Concert Season of the band, it has made amazing progress under the directorship of L. T. New, as evidenced by the willing and enthusiastic support of the citizens of Waynesville and Hazelwood in raising funds to support and properly equip it. Mr. New is no stranger among friends of the Assembly, because for the last three seasons he has rendered a valuable service through his association with Mr. Walter Vassar's Choir as bass soloist.



### REV. W. C. MERRITT: AN APPRECIATION

The great English preacher, Dr. J. H. Jowett, once said that a Christian preacher had to do something sensational in order to make the newspaper headlines. That the work of teaching little children, giving courage to men and women who were carrying heavy loads, and comforting the old did not make good copy. When I read that I was reminded of a statement which my first presiding elder made to me. He said, "After you have left a charge the people will soon forget what you said, but they will always re-



Rev. W. C. Merritt

member the kind of a man you were." After telling us of a number of people who through faith worked wonders, the writer of Hebrews refers to a great unnamed multitude who through faith subdued kingdoms, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in the fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Perhaps some day some great poet will give us a picture of the unnamed heroes of the Cross. Rev. W. C. Merritt was not a sensational preacher, his work did not often make good newspaper copy, and I imagine that the people he served have already forgotten most of his sermons; but they will never forget that noble face which reflected his Christian character, and his pure, sympathetic heart.

Brother Merritt was superannuated in 1937. After conference he moved to Durham and he and his family identified themselves with Duke Memorial church. Until his recent sickness he was a regular attendant upon all of our services. His presence was always an inspiration to me personally, he was so interested and sympathetic in all the church was trying to do. When he was called upon to pray we felt that one was speaking to God in our behalf who was on good terms with him. From his words and the emotion in his voice we knew he was not speaking to be heard of men. He had a silent influence in this congregation of which I am sure he was not aware.

Brother Merritt joined the conference in 1893 and was sent to Roper as his first charge. It was there that he met Miss Mary Woodley, to whom he was married in the fall of 1895. Mrs. Merritt has played a great part in the work which they have done together. Their work has not all been easy, nor has their salary ever been high. They managed to live within their income and educate their four children who are following their parents in Christian service. They are Woodley Closs, Julia Woodley, Ruth Willard, and Mrs. O. M. Hedrick.

I feel a great personal loss because I had learned to love and appreciate him for what he was. He was pure and clean, he was sincere and genuine. I can say nothing better but I wanted to say that. As Dr. Plyler said at the funeral, "we are not weeping in defeat, we are rejoicing in a victory." He showed that a man can live a Christian life in a troubled world. He fought a good fight, he kept the faith and has now gone to wear a crown of life.

H. C. Smith.

### THE BIBLE

It seems as if to the feet of the sacred writers the mountains had brought all their gems, and the sea all its pearls, and the gardens all their frankincense, and the spring all its blossoms, and the harvests all their wealth, and heaven all its glory, and eternity all its stupendous realities; and that since then poets and orators and painters had been drinking from an exhausted fountain and searching for diamonds amid realms utterly rifled and ransacked.

Oh! this book is the hive of all sweetness, the harmony of all well-tempered weapons, the tower containing the crown jewels of the universe, the lamp that kindles all other lights, the home of all majesties and splendors, the steppingstone on which heaven stoops to kiss the earth with its glories, the marriage ring that unites the celestial and the terrestrial, while all the clustering white-robed multitudes of the sky stand round to rejoice at the nuptials. This book is the wreath into which are twisted all garlands, the song into which hath struck all harmonies, the river of light into which hath poured all the great tides of hallelujahs, the firmament in which all suns and moons and stars and constellations and galaxies and immensities and universes and eternities wheel and blaze and triumph.

Where is the youth with music in his soul who is not stirred by Jacob's lament, or Nathan's dirge, or Habakkuk's dithrambic, or Paul's march of the resurrection, or St. John's anthem of the ten thousand times ten thousand doxology of elders on their faces, answering to the trumpet blast of archangel, with one foot on the sea and the other on the land, declaring that time shall be no longer?—Tahnage.

### ORGANIZATION OF METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATION

The Board of Publication began its sessions on Thursday morning, July 25, in Chicago, electing William H. Swiggart, chairman; Troy W. Appleby, vice chairman; Charles E. Schofield, secretary.

Ben A. Whitmore and Fred D. Sone were elected publishing agents. Dr. Whitmore was nominated by Stanley O. MacMullen and Dr. Stone by Angie Smith.

Dr. Roy L. Smith, pastor of the First Methodist church, Los Angeles, was elected editor of The Christian Advocate. He is the author of several books and has had considerable experience in the field of journalism.

At the time of the board meetings the Methodist Press Association, formed as a result of a resolution passed by 24 Methodist editors at Atlantic City, May 2, had two meetings.

At the first meeting in Chicago, July 24, a constitution setting forth the purposes of the association was adopted. The aim is "to promote the interests of the periodicals and other publications of The Methodist Church, by providing opportunity for fellowship and interchange of views among those engaged in managerial work in connection with Methodist publications."

These officers were elected: Dr. F. K. Gamble of Birmingham, president; Dr. Richard L. Shipley of Baltimore, and Dr. Lucius H. Bugbee of Cincinnati, vice presidents; Dr. T. Otto Nall of Kansas City, secretary-treasurer.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### REMEMBER SUPPLIES

Are we remembering the needs of our supply department, and remembering them, are we actively supporting its causes? We are urged to help with supplies in our own and nearby conferences: The Student Center at East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, N. C., our rural deaconess, Miss Ruth Brooks, Rt. 1, Woodsdale, N. C., Bethlehem House, Winston-Salem, N. C., and Vashti School, Thomasville, Ga. At our student center there is an immediate need for donations of money with which to purchase furniture to replace that owned by Miss Zoa Anna Davis, who is leaving to begin work in her native state of Texas. Send articles of supplies directly to the institutions; send money for the Student Center to Mrs. J. C. Wooten, Greenville. We are also asked to help in furnishing refrigeration in China. Send funds for this cause to Mrs. W. L. Knight, Weldon, N. C., conference superintendent of supplies. Be sure that reports of articles and money in the department of supplies are sent to Mrs. Knight.

### NEW PROGRAM MATERIAL

The last week in August, Literature Headquarters will mail copies of "Investing Our Heritage," the new program material, to conferences for distribution to societies. "Investing Our Heritage" is being published in two books, one containing twelve worship services and the other material for twelve talks or presentations. One copy each will be sent free to each society of the former M. E. Church, South, and extra copies may be secured from Literature Headquarters, 712 Church Street, Nashville, Tenn. Prices: Book of Worship, 10 cents; Program Material 20 cents. A world map, an essential aid, showing the stations supported by the societies of the new Methodist Church can be secured by the former societies of the M. E. Church, South, for 25 cents, this price available to them only because the Woman's Missionary Council has borne a portion of the expense of having them made. We are asked to begin using "Investing Our Heritage" in September, setting aside the present material, "Great Adventurers." It is most important that all societies concur with these plans, thus helping to create the spirit of union to the highest degree.

### THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

Meeting in Chicago last week, bishops, pastors and laymen perfected the organization of the new Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church. The new board will carry on the Home and Foreign Mission work formerly managed by nine boards of societies before the unification of the three branches of Methodism. Bishop Arthur J. Moore is president of the new board which will in-

clude four divisions, namely, Division of Home Missions and Church Extension Division of Foreign Missions, Division of Education and Cultivation and Woman's Division of Christian Service. The Woman's Division of Christian Service will be headed by Mrs. J. D. Bragg, St. Louis, Mo., president; Mrs. J. W. Mills, Tyler, Texas, vice president; Mrs. Fred Lamb, Kansas City, Mo., recording secretary, and the following secretaries: Foreign Department, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. Velma Maynor, Richmond, Va.; Miss Elizabeth Lee, Pittsburgh, Penn.; Mrs. Otis Moore, Brandon, Iowa; Home Department, Miss Muriel Day and Miss Grace Steiner, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Robert Stewart, Secaucus, N. J.; Miss Margaret Young, Mrs. J. W. Downs, Miss Lora Pederson and Miss Thelma Stevens, all of Nashville, Tenn. Headquarters for the Board of Missions and Church Extension will be in New York.

### "WAYS OF PRAYING"

Mrs. Nettie deFord, Four Oaks, N. C., suggests: "Ways of Praying," a timely leaflet of Muriel Lester, brings us to realize a more desperate need of prayer to strengthen our church and our own spiritual lives that we may increase our faith and mean more to our homes, church and community. This leaflet furnishes rich thought and meditation for our spiritual life groups and many of them should find their way into the homes of our spiritual life members to be used in meditation and effective prayer. They may be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn."

### BRAZILIAN SCHOOLS MARCH ON

Miss Mary Sue Brown, missionary to Brazil, writes: "When in 1881 Miss Martha Watts, our first woman missionary to Brazil, opened a school for girls in Piracicaba she was able to enroll only three pupils during the first year. The three girls were from the poorest class of people and came not because they desired an education but because Miss Watts paid their mothers a small monthly sum of money. What a long distance Brazil has come since that day! Gradually the public mind in Brazil has come to understand that woman can and should receive an education comparable to that offered men, and as a result standard schools for girls under government supervision are numerous and higher education for Brazilian women is taken for granted.

### MISSIONARY SUPPLIES SAFE

An item in a recent edition of the News and Observer states that Japanese plans have bombed the port of Hingwa, 70 miles south of Foochow, inflicting severe damage. Seven thousand tons of American missionary supplies were reported safe.

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## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### NEW LITERATURE FOR THE NEW SOCIETY YEAR

The Missionary Bulletin of August calls attention to the fact that the new literature for the new Society of Christian Service of the new Methodist Church is now available at Literature Headquarters, 712 Church Street, Nashville, Tenn. Investing our Heritage is being presented in two booklets; one contains the 12 worship services and the other, material for 12 talks or other types of programs. The book of worship material is 10 cents; the book of program 20 cents. No special rates for quantities are offered.

A world map showing the stations supported by the missionary societies of the new Methodist Church may be secured for 25 cents only by the societies of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The regular price is 50 cents. This map is very necessary in the presentation of the 1941 programs. It is necessary that cash accompanies the orders for this literature.

### WOMEN OF FORMER METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH HOLD FINAL MEETING

The following item of news is sent us with request that we publish:

"Approximately 170 delegates and 12 ministers from all over North Carolina gathered at Calvary Methodist church in Greensboro, Tuesday, July 16, for the final quarterly meeting of the North Carolina Branch of Woman's Work of the former Methodist Protestant Church.

With Mrs. R. M. Andrews, president, in the chair, the women made their last reports, heard several speakers and considered their new set-up under the unified Methodist organization.

Miss Pauline Smith of Nashville, Tenn., a deaconess of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, told of the duties of a deaconess and explained her own particular work in a settlement house in Nashville.

Miss Josephine Dameron, for many years a missionary in Korea, spoke of the activity in that foreign field up to the end of her service in 1932.

Dr. L. B. Hayes, superintendent of the Greensboro district of the Methodist Church, conducted the devotional service and Keith Bowman sang. A seminar on the new set-up for the activities carried on by the woman's work, was led by Mrs. W. C. Hammer of Asheville. Luncheon was served by the women of Calvary."

### LENOIR MISSIONARY SOCIETY IN SPECIAL PROGRAM

At the regular meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of First church, Lenoir, on Monday, July 15, an interesting and timely patriotic program was given.

The church parlor was decorated for the occasion with baskets and bowls of red, white and blue summer flowers.

Two red and blue bowls of small flags were on the mantel and a large floor flag stood by the president's table. Mrs. Fred Hoover, chairman of international relations and world peace of the department of Christian Social Relations, and Mrs. B. F. Williams, superintendent of the department, had planned the program and it was well carried out to the minutest detail.

Misses Bettie Harris and Ann Ingram, attractive daughters of two of the society officers, rendered the music. Miss Ingram used Handel's Largo as quiet music, and Miss Harris sang Luther's great hymn, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," as a solo after the call to worship by Mrs. George Greer, president.

Mrs. Mark Goforth gave a most inspiring meditation using as her topic, "All One Body We," and used as an illustration Kipling's "The Ship That Found Herself."

Mrs. Hoover in a few choice words introduced Rev. Claude Moser, the pastor, as speaker for the afternoon, naming as his subject, "Peace in a World of Force." Eighty women listened attentively for 30 minutes to this gifted speaker, who spared no time in thinking out his subject matter, presenting it so earnestly and intelligently that the women were of one mind in thinking it one of the most outstanding lectures to which they have had the privilege of listening.

Following the program, the usual business session was held, at the close of which the audience stood while Miss Betty Harris, with Miss Ann Ingram at the piano, sang "God Bless America." The chorus was repeated with all singing and using this as a closing prayer. Souvenirs of the meeting we small sheets of paper on which was pasted a small flag and with the chorus of "God Bless America" written thereon.

### THE METHODIST HOME JOURNAL

The church has long desired and dreamed of a great religious home journal—worthy of Methodism. The World Outlook is to be that magazine. On and after September 1, 1940, the World Outlook will be the general missionary periodical of the united Methodist Church. Until that time it is the organ of Southern Methodism, and is regarded as one of the notable contributions of the former Southern Church to united Methodism.

The editors and friends of the World Outlook want it to go into its new and larger relationship with colors flying with the largest possible number of friends and readers. The pastors are asked to present it to their congregations this summer and secure as many subscribers as possible. A colorful folder and envelopes will be provided for the subscriptions without cost. While the pastors are asked to respond to this special, the women will not relax their efforts.

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### AWAY THEY WENT

Saturday was a great day with us. About 300 of our children went somewhere. They were up early and were chattering with excitement. Some went by bus and some went by train, but most of them went by automobile. Little John Wesley Crayton took his first bus ride, going all the way to Hendersonville on his own. A wire received late in the afternoon from Miss Mary L. Godfrey, representing his sponsors, stated that he arrived safely. In fact, all are presumed to have arrived safely. They got a good start and that was worth something. For two weeks our children will be visiting friends and relatives, talking a lot and learning a lot.

### ONE HUNDRED AND ONE

This scribe has just returned from Camp Fellowship, over on the Catawba river, 60 miles away. He drove a bus load of chattering and singing youngsters. They talked and sang all the way, seeming to gain momentum as they drew near the camp site. On arrival they, like those in three other vehicles, 101 all told, jumped out of the bus with their roll of quilts and clothing and made way to their bunks where they stretched out for a while. To be sure, some of the boys were soon on the river brink, not waiting to carefully arrange their things. Guy Townsend was the first to fall in the river, coming rather sheepishly back to the camp house, dripping wet, for a change of clothing. The campers will have a great week of it under the direction of Coach Bill Murray and his staff of helpers, among them being Leonard Darnell, the Duke football star.

### BY THE BRANCH

Only about one-fourth of our children were left Sunday for our Sunday school services. The others had gone and those left were waiting for Monday to come, when they could go. When Sunday school time came it was thought well to have the service out in the open. The juniors and intermediates, those with whom this scribe hobnobs, went down to one of the branches running through our place, where the water runs rather precipitately over a ledge of rocks, and there they settled by the stream. We talked about many things but mostly about how Jesus and his disciples walked through the fields and forests and down by the branches. Most of the discussion centered around some of the things that they remembered Jesus said when he was sitting down talking to his friends. As the discussion went along Dayton Crews climbed a tree and the youngsters called him Zacchaeus. Johnnie Rudder got to splashing

his feet in the water and they called him John the Baptist. Edgar LeFever rambled around so much that they decided there was no Bible name fit for him. But we had a good time down by the branch for quite a little while. Then arising we went father down through the pasture and crossed over on a log that had fallen across the stream, and then up by the vineyard, where each youngster was privileged to get all the grapes that could be held in the hands. We went from our religious meeting with some food for the stomach, but doubtless there was some food for the soul. The children think they would like to have another service down by the branch.

### LAUGHING WITH TEARS

Little Mary Neil Wagner, eight years old, is slightly sick in our infirmary. She became indisposed two days before she was to go away on vacation. Saturday came and with it the vacation going time. Saturday was far spent and her two older brothers were away with relatives. Little Mary Neil was in a ward in the infirmary by herself. One coming in found her smiling, but in the midst of that habitual smile were tears this time. She wanted to know whether she could go away when she got well. And she wanted to know, further, when she was going to get well. In the midst of all her wonder she smiled while tears trickled down from her eyes. A fellow finds himself pulling for little Mary Neil to get well, and to get well quickly, so that she may join her two brothers on the visit they have looked forward to for weeks and months.

### AUGUST SCHEDULE

All of July that could be spared for the purpose was spent in finding new homes for those of our children who could be well placed. Thirty-five of our youngsters have gone to live elsewhere. We will keep in touch with them. A good part of August will be spent in trying to determine how many can be accepted of the large number applying for admittance into the Children's Home. A good deal of work is involved and a good deal of discrimination will be called into use in trying to come to right conclusions. This is no fitting time for a vacation when, by working, the needs of underprivileged children may be in a measure supplied.

### TO SUMMER SCHOOL

Several members of our staff have been going to school this summer. Miss Sarah Richardson, principal of our elementary school, is taking two sessions at Duke summer school. William Edwards, another of our teachers, is spending the entire summer at Appalachian State Teachers College. Wilburn Clary, director of athletics and teacher in our school, spent one term at Appalachian State Teachers College and is now attending the Duke coaching school where, along with his two associates, William Edwards and James Malcolm, he will get the pointers he can from Coach Wallace Wade. Brady Angell and Sturgis Phillips, our master farmers, are taking a week's course in farming at State College at Raleigh. Miss Ruth Hunter, one of our choice home mothers, is taking a three weeks' course in the Duke summer school for orphanage workers. Right now practically everybody is away from the Children's Home learning how to do better work when they come back, except a few of us who have to stay by the stuff.

### SOME NEW FRIENDS

The members of Midway Methodist church, Kannapolis, formerly "Northern Methodist," are building a beautiful and well adapted new church, paying for it as they go. Their hearts are full of determination and their hands are full of work. As they build for themselves they contribute to the needs of others. J. W. Clayton, superintendent of the church school, writes as follows: "I am sorry to be late in sending our fifth Sunday offering, but I guess you can use it now. I think you all are doing a splendid work at the Children's Home. We all are behind the work you are doing and are praying that this will be the best year in the history of the Home. We hope to send more next fifth Sunday."

### OUR OLDER GIRLS

We took a number of pictures of our family groups in the early spring, following a request from Rev. N. E. Davis, executive secretary of the General Board of Methodist Hospitals and Homes, that we supply some pictures of our children for displaying in the exhibit room at the General Conference at Atlantic City. These pictures were taken and were put on display, receiving  
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The James A. Gray Building family is interesting



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**COAL BINS BEING FILLED**—As usual we are getting in our winter supply of coal during the summer months. At this season of the year we can buy our coal cheaper than during the winter months. While school is out our boys have more time to haul the coal and fill the bins. Paying for our winter supply of coal has just about exhausted our operating funds. Our pastors, churches and Sunday schools will confer a great favor on the Methodist Orphanage by dealing as generously as possible with us.

**HOT SPELL**—Our boys and girls displayed a fine spirit in meeting their responsibilities during the hot wave of last week. The farm, dairy, kitchen, dining room, laundry and household duties were carried on without complaint. The swimming pool was the center of activities during the recreational hours. Our boys and girls are most fortunate in having duties to perform and obligations to meet. Stalwart character can not be developed without rendering service. While many boys and girls are loafing during the summer and often getting into mischief, our children's time and energies are wisely directed along constructive lines. Work and recreation are great factors in the building of strong characters.

**VACATION**—Most of our children will have a week's vacation during the last half of this month. A large group will leave the 18th of August and return the 25th of August. The second group will leave August 25 and return September 1. As a rule ninety-five per cent of our children are greatly helped by a short vacation among friends and relatives. Occasionally a few of the children return homesick and dissatisfied due to the fact that so many things are done for them that leads them to think they would have a good time indefinitely if they did not return to the Home. It doesn't take but a few days or a week or two for them to become adjusted and satisfied again.

**PRIVILEGES**—Last week Mrs. Mary Y. Allred assigned all the girls to serve in different capacities in the home. We used to say that "duties" were assigned to the children, but now we call them "privileges." It is a privilege to fill any place of trust in our home however hard the assignment may be. So far I have heard of only one girl

being disappointed and an adjustment has been made in her case. I have every reason to believe that we are going to have the smoothest sailing in all of our activities than we have ever had before. Our children have a will to work, to study and take advantage of the opportunities that are theirs. I am delighted to see our children so eager to make the most of their opportunities.

My Dear Friends:

For the past 12 years it has been indeed a privilege and pleasure to be a member of the family of this, my Methodist home. I can truly say that I have thoroughly enjoyed every year of my living here. It would be quite impossible for me to express my deep and sincere appreciation on paper for the wonderful opportunities that have come my way, but I would like to try and thank a few special friends who have done so much to make my life here happier.

To the teachers and cottage mothers of the home, I wish to express my appreciation for your love and guidance toward the higher things of life. You have been a real inspiration to me. As long as I live I shall cherish fond memories of you.

To each member of the ladies' aid society of the Methodist church in Siler City, do I wish to express my appreciation for your kindness to me. I have enjoyed wearing the clothes you have sent to me twice a year. I hope that some day you may be proud of me, for I shall earnestly try to live up to all the highest standards of life.

Kind thoughts and sincere "thank you" from an appreciative heart goes to the doctors of the home, for your care for me in sickness.

Last but not least, to my daddy, Mr. Barnes, and the board of trustees, I wish to express my love, appreciation and thankfulness to you for this wonderful home in which I have lived. To Mr. Barnes I wish to say that you have been a real father to me and I shall always keep a sheltered spot in my heart for you. You are the one who has made me what I am today and what I hope to be in years to come. I shall always hold my head high and be proud to say the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh was my home.

**THE SEA GULL**  
By Mary Wilder Pease

He knows the ways of winds and ships,  
The pools where fishes hide;  
The place to build his scanty nest  
Above the rising tide.

He knows the strength of his two wings,  
More beautiful by far  
Than any sail our eyes can trace  
Beyond the harbor bar.

He knows that he can ride a wave  
And on its silvery crest  
Remain secure as lark or wren  
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A NINE-MONTHS' REPORT OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE

October 9, 1939-July 13, 1940

Asheville District

|                            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Acton, Acton               | 10.00  |
| Oak Hill                   | 2.91   |
| Asheville, Asbury Memorial | 3.76   |
| Biltmore                   | 32.41  |
| Central                    | 178.06 |
| French Broad               | 1.00   |
| Haywood St.                | 80.52  |
| Oakley                     | 7.00   |
| Black Mountain             | 12.22  |
| Fairview, Fairview-Sharon  | 4.85   |
| Flat Rock, Edneyville      | 1.00   |
| Flat Rock                  | 3.03   |
| Hendersonville             | 18.61  |
| Hot Springs, Fairview      | 7.67   |
| Laurel-Barnardsville—      |        |
| Bright Hope                | 1.87   |
| Laurel                     | .55    |
| Mt. Pleasant               | 1.12   |
| Leicester-Bell, Bell       | 2.31   |
| Highland                   | 2.64   |
| Leicester-Grace, Grace     | 10.96  |
| Marshall                   | 9.80   |
| Mills River, Avery's Creek | 10.49  |
| Horseshoe                  | 5.00   |
| Mills River                | 13.00  |
| Rosman Ct., English Chapel | 2.05   |
| Lake Toxaway               | 1.51   |
| Oak Grove                  | 2.83   |
| Rosman                     | 2.10   |
| Saluda-Tryon, Tryon        | 4.11   |
| Swannanoa, Azalea          | 4.93   |
| Bethesda                   | 11.31  |
| Swannanoa                  | 18.00  |
| Tabernacle                 | 13.85  |
| Total                      | 481.47 |

Charlotte District

|                           |         |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Big Spring                | 2.00    |
| Charlotte, Belmont Park   | 56.00   |
| Calvary                   | 35.00   |
| Chadwick                  | 36.17   |
| Dilworth                  | 166.71  |
| Duncan Memorial           | 9.00    |
| First                     | 918.26  |
| Hawthorne Lane            | 228.15  |
| Myers Park                | 158.07  |
| Spencer Memorial          | 17.58   |
| Homestead-Pleasant Grove— |         |
| Homestead                 | 23.00   |
| Pleasant Grove            | 7.00    |
| Indian Trail-Stallings—   |         |
| Indian Trail              | 21.23   |
| Lilesville, Wade          | 5.00    |
| Matthews                  | 23.21   |
| Monroe, Central           | 125.00  |
| New Hope-Bethel, Bethel   | 6.19    |
| Peachland                 | 1.00    |
| Pineville, Harrison       | 36.30   |
| Prospect                  | 5.71    |
| Thrift-Moore's, Moore's   | 6.53    |
| Trinity                   | 14.00   |
| Wadesboro                 | 70.55   |
| Waxhaw-Mineral Springs    | 6.00    |
| Hickory Grove             | 6.00    |
| Total                     | 1983.71 |

Elkin District

|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Advance               | 9.00  |
| Boone                 | 18.00 |
| Cooleemee             | 4.00  |
| Davie, Center         | 2.00  |
| Concord               | 2.00  |
| Liberty               | 1.00  |
| Dobson                | 1.00  |
| Elkin                 | 80.27 |
| Farmington, Bethlehem | 23.68 |
| Farmington            | 18.84 |
| Smith Grove           | 14.31 |
| Wesley Chapel         | 6.41  |

|                                 |        |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Helton, Grassy Creek            | 2.16   |
| Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion        | 1.00   |
| Mocksville                      | 44.12  |
| Mocksville Ct., Bethel          | 5.00   |
| Moravian Falls, Moriah's Chapel | 8.11   |
| North Wilkesboro                | 25.00  |
| Sparta                          | 4.30   |
| Warrensville                    | 1.00   |
| West Jefferson                  | 4.75   |
| Wilkesboro                      | 10.00  |
| Wilkesboro                      | 10.00  |
| Total                           | 285.95 |

Gastonia District

|                            |         |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Belmont, Main Street       | 49.94   |
| Park Street                | 75.85   |
| Belwood-Fallston           | 3.70    |
| Kadesh                     | 26.74   |
| Palm Tree                  | 15.75   |
| St. Peters                 | 21.89   |
| Bessemer City              | 12.00   |
| Concord                    | 8.75    |
| Boger City                 | 53.26   |
| Cherryville                | 27.00   |
| Cramerton                  | 15.00   |
| Cramerton Ct., South Point | 25.98   |
| Crouse-Pleasant Grove      | 9.77    |
| Gastonia, Bradley Memorial | 37.59   |
| Myrtle Chapel              | 56.16   |
| Main Street                | 97.46   |
| East End                   | 10.02   |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre         | 44.59   |
| Trinity                    | 2.28    |
| West End                   | 1.88    |
| Lincoln Ct., Marvin        | 1.25    |
| McKendree                  | 24.75   |
| Pisgah                     | 8.70    |
| Lincolnton, First          | 98.42   |
| Lowell                     | 9.00    |
| Lowesville-New Hope        | 13.53   |
| Salem                      | 9.00    |
| Mount Holly                | 69.01   |
| Polkville, Clover Hill     | 17.88   |
| Polkville                  | 6.51    |
| Mt. Harmony                | 3.14    |
| Rock Springs-Denver        | 2.60    |
| Shelby, Central            | 184.46  |
| Lafayette St.              | 56.00   |
| Shelby Ct., Sharon         | 6.00    |
| Stanley                    | 43.11   |
| Total                      | 1154.73 |

Greensboro District

|                              |         |
|------------------------------|---------|
| Brown Summit-Whitsett        | 5.85    |
| Draper                       | 58.71   |
| Gibsonville                  | 64.71   |
| Greensboro, Bessemer         | 56.29   |
| Bethel-Battleground, Bethel  | 36.76   |
| Joyner Memorial              | 13.40   |
| Mt. Pisgah                   | 20.30   |
| Centenary                    | 120.88  |
| College Place                | 110.76  |
| Glenwood                     | 59.98   |
| Proximity                    | 13.05   |
| West Greensboro, Friendship  | 22.49   |
| Muir's Chapel                | 12.00   |
| West Market                  | 236.12  |
| Jamestown-Oakdale, Jamestown | 3.00    |
| Oakdale                      | 17.86   |
| Leaksville                   | 12.00   |
| Mt. Pleasant                 | 12.00   |
| Pleasant Garden, Bethlehem   | 7.60    |
| Rehobeth                     | 18.00   |
| Reidsville, Main Street      | 89.35   |
| Reidsville Ct., Bethlehem    | 13.55   |
| Lowe's                       | 27.00   |
| Mt. Carmel                   | 21.15   |
| Salem                        | 7.82    |
| Ruffin-Pelham                | 3.38    |
| Spray                        | 53.14   |
| Stokesdale, Eden             | 1.00    |
| Stoneville                   | 12.60   |
| Summerfield, Gethsemane      | 12.08   |
| Morehead                     | 3.50    |
| Summerfield                  | 13.50   |
| Total                        | 1154.73 |

High Point District

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| Asheboro, First               | 198.68 |
| Farmer, Farmer                | 11.91  |
| Salem                         | 7.99   |
| High Point, Archdale          | 38.51  |
| Calvary                       | 10.00  |
| Main Street                   | 64.55  |
| Ward Street                   | 25.00  |
| Wesley Memorial               | 170.85 |
| Liberty                       | 25.73  |
| Liberty Ct., Randolph         | 1.25   |
| Ramseur                       | 7.50   |
| Randleman-Union, Naomi        | 50.55  |
| Old Union                     | 16.00  |
| St. Paul                      | 47.25  |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer | 7.00   |
| Mt. Vernon                    | 9.00   |
| Total                         | 691.77 |

Marion District

|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Bostic-Oak Grove             | 32.93  |
| Salem                        | 17.51  |
| Broad River, Wesley's Chapel | 2.90   |
| Connelly Springs             | 24.00  |
| Forest City                  | 36.00  |
| Gilkey                       | 3.00   |
| Glen Alpine                  | 9.35   |
| Marion, First                | 12.00  |
| East Marion                  | 5.00   |
| McDowell-Nebo                | 9.76   |
| Moganton, First              | 113.33 |
| N. Forest, N. Morganton      | 3.50   |
| Morganton Ct., Bethlehem     | 5.00   |
| Mt. Pleasant                 | 7.25   |
| Old Fort Ct., Ebenezer       | 6.00   |
| Pleasant Grove               | 12.88  |
| Rutherford College           | 18.34  |
| Rutherfordton                | 63.31  |
| Spindale                     | 49.24  |
| Spruce Pine                  | 8.50   |
| Sunshine-Cedar Grove         | 9.75   |
| Table Rock, Mt. Grove        | 5.00   |
| Oak Hill                     | 4.00   |
| Valdese                      | 15.00  |
| Total                        | 473.55 |

Salisbury District

|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Albemarle, Central           | 96.83  |
| First Street                 | 22.00  |
| Badin-New London, New London | 27.00  |
| China Grove                  | 23.42  |
| Concord, Central             | 96.96  |
| Epworth                      | 30.00  |
| Forest Hill                  | 72.72  |
| Kerr Street                  | 15.58  |
| Rocky Ridge                  | 33.19  |
| Friendship, Bethel           | 1.50   |
| Mt. Tabor                    | 6.68   |
| Gold Hill, Liberty           | 22.26  |
| Granite Quarry, Mt. Tabor    | 6.00   |
| Shiloh                       | 2.00   |
| Kannapolis, Bethpage         | 17.50  |
| Shiloh                       | 3.55   |
| Jackson Park                 | 41.71  |
| Mt. Mitchell                 | 12.00  |
| Trinity                      | 168.77 |
| Landis, Landis               | 24.36  |
| Unity                        | 25.92  |
| Midland-Center Grove         | 3.44   |
| Mt. Olivet                   | 94.48  |
| Mt. Pleasant                 | 16.54  |
| Norwood                      | 86.22  |
| Norwood Ct., Cedar Grove     | 6.39   |
| Green Memorial               | .80    |
| Mt. Zion                     | .81    |
| Randall                      | 4.00   |
| Salem                        | 10.00  |
| Salisbury, Coburn            | 97.81  |
| First                        | 172.47 |
| Main St.-Rowan Mt., Main St. | 4.12   |
| Park Ave.                    | 96.98  |
| Spencer, Central             | 108.70 |
| Stanfield, Oakboro           | 1.25   |
| Tabernacle                   | 4.00   |
| Woodleaf, South River        | 4.69   |
| Woodleaf                     | 16.84  |

(To be continued)

Good breeding consists in concealing how much we think of ourselves, and how little we think of the other person!—Mark Twain.

If we would do good, we must be good.—Unknown.



## CHURCH-WIDE PASTORS' CONFERENCE

Beginning Tuesday Evening, August 6,  
and Closing Sunday Evening,  
August 11

This program, which is presented by the Board of Education and the Board of Publication of the Methodist Church, is one of the strongest to be presented in the South this summer. The speakers are all men of nation-wide reputation and are leaders in their respective fields.

Dr. Edgar S. Brightman, professor of philosophy in Boston University, is the successor of the late Dr. Borden P. Browne. Dr. Brightman has made a large place for himself and his books, particularly the one just being issued, "A Philosophy of Religion," are being read by religious leaders throughout the world. Dr. Brightman will deliver four addresses on the following subjects: "An Airplane View of Philosophy of Religion"; "Religion and Totalitarianism"; "Religion and Individualism"; and "Religion and the Kingdom of God."

Dr. Burrus Jenkins for thirty years has been pastor of the Community church, Kansas City, Mo. He has made a profound impression upon that city, and is in demand as a lecturer and preacher throughout America. His messages to the pastors' school at Southern Methodist University were highly appreciated. He will deliver four addresses on the following subjects: "Beauty of the New Testament"; "Let's Build a New World"; "The Community Church Idea"; and "Coming Events Cast Shadows" (Conference sermon).

Dr. Arthur W. Hewitt is recognized as the leading authority on the work of the rural church in America. Dr. Hewitt has written two remarkable books, "Steeple Among the Hills" and "Highland Shepherds." These books are being widely read by those interested in the rural problem. Dr. Hewitt will speak on the following topics: "God's Back Pasture"; "What Is Wrong With the Rural Church?"; "My Heart's in the Highlands"; and "The Steeple and the Stars."

Bishop W. W. Peele of the Richmond Area, will be present during the conference and will preside at several of its sessions. He will deliver an address on "Major Objectives of Methodism" and will bring the closing message of the conference on the evening of Sunday, August 11.

The music will be conducted by Prof. Walter Vassar, who is director of music at Lake Junaluska for the summer.

The worship periods will be conducted by leading ministers of The Methodist Church.

This conference is for preachers and laymen. Open forums will be conducted and all present may have the privilege of participating in these discussions.

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The devil tempts man, but the idle man tempts the devil.—Turkish.

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## Sunday School Lesson

AUGUST 4

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By James S. Chubb

### The Two Ways

Scripture: Psalm 1; Matthew 7:24-27

The fundamental issue of this lesson is: Do spiritual and moral laws exist? Do they exist and are they enforced? Obviously, the Christian answer is that they do exist and they are enforced. Evil does bring down destruction upon itself; righteousness does bring honor and satisfaction.

The word "blessed" means happy. Our psalm says that he who follows the moral laws of God shall be like the tree by the river. That tree survives the drought, the hot weather, and it is the most abundant producer of the trees. Its roots nourish the entire tree because their feet are in moist ground.

The figure indicates that the godly man will find that his life is likewise disaster-proof. He will have droughts, the same as the wicked man; he will be beset by diseases, the same as the man of evil; he will have disasters, the same as the man of sin; but his religious faith will generate a power that will enable him to be victorious. Is it true?

Jesus used the term "living water" in just this sense. He endured about as many injuries and disappointments as one could, yet he found that God was greater than these sufferings and persecutions. He had tapped the divine spring of living water.

Likewise, his followers have found the psalmist's statement to be true. You will be much impressed by the letters written by the German pastors in concentration camps. They are suffering as much as any Christian group of our era. One of them wrote recently, "The outward man wasteth away, but the inner man is renewed." He found that the living waters kept him alive in his time of horror and trouble.

A Chinese pastor who had taught in schools was telling about the power of faith. Then his school and church were destroyed by bombs. He returned to his town with one arm gone and all his property destroyed. His comment was: "I have now tried and found true the faith that I told you about. God does protect and guide his children." He, too, had found the living water.

We conventional and comfortable church people are likely to miss the significance of this psalm because we do not live dangerously enough to test it. When one really triumphs over his personal troubles and conflicts, he discovers that godly faith is like living water. When one walks through the valley of darkness, with its attendant crashed hopes, sorrows and disillusionments, the "living water" keeps one refreshed and strengthened. This is the

experience of those who have used their faith in dark and troubled moments.

But do the ungodly perish? We can easily recount many evils that seemingly flourish and have things their own way. We know wicked people who get along much better, seemingly, than Christian people. If we keep our eyes upon those evils only, that seem to be doing well, the case seems established. If we note the hard way of evil men and things as a class, however, we see that it goes much harder with wickedness, as a general rule, than it does with righteousness.

Let us be specific. The post war period was a flourishing time for graft and distrust throughout the world. But the fruits of that period were a depression and prisons crowded with men and women. Mental hospitals were filled. Even our own land reeked of hopelessness. I can remember when it was thought that no one would be strong enough to overthrow an Al Capone or a Pendergast, but they have both served time.

So, while it does seem that evil flourishes, a wider and a more intense look will vindicate the psalmist in his belief that the ungodly do perish. Evil makes life unendurable and unavailing. We are the generation that is proving that.

Jesus put the same truth in more personal form. His words on this theme occur at the conclusion of the most profound section of his teachings. Jesus frankly says that his sayings are a matter of life and death. Live them and be destruction-proof; deny them and be destroyed. This is a strong and unflinching statement.

We know that it takes a heap of living to make a life. We know that life's burdens become heavier with age. The task of living is a continuous job. All along the way are people who have quit. Some give up at early age; some give up at middle age; some give up when elderly. The Christian person does not give up at all; he has found spiritual strength that is greater than the burdens and the storms besetting him. That is Jesus' teaching.

Jesus certainly lived these and found a type of life that storms did not destroy. The writers of the New Testament surely discovered in his type of life something that life could not destroy. Down through the centuries millions have tried his life, and they, too, have found that the storms could not destroy them.

We do well to stress the immensely practical significance of these teachings of Jesus. So many of us, some even in the churches, have had other foundations than Jesus' teachings for our lives. These foundations did not stand the strain of the heavy weights. On the other hand, Jesus was tempted in every respect as we are; hence his teachings are practical helps. He lived among common people and taught them how to find the solid foundations. Men and women who seek to find the true and genuine way of life discover that Jesus has it.

What does this mean to us? It means that we must expound the real teachings of Jesus and present them as living laws of life. We must depart from the type of teaching that classes Jesus'

principles as ideal and therefore not appropriate for this world.—Christian Advocate.

### LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD AND THE BOTTLE!

By Ethel Hubler

Once upon a time—those are the memorable words with which all fairy tales used to begin—there lived in a certain village a little country girl, the prettiest creature that ever was seen. Her mother was very fond of her, and her grandmother loved her still more. This good woman made for her a little red riding hood, which became the girl so well that everybody called her Little Red Riding Hood.

Our version of this little story as we are giving it is as it was first collected in 1696 by Charles Perrault. But, to continue with the story—

One day her mother, having made some custards, said to her, "Go, my dear, and see how your grandmother does, for I hear she has been very ill; carry her a custard and this little pot of butter." Little Red Riding Hood set out immediately to go to her grandmother's, who lived in another village.

This is the 1696 version of the famous story of the little Miss. But what about today's version!

Before us is a large picture book in bright colors with Little Red Riding Hood and the big bad wolf on the cover, with a basket over the little girl's arm, and from the end of the basket protrudes a large liquor bottle. This is on the cover page.

We turn to the first inside page and we read: "Once upon a time there was a little girl. She was called Little Red Riding Hood because she always wore a hood her mother had made for her out of bright red velvet. Everyone loved her because she was so pretty, so happy and gay. One day her mother was baking. She put some of the nice, freshly baked cakes into a basket, and covered them with a white napkin. She tucked in a bottle of wine, too." And so forth, and so on. The bottle of wine is mentioned several times in the little illustrated story, and is very much in evidence in the various pictures. In this 14-page children's book we find the grandmother and the hunter on the last page, sitting at a table drinking. The liquor bottle is gone from the basket.

The original story of 1696 says that the basket had in it a "custard and a little pot of butter." Nothing is said about any wine or liquor bottle being in the basket. Whose fertile imagination added the booze, we wonder.

This seems to be going pretty far. But is it not typical of the liquor trade which is doing everything in its power to create the appetite in the American youth. Why not, you see, plant a little subtle propaganda in this age old fairy story, so believed by the children?

And all this is going on, while some dry folks sit idly by, saying, "Let's wait awhile until things get worse before we put on an active campaign."

We are thankful that thousands of temperance and church groups have joined the fighting, crusading army to put down this traffic which is destroying our homes.



Children's

Storyland



JACK'S NEW MEMBER

Will you go to Sunday school with me next Sunday?" asked Jack, as he and Ned walked home from school on Friday afternoon.

"I wish you wouldn't ask me to go," answered Ned. "You know my father does not care about going to church."

"You may go with me in my father's car," offered Jack. "I want you to go very much. My teacher wants each member of our class to bring a new member. You are the only boy my age in our neighborhood who does not go to Sunday school."

"I don't know whether I would like it or not," said Ned. "I never have gone to Sunday school or to church."

"You will like our class, I know," answered Jack. "Please ask your father to let you go."

That evening Jack said to his father, "I want Ned to go to Sunday school with me. He says his father does not care for church. Will you ask Mr. Nelson to let Ned go with us?"

"Certainly, Jack," promised father. "I have wanted Mr. Nelson to go with me for a long time. He would never go with me, but I see no reason why Ned cannot go."

Jack's father telephoned Mr. Nelson immediately. Mr. Nelson consented for Ned to go with Jack.

On the way to Sunday school the next Sunday Ned asked: "Why do people go to Sunday school and church? I know that most people go, but I don't know why."

"Church is a place where people may go to worship God," explained Jack's father. "By going to church we let others know that we are interested in knowing more about our heavenly Father."

"And in our Sunday school class we study about Jesus," added Jack. "Our teacher tells us lots of things about him."

"Do you just sit still all the time?" asked Ned.

"We do things," said Jack, "as well as learn things."

"The first thing you want to learn," Jack's father said, "is that the church building is a place of worship. You will want to be still when you are thinking about God."

"It's funny my father never talks to me like you do," commented Ned. "I wonder why he doesn't go to church?"

"I have asked him to go lots of times," Jack's father stated. "Now that you are going, it may be that he will become interested."

"I wish he would," Ned said, "for it seems like people are happier when they go to church on Sunday."

As they entered the boys' classroom Jack was glad he had a new member. The other boys in the class and their teacher heartily welcomed Ned.

"Will it count if I bring my father?" Ned wanted to know.

THE RUNAWAYS

Said Peter once to Sister Prue,  
"I have a splendid notion:  
Let's run away, both me and you,  
And cross the land and ocean!  
We'll steal out by the garden gate,  
Provided they don't lock it.  
I've eighteen pence, at any rate,  
And biscuits in my pocket."  
Alas, for all these plans so fine!  
At half-past eight they started;  
But they were back by half-past nine,  
Most weary and down-hearted.  
For Prue fell down and hurt her head,  
And Peter tore his stocking.  
"We'd better go by day," they said;  
"These roads at night are shocking!"  
—Selected.

"It won't count in our class, Ned," the teacher told him, "but it will count in another class, and you will be helping our Sunday school."

"I'm going to try my best to bring him," declared Ned, "and I believe he will come with me. Why, the church is a wonderful place. Father will want to come here and worship, I am sure."

"And when he comes, he will want to bring others just as you do," replied the teacher. "Jack brought you, and you will bring your father. He, in turn, will want to bring some one with him. That is the way our church grows."

When Ned returned home after church he told in detail everything that had happened.

"If you will go only once, father," insisted Ned, "you will want to go all the time. And you will want to take your friends, too."

"Your joy is catching, son," laughed Mr. Nelson. "I promise now to go with you next Sunday."

"I am so glad you are going to church," breathed Ned. "Now we will be like other people."

And if you could have seen the expression on Mr. Nelson's face you would have known that he was sorry he had not been going to church all of his life.—Ruth Weaver, in Storytime.

INTERESTING EYES

Mothers frequently tell their children, "Your eyes are bigger than your stomach," when they foresee that the young persons are taking more than they can eat. In the case of the single-celled amoeba the eyes are as big as the stomach, for it is just about all stomach, and all sensitive to light. On the other hand, the jellyfish has only a rudimentary response to light in what has been termed an "eye-spot."

The eyes of an octopus are much like a person's, and so is the normal

fish eyes in its mechanical perfection. In forms of life lower than the turtle the eyes lack color.

The eyes of a starfish are on its arms, those of a snail on the ends of its horns. The wasp and the bee have three eyes, in a triangle, on top of the head. The eagle's eyes is pear-shaped.

Snakes have a glassy stare because their eyes are covered by a transparent cap that cannot be moved, though the eyeball within the "window" is movable. One of the eyes most sensitive to motion is that of the rabbit.

In addition to the triangle of eyes, bees and wasps have two compound eyes on the side of the head. A spider has eight eyes and a caterpillar six, set near its jaws.

The bird's eyes is most marvelously adapted to changeable conditions; birds see at long range or short distances equally well, and no creature has quicker sight. The eyes of fish, too, are so made that they can see through either water or air. I have heard it said that a fish is blind when taken from its natural element, but that is a mistake. The retina of the fish eye is saucer-shaped; that of animal and bird like a cup.—Lester Banks, in Our Dumb Animals.

JUST FOR FUN

Little Martha had gone to church, and on her return home her mother asked her how she liked the singing.

"I liked it very much, although the people all said it was bad," she replied.

"All the people said it was bad? What do you mean, dear?"

"Oh, it was so bad that when they were praying, I heard them say, 'Lord, have mercy upon us miserable singers.'"—Exchange.

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The teacher had recited "The Landing of the Pilgrims." Then she requested each pupil to draw from his or her imagination a picture of Plymouth Rock. Most of them went to work at once, but one little fellow hesitated, and at length raised his hand. "Well, Willie, what is it?" asked the teacher.

"Please, ma'am, do you want us to draw a hen or a rooster?"

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Teacher—How do you account for the phenomenon of dew?

Student—The earth revolves on its axis every twenty-four hours, and, in consequence of the tremendous pace it perspires freely.—Texas Outlook.

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Sergeant: "Anyone here know anything about music?"

Several Recruits: "Yes, sergeant."

Sergeant: "Then go move the piano to the concert hall."—Ex.



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North Carolina Conference

WILMINGTON DISTRICT  
W. A. Cade, O.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

September  
Shalotte, Andrews, 11 .....1  
Tahor City, St. Pauls, night .....1  
Wilmington, Grace, 11 .....8  
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3 .....8  
Burgaw, Rocky Point, night .....8  
District Conference at Garland, 10 .....12  
Elizabeth, Purdies, 11 .....15  
Carver's Creek, Council, night .....15  
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11 .....22  
Chadbourne, Cerro Gordo, night .....22  
Wallace-Rosehill, Rosehill, 11 .....29  
Penderlee, night .....29

October  
Town Creek, Zion, 11 .....6  
Scott's Hill, Seagate, night .....6  
Wilmington, Epworth, night .....9  
Faison-Kenansville, 11 .....11  
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 .....13  
St. Pauls, Regans, 3 .....13  
Lumberton, night .....13  
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11 .....20  
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3 .....20  
Maysville, Belgrade, night .....20  
Southport, night .....23  
Bladen (place to be announced), 11 .....24  
Garland (place to be announced), night .....24  
Roseboro, Halls, 11 .....25  
Clinton, night .....25  
Rowland, Purvis, 11 .....27  
Pembroke (Indian work), First Church, 3 .....27  
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night .....27

November  
Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11 .....3  
Wesley Memorial, 3 .....3  
Whiteville, night .....3  
Wilmington, Trinity, night .....4

RALEIGH DISTRICT  
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

August  
Louisburg Circuit, Leah's, 11:00 .....4  
Franklinton, Wesley, 3:00 .....4  
Raleigh, Person Street, Epworth, 8:00 .....4  
Princeton, Micro, 8 .....7  
Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 8 .....8  
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 8 .....9  
Granville, Mt. Carmel, 11 .....11  
Stem, Roberts, 3 .....11  
Smithfield, 8 .....14  
Garner, Mt. Zion, 8 .....15  
Raleigh: Jenkins Memorial, Pleasant Grove, 8 .....16  
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 10 .....18

Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3 .....18  
Dunn, 8 .....18  
Bailey, Middlesex, 8 .....21  
Rougemont, Riverview, 8 .....22  
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8 .....23  
Moncure, Jones' Chapel, 11 .....25  
Tar River, Ebenezer, 8 .....25  
Raleigh: Hayes-Barton, 8 .....26  
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 8 .....27  
Four Oaks, Antioch, 8 .....28

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT  
M. T. Smathers, O.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

August  
Fletcher, Balfour, 11 .....4  
Rosman, Lake Toxaway, 3 .....4  
Mills River, Etowah, night .....4  
Blitmore, 11 .....11  
Fairview, Bethany, 3 .....11  
Acton, Acton, night .....11  
Candler, Laurel Hill Q.C., 11 .....17  
Candler, Pisgah, 11 .....18  
Pisgah Ct., Brown's View, 3 .....18  
Asbury Memorial, night .....18  
Hillside Street, 11 .....25  
Asheville Ct., Elk Mountain, 3 .....25  
Merrimon Avenue, night .....25

September  
West Asheville, 11 .....1  
Flat Rock, Upward, 3 .....1  
Haywood Street, night .....1  
French Broad Avenue, 11 .....8  
Oakley, 3 .....8  
Hendersonville, night .....8  
Leicester-Bell, 11 .....15  
Sandy-Big Sandy, 3 .....15  
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night .....15  
Central, Asheville, 11 .....22  
Saluda-Tryon-Saluda, 3 .....22  
Brevard, night .....22  
Black Mountain, 11 .....29  
Swannanoa, Tabernacle, 3 .....29  
Weaverville Station, night .....29

October  
Laurel-Barnardsville, Laurel, 11 .....6  
Weaverville Ct., South Fork, 3 .....6  
Oteen, Bethel, night .....6  
Hot Springs, Antioch, 11 .....13  
Marshall, Marshall, night .....13  
Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30  
p. m. Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to  
be handed in.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT  
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

August  
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 11 .....4  
Thrift-Moore's, Moore's, 2:30 .....4  
Hawthorne Lane, 8 .....4  
Hickory Grove, 11 .....11  
Unionville-New Hope, Bethel, 3 .....11  
New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 8 .....11  
Bethel-Bogers, Bethel, 11 .....18  
Matthews, 3 .....18  
North Monroe-Grace, North Monroe, 8 .....18  
Trinity, 8 .....23  
Monroe, Central, 11 .....25  
Indian Trail-Stallings, Beulah, 3:30 .....25  
Chadwick, 8 .....26  
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 8 .....26  
Big Springs, 8 .....28

September  
Peachland, Fountain Hill, 3 .....1  
Marshville, Marshville, 8 .....1  
Calvary, 8 .....2  
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 8 .....4  
Brevard Street, 8 .....6  
Wesley Heights, 11 .....8  
Polkton, Poplar Hill .....8  
Pineville, Pineville, 8 .....8  
Moven, 8 .....9  
Belmont Park, 7:30 .....11  
Dilworth, 7:30 .....13  
Lilesville, Lilesville, 11 .....15  
Huntersville, Asbury, 3 .....15  
Derita, 7:30 .....15  
Central Avenue, 11 .....22  
Prospect, Bethlehem, 3 .....22  
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 .....22  
Duncan Memorial, 11 .....29  
Wadesboro, 7:30 .....30

October  
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 .....7  
Myers Park, 7:30 .....14

ELKIN DISTRICT  
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

August  
Ararat-Mt. Airy, Ararat, 11 .....4  
St. Paul, Wesley's Chapel, 3:30 .....4  
Yadkinville, Yadkinville, night .....4  
Farmington, Bethlehem, 4 .....10  
Advance, Mocks, 11 .....11  
Mocksville Ct., Cornatzer, 3:30 .....11  
Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11 .....18  
Jefferson, Bethany, 3 .....18  
Wilkesboro Ct., Friendship, night .....18  
Sparta, Piney Creek, 11; Potato Creek, 3 .....25  
Davie Ct., Oak Grove, 11 .....31

September  
Croleemee, 11 .....1  
Surry-Yadkin, New Home, 3 .....1  
Jonesville, Longtown, night .....1  
Warrensville, Smithport, 11 .....8  
Creston, Big Laurel, 3 .....8  
Wilkesboro, Union, night .....8  
Green Valley, Thomas Chapel, 11 .....15  
Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 3:30 .....15  
Boone, night .....15  
North Wilkesboro, 11 .....22  
Moravian Falls, Adley, 3 .....22

Traphill, Traphill, night .....22  
Todd, Cranberry, 11 .....28  
Helton, Baldwin, 11 .....29  
October  
Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11 .....6  
Fobson, Stony Knoll, 7:30 .....6  
Elkin, 7:30 .....6  
Mocksville Station, 8 .....9

GASTONIA DISTRICT  
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

August  
Gastonia, Trinity, 11 .....4  
Gastonia, West End, night .....4  
Rock Springs, Denver, 11 .....11  
Lowesville, night .....11  
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 .....18  
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 .....18  
Stanley, Stanley, night .....18  
Hoger City, Asbury, 11 .....25  
Dallas, night .....25

September  
Kings Mountain, Central, 11 .....1  
Belmont, Main Street, night .....1  
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11 .....8  
Lincolnton, First Church, night .....8  
Bessemer City, 11 .....15  
Shelby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 11 .....22

GREENSBORO DISTRICT  
L. B. Hayes, O.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

August  
West Market, 11 (preaching) .....11  
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 2:30 .....11  
Bethel-Battleground, Joyner, 8 .....11  
Summerfield, Center, 6, Sat. .....17  
Grace, 11 .....18  
Tabernacle, 3 .....18  
Draper, Wayside, 8 .....18  
Mount Pleasant, 6, Sat. .....24  
Pleasant Garden, 11 .....25  
Carraway Memorial, 8 .....25  
Stokesdale, Sat. .....31

September  
Danbury, 11 .....1  
Sandy Ridge, 2 .....1  
Reidsville: Lindsey St., 8 .....1  
Reidsville: Main St., 8 .....4  
Moriah, 7:30 Sat. .....7  
Sonsville, 11 .....8  
Ruffin, 3 .....8  
West Greensboro, 8 .....8  
West Market, 8, Q.C. .....9  
Reidsville Ct., 11 Sat. ....14  
St. Paul, 11 .....15  
Oak Ridge, 8 .....15  
Centenary, 8 .....18  
Guilford Ct., Sat. ....21  
Proximity, 11 .....22  
Midway, 3 .....22  
Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30 .....22  
Jamestown-Oakdale, 7:30 .....25  
Flat Rock, Sat. ....28  
West End, 11 .....29  
Madison, 3 .....29  
Leaksville, 7:30 .....29  
Bessemer, 7:30 .....30

October  
Calvary, 7:30 .....2  
Brown Summit, 11 .....6  
College Place, 7:30 .....6  
Glenwood, 7:30 .....9  
Haw River, Sat. ....12  
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11 .....13  
Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 .....13  
Gibsonville, 7:30 .....13  
Draper, 7:30 .....16  
Tabernacle, Julian, 11 .....20  
Stokesdale, Glencoe, 3 .....20  
Grace, 7:30 .....20

HIGH POINT DISTRICT  
S. W. Taylor, O.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

August  
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 8 .....4

MARION DISTRICT  
J. C. Cornett, O.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

August  
Glen Alpine, 11 .....4  
Valdese, Warlick's, 3 .....4  
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 7:30 .....4  
Spindale, 11 .....11  
Mill Springs, Manus, 3 .....11  
Hostic, Oak Grove, 7:30 .....11  
Henrietta, 11 .....18  
Broad River, Harris, 3 .....18  
Cross Mills, 7:30 .....18  
McDowell, Nebo, 11 .....25  
Old Fort Ct., 3 .....25  
Morganton, North Forest, 7:30 .....25

September  
Sunshine, Hollis, 11 .....1  
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 .....1  
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 .....1  
Rutherford College, 11 .....8  
Morganton Ct., Denton's, 3 .....8  
Morganton, First, 7:30 .....8  
Rutherfordton, 11 .....15  
Marion Ct., 3 .....15  
Old Fort, 7:30 .....15  
Linville Falls, 11 .....22  
Avery Ct., 3 .....22  
Spruce Pine, 7:30 .....22  
Bald Creek, 11 .....29  
Micaeville, Tipton Hill, 3 .....29  
Burnsville, 7:30 .....29

October  
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 .....6  
Shady Grove, 3 .....6  
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30 .....13  
Elk Park, 11 .....13  
Bakersville, 3 .....13  
Marion, First, 7:30 .....13



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| Cliffside, 11                                                                                          | 20 |
| Forest City, 7:30                                                                                      | 20 |
| Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stewards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church.         |    |
| Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed to the district superintendent at this meeting. |    |

**SALISBURY DISTRICT**  
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

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| August                                                                                                                                                                                   |    |
| Ann Street, 11                                                                                                                                                                           | 4  |
| Gays Chapel, 8                                                                                                                                                                           | 4  |
| Friendship, Bethel, 11                                                                                                                                                                   | 11 |
| Epworth, 11                                                                                                                                                                              | 18 |
| Salem, 11                                                                                                                                                                                | 25 |
| Gold Hill, 3                                                                                                                                                                             | 25 |
| September                                                                                                                                                                                |    |
| Jackson Park, 11                                                                                                                                                                         | 1  |
| Landis, Unity, 3                                                                                                                                                                         | 1  |
| Midland, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                            | 1  |
| Grier's Chapel, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                     | 4  |
| Pfeffer, Wesley, 11                                                                                                                                                                      | 8  |
| Coburn Memorial, 3                                                                                                                                                                       | 8  |
| China Grove, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                        | 11 |
| Kerr Street, 11                                                                                                                                                                          | 15 |
| Bethpage, Shiloh, 3                                                                                                                                                                      | 15 |
| Midway, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                             | 15 |
| Friendship, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                         | 18 |
| Wetford, 11                                                                                                                                                                              | 22 |
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**STATESVILLE DISTRICT**  
John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

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|-----------------------------------|----|
| August                            |    |
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| Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 3       | 18 |
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| Mooreville Ct., Centenary, 3      | 1  |
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| Hickory, First Church, 11         | 8  |
| Hickory, Highland, 3              | 8  |
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| Grace-Rhodiss, Grace, 3           | 6  |
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| Hudson, Colliers, 3               | 13 |
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**WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT**  
W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

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**CHILDREN'S HOME**  
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ing quite a bit of favorable comment. On the particular day that the picture herewith presented was taken the sun was shining at such an angle as to necessitate the grouping of the girls of the James A. Gray building in the back yard where the sun's rays did not cause frowns and wrinkles. Here the girls stood while the photographer did his work. Some of the girls have since graduated and are learning their way about. Others are still with us. They are our older girls, most of whom are very dependable and very lovable. Mrs. H. H. Ballou, their home mother, may be located in the center of the picture and Miss Sara Howard, instructor in dietetics, may be located at the extreme left in the back line.

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## In Memoriam

**MORGAN**—On the morning of July 13, 1940, the relatives and friends of Samuel Carpenter Morgan were shocked and grieved to learn of his sudden death by heart failure. He would have been 74 years old August 8 and had lived almost his entire life in the Muddy Creek section of McDowell county. He served Pinnacle church for years as steward, trustee and Sunday school superintendent. He is survived by two sons, Jeter Morgan of Marion, and Winnie Morgan of Columbus, Ohio; and one daughter, Mrs. Herbert Queen of Morganton, Rt. 1. Two sisters also survive.

His nephew,  
James S. Morgan.

**SHULL** — Mrs. Adeline Simpson Shull, daughter of the late Candias and Samuel Simpson, was born February 11, 1874, and after a lingering illness of almost two years, departed this life July 9, 1940, at the age of 66 years and five months.

She was married to John Wesley Shull February 4, 1897. To this union were born 12 children, nine of whom survive. They are: Mrs. John Bradshaw, Mrs. Ed Mull, Mrs. Virgil Lafevers, Mrs. Leslie Powell, Mrs. Glenn Dale, Mrs. Mae Shull, Mrs. Howard Walker and Vernon Shull, all of Glen Alpine, and Joe Ben Shull of Morganton. She is also survived by 17 grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. A. L. Powell, and Mrs. C. C. Reep of Glen Alpine, and Mrs. B. G. Hensley of Nealsville; and three brothers, W. M. Simpson of Glen Alpine and G. W. and J. S. Simpson of Marion.

Mrs. Shull united with the Methodist church of Glen Alpine in early childhood, and remained a faithful and loyal member until death.

She was one that was loved by all, and will be greatly missed by everyone.

Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. R. L. Young, assisted by Rev. E. L. Hardin.

R. L. Young, Pastor.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On May 29, 1940, following a lengthy illness, Mrs. Frances Cunnigim Bailey slipped through an open door to be with Jesus and loved ones who had gone before her.

Mrs. Bailey was born in Raleigh, N. C., on November 25, 1867, daughter of William Henry Cunnigim, a local Methodist preacher, and Louisa Hardy Cunnigim. She was the sister of Dr. Jesse L. Cunnigim, president of Scarritt College, and niece of the late W. L. and J. L. Cunnigim, former members of the North Carolina conference. She was a graduate of Peace Institute in Raleigh.

During her years of happy married life with Rev. Robert W. Bailey they served the Clayton, West Durham, Bynum, Siler City, Sanford, Warren, Garysburg and Louisburg charges, returning to Raleigh in the fall of 1920.

Mrs. Bailey's loyal devotion to the cause of Christ led her paths into many fields of service, particularly social service and activities of the woman's missionary society.

In addition to Dr. Cunnigim, Mrs. Bailey is survived by two sons, Palmer E. Bailey, Raleigh, and Dr. Jesse Lee Bailey, San Fernando, California, and one granddaughter, Frances Bailey, Raleigh.

Appropriately and in grateful remembrance we, the members of circle

number 14 of the woman's missionary society of Edenton Street Methodist church, pay loving tribute to Mrs. Bailey as we present the following resolutions:

That with the realization of the distinct loss which is ours by her removal from our midst, we are yet mindful and appreciative of the rich heritage of the influence of the Christ-like attributes of her character and life which will endure throughout the ages.

That with sincere and heartfelt sympathy we remember her loved ones.

That it is our desire and purpose that a copy of these resolutions shall be placed upon the permanent records of the woman's missionary society of Edenton Street Methodist church and that copies shall be sent to members of her family and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. W. H. Darden,  
Mrs. Garland Tucker,  
Mary Gardner,  
Committee.

### IN MEMORIAM

Capt. Alexander Martin Rankin, beloved among us for his good works and alms deeds which he did, was called to his eternal reward early in 1940. He was a devout Christian, a beloved husband and father and a consecrated, faithful church worker. He never failed his church in attendance upon its services, in personal work, nor in the gifts of his substance when it was physically possible for him to respond to her calls.

His concern for the dependent ones took definite shape in his interest in and his helpfulness toward establishing and supporting the Methodist Protestant Children's Home. From the time the Children's Home was started in Denton, N. C., Captain Rankin was interested in the work and made his contributions for its support; and he was the second one to make a large donation to have the Home moved from Denton and built in High Point. Dr. J. R. Reitzel gave the first \$500 and Captain Rankin gave the second \$500 for that purpose.

And from the time the Children's Home was opened in High Point he was a trustee of the Home, and from the death of Dr. J. R. Reitzel in 1914, he served as secretary-treasurer of the Home until God called him home, and he was faithful to the trust in both capacities. Not only so, but he was always deeply interested and concerned about the welfare of the Home, its workers and its children. To prove his devotion to the work here he gave freely of his time and his money for the promotion and support of the work.

He was regular and punctual in his attendance at the trustee meetings, and was vitally concerned in every move for the welfare of the Home. We shall miss his genial presence and his wise counsels in our meetings; but we bow in submission to the will of our heavenly Father who in his wisdom called this our brother and associate in kingdom service into his eternal reward.

We extend to Mrs. Rankin and the children and the other members of his family our sincere and prayerful sympathy, and pray that God will continue to bless, comfort and keep each of them.

We suggest that a copy of this paper be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, a copy sent to the stricken family and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Signed by the committee:

A. G. Dixon,  
V. W. Idol,  
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## Faith Makes Refugees into Pilgrims

By WINSHIP STOREY

**A**MONG the most pathetic figures of the war are the refugees. Helpless, homeless, fleeing from the horror that pursues them and not knowing where to go; mercilessly butchered by the aggressors, hopelessly hampering the movements of those who would seek to save them, perplexed, bewildered, broken folk.

Any sort of a refugee is a pathetic sight, but a spiritual refugee is most pitiable of all—fleeing from Life, which hits him so hard, and knowing no refuge for his spirit. Unable to contribute anything to the national morale because the few poor things he thought he was sure of have been torn up by the roots and he is left with no resources of the soul to steady him. He cannot understand Life; realizes in a dull sort of fashion that it has fallen to pieces. Things he thought were permanent are no longer there. Things that his whole soul revolts against considering permanent seem to have established themselves so strongly that there seems to be no prospect whatever of overthrowing them. Life as he has known it is gone forever; what the future holds, he dare not imagine.

The spiritual refugee is, however, often a brave man. He has to be, for he stands in his own strength, if he stands at all. No coward heart was poor Henley, thanking "whatever gods may be" for his unconquerable soul. But, in spite of his fine, dour doggedness of spirit he is a refugee, for gratitude to "whatever gods may be" is not the mark of one who knows God as his refuge and strength. This very fact invests with an almost pathetic appeal the rousing defiance of his words—

"In the fell clutch of circumstance  
 I have not winced nor cried aloud  
 Under the bludgeonings of chance  
 My head is bloody, but unbowed."

And yet I cannot but feel that Barrie was right when he said: "A fine mouthful, but perhaps 'My head is bloody and bowed' is better." For Barrie is thinking of a head bowed not in defeat but in worship, and such a soul meets the worst that life can deal out to him not with a fearless defiance—fine as that is—but with a fearless Faith which is a finer thing still, for it changes him from a refugee into a pilgrim.

—Methodist Recorder (London).



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oughly I herewith enclose enough to extend my own subscription for two years—and will look forward to every issue.

"Rev. Richard K. Morton,  
"Religious Editor."

### EFFORTS OF N. C. COUNCIL OF CHURCHES IN RURAL FIELD

Few of us have to be reminded that the rural church does today face serious problems. The denominational leaders have realized this and many have urged that the North Carolina Council of Churches take some action leading toward certain co-operative community programs throughout the state. However, before undertaking any state-wide program for the improvement and enrichment of the rural communities of North Carolina, we would like advice on certain matters.

We are calling ten regional meetings over the state between now and September 14. Such meetings will afford you and other interested rural leaders from all denominations an opportunity to sit down together and think through the type of co-operative program to be carried on. The attendance at these meetings will be limited, in that we are inviting for this first meeting only a few from each denomination. This is a study conference and not a mass meeting. No addresses will be delivered and no "canned" program will be submitted.

On the attached card you will find the time and place of the meeting in your area, as well as the counties from which representatives of the various denominations will come. We sincerely hope that it will be possible for you to be present. If it is not, however, give us the name of someone from your denomination and within your area who might be able to attend. If a working and effective program is set up, we must have the co-operation of all groups.

Committee on Rural Life.

Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the Advocate campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.



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The hottest poker the politicians have to handle in Washington is the draft bill. Those who see Hitler coming across the Atlantic are forced to lay hold with great trepidation; others cry Hitlerism.

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Compulsory military training smacks so of the Nazi camp that the amended title runs: "A Bill to Provide for the Common Defense and to Increase and Train the Personnel of the Armed Forces of the United States." Truly that which we call a rose will by any other name smell as sweet.

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Most grateful are we for the kind words from many sources of those who appreciate editorials and contributions dealing with our work in the country. The rural church still has many friends and not a few devoted workers. This Advocate is thoroughly committed to the work of making the rural church and school ever enlarging and effective agencies among our country people.

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August in North Carolina is the month for country meetings, family reunions and home comings at country churches. All of which are most valuable. No one thing in the religious life of the South has counted for more than the religious revivals held with fine fidelity through the years in the rural churches for more than a hundred years. These have sent strong currents of moral and spiritual vigor through the nation. The church home comings afford fine opportunity for those who have scattered abroad to return to the old home church for fellowship and inspiration. These occasions increase with each passing year. The family reunions are also becoming much more common. These cherish family traditions and make for an emphasis on the finer elements of family life. The memories of the noble dead inspire the youth of the present generation. Great is August in Dixie.

The peace time draft is pronounced by the military men as democratic. Does not every one know that an army cannot be democratic? The dictator dominates an army all the way down to the buck private. Democratic methods would destroy any army. Force is the agency employed by the military. Force is the one and only agency of the dictator. So long as we have armies we must follow the methods of the dictators. Billions of dollars and millions of men are the only language the army knows. Of course, when conscription comes individual liberty goes for the man drafted. When a nation becomes military minded, relying on force and organizes as an army, national liberty goes for the time being. It has already passed for the nations at war.

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Under a deep sense of the increasing need of the mission and message of the Friends to meet the world conditions of today, the Friends of North Carolina and beyond are assembled at Guilford College in the 243rd Yearly Meeting. Many in North Carolina do not begin to appreciate the influence of the Friends in the state. In 1672 they held at Hertford in Perquimans county the first religious service in North Carolina. From that day through all our history their influence has gone far beyond the expectancy of relatively so small a group. For peace as against war; for temperance as against alcoholic beverages; for brotherhood as against caste and artificial distinction, they have ever stood firm though prison walls rose before them. Would that we had a hundred Quakers where we have one in this day when force and ungodliness hold such full sway. We sincerely trust that the Yearly Meeting may be such as to send these Friends out to witness for God in a far more effective way before the 244th gathering at Guilford. Their lines have gone out through all the earth as they have told of God as a power and presence within. May God through them become a more potential force for peace and righteousness.



## North Carolina First and Farthest Against King Alcohol

**F**IRST at Bethel, farthest at Gettysburg, and last at Appomatox" in North Carolina should give way with our people to "first and farthest" against beverage alcohol.

Have we since repeal forgotten the obligation of a state to its citizens? Protection of its citizens is a function of the state. It is intolerable that any government, through participating in revenues, should be a party to a business which thrives upon the physical, social, moral and spiritual decay of its people.

The Twenty-first Amendment leaves every state free to enact any anti-liquor, local option or prohibition legislation it may deem wise, free from any enforcement handicap of the Interstate Commerce Clause of the Constitution. We call upon Congress to enact proper legislation for the adequate enforcement of the second clause of the Twenty-first Amendment to the Federal Constitution, which is: "The transportation or importation into any state, territory, or possession of the U. S. for delivery or use therein of intoxicating liquors in violation of the laws thereof, is hereby prohibited."

We urge Congress to enact legislation to prohibit all advertising of liquor. Wine through the centuries has been a mocker, destroying individuals and blighting society. The legalized liquor traffic is today, as it has always been, an anti-social institution. Increased crime, social drinking, the open saloon under new dress and name, depressed morals, wrecked homes, debauched youth, mounting traffic tolls, broken pledges and other glaring evils almost without number shout the call for a reawakened conscience that will meet this crisis.

Human values whether of individuals or of society mean less than nothing to its promoters. We urge an intensified program of education on this vitally important matter. The truth taught by the church concerning the physical, moral and social evils of alcohol has been clouded by the falsehoods and cleverness of writers of publicity in magazines and newspapers until millions do not know or realize the danger in all forms of alcoholic beverages. We call upon our churches to cease not in their declaration of the truth concerning liquor until its poison and destruction are clearly in the minds of our people. In doing this, we ask them to use all forms of educational processes and every educational agency of the church.

We must resume our task of leadership against the liquor traffic. We must continue to labor by educational methods until we have effectively outlawed this traffic from our midst. We further urge all to co-operate with and support public school officials in educating our youth as to the nature and effect of alcohol and narcotics.

The immediate concern of all the people of North Carolina is to secure the opportunity to register their wills at the ballot box so that we may have enacted a law for all the people of the state in place of the shameful hodge podge we have at present.

## A Dearth Or a Dower

**A**N astute business man once remarked that a man had to be primed in his youth in order to become an effective power in the financial world. This rule holds good in every walk of life. Militaristic training makes possible a totalitarian state and exalts a life of force. Men grow to admire those who can use force to gain an advantage until might is the aim and conquering power of a nation. On the other hand, freedom to live and work according to individual preference stimulates individual effort, promotes investigation in science and industry, also an enrichment in literature, art and music, producing a democracy in government. That which influences the thinking of a child determines the sort of man he will be and, unconsciously, perhaps, he shapes himself into an individual that seeks to grasp what he is taught to admire. Thus childhood and youth are victimized by adult life; either through a failure to give preparation for a definite life work or else through training to exercise practices detrimental to the highest good of humanity. In early youth a child acquires a mind fixed to a friendly attitude to human kind or else a desire to exploit his fellowman for his own selfish purposes. One, or many, may give the cue to the part that he plays in life. It is at this time that he naturally comes to a sense of God.

It is a hard job for a child to get acquainted with the world in which he lives. His greatest friend is the one who acquaints him with all these mysteries. A little boy who was terribly afraid of storms always hunted for his grandmother when the thunder came and the lightnings flashed. His grandmother had a certainty of God and knew how to explain to him the love of a heavenly Father and his care for



his children. On one occasion, when the violence of the storm was approaching, he hurried to the protection of his grandmother and said: "I know it is our heavenly Father, but, say, grandmother, he is certainly putting out the stuff now."

So long as there are men and women who have a certainty of God, there will be children who trust in them and grow to be rich in spiritual things. Nothing impoverishes the spiritual life of youth so much as the lukewarm Christian who gives the impression that religion is a take it or leave it matter; and nothing fortifies youth so completely as the man or woman who says: "This one thing I do—I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Each generation carries the responsibility of the Christian attitude to after generations.

### Uniting the Americas

THE work of Secretary Cordell Hull at Havana has attracted the attention of the world. The American Republics have certainly gained a new place in the thought of the nations and the United States have come to see larger possibilities for all the peoples of this Western Hemisphere. But this will not come by building up big armies and big navies. These will have a place in police duty and for the defense of this western world only. Peaceful methods and the enterprises of civilization are essential to make possible the dreams for the future. The Pan-American headquarters in Washington make a fine beginning. From this centre should radiate lines of commerce and the many other agencies that go into making great a people. The Christian attitude of good will and helpful service should be found in all these efforts for promoting the future life and influence of these republics.

The fact that in a land as big as Brazil there is not a woman's college indicates the work yet to be done for higher education—indeed, in the entire field of the educational uplift of the masses. More of our own people must learn Spanish and Portuguese and come to know the historic background of the people before there can be the needed intermingling of the citizens of these republics. Modern means of transportation and communication are contributing much to making us one people. Really a great beginning has been made which will become more and more evident following the Havana Conference.

### Adversity

MOST people some time or other become acquainted with misfortune, calamity, affliction, trouble, trial. No man covets any of these. If left to our own preference we would escape each and every one of them. But such is not the lot of the average man. What then are the benefits of adversity; that is, if there be any? William Shakespeare said:

"Sweet are the uses of adversity,  
Which, like the toad, ugly and venomous,  
Wears yet a precious jewel in his head."

Some unknown author has written: "Adversity like the iron smith shapes as it smites." Lord Bacon declared: "Prosperity is the blessing of the Old Testament; adversity is the blessing of the New, which carrieth the greater benediction and the clearer revelation of God's favor."

"Adversity," says Bishop Hall, "is the only furnace of friendship. If love will not abide both fire and anvil it is but counterfeit; so, in our love of God, we do but crack and vaunt in vain, if we cannot be willing to suffer for him."

A proverb (and what is a proverb but an accepted truth of the common people) says: "Adversity is a grindstone that puts an edge on us."

If poets, philosophers and the common run of men can praise the uses of adversity, why should any of us be rebellious when forced into the fellowship of life's adversities?

### Radio for Children

THE Christian Science Monitor reports that as a result of a survey made in New York City schools by sending a questionnaire to 60,000 pupils in twenty-one schools it was learned that they are interested in nature studies, in information about children's hobbies, in news of scout activities and of what other children are doing. They asked for American historical plays, dramatizations of Bible stories, fairy tales, travelogues of foreign countries, music, and more operettas. They wanted mysteries and adventure, but preferred them "with less shooting."

This response speaks well for the tastes of these New York City boys and girls. We wonder if the same showing could be made by children of the country and smaller cities of America.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference (place to be announced) . . . . . Nov. 7**

Rev. and Mrs. Lee I. Tuttle announce the birth of Dione Tuttle, August 4, Sternberger hospital, Greensboro.

On next Sunday, August 11, the Pleasant Garden Methodist church will celebrate its 148th anniversary. The pastor will preach.

"The Rev. and Mrs. David Sullins Dosser announce the marriage of their daughter, Anne Sullins, to Mr. Neil Jourlmon on Saturday, the third of August, nineteen hundred and forty, Bristol, Virginia."

There will be a home coming at Snow Creek church on the Olin charge Sunday, August 18. All friends and former pastors are especially invited to attend. The protracted meeting will begin that night. Rev. P. F. Snider is pastor.

Rev. J. T. Draper of Warrenton is receiving treatment at Park View hospital here in Rocky Mount. He thinks he will be in the hospital for several days. His condition is not thought to be serious and he is cheerful in mind and spirit.—E. L. Hillman.

Home coming day, Mt. Olivet church, August 29. Meet relatives, renew friendships, make new friends. Mark your calendar and make your plans to be with us, for the day will not be complete without you.—Members of Mt. Olivet Church.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Crawford, pastor of the Raeford Methodist church were at home to the members of their church last week. On Wednesday afternoon the adults called and enjoyed many games. On Thursday afternoon the young people enjoyed a social hour together. Friday afternoon the children had a party. Punch, cake and watermelon was enjoyed each afternoon.—Mrs. C. L. Thomas.

General Evangelist Gus Klein, Memphis, Tenn., will be with me September 1 for a revival. He has two open dates and will help your board bring up the church finances for conference. I am happy to report our work in a good healthy condition. We are looking forward to a great revival under Evangelist Klein's leadership.—Rufus B. Templeton, Pastor Asbury Memorial Church, Asheville.

The people of Sparta Methodist church are grateful to their faithful pastor, Rev. L. F. Strader, for inviting Rev. F. W. Kiker of Mt. Holly to conduct a revival here. Rev. Mr. Kiker brought some wonderful messages. Four members were received. Rev. T. A. Plyler, Jr., of Laurel Springs led the singing and also did some splendid work with the young people. During the week of the revival a vacation church school was conducted, at the close of which 37 certificates were awarded.—Razel Reeves Gambill, Secretary.

Randolph-Gray's Chapel.—The work is moving along in a satisfactory way. Four new Sunday school rooms are nearing completion at Shiloh, making six class rooms for this historic old church which recently celebrated its sesquicentennial. There will be no debt when the work is finished. We have just closed a most successful revival and Bible school at Bethany, resulting in 32 conversions and 18 additions to the church, Rev. H. D. Gannon of Shelby doing the preaching following Sunday. Top soil has been put on the yard at Gray's Chapel and the ladies of Shiloh have purchased a new pulpit Bible. Bethel and Bethany just recently gave the pastor a generous pounding—and a splendid cash donation from Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bullard. Brother John Lindley, our Bible class teacher at Bethel, has a splendid record, having started in 1925. He is a fine S. S. teacher.

Hay Street, Fayetteville, began building the new parsonage Monday morning—a nine-room brick house, located on Hillside avenue. The Sunday school unit of Johnson Memorial church will be completed for first service Sunday, August 11. This is the first of three mission points to be established in Fayetteville. Hay Street attendance is the joy of my life. For 37 Sundays the pastor has preached from a temporary stand between the Sunday school and church auditorium. Prayer meeting still going strong.—R. E. Brown.

The church at Andrews has been covered with a good metal roof, piano has been bought and placed in the basement, vacation Bible school has been held (also one for the colored people of the town), porch furniture has been added at the parsonage, also some bed room furnishings, Layman's Day has been observed, and the program of the church systematically followed. Several of the financial obligations of the church have been paid in full for the year; others are on the way toward being paid in full. We are now entering the revival period with Revs. Mr. Dawson and Mr. Crutchfield, Duke evangelistic team, leading our services. The departments of the League are working okey, the young people's work having grown in interest and attendance. Business is on the "up and up" in Andrews with the coming of the dam at Nantehalia. The building of roads and of buildings is also giving employment—these things are adding life and activity to this section of the state.—G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

Shiloh people, C. E. Ridge, pastor, are carrying on in a cheerful and hopeful way. We hope our spirituality shall not fail. Our pastor has been assisting fellow pastors in revivals in recent weeks and also has filled his own appointments. He has been engaged in a revival at Friendship church with Dr. J. E. Pritchard as pulpit help. On Wednesday night in August the revival services will begin at Shiloh with Rev. J. L. Ingram, pastor of Welcome and Midway Methodist churches, as helper. Our primary children have completed a fine vacation Bible school, conducted by Mrs. Floyd Leatherman with Mrs. Joe Sink and Miss Ruth Sink as primary assistants, and Mrs. Wiley Shoaf in charge of an adult Bible class for those who brought the children from the different communities. The third quarterly conference for Shiloh charge was held at Shiloh church Saturday afternoon but was not largely attended. However, the business was transacted and Mr. R. B. Sink of Shiloh was elected conference delegate with Miss Lelia Byerly of Friendship as reserve delegate.—Mrs. Homer Sink.

Shiloh, C. E. Ridge, pastor.—Our people's minds are strongly set on a good revival that we have been earnestly praying for. A noticeable increase in interest and attendance has been shown in our weekly prayer services. Three weeks ago we had 15 present; two weeks ago 31, and last week between 45 and 50. We are praying for a spiritual awakening of the church membership and hope that we shall have a wonderful revival. As has been announced, Rev. J. L. Ingram will be the pulpit help and will be with us on Wednesday night, August 14, when the revival begins. All day service Sunday, August 18, with afternoon and evening services throughout the following week. At Sunday morning service our pastor preached a wonderful sermon on the subject, "The More Abundant Life." I hope this will awake us as to what the abundant life really is. The announcement was made of Dr. Dixon's request for the High Point Children's Home, and on the first Sunday in September this offering will be taken in the Sunday school classes. He said he would like to get not less than \$100. Let's give a sacrificial offering for a most worthy cause.—Mrs. Homer Sink.



Ridgeland, S. C., Aug. 5.—Rev. John William Elkins, 82, retired Methodist minister, died here today after a short illness. He was the last survivor of the class of 1882 at Vanderbilt University and had been active in the ministry for 52 years. After his retirement he continued to take an active part in church services whenever he attended. Survivors include two sons, Reid Elkins of Atlanta and Paul Elkins of Hartsville. He made his home here with his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Carobell Robertson Elkins. Funeral services will be held at 4 p. m. Tuesday.

Mrs. Martitia Cranford Miller oldest resident of Asheboro and probably of Randolph county, celebrated her 94th birthday Monday quietly at her home on North Fayetteville street, receiving visits from a host of friends and relatives and reading letters and telegrams from many others. Heartily and cheerful at 94, Mrs. Miller laughed gaily when asked for her recipe for long life. She has no pet diets, "Aunt Tish" declared, and no magic formula to guarantee longevity. "I've always lived an active life," she commented, when asked to what she attributed her unusual age, "and I never had any hard spells of sickness." She added, "I haven't been in bed sick a day since I moved to Asheboro 44 years ago."—Courier.

Joseph Arlindo Redding, 85, prominent retired business man of Millboro, died at a hospital in Asheboro June 23, 1940. Rev. G. L. Reynolds and Rev. Mr. Isley conducted the funeral service. Mr. Redding was the son of the late Lucina Allred Redding and Solomon Trogon Redding. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Emma Elmore of Randleman; two daughters, Mrs. Maude Snider of Randleman, and Mrs. Paul Owen of Greensboro; eight sons, W. A. and C. T. Redding of Millboro; Mac Redding of Creswell, Oregon; J. W. Redding of Spencer; Fred Redding of Seattle, Washington; Reg Redding of Ione, Washington; Hugh Redding of Russellville, Ark., and Paul Redding of Asheboro; one sister, Mrs. Jessie Julian of Millboro, and 25 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

### A DAY AT RAEFORD

To help a Methodist preacher who is striving to do good is one of our finest and most comforting undertakings. Such was last Sunday morning at Raeford. We "filled in" for Rev. E. C. Crawford who was helping Rev. J. C. Williams at Camp Ground on the Fayetteville circuit. Two more diligent and devoted preachers than Crawford and Williams are not to be found. Success follows each of these men wherever they go. Brother Crawford is still hustling at Raeford as is his wont. So is Williams in Cumberland.

My stay in Raeford Saturday night and Sunday was rendered the more pleasant by my being privileged to stay in the Thompson home. Mrs. Lilly Thompson, her son Crawford and his attractive wife and their little daughter make a charming family. We look with expectancy to the day when we can renew this fine fellowship.

The big inflow of officers and men to Fort Bragg is making heavy demands on Fayetteville, Raeford and other points for homes for the officers and families. A soldier told us the Fort is overcrowded with the additional recruits coming in.

### HAPPY OCCASION AT COLONIAL BEACH

The picnic at Colonial Beach was a most happy occasion for the ministers and their families of the Elizabeth City district who were privileged to attend. This is an ideal place for such an occasion. How we did enjoy the delightful breeze, easy chairs, picnic dinner and the placid water of the Albemarle! Mrs. A. C. Thompson saw that we had lemonade, which was refreshing. The fellowship one with another brought us a little closer together and we feel that it was a day well spent. After eating supper and the serving of watermelon we bade our friends goodbye and departed for our homes.

Mrs. W. J. Watson,  
Secretary Ministers' Wives' Association.

## JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

### SCHEDULE OF SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES

Junaluska School of Religion, Affiliated with  
Duke University (Education Building)... July 15-Aug. 24  
School of Missions (Mission Inn) ..... July 23-Aug. 6  
Missionary Conference ..... July 30-Aug. 6  
One-Week Leadership School, Merged with W.N.C.  
School for Christian Workers (Ed. Bldg.)... July 30-Aug. 6  
Pastors' Conference ..... Aug. 6-11  
Two-Weeks' Leadership School ..... Aug. 8-22  
Camp Cheonda (Seniors) ..... Aug. 9-23  
Inspirational Week, with Broomfield and  
Hughes ..... Aug. 21-Sept. 1

### Junaluska Program

Sunday, August 11, 11 a. m.—Sermon.... Dr. Burris Jenkins  
4:00-4:30 p. m.—Choir Concert.  
8:00 p. m.—Sermon ..... Bishop W. W. Peele  
Monday, August 12, 10:30 a. m.—Address, Dr. G. I. Humphreys, "Our Common Task."  
DUKE DAY.  
6:00 p. m.—Duke Picnic Supper (with music by band).  
7:30-8:00 p. m.—Band Concert.  
8:00 p. m.—Address, Dr. W. P. Few, "Steps on the Way Out."  
Tuesday, August 13, 10:30 a. m.—Address, Dr. Frank P. Graham, "Some Aspects of Freedom and Democracy in the Modern World."  
8:00 p. m.—Miss Bertha Rachel Palmer.  
Wednesday, August 14, 10:30 a. m.—Address, Dr. Henry N. Snyder, "How Can a College Best Serve Today's Needs?"  
8:00 p. m.—Dr. Fowler D. Brooks.  
Thursday, August 15, 10:30 a. m.—Lecture, Dr. P. E. Lindley, "My Father's World: Its Beauty."  
8:00 p. m.—Mrs. Grace Noll Crowell (Readings from her own poems).  
Friday, August 16, 10:30 a. m.—Lecture, Dr. P. E. Lindley, "My Father's World: Its Builder."  
8:00 p. m.—Dr. Fowler D. Brooks.  
Saturday, August 17, 10:30 a. m.—Lecture, Dr. P. E. Lindley, "My Father's World: Its Purpose."  
8:00 p. m.—Moving Picture, "Abe Lincoln in Illinois," and Disney Cartoon.

### Moving Pictures

Mr. J. M. Stackhouse, moving picture salesman and expert photographer, whose home is here at the Assembly, has agreed to present personal moving picture films of Junaluska scenes, in winter, spring, summer, and autumn, accompanied by other magnificent views of the surrounding country, including some views from the Smokies, at 9:00 on the evening of August 10, immediately after a one-hour drama, "Prisoner at the Bar." Persons who have seen these films say that they are "truly magnificent," "unbelievably beautiful," showing a riot of fall coloring and winter scenes of ice and snow, making them "really breath-taking."

### WILMINGTON INVITES ANNUAL CONFERENCE

On July 21 Wilmington Methodism voted to extend an invitation to the North Carolina Annual Conference to meet in the city by the sea this fall. Subsequently, the following invitation was sent to the committee on conference entertainment:

"With Fifth Avenue as host church, Wilmington Methodism unites in extending an invitation to the North Carolina Annual Conference to hold its 1940 session in this city, either between Sundays or embracing a Sunday.

"C. D. Barelift, Pastor Fifth Avenue.

E. T. Jones, Chairman Board of Stewards,

J. F. Herbert, Pastor Grace.

R. L. Jerome, Pastor Trinity.

Walter Pavy, Pastor Epworth.

W. A. Tew, Pastor Wesley Memorial."



## SUMMER OBSERVATIONS BESIDE THE POTOMAC

By Jacob Simpson Payton

Summer sessions of Congress have been few and far between. When George Washington chose the sight of the Federal City he did not have in mind the selection of a summer resort for members of Congress. It is for this reason that adoration for the Father of His Country on the part of our lawmakers does not reach its peak in midsummer. It does not follow the thermometer. Of course General Washington's idea of service to the Republic was never that of sitting beside a water-cooler wielding a palm leaf fan. He had a surveyor's eye. That led him to plump down the seat of government in the center of population of that day. He was a military strategist. A site far inland beyond the reach of invading armies, and where battleships patrolling the Potomac would give added protection, appealed to the General. Furthermore, he was a business man. He envisioned a system of canals that would add the commerce of the rapidly developing western country to the cargoes from the Seven Seas then being laid down at the wharves just below the White House. He meant to give Boston, New York and Charleston a run for their money.

### Washington Revisited?

Were Mr. Washington to revisit Congress and hear billion-dollar defense appropriations authorized, or were he to drop in at the Library of Congress to consult the map of America or the latest census reports, he would discover how all his dreams for the city he founded have passed with the advent of the new age of speed and efficiency. About the only thing he would recognize in Washington is the heat. In August the blistering rays from Old Sol still beat mercilessly down upon the capital. Summer sojourners here are a mopping, steaming, gasping aggregation who go paddling around in one long vapor bath. This is not the conception that senators and representatives, interned during this summer on Capitol Hill, have of a right to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." Of course both chambers where they meet are air-conditioned, but when they emerge the change is like jumping out of the refrigerator into the frying pan. It should be said, however, that the loyalty of members of Congress to the country's welfare in this emergency defies the mounting mercury, and while the thermometer still remains beyond congressional control, the gentlemen on the Hill are undaunted in their determination to cool certain hot-heads in Europe with ample ice packs should their madness lead them this way in search of glory, booty or revenge.

Second only to the discomfort of the heat from which our federal lawmakers are suffering is their anxiety about being detained in Washington during an election year. In most congressional districts there are contests, and one-third of the senators must guard against toga-snatchers getting too effective a grip during the enforced absence. Echoes of the drum beats of rival candidates who go coursing through their bailiwicks with followers flocking to their standards add to the peace of mind of neither Democrats nor Republicans. This delay of a furlough of the embattled legislators is disconcerting. All of them realize the advantage of opening up their sample cases before the gaze of the homefolks. Perhaps even some of them have a few sepulchres of corruption that need a fresh coat of whitewash. Their own confidence in the electorate retaining their jobs for them while they are absent in the service of the country is not absolute, although many who are ready to vote for selective draft emphasize the appealing provision of jobs being reserved for the boys when they return from the colors.

### Rapid Change Artists

Another feature that is disturbing to a politician's peace of mind is the scrambled state of the major parties. This sudden award of chevrons to fledglings who have been so indifferent to party alignment that they did not even so much as bother to tie a string around their thumbs to help them remember what ticket they voted last, is disconcerting to the old style wheelhorses. Elderly Democrats in Washington view with some bewilderment their former brothers in the faith flagging the band wagon of Willkie, an ex-Democrat, who leads the Republican procession and promises that sufficient trailers will be hooked on to provide accommodations for all passengers who wish to transfer to his line. Equally nonplussed are Republicans at the sight of Henry L. Stimson, Frank Knox and Henry A. Wallace, once three brilliant stars in the G. O. P. tiara, now shining with recovered effulgence in a New Deal setting. This campaign promises to be a big two-ring circus with troupes of Democratic and Republican acrobats high on the flying trapeze taking chances without even the aid of nets.

Many of the participants at Philadelphia and Chicago who, like worsted canines, went home to lick their wounds, have sufficiently recovered to appear upon the floors of Congress. "Cactus Jack" Garner, the Lone Ranger, after 35

years under the Capitol dome, has headed for the last round up down on the Rio Grande. Sympathizers continue to administer copious draughts of soothing syrup to James Aloysius Farley who bore his paroxysms of pain with stoic concealment at Chicago. The President who succumbed to the "draft" with the announcement, "My conscience will not let me turn my back upon a call to service," will forego a vacation, save for week-end cruises on the Potomac and visits to the ancestral estate at Hyde Park. Mr. Willkie has found time amidst rodeos, fish fries and visits to ghost towns to engage in reading. "Black Harry," effective revivalist in Bishop Asbury's day, claimed that when he tried to read he lost the grip of preaching. Republicans trust that their candidate's diversion may not cramp his style as a campaigner. In both Democratic and Republican camps sedulous care is being taken to strengthen every coign of vantage, to follow up first-aid treatment rendered to the injured during the fracas at the nominating conventions, and to throw out a life line to any sailor who has mutinied and has been tossed overboard by a rival crew. While both sides poohpoo the idea of any moaning at the bar when certain politicians embark on strange seas, yet nothing is being left undone to propitiate the implacables.

### Law-Making in a Befuddled World

The chief obstacle to the prolonged session of Congress is not the excessive heat, nor the impending campaign battle, nor even the party alignments that have been knocked into a cocked hat. The problem is to retain democracy in such a hostile world, without at the same time threatening the peace and security of America. If the ancient law of Jehovah, "Thou shalt not steal," is being broken so ruthlessly during this reign of international banditry, one may logically ask what heed will be given by these brigands to any laws which America may enact. This lapse into world lawlessness is America's chief threat. Almost every week some report of a major theft reaches the State Department. Latest among these is that Russia, "The Bear That Walks Like a Man," long sniffing around Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, like old bruin for the honey in so many bee trees, had yielded to its rapacious appetite. The bloody butchers have lifted their cleavers in the act of partitioning Roumania, and Dictator Franco has placed an early order for the delivery of Gibraltar to Spain. There are some here in Washington who dismiss it all on the grounds that these nations are only recovering the possessions that were once wrenched from them by force. Occasionally there even crops up such offerings of excuses for these aggressors as sound almost like cheering the enemy.

### IMPROVEMENTS AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

The pleasing appearance of Louisburg College at Louisburg, N. C., has recently been adding to its already venerable and charming aspect by the laying of a fine brick walk from the main entrance gates across the campus to Main building. The bricks for this six-foot path were a present to the college from Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Isenhour of Sanford, who are interested friends of the college.

The labor for this project was furnished by a group of the students of Louisburg College who are spending the summer on the campus finishing up necessary pieces of work and at the same time earning credit for their college expenses for the coming year.

There are fourteen of these young men thus keeping the lawns and buildings in good condition now, and making substantial and permanent improvements for the future. The college farm keeps four of the boys busy, under the direction of the new professor of agriculture, Mr. William Shope, a graduate of State College and a teacher of several years' experience.

The improvement that will be most noticeable to visitors in the buildings of the college is the redecorating, by painting, of the walls and ceilings of Main Hall and of the offices of the president and his secretary. Wright dormitory for young men is also on the list of projects to be fulfilled in order to bring the college to a better state of beauty and efficiency.

Our thanks to all those sending in new subscriptions in the Advocate campaign. Such aid keeps the presses going.



# HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. DIXON, Superintendent

In the Advocate of last week we published a letter which went out last week to all pastors and Sunday school superintendents whose addresses we have. In that letter we asked pastors and superintendents to present the matter of offerings for this Home, during the next three months, to their people and stated: "We haven't any other way to give your people a chance to help us in this needy and worthy cause. So if you fail us we can but suffer. Because of the very circumstances under which we labor this is a very urgent call.

We find that we haven't a list of the S. S. superintendents in the North Carolina conference, and we have no way of knowing how many of them take the Advocate; so in that territory we must depend upon our pastors and

those of our workers who read the N. C. Christian Advocate.

This is very urgent, but we cannot keep it before you week after week as we used to do. Just get it fixed in your mind now that you will do this for us, and then do it, and your folks will be glad and we will be happy. And we will thus measure up to our responsibility before the dear Lord who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

We thank you for your faithfulness in the past, and for special efforts during the next three months. We are depending upon you and God is depending upon us all. We dare not fail him.

Praying his rich blessings upon all faithful workers everywhere.



This is the High Point Children's Home Family as of May, 1940

IT REPRESENTS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF FORMER METHODIST PROTESTANTS IN  
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You have just three more months to make your contributions to this Home under its present plan of operation. We need a Special Offering and the regular Monthly Offerings from every Church between now and Conference to help us balance our budget. Send your Special, your Sunday School and your Personal Offerings during August, September and October to the Superintendent.

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WE THANK YOU



# Need of Moral and Spiritual Revival

Address of President Henry Bett at the Methodist Conference at Sheffield, England

We cannot forget the state of the world around us today, and we ought not to forget it if we could. More than a century and a quarter has passed since this conference assembled in such a time of danger and distress, alike for this nation and for the world. There has been nothing like the present situation since the years following Austerlitz, when this land was in deadly peril of invasion, and when all Europe lay prone at the feet of a French dictator. Our hearts beat in unison as we think of our beloved country, and of the world's hope of liberty which England so largely represents. We all hate tyranny and cruelty; we are all enlisted on the side of humanity and freedom; we all long to see justice enthroned in the world; we all detest a despotism that has made so much of Europe into a wilderness and a shambles.

Some of us believe that the power of darkness in the world can only be beaten down with the sword, and many of the young men of our church are now soldiers, most of them loathing a summons and a task which they nevertheless feel is not to be escaped or denied. But some of us do not believe—we almost wish we could in days like these—but we cannot believe that war is any real or lasting remedy for what is wrong with the world. We cannot think that the cause of right and civilization will ever be finally saved by warfare, because we are sure that war itself is a wrong and a barbarity. That conviction we cannot escape or deny. I want to make here a most earnest appeal for peace within the church, whatever strife there may be in the world outside. Surely, as followers of Christ, we can respect each others' sincere convictions? When these terrible days are past the task of the church will be difficult enough in many ways, but if there has been angry dissension within the church it will be almost impossible. I beseech you, in the name of our Lord, to speak no unworthy word in these anxious days, from either side. It may be asserted that unwise and uncharitable things have been said already. Perhaps they have, and perhaps on both sides. But surely it is not impossible for followers of Christ to keep from unkind thoughts and angry words. I beg you all to say nothing that you would not say if you could see our Lord standing beside you, listening to your words, and watching you with those saddened eyes which, after the passion of two thousand years, see only this, as he looks upon the world he died to save.

And now let me go on to say what I would have said if the world had been at peace. The fact of a world at war simply underlies the urgency of it. The most obvious thing in the world today to the religious mind (and one might think that even the the worldly man could see it) is that the world needs a moral and spiritual revival, and needs it more than it needs anything else. For what is wrong with humanity in this particular age? It is that man has gained a mastery over the world that he is not fit to use. In the modern period, through scientific achievements, man has been able to exploit the forces of the natural world as never before, and he is the master of the world as he never was since time began. The great resources that are now his may be used or abused; they may be employed for his benefit or for his destruction. His steel may build bridges or battleships; his chemicals may

fertilize the earth and help to feed those who live on it, or kill them abominably with poison gas; his explosives may blast a dangerous reef outside a harbor, or blast his fellow men into bloody fragments in an air-raid. All such things have enormous possibilities for good or for evil, and man has not enough moral responsibility to use them for good. The plain fact is that man is not fit to be trusted with the vast powers that he possesses. He has not enough conscience and not enough soul. He is the lord of the earth and sea and sky, and he is not fit to exercise that dominion. And he will not be until there has been a great deepening of moral and spiritual life in humanity.

That means a widespread revival of religion, and this is the work of the Spirit of God. We cannot organize such a spiritual awakening, and it is useless to attempt any such thing. Too often in the past we have attempted that sort of futility. Are we then to do nothing and only to realize our helplessness? Surely we are to do anything and everything we can do, and devote ourselves more eagerly than ever to the work of evangelism; but still, when we are doing it, we are to realize our helplessness apart from God. I am certain that the whole secret lies there. We must feel our utter need, our utter helplessness, while we are still straining every nerve in the work of God. Nothing has made me feel more impatient and more disheartened during the last few years than the well-meant attempts at consolation we have heard from time to time. You know the kind of thing I mean. We must not discourage our people, it is said. Our membership is steadily diminishing; our churches are half empty; there has been a frightful decay in the religious allegiance of the English people—but we are assured by our false comforters that church membership and church attendance do not provide a real index to the religious situation, and that there is much diffused Christianity in the nation, and that things are not as desperate as they seem, and so forth; and, in short, we must not be discouraged. I wish to heaven we were a great deal more discouraged than we are! It is only when we reach the lowest point of discouragement, and realize to the full our helplessness and hopelessness, that we shall cry to God with a desperate faith. How much of that desperation of prayer and faith is there in our hearts? Do the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and say, "Spare thy people, Lord, and give not thy heritage to reproach; wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?"

There is something like a subtle hypocrite in the excuses we make for our failure. We plead that the age is unfavorable to religion. Every age is, and was, and will be, until the kingdoms of the world become the kingdom of our God and of his Christ. There never was a time when the mass of men were eager to hear the gospel, and eager to seek salvation of Christ. The world is always either indifferent or hostile; and it is our business to challenge the indifference of the world, and to conquer the hostility of the world. When was there more utter indifference to the gospel, and, a little later, more virulent hostility to it, than in the early days of Methodism? But our forefathers were men of faith and men



of prayer; they had heard in their hearts our Lord's great word: Courage! I have overcome the world! And they went out to make a new conquest of this land in the name of Christ. They had not the half of our opportunities; they were hampered by poverty and debt; they were faced by the most difficult conditions of work and of travel; the mass of the English people were at least as indifferent to the claims of religion as they are today—and more than that, for the early Methodists encountered popular opposition and violence of a kind we have never seen, since both the secular and the ecclesiastical authorities were definitely hostile to their message and their mission. But our brave forefathers went out with a passion of love and zeal and pity in their hearts, and they won a multitude of souls for Christ and changed the face of England. It was not that the conditions of the age gave them a better chance of doing this than we have. It was that they were men of faith and men of prayer as we are not. It was that they were more assured of their experience and of their mission than we are. It was that they had a deeper concern for the salvation of men and for the glory of God than we have.

And what was possible to them is possible to us, if we really believe that all things are possible with God, and with those who believe in God. Is God dead? Are his mercies and his faithfulness forgotten forever? I believe—nay, I am sure, that a great revival of prayer and faith and zeal among the people called Methodists would be the signal for a general revival of religion in this land and in these days.

The Methodists have been, in the modern world, the vanguard of Christendom. That is not too much to say. It was not a fanatical Methodist, but Harnack, the great German scholar, who said, "If I read the history of the church aright the Methodists are richest in experimental religion, most active in Christian work, most fertile in results of all since the time of the Reformation." I am not meaning to boast; I am simply suggesting that by virtue of our origin and our history we have been in the front line of the battle. One consequence of that is that we are the first to retreat as well as the first to advance. I believe that we suffer first, and suffer most, of all the churches in a period of religious depression, and that we are the first to move forward and the first to make new conquests in a period of religious revival. We were born for advance and aggression; it does not suit our genius to stand on the defensive. And that is what we are doing, and have been doing too long.

I do not want to see Methodists settle down into a middle-class sect, where our main concern is to retain our own people and to conserve our own resources. If we are true to our own genius and tradition—nay, if we are loyal to the purpose of God for which we were raised up at the first—we ought to be aggressive all the time. We have very poor prospects, and we are of very little use, while we resemble a beleaguered fortress; we shall do the work of God, and his work will prosper in our hand, when we attack, and attack, and attack again! That is the message that I bring to you. Let us give ourselves to prayer, eager, earnest, urgent, importunate prayer, that God would revive his work among us. Let us believe that the most amazing things are still possible if we consecrate ourselves utterly to God and his service. Let us toil terribly for the salvation of the people of this land. And, if we do, we shall see that God will open the windows of hea-

ven and pour us out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it!

Will you pardon a last, sincere, and intimate word? When first it seemed a possibility that I might be called to stand in this place, I asked one thing of the Lord, and one thing only, week after week and month after month—that it should not happen to me, unless, unworthy as I am, I might sound a call that would lead to a revival of the work of God in this great fellowship of believers. O that these words of mine might be scattered abroad, as sparks from an unextinguished hearth to kindle a sacred fire again in the hearts of the people called Methodists! —Methodist Recorder, London.

### DEATH OF BISHOP W. A. C. HUGHES

(Editorial in the New Orleans Christian Advocate, Dr. W. L. Duren, Editor)

The death of Bishop W. A. C. Hughes, elected at the first session of the Central Jurisdictional conference, on last Friday evening, was a shock to the entire church. He falls upon the very threshold of what his friends expected to be a constructive leadership of his people. His transition brings a more direct sorrow to this section, since he had been assigned to the New Orleans Episcopal Area and would have made his home in this city.

The editor of this paper met Bishop Hughes only once, and that at the Gulfside Pastors' conference seven or eight years ago. We were favorably impressed with him then, and we were looking forward to his coming that we might have the opportunity for knowing him better. Alas, our meeting has been postponed to a celestial setting where time does not run.

The episcopal record of Bishop Hughes is that of being the first bishop elected by the united church, and first in briefness of official tenure and service in the annals of American Methodism. Bishop Henry B. Bascom lived two days less than four months after election, and Bishop John J. Tigert lived six months and seven days. Bishop Hughes was stricken at the consecration service in St. Louis, on June 23, was removed to Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, and there he died on July 12, an episcopal tenure of twenty-two days without even a day of episcopal service.

This Advocate joins with the sorrowing hosts of the Central Jurisdiction for the untimely demise of this newly elected leader, and we extend sympathy to those of his household whose joyous hopes have so soon become as a withered rose. May the Lord of grace and glory give unto those that mourn "beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness," that He may be glorified.

Unity with variety is God's law in the kingdom of nature; and why should not his law in the kingdom of grace be unity of spirit with variety of forms? Uniformity is but the shadow of unity; and how often have churches, in vain attempts after the first, lost the second—like the dog in the fable lost both?—Thomas Guthrie, D.D.

There is no truer test of a man's character than the ideals which excite his genuine enthusiasm; there is no surer measure of what he will become than a real knowledge of what he heartily admires.—Liddon.



# \* Sow Bountifully and Reap Bountifully

By E. A. BINGHAM

Text, 2 Cor. 9:6: "But this I say, he which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully."

This text is true in agriculture and in morals and religion. Paul used it to encourage the Corinthians to give more liberally to the poor saints at Jerusalem.

## 1. Sow Bountifully and Reap Bountifully

If we sow small acreage we cannot hope to reap a large harvest. About half the people of the United States have no religious teaching. A large majority of our people have very little religious instruction. During our revivals we often hope to reach out and bring to Christ all the lost in the community. But if we have not been sowing seeds of kindness, love and helpfulness in their hearts we cannot win them. If we can get them to attend church school and preaching there is good hopes of reaping them for the kingdom of God. The good seed which is the Word of God, ought to be sown in more homes. The Bible ought to be proclaimed to all people.

## 2. Bountifully in Soil Preparation

Break up the fallow ground, destroy the thorns and briars. Dr. J. U. Newman once told of the officials of a mid-western state who offered the farmers a free trip to the state agricultural school. They saw with their own eyes how much better the crops were where the land had been ploughed deep. This revolutionized the farming in that state. With the same diligence we should prepare our community for growing boys and girls. All gambling places should be closed. Liquor should be banished from the community and nation. Road houses or all places of immorality should be removed. The community ought to be a clean, wholesome place to grow men and women of character.

## 3. Bountifully in Amount of Good Seed

I can remember when we sowed a bushel of wheat per acre. But I understand that it will produce a greater yield to put a bushel and a half of choice wheat per acre. We at one time depended primarily on the preaching service for sowing the Word of God. The organized church school has become a marvelous means of teaching the word. The Bible vacation school, leadership training classes, summer institutes, etc., are coming to the front in helping to give more religious instruction.

## 4. More Fertilizer

Twenty-five years ago the average farmer in Cleveland county didn't use more than 100 pounds of cheap fertilizer per acre. In those days it took from two to three acres to make a bale of cotton. By terracing the land, using good seed and several times the amount of good fertilizer, they are now making a bale of cotton per acre for the county. Two bales per acre is more common now than one bale 25 years ago. Many parents think if they can feed and clothe their children and send them to the public schools they are doing their duty. But they need to supply their children with the Bible, church papers and good books. Children need good books and literature to develop their moral and spiritual life. Too often we

are more interested in how to grow improved horses and cows than we are in knowing how to grow a better crop of boys and girls.

## 5. More Improvement Crops

The farmer who feels that he is not able to buy seed to sow for soil improvement makes less than those who sow peas, clover, etc. It pays to spend a great deal in improving the soil. Nothing pays the farmer greater dividends than what he puts into his church. Better church buildings, better equipped for church school and recreation will bring great results in the moral and spiritual life of the community. The church should lead the community in having a good building, well kept, with the grounds beautified.

## 6. Don't Take All Improvement Crops Off the Land

Soil improvement crops will not help the land nearly so much if we take them off the land. We should turn more clover and improvement crops under on the land. They will build the soil and increase the yield. Don't spend all your money on your own church. Your church will grow and prosper more if we give to the poor, to the suffering and to missions. Dr. E. H. Vandyke, a missionary to Japan, said that the food and supplies we sent Japan after a great earthquake several years ago did more to help the relationship between the two countries than anything he knew. More money spent to help a suffering world, to bring them the gospel of love and hope, might save in war material and in the best of our young manhood. "Cast thy bread upon the waters; for thou shalt find it after many days" (Ecc. 2:1).

## 7. The Greatest Crop

The greatest crop any farmer can grow is boys and girls. He supplies the country and a goodly number of those living in the towns and cities. A farmer boy named John came to his father and asked if he might go to college. His father told him that they were poor and that he hardly knew how they could send him, but that he would talk it over with his mother. Mother was anxious for her son John to get an education in a Christian college, so she encouraged her husband to let him go. During the four years John was in college his father and mother worked hard to get enough money to pay the college bills. He finally wrote his father and mother to come and see him graduate. They wrote back and told him that they had spent all their money helping him through school and that they did not have clothes good enough to come to commencement. John wrote back and told them to be sure and come. They came in a wagon. John met them on the campus and introduced them to the faculty and students with pride. On graduation day he was delivering a speech on religious education in the home, in the church and in the Christian college. His father and mother sat on the front bench. The father became so wrought up over the great oration his son was delivering that he rose to his feet and with his hand on the shoulder of his wife said: "Mother, this is the greatest crop we have grown."



God has so created this world that we must give to the soil as well as take from it to get the best results. God never intended that we should be selfish. Give freely and cheerfully to others, and the Lord and others will give back to you. Mr. George Mather of Westminster, Md., gave an illustrated lecture on the great beauties of the natural world and the arts of man. In closing he put on the screen the most beautiful rose bush I ever saw and said, "This is the work of God and man." We are co-laborers with God in making this world a better place to grow boys and girls of good morals and Christ-like characters.

\*This message was prepared and preached to the 4-H club boys and girls and the future farmers of America at Union Grove church.

### YOUTH CRUSADE WEEK AT FOREST HILL

Beginning Sunday evening, July 28, and continuing through the evening of August 1, the intermediates and young people of Forest Hill church, Concord, staged a most successful and inspirational Youth Crusade week under the direction of George E. Naff, Jr., the assistant pastor.

Presenting a well rounded program of study, worship, recreation and consecration, the purpose of the week's activity was to bring home to the youth of Concord and Cabarrus county some of the most interesting and helpful features of the youth assemblies held at Lake Junaluska. Those who attended both the Forest Hill sessions and the Junaluska assemblies state that the Forest Hill young people were most successful in accomplishing this purpose.

On Sunday at 6:45 p. m. young people from all the Protestant churches in Concord came together for a fellowship supper and worship service conducted by the Forest Hill young people, entitled: "For Christ Today—How Can I Best Use My Time and Energy?" Following this period, the Forest Hill young people conducted the evening church service, which featured group singing, led by Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., who each year leads the group singing at the Junaluska assemblies, and an address by Rev. C. C. Herbert, pastor, entitled, "For Christ Today," the general theme of the week.

The Monday evening program began with informal group singing led by Mrs. Herbert, followed by a count of churches represented, announcements, and assembly into the intermediates and young people's study classes which lasted for

45 minutes each evening. The intermediate study course entitled, "Our Church," was taught by G. E. Naff; the course for young people, "The Sermon on the Mount," was taught by Teague Hipps, the Western North Carolina conference director of young people.

This study period was followed at 8 p. m. by a 45-minute worship period featuring songs led by Mrs. Herbert, talks by Forest Hill young people who attended the Junaluska assemblies telling of the most impressive services they attended there, and interesting moving pictures in color of the Junaluska assemblies and of the Christian Adventure camps held at Camp Carlyle and at Pfeiffer College.

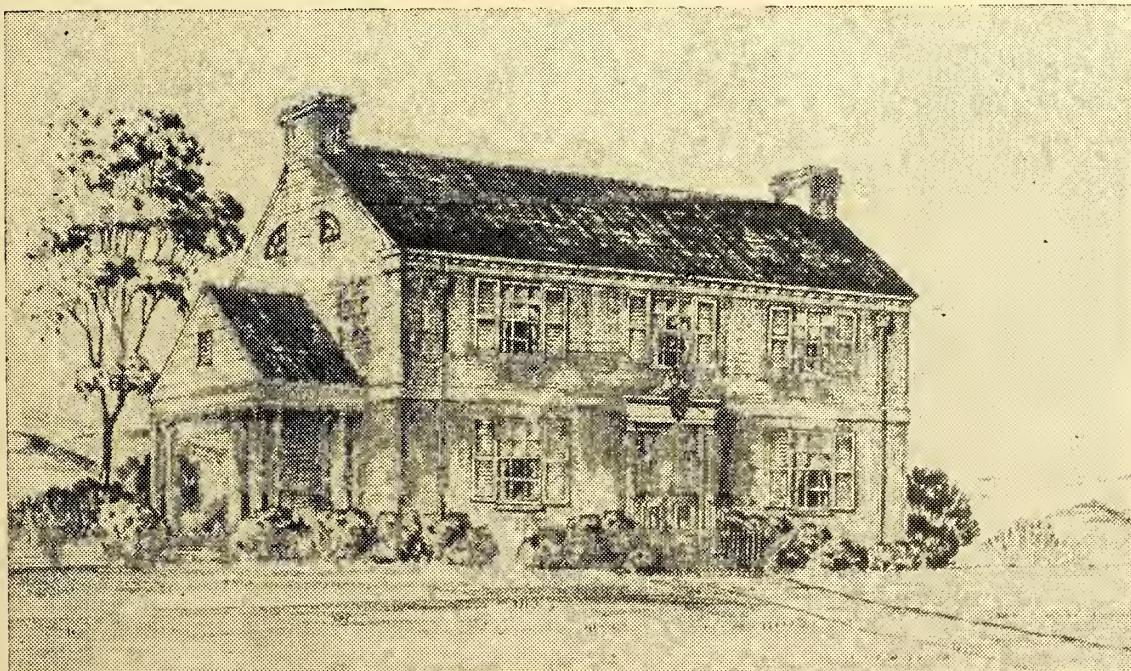
Following this service the "Crusaders" were served slices of watermelon, after which they enjoyed a 45-minute period of folk games and other enjoyable recreational games in the church basement.

The Tuesday and Wednesday schedules were similar to that of Monday except that in the worship period on Tuesday night Teague Hipps addressed the group on "For Christ Today—in a World of Poor Relations," and on Wednesday evening the address entitled "For Christ Today—in a World of Prejudice," was delivered by G. E. Naff, Jr. Light refreshments and lively recreation followed each of these programs.

The high light of the week's program came on Thursday evening after the recreation, refreshment and study periods had passed and the young people had filed quietly into an auditorium illuminated with candles and decorated with evergreens. In the center of the rostrum was an altar on which stood a small white cross thrown into bold relief by a beam from a concealed spotlight. This beam cast a huge shadow of the cross upon a large, white screen located behind and above the cross, half hidden by sprigs of firs and cedars. After a period of silent meditation during the beautiful organ music, and after a solo, hymn and another solo rendered by Mrs. Herbert, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was impressively observed. As the young people filed silently out of the church and spoke for the first time on the outside, all seemed to be of the opinion that here had been one of the most helpful services they had ever attended.

As a mode of expressing the zeal they have derived from this week of consecration, the young people of Forest Hill are making a community-wide effort to bring every young person who is not a member of another church or attends no other young people's service into the fellowship and worship of the Forest Hill Young People's Department.

G. E. Naff, Jr.



The new \$10,000 parsonage now under construction by the First Methodist Church, Morganton, as envisioned by the architect. This sketch pictures the eight-room, two-story, brick-veneer residence on which work was begun last week. Rev. Fletcher Nelson is the pastor.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### "OUR MISSION FIELDS TODAY"

This is the first of a series of excerpts from an address delivered by Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon on April 2, 1940, at the annual meeting of the Woman's Society, North Carolina Conference. Miss McKinnon, native of Maxton, N. C., now secretary of Foreign Work of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church, was consecrated and sent to China 23 years ago. Her words are both authoritative and encouraging. Said she: "The missionary movement has been able to weather the storms of war and distress. During the depression the Christian people have done the best that they could and have come out triumphantly. Then the women of the missionary societies gave more sacrificially and the work on the mission fields was planned so wisely that the needs were met." Speaking of China, Miss McKinnon stated: "In China the first graduates of our mission schools are now outstanding leaders. Every city in which the Methodist Church has been at work has been bombed by the Japanese. Every church and institution owned by our church has been looted. Today every one of these cities has missionaries and Chinese leaders at work and our property has been returned to us. Today it is necessary to have church services three times each Sunday in order to accommodate the crowds. Twenty-three years ago the people were antagonistic to Christianity. They have been so impressed by what Christ means to the individual. The church in China today faces greater opportunities than ever before in the hundreds of years of its history. The Christian people of China are able to take the hardships imposed upon them by the Japanese without a spirit of hatred—that is the greatest progress that Christianity has made in China."

### MISSIONARY PERIODICALS

The contributions of the World Outlook to former Southern Methodism have grown to such notable proportions that it has been retained in a newer and larger relationship in united Methodism. Beginning on September 1, 1940, the World Outlook will be the General Missionary periodical of the Methodist Church. Also on September 1 the new magazine, namely, The Methodist Woman, will make its debut. The purpose of The Methodist Woman is to promote the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and in it will be articles of interest on various types of work, fields of service and suggestions for promotion. Subscription price of World Outlook remains \$1.00 per year; The Methodist Woman is 50 cents per year. Together subscription price is \$1.25 per year. Order either or both from "World Outlook," Doctors' Building, Nashville, Tenn. Both periodicals are of vital interest and importance to ALL Methodist folk and the women of the mis-

sionary societies can and should do much to promote their circulation.

### ALL DAY STUDY CLASS

The woman's missionary societies of Middleburg charge, Raleigh district, held their spring mission study class, meeting together for an all day session at the community house in Middleburg on June 7. The book, "Homeland Harvest," was discussed, each auxiliary being responsible for part of the program. Just prior to the lunch hour Mrs. Sturgess Collins of Manson sang "My Task." A large crowd was present and much interest was shown. We disbanded in the afternoon, planning to meet together in the same place for the fall mission study class.

Mrs. T. W. Lee.

### ALAMANCE-CASWELL ZONES

Alamance-Caswell zones, Durham district, met in joint session at Yanceyville on July 23. Mrs. W. Taylor Long, Yanceyville, presided during the morning session. The opening devotional was given by Mrs. W. L. Gunn, Yanceyville, the welcome by one of the ladies of the Yanceyville church and response by Mrs. J. B. Watlington, Bethel. Other speakers and their subjects during the morning included: Mrs. J. T. Clark, Children's work; Mrs. Arch Thomas, Our Fall Mission Study; Mrs. F. A. Lupton, Baby Specials; Miss Ruth Brooks, address concerning her work as rural deaconess. Special music consisting of three solos were given by Miss Jean Wood, Mrs. S. M. Bason and Mr. L. W. Lillard. The young women's circle of the Yanceyville church gave an interesting pageant. A worship and meditation period led by Rev. F. A. Lupton.

Mrs. T. B. Hough, Swepsonville, opened the afternoon session and Rev. L. L. Parrish led the devotional. The World Outlook and Christian Social Relations were discussed by Mrs. J. D. Lee, Graham; Spiritual Life Groups, Mrs. R. N. Cook, Graham; Women in the New Church, Miss Florine Robertson, Burlington; an address by Miss Josephine Dameron, Warrenton. Auxiliary and committee reports were given, after which the benediction was pronounced. Mrs. D. N. Webster.

### NEWS FROM HOME FIELDS

A contract has been let for the construction of a new swimming pool at Sue Bennett College, London, Ky. Funds for the building were given in memory of the late Hector Scoville.

The Bethlehem House in Birmingham, Alabama, has undertaken the unique task of rehabilitating under doctors' directions the spastic Negro children of the community.

An increasing number of vacation schools are being held, both in Negro and White communities, and many camp programs are being promoted. Missionary Bulletin.

### HOME COMING AT RICH SQUARE

Rich Square church, branch from the old mother church at Pinners, three miles from Rich Square, was built in 1826. Our church was organized in 1896, giving us a record of nearly 50 years of service, and has a claim in many home ties, and bonds of friendship on many good people throughout our state and other states.

Because of our sincere desire to fellowship again with friends we planned home coming day, and for days we had looked forward in pleasant anticipation to this occasion. When the beautiful Sabbath dawned hearts beat in unison with the gladness of the hour; and Methodists of Rich Square, together with the Baptist minister and his wife and many of our Baptist friends, witnessed a joyous get together and happy reunion.

Many friends from a distance arrived early and were ready and glad to join with each other in the beautiful worship service.

Words of welcome were spoken by Mrs. J. E. Johnson, with responses by Dr. J. Howard Brown of Tarboro, Mrs. R. H. Stanford of Greensboro, and Mr. W. A. Bryan of Durham. The pastor, Rev. P. F. Newton, replied with most fitting words.

A special program of music included anthems by the adult and young people's choirs, and appropriate selections by Rev. and Mrs. Newton and Joe Parker, Jr., and the pastor's inspiring message, "The Place of the Church in the Community," made a delightful day.

On the church lawn was a long table, bountifully laden with good things to eat, served in picnic style, together with real Southern Brunswick stew, of which everyone was invited to partake at the lunch hour. From the trees the birds mingled their sweet songs with the happy voices of both young and old, as they engaged in reminiscences of the past with the joys of the day.

The presence of visiting friends brought to us inspiration to carry on, and it is our sincere desire that something of the old environs may have breathed on them a message of love and hope and loyalty to cheer them in the days to come.

The registration book will be kept in remembrance till we meet again.

Mrs. J. E. Johnson.

### THE EAGLE

By Judy Van Der Veer

Yesterday I saw an eagle  
High above the hill.  
Easily he scaled the sky,  
Wings outspread and still.

Above him sky was turquoise blue,  
The hill was dark below,  
I watched him circle as he climbed,  
Deliberate and slow.

A waxen moon was in the sky,  
He soared towards its face,  
Until at last he disappeared  
In corridors of space.

And then I felt myself to be  
Small and bound to earth,  
And all the tasks I do each day  
Seemed of little worth.

—Our Dumb Animals.



Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

PASSING OF MRS. R. R. ALLEY

It was with keenest sorrow we learned of the death of Mrs. R. R. Alley of Greensboro, a friend of former years, who passed away in Pittsburgh, Penn., July 23, 1940. Our acquaintance with Mrs. Alley began while a student at Greensboro College (then G. F. C.), and ripened into a friendship that has lasted through the years.

Her kindly disposition, gentleness of spirit, thoughtfulness of others, and Christian consecration won for her a host of friends who are saddened at her passing. We are grateful for having known her and shall always cherish her memory.

DEATH OF MRS. A. A. TATE

Central church, Asheville, mourns the passing of one of its devoted and loyal members, Mrs. A. A. Tate, who passed away a few weeks ago at her home in Asheville. Mrs. Tate's death was a distinct shock to her friends and loved ones. The summons came to her in the early morning hours while she slept. "She had another morn than ours"—waking in the beautiful land "over there," where she joined the loved ones who had preceded her.

She was an active and loyal member of the woman's missionary society and also of the Charles Wesley Byrd Bible class, always ready to answer every call to service that came to her, and giving liberally of her time and service to her church and its organizations. In her going we feel that our woman's organizations of the church have sustained an irreparable loss. We extend our sympathy to her loved ones.

COPY OF WORLD OUTLOOK OF SPECIAL INTEREST

The August copy of the World Outlook, which is the "last number of the missionary periodical that will be published specifically for the constituency of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South," is one of unusual interest, containing as it does a number of splendid articles concerning the missionary work of the M. E. Church, South.

These articles which merit the reading and attention of all subscribers to the Outlook are: "Looking Backward Ninety-five Years," by W. G. Cram, missionary secretary M. E. Church, South; "God Thought of Us," by Mrs. Bessie W. Lipscomb, who for 20 years developed and led the woman's work at the Home Base; "A Venture in Home Missions," by Miss Juanita Brown; and "Southern Methodist Women in Foreign Fields," by Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, secretary Foreign Work of Woman's Missionary Council, and "The World Outlook Family Tree" by Miss Sara Estelle Haskin, one of the editors of this missionary magazine. Each of these messages are not only inspirational, but informing as well, bringing out much of the history of

the missionary work of our M. E. Church, South.

Since the World Outlook which with the September issue of this year becomes the official magazine of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, we feel that excerpts from this article will be of interest to our readers. We find that the "magazine was established in 1910 under the name The Missionary Voice, the name being changed later to The World Outlook." The Missionary Voice had three predecessors—Go Forward, established in 1901 as the magazine of the General Board of Missions; Woman's Missionary Advocate, published by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society; Our Homes, the organ of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

"In 1910 when the boards merged these periodicals were united into the one periodical, "The Missionary Voice." Two editors were elected, Dr. G. B. Winton and Mrs. A. L. Marshall, who served for three and a half years, when Mr. Robert Burns Eleazer and Mrs. E. B. Chappell succeeded them. Dr. A. J. Weeks became successor to Mr. Eleazer in 1922, and he, in turn, in 1927, was succeeded by Dr. E. H. Rawlings, who retired as editor in 1938 with Dr. Elmer Clark as his successor, though Dr. Rawlings continued on the staff until his death in 1938. Miss Estelle Haskin was elected to succeed Mrs. E. B. Chappell in 1928, and continues as woman editor up to this time.

Changes taking place in 1930 were increase in number of illustrative pictures, addition of a rotogravure section and a four-color cover page. In May, 1932, the Missionary Voice was rechristened World Outlook, the reason given for the change being "that Missionary Voice did not carry the larger implication of missions, and it was thought World Outlook would connote more nearly the work at home and abroad as well as social reforms and international relations."

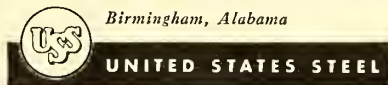
"In this year, 1940, the Committee on Missions and Church Extension, responsible for the ad interim missionary work of the united Methodist Church, adopted World Outlook as the missionary organ of the Board of Missions and Church Extension and the present editors are authorized to issue the September, 1940, number under the new imprint and as a magazine of The Methodist Church." We are sure the readers of the World Outlook will look forward to the first copy to be issued for The Methodist Church. We hope that a large list of new subscribers from our conference may receive this first number which we are sure will be of deepest interest to all interested in the missionary work of our Methodist Church.

It is not easy to be good nowadays. I would rather write a perfect system of ethics than practice an everyday one.—E. L. Patton, D.D.



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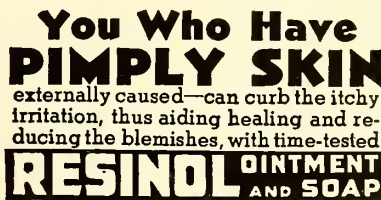
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## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### MEANINGFUL DAYS

Sometimes we wonder if everybody is working as hard as we are. Of course that's an egotistical wonder, but we have it just the same. Our summer days are always laden with extra duties connected with the outgoing and incoming members of our family. This summer we have in addition the psychological problems connected with the consolidation of two Children's Homes and the physical and mental problems connected with the planning for buildings necessary to take care of this consolidation. A continuous spending of mental and physical energy is getting us somewhere. We wonder if our friends are doing their part in raising funds for raising the boys and girls for whom the Methodist Church is responsible.

### A PRAYERFUL THOUGHT

There breathes from our heart a prayer that the good circuit riders, and those assisting them, are having great joy these August days in being ambassadors for Christ. These are the big meeting days, the revival days and the spiritual ingathering days out in the open country. Our prayer is that there may be great joy in the souls of those who are busy.

### THE WILL AND A WAY

A little over four years ago one of our Marys, following her graduation from high school, came in our office and with moist eyes unbosomed a desire to go to college to prepare herself for teaching little children. The will was unmistakably manifest and a way was later found. During the intervening years Mary graduated from Brevard College and from Appalachian State Teachers College and now is employed to teach in one of the consolidated schools of Forsyth county. During this summer, as has been true during the preceding summers, Mary has been indispensable in working with our children. She loves them and they love her. The same will be true in the schoolroom in which Mary will soon be working. Thanks to that good man who helped Mary through college and for Mary who will help little boys and girls through their problems.

### THE FATHER AND NINE

Years ago there came out of Polk county a stalwart young man and a lovable young woman, united in holy wedlock, into an industrial area of our great state. With the passing of years nine children came into the home. Eventually the good woman died after having made a sufficient contribution to this world to entitle her to a high seat in the next world. The father, left with the big family, was lost in bewilderment. He had been the bread-

winner but the mother had been the child winner. Into the midst of the bewilderment came a Methodist minister and his good wife to pour ointment on the wounds of affliction. Into their home came a little blue-eyed blonde girl and into other homes in different counties went others of the children, pending the time when at least four of the children could be gathered into the Children's Home. One will not soon forget the tall, raw-boned father as he sat in side office of a big manufacturing concern and remarked, "Brother, I need help but I don't want to give my children away." The children were found in their several locations and the investigator went away to return again, convinced that some of our Methodist money should be invested in that family of children and that some of those children, those within the age limits, should be reunited at the Children's Home.

### OUT OF PLACE

Answering a call from a circuit rider, the Children's Home man went a day's journey into the South Mountains to find a lad whose father and mother had passed away and whose friends had reported that he should be admitted into the Children's Home. The lad was supposed to be with relatives at the meeting house where the circuit rider was holding revival services, morning and afternoon, but he was not there. Someone suggested that since the school had opened at Golden Valley he was probably there. So over the hills and down by the stream went the man to find the lad. But the lad was not there. The teacher said he had missed more days in school than he had attended. So the lad, temporarily located in a cove adjoining Golden Valley, had missed a golden chance.

### THE CAMPERS ARE BACK

A week ago today 101 members of our family went to Camp Fellowship, over on the Catawba river. They came back Saturday afternoon, a bit weary to be sure, but "homesick for the river," as one girl remarked. Other girls said that it was not the river that brought the homesickness but rather a certain lad with whom she had gotten

acquainted and for whom there appeared a fondness. But the children are back and are adjusting themselves to the week's work pending the time other members of the family will be returning. The clothes are to be washed, the beans picked, the tomatoes canned and so many other things to do as to give a challenging lot of opportunities to a willing bunch of workers. During the week we will have some watermelon feasts, a visit or two to the picture show and other attractions for the group of children deprived of relatives and friends who could ask them to visit them for a summer vacation.

### TWO LADS HERE

The picture this week is that of Billy Nicholson and Rufus McRary, taken on the fender of the automobile of Mrs. J. E. Williams, with whom they enjoyed a vacation last summer. This summer Mrs. Williams was sick and the two boys went elsewhere. Billy is visiting relatives in Catawba county and Rufus joined the campers on Catawba river. These boys were happy last year and they are happy this year. They are the type of boys that will be happy anywhere.

### THE LAD'S ADVICE

Many messages are being received from the youngsters as they are scattered about throughout the land. Many of the messages read, "We are having the time of our lives." A card received this morning from Jim Reed, the boy who organized the non-cussing club in the printshop carrying with it the penalty of two cents for every cuss, reads as follows: "Am having a swell time. Keep everything in the road and be a good boy. Don't let anyone fine you two cents."

### AUBREY'S HOPE

Among the last boys to be carried to the bus station were Henry, who was going to Wilson, Algie, bound for Baltimore, and Aubrey, ticketed for Concord. The boys are young farmers and in the midst of the hustle of the crowd and the clanging of the noises Aubrey yelled over the heads of the group as the bus was leaving, "Pop, don't let the hay get wet."



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## FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina (here designate the bequest)

NAME OMITTED—I regret very much that the name of the girl who had a piece in last week's Advocate was omitted. The name of the girl whose note of appreciation appeared in last week's Advocate was Lucille Cross.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows about the visits of our singing class: "We feel that the extreme warm weather of July 28 was the cause of our congregation for the singing class being smaller than usual. Rev. S. J. Starnes was host for us Sunday morning in Williamston. This charge is soon giving the minister a pretty new parsonage. Rev. Daniel Boone had the class with him in Robersonville for the evening service. It is good to go back and visit with our friends in these charges."

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AN EMBARRASSING SITUATION—Five thousand dollars had to be borrowed last week to finish paying our operating expenses. The first of next month we shall have to borrow from five to seven thousand dollars for the same purpose. In view of our financial embarrassment, I want to request our pastors and churches to send us all they can within the next several weeks. If all the churches would rally to our support all through the year by sending us their apportionment and specials, we would not be under the necessity of having to borrow large sums of money on which we have to pay interest until the meeting of the annual conference.

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TRIP THROUGH EASTERN CAROLINA—Early Sunday morning, July 28, I left for an engagement at Plymouth, North Carolina. I was agreeably surprised at the size of the congregation that assembled for the 11 o'clock service. I do not remember when I have enjoyed a service more than I did the one at Plymouth. It was a great privilege I enjoyed taking the noon day dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brown. Mrs. Brown was reared in our Orphanage, and she married an exceptionally fine man. For the evening service I was with my good friend, Rev. S. J. Starnes at Willimaston. A very small but attentive congregation was present. I enjoyed the evening meal with Brother Starnes and family. I was delighted to be the guest for the night of Mrs. Robinson. At six o'clock Monday morning I was in my car to do some case work on my return. The

crops were beautiful but in need of rain. My trip was very enjoyable notwithstanding the fact that the weather was extremely hot.

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Dear Friends:

Fourteen of the happiest and most profitable years of my life have just come to an end. I came to this Methodist home August 25, 1925, and have had very few dull moments since I have been here.

In 1927-28 I was out of school on account of sickness, but since then I have been in the best of health. I consider myself very fortunate in having the privilege of having been able to live in such a fine home, with excellent opportunities during my school days.

Mr. A. S. Barnes, the only dad that I have had since I was five years old, has been very kind to me in every way. The matrons and officers of his staff, as well as the school faculty, have taught me how to take advantage of every opportunity, and have always urged me onward and upward.

I wish to express my appreciation to the First Methodist church of Elizabeth City, and I wish to thank each member of the church for the most appreciated help that has been given me during the past years.

To the splendid doctors of Raleigh who have helped so much toward making every child of our home physically sound, I wish to express my deepest appreciation.

To each member of the North Carolina conference I wish to say "Thank you" for making this a real home for me, and I know that the ones who come along in the future will appreciate it as much as I do.

Lloyd Bass.

## THE PURPOSE OF TEMPTATION

One main purpose of temptation is to reveal our real selves. It is surely better for the fire to show how much ore there is in the nugget than that the miner should be buoyed up by false hopes and quit the gold fields too soon; better for Gideon to know before the fight how large a proportion of his followers are craven cowards than discover it when a panic has broken out among them in face of a foe; better for us to know how much character we really possess than to awake on the shores of eternity to the shrinkage to almost nothing of what we had spent our lifetime in accumulating.

The foundation of true nobility is self-knowledge. We must know that we are wretched, miserable, blind, and naked, before we shall be prepared to welcome the heavenly Merchantman, who visits us as a peddler the cottages of the poor.

But we have little chance to know ourselves. The world either flatters or misunderstands us; we compare our best qualities with the worst of other people, must to our own credit; we seldom care to institute a very searching examination into the state of our souls. There is probably, therefore, no way in which we can be led to know ourselves except by temptation, when Satan is allowed to winnow us and discriminate between the chaff of self-assertion and the grain of genuine godliness.—F. B. Meyer.

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### YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLIES 1940

More than seven hundred young people were in attendance upon the assemblies held for young people in the North Carolina conference during June and July. This was an increase of more than 150 over any previous series of assemblies, and is an indication of the increased interest in the assembly program throughout the conference. There was a corresponding increase in the number of churches represented in the assemblies, and this was most gratifying. The attendance by assemblies was as follows: Senior Assembly, 245; Young People's Assembly, 160; Louisburg Christian Adventure (first), 116; Louisburg Christian Adventure (second), 94; Murfreesboro Christian Advenutre, 90.

Not only was the attendance larger at the assemblies this year, but also the interest of the young people in the assembly program and their desire to help this program carry over into the local churches they represented reached a high peak. The result has been that a number of churches in the conference have provided Youth Crusade weeks for the young people in the local churches who were not able to attend the assemblies, and in many cases the delegates at the assemblies have rendered fine service in promoting these weeks.

We hope and believe that more and more of our people are realizing that the purpose of our assembly program is to minister to the spiritual growth of the young people who attend and through them to the spiritual growth of the young people in local churches. Since this is the purpose we are concerned that more of our churches shall have delegates in the assemblies, and that these delegates shall be the kind of young people who can receive the real benefit of the program and can carry the inspiration of the assembly to other young people. We look forward each year to increasing the value of our assembly program for the young people of the North Carolina conference.

### THE MURFREESBORO ASSEMBLY

The Murfreesboro Christian Adventure Assembly, meeting at Chowan College July 15-19, had a record attendance this year. Fifty-six delegates were housed in the dormitory, while 34 came in each day from nearby churches, making a total enrollment of 90.

The morning meditation and evening vespers centered around the assembly theme, "Follow Me." In classes, committee meetings, and interested groups the delegates learned some of the ways in which they may follow Jesus in their personal lives and home church work.

A recreation program consisting of swimming, folk games, soft ball, ping

pong, and other games made each day an enjoyable one. The crowning event of the week was the banquet which took place Thursday night. Rev. B. B. Slaughter, dean of the assembly, was the banquet speaker.

At the organization meeting of the assembly the following officers were elected:

President, Harriet Tucker, Ahoskie; vice president, W. D. Armstrong, Co-rapeake; secretary, Polly Anderson, Murfreesboro; publicity superintendent, Lois Asbell, Belvidere.

The assembly closed Friday morning with communion service at the Murfreesboro Methodist church.

Lois Asbell.

### YOUTH CRUSADE WEEK

Reports are coming to our office daily of Youth Crusade weeks that have been held or of Youth Crusade weeks that are planned for coming weeks. Those who have reported the observance of such weeks have been well pleased with the results of the youth program carried on in the local church and have indicated that such a week will be a regular part of the church program in coming years. It is not too late to plan for such a week in any local church that might be interested. We shall be glad to give any help possible to those who would like to provide such a program for the young people of their churches.

### CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE ASSEMBLIES AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

The First Christian Adventure Assembly convened at Louisburg College on June 25 and closed on June 29 with 116 registered delegates and a staff of 14; the Second Christian Adventure Assembly opened on July 1 and ran through the 5th with 94 registered delegates. The program for the two assemblies was the same with a slight variation in the staff. Rev. R. E. Brown of Fayetteville served as dean of the first assembly and Rev. O. L. Hathaway of Selma served as dean of the second assembly.

The program of the assembly is set up along the organization plan of the Intermediate Department with the following officers:

#### First Assembly

President, Ralph Fleming, Greenville.

Vice President, Marian Parker, Erwin.

Secretary, Carolyn Jean Johnson, Rocky Mount.

Publicity Supt., Ben Aycock, Rocky Mount.

#### Second Assembly

President, Katherine Knight, Rocky Mount.

Vice President, Hobson Bennett, Wilmington.

Secretary, Fay McMillan, Four Oaks. Publicity Supt., Rosa Bryant, Roanoke Rapids.

Each delegate served on the standing committee of his own choosing. These committees met at a stated time each day and served the assembly in their respective capacities. The committees and leaders were:

Worship, Elizabeth Myers.

Missions and World Friendship, Elizabeth Montgomery and Fannie O'Keef.

Citizenship and Community Service, Frances Newsom.

Evangelism and Church Relationships, R. E. Brown and O. L. Hathaway.

Recreation and Personal Development, Linwood Blackburn.

The delegates attended classes one hour each morning and the courses offered were:

What Prayer and the Bible May Mean to Me, Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw.

Materials of Worship, Frances Newsom.

What It Means to Be a Church Member, Rev. O. L. Hathaway.

Helping Our Neighbors, Mrs. F. M. Patterson.

God in the World Today, Linwood Blackburn.

The afternoons were spent in leisure time activities. The group was divided into five interest groups—party favors, music, dramatics, banquet and newspaper. After the interest group period, mass recreation was enjoyed by the delegates. The faculty-students soft ball game is always highly anticipated but rather hard on the faculty.

A missionary pageant, sailing banquet and talent night were other features of the assemblies. On the last morning we all went to the church for Holy Communion, which means a great deal to each of us. I am sure that everyone has enjoyed these assemblies and hopes to come again.

Rosa Bryant.

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

There is food for thought in the replies to a recent questionnaire issued by the American Institute of Public Opinion with regard to the reading of the Bible among the American people. Forty per cent of the replies indicated a preference for the reading of the Bible. A further analysis, however, disclosed that of this number, 37 per cent were over 50 years of age. Of those between 30 and 50 years of age, only 17 per cent revealed an interest in reading the Bible. In other words, younger Americans disclose far less interest in the Bible than their elders, and do not in any large numbers turn to it either for study or assistance.

A man rushed into the newspaper office and demanded to see the editor. "Sir," he cried as he walked around the room, "your paper has libeled me. You have called me the lightweight champion."

"But that is true," returned the editor. "You are Mr. Fightwell, aren't you?"

"Yes, yes," cried the other, "but it my brother who is the boxer. I'm coal merchant."



WEATHER SIGNS  
By Dr. H. T. Carley

We have read several articles lately in which the prediction is made that in the not distant future the weather experts will be able to forecast the weather for weeks, maybe months, in advance. We wish somebody could have told us two or three months ago what we are having in this neck of the woods right now. There has been nothing like it since 1916, according to the old-timers. Our memory covers a considerably longer period than that—but we don't happen to remember a superabundance of rain in those far-off days.

But we are having it now. Day after day, week after week, the water wagons have rolled back and forth across the skies with their sprinklers wide open. The shut-off valves must be either lost or out of order. We are having a first class wet spell.

All our usual signs have failed completely. A good many people believe that a change of the moon brings a change in the wather. Well, we've had several changes in the moon—but it keeps raining. Little whirlwinds all over the fields have been a good sign in the past of dry weather—but it keeps raining. When the buzzards fly high we have been accustomed to say, "We are in for a dry spell"—but this time it has kept on raining. It has cleared off at night—and rained before noon the next day. It has cleared off in the morning—and rained before night. It has cleared off in the afternoon—and rained before sunup. All the signs have failed—it rained twice today.

The trouble with wet weather is not that crops won't grow—they do; but the grass grows too, and the ground is so soft and wet that you can't kill it. As "Baldy" says, we haven't "swang" a hoe in two weeks. To plow is out of the question. So there you are.

But there is still hope. We have a feeling that it will not rain forever. Some day, when all the signs point to an extra-heavy deluge, the clouds will begin to thin out, the sun will peep through a few cracks in the sky, the wind will shift its direction a little—and the first thing you know we'll be hollering for a shower. And maybe we'll get it at exactly the right time.

The weather is a kind of parable of life. Sometimes the outlook is apparently hopeless. There's nothing to live for—and nothing to live on. But all the signs fail. A ray of light appears here and there. The gloom begins to melt away. And the sun will shine again.

"... If I stoop  
Into a dark tremendous sea of cloud,  
It is but for a time; I press God's lamp  
Close to my breast; its splendor, soon  
or late

Will pierce the gloom: I shall emerge  
one day"

—Browning: Paracelsus.

Said the Cynic: "I could have made  
a better world than this."

Said the Sage: "That is why God  
put you here. Go to it."—S. W. Graf-  
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## Sunday School Lesson

AUGUST 11

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By James S. Chubb

### Works and the Word

Scripture—Psalm 19

This psalm might be entitled "The Greatness of God's Ways." This psalmist caught the spirit of godliness so deeply that it inspired him to praise and appreciation. He probably knew the seamy and disastrous side of nature, but in a burst of insight he saw that the heavens revealed the majesty of God.

The first part of this psalm (1-6) has been called a nature psalm, and probably was at one time a separate poem. It falls naturally in this place because of its kinship with the spirit of the other verses. There is an inspiring side of nature; its very size staggers one. Our best moments of appreciation and communion with the stars inspire us to sense the greatness of God.

Man builds buildings, but God builds planets. Man puts up hot-houses, but God creates climates and seasons. We construct our little machines, but God spangles the heavens with the stars, mightier beyond comparison than our little planes, ships, engines, and electrical appliances. This is as inspiring to religious faith now as it was to the psalmist. The heavens declare the glory of God much more surely, now that we have probed them with great telescopes, than they did when we knew only what the eyes saw.

Nature can offer much help to religious faith. Most religions have used the grandeur of nature to indicate and prove the reality of God. The Hebrews used it continuously. They had the insight to know that nature was not a dead mechanism, but a living organism, created and controlled by God himself. We have finally come to the same conclusion in the light of our modern knowledge.

The sun, with its eternal light, has ever been inspiring as a symbol of the eternal light of God. Its ceaseless and regular round of appearance, its stimulus of growth and its withering effects in a time of dry weather make up an incomparable symbol of the love of God and of his withering wrath.

The last part of the psalm (7-14) is a praise of the law of Jehovah. The first part is a testimony of the greatness of the natural works of God. It belongs with the latter part of the psalm. The law has to do with human life; the natural world to all life, animate and inanimate. The Christian believes that there are divine laws, far more important than these human laws. Our fundamental task in religious research is to approximate these divine laws with our human laws. The great tribute of this psalmist to divine law

shows that he tried it and found it practical.

Laws alone, as external things to be obeyed, are a burden. They become an increasingly heavy burden in themselves. But when laws are a discipline, an inner thing, which we choose to help us to achieve good ends, they are a delight. I heard a man chide another because he habitually arose early, even on off days. The first man said that it must be a terrible task to arise early each morning. The second replied, "Not at all," and he explained that he did it so that he could always be ahead on his work. When the outer law becomes a symbol of an inner choice, the wearisomeness of it disappears.

These tributes to the law of Jehovah (7-10) come from a soul who adhered to the law of Jehovah because of what it did for him. God's religious laws were not burdens to be borne, but highways to be traveled. This man had undoubtedly kept the law of Jehovah, not because it was a stern duty alone, but also because he wanted the lofty kind of life which such laws would give him. Such an attitude combined the element of joy with duty.

### A Sevenfold Description

The law of Jehovah is a highly active and moral law. Seven impressive things are said about the law, and they are said in an impressive way. The tone and attitude indicates that they naturally come from the psalmist's soul as a personal tribute. The law increases wisdom (7, 8). There is insight and wisdom from the tested and tried law of Jehovah. This is a common fact of experience.

I heard a college teacher say, with meaning, that the Bible was his greatest single source of light for personal standards. Some modern writers in psychology pay tribute to the Bible because of the wisdom about persons that is written there. These are indications of helpfulness in the great task of living better.

The law of the Lord is eternal. It is not a passing thing that varies with races, classes, and climates. Our human law does that, but the eternal divine law has more stability. The divine law revealed in the Bible, even through human means, has had far more permanence and validity than our man-made laws and traditions. Over and over, people go back to the Bible to get their bearings.

We are interested in democracy and its survival. Now, it just so happens that there are three recent books lying on my table which are interested in the survival of democracy. Each of them refers to the Bible and to the laws of Christ as the inevitable way that democracy must travel, if it is to push ahead. This is a sample of the universal appropriateness of the Bible.

The law of the Lord is eternal because it is true and righteous. This moral atmosphere has given it the mark of the lasting and the everlasting.

### Trails That Are Marked

Anyone who travels knows the value of marked trails. It is good to have instructions, even when we know what

we are doing. In this great game of living well, most of us need instructions badly. There are times when we are at a dead loss to know where and how to go. There are other times, more numerous, when our presumptuous human cockiness keeps us from finding the way. We become so sure that we have the way and that we know how to live, that we become unaware of our own frailties.

The Scripture is a great corrective for this kind of religious arrogance. If one reads with his eyes open, he is almost sure to see himself in irreligious ways. We especially need guidance and instruction in matters of human sympathies and understanding. It is so easy for us to take the attitude of judge, and to assume the right to sentence our fellows. I suppose that there is no more blinding religious habit than that. It gives one color blindness to one's own sins.

The psychologist comes to the aid of religion here by informing us that the things which we condemn most we are probably doing. At any rate, the Scriptures give us many good teachings in matters of human conduct and human understanding. "By them is thy servant warned."—Christian Advocate.

### TO A SPEEDER

"I saw you barely miss a little boy on a tricycle this afternoon, and heard you yell, 'Get out of the way! Don't you know any better than to ride in the street?' He didn't answer because he hadn't learned to talk yet. So I'm going to answer for him.

"No, the little boy doesn't know any better than to ride his tricycle in the street. He has been warned not to, but little boys don't always heed warnings. Some adults don't, especially traffic warnings; for example, the one limiting the speed of automobiles in city streets.

"I am going to tell you something about that little boy: He has a mother who endured considerable inconvenience, anxiety and suffering to bring him into the world. He has a father who worked hard and made many sacrifices to make him healthy and happy. The supreme purpose of their lives is to have their little boy grow up to be a useful and prosperous man.

"Now stop a minute and think. I know your minutes are valuable and I know it will be hard for you to think. But try. If you should kill a child, how would you feel facing the parents? What excuse could you possibly offer Him whose kingdom is made up of little children?

"Children, my hasty friend, were here long before you or your automobile were ever thought of. All the automobiles on earth are not worth the life of one little boy on a tricycle. Any competent garage mechanic can put a car together, however badly it's smashed, but nobody on earth can put a child together once its life has been crushed out. We don't know what that child may some day be. But we know what you are, and it's unimportant. We could get along without you, but we can't spare a single little boy on this street."—International Medical Digest.



# Children's



# Storyland

## AFTER, OR BEFORE?

Philip was staying with grandmother in the country; and at grandmother's house there was a cat. Philip had never lived in the same house with a cat before, so of course he was very interested. When Philip came in from playing in the garden at dinner time, he washed his hands and had his dinner. Then he fetched a saucer with a blue line round its rim; and into the saucer grandmother poured a little milk. Philip then carried the saucer very carefully in both hands, and put it down on the floor near the fireplace; that was the cat's dinner. Philip watched her lap it with her small, neat, curving tongue.

Afterwards, the cat would sit up straight, curl her tail neatly round beside her, and wash. First she would wash her paws by licking them; then she would wash her face, by licking a clean paw and rubbing it over her head. What interested Philip was that the cat and himself arranged the time of their washing so differently.

"Grandmother," he said, "I wash myself before dinner, and the cat washes herself after dinner. Why?"

"I'm not sure that I know why," she said. "But my grandmother told me a story about it when I was as small as you are. She said her grandmother told it to her when she was small; so it must be a very old story."

Once upon a time (said grandmother) there was a cat who was hungry. This was in the days before people gave cats milk in saucers, and this hungry cat had to go out and find food for himself.

"I'm hungry," he said to the Cow.

"Try grass," said the Cow.

So the Cat tried grass; but it was stringy, and the Cat did not like it.

"Try worms," said the Blackbird.

So the Cat tried worms. But worms were wriggly, and the Cat did not like them any better than grass.

"Try turnips," said the Sheep.

So the Cat tried turnips. But the turnips were hard, and the Cat did not like them any better than grass or worms.

And the Cat was quite right, you know; for neither grass, nor worms, nor turnips are the right food for cats.

Suddenly across the path in front of the hungry cat ran a little grey Mouse. That suddenly reminded the Cat that the right food for cats is—Mouse! So the Cat ran after the Mouse, and caught it.

"Oh, dear," squeaked the Mouse, "what are you going to do now?"

"I'm going to have you for dinner," said the Cat, holding the Mouse in her paws.

The Mouse did not at all want to be dinner for the Cat. But she knew it was no good saying so. "The only hope," she said to herself, "is to think of a trick."

## THE SLEEPY MAN

Nurse says the sleepy man  
Is coming—let us run,  
And watch him through the keyhole;  
'Twill be such glorious fun.

So they softly crept to the playroom,  
Little Ted and and blue-eyed Nan—  
And waited long and patiently  
To see the sleepy man.

At last it came their bedtime,  
And nurse looked all around  
For Baby Nan and Little Ted,  
But neither could be found.

So then she sought the playroom,  
And lo, behind the door,  
The sleepy man had caught them both  
And laid them on the floor.

—Selected.

So aloud she said, "Thank you, dear Cat; it is a great honor for a little mouse to be chosen to be the dinner of such a noble cat as yourself. May I ask when dinner is to be served?"

"Now," said the Cat, "if that suits you."

"Perfectly," said the Mouse. "But, of course, most noble Cat, you will do as all polite people do, and wash your hands and face before dinner."

The Cat had not known, before this, that polite people wash before dinner. But he did not want the Mouse to know this, or to think he was badly brought up.

"Of course I shall wash before dinner," he said, and at once prepared to do so. This was exactly what the clever Mouse wanted. The moment the Cat lifted his paw to wash himself, the Mouse darted away like a flash, and whisked into his hole, safe and sound, and out of the hungry Cat's reach.

Then the Cat realized that the Mouse had tricked him.

"I shall never wash before dinner again," said the hungry Cat. "And one day, when I am King of Cats, I shall make a law that all cats are to wash themselves after dinner, and not before it."—Methodist Recorder.

The teacher was putting questions to the class: "What do we call a man," he asked, "who keeps on talking and talking when people are no longer interested?"

"Please sir," replied a boy, "a teacher."

Professor: "Robert Burns wrote 'To a Field Mouse.'"

Interested pupil: "Did he get an answer?"

## CHICK-A-DEE REMEMBERS HIS FRIENDS

By Fern Berry

It was a nice warm, sunshiny day in late May. Mary and little Joe asked mother for permission to take a walk down the long lane and into the wood lot. The green grass was just beginning to carpet the fields and all trace of the hard cold days of winter was gone.

The children skipped merrily along the sun-warmed earth and talked about the gay butterflies and the early spring dandelions that dotted the new grass. Maple buds were bursting into red blooms on the trees and the air smelled so fresh and sweet. Bees, and occasionally, a big black fly buzzed in the air.

Soon the children were at the end of the lane and were entering the wood lot. Suddenly both children stopped and listened. "Why, Joe, that is our little friend the chick-a-dee singing," Mary explained. "Our nice little birdies that we thought had gone away and left us," the little girl continued. Little Joe skipped and kicked up his heels. "Oh, Mary, I'm so glad that we found the little birdies again. See, Mary, he knows us," Joey said. And sure enough. The gay little black-capped, fluffy bird alighted on a twig and swung head down and around and around, singing, chick-a-dee-dee the birds sang as they performed their balancing acts on the nearby trees. They were not at all afraid of the children, for they still remembered that the little folks had fed them all during the cold winter. They had grown used to seeing little Mary in galoshes and sweater, with her small broom, sweeping the snow from the trays and window ledges that had been laden with suet and grain for hungry birds when the drifts were high and the winds were bitter.

Mary was a true nature loving child. "I'll just bet he has a nest around here," she told Joey after the mother bird had gone away. "Let's look around."

They searched in the low trees for a nest, but what little Mary and little Joe didn't know was that the chick-a-dee builds in a hollow post or limb, often in an abandoned woodpecker hole, and often lays as many as ten tiny white and brown speckled eggs. The nest is always of felted fibers and down and the baby chick-a-dees are cared for tenderly by the parents. Soon they are balancing themselves on twigs and seeking insects in the trees about them just as father and mother have taught them to do.—Michigan Christian Advocate.

Prof.: What is capital punishment?  
Student: Taxes.—Vancouver Sun.



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Denton, October 6 to 20.

# District Superintendent Appointments

## North Carolina Conference

WILMINGTON DISTRICT  
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| September                               |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| Shallotte, Andrews, 11                  | 1  |
| Tabor City, St. Pauls, night            | 1  |
| Wilmington, Grace, 11                   | 8  |
| Warsaw-Macolla, Trinity, 3              | 8  |
| Burgaw, Rocky Point, night              | 8  |
| District Conference at Garland, 10      | 12 |
| Elizabeth, Purdies, 11                  | 15 |
| Carver's Creek, Council, night          | 15 |
| Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11                | 22 |
| Chadhorn, Cerro Gordo, night            | 22 |
| Wallace-Rosehill, Rosehill, 11          | 29 |
| Penderlea, night                        | 29 |
| October                                 |    |
| Town Creek, Zion, 11                    | 6  |
| Scott's Hill, Seagate, night            | 6  |
| Wilmington, Epworth, night              | 9  |
| Faison-Kenansville, 11                  | 11 |
| Fairmont, Trinity, 11                   | 13 |
| St. Pauls, Regans, 3                    | 13 |
| Lumberton, night                        | 13 |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11   | 20 |
| Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3                 | 20 |
| Maysville, Belgrade, night              | 20 |
| Southport, night                        | 23 |
| Bladen (place to be announced), 11      | 24 |
| Garland (place to be announced), night  | 24 |
| Roseboro, Halls, 11                     | 25 |
| Clinton, night                          | 25 |
| Rowland, Purvis, 11                     | 27 |
| Pembroke (Indian work), First Church, 3 | 27 |
| Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night          | 27 |
| November                                |    |
| Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11              | 3  |
| Wesley Memorial, 3                      | 3  |
| Whiteville, night                       | 3  |
| Wilmington, Trinity, night              | 4  |

NEW BERN DISTRICT  
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| August                            |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Ocracoke-Portsmouth, Ocracoke, 11 | 25 |
| September                         |    |
| Harker's Island, 11               | 1  |
| Beaufort, 8                       | 1  |
| Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 11    | 8  |
| Pikeville-Elm Street, 3           | 8  |
| Fremont, 8                        | 8  |

| Atlantic, Sea Level, 11                    | 15 |
|--------------------------------------------|----|
| Marshallberg-Straits, Marshallberg, 7:30   | 15 |
| Morehead City, 7:30                        | 18 |
| Goldsboro Ct., Piney Grove, 11             | 22 |
| Ayden, 7:30                                | 22 |
| La Grange, 7:30                            | 25 |
| Oriental, Pamlico, 11                      | 29 |
| Morehead City Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 | 29 |
| October                                    |    |
| Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30                  | 2  |
| Jones, Foys, 11                            | 6  |
| Dover, 7:30                                | 6  |
| Kinston, Queen St., 7:30                   | 9  |
| Griffith, 11                               | 13 |
| Grimesland, Salem, 7:30                    | 13 |
| Hoochert, 7:30                             | 18 |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Smith's, 11                 | 19 |
| Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11                  | 20 |
| Vanceboro, 7:30                            | 20 |
| Newport, Riverdale, 11                     | 22 |
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30          | 23 |
| Aurora, Warren's, 11                       | 24 |
| Familco, Alliance, 11                      | 27 |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30       | 27 |
| New Bern, Centenary, 11                    | 30 |
| November                                   |    |
| Seven Springs, Indian Springs, 11          | 3  |
| Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30                | 3  |

RALEIGH DISTRICT  
H. I. Class, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| August                                       |    |
|----------------------------------------------|----|
| Mt. Tirzah, Hurdle Mills, 8                  | 8  |
| Cleedmoor, Grove Hill, 8                     | 9  |
| Granville, Mt. Carmel, 11                    | 11 |
| Stem, Roberts, 3                             | 11 |
| Smithfield, 8                                | 14 |
| Garner, Mt. Zion, 8                          | 15 |
| Raleigh: Jenkins Memorial, Pleasant Grove, 8 | 16 |
| Williamston, Pleasant Plains, 10             | 18 |
| Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3                         | 18 |
| Dunn, 8                                      | 18 |
| Bailev, Middlesex, 8                         | 21 |
| Rougenmont, Riverview, 8                     | 22 |
| Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8                  | 23 |
| Mcneure, Jones' Chapel, 11                   | 25 |
| Tar River, Ebenezer, 8                       | 25 |
| Raleigh: Hayes-Barton, 8                     | 26 |
| Millbrook, Oak Grove, 8                      | 27 |
| Pour Oaks, Antioch, 8                        | 28 |

## Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT  
M. T. Smathers, O.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| August                                                                                                                          |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Biltmore, 11                                                                                                                    | 11 |
| Fairview, Bethany, 3                                                                                                            | 11 |
| Acton, Acton, night                                                                                                             | 11 |
| Candler, Laurel Hill Q.C., 11                                                                                                   | 17 |
| Candler, Pisgah, 11                                                                                                             | 18 |
| Pisgah Ct., Brown's View, 3                                                                                                     | 18 |
| Asbury Memorial, night                                                                                                          | 18 |
| Hillsdale Street, 11                                                                                                            | 25 |
| Asheville Ct., Elk Mountain, 3                                                                                                  | 25 |
| Merrimon Avenue, night                                                                                                          | 25 |
| September                                                                                                                       |    |
| West Asheville, 11                                                                                                              | 1  |
| Flat Rock, Upward, 3                                                                                                            | 1  |
| Haywood Street, night                                                                                                           | 1  |
| French Broad Avenue, 11                                                                                                         | 8  |
| Oakley, 3                                                                                                                       | 8  |
| Hendersonville, night                                                                                                           | 8  |
| Leicester-Bell, 11                                                                                                              | 15 |
| Sandy-Big Sandy, 3                                                                                                              | 15 |
| Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night                                                                                               | 15 |
| Central, Asheville, 11                                                                                                          | 22 |
| Saluda-Tryon-Saluda, 3                                                                                                          | 22 |
| Brevard, night                                                                                                                  | 22 |
| Black Mountain, 11                                                                                                              | 29 |
| Swannanoa, Tabernacle, 3                                                                                                        | 29 |
| Weaverville Station, night                                                                                                      | 29 |
| October                                                                                                                         |    |
| Laurel-Barnardsville, Laurel, 11                                                                                                | 6  |
| Weaverville Ct., South Fork, 3                                                                                                  | 6  |
| Oteen, Bethel, night                                                                                                            | 6  |
| Hot Springs, Antioch, 11                                                                                                        | 13 |
| Marshall, Marshall, night                                                                                                       | 13 |
| Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30<br>p. m., Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to<br>be handed in. |    |

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT  
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| August                                      |    |
|---------------------------------------------|----|
| Hickory Grove, 11                           | 11 |
| Unionville-New Hope, Bethel, 3              | 11 |
| New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 8                  | 11 |
| Bethel-Bogers, Bethel, 11                   | 18 |
| Matthews, 3                                 | 18 |
| North Monroe-Grace, North Monroe, 8         | 18 |
| Trinity, 8                                  | 23 |
| Monroe, Central, 11                         | 25 |
| Indian Trail-Stallings, Beulah, 3:30        | 25 |
| Chadwick, 8                                 | 26 |
| Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 8 | 26 |
| Big Springs, 8                              | 28 |
| September                                   |    |
| Peachland, Fountain Hill, 3                 | 1  |
| Marshville, Marshville, 8                   | 1  |
| Calvary, 8                                  | 2  |
| Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 8                           | 4  |
| Brevard Street, 8                           | 4  |
| Wesley Heights, 11                          | 8  |
| Polkton, Poplar Hill                        | 8  |
| Pineville, Pineville, 8                     | 8  |
| Morven, 8                                   | 9  |
| Belmont Park, 7:30                          | 11 |
| Dilworth, 7:30                              | 13 |
| Lilleville, Lilleville, 11                  | 15 |
| Huntersville, Asbury, 3                     | 15 |
| Derita, 7:30                                | 15 |
| Central Avenue, 11                          | 22 |
| Prospect, Bethlehem, 3                      | 22 |

| Spencer Memorial, 7:30        | 22 |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Duncan Memorial, 11           | 29 |
| Wadesboro, 7:30               | 30 |
| October                       |    |
| First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 | 7  |
| Myers Park, 7:30              | 14 |

ELKIN DISTRICT  
J. S. Hlatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| August                                   |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| Farmington, Bethlehem, 4                 | 10 |
| Advance, Mocks, 11                       | 11 |
| Mocksville Ct., Cornatzer, 3:30          | 11 |
| Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11       | 18 |
| Jefferson, Bethany, 3                    | 18 |
| Wilkesboro Ct., Friendship, night        | 18 |
| Sparta, Piney Creek, 11; Potato Creek, 3 | 25 |
| Davie Ct., Oak Grove, 11                 | 31 |
| September                                |    |
| Coleman, 11                              | 1  |
| Surry-Yadkin, New Home, 3                | 1  |
| Jonesville, Longtown, night              | 1  |
| Warrensville, Smithport, 11              | 8  |
| Creston, Big Laurel, 3                   | 8  |
| Wilkesboro, Union, night                 | 8  |
| Green Valley, Thomas Chapel, 11          | 15 |
| Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 3:30           | 15 |
| Boone, night                             | 15 |
| North Wilkesboro, 11                     | 22 |
| Moravian Falls, Adley, 3                 | 22 |
| Traphill, Traphill, night                | 22 |
| Todd, Cranberry, 11                      | 28 |
| Helton, Baldwin, 11                      | 29 |
| October                                  |    |
| Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11              | 6  |
| Dobson, Stony Knoll, 3:30                | 6  |
| Elkin, 7:30                              | 6  |
| Mocksville Station, 8                    | 9  |

GASTONIA DISTRICT  
E. M. Jones, O.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

| August                          |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Rock Springs, Denver, 11        | 11 |
| Lowesville, night               | 11 |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11      | 18 |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3          | 18 |
| Stanley, Stanley, night         | 18 |
| Boger City, Asbury, 11          | 25 |
| Dallas, night                   | 25 |
| September                       |    |
| Kings Mountain, Central, 11     | 1  |
| Belmont, Main Street, night     | 1  |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11          | 8  |
| Lincolnton, First Church, night | 8  |
| Bessemer City, 11               | 15 |
| Sheiby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 11   | 22 |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT  
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| August                         |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| West Market, 11 (preaching)    | 11 |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 2:30         | 11 |
| Bethel-Battleground, Joyner, 8 | 11 |
| Summerfield, Center, 6, Sat.   | 17 |
| Grace, 11                      | 18 |
| Tabernacle, 3                  | 18 |
| Draper, Wayside, 8             | 18 |
| Mount Pleasant, 6, Sat.        | 24 |
| Pleasant Garden, 11            | 25 |
| Carraway Memorial, 8           | 25 |
| Stokesdale, Sat.               | 31 |
| September                      |    |
| Danbury, 11                    | 1  |
| Sandy Ridge, 3                 | 1  |
| Reidsville: Lindsey St., 8     | 1  |
| Reidsville: Main St., 3        | 4  |
| Moriah, 7:30 Sat.              | 7  |
| Sionville, 11                  | 8  |
| Ruffin, 3                      | 8  |
| West Greensboro, 8             | 8  |
| West Market, 8, Q.C.           | 9  |
| Reidsville Ct., 1: Sat.        | 14 |
| St. Paul, 11                   | 15 |
| Oak Ridge, 8                   | 15 |
| Centenary, 8                   | 18 |
| Guilford Ct., Sat.             | 21 |
| Proximity, 11                  | 22 |
| Midway, 3                      | 22 |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30       | 22 |
| Jamestown-Oakdale, 7:30        | 25 |
| Flat Rock, Sat.                | 29 |
| West End, 11                   | 29 |
| Madison, 3                     | 29 |
| Leaksville, 7:30               | 29 |
| Bessemer, 7:30                 | 30 |
| October                        |    |
| Calvary, 7:30                  | 2  |
| Brown Summit, 11               | 6  |
| College Place, 7:30            | 6  |
| Glenwood, 7:30                 | 9  |
| Haw River, Sat.                | 12 |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11           | 13 |
| Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 | 13 |
| Gibsonville, 7:30              | 13 |
| Draper, 7:30                   | 16 |
| November                       |    |
| Sunshine, Hollis, 11           | 1  |
| Gilkey, Thermal City, 3        | 1  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30           | 1  |
| Rutherford College, 11         | 8  |
| Morganton Ct., Denton's, 3     | 8  |



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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Morganton, First, 7:30                                                                                 | 8  |
| Rutherfordton, 11                                                                                      | 15 |
| Marion Ct., 3                                                                                          | 15 |
| Old Fort, 7:30                                                                                         | 15 |
| Linville Falls, 11                                                                                     | 22 |
| Avery Ct., 3                                                                                           | 22 |
| Spruce Pine, 7:30                                                                                      | 22 |
| Bald Creek, 11                                                                                         | 29 |
| Micaville, Tipton Hill, 3                                                                              | 29 |
| Burnsville, 7:30                                                                                       | 29 |
| October                                                                                                |    |
| Marion Mills, Chinchfield, 11                                                                          | 6  |
| Shady Grove, 3                                                                                         | 6  |
| Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30                                                                    | 6  |
| Elk Park, 11                                                                                           | 13 |
| Bakersville, 3                                                                                         | 13 |
| Marion, First, 7:30                                                                                    | 13 |
| Cliffside, 11                                                                                          | 20 |
| Forest City, 7:30                                                                                      | 20 |
| Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stewards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church.         |    |
| Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed to the district superintendent at this meeting. |    |

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|-------------------------------------------------------|----|
| ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT                                  |    |
| L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.                |    |
| FOURTH ROUND                                          |    |
| August                                                |    |
| Sealord, Dedication, 11                               | 25 |
| Spring Church, Dedication, 2                          | 25 |
| September                                             |    |
| Littleton Ct., Corinth, 11                            | 1  |
| Littleton, Calvary, 3:30                              | 1  |
| Halifax Ct., Bethesda, 8                              | 1  |
| Rocky Mount, First Church, 11                         | 8  |
| Nashville, 8                                          | 8  |
| Scotland Neck, 11                                     | 15 |
| Sandy Cross, 3                                        | 15 |
| Tarboro, 8                                            | 15 |
| Conway, 11                                            | 22 |
| Garysburg, Shiloh, 3:30                               | 22 |
| Halifax, 8                                            | 22 |
| McKendree, Pinetops, 11                               | 29 |
| District Rally, Laymen and Preachers, Rocky Mt., 2:30 | 29 |
| Wilson, 8                                             | 29 |
| October                                               |    |
| Rich Square, 7:30                                     | 2  |
| Spring Church, 7:30                                   | 4  |
| Seaboard, Sharon, 11                                  | 5  |
| Weldon, 11                                            | 6  |
| Northampton, New Hop., 3                              | 6  |
| Enfield, 7:30                                         | 6  |
| Walstonburg, Arthur, 7                                | 8  |
| Farmville, 8                                          | 8  |
| Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30                           | 9  |
| Rocky Mount, First Church, Dedication                 | 13 |
| Bethel, 7:30                                          | 13 |
| Marvin, 7:30                                          | 17 |
| Middleburg, 11                                        | 20 |
| Warren, 3                                             | 20 |
| Norlina, 7:30                                         | 20 |
| Robersonville, Stokes (to be announced)               | 20 |
| Spring Hope, 7:30                                     | 21 |
| Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30                          | 22 |
| Whitakers, 7:30                                       | 23 |
| Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11                          | 26 |
| Elm City, 11                                          | 27 |
| Stantonsburg, 3                                       | 27 |
| Knly, 7:30                                            | 27 |
| November                                              |    |
| Roanoke Rapids, 11                                    | 3  |
| Ro-emary, 7:30                                        | 3  |

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| SALISBURY DISTRICT                                                                                                                                                                       |    |
| C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.                                                                                                                                                      |    |
| FOURTH ROUND                                                                                                                                                                             |    |
| August                                                                                                                                                                                   |    |
| Friendship, Bethel, 11                                                                                                                                                                   | 11 |
| Epworth, 11                                                                                                                                                                              | 18 |
| Salena, 11                                                                                                                                                                               | 25 |
| Gold Hill, 3                                                                                                                                                                             | 25 |
| September                                                                                                                                                                                |    |
| Jackson Park, 11                                                                                                                                                                         | 1  |
| Landis, Unity, 3                                                                                                                                                                         | 1  |
| Midland, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                            | 1  |
| Grier's Chapel, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                     | 4  |
| Pfeiffer, Wesley, 11                                                                                                                                                                     | 8  |
| Coburn Memorial, 3                                                                                                                                                                       | 8  |
| China Grove, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                        | 11 |
| Kerr Street, 11                                                                                                                                                                          | 15 |
| Bethpage, Shiloh, 3                                                                                                                                                                      | 15 |
| Midway, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                             | 15 |
| Friendship, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                         | 18 |
| Wexford, 11                                                                                                                                                                              | 22 |
| Rocky Ridge, 3                                                                                                                                                                           | 22 |
| Roberta, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                            | 22 |
| Harmony, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                            | 25 |
| Trinity, 11                                                                                                                                                                              | 29 |
| East Spencer-Yadkin, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                | 29 |
| October                                                                                                                                                                                  |    |
| Tabernacle, 11                                                                                                                                                                           | 6  |
| Allemarle Ct., Stony Point, 3                                                                                                                                                            | 6  |
| Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30                                                                                                                                                             | 6  |
| Stanfield Ct., Love's Grove, 7:30                                                                                                                                                        | 6  |
| Mt. Mitchell, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                       | 9  |
| Badin, 11                                                                                                                                                                                | 13 |
| Mt. Pleasant, Friendship, 3                                                                                                                                                              | 13 |
| Meeting of pastors and chairmen of boards of stewards will meet at First church, Salisbury, October 17, 7:30. Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be turned in at this meeting. |    |

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| STATESVILLE DISTRICT                      |    |
| John Hoy's, Jr., D.S., Sta'esville, N. C. |    |
| FOURTH ROUND                              |    |
| August                                    |    |
| Statesville Ct., Trinity, 11              | 11 |
| Olin, Moss, 3                             | 11 |
| Granite Falls, night                      | 11 |
| Lenoir, First Church, 11                  | 18 |
| Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 3               | 18 |
| Union Grove, Friendship, night            | 18 |
| Elmwood, 3                                | 25 |
| Cool Springs, Cool Springs, night         | 25 |
| September                                 |    |
| Shepherds, McKendree, 11                  | 1  |
| Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 3             | 1  |
| Mt. Zion, Mt. Zion, night                 | 1  |
| Hickory, First Church, 11                 | 8  |

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|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Hickory, Highland, 3            | 8  |
| Maiden, Maiden, night           | 8  |
| Catawba, Concord, 3             | 15 |
| Stony Point, Stony Point, night | 15 |
| Davidson, Fairview, 10 and 3    | 22 |
| Mooresville, Central, 11        | 22 |
| Mooresville, Broad St., night   | 22 |
| Newton, First Church, 11        | 29 |
| Balls Creek, St. Paul, 3        | 29 |
| Troutman, Troutman, night       | 29 |
| October                         |    |
| Statesville, Broad Street, 11   | 6  |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 3        | 6  |
| Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night | 6  |
| Hickory, Bethel, 11             | 13 |
| Hudson, Colliers, 3             | 13 |
| Hickory, Westview, night        | 13 |

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| WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT                     |    |
| W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C. |    |
| FOURTH ROUND                             |    |
| August                                   |    |
| Dellwood, Maggie, 11                     | 4  |
| Hazelwood, 8                             | 4  |
| Crabtree, Crabtree, 11                   | 11 |
| Clyde, 8                                 | 11 |
| Rockwood, Rockwood, 11                   | 18 |
| Canton, 8                                | 18 |
| Jonathan, Shady Grove, 11                | 25 |
| Dellwood, Balsam (C.C.), 3               | 25 |
| Sylva, 8                                 | 28 |
| Whittier, Whittier, 8                    | 29 |
| Robbinsville, 8                          | 30 |
| September                                |    |
| Murphy, 11                               | 1  |
| Murphy Ct., Hampton Memorial, 3          | 1  |
| Andrews, 8                               | 1  |
| Annual Picnic, Cliffside Lake, 10-3      | 3  |
| Bryson City, 8                           | 4  |
| Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11             | 8  |
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## In Memoriam

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Intermediate Class of Newland Methodist church, wish to pay a loving tribute to the memory of one of our dear friends, Eloise Harris Williams, who passed into the great beyond June 10, 1940, at the age of 16 years. In the passing of Eloise we have lost a loyal friend and a faithful member of our class.

Therefore be it resolved, that we shall always cherish her memory.

Second, That our deepest sympathy be extended to her family in the great loss that they have sustained.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and a copy be published in the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Marjorie Lamb,  
Una Mae Brothers,  
Raleigh Carver,  
Marshall Brothers.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the woman's missionary society of Parker's Methodist church, Raeford charge, wish to pay a loving tribute to our dear friend, Miss Nancy Parker—"Aunt Nancy," as she was lovingly called by her many friends and loved ones. She went peacefully to sleep June 1, 1940. She would have been 92 years old on August 5.

When she moved to this community there wasn't a Methodist church, so she and others went to work and in time got one built, and it was named for her. Her Christian character and unflinching loyalty were widely known; she will be missed in the church and community. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to God's will, who does all things well.

Second, That we thank God for having known her; may we be more faithful to the work in which she was interested, and we will cherish in loving remembrance her many years of service in her church and society.

Third, That our deepest sympathy be extended to her family in the great loss that they have sustained.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of our society; that a copy be sent to the family, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and the News Journal.

Mrs. Hugh Hair,  
Mrs. Ernest Capps,  
Mrs. Wright Parker.

**MURRAY**—Anna Meroa Lowe Murray, the daughter of Nathan Lowe and Abigail Marsh Lowe, was born June 18, 1861, in North Carolina in the northern part of Randolph county, and died May 6, 1940, of paralysis, aged 78 years, ten months and 18 days, at her country home near old Trinity College in Randolph county on the plantation that has belonged to her family since Colonial times.

She professed religion October 12, 1873, at Glencoe school house in Randolph county at the age of 12 years, J. F. Craven, pastor. She joined the M. E. Church, South, and her name was enrolled on the church book at Ebenezer the same year. Although she was a resident of other sections of the state at various times, she never moved her membership to any other church. For more than 60 years (66) she was a faithful member of this church and supported as best she could the program of the church. Although the lat-

ter years of her life were of necessity years of less activity, during the years when she was able she was a faithful worker in the church. Until she was about 30 years of age, she taught school and followed other natural pursuits of life in and around the community of her birth. For several years of this time she was the constant support and help of a mother who had been left a widow. Upon the death of her mother she moved to Wake and later to Granville county to teach school.

November 21, 1893, at the age of 32 she was married at Stem, N. C., by the Rev. V. A. Sharp to Oscar Enfield Murray of Granville county, with whom

she lived for 46 years until God called her. Her surviving children are John Lowe Murray, Ethel Marsh Murray, and Samuel Sherman Murray. Her husband also survives.

Mrs. Murray was the last of eight children. She had been feeble for the past two or three years, but was able to go about her work until the last six weeks. She was buried at Ebenezer church May 9, 1940, where for over 200 years her ancestors on both sides have been interred. Rev. Paul Taylor conducted the services.

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## Two Laws

**T**WO contrary laws stand today opposed: one a law of blood and death, which, inventing daily new means of combat, obliges the nations to be ever prepared for battle; the other a law of peace, of labor, of salvation, which strives to deliver man from the scourges which assail him. One looks only for violent conquest; the other for the relief of suffering humanity. The one would sacrifice hundreds of thousands of lives to the ambition of a single individual; the other places a single human life above all victories. The law of which we are the instruments essays even in the midst of carnage to heal wounds caused by the law of war.

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#### DRAFT BILL NOT YET A LAW

The carefully organized efforts to stampede Congress into passage of the peace time conscription measures are moving forward with the precision of a military time schedule. Although the bill has only emerged from the hands of the Senate military affairs committee, the publicity fanfare has attempted to make the country believe that conscription is already assured even before Congress begins its discussion. It is significant that all the essential facts concerning this sinister measure are obscured in the ballyhoo. No hint of the disorganization which the draft will bring to higher education, to industry or to agriculture is found in the handouts which fill the press. There is no inkling of the menace which mass conscription holds over those civil and religious liberties which are essential to democracy. Proof of the need for the abandoning of a tradition which goes back to the founding of the republic is not even attempted. There is complete evasion of the fact that voluntary enlistments are coming more rapidly than the army is prepared to take care of them. The threat to freedom of speech and the press in the vague language of some parts of the Burke-Wadsworth bill is slurred over without discussion. For example, any statement (such as this editorial) which might be twisted to fit the charge and it "counsels, aids or abets another to evade registration or service in the land or naval forces or any of the requirements of this act" is punishable by a heavy fine and imprisonment. This proposal for peace time conscription is not called for by the existence of any foreign or domestic situation. It is unnecessary. It violates our democratic tradition of voluntarism. It puts dictatorial power into the hands of an administration that cannot be trusted to take the American people into its confidence as to its ultimate objectives. Anticipation of dictatorship or foreign war

alone explain the drive for this peace time draft. Even Senator Norris, long a champion of the administration, has rebelled against it. His statement that Mr. Willkie can win the election by opposing conscription undoubtedly sent a chill of fear into places where such a warning will do the most good. The solid opposition of organized labor, the churches and powerful elements in Congress has already made itself felt. Those who oppose this totalitarian scheme will speak now to their representatives and senators in Washington.—Christian Century.

#### DO YOU WISH TO BECOME AN ARMY CHAPLAIN?

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Those desiring appointment should write, The Commanding General, Headquarters Fourth Corps Area, Atlanta, Georgia, for additional information and the necessary application blanks.

Lee T. Richardson,  
Capt., CW-Res.

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Benny McCoy, Connie Mack's \$40,000 kid, has been benched because he fell down on his job, and Crash Davis of Duke takes his place as second baseman for the Athletics. Here is hoping that this Gastonia boy will make good, even if he does fail to pull down the \$40,000.

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Congress is now debating the "draft." This serves to keep before the American public a word that accumulated a whole heap of bad odors at the Chicago convention. Shakespeare and Shakespearean scholars would say it smells to high heaven. The average backwoodsman would say "it smells like a skunk."

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Genial Jim Farley will soon retire as Postmaster-General and there is a rumor afloat, though not very persistent, that the President may appoint a Democrat to succeed him. The authors of this rumor insist that the Secretary of State should have one eminent Democrat to keep him company amid so many Republicans in the President's official family.

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It is said that once a house painter pestered President Taft by insisting that he be appointed Secretary of Commerce and Labor. The President politely as he could informed the office-seeker that such an important post required a big man, whereupon he replied, "Mr. President, appoint me and I will then be a big man." That house painter sounded the depths of Washington's political life.

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Senator Wheeler of Montana appears to be able to take care of himself in debate if the following utterance last Tuesday in the Senate of the United States be a sample of his dramatic oratory: "If you pass this bill, you slit the throat of the last democracy still living—you accord to Hitler his greatest and cheapest victory to date. On the headstone of American democracy he will inscribe—'Here Lies the Foremost Victim of the War of Nerves.'"

"Let your moderation be known" is a Biblical admonition that men would do well to heed in these tempestuous times through which we are passing. Why should any man seek personal gain by false alarms? And why should not one and all so far as they are able investigate the facts and see what lies behind the alarmist's preachments?

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A "Democrats for Willkie" organization with Alan Valentine, thirty-nine-year-old president of Rochester University as the president and executive director of this new organization, was announced August 12. In addition to Valentine, a national committee of four to direct its activities included John W. Hanes, former Under-secretary of the Treasury under President Roosevelt; Lewis W. Douglas, early New Deal budget director, and Mrs. Roberta Campbell Lawson of Tulsa, Okla., former president of the general federation of women's clubs. Valentine made it plain that the organization would work nationally only "for Willkie and McNairy, and not for or against the rest of the Democratic ticket."

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Senator Charles L. McNairy is a slender, well-groomed veteran of Congress. He has never over-taxed himself with expenditure of speech. He is a farmer from the vales of Oregon who when called by the delegates to put his hands to the plow in the role of vice presidential nominee, hesitated for a time. He will not look back and he has the reputation of always drawing a straight furrow. He is shrewd without being tricky, and as minority leader of the Senate he has applied the lubricants of wisdom and good will very generously to the Republican machinery that has grown rather sparse in that federal power plant. Like Mr. Willkie whom he never saw until after the convention he has never been so blindly partisan that he has turned thumbs down on a good measure just because it originated with the opposition.



## The God of Force on the Throne

**I**N the air, on the water, over the land, Force is enthroned. Europe knows no other god before whom the nations can or must bow. This has constrained America to put above all else strong military defenses for this Republic. Man power, material resources and even the soul of America itself are being drafted to meet force with force. Armadas of the air, navies superior to anything that Britain can claim and armies beyond the best that Caesar ever knew are in the making to render secure this Western World. Under compulsion the entire nation is moving to this one end. Just now the security to be gained by military might is enthroned.

At times it really does seem that the powers of darkness in this world can be beaten down only by the sword. Then we turn to the might of armies and the drawn sword. Even though our appeal is to the sword for national defense, such as is now in the making, we all do know that war is no real or lasting remedy for that which is wrong with the world. The sacred cause of right and civilization can never be served by armies and warfare because war itself is wrong and a barbarity. In this respect the world war proved a sore disappointment to us Americans. This present conflict will certainly end much the same. Our wonderful national defense now in the making, left to itself, will fail utterly to enthrone justice, humanity and freedom. It can do nothing more than to act as a defense against that despotism that has made so much of Europe into a wilderness and a shambles. Nothing permanent can result.

With this nation relying on the material force of armies in this present conflict with the hellish powers of darkness, will the church of Jesus Christ hold fast to its high and ultimately victorious mission in exalting the moral and the spiritual as it makes known the God of love disclosed in Jesus Christ? The thing most obvious to the religious mind in the world today, in this day of wars and rumors of war, is the need above all else to secure a moral and spiritual revival. We all know that only the ministers of the gospel and the Christian churches can lead in this. Herein is the heart and soul of our American defense.

Millions of young men in camp contribute to building a war machine before which the nation bends its knee, but along with this exaltation of force comes moral decay and spir-

itual collapse. For not by exaltation of physical prowess, but by utter helplessness and entire dependence upon God do we find the secret source of a revival of spiritual life. Such a spirit is not fostered in camp and on the field where force rules and men are taught to lay waste and to kill. Only the church of Christ and its agencies can keep alive conscience and axalt a vivid sense of human responsibility—can make vigorous the soul of a nation. Only the Lord of earth and sky and sea as Lord of the human soul can keep fresh and strong national defense. The God of love exalted above the god of force is the one need of humanity. Teaching reliance on spiritual reality rather than on material force is the one demand upon the church of today in its efforts for national defense. No church should become a recruiting agency for war.

## At What Speed

**T**O live in our day, you must "step on it" or "speed it up" or "hurry along" or "shoot it." Keep running in high gear and you will meet the demands of our day and generation. But how fast and how far can you go before the inevitable crash comes? Then there's time out for repairs and usually the repairs don't make a perfect situation.

Fortunate is that person who can set the gauge for a life purpose and keep going at a continuous rate to the consummation of a completed task.

The enrichment of personality accrues from many sources; neither is education attained by gorging with facts contained in books or distributed through an institution of learning. Frequently a student with the fixed goal of getting a diploma sacrifices the essentials that will give value to his intellectual training. Some cut down on food expense, proper rest, exercise and recreation until the physical vehicle through which their training must function is entirely inadequate. High speed robs an individual of the beauty of his environment. Living under the pressure of tense effort, one soon becomes oblivious to surrounding beauty and loses the capacity for extracting those things that give sweetness and joy to life. Malcolm Spencer interprets beauty as an overplus of value, and why shouldn't the over-abounding life make a universal appeal?

A woman who took great pride in exalting the virtues of her father once remarked: "Yet father never could see any fun; mother always



had to discover it for him, but after she had discovered it, he enjoyed it more than anyone else." Thus it happens that there are heralds of beauty who point the way to the beautiful in nature and in humanity and men learn to forget the hardness and the bitterness that the years bring with them.

Everybody is going somewhere, and why not? Transportation is perfect and the attractions great. The cry of youth is: "I don't want to be missing anything." But there is the point. Going at so high a rate of speed, you do miss something. A student in college was impatient to get through his college course because he was in a hurry to get into business and make enough money to retire. There were compensations all along the way, if he had not passed them by in his haste.

Nature is always lavish to those who have appreciation; and the world's best actors are those who are playing the real game of true living.

### More than Revival Period

THESE fruitful weeks of the summer months so often spoken of by the Methodists as the "revival season" have no such limits set. True, the special revival efforts win many whose names go on the church rolls for the first time, but more than this results. Many young men and women in these days of revival are making their decisions as to what college they will enter, if any. How far-reaching all such decisions prove to be! Then, too, on such occasions the missionary work gets a fresh impulse in the life of the homes and of the churches. For little is done for missions until the people get a wider vision and a fresh spiritual impulse for conquest.

Personal fellowship with God and more intimate fellowship with one's fellows inevitably follows a genuine revival of religion. Along with the glowing heart evident in the life of his people, the wise pastor is anxious to make fuller use of the printed page. Really, in this day, the two chief agencies for making the kingdom come are the personal testimony and the printed page. That which is written is of vast import. Largely, we must rely on tongue and printing press for conquest.

The ease of communication over wire and on air and the rapid transportation that brings the world so close together make the more effective the personal touch and the printing

press, both of which are most essential in all educational and missionary enterprises. All of these conquests are linked up with the revival period of the good old summer time.

### The Present Tendency of Taxation

PRESIDENT W. L. LINGLE of Davidson College in a recent contribution to the Charlotte Observer called attention to the additional burden being laid upon our church colleges in the present move to tax the holdings of these schools which are rendering such a large service to the state. He pointed out that these colleges are carrying more than one-half of the educational load in North Carolina so far as college education goes. In other words, did these colleges not exist, the state would have to appropriate double as much money as at present to educate the young men and women who are at present in college. Other points equally as pertinent were urged by this notable educator.

Our purpose just now, however, is not to discuss the article by the Davidson College president, but rather to draw attention to the tendency manifest at present in North Carolina to tax the property of church colleges, orphanages and other church holdings to an extent not known before. Churches, church colleges, charitable institutions, etc., have through all our history received every consideration at the hands of the state with full approval of the people, most of whom are allied with some church in the state. It may be that some schools, lodges and church people have at times taken advantage of this liberal attitude and have kept off the tax books certain holdings that should have been taxed. But if such is true, careful attention should be given to correct this abuse. At the same time care should certainly be given to guard the other extreme.

In this day the tax burden is so heavy infringement is being made on the holdings of churches and church institutions formerly exempt to an extent never dreamed of a few decades ago. So the moral and spiritual elements in the life of the people are counting for less and less in this materialistic age. The result is heavier and heavier burdens fall upon the loyal and devoted men and women who support the churches. Along with all the citizens of the state who are free from these demands the church people carry this additional load. Why penalize this type of citizenship?



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference (place to be announced) . . . . . Nov. 7**

"I have just arrived. My name is Teresa Hope. I was born August 2; my weight is 6 pounds, 9 ounces. My parents are the R. S. Harrison's."

Annual home coming day will be observed at Caledonia church on the Caledonia charge on Sunday, August 18. A cordial invitation is extended all former members, former pastors and district superintendents to visit with us this day.—M. F. Hodges, P. C.

Dr. F. W. Norwood now minister in Vancouver, B. C., is in London where he went to take part in the tercentenary celebration of City Temple of which Leslie Weatherland is the minister. Dr. Norwood also officiated at the christening of his grandson in Engware, where his son, Rev. Clarence E. Norwood is the minister.

There will be a home coming at Pleasant Grove church on the Homestead-Pleasant Grove charge Sunday, August 18. Rev. M. C. Dunn will preach at 11 a. m. Lunch will be served picnic style. There will be a program in the afternoon. All members, former pastors and friends are invited to bring filled lunch baskets and enjoy the day with us.—Members of Pleasant Grove Church.

Two daily vacation Bible schools have been held on Caledonia charge this summer with an enrollment of 184 and 108 certificates of credit issued. We have had 24 additions to the churches this year, 16 by profession of faith and eight by certificate. There has been a substantial increase in church school attendance. We are confidently expecting to make good report to annual conference.—M. F. Hodges, P. C.

The ministers' wives of McDowell county met with Mrs. J. C. Cornett during the month of July for the purpose of organizing an association for McDowell county. Mrs. H. M. Wellman was elected president and Mrs. F. R. Barber was elected secretary. After a short devotional service led by Mrs. R. E. Ward, Mrs. Wellman took charge of the business meeting. After refreshments were served by the hostess it was decided that the next meeting would be held at Nebo with Mrs. H. C. Freeman.—Mrs. F. R. Barber.

A revival meeting will begin at the Knightdale Methodist church on Monday, August 19, at 8 p. m., to continue throughout the week, it is announced by the pastor, Rev. M. M. Walters. Rev. Joyce Vergil Early, pastor of the Hillsboro Methodist church, will be the visiting preacher. The pastor will direct the singing. Services will be held daily at 8 p. m. All denominations are invited to attend. Prayer groups for both men and women will precede the preaching service.

The British government on July 2 notified Pope Pius that it recognized the sacred character of Rome and that so far as it is possible will not bomb or shell or damage the city. The assurance was given to the Pope by D'Arcy Osborne, British minister to the Vatican. When Italy entered the war the Pope asked the French and British governments to spare Rome from air bombings. He did this on the ground that Rome was the center of Catholicism with a recognized sacred character and with more than 1000 churches and hundreds of seminaries, monasteries, convents and other religious buildings. The Italian government also withdrew the bulk of its military forces and declared its capital an "open city."

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Gastonia with 21,311 people, ranks tenth among the cities of North Carolina in population. Gastonia showed a commendable percentage increase in population over the 1930 figures, in spite of the fact that many folks have built homes outside the city limits within the past ten years. The drift toward the country is still very strong, and many cities have actually shown a decrease in population.—Daily Gazette.

Elisha is one of the great figures of the Second Book of Kings. The stories told about him are magnificent examples of narrative and are rich in religious inspiration. Think, for example of such stories as those of Naaman the Syrian, of the miraculous deliverance of besieged Samaria, of the Syrians at Dothan—stories like this kindle one's imagination and stir one's thinking. But Elisha may nevertheless be quite properly studied as a man whose work brought in the long run disaster to the cause he sought to serve. And there is a peculiar value in such a study just at this time.

Bishop Adna W. Leonard of the Washington Area, has been added to the board of trustees of the American University and made a member of the administrative committee. Other members of the committee are Arthur C. Christie, M.D., chairman; Bishop E. H. Hughes, Dr. G. Ellis Williams, David Lawrence, Edward F. Colladay, and Frederick J. Kelly. This committee will administer the affairs of the university until a new president is selected to succeed Dr. J. M. M. Gray, who asked for his retirement in June. During Dr. Gray's leadership the enrollment of students increased from 600 to 1800 and special programs were developed in the school of public affairs and graduate school in the social sciences.

We have just closed a most successful revival meeting at Shiloh church on the Oak Summit-Shiloh charge. Twenty people accepted the Master as their personal Saviour; 11 united with the church and many others rededicated their lives to His service. The spiritual state of the church is the best it has been in years. We are now rapidly completing our new plant and expect Shiloh to become a great church center in the district. Rev. L. R. Spencer, pastor of Salem Methodist church, Albemarle, did the preaching and the pastor led the congregational song service. A highly successful Bible school was held during the meeting with more children attending than the entire church school attendance.—Charles D. White, Pastor.

There was something bordering on the spiritual in the way Cleveland celebrated its Fourth of July this year. More than 75,000 persons overflowed the municipal stadium, with another 25,000 turned away, for an evening of music, community singing, pageantry and fireworks. Donald Dickson, metropolitan opera and radio star who began his career here, and the "Wings of Jordan" chorus, another Cleveland contribution to radio, were featured. There were no speeches. The event was sponsored by the "Come-to-Cleveland" committee of the Advertising Club and the American Legion. There is little doubt that this type of orderly, sane and wholesome celebration of Independence Day will hereafter be an annual event in Cleveland.

## THE MARSHVILLE METHODIST CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED

Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte will preach and dedicate the Marshville Methodist church the first Sunday in September, 1940. All former pastors who have served the church since the foundation was laid are invited to be present.  
 R. C. Kirk.



## MERGER OF METHODIST BOOK PUBLISHING INTERESTS

The expected merger of Methodist book publishing interests was formally announced last week from the New York and Nashville headquarters of the Methodist Publishing House.

The merger brings together the Abingdon Press, the Cokesbury Press, and the Stockton Press, which will be operated as the Abingdon-Cokesbury Press.

Methodist publishing interests founded in 1789, were divided as the church divided in the middle of the last century, and were reunited by act of the recently organized Board of Publication of the Methodist Church. This background qualifies Abingdon-Cokesbury as the oldest book publisher in the country.

Mr. Pat Beird has been appointed manager, with Mr. Joseph V. Pilkington as assistant in charge of sales and advertising, and Mr. Cecil Jones as assistant in charge of trade service. Mr. John Zipfel will be in charge of the Abingdon-Cokesbury interests at Dobbs Ferry, New York, where many of the Abingdon-Cokesbury books will be manufactured and distributed. Mr. Charles Reiner, Jr., will be in charge at Baltimore. Mr. Milton Steinfeld, formerly of the Abingdon Press staff, will be trade sales representative in the Chicago area.

The new organization also combines the retail book-selling facilities formerly operated as The Methodist Book Concern, The Publishing House of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Protestant Board of Publication. The organization will have retail stores in Boston, New York, Baltimore, Richmond, Pittsburgh (two stores), Cincinnati, Detroit, Nashville, Chicago, Dallas, Kansas City, Portland, and San Francisco. The volume of business handled by this chain is perhaps the largest of any organization in the world specializing in religious books. Combined assets are approximately \$8,000,000 with annual sales exceeding \$5,000,000.

## PRESIDENT W. P. FEW AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

Last Monday was "Duke Day" at Lake Junaluska and President Few was the principal speaker. With his accustomed sanity and breadth of vision he discussed "Steps on the Way Out." From this address we quote the following paragraphs:

"If we are to serve America and defend it against the vast and mighty forces that oppose it, we must get back to work, and we must increase our opportunities for useful work.

"We are confronted with new, acute and difficult problems. They are not only material, they are spiritual as well. We have on our hands a generation trained in the precepts of an easy-going and complacent culture. For one thing, we have been living in the wake of a great war that set the world awry 20-odd years ago. The President of the United States at that time was an orator and writer of high distinction. His art made of our entrance into that world war a sort of crusade. It was a war to save democracy, a war to end wars. That war and our participation in it seemed at first to be successful and in a way satisfying. As time went on, more doubt arose as to the wisdom of our entrance into the war and as to the value of the results achieved for us or for the causes of humanity. More and more this sort of dissatisfaction grew and at length became widespread. Many felt we had

been tricked; that the war had not after all been a high endeavor but was due to economic and imperialistic ambitions.

"Under such conditions it was possible for this generation of youth to grow up with a distrust of the motives of governments, a dislike of what they call propaganda and a consequent feeling that one country was as good as another, one form of government as good as another, and maybe better."

## MINISTERS AND ALCOHOL

Much has been and will continue to be said about alcohol in our state. I am quite sure I will be condemned by many ministers of all denominations for expressing my conscientious convictions. Whether I am right or wrong I believe with all my life that the church led by her ministry is the only constructive solution of the liquor problem. I am sure as I am alive that if the ministry were half alive there would not be an ABC store in our state. When the liquor traffic pulled the church in the liquor business the majority of our ministers of all denominations took to the tall timbers. They called it tact, diplomacy, and tolerance. Many of our preachers not only failed to raise a protest when the devil sought to set up housekeeping in their communities, but were not seen on the day of election at the ballot box.

I will go further and say a large number of the ministers of the wet counties not only failed to declare war on the most destructive enemy of Christianity, but joined with the enemies behind closed doors in condemning the preachers that took the position of good shepherds. Any minister that is not willing to lay down his life for humanity is a poor shepherd, and in God's sight is nothing but a hireling.

May I say further that there will not be a revival of New Testament Christianity in our churches until there is first a revival in our pulpits. Otherwise the next revival will be a revival on the outside of organized Christianity.

Diplomacy and tolerance are priceless, but humanity will never be saved by the church and her ministry sanctioning the social and moral evils of their generation. Every minister that fails to lay down his life for the sheep, sanctions their sins with silence. J. J. Boone.

## UNHAPPILY PUT

When I saw the candidates for the ministry filing into our Synod the other day, so that we might appraise them, my mind recalled some words that were printed in an American paper about an occasion when some other young men were examined as to their fitness for the ministry. It was in Kentucky, if my memory is not at fault—a state in which much of the country is mountainous; and thus the paper was betrayed into the thrice unhappy statement: "A few of the candidates chosen came from the hills, but the majority were from the lower regions!" Lest I be misunderstood, let me hasten to explain that it was nothing in the appearance or the bearing of any of the candidates upon whom I gazed that recalled those unfortunate words to my memory, for a saintlier-looking set of youths I never saw. I must say that, for the father of one of them is a friend of mine, and I simply dare not risk any trouble with him.—Ezra, in Methodist Recorder (London).

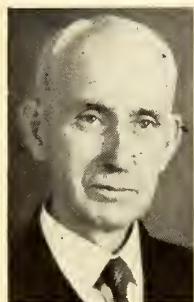


# If I Were Choosing a College

By HENRY N. SNYDER

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As I consider the kind of place where I am to spend four of the most important years of my life, years that will give direction and quality to all I might be and do,



Henry N. Snyder

lege I am matriculating for life. It thus becomes my alma mater, my spiritual and intellectual mother, who will be always with me. She is mine and I am hers to the end.

Therefore I should choose carefully. Things that do not count in the long run ought to influence me in my choice.

I should begin by studying the kinds of publicity sent out by the colleges I know. Such statements indicate what each college thinks of itself—what it “plays up,” what it emphasizes, what it believes in. If it seems to claim too much it probably has not much to claim. If it stresses sideline, it is probably neglecting the main business of education. Beyond the pictures and descriptions of college life I should seek to discover what really is the main purpose of a particular college as an educational institution. (Incidentally I believe a little of the “grace of understatement” when it talks about its program and achievements would be in its favor, as I tried to make up my mind).

I should not pay too much attention to the differences in costs at various colleges. As one considers this matter he soon finds out that education is expensive enough to bring financial sacrifices upon most of us. For obvious reasons it is costly, but as is the case with so many other things of value, cheapness in price often means cheapness in quality. It is well to look into this as we count the dollars and cents to be invested in a college education. It may be wiser sometimes to decide to attend the more expensive institution.

Then I should want to know something of the campus and buildings and other physical equipment of each college I considered. Do all these possess distinction, beauty, and charm? The place where I am to live for four years must have these qualities. I do not ask palaces for dormitories, nor do I want mere size or garish display in buildings, but I do desire to live in surroundings that have something of grace and dignity. Suitable buildings, a pleasing landscape, a congenial atmosphere will add to my appreciation of things beautiful and give me memories that will abide throughout life.

After this I should go very closely into its strictly educational standing and purpose of each school, being sure that, above everything else, a college is an educational institution. To take its measure in this respect is not always an easy task. After investigating its “rating” by the approved standardizing agencies, after satisfying myself about the adequacy of its library and laboratory equipment and other physical facilities, I should remember that back of all these lie certain intangibles that are even more important.

I might ask myself such questions as these: Is the intellectual and moral atmosphere of the institution sound?

Are its scholarly standards high and genuine? What about its faculty, their training, their productiveness in their special fields? Are there among them a few really great teachers, men and women with commanding and inspiring personalities? Of course greatness in teaching, like greatness in any other field, is scarce, but I should hesitate about choosing a college where there are not at least a few such teachers.

From the human equation in the faculty, I should turn to the human equation in the student body and the alumni in determining my choice of a college. What sort of boys and girls attend this or that institution? Are they the more or less flippant, aimless type, going in for extras rather than for those intellectual and spiritual purposes that represent the soul of a worthy college? I would try to find out if they are the serious kind who were seeking the best, and enough of them seeking it to give a stimulating tone to the whole institution and to create an atmosphere congenial to right development of personality.

Qualities like these intangibles are hard to discover in an institution, but I should make a further effort to find them trying to get acquainted with some graduates of each college. Whatever is said about a college, whatever facts and figures are gathered to certify as to what it is, whatever claims may be made for it, after all its real measure is to be seen in the kind of men and women upon whom it has placed its stamp. These are its dividends, and the final test of whether it has done its work poorly or ably.

Of course I am thinking not merely of the “big” names on its rolls, the alumni to whom it points with so much pride, but also to that long list of average men and women, never exploited at alumni gatherings, but who on the common highways of life illustrate what their college taught them. By always standing up to be counted on the side of the best things of life, do these people of the “rank and file” reflect honor upon the school that nurtured them? It is such as these I should study if I were choosing a college.

Finally I think I should choose a college of my own church. There are certain religious values that are too essential to be left out of the processes of education. In college I should acquire not only knowledge in the ways of making a living, but also understanding of the real meaning of life and the kind of character that stands up to all the tests of experience.

A sense of God, a faith in him, a personal realization of the spirit of Jesus, the appropriation of his truth for the high uses of daily living—one dare not fail to put such values into the four college years. To do all this my church has gone into the field of education. Yes, I should select a college of my own church.

And so the choice of a college is a serious business on the part of parents and students. Because the fundamental issues of life are involved, it is a relationship not to be entered into lightly but carefully. The choice of a college is not to be settled hurriedly, impulsively under some immediate appeal, but after careful thinking, and with the long future in view.



## SESQUI-CENTENNIAL OF REHOBETH CHURCH IN CATAWBA COUNTY

It was the privilege of this scribe to attend this occasion on August 4. This church was organized by Daniel Asbury in 1789, and the first building (log) was erected in 1791. In September, 1878, I joined this church with about 40 other converts, in a meeting held by Rev. G. W. Ivey.

At the Sunday school hour the superintendent, D. L. Wilkinson, asked the pastor, Rev. Max Brandon, to make a comment on the lesson, which was based on the First Psalm. His talk was both interesting and helpful.

At 11 o'clock Dr. Paul N. Garber, the historian of Methodism, preached. The scripture was Heb. 11-10. The speaker said that at this time many good people have a gloomy outlook on life. He mentioned three things that cause this pessimism—war, the economic situation, and much indifference to religion. How can a Christian be happy and hopeful under these conditions? Dr. Garber gave an interesting account of the life of Francis Asbury to illustrate this point. Bishop Asbury faced each of the three above named difficulties. He was the son of poor English peasants and had to quit school at the age of 13. He became one of Wesley's preachers when he was 16. In 1771 he was sent to America, where he spent 45 years preaching and organizing churches. He traveled 250,000 miles, mostly on horseback. He preached an average of one sermon a day during his labors here. He lived through four wars. Most of the people lived in the country and small towns, having few comforts and no modern conveniences. His salary at first was \$64 and in later years was \$200 per year. A majority of the people showed little or no interest in religion. Thousands had never heard a sermon or seen a church building when he began his work here. Asbury says in his journal he crossed this state 62 times, and preached at Rehobeth two or three times. He was a distant relative of Daniel Asbury, the founder of Rehobeth and many other Methodist churches in North Carolina. Many of us think money, a pleasant home, and fame will bring happiness. This bishop had none of these. He traveled muddy roads, crossed swollen streams, endured cold, heat, rain and snow, and slept in the cabins of the poor settlers and sometimes under the starry sky. He was not a strong, robust man, but often suffered from colds, fever and rheumatism. But he made it a rule never to miss an appointment on account of sickness or bad weather.

He never saw his homefolks after he left England, but sometimes sent them money out of his meager salary. He read and studied many books on horseback. He was able to read his Bible in the Greek or the Hebrew. He was severely criticised by those who differed with him or misunderstood him. But like his Master, he never returned evil for evil, but was kind and forgiving to his enemies.

How was he able to render such faithful service in spite of all these limitations and difficulties? Early in life he made a friend of Jesus Christ. He spent much time reading his Bible and religious books. In his travels he spent many hours in meditation and prayer. So he had the true philosophy of life. Many monuments have been erected to his memory. The speaker told of several he had seen, including the bishop on his faithful horse in a park in Washington. Many churches are named in his honor. He ordained more preachers than any other man. In his application, the speaker showed how any Christian may have the same joy and happiness: make a friend of Jesus and have his conscious presence by rendering him constant, loyal service.

Four Methodist preachers are buried at Rehobeth—Daniel Asbury, his son Henry Asbury, a local preacher, Jacob Hill, and Jonathan Jackson. This church has sent out several preachers: Rev. H. R. Cornelius, Lilesville; Rev. J. G. Wilkinson, Black Mountain; Rev. J. C. Brown, a local preacher, now living in Florida, and Rev. Josephus Sherrill of the United Brethren church in Fresno, California.

Among the visitors at Rehobeth were: Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Ivey, Hickory; Mr. Henry Smith and family, Cherryville; Rev. and Mrs. Max Brandon, Jr., Fairview; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cornelius, Iredell county; R. E. Gabriel and family, Mooresville; L. L. Sherrill, Shepherds; Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Troutman; Mr. and Mrs. Rea of Texas. With them their uncle, Milton Sherrill of Rising Star, Texas. They are visiting

relatives in Catawba and Iredell. Milton, brother of W. M. Sherrill, Statesville, left Sherrill's Ford nearly 50 years ago. He has a son who is a member of a Texas conference. Revs. H. G. Allen and H. M. Robinson went out from Mt. Pleasant church, only four miles from Rehobeth, the mother of the latter church.

A. C. Sherrill.

## CAMP MEETING TIME IN GEORGIA

As one drives through the pleasant countryside of Georgia from the Piedmont Plateau to the coastal plains, from the mountain pass to the tide-water, there is abundant evidence that it is camp meeting time in Georgia. As the ribbon of concrete road unwinds, one sees the dark green leaves of the cornfields; the luxuriant foliage of peanuts; the ripe, rich tints of the tobacco plants; and the orderly rows of the fields of cotton, now in full blossom. The trees of red apples and the orchards of luscious peaches, ripening to a peach-glow pin; the fields of melons; the green pastures; and the golden stocks of ripening wheat awaiting the harvester, add a kaleidoscopic touch of color to the pastoral scene.

Crops are laid by, awaiting the harvest; and now, it is camp meeting time in Georgia. What a wealth of memories these days bring to those of us who look back with nostalgic wistfulness to camp meetings we have known. The very names of the camp grounds induce a sense of reverence and awe, for we feel that these grounds are indeed holy grounds, made sacred by the presence of "just men, made perfect," who "came up through great tribulation; and have washed their garments, and now stand forth resplendent, white and shining, in the presence of their Lord." We think of old Salem and Mossy Creek and Sandy Springs and Shingle Roof and Warm Springs and Flat Rock, and a host of other famous camp grounds that have served their day and generation well. Here, under brush arbors, the altars of the Lord, like the Ark of the Covenant, were established; and the shekinah of an immortal glory shone round about them. On these altars fires were kindled that became the light of the world. They warmed into an effulgent glow, the heart of the church.—Herbert Quillian, in Wesleyan.

## SOUTHERN BAPTISTS AS ISOLATIONISTS

The editor of the Christian Century is vexing his righteous soul because the Southern Baptists are not as co-operative as he thinks they should be, and he unloads his chest of a two page editorial in the Christian Century of the issue August 7. He also pays his respects to the Southern Presbyterian in the following terms:

"It is true that their neighbor denomination, the Southern Presbyterian, rests under similar criticism in respect to the more general forms of co-operation, but its membership is only one-tenth the size of the Southern Baptists and its non-cooperation does not extend so consistently to the local community."

All this prolonged criticism of Southern Baptists and incidentally of Southern Presbyterians may be of serious import to a man who lives in Chicago, but to any intelligent Southerner who knows these Southern Baptists and Southern Presbyterians from A to Z it is supremely amusing. It appears to us that Dr. C. C. Morrison has run short of subject matter for Century editorials.

We have been telling some of our good Baptist friends that the goblins would get him if they didn't watch out. Now the goblins are after 4,000,000 of them. It's a big catch.



# Braxton Craven and Old Trinity College

Article by President Walter L. Lingle, D.D., LL.D., of Davidson College, in the Christian Observer, Louisville, Kentucky, June 5, 1940, under the title, "The Shadow of a Man"

It has been said that every institution is but the lengthened shadow of some man. It may not always be true, but it is true in many instances. Somewhere in the early history of the institution a forceful personality has laid hold of it, given it life, and shaped its ideals. The other day I had the privilege of visiting the place where Duke University, now located at Durham, North Carolina, was born. While there I learned something of the personality of the man who nurtured the institution in its early years and gave shape to its ideals.

The place is known as Trinity, or Old Trinity. It is located in Randolph county, North Carolina, about five miles from the thriving town of High Point. A high school commencement took me there. The present handsome, consolidated public school building stands on the spot where the little college, which afterwards grew into Duke University, stood. The North Carolina Historical Society has erected a historical tablet on the roadside near the school building. The tablet bears this inscription: "Trinity College stood here. Union Institute 1839—Normal College 1851—Trinity 1859—Duke University 1924. Moved to Durham 1892."

In that concise, historical statement we have the story of the evolution of a great university. It is not my purpose to try to write the story of the university in a brief article. I am thinking rather of the man who was the virtual founder of this institution a hundred years ago. In the office of the present school building I saw his portrait the other day and somehow it cast a spell over me. I could feel the impress of his personality as it came to me through the portrait. It was a strong, noble, Christian face. He was buried near the site of the institution which he founded. A simple monument erected to his memory bears this inscription: "Braxton Craven, D.D., LL.D. Born August 26, 1822. Died November 7, 1882." His name is as well known in the annals of the Methodist Church as those of Thornlow, Dabney and Palmer in the Presbyterian Church. I am writing about him because there is something inspirational about his life and character.

Braxton Craven was born in Randolph county of obscure parents. In fact they are so obscure that their names are not given in any account of him that I have seen. We get our first glimpse of him as a small boy living with Nathan Cox, a small farmer in Randolph county, who was noted for his piety. In those early years the small boy had very few educational opportunities. He got his first educational inspiration out of a spelling book and his eager young mind studied that little book in season and out of season. Those of us who are engaged in educational work sometimes wish that the present generation was more familiar with the spelling book. Then he mastered arithmetic. At the age of sixteen we find him teaching a small subscription school. In 1840 at the age of eighteen he was licensed to preach by the Methodist Church. Along about this time he attended two sessions of the Quaker School at New Garden, which afterwards grew into Guilford College. There he studied Latin, Greek, and Philosophy. In 1841 he became an assistant teacher in Union Institute which had been organized in

his community by the Methodists and Quakers three years before. In 1842 he became principal at the age of twenty. By force of his intellectual power and personality he had a way of becoming head of whatever he was connected with. For the next forty years he gave his very life blood to that institution. He saw it grow into a Normal College, and later into Trinity College.



Braxton Craven

Braxton Craven's college had no magnificent buildings during his lifetime. In fact, its buildings and equipment were of the most primitive sort. In the early years of its history its buildings were nothing but log huts. It was literally a log college. But whatever else it lacked it had Braxton Craven. One is reminded of President Garfield's saying about Mark Hopkins and the log or log hut. After all, the greatness of an institution is not determined by its grounds and buildings, but by its faculty.

Listen to this paragraph from a brief biographical sketch written in 1906: "It can be truthfully said that Dr. Craven made men. In looking over the list of the alumni alone, the writer finds the following facts bearing upon living persons (in 1906): There are nearly one hundred ministers of the Gospel, many of whom have attained to high prominence in North Carolina and other states. Nearly fifty are lawyers, two of whom, F. M. Simmons and L. S. Overman, are United States senators. Four are Supreme Court judges. One is a judge of the United States district court. Several are members of Congress. No less than twelve of the leading educational institutions have an alumnus of Trinity in the faculty." Then the writer adds: "There has never been the slightest difficulty in measuring the manhood and appraising the life value of Braxton Craven. That he was one of the greatest sons of North Carolina is a fact acknowledged by all who knew him."

How could a poor farm boy without any family background, without any money, with very little formal education, and with no prestige of any kind lay the foundation of a great university, train ministers of the Gospel, educate senators, congressmen and supreme court judges,



and become one of the great men of his state and of his church? That is the question that led me to write this article.

The answer lies in the fact that he dedicated everything he had and every gift he had to the service of God and humanity. One day young Dwight L. Moody heard Henry Varley say: "The world has yet to see what God will do with a man who is fully and wholly consecrated to him." Those words had a tremendous influence on Moody's life. They come to mind as we study the life of Braxton Craven. He seems to have been about as fully dedicated to the service of God as a mere mortal man can be. Let us see what he had to dedicate.

He had a strong body. It was made strong by his labors on the farm and by correct habits. Prior to his last illness he was never sick a day in his life according to the testimony of his family. Heeding the injunctions of the Scriptures, he presented his very body a living sacrifice unto God. He was an indefatigable worker. The lights burned in the president's office long after they were out in the students' rooms. He literally burned the midnight oil. It is said that he seldom retired before one o'clock in the morning. He studied to show himself approved unto God, a workman that needed not be ashamed. He loved God with all his strength.

He was a man of unusual intellectual force. Perhaps no one would have guessed it when he was just a poor farm boy. He evidently had a great deal of what we may call primordial brain power. By cultivating this from his youth up he became a man of unusual intellectual ability. All his abilities along this line were dedicated to the Lord. He loved God with all his mind.

He was a man of forceful personality. Listen to this description of him: "The head was large, with high forehead; the eyes were dark and deep set; the jaw was square; the lips were thin, and the mouth broad. Every part of his face denoted great strength and firmness. On his chin he wore a square-cut beard. He would command attention in any crowd, and the first thought suggested was that of strength. His eyes could be soft and benignant or flash like fire. . . . The writer of this sketch conscientiously feels that in all his experience with men he never met one with such intellectual power as Braxton Craven."

We may not be able to define personality but we know it when we see it, or rather when we feel it. As I stood in front of his portrait I felt that I was in the presence of a great personality. I suppose we might define personality as the sum total of a person. It is the very soul of a man. Dr. Craven seems to have loved God with all his soul.

A life like this should be an inspiration to all boys, especially to those who are poor in this world's goods. If this poor farm boy could achieve so much, surely every boy can achieve something. Of course, he had a good mind to begin with but he made it better by improving it by his own self-discipline.

A life like this should also be an inspiration to all men and women, young and old, to dedicate their lives more completely to the service of God and humanity. God's plans for us are always larger and better than our own. There might have been written on that simple monument to Braxton Craven at Old Trinity the most expressive epitaph that I ever saw: "He loved God and served his fellowmen."

## LIQUOR AS A BUILDER

By Jesse McCarter

Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood, and stablisheth a city by iniquity.—Hab. 2:12.

Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also.—Hab. 2:15.

Do the citizens of our state and counties and cities and towns want to continue in this building from money taken from fathers' pay checks, and leave wives and children hungry and destitute and degraded so that we may have the necessity of raising big Community Chest funds to take care of the wretched and criminals? "This 'woe' from God still stands, while men boast of the millions of dollars reaped from blood, poverty and crime, disease and shame. Millions of liquor money cannot buy that which will wash this blood from our hands. Shall we continue in this sin that the wrath of God be poured out upon us? Let us say no and do something about it.

We have a state organization to combat this evil, but we need to strengthen and enlarge our efforts. Why not begin now to effect an organization, be it ever so small, in every county, town, city, and township, and relate it to our state organization? Why not conduct a campaign from pulpit, platform, committee meetings, and field rallies, through secular and religious press, religious associations and conferences, until God shall awaken the dead consciences of many citizens to action? Let us begin afresh to inform all our citizens, and with such information a conviction of moral responsibility will begin to take form against liquor stores, wine and beer shops. Then the politicians who are afraid to open their mouths lest they offend the liquor lords, will be ready to hear us and give us a chance to sweep legal liquor from our state, and then co-operate with us to suppress the bootleg business. Let us act now!—Biblical Recorder.

## COMMISSION ON WORLD PEACE OPPOSES MILITARY CONSCRIPTION

By the unanimous vote of all present, the Commission on World Peace of The Methodist Church, meeting in Chicago, July 27, voiced its opposition to the Burke-Wadsworth Conscription Bill. The commission declared: "Military conscription at this time is not essential to national defense. As drafted, this bill strikes at civil and religious liberty, disrupts social and economic life, places vast power in the hands of a very few men, and moves surely, if not immediately, in the direction of dictatorship. Extremely disturbing is Section 12 (a), which reads: 'All regulations, proclamations, public notices, and directions promulgated by the President, or pursuant to his direction, in carrying out the provisions of this act shall have the force and effect of law.' We refuse to believe that the United States, in order to preserve its own way of life, must cease to be a democracy and become itself a totalitarian regime."

Further, the commission voted to recommend the following action to Christian leaders throughout the country: "If you agree with this statement, please urge local Christian leaders to send telegrams or air mail letters of protest to their senators and congressmen, also copies of same to Senators Burton K. Wheeler, Robert A. Taft, David I. Walsh, Bennett Champ Clark, and other congressional opponents of measures."



# The Sacrament of Growth

By REV. RICHARD K. MORTON

Growth is a sacrament. The Christian religion does not live among those who do not grow in mind and in spirit, as well as in body. Christianity is a living, pressing, active faith.

Jesus was constantly emphasizing, I believe, that we glorify our heavenly Father by the way we bear fruit and grow. In this season of the harvesting of fruits and vegetables, we are particularly conscious of the force of this truth. We do not raise apples, for example, for the blossom or wood of the tree, but for the fruit. All the labors expended in the name of the church and of the Christian religion should have one aim: the production of the fruit of the spirit, the transformation of human life, the building of the kingdom of God.

One of the highest services to render God is simply to grow. An astonishing number of people never seem to grow in the inward life. Among my associates, for example, there are those who, on the slightest provocation may take an unkind attitude or say an unkind word. A friend of mine writes that, as an editor, he gets some amazingly scurrilous and vitriolic letters, occasionally so abusive that he does not want his secretarial staff to see them. These, upon occasion, come from leading laymen and clergymen alike. One wonders what kind of a real ministry could come from that source. All their efforts, all the money, time, cleverness, and devotion spent in the name of the church and of Christ has failed in their cases to produce the desired results.

Professor Phelps has said that the purpose of education is to develop personality. It is more than to develop a skill or to become acquainted with some ideas or facts. Religion likewise is more than the cultivation of piety or familiarity with religious ideas and creeds. It is the transformation of life and devotion to the service of man, while conscious that one has been lifted out of the lower depths and has touched the Eternal.

The Christian religion, in other words, seeks people who grow and are grown. There can be no hope if, after all our services have been held, buildings erected, and meetings held, people do not grow in spirit. The church is cursed with what might be called elementarianism—preoccupation with the elemental. There has not been growth enough. The same old forms, pitfalls, errors, character defects, are there unchanged. There is the same ignorance of the Bible, cruel oppression, class differences, callousness to human need, and so on. It is hard, if not impossible, for the church to function among those who do not grow.

All of us who serve the public in any way have plenty of experiences to show that even professing Christian people have not grown in spirit. Some say that they have to handle Christian people with gloves, delicately, and in fear of quick rebuke, just as they do the non-Christians. This is a real indictment. Few are impressed with an invisible and inactive Christianity. It must grow and bear fruit.

For these reasons growth is truly a sacrament. If a person is really growing in mind and spirit, learning each day how better to serve his God and fellowman, he has the essence of Christianity. He is living its doctrines;

this is an incarnation of its spirit. The heavenly Father is glorified not so much by our pageantrics, our lovely churches, our impressive services, our magnificent campaigns and efforts for good causes, but through our individual growth.

Maturity is not inevitable mentally and spiritually. The body, given reasonable health, follows a course to the end, but the mind and spirit must be constantly trained and enriched in a different way. The day has come when frigid aloofness, sour austerity, arrogant intolerance, indifferent attitudes, will defeat more than ever the work of the church. If we cannot grow in fairness, sympathy, generosity, love, and helpfulness, we cannot very well grasp the spirit of Jesus. The trouble has not been at times so much the differences of our theology; it has been in practices inconsistent with any theology. It has not been that our churches are separated so much as that we have been separated, at heart, from God. It has not been that we have not had fields to cultivate or good soil to till, but that we have not carried our efforts forward to the point of producing fruit.

In some cases parents make a gesture toward religion by sending their children to Sunday school—and then drop the matter of religion. In others people will give money for memorial churches or similar structures, with no thought of how their purposes will be maintained, or what their people will do. In still others they watch very carefully what kind of a creed they have, what kind of a minister they call, what policies are adopted by their committees, but never give a thought to common growth in the things of the spirit.

Some churches remind me of those shells of some shellfish you often see. The form of life within may have found this shell abandoned and adopted it as a home. So, when you see a church today, you do not know what form of life may have come to tenant within, or whether there is any real life at all. The church is imposing as a structure in the community, and the position of the minister and leaders is a prominent and important one. But often when you look into the spirit of that fellowship, how quarrelsome the members, how little they give, how seldom they do anything for the cause of Christ or the good of men, you wonder what kind of life the church has. There is no growth.

No one needs to be told the evidences of growth: experience, knowledge, perspective, judgment, restraint, brotherliness, principle, fairness, love, purpose, ideals, consecrated service, and so on. When we come into contact with those who have really grown, we see that that is really all that will make and preserve us as a church. It is the beginning of a solution of all our problems.

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The first three evangelists give us diverse aspects of one glorious landscape; St. John pours over that landscape a flood of heavenly sunshine which seems to transform its very character, though every feature of the landscape remains the same.—Canon Farrar.

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The ideal, after all, is truer than the real; for the ideal is the eternal elements in perishable things.—Amiel.



# JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

## SCHEDULE OF SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Junaluska School of Religion, Affiliated with Duke University (Educationn Building)...     | July 15-Aug. 24 |
| School of Missions (Mission Inn) .....                                                     | July 23-Aug. 6  |
| Missionary Conference .....                                                                | July 30-Aug. 6  |
| One-Week Leadership School, Merged with W.N.C. School for Christian Workers (Ed. Bldg.)... | July 30-Aug. 6  |
| Pastors' Conference .....                                                                  | Aug. 6-11       |
| Two-Weeks' Leadership School .....                                                         | Aug. 8-22       |
| Camp Cheonda (Seniors) .....                                                               | Aug. 9-23       |
| Inspirational Week, with Broomfield and Hughes .....                                       | Aug. 21-Sept. 1 |

## Junaluska Program

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| Sunday, August 18, 11:00 a. m.—Sermon.. Bishop J. L. Decell                                                                     |                      |
| 4:00-4:30 p. m.—Choir Concert.                                                                                                  |                      |
| 8:00 p. m.—Address .....                                                                                                        | Dr. Georgia Harkness |
| Monday, August 19, 10:30 a. m.—Lecture, Dr. P. E. Lindley, "My Father's World: Its Call."                                       |                      |
| 8:00 p. m.—Dr. Elbert Russell.                                                                                                  |                      |
| Tuesday, August 20, 10:30 a. m.—Lecture, Dr. P. E. Lindley, "My Father's World: Its Future."                                    |                      |
| 8:00 p. m.—Dr. Elbert Russell.                                                                                                  |                      |
| Wednesday, August 21, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop John C. Broomfield, Address, "Why Are We at Junaluska, or An Ideal and a Procedure?"   |                      |
| 8:00 p. m.—Dr. W. F. Quillian, Dr. Georgia Harkness.                                                                            |                      |
| Thursday, August 22, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop John C. Broomfield, Address, "My Spiritual Ready Reckoner."                             |                      |
| 8:00 p. m.—Coronation of Queen.                                                                                                 |                      |
| Friday, August 23, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop John C. Broomfield, Address, "The Christian Message, or the Evangel of United Methodism." |                      |
| 8:00 p. m.—Choir Concert.                                                                                                       |                      |
| Saturday, August 24, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop John C. Broomfield, Address, "Tithing, or Conducting Our Finances in God's Way."        |                      |
| 5:00 p. m.—Boat Pageant, with music by band.                                                                                    |                      |
| 8:00 p. m.—Moving Picture, "Swiss Family Robinson," and Disney Cartoon.                                                         |                      |

## Great Annual Events

The Coronation of the Queen, on the evening of August 22, and the Boat Pageant, with band music, on the afternoon of August 24! Who will be elected queen this year? Who will plan and make the most beautiful float in the Boat Pageant? Plan to be present for these two outstanding events.

## MEACHAM-APPLING

A lovely wedding was celebrated in the Methodist church at Gap Mills, W. Va., at six o'clock on the evening of July 31 when Miss Mildred Clarke Appling became the bride of Rev. B. F. Meacham.

Rev. A. B. Shiflet of Gap Mills, assisted by Rev. R. M. Parker of Lewisburg, W. Va., officiated. The vows were spoken at the chancel steps before a background of hemlock and pink rhododendrum, flanked with seven branched candelabra holding cathedral tapers. On each side of the altar were tall floor baskets filled with white gladioli.

Prior to the ceremony Miss Marjorie Lee of Baraboo, Wisconsin, played a number of pre-nuptial selections. Miss Sadie Mann of Greenville, W. Va., sang "Because" and "O Promise Me." Just preceding the vows the lovely twin sisters, little Misses Eleanor and Elizabeth Shiflet, sang "I Love You Truly." They wore long dresses of rose marquette over taffeta and carried old fashioned nosegays of sweet peas, rose buds and baby breath.

The bride's attendants were Miss Irma Patten of Huntington, Miss Talma Crosier of Zenith, Miss Thelma Thomas of Greenville, Miss Alma Fullen of Union, Miss Ethelene McGuire of Gap Mills, W. Va., and Miss Bess Meacham of Roberdell, N. C. They wore gowns of pink marquette and lace over taffeta, and small flower hats made of pink marquette, sweet peas and velvet ribbon. Their arm bouquets were of pink gadioli tied with pink satin streamers.

Mrs. Claude Wylie, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, wearing a gown of aqua marquette over taffeta and carrying an arm bouquet of white gladioli.

Little Miss Doris Blankenship of High Point, N. C., niece of the bride, was flower girl.

The bridegroom had as his best man Mr. Edward Pons of Valdeese, N. C. Ushers were Roscoe Rowan of Gap Mills, Andrew Campbell of Union, Jack Baker of Sweet Springs, E. V. Core of Alderson, Lloyd Wayland of Bluefield, W. Va., and J. Vaughan Parker of Mt. Gilead, N. C.

The bride entered with her brother, Mr. W. T. Blankenship, by whom she was given in marriage. She wore a wedding gown of white silk marquette of lace. The finger tip illusion veil was attached to a beautiful coronet. She carried a white prayer book banked with white roses and showered with rose buds, baby breath and satin ribbon.

Mrs. Appling, mother of the bride, wore a dress of rose lace with shoulder bouquet of talisman roses.

Miss Appling, who attended Concord College and Duke University, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Appling of Gap Mills, W. Va., and has served for a number of years as primary teacher in the Gap Mills graded school. She is a member of the Alpha Sigma Tau National Educational Sorority.

Rev. Mr. Meacham, the son of W. B. and Mattie Whitlock Meacham of Roberdell, N. C., is a graduate of Duke University and has been for the past four years a member of the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church, serving the Mount Gilead circuit in the Fayetteville district.

## THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

The showers and the warm weather keep our spirits up these days because they keep the crops looking fine and the the pasture lands green, and thus enable us to get all the milk and butter needed.

We had a most delightful visit from Dr. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh. According to the direction of our trustees we are releasing to that orphanage the children from the North Carolina conference area, and Dr. Barnes came by and took dinner with us to get acquainted with that group of children. A group of 12 will go to Raleigh this week and we are releasing two others, making a total of 14. We thoroughly enjoyed having Dr. Barnes in our home.

## Home Coming

Many are enquiring about the annual home coming day. Well, because of the conditions under which we have lived and are living it has seemed best not to try to have a regular program and gathering this year; but we are especially asking for the special offering as usual. Several have anticipated the need and have already sent the offering, which is greatly appreciated. Word comes to us that Rev. C. E. Ridge on Shiloh charge has already made announcements concerning the special offering, and has asked his people to plan for the offering on the first Sunday in September. Fine! What are your plans? If you plan then we will receive your special offering, but if you do not plan for it then we will get nothing. Why not plan for it in connection with your regular monthly offering and thus avoid duplication?

## The Way Is Open

During last summer, in connection with our regular home coming offering, a goodly number of people in the former M. E. Church, South, sent us some personal offerings. We have labored this year under great handicap, so need all the help we can get. I would not even ask you to send to us any money which you plan to give to the Children's Home in Winston-Salem or to the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh. But, over and above your contributions to them, if you have some extra dollars which could be turned this way they will be greatly appreciated and will be used wisely. So the way is open for any child of God, who loves to do so, to make an offering to help us balance our budget before conference.

## SALISBURY DISTRICT PICNIC

Word has gone out that on August 29 every Methodist preacher in the Salisbury district together with their families are expected to meet at Morrow Mountain for a good time together. The fun starts at four o'clock in the afternoon, and after games and a general good time the picnic baskets will be opened. It is hoped that the weather will be favorable for a good time out in the open, but if it should happen to rain the group will meet at Central Methodist church in Albemarle, so let no one stay home on account of the weather.

Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., President,  
District Ministers' Wives' Association.  
Mrs. John F. Kirk, Secretary.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### MISSIONS IN JAPAN TODAY

In Japan, the most nationalistic nation, our Christian mission schools today are full to overflowing. The churches are having large congregations; street evangelism and rural evangelism are popular there. When we pray for missions there is no place where our prayers are more needed than in Japan. If we are one church we have a tremendous duty toward Japan today. In the Christian church in Japan woman is coming into her place—that is a hopeful sign. The students in our Christian schools are feeling tremendous responsibilities toward other people of Japan.—Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon.

### SUPPLIES

Mrs. W. L. Knight, conference superintendent of supplies, is urging that presidents and supply superintendents forward funds for furniture for our E. C. T. C. Student Center to Mrs. J. C. Wooton, Greenville, N. C. This is an urgent and immediate need. Report all contributions to his cause to Mrs. W. L. Knight, Weldon, N. C.

### HOME WORK STUDIED

Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville district superintendent, shares with us a report of an all day mission study class at Asbury church, Goldston circuit, on August 5, under the leadership of Mrs. Frank Blackwelder. A helpful devotional was led by Mrs. B. Cole, Sanford. A very comprehensive review of the book "Homeland Harvest" was given by Mrs. C. N. Reeves, Sanford. Mrs. Lawrence taught the book "Right Here at Home," using a number of pictures and describing some features of our own home mission work, bringing to the women a keener insight into the work and a deeper realization of their share in every phase of the work. A bountiful picnic supper was spread beneath majestic oaks and a delightful social hour was spent.

### CHILDREN AT RAEFORD ACTIVE

Mrs. C. L. Thomas, Raeford, writes: "Some of the best work that is being done in the Raeford church is with the children. Recently they presented their annual program to a large group. Mrs. J. C. Thomas and Mrs. Annie Mae Brown were in charge. After the parents, friends and playmates were given a cordial welcome, the cradle roll children marched in and dropped their mite boxes in a little pink cradle. Recitations, Bible stories, prayers and songs were given by the children. The new babies were welcomed into the society and Rev. E. C. Crawford, pastor presented life memberships to Blanche Crawford, given by the Raeford missionary society; Eloise Hoyle Upchurch, by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hoyle; Julianne Fuller, by Mrs. Annie Mae Brown; Harriett Suzanne Cameron, by Mrs.

H. A. Cameron. A memorial was given by Mr. and Mrs. Roland Covington in memory of their baby, Alice Nettles Covington."

### A BENEFICIAL EXPERIENCE

Mrs. H. O. Lineberger, president of the woman's missionary society of Edenton Street Methodist church, returned last week from the School of Missions at Lake Junaluska. Mrs. Lineberger's impressions of this momentous event are that the inspiration, information, fellowships and friendships gained there were most beneficial to the woman's work. She is emphatic in her conviction that the women of the North Carolina conference have no conception of the inestimable value of this annual occasion and of the joys which they are lacking when they do not attend. More than 300 women were in attendance this year, a comparatively small portion of whom were from the North Carolina conference.

### THREE ZONES MEET JOINTLY

The mid-summer zone meeting of the Durham, Orange and Person zones met at Orange church on July 24. The morning session was presided over by Mrs. J. A. Warren and Mrs. W. M. Fox. Rev. V. E. Queen and Miss Mary Hogan extended a cordial welcome. Miss Florine Robertson led the devotional on "Prayer." Each zone made reports. Following a report by Mrs. R. H. Marks, a committee composed of Mrs. Marks, Rev. and Mrs. S. F. Nicks and Mrs. W. L. Smith was appointed to make a plea to the county commissioners for more comforts for the inmates of the county home before winter. The Florine Robertson cup was presented to Grace church. An address was given by Miss Josephine Dameron, former missionary to Korea. Miss Evangeline Fox sang "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes." A rising vote of appreciation was given Miss Florine Robertson for the outstanding service which she has rendered as district secretary for the past 11 years.

Mrs. A. K. Umstead presided at the afternoon session. The devotional was led by Miss Sadie Lee Mumford, the subject of which was "Faith." Mrs. J. C. Walker was acting secretary. Reports were given from Calvary, Duke Memorial, Lakewood, West Durham, Duke Chapel and Bethany churches. Reports from young women's circles were made by Mrs. Roundtree Crisp, Duke Memorial, and Miss Sadie Lee Mumford, Calvary. Miss Ruth Brooks gave a talk on "Rural Church Needs." Mrs. J. D. Lee made a report on Christian Social Relations. A brief discussion led by Miss Florine Robertson and Mrs. J. M. Ormond was held, giving information on the new missionary set-up to be instituted in September. The courtesy committee read thanks to the Orange church for the inspiring meeting.—Mrs. J. A. Warren, Mrs. W. M. Fox, Mrs. A. K. Umstead.

### CAN THE BIBLE BE MEASURED?

The Bible cannot be measured. There is a little song, sung by a poet-king long ago, which we call the Shepherd Psalm. It is very short. You can count its lines and letters. It fills a small place in bulk in the literature of the nations. But does anyone think that the Twenty-third Psalm can be measured? One day recently I went to see an aged man who was very near the end of his pilgrimage. They told me that he was unconscious and would not know me. When I bent over him and spoke his name he opened his eyes and smiled. I started to repeat the Twenty-third Psalm, "The Lord is my shepherd." He took up the words and said it through to the end. At first his voice was feeble and only a whisper. As he went on it grew stronger. When he came to the words, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me," it rang out clear and strong like the pealing of an evening bell. Think of the millions and millions who have entered the shadow leaning on the everlasting arms revealed there.

The Bible—sixty-two books in it, covering two thousand years of human life and experience, written by shepherds, plowmen, fishermen and tent-makers; by kings, and poets, and philosophers, playing on every string of the soul, and touching every human experience—a guide book for the pilgrim from the City of Destruction to the Celestial City. Can anyone measure what it has meant to individual lives groping their way through the dark; what its influence has been in homes where character has been in the making; what it has done for races and nations, shifting their feet from the mire and setting them on the rock?—Stuart Nye Hutchison.

### THE MASTER SCULPTOR

By Mrs. Vivien M. Ogden.

A Master Sculptor hews a rugged stone  
That he may in it beauty see.  
So Christ the Master Sculptor of our  
souls

Would shape us for eternity.

When he in his great love would chisel  
off

The ugly knots of hate and pride.  
Let us be patient in his loving hand,  
For nothing good will be denied.

O, what a glorious heritage is ours  
To grow into a temple fair,  
To have the Master Sculptor shape our  
lives

And make each stone his image bear.

Then let us not rebellious be  
When in his loving hand we lie,  
But let him chisel, hew and hammer us  
Until all pride and self-love die.

That we in him together fitly framed  
May grow into a temple fair,  
To be an habitation of our God  
And his great love declare.

The idle person is not better than a  
dead one and takes up more room.—  
Elbert Hubbard.

Faint praise is akin to abuse.—Proverb.



# Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

## MY MASTER'S FACE

No pictured likeness of my Lord have I:  
He carved no record of his ministry  
On wood or stone.  
He left no sculptured tomb nor parch-  
ment dim,  
But trusted for all memory of him  
Men's hearts alone.

Who sees the face but sees in part,  
Who reads the Spirit which it hides,  
Sees all! He needs no more. Thy grace,  
Thy life in my life, Lord give thou to  
me  
And then in truth I may forever see  
My Master's face.  
—William Hurd Hillyear, in Upper  
Room.

## RECORD OF NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

We are greatly indebted to Mrs. R. H. Broom of Ayden, superintendent of literature of the Woman's Missionary Society of the North Carolina conference, for a copy of the record of her conference for 1939, and which gives, in addition to achievements of the past year, much of interest concerning the work of the conference since its organization in 1878. This journal is dedicated to Mrs. Henry J. Faison of Faison, N. C., "in sincere appreciation of her long years of constant and devoted service as vice president since 1927" in the conference.

We find that since 1878 this conference society has sent 13 of her daughters to the foreign fields, 13 others have gone as wives of missionaries to do mission work in foreign lands, and at home 12 have served as city missionaries, deaconesses or contract workers with the Woman's Missionary Council.

Two of the conference members have been officers in the Woman's Missionary Council—Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, since 1932 serving as administrative secretary of foreign fields, Woman's Section Board of Missions, and Mrs. A. M. Gates, elected in 1938 as calendar clerk of the Council.

The 1939 meeting held at Henderson was featured by a program of intense interest, with a number of distinguished guests to add to the splendid program of the two days.

Among the outstanding features of special interest at the meeting was the questionnaire, giving detailed information about the department of mission and Bible study, intended to clear any doubtful points for the new auxiliary superintendents, under the title "Mission and Bible Study Facts Made Plain." This part of the program was in charge of Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference superintendent of study, Zebulon.

We congratulate this conference and its fine group of splendid and loyal workers on their achievements of the past half century and wish for them a continuance of successful achievements as they enter into the greater work of The Methodist Church.

## BOOK SHORTAGE IN CHINA

From the China Weekly Review of July 13, 1940, a copy of which has been received and read with interest, we quote the following:

"The shortage of books has affected all the schools. The demolition of the large book stores in Chungking by aerial bombings has heavily reduced book stocks and sent the prices of books rocketing. The educational authorities worry about what the next term holds in store for them as to text books as the sources of their future supply remain uncertain and precarious. It is the lack of reference books and foreign text books of the technical kind that has hampered particularly the work of the universities which suffered so tragically from the loss of their libraries and apparatus. While purchase of these books from abroad is forbidding because of the present rate of exchange, the supply of reprints by some Chinese book companies cannot fill a deficiency which is made more notable by the large increase of students at the universities. To cope with the situation a committee was formed in March, 1939, under the auspices of the Ministry of Education for the solicitation of books from foreign countries. It is of interest to note that Oxford University was the first to respond to this appeal for the aid of Chinese higher learning in its hour of distress.

A personal gift from Mr. H. N. Spalding 'started the ball to rolling' for the purchase of books especially for the Southwest United University. The authorities of Oxford have sponsored the movement and have promoted it with a nation-wide campaign in England. Up to the outbreak of war about 62 cases of books were sent to China from England and 210 cases from the United States, where the appeal has been conducted through the American Library Association.

## COMMITTEE MEETING IN SALISBURY

The Conference Organizational Committee of the Woman's Department of the Western North Carolina Conference was scheduled to meet in Salisbury Wednesday in the ladies' parlor of the First Methodist church, to work out plans for the organization of the Conference Society of Christian Service. A representative from each of the eleven districts of the conference to be in attendance, representing the three uniting denominations of Methodism.

## THEY ARE LEFT-HANDED IN BOTH HANDS

Some folks are quite meticulous about not letting the left hand know what the right hand is doing. They know the left hand would be ashamed of it—and the chances are that both hands are doing the same thing, and that is—nothing.—Religious Telescope.

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## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### THE WEATHER

This is a dripping wet Monday morning. To be sure, the sun does occasionally peep through the clouds but only long enough to let another cloud collect enough moisture to pour out upon us. The boys are having some difficulty in getting the clothing to the laundry for the week's cleansing process. One hears them talking louder than good sound effort and constructive head work would indicate is necessary. The home mothers are back from their vacation and are tidying up their homes, checking on clothing and helping their families get adjusted to a new week's living. The field boys are gathering in the vegetables. We have had a wonderfully fine growing season this year. Crops are good, giving us much cause for grateful thanks. The boys and girls have already canned 1400 gallons of choice tomatoes and the process continues. The late bean crop promises a bountiful yield, providing ample supply for canning for the winter needs. The rains this morning, like the rains of other times, are a blessing to us.

### IN THEY COME

It was only two weeks ago when everybody was going away. Yesterday and the day before everybody was coming back. The boys and girls came back with cheerful countenances and as fine attitudes, with few exceptions, as they went away. They were glad to get back to see one another and to recount the many happy experiences they had enjoyed. One after another of the home mothers and staff workers have said with plenty of emphasis, "I'm certainly glad to be back here. This is the most beautiful and the best place in the world for me."

### VACATION VALUES

When one labors for weeks over the matter of vacation arrangements for the children and workers he becomes somewhat disgusted with the whole business and is inclined to raise the question as to whether vacations are worth the effort. But such is only a fleeting notion. When the children come back with their many happy and valuable experiences and the workers return with refreshed interest, plenty of evidence abounds to prove the value of vacations. The children need a change of scene. They need to get acquainted with their relatives and their friends and to have some experiences different from the usual routine. Then, too, we are enabled to secure up-to-date information relative to the families from which the children come. The vacation season always enables us to find suffi-

cient evidence to warrant the returning of a number of children to their relatives. Children who never get to go anywhere will not know how to act when as grown-up's they have to go somewhere.

### ASBURY LEADS

Asbury, on the Huntersville charge, is the first congregation of the former "Northern Methodists" to pay its ten per cent apportionment in full. Asbury ought to lead for more reasons than the name. Rev. F. F. Frisbie is the pastor and J. L. Thornburg is the church school superintendent. They are of the leading sort.

### THERE WAS A LAD THERE

Rev. E. W. Hardin, our assistant pastor at Centenary, announced yesterday morning at the beginning of his sermon that he had come into the pulpit convinced that from now on his messages to his congregation would be with the expectation of conviction and response. The young minister was charged with the firmness of this feeling and he went forth to preach with power. In the midst of his sermon in speaking of God's knowledge of mankind, even to the frailty of ingratitude, he called attention to the Bible instance of the man who, when forgiven of his debt of ten talents, went out with a different attitude toward the man who owed him a hundred pence. As the preacher portrayed the scene with gesture, exclaiming "Pay me what thou owest!" a little boy in the congregation chimed out "How much did he owe him?"

### PREACHING FOR A VERDICT

Yesterday morning in our Sunday school the boys and girls were given an opportunity to tell about religious services they visited while away on vacation. While some of them hardly knew where they had been and what had happened, a number of others were very much impressed with what they saw and heard. One little lad told about a big tent meeting with the loud speaking preacher who told about how bad he once was before he got to be good. The little youngster went on further to tell about the bench up in front of the meeting where people knelt down and cried out loud and got up and shook hands with folks. He thought that sawdust was a better place to kneel down on than a cushion in a big church. Later the youngsters

and this scribe went to Centenary where the young pastor, Rev. E. W. Hardin, at the close of his fervent message called for those in the congregation who wanted to renew their allegiance to the cause of Jesus Christ to come to the front, clasp hands and kneel down for the closing prayer. He announced that six stanzas of "Amazing grace; how sweet the sound," would be sung. As the first stanza was sung up went a choice young couple, the young man being a son of a former pastor of Centenary. Then came others, so that when the sixth stanza was sung the people were more than six deep around the altar. 'Twas the old-fashioned way of giving outward expression to an inward desire.

### THE BABIES

The picture this week is that of the baby cottage family, 27 little youngsters with their leaders. To be sure, they are not all babies, but they are under six years of age and require a good deal of direction. In the middle of the back row of the picture are Miss Harbour, the little home mother, and Miss Harrington, the dietitian. On each side stand the six older girls who help care for the lovely little youngsters. Just half of the little members of this family got to go away for vacations.

### THANKS, JOHNSTON

A letter received this morning from Supt. Joseph B. Johnston of the Presbyterian Orphans' Home at Barium Springs, reads as follows: "Your very kind letter of the 8th with check received. Thanks for everything. It is a pleasure to work with you and your youngsters because you are all so appreciative. I have heard many commendable remarks about your young people and their behavior while they were at camp this year. You have a fine set of kids. All glory to you."

### LOOKING FOR THE LOST

We are doing a lot of case work this month. For two weeks this has been the dominant endeavor. The work still is unfinished. Already twenty youngsters who have been on our waiting list for months have been accepted and will be coming in before the first of September. Others are yet to be visited. It is thought that by the first of September we will have arranged for forty new children to come live with us. Forty have gone out during the summer.



The most interesting of our many interesting groups



# THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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FORM OF BEQUEST  
I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

**DROUGHT**—The dry, hot spell, lasting many weeks, damaged our vegetable, corn and hay crops very seriously. We have a fellow feeling for our farmer friends who have suffered likewise.

**VISITORS**—On Monday, August 5, it was my happy privilege to have with us a group of orphanage workers who are attending the Duke orphanage summer school. They visited all the cottages and different departments, and took lunch with us. We enjoyed their visit very much.

**CHAMPIONSHIP**—The junior orphanage baseball team, under the coaching of Prof. J. O. Sanderson, won the civic championship last week. Our team did not lose a single game in the series. It goes without saying that our boys are very happy over their victory and they have the hearty congratulations of everybody on the campus.

**ATHLETIC FIELD**—Work is progressing nicely on our new athletic field. When completed it will be a most valuable asset to our home. The children, officers, board of trustees, and the entire North Carolina conference are grateful to Mr. J. C. Braswell, president of our board of trustees, for his large contribution for our new athletic field.

**SINGING CLASS**—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows about the visit of our singing class to Webb Avenue and Holt's charge: "The singing class had a pleasant day with friends on the Webb Avenue-Holt's charge. Rev. O. I. Hinson served in the morning at Holt's Chapel, while we worshipped with his congregation at Webb Avenue, and Mr. John F. Idol held the opening service for us. The pastor was with us at Holt's Chapel for the evening service. We enjoyed the day on this charge."

**COWS**—Due to the fact that Bangs disease got into our herd a few years ago, our herd for the last year or two has not been up to standard. Kind and generous friends made it possible for us to buy eight fine Holstein cows. The following are the friends who bought a cow each for us: Messrs. F. E. Mayo, Washington; R. B. Whitley, Wendell; B. G. Thompson, Goldsboro; W. C. Davis, Engelhard; H. T. Spears, Lillington; T. B. Upchurch, Raeford; Dr.

J. M. Judd, Varina; and Mrs. W. H. Dameron, Warrenton. These good friends have the sincere gratitude of the Methodist Orphanage for their goodness to us. We are now getting an abundance of nice, fresh sweet milk for our children. Our dairyman tells me that he is supplying the dining room with at least 100 gallons of milk per day. We have a large number of fine Holstein heifers that will be coming fresh within the next year or so.

Dear Friends:  
Twelve years ago I made my home here among friends and under the care of loving cottage mothers, teachers and a real "dad," Rev. A. S. Barnes. I realize fully what this place has meant to me. I shall always remember the lessons I have learned and the friends I have made.

I shall always be grateful to the people of the Methodist church in Bethel who have taken so much interest in me. Twice each year I have received a box of lovely clothes from them. Their kindness has meant so much to me that I hardly know how to thank them.

Mrs. G. G. Allen provided the Burwell cottage where I spent my last happy year. This has enabled me to enjoy some of the material comforts in life.

My first grade teacher, Miss Mary Ferree, has played a big part in my life here. She has encouraged and helped me along through the years—without her I wouldn't be as happy as I am today.

Every student in our high school realizes that Mr. J. O. Sanderson has been an inspiration to us. To him and to Miss Bessie Gaddy, our senior advisor, I wish to express my deep appreciation.

I can't pay materially for the advantages that I have had here, but I can repay the many friends of the home by living a pure and clean life.

May Belle Britt.

## MORE CUCKOOS

"An abstract noun is a noun that does not exist, such as goodness."

"When she had put all her clothes in the propaganda she went to the hotel."

"Complete: 'Where there's a will, there's—' Answer: 'A dead man.'"

"Is 'trousers' singular or plural? It depends upon which end you mean."

"To boycott means to leave alone. It comes from boy and cot, because baby boys when they cry are generally left in their cots."

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"Queue is the Latin for two by two." —Religious Telescope.

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The following report on Church School Day includes all offerings sent to Mr. Dunham up to August 4. Remittances sent during August will be acknowledged on this page early in September. A study of this report shows that 177 churches have reported a total offering of \$1636.16. One hundred and twenty-five other churches have requested programs and will report before conference.

The Charlotte district leads with the largest amount contributed. The Winston-Salem district stands second, and also has the largest single contribution of \$236.38 from Centenary church. The Salisbury district has a 100 per cent observance last year, and is leading again in the number of participating churches. Returns during August should bring the offering to about \$2000. The conference board of education anticipated an income of approximately \$2,400 from this source this year. All contributions will be cheerfully received by Mr. H. A. Dunham at 62 Patton Avenue, Asheville, N. C.

### Asheville District

|                              |         |
|------------------------------|---------|
| Montmorenci (Candler) .....  | \$ 1.00 |
| Swannanoa .....              | 1.86    |
| Tabernacle (Swannanoa) ..... | 3.00    |
| Biltmore .....               | 5.00    |
| Oakley .....                 | 5.00    |
| West Asheville .....         | 6.12    |
| Black Mountain .....         | 10.00   |
| Haywood Street .....         | 26.28   |
| Central, Asheville .....     | 50.00   |

### Charlotte District

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| North Monroe .....               | 1.50   |
| Waxhaw .....                     | 2.00   |
| Prospect .....                   | 2.50   |
| Mineral Springs (Waxhaw) .....   | 2.69   |
| Peachland .....                  | 2.75   |
| Weddington .....                 | 3.00   |
| Homestead .....                  | 3.50   |
| Duncan Memorial .....            | 4.00   |
| New Hope (New Hope-Bethel) ..... | 4.00   |
| Hickory Grove .....              | 4.60   |
| Moore's (Thrift-Moore's) .....   | 4.77   |
| Chadwick .....                   | 5.00   |
| Trinity .....                    | 5.00   |
| Brevard Street .....             | 5.76   |
| Lilesville Charge .....          | 7.65   |
| Harrison (Pineville) .....       | 8.70   |
| Belmont Park .....               | 10.00  |
| Wesley Heights .....             | 10.00  |
| Calvary .....                    | 11.34  |
| Spencer Memorial .....           | 11.75  |
| Wadesboro .....                  | 14.20  |
| Hawthorne Lane .....             | 18.10  |
| Dilworth .....                   | 28.05  |
| Myers Park .....                 | 34.25  |
| Central, Monroe .....            | 50.00  |
| First, Charlotte .....           | 135.22 |
| Total .....                      | 390.33 |

### Elkin District

|                                        |       |
|----------------------------------------|-------|
| West Jefferson .....                   | 1.00  |
| Moriah's Chapel (Moravian Falls) ..... | 1.06  |
| Huntsville (Farmington) .....          | 1.29  |
| Farmington .....                       | 2.50  |
| Wesley Chapel (Farmington) .....       | 2.50  |
| Smith Grove ((Farmington) .....        | 2.71  |
| Cox's Chapel (Sparta) .....            | 2.80  |
| Bethlehem (Farmington) .....           | 4.00  |
| Elkin .....                            | 11.15 |
| Cooleemee .....                        | 12.00 |
| Total .....                            | 41.01 |

### Gastonia District

|                            |      |
|----------------------------|------|
| Rehobeth (Polkville) ..... | 2.00 |
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|------------------------------------|--------|
| Cherryville .....                  | 2.06   |
| Salem (Lowesville) .....           | 2.17   |
| Boger City .....                   | 2.50   |
| South Point (Cramerton) .....      | 2.70   |
| Stanley .....                      | 2.85   |
| Concord (Bessemer City) .....      | 3.25   |
| Dallas .....                       | 3.26   |
| Lafayette Street .....             | 3.35   |
| East Gastonia .....                | 3.40   |
| Bethesda (Lowell) .....            | 4.12   |
| Bessemer City .....                | 4.50   |
| McKendree (Lincoln Ct.) .....      | 4.55   |
| Park Street, Belmont .....         | 5.00   |
| Cramerton .....                    | 5.00   |
| Elbethel (Shelby Ct.) .....        | 5.00   |
| Sharon (Shelby Ct.) .....          | 5.00   |
| Sulphur Springs (Shelby Ct.) ..... | 5.00   |
| Pleasant Grove (Crouse) .....      | 5.95   |
| Kadesh (Belwood) .....             | 6.00   |
| Main Street, Belmont .....         | 10.00  |
| Smyre .....                        | 10.16  |
| Main Street, Gastonia .....        | 50.00  |
| Total .....                        | 147.82 |

### Greensboro District

|                                   |        |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Grace .....                       | 3.00   |
| Bethlehem (Reidsville Ct.) .....  | 3.01   |
| Lowe's (Reidsville Ct.) .....     | 4.00   |
| Gibsonville .....                 | 4.50   |
| Summerfield .....                 | 4.52   |
| Bethlehem (Pleasant Garden) ..... | 5.00   |
| Bessemer .....                    | 6.10   |
| Centenary .....                   | 10.00  |
| Main Street, Reidsville .....     | 12.47  |
| College Place .....               | 15.33  |
| Glenwood .....                    | 17.00  |
| West Market Street .....          | 51.53  |
| Total .....                       | 136.46 |

### High Point District

|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Archdale .....               | 3.50   |
| Concord (Coleridge) .....    | 3.70   |
| Bethany (Liberty Ct.) .....  | 4.10   |
| Franklinville .....          | 5.00   |
| Liberty .....                | 6.36   |
| Randleman-Union Charge ..... | 9.00   |
| First, Asheboro .....        | 21.92  |
| Wesley Memorial .....        | 50.00  |
| Total .....                  | 103.58 |

### Marion District

|                                    |       |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| Bethel (McDowell) .....            | 1.00  |
| Salem (Bostic) .....               | 1.30  |
| Bethlehem (Old Fort) .....         | 2.00  |
| Ebenezer (Old Fort) .....          | 2.00  |
| Salem (Morganton Ct.) .....        | 2.09  |
| Mt. Pleasant (Morganton Ct.) ..... | 2.25  |
| Rutherford College .....           | 2.50  |
| Connelly Springs .....             | 3.20  |
| Oak Grove (Bostic) .....           | 5.91  |
| Higgins Memorial .....             | 10.00 |
| Rutherfordton .....                | 10.62 |
| Total .....                        | 42.37 |

### Salisbury District

|                                    |      |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Lowe's Chapel (Stanfield) .....    | 1.00 |
| Gay's Chapel (Woodleaf) .....      | 1.00 |
| Unity (Landis) .....               | 1.50 |
| New Mt. Tabor (Friendship) .....   | 1.65 |
| Kerr Street .....                  | 1.75 |
| Rowan Mills .....                  | 2.22 |
| Pine Bluff (Midland) .....         | 2.33 |
| Oak Grove (Landis) .....           | 2.35 |
| Harmony .....                      | 2.46 |
| Bethel (Friendship) .....          | 2.69 |
| North Main Street, Salisbury ..... | 2.78 |
| Ann Street, Concord .....          | 3.00 |
| Mills Grove (Midland) .....        | 3.79 |
| Park Avenue .....                  | 5.15 |
| Center Grove (Midland) .....       | 5.39 |
| Woodleaf .....                     | 5.53 |
| St. Paul (Midland) .....           | 5.97 |
| First Street, Albemarle .....      | 6.31 |
| Midway .....                       | 6.52 |
| New London .....                   | 6.78 |
| Jackson Park .....                 | 7.00 |
| Norwood .....                      | 8.00 |

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Epworth .....             | 10.00  |
| Central, Spencer .....    | 10.00  |
| First, Salisbury .....    | 14.78  |
| Central, Albemarle .....  | 19.25  |
| First, China Grove .....  | 20.00  |
| Central, Concord .....    | 20.00  |
| Forest Hill .....         | 25.00  |
| Trinity, Kannapolis ..... | 28.37  |
| Total .....               | 232.57 |

### Statesville District

|                                   |       |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Mt. Herman (Hudson) .....         | 1.30  |
| Highlands .....                   | 1.65  |
| Cool Springs .....                | 1.80  |
| Wesley's Chapel (Shepherds) ..... | 2.27  |
| Hopewell (Catawba) .....          | 2.50  |
| Hudson .....                      | 2.50  |
| Vanderburg (Shepherds) .....      | 2.52  |
| Rocky Mount (Shepherds) .....     | 2.86  |
| New Salem (Cool Springs) .....    | 3.52  |
| Bethel, Hickory .....             | 5.00  |
| Troutman .....                    | 9.07  |
| Race Street .....                 | 10.00 |
| Whitnel .....                     | 12.00 |
| Central, Mooresville .....        | 15.12 |
| Total .....                       | 72.11 |

### Waynesville District

|                                  |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Balsam (Dellwood) .....          | .50   |
| Maggie( Dellwood) .....          | 1.00  |
| Reid's Chapel (Murphy Ct.) ..... | 2.00  |
| Fine's Creek .....               | 2.32  |
| Andrews .....                    | 4.15  |
| Sylva .....                      | 5.00  |
| Waynesville .....                | 10.00 |
| Total .....                      | 24.97 |

### Winston-Salem District

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Pine Grove (Forsyth) .....       | 1.85   |
| New Hope (Doubs) .....           | 2.25   |
| Crews (Hiatt-Sedge Garden) ..... | 3.00   |
| Main Street, Kernersville .....  | 3.12   |
| Green Street .....               | 3.50   |
| Palmyra (Walnut Cove) .....      | 4.74   |
| Lewisville Charge .....          | 5.00   |
| Marvin (Forsyth) .....           | 5.00   |
| Bethesda (North Davidson) .....  | 5.00   |
| Prospect (Thomasville Ct.) ..... | 5.00   |
| Ogburn Memorial .....            | 5.00   |
| Mount Tabor (Forsyth) .....      | 9.71   |
| Main Street, Thomasville .....   | 11.26  |
| Midway (Welcome) .....           | 15.53  |
| Love's .....                     | 19.79  |
| Centenary, Winston-Salem .....   | 236.38 |
| Total .....                      | 336.18 |

### District Totals

|                     |         |
|---------------------|---------|
| Asheville .....     | 108.26  |
| Charlotte .....     | 390.33  |
| Elkin .....         | 41.01   |
| Gastonia .....      | 147.82  |
| Greensboro .....    | 136.46  |
| High Point .....    | 103.53  |
| Marion .....        | 42.37   |
| Salisbury .....     | 232.57  |
| Statesville .....   | 72.11   |
| Waynesville .....   | 24.97   |
| Winston-Salem ..... | 336.18  |
| Total .....         | 1636.16 |

## A NINE-MONTHS' REPORT OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE

October 9, 1939-July 13, 1940

(Concluded)

### Statesville District

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Catawba, Bethlehem .....         | 7.50   |
| Catawba .....                    | 19.62  |
| Concord .....                    | 8.00   |
| Hopewell .....                   | 22.50  |
| Cool Springs, Cool Springs ..... | 8.00   |
| New Salem .....                  | 12.14  |
| Providence .....                 | 17.91  |
| Rose Chapel .....                | 12.00  |
| Elmwood .....                    | 1.30   |
| Knox Chapel .....                | 3.00   |
| Granite Falls .....              | 4.75   |
| Hickory-Bethel .....             | 17.10  |
| First .....                      | 134.00 |
| Highlands, Fairgrove .....       | 4.00   |
| Highlands .....                  | 11.30  |



|                          |        |
|--------------------------|--------|
| West View                | 25.38  |
| Hiddenite                | .97    |
| Hudson                   | 18.00  |
| Lenoir, First            | 96.68  |
| Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's | 31.82  |
| Olivet                   | .60    |
| Maiden, Maiden           | 5.00   |
| May's Chapel             | 3.00   |
| Mooresville, Broad St.   | 56.00  |
| Central                  | 39.09  |
| Mooresville Ct.          | 25.00  |
| Triplett                 | 6.00   |
| Newton, First            | 49.69  |
| Shepherd's, Rocky Mount  | 1.00   |
| Vanderburg               | 27.00  |
| Wesley's Chapel          | 1.51   |
| Statesville, Broad St.   | 5.00   |
| Race St.                 | 36.41  |
| Stony Point              | 41.72  |
| Troutman, St. John's     | 9.51   |
| Troutman                 | 10.25  |
| Whitnel                  | 12.00  |
| McKendree-Williamson,    |        |
| Williamson               | 3.36   |
| Total                    | 788.11 |

Waynesville District

|                           |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Andrews                   | 12.50  |
| Bethel                    | 20.38  |
| Canton, Central           | 137.17 |
| Crabtree                  | 1.00   |
| Cullowhee                 | 9.20   |
| Long's Chapel-Elizabeth—  |        |
| Long's Chapel             | 23.78  |
| Elizabeth Chapel          | 2.00   |
| Murphy                    | 19.55  |
| Murphy Ct., Reid's Chapel | 3.36   |
| Rockwood                  | 12.00  |
| Sylva                     | 43.17  |
| Waynesville               | 49.16  |
| Total                     | 333.27 |

Winston-Salem District

|                             |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Davidson, Mt. Olivet        | 72.84   |
| Doub's, Brookstown          | 14.76   |
| New Hope                    | 2.50    |
| Forsyth, Mt. Tabor          | 43.26   |
| Hanes-Clemmons, Hanes       | 6.00    |
| Lewisville                  | 2.00    |
| Lexington, Erlanger         | 1.40    |
| Yadkin College              | 2.00    |
| First                       | 170.00  |
| Mt. Airy, Central           | 104.72  |
| Rockford Street             | 28.51   |
| Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant    | 9.00    |
| Rural Hall                  | 17.50   |
| Thomasville, Trinity        | 6.00    |
| Thomasville Ct., Fairgrove  | 12.25   |
| Pleasant Hill               | 7.44    |
| Unity                       | 40.65   |
| Walkertown-Love's           | 92.76   |
| Walnut Cove, Palmyra        | 9.64    |
| Welcome-Center              | 48.36   |
| Midway                      | 100.80  |
| Mt. Vernon                  | 10.75   |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore      | 6.85    |
| Burkhead                    | 111.89  |
| Centenary                   | 309.87  |
| Green Street                | 11.93   |
| Hiatt-Sedge Garden, Crews.. | 67.57   |
| Sedge Garden                | 5.00    |
| Ogburn Memorial             | 2.50    |
| Total                       | 1318.75 |

IN MEMORIAM

In sad and loving memory of my dear husband, G. P. Drum:

No one knows how I miss you,  
No one knows the tears I shed;  
But in heaven I hope to meet you,  
Where no farewell words are said.

I often sit and think of you  
When I am all alone;  
For memory is the only thing  
That grief can call its own.

There is grief that finds no comfort,  
There are wounds that cannot heal,  
And sorrows buried in my heart  
Too deep to be revealed.

Wife.

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# Sunday School Lesson

AUGUST 18

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By James S. Chubb

## God's Care of His People

Scripture: Psalm 23

One of the greatest carriers of spiritual truth are figures of speech and other imaginative symbols. They stir the imagination and the thought world, leaving to each person the privilege of finding the personal application. Truth, embodied in these stories and figures of the Bible, enters in at lowly doors and endures far longer than most facts and research information. The latter are but for a day; the former are for all ages and all minds.

The shepherd figure would appeal to most Palestinians because it symbolized a basic industry. This hilly, pest-ridden country required men who could handle their sheep well. There were not only the usual storms, droughts, and false trails with cliffs at the end, but there were wolves, reptiles, and other enemies to be warded off. In addition, there were the usual number of common injuries and sicknesses to be detected and treated. Good shepherds were always in demand, and judging from the number of times that the figure is used in the Bible there were many good shepherds.

The real thought of this psalm is the goodness and providential care of God. Let us note the number of practical things that God performs:

1. Physical wants are provided for. Food and water are located by the Good Shepherd. This is not the only Scripture promising that plenty will be given to the believer. The Bible does not offer wealth or even "high" living standards, but it does promise all that one needs. Jesus said the same thing in the Sermon on the Mount, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and . . . all these things shall be added unto you." The Lord's Prayer contains the supplication for daily bread.

Does a good belief in God insure one for plenty? I frankly think it does. One sees it so often among the humble believers, and so frequently one finds that the beaten become religiously inspired and go forth to make a good living. This psalmist noted that, too. The tone of the psalm indicates that he had tried this faith out and found that it gave him food and water.

2. God provides for the soul. Man does not live by bread alone; he also requires noble thoughts, high ideals, great faith. Reverence, sympathy, understanding, appreciation are as much a part of life as are physical needs. God restores the soul to its first and primary place of importance. It grows and flourishes in his presence and under his guiding influence.

We have passed the crest of the influence of the school of thought which

believed that atmosphere and living conditions were everything. They are important, but someone must improve the obnoxious conditions. This call came to the great souls like Schweitzer, Gandhi, Kagawa, and others whose souls were alive. They are the divinely called, creative men who make atmosphere and improve conditions. But this is as much true of humble men as of great men. The genius of democracy and its future lies with the men of great souls who make poor conditions better.

Righteousness cannot be omitted from high religious faith. The moral standard and uprightness of men is the lighted candle that shows men the value of religions. Religious workers know the unanswerable objection to religion, namely, the low ethical standards of some of the brethren. We also know the convincing factor—the noble men and women who have answered God's call with high type personal standards. A restored soul and the divine call of conscience to maintain good ethics remain together. Good religious people keep their consciences sharp.

3. Death is the universal experience. It can be a blessing or it can cause vicious bitterness and enervating self-pity. Religious faith makes death a blessing. It is one of the most sacred moments of life. God created death, and his infinite wisdom and goodness are sufficient to enable men to triumph over the grave. The "rod and staff" are well chosen words. The sheep must frequently be guided and headed. So must we, and especially so in the profound experience of sorrow. It is so easy for us to think that all is lost, or so easy to think that we suffer above all people, or to believe that God has been unfair. In such moments we need the divine rod and staff to point our minds in other directions where we can see the rainbow. We need the comfort from above that enables us to sense the reality of immortality. It is not man's words but God's presence and guiding spirit that really guide to the satisfying comfort.

4. Obviously, the religious person will find many who misunderstand him. The spirit of enmity will emerge in great moments when the best work is being done. The psalmist gives us an excellent line of religious conduct for this occasion that some religious people miss. One can hardly force his enemies to respect him; many times he cannot even change their minds. But it is a mistake to fight back. It is a loss of energy and it is a use of the devil's instruments. The weapons of God are fairness, prayer, good living, hardship, and, if necessary, the cross.

The only exceptions to this conduct are in the case of those who have lost their minds. The life test is the only real test. It is a useless loss of precious energy to fight back or to lose one's bearing by fretting when evil seems to be triumphant. The reason is that of the psalmist: God is the protector of the righteous. This man had been vindicated in the very presence of his enemies. God guided him; he did not protect himself, except as he followed and trusted him.

God cares for the famished person when enemies bruise him. The anoint-

ing with oil suggests that God bandages and rubs the bruised head, a thing much needed in times of conflict. Of course, water, and plenty of it, is essential during fatigue. Now, that cup is running over. How this psalmist understands that a time comes when good conduct will be vindicated and memories of the persecution times will be erased by the banquet that God prepares! How such a psalm must be meaningful to the suffering Christians of our century!

5. The psalm closes with a moral appeal and confidence. It is important in religion that we keep mercy and righteousness combined. They are the twins of the religious life. One without the other practically nullifies the effect of either. No one likes a person who is conscious of his importance and righteousness. The Pharisee is almost universally an obnoxious person. Any person or group of people who are harsh in their judgment of others have missed the real religious spirit, which is that of mercy. Let us dwell on that a moment. Not a single one of us will be vindicated hereafter on the basis of justice; we have done many things that fully justify our condemnation. Love and love alone is big enough to admit us to the hereafter.

Mercy is the supreme Christian attitude toward sin and trouble in the human world. The great evangelists had great hearts because they knew that "but for the grace of God" they would be there in the gutter, too. So they proclaimed understanding and hope to their fellow sinners. Understanding of the sinful, the unfortunate, the troubled is the essential accompaniment of a healthy and respected righteousness. It builds a more rugged and fearless type of righteousness.

So let us keep in our teaching, our thinking, and our living "mercy and goodness" together. That is the way it is done in the Lord's Prayer; that is the final test made at the judgment; the prophets, too, say that God demanded "mercy not sacrifices."

This psalm approximates the "eternal life" idea of the book of John. When he says that he will dwell in the house of the Lord "forever," he is implying, it seems to me, that he is there now and he will not leave it at death. This psalmist has tasted the real genius and power of religion; so he lives in the kingdom now. The spirit of the psalm is even more significant than the words and ideas because its natural and convincing tone shows that he knows whereof he speaks. This psalm is his testimony of the greatness of his life of faith. It has brought him to the kingdom within, a mighty kingdom of power.

Leslie Weatherhead's work, *The Shepherd Psalm*, is a helpful supplement to this study. You will find it a most stimulating and appreciative book.—Christian Advocate.

None is good but one, and that is God (Mark 10:18); but man can never get beyond the stage of becoming good.—Bernhard Weiss, D.D.

"A good memory test: recall all the kind things you have said about your neighbors."



Children's



Storyland

PAPER MAGIC

"Dad," coaxed Don one fine day, "couldn't I have a football? Ted Sommers has one and I want one so bad!"

"Hm-m-mm," said daddy, looking up at his sturdy little son, "that just depends, Donny, on yourself."

"On me!" exclaimed Don, his eyes round with astonishment. "Why—why—how can it depend on me?" he asked.

"Go and get Gordon, and I'll tell you."

"Gordon," asked daddy when Don brought him in, "do you want a football, too?"

"A football!" shouted Gordon, dancing around the room in his excitement. "Oh, daddy, can I have one, and Don, too?"

"Not so fast," replied daddy. "Each of you has a bad habit. And if you will really try to break them, I will buy the two best footballs in town for you."

"What's my bad habit?" they both cried eagerly.

"You, Don, never quite finish any work I give you to do, although you are very ready to obey when I tell you to do a thing. That is your habit."

"And you, Gordon," he continued, "have one that is quite as bad, and that is that you never obey quickly, but have to be told several times to do a thing before you begin."

"Now, I'll make a bargain with you, boys. I'll give you each a good football at the end of October if you work hard to break those bad habits." And daddy smiled at them and went to his business.

How they worked! There were no girls in the family, so they had to wash the dishes once in a while. And they went with a will at that hated task, starting promptly, for Gordon's sake, and never leaving until the dishpan was hung in its place, for Don's sake.

Father and mother watched them carefully. As the weeks went by, Gordon tried harder and harder to start right out to do the things he was told. But, sad to say, Don began to get a little tired of being careful to finish everything.

"It's so long till the end of October," he wailed one day, when they had been taking turns mowing the lawn.

"But, Don, the football!" said his brother, pushing the mower steadily.

"It's too much bother always to think about it," responded his brother, going off to the back yard to read in the shade.

Gordon said nothing but quietly kept working.

As the weeks went by daddy could see that Don wasn't trying very hard, but he resolved to give him one chance to redeem himself.

It was the last week in October, and will you clean up the basement for mother?"

THE STORM

God's "chariots of wrath" are rolling on high,  
Their wheels vivid lightnings to form;  
The rush of the tempest still shows he is nigh;  
He rides on the height of the storm.

"'Tis but natur's thunder," you whisper to me,  
"And is caused by bright static discharge,"  
But tell me what static may happen to be;  
'Tis a problem to intellects large.

We may glibly explain all effects and their cause,  
But back of it all, you will find  
There's something unknown about nature's laws,  
Unsolved by the greatest of mind.

We learn more and more, as older we grow,  
Of nature's immutable plan,  
But back of her plan there lie secrets, we know,  
That can't be discovered by man.

So let's be content to give glory to God,  
Nor strive his great form to erase;  
And all will be known when we reach his abode,  
For there we shall see "face to face."  
—Joseph A. Joyner, in The Watchman-Examiner.

"Sure," cried Don, eager to help mother.

Down the steps he clattered, and soon the sound of merry whistling was heard as he bustled about.

In half an hour he was upstairs—his work all done.

"Did you get the basement all cleaned up?" asked daddy, as he came into the living room.

"Yes, dad. it's all done," he answered.

"Gordon," said daddy, "will you go downstairs and straighten up that pile of old newspapers in the corner—and anything else you see that needs doing?"

Gordon was tired, but—just in time—he remembered the football, and answered cheerfully, "All right. I'll go right now."

Donny looked at his father in astonishment. How did daddy know that he had left that pile of newspapers untouched?

But daddy was looking so sober, and reading so busily that he dared not question him. He walked quietly out of the room, thinking hard.

In fifteen minutes there was a whoop from the basement, and Gordon came up the stairs like a streak, carrying a football in his arms.

"Daddy, Mother, Don, oh, look! Look! The football! The football!" he cried.

Donny looked very much ashamed.

"Where was it, Gordon?" he asked in a small voice.

"In that old cardboard under the newspapers," answered his brother, "and see, here is a note tied to the lacing."

Don crowded near as his brother opened the little envelope.

"For a little boy who has tried hard to break a bad habit," read Gordon aloud.

Don looked tearfully at daddy. "I really didn't try hard enough, daddy," he said. "You put that football under those papers on purpose, didn't you?"

"Yes, son, I did," answered daddy. "You can't have a football now. Some day, when I see you have conquered your bad habit, I will get one for you, too."

And Don began in earnest to win his football.—Burning Bush.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

"See here, Tommy," said the teacher, "'you mustn't say, 'I ain't going.' You must say, 'I am not going; he is not going; they are not going; we are not going.'"

"Gee," said Tommy, "ain't nobody going?"

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Teacher: "Wait a minute, Johnny. What do you understand by that word deficit?"

Johnny: "It's what you've got when you haven't got as much as if you just hadn't nothin'."—Chicago Tribune.

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"Is your mother at home?" asked the driver of the delivery wagon.

Boy (mowing the lawn)—"Course she is. Do you think I'd be working here like a horse if she was out?"

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Visitor — Does your father ever preach the same sermon twice?

Minister's Son—Sure he does, but nobody notices it, 'cause he hollers in different places.

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Five-year-old—"Mummy, I wish I had a little brother."

"Why do you wish that, dear?"

"'Cause I'm tired of teasing the cat."

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Teacher—What's the difference between ammonia and pneumonia?

Bright Pupil—One comes in bottles and the other in chests.



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## North Carolina Conference

## OURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, O.S., 114 Watts St., Ourham, N. C.

## FOURTH ROUND

September  
Fountain Place, 11 ..... 1  
Glen Raven Ct., Haw River, 3 ..... 1  
Webb Avenue-Holt's, Holt's, 7:30 ..... 1  
Duke Memorial, 7:30 ..... 3  
Front Street, 11 ..... 8  
West Burlington, 3 ..... 8  
Mebane, Central, 11 ..... 15  
Mebane, First, 3 ..... 15  
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 ..... 15  
Milton, New Hope, 11 ..... 22  
Branson, 7:30 ..... 22  
Lakewood, 7:30 ..... 26  
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 11 ..... 29  
Carboro, Carboro, 7 ..... 29  
West Durham, 7:30 ..... 30

## October

Carr, 7:30 ..... 2  
Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 3 ..... 3  
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 ..... 3  
Yanceyville, Yanceyville, 11 ..... 4  
Leasburg, Hebron, 3 ..... 4  
Person Ct., Concord, 11 ..... 5  
Long Memorial, 11 ..... 6  
Brookdale, Allensville, 3 ..... 6  
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 ..... 6  
Ois'ric't Check-up Meeting, Pas'ors and Laymen, at  
West Ourham, 10 ..... 7  
Trinity, 7:30 ..... 8  
Calvary, 7:30 ..... 9  
Chapel Hill, 7:30 ..... 10  
Graham, 7:30 ..... 11  
Alamance Ct., Bethel, 11 ..... 12  
Mt. Hermon Ct., Mt. Hermon, 2 ..... 12  
Sweepsonville, Sweepsonville, 11 ..... 13  
Burlington Ct., Mt. Vernon, 3 ..... 13  
Davis Street, 7:30 ..... 17  
Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 ..... 20  
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 3 ..... 20  
Orange Ct., Effland, 7:30 ..... 20  
Cedar Grove, Carr, 11 ..... 24  
Eno, 7:30 ..... 24

## ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

## FOURTH ROUND

September  
Hertford, 11 ..... 1  
South Camden, Sign Pine, night ..... 1  
Moyock-Pilmoor Memorial, Moyock, 11 ..... 8

Currituck, Sharon, 3 ..... 8  
Kitty Hawk, night ..... 8  
Manteo, 11 ..... 15  
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 ..... 15  
Wanchese, night ..... 15  
Ahoskie (Church Dedication), 11 ..... 22  
Murfreesboro, Winton, 3 ..... 22  
North Gates, Kittrells, night ..... 22  
Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 2 ..... 26  
Fall Rally and Check-up, Hertford, 10 ..... 27  
Kinnakeet, Avon, 11 ..... 29  
Hatteras, Buxton, night ..... 29

## October

Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 2 ..... 2  
Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 2 ..... 5  
Belhaven, Trinity, 11 ..... 6  
Matamoras, Amity, 3 ..... 6  
Svanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night ..... 6  
City Road, night ..... 9  
Pasquotank Union, 11 and 2 ..... 11  
Gatesvank, Zion, 11 and 2 ..... 12  
Columbia, 11 ..... 13  
Creswell, 3 ..... 13  
Roper, Pleasant Grove, night ..... 13  
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 2 ..... 19  
Lynch, 11 ..... 20  
Aulander, Lewiston, 3 ..... 20  
Edenton, night ..... 20  
First Church, Elizabeth City, night ..... 23  
South Mills, Trinity, 11 and 2 ..... 26  
Bath, Asbury, 11 ..... 27  
Washington, night ..... 27

## NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, O.S., New Bern, N. C.

## FOURTH ROUND

August  
Ocracoke-Portsmouth, Ocracoke, 11 ..... 25

## September

Harker's Island, 11 ..... 1  
Leaufort, 8 ..... 1  
Mt. Olive-Caluso, Caluso, 11 ..... 8  
Pikeville-Elm Street, 3 ..... 8  
Fremont, 8 ..... 8  
Atlantic, Sea Level, 11 ..... 15  
Marshallberg-Straits, Marshallberg, 7:30 ..... 15  
Morehead City, 7:30 ..... 18  
Goldsboro Ct., Piney Grove, 11 ..... 22  
Ayden, 7:30 ..... 22  
La Grange, 7:30 ..... 25  
Oriental, Pamlico, 11 ..... 29  
Morehead City Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 ..... 29

## October

Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 ..... 2  
Jones, Foy's, 11 ..... 6  
Poper, 7:30 ..... 6  
Kinston, Queen St., 7:30 ..... 9  
Criffon, 11 ..... 13  
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 ..... 13  
Hookerton, 7:30 ..... 18  
Mt. Olive Ct., Smith's, 11 ..... 19  
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 ..... 20  
Vanceboro, 7:30 ..... 20  
Newport, Riverdale, 11 ..... 22  
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 ..... 23  
Aurora, Warren's, 11 ..... 24

## ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, O.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

## FOURTH ROUND

August  
Seaboard, Dedication, 11 ..... 25  
Spring Church, Dedication, 2 ..... 25

## September

September  
Littleton Ct., Corinth, 11 ..... 1  
Littleton, Calvary, 3:30 ..... 1  
Halifax Ct., Bethesda, 8 ..... 1  
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 ..... 8  
Nashville, 8 ..... 8  
Scotland Neck, 11 ..... 15  
Sandy Cross, 3 ..... 15  
Tarboro, 8 ..... 15  
Conway, 11 ..... 22  
Garysburg, Shiloh, 3:30 ..... 22  
Halifax, 8 ..... 22  
McKendree, Pinetops, 11 ..... 29  
Ois'ric't Rally, Laymen and Preachers, Rocky Mt., 2:30 ..... 29  
Wilson, 8 ..... 29

## October

Rich Square, 7:30 ..... 2  
Spring Church, 7:30 ..... 4  
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 ..... 5  
Weldon, 11 ..... 6  
Northampton, New Hope, 3 ..... 6  
Enfield, 7:30 ..... 6  
Walstonburg, Arthur, 7 ..... 8  
Farmville, 8 ..... 8  
Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30 ..... 9  
Rocky Mount, First Church, Dedication ..... 12  
Bethel, 7:30 ..... 13  
Marvin, 7:30 ..... 17  
Middleburg, 11 ..... 20  
Warren, 3 ..... 20  
Norlina, 7:30 ..... 20  
Robersonville, Stokes (to be announced) ..... 20  
Spring Hope, 7:30 ..... 21  
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 ..... 22  
Whitakers, 7:30 ..... 23  
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 ..... 26

## RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, O.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.

## THIRD ROUND

August  
Gamer, Mt. Zion, 8 ..... 15  
Raleigh: Jenkins Memorial, Pleasant Grove, 8 ..... 16  
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 10 ..... 18  
Mamors, Mt. Ariel, 3 ..... 18  
Dunn, 8 ..... 18  
Bailey, Middlesex, 8 ..... 21  
Rougemont, Riverview, 8 ..... 22  
Zobulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8 ..... 23  
Moncure, Jones' Chapel, 11 ..... 25  
Tar River, Ebenezzer, 8 ..... 25  
Raleigh: Hayes-Barton, 8 ..... 26  
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 8 ..... 27  
Four Oaks, Antioch, 8 ..... 28

## WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, O.S., Wilmington, N. C.

## FOURTH ROUND

## September

Shallotte, Andrews, 11 ..... 1  
Tabor City, St. Pauls, night ..... 1  
Wilmington, Grace, 11 ..... 8  
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3 ..... 8  
Burgaw, Rocky Point, night ..... 8  
District Conference at Garland, 10 ..... 12  
Elizabeth, Purdies, 11 ..... 15  
Carver's Creek, Council, night ..... 15  
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11 ..... 22  
Chadbourne, Cerro Gordo, night ..... 22  
Wallace-Rosehill, Rosehill, 11 ..... 29  
Penderlee, night ..... 29

## October

Town Creek, Zion, 11 ..... 6  
Scott's Hill, Seagate, night ..... 6  
Wilmington, Epworth, night ..... 9  
Faison-Kenansville, 11 ..... 11  
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 ..... 13  
St. Pauls, Regans, 3 ..... 13  
Lumberton, night ..... 13  
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11 ..... 20  
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3 ..... 20  
Maysville, Belgrade, night ..... 20  
Southport, night ..... 23  
Bladen (place to be announced), 11 ..... 24  
Garland (place to be announced), night ..... 24  
Roseboro, Halls, 11 ..... 25  
Clinton, night ..... 25  
Rowland, Purvis, 11 ..... 27  
Pembroke (Indian work), First Church, 3 ..... 27  
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night ..... 27

## Western North Carolina Conference

## ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, O.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.

## FOURTH ROUND

## August

Candler, Laurel Hill Q.C., 11 ..... 17  
Candler, Pisgah, 11 ..... 18  
Pisgah Ct., Brown's View, 3 ..... 18  
Asbury Memorial, night ..... 18  
Hillside Street, 11 ..... 25  
Asheville Ct., Elk Mountain, 3 ..... 25  
Merrimon Avenue, night ..... 25

## September

West Asheville, 11 ..... 1  
Flat Rock, Upward, 3 ..... 1  
Haywood Street, night ..... 1  
French Broad Avenue, 11 ..... 8  
Oakley, 3 ..... 8  
Hendersonville, night ..... 8  
Leicester-Bell, 11 ..... 15  
Sandy-Big Sandy, 3 ..... 15  
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night ..... 15  
Central, Asheville, 11 ..... 22  
Saluda-Tryon-Saluda, 3 ..... 22  
Brevard, night ..... 22  
Black Mountain, 11 ..... 29  
Swannanoa, Tabernacle, 5 ..... 29  
Weaverville Station, night ..... 29

## October

Laurel-Barnardsville, Laurel, 11 ..... 6  
Weaverville Ct., South Fork, 3 ..... 6  
Oteen, Bethel, night ..... 6  
Hot Springs, Antioch, 11 ..... 13  
Marshall, Marshall, night ..... 13  
Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30  
p. m. Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to  
be handed in.

## CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, O.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

## FOURTH ROUND

## August

Bethel-Bogers, Bethel, 11 ..... 18  
Matthews, 3 ..... 18  
North Monroe-Grace, North Monroe, 8 ..... 18  
Trinity, 8 ..... 23  
Monroe, Central, 11 ..... 25  
Indian Trail-Stallings, Beulah, 3:30 ..... 25  
Chadwick, 8 ..... 25  
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 8 ..... 26  
Big Springs, 8 ..... 28

## September

Peachland, Fountain Hill, 3 ..... 1  
Marshallville, Marshallville, 3 ..... 1  
Calvary, 8 ..... 2  
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 8 ..... 4  
Brevard Street, 8 ..... 6  
Wesley Heights, 11 ..... 8  
Polkton, Poplar Hill ..... 8  
Pineville, Pineville, 8 ..... 8  
Morven, 8 ..... 9  
Bolmont Park, 7:30 ..... 11  
Dilworth, 7:30 ..... 13  
Lilleville, Lilleville, 11 ..... 15  
Huntersville, Asbury, 3 ..... 15  
Derita, 7:30 ..... 15  
Central Avenue, 11 ..... 22  
Prospect, Bethlehem, 3 ..... 22  
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 ..... 22  
Duncan Memorial, 11 ..... 29  
Wadesboro, 7:30 ..... 30

## October

First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 ..... 7  
Myers Park, 7:30 ..... 14

## ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, O.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

## FOURTH ROUND

## August

Laurel Springs, Nathan's Creek, 11 ..... 18  
Jefferson, Bethany, 3 ..... 18  
Wilkesboro Ct., Friendship, night ..... 18  
Sparta, Piney Creek, 11; Potato Creek, 3 ..... 25  
Davis Ct., Oak Grove, 11 ..... 31  
September  
Coolmore, 11 ..... 1  
Surry-Yadkin, New Hope, 3 ..... 1  
Jonesville, Longtown, night ..... 1  
Warrensboro, Southport, 11 ..... 8  
Creston, Big Laurel, 3 ..... 8



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|---------------------------------|----|
| Wilkesboro, Union, night        | 8  |
| Green Valley, Thomas Chapel, 11 | 15 |
| Watauga, Henon's Chapel, 3:30   | 15 |
| Boone, night                    | 15 |
| North Wilkesboro, 11            | 22 |
| Moravian Falls, Adley, 3        | 22 |
| Traphill, Traphill, night       | 22 |
| Todd, Cranberry, 11             | 28 |
| Helton, Baldwin, 11             | 29 |
| October                         |    |
| Aarat, Hunter's Chapel, 11      | 6  |
| Dobson, Stony Knoll, 3:30       | 6  |
| Elkin, 7:30                     | 6  |
| Mocksville Station, 8           | 9  |

**GASTONIA DISTRICT**  
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                          |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| August                                   |    |
| Boger City, Asbury, 11                   | 25 |
| Dallas, Dalas, 7:30                      | 25 |
| Stanley, Stanley, 7:30                   | 27 |
| Gastonia, East End, 7:30                 | 28 |
| September                                |    |
| Casar, Reep's Grove, 11                  | 1  |
| Fallston, Macedonia, 3                   | 1  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, 7:30 | 1  |
| Belmont, Main Street, 7:30               | 2  |
| Gastonia, Main Street, 7:30              | 3  |
| Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30           | 4  |
| Cleveland, Oak Grove, 11                 | 8  |
| Shelby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 3             | 8  |
| Shelby, Lafayette St., 7:30              | 8  |
| Shelby, Central, 7:30                    | 9  |
| Bessemer Ct., Bessemer, 7:30             | 10 |
| Cherryville, First Church, 7:30          | 11 |
| Rock Springs, 7:30                       | 13 |
| Lowesville, Salem, 11                    | 14 |
| Bellwood, 11                             | 15 |
| Poikville, Rehobeth, 3                   | 15 |
| King's Mountain, Grace, 7:30             | 15 |
| Shelby Ct., 7:30                         | 16 |
| South Fork, 7:30                         | 17 |
| Bessemer City, Bessemer, 11              | 22 |
| Cherryville Ct., Mary's Grove, 3         | 22 |
| Mount Holly, 7:30                        | 22 |
| Gastonia, Trinity, 7:30                  | 23 |
| Gastonia, West End, 7:30                 | 24 |
| Belmont, Park Street, 7:30               | 25 |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11               | 29 |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3                   | 29 |
| October                                  |    |
| Gastonia, Bradley Memorial, 11           | 6  |
| Lowell, Ebenezer, 7:30                   | 6  |
| Cramerton, 7:30                          | 7  |
| King's Mountain, Central, 11             | 13 |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11                   | 20 |

**GREENSBORO DISTRICT**  
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

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| August                         |    |
| Summerfield, Center, 6, Sat.   | 17 |
| Grace, 11                      | 18 |
| Tahernacle, 3                  | 18 |
| Draper, Wayside, 8             | 18 |
| Mount Pleasant, 6, Sat.        | 24 |
| Pleasant Garden, 11            | 25 |
| Caraway Memorial, 8            | 25 |
| Stokesdale, Sat.               | 31 |
| September                      |    |
| Danbury, 11                    | 1  |
| Sandy Ridge, 3                 | 1  |
| Reidsville: Lindsey St., 8     | 1  |
| Reidsville: Main St., 8        | 4  |
| Moriah, 7:30 Sat.              | 7  |
| Stoneville, 11                 | 8  |
| Ruffin, 3                      | 8  |
| West Greensboro, 8             | 8  |
| West Market, 8, Q.C.           | 9  |
| Reidsville Ct., 11 Sat.        | 14 |
| St. Paul, 11                   | 15 |
| Oak Ridge, 8                   | 15 |
| Centenary, 8                   | 18 |
| Guilford Ct., Sat.             | 21 |
| Proximity, 11                  | 22 |
| Midway, 3                      | 22 |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30       | 22 |
| Jamestown-Oakdale, 7:30        | 25 |
| Flat Rock, Sat.                | 28 |
| West End, 11                   | 29 |
| Madison, 3                     | 29 |
| Leaksville, 7:30               | 29 |
| Bessemer, 7:30                 | 30 |
| October                        |    |
| Calvary, 7:30                  | 2  |
| Brown Summit, 11               | 6  |
| College Place, 7:30            | 6  |
| Glenwood, 7:30                 | 9  |
| Haw River, Sat.                | 12 |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11           | 13 |
| Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 | 13 |
| Gilsonville, 7:30              | 13 |
| Draper, 7:30                   | 16 |

**MARION DISTRICT**  
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| August                        |    |
| Henrietta, 11                 | 18 |
| Broad River, Harris, 3        | 18 |
| Cross Mills, 7:30             | 18 |
| McDowell, Nebo, 11            | 25 |
| Old Fort Ct., 3               | 25 |
| Morganton, North Forest, 7:30 | 25 |
| September                     |    |
| Sunshine, Hollis, 11          | 1  |
| Gilkey, Thermal City, 3       | 1  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30          | 1  |
| Rutherford College, 11        | 8  |
| Morganton Ct., Denton's, 3    | 8  |
| Morganton, First, 7:30        | 8  |
| Rutherfordon, 11              | 8  |
| Marion Ct., 3                 | 15 |
| Old Fort, 7:30                | 15 |
| Liville Falls, 11             | 22 |
| Avery Ct., 3                  | 22 |
| Spruce Pine, 7:30             | 22 |

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|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Bald Creek, 11                      | 29 |
| Micaville, Tipton Hill, 3           | 29 |
| Burnsville, 7:30                    | 29 |
| October                             |    |
| Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11       | 6  |
| Shady Grove, 3                      | 6  |
| Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30 | 6  |
| Elk Park, 11                        | 13 |
| Bakersville, 3                      | 13 |
| Marion, First, 7:30                 | 13 |
| Cliffside, 11                       | 20 |
| Forest City, 7:30                   | 20 |

Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stewards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church. Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed to the district superintendent at this meeting.

**SALISBURY DISTRICT**  
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| August                            |    |
| Epworth, 11                       | 18 |
| Salem, 11                         | 25 |
| Gold Hill, 3                      | 25 |
| September                         |    |
| Jackson Park, 11                  | 1  |
| Landis, Unity, 3                  | 1  |
| Midland, 7:30                     | 1  |
| Grier's Chapel, 7:30              | 4  |
| Pfeiffer, Wesley, 11              | 8  |
| Coburn Memorial, 3                | 8  |
| China Grove, 7:30                 | 11 |
| Kerr Street, 11                   | 15 |
| Bethpage, Shiloh, 3               | 15 |
| Midway, 7:30                      | 15 |
| Friendship, 7:30                  | 18 |
| Westford, 11                      | 22 |
| Rocky Ridge, 3                    | 22 |
| Roberta, 7:30                     | 22 |
| Harmony, 7:30                     | 25 |
| Trinity, 11                       | 29 |
| East Spencer-Yadkin, 7:30         | 29 |
| October                           |    |
| Tabernacle, 11                    | 6  |
| Albemarle Ct., Stony Point, 3     | 6  |
| Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30      | 6  |
| Stanfield Ct., Love's Grove, 7:30 | 7  |
| Mt. Mitchell, 7:30                | 9  |
| Badin, 11                         | 13 |
| Mt. Pleasant, Friendship, 3       | 13 |

Meeting of pastors and chairmen of boards of stewards will meet at First church, Salisbury, October 17, 7:30. Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be turned in at this meeting.

**STATESVILLE DISTRICT**  
John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| August                            |    |
| Lenoir, First Church, 11          | 18 |
| Hiddenite, Rocky Springs, 3       | 18 |
| Union Grove, Friendship, night    | 18 |
| Elmwood, Elmwood, 3               | 25 |
| Cool Springs, Cool Springs, night | 25 |
| September                         |    |
| Shepherds, McKendree, 11          | 1  |
| Mooreville Ct., Centenary, 3      | 1  |

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Mt. Zion, Mt. Zion, night       | 1  |
| Hickory, First Church, 11       | 8  |
| Hickory, Highland, 3            | 8  |
| Maiden, Maiden, night           | 8  |
| Catawba, Concord, 3             | 15 |
| Stony Point, Stony Point, night | 15 |
| Davidson, Fairview, 10 and 3    | 22 |
| Mooreville, Central, 11         | 22 |
| Mooreville, Broad St., night    | 22 |
| Newton, First Church, 11        | 29 |
| Balls Creek, St. Paul, 3        | 29 |
| Troutman, Troutman, night       | 29 |
| October                         |    |
| Statesville, Broad Street, 11   | 6  |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 3        | 6  |
| Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night | 6  |
| Hickory, Bethel, 11             | 13 |
| Hudson, Colliers, 3             | 13 |
| Hickory, Westview, night        | 13 |

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|---------------------------------|----|
| October                         |    |
| Statesville, Broad Street, 11   | 6  |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 3        | 6  |
| Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night | 6  |
| Hickory, Bethel, 11             | 13 |
| Hudson, Colliers, 3             | 13 |
| Hickory, Westview, night        | 13 |

**WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT**  
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| August                              |    |
| Rockwood, Rockwood, 11              | 18 |
| Canton, 8                           | 18 |
| Jonathan, Shady Grove, 11           | 25 |
| Dellwood, Balsam (Q.C.), 3          | 25 |
| Sylva, 8                            | 28 |
| Whittier, Whittier, 8               | 29 |
| Robbinsville, 8                     | 30 |
| September                           |    |
| Murphy, 11                          | 1  |
| Murphy Ct., Hampton Memorial, 3     | 1  |
| Andrews, 8                          | 1  |
| Annual Picnic, Cliffside Lake, 10-3 | 3  |
| Bryson City, 8                      | 4  |
| Pines Creek, Pines Creek, 11        | 8  |
| Bethel, Bethel, 3                   | 8  |
| Waynesville, 8                      | 8  |
| Junaluska, Junaluska, 8             | 11 |
| Louisa, Louisa, 9:45                | 15 |
| Franklin Ct., 11                    | 15 |
| Macon Ct., 3                        | 15 |
| Franklin, 11                        | 15 |
| Cullowhee, 8                        | 18 |
| Highlands, Cashiers, 11             | 22 |
| Webster, Webster, 3                 | 22 |
| Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11          | 29 |
| Shooting Creek, Myers, 3            | 29 |
| Canton, First Church, 8             | 29 |

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## In Memoriam

**GLENN**—Thomas Glenn, 86, died at his home in Andrews July 28, 1940. He was born at Natural Bridge, Va.; then lived in Charleston, W. Va., came to Andrews 37 years ago with the Teas Extract Co., later worked for Cover Tannery. He had been blind for 16 years. He is survived by four daughters, two sons and his wife, the former Miss Lucy Martin of West Virginia, to whom he was married in 1885. He leaves also 16 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. The funeral was conducted from the Methodist church July 29 by his pastor. He professed faith in Christ and joined the church about 22 years ago and proved a good, interested member to the end.

G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

**BAILEY**—Mrs. Frances Cuninggim Bailey, widow of Rev. R. W. Bailey, who was a member of the North Carolina conference, passed away May 29, 1940, ten years after Mrs. Bailey's going. They had three sons, Robert, who died in early young manhood; Palmer, attorney, who with his family lives in Raleigh; Jesse Lee, physician, U. S. Veterans Hospital, San Fernando, California. Mrs. Bailey also leaves one granddaughter, Frances Bailey, of Raleigh. The only other surviving member of her immediate family is Dr. Jesse Lee Cuninggim, president of Scarritt College and also a member of the North Carolina conference.

Mrs. Bailey lived a beautiful life. She recognized the things in life that were worth while. There was dignity in her doing the tasks that, to some might seem little or commonplace, services that a minister's wife often finds. She gladly met those of higher callings, never losing sight of the lowly service of life, always true and steadfast, with a happy heart.

She realized true happiness does not mean so much money, but that happiness is an indication that the soul is in tune with God, and self has been mastered.

The writer knew her when Mr. Bailey was our pastor. Mrs. Bailey was there serving wherever the way opened. She had courage to bear cheerfully the disappointments and discouraging things that might come. She always knew just when and where to lend a helping hand. As she lived, so she died, faithful to her Saviour. She loved her missionary society, of which she was an honorary life member. No needy person was ever turned from the door of her heart empty handed. Her two sons live to call her blessed. Her many friends will cherish her memory.

Nellie B. Rives.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

(For Mrs. Ethel Auger Studebaker, who died May 23, 1940.)

Whereas, It hath pleased our heavenly Father to remove from our midst our beloved friend in Christ, Ethel Auger, wife of R. B. Studebaker. Fully conscious of our great loss, we realize that in her we found a friend, the church a loyal supporter, one who gave freely of her time and money, and was firm in her convictions of right and wrong.

The church has lost an efficient worker, the family a fond and affectionate wife and mother, the community a true friend and faithful worker. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we express to the husband and daughter our sincere sympathy.

thy. We pray that our loving Master will indeed heal the wound caused by the passing of this dear one and commend them to the one who doeth all things well, and that they may endeavor to carry on in her devoted, loving spirit, "not my will but thine, O Lord, be done."

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her daughter and husband, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication, and a copy be placed on the records of our Sunday school.

Respectfully submitted by the special committee appointed for this purpose by the Sunday school of the Efland Methodist church.

Mrs. Claude Murray,  
Mrs. Bess Mayes,  
M. P. Efland.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the woman's missionary society of Mountain Grove Methodist church, Table Rock circuit, wish to pay a loving tribute to our dear friend, Mrs. Tom Kincaid, who passed away July 12, 1940.

She was one of the first to join the Mt. Grove society, of which she was a faithful member. She loved the church and always attended when health and circumstances permitted. Her relatives and many friends will not soon forget her kindness, her helpfulness, and above all her faith. So great a faith we rarely see, and truly she lived to serve. "She did what she could." She will certainly be missed in the church, the society, and throughout the community. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we thank our heavenly Father for lending us one so faithful for a season.

Second, That we may remember and praise her beautiful and happy life in our Saviour's love.

Third, That we may express to her family our deepest love and sympathy.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of our society, a copy sent to the family, and a copy to the N. C. Advocate.

Mrs. A. C. Wakefield,  
Miss Margaret McGimsey,  
Miss Kate Sisk.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

In recognition of the faithful and untiring services of Mrs. W. P. Horton, who died July 5, 1940, we wish to express a sense of personal loss for our church, our missionary society, and our community.

Surely the worth of a woman can best be measured by the loss which her death occasions. Only that which has meant much is greatly missed. If our faith means anything to us, we should not be overly sad as we pay tribute to one who has meant so much to our community. Rather we should rejoice in the splendor of her example and be grateful for the inspiration and hope which her life leaves for us all.

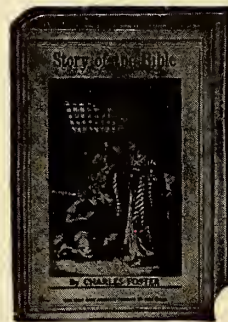
Mrs. Horton was a charter member of the North Wilkesboro Methodist church and a charter member of the missionary society. In the early days of the first small church she was the one who built the fires, and she was the one who rang the bell to call the members to worship.

Therefore be it resolved: That we offer our deepest sympathy to the members of her family and bid them in their grief to seek consolation in the teaching of one common Christian faith. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy recorded in our minutes, and a copy sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. W. D. Halfacre,  
Pres. Missionary Society.

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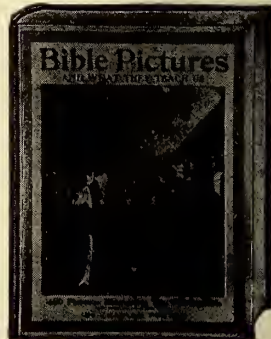
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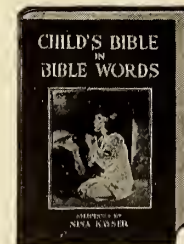
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## Reverence for the House of God

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OUR evangelical churches frequently face the problem created by a lack of reverence for the house of God. It is not confined to any particular age group, for adults are as often as offending as young people and children. Whenever church people forget that the edifice in which they worship has been dedicated to God, and by conduct, speech, or attitude reveal that they have forgotten, not only do they lose a respectful attitude toward the things of the Lord, but they cause children and youth to disregard the fact that the place of worship is sacred unto God. If there is to be a correction of irreverence in the place dedicated to the worship of God, we shall have to begin with the actual members of each of these churches. It is generally true that where there is a proper attitude on the part of the adults in a church, there is corresponding respect for the house of God on the part of the children.

On the whole, our evangelical churches have much to learn as to worship. Our evangelistic fervor and the highly sociable qualities of our meeting commit us to the informal. We also know the danger of making our church services so formal and stilted that it would be impossible to be evangelistic in such an atmosphere. Naturally, we are afraid of any tendency to stiffen the arrangements of our services to such an extent. But that is not a sufficient reason for there being so much looseness and disorder in the house of God that we become guilty of irreverence towards him.

How shall we correct this wide lack of reverence? Certainly not by discipline. Children, young people, and adults who act as if ignorant of what is meant by a worshipful attitude in the house of God cannot be taught the right attitude by overawing them. We cannot make people devout by policing them. Irreverence is the result of ignorance and a lack of spiritual culture.

The church building dedicated to God belongs to him. People who occupy these premises and use them in the service of the Lord should know the Owner, and should know him well enough to cause others to manifest a reverent attitude towards him. Most people are more subject to example than they realize. If you were shown through Buckingham Palace in London, where King George lives, you would be inescapably impressed with the majesty of the occupants. Naturally, you would enter full of respect, behold with admiration, and leave in an appreciative mood. Even so, the great thing about a church edifice is God. It is his place of worship and represents his gospel. The important element in a common respect for such a place is that those who call themselves Christian be taught that a dedicated meeting house is the property of the Lord.

The most glorious occupation of man is the worship of God. It involves, of course, the right knowledge of God. Jesus said to the woman of Samaria, "Ye worship ye know not what." Worship can be blindly ignorant. Much of the worship of today is; not so, however, the true worship of God. The Holy Spirit is in our hearts to enable us to know God in Christ Jesus. That knowledge, really possessed, evokes the right worshipful attitude towards God.

—The Watchman-Examiner.



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#### RELIGION FOR DAILY LIVING

By Rev. Richard K. Morton

##### The Bread of Life

Ours is a hungry world. It cannot be adequately fed by the bread of earth; it must have the bread of heaven.

The Christian Science Monitor recently carried a touching little story from a special correspondent telling of young To Heng Kiaw, who had in two years saved the equivalent of \$13 for a bicycle. The Chinese boy lives in the Philippines, and read of the needs of Chinese boys and girls in the China, far away, that he had never seen.

Taking the money to the station of the Chinese Relief Association, he thought that he would give it, in the form of bread, to the work. Attendants, recognizing at once the value of this gift and the devotion associated with it, sold the bread for a large sum. That in turn was invested in more bread and sold, until a large sum was realized, people responding to the sacrifice which the boy had made. A wealthy donor gave him his coveted bicycle, and this in turn he rented for more money for Chinese children. And so the work went. If one starts giving out the bread of life, it flows on many waters, and returns multiplied after many days.

#### BISHOPS' SALARIES

(As fixed for the ensuing quadrennium by the General Conference upon recommendation by the Commission on World Service and Finance).

General superintendents—Salary, \$6,000; house rent, from \$500 to \$1500 as the commission may determine; secretarial and office expense, \$1500.

Retired general superintendents—Salary, \$2700.

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Central Conference bishops—Present salaries until the next sessions of the respective Central conferences. At the present time the support of Central Conference bishops is given in the form of grants in aid to the Central Conferences; \$6000 annually for each of the bishops in the Central Conference of Eastern Asia; \$6000 annually for the Central Conference of Southern Asia; \$1500 to each of the bishops in the Central Conference of Latin America.

The amounts named are raised by an apportionment upon all Methodist churches of 2¼ per cent of the pastors' salaries paid exclusive of house rent.

#### REMINDER TO PASTORS OF N. C. CONFERENCE

Some weeks ago a letter was sent to each pastor regarding the organization of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in each local church. Please appoint your committees and organize the work not later than September 15. Order additional charter certificates (one for each society), also individual charter membership cards, ritual programs, guides, etc., on the blank enclosed in your letter, from Literature Headquarters, Doctors' Building, Nashville, Tenn.

The president of each Woman's Society of Christian Service is the delegate to the organization conference which meets September 23-24 at East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, N. C. The fee is \$1.50 and each person provides her own linen. All visitors are welcome and can be entertained, but all registrations and fees must be sent to Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern, N. C., not later than September 18.

Our goal is to organize a charter society in every church in the North Carolina conference, and this can be done only with the co-operation of each pastor.

Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Chm. Conf. Com.

#### REPORT OF N. C. CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

After careful consideration of the invitations before us, your committee accepts the invitation of Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Wilmington, N. C., to hold with them the 1940 session of the North Carolina Annual Conference.

The committee recommends the conference session to open Tuesday, November 5, at 2:30 p. m., and close Friday noon, November 8.

Conference Entertainment Committee.

John F. Bruton, Chm.  
A. S. Parker, Sec.



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Has not the world made some progress in the things of the spirit? Gandhi won a victory over the British Empire by his peaceable resistance. What would have been the fate of such a man in conflict with the Roman Empire?

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Hon. Alfred E. Smith has summed up the Russian situation as effectively as we have seen it done. This former candidate for President of the United States and ex-governor of New York says: "In Russia a man exists only to amass wealth for the state. His identity is lost as completely as a drop of water in a glass of wine. In Russia there is no great difference between an animal and a man."

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The opening prices of tobacco this week on the tobacco markets of North Carolina should cheer the hearts of North Carolina tobacco farmers. This good news should offset the story of floods of which the papers have been full. It is reported that the English companies have sent buyers on the market. These British tobacco companies along with Winston Churchill have not yet surrendered to Hitler. They do not have a case of the jitters like some Americans when they think of Adolph.

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The editor of *Charity and Children*, that good Baptist paper published in Thomasville, N. C., is an optimist, whom a great many people could pattern after to their own advantage. Listen: "We do not think that the present political situation in the United States is bad at all. Of course the old political parties are shot to pieces, but that is good. It makes it possible for a man to have a thought of his own without being ostracized. Until now the only man who had the remotest chance of a political position was a hog-tied party man. For a Democrat to appoint a Republican or a Republican to appoint a Democrat was unheard of. Presi-

dent Taft horrified the whole country when he appointed a southern Democrat to high office. The thing simply was not done. Now since the independent voter has become so completely independent both parties have practically abolished the old party to go over to him. Mr. Roosevelt is appointing Republicans to his cabinet as fast as he can get rid of the Democrats in it. On the other side the independent Republicans showed their independence by nominating a Democrat for the Presidency. Mr. Willkie is running on the 1932 Democratic platform."

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Dr. George R. Truett, reports the Biblical Recorder, began an address at Ridgecrest with this story: A certain preacher would invariably begin his sermon with these pessimistic words: "Brethren, it is a dark day. It is darker today than it was yesterday, and it will be darker tomorrow than it is today." Then Dr. Truett added, "He is in heaven now. Thank God! he is in heaven." And who among us would fail to thank God when such prophets of gloom go to heaven? That is, if they do.

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The Sunday school folks in the mountains of North Carolina declare that the following incident occurred in one of the Bible classes east of Raleigh, while the Greensboro people declare that the story came from Arkansas. However that may be, here is the story: It was Sunday morning in a men's class. "Will you tell me," said a member to the teacher, "how far in actual miles Dan is from Beersheba? All my life I have heard the familiar phrase 'from Dan to Beersheba,' but I have never known the distance." Before the answer could be given, another member arose in the back of the room and inquired: "Do I understand that Dan and Beersheba are the names of places?" "Yes." "That is one on me. I always thought they were husband and wife, like Sodom and Gomorrah."



## Interesting Figures from Census Bureau

THE Census Bureau will not for months complete all the details of its fascinating story in figures, but enough has been told to reveal certain definite conclusions. Among these the 1940 census reveals that during the 1930-1940 decade for the first time in the country's history the rural population grew faster than the urban population. The growth of cities and towns will be about five per cent, while in the decade 1920-1930 the increase was 25 per cent.

The total population of the United States is now about 132,000,000. This represents an increase of seven and one-half per cent for the last decade, whereas in the previous ten years, 1920-1930, the increase was about 25 per cent.

This decrease can be attributed mainly to two causes—limitations upon immigration and a declining birth rate. The figures available at present seem to indicate that the largest growth in rural population has been in the southeastern section of the United States, and one personally acquainted with this section of the country need not consult the census bureau to learn that immigration does not account for this increase because few foreign immigrants are located therein.

Declines in population are shown in Oklahoma, Nebraska and South Dakota as a result of the years of drought. This decrease of populations in individual states has never happened before except when the silver boom gave out in Nevada.

Most students of social drifts will doubtless rejoice that the rural growth has overtaken urban growth, and let us hope that it will be repeated in the decades that are ahead.

## Two Implements

THE determining facts in character is what an individual hates and what he loves. More than a hundred years ago an English poet, Charles Caleb Colton, said: "Many know what they hate, but few know what they love." Men hate and they have learned to make weapons of hate, becoming more and more skilled in aiming them against what they hate. Hate consumes nations to such a degree that a major portion of their wealth goes to the manufacture of fighting implements. These instruments of destruction are used until men's minds construct something more cruel. One

war is won or lost and quickly hate spurs nations to prepare for another. Men follow the rule of the animals and live by tooth and claw. It is not always the trained regiments that do the most damage to society. It is the individual men and women who through the force of hate or love working within bring despair or a blessing to our world.

An individual has his own weapons that he uses in the day's work. The civil law prohibits the carrying of deadly weapons, but too often ill will connives with a keen mind in the use of other means to insult the dignity of a fellow individual that has equal right to work and live according to an honest preference.

The man with an inflated ego likes to use ridicule to jab those who jostle about him; his exalted self may delight to see another writhe in his confusion; but in striking a contemptuous blow at the dignity of an individual, he uses the meanest weapon of them all and makes himself an enemy rather than a friend.

Fortunate for the race it is true that a large portion know what they love because these are building into civilization hope and courage and making the world a good place in which to live. These use constructive implements and not instruments of warfare.

## Get Yourself a Hobby

IN a recent issue of Collier's appeared an editorial of more than usual interest on the familiar subject of hobbies. Its manner of approach as well as method of discussion is sure to grip one's attention.

Here is the editorial in question:

It comes out from a poll of the nation's better known insane asylums that no stamp collector has ever inhabited any of those institutions as a long-term, short-term or any other kind of inmate. The stamp collectors of the country, long called "stamp nuts," are accordingly proud and pleased.

Stamp collecting is a hobby that this writer would choose only on threat of death. Nevertheless, it's easy to see why it keeps its practitioners in their right minds and out of booby hatches.

Any hobby will deliver equally good results; and the best advice to almost anybody is: Get yourself some hobby, it doesn't much matter what, but get one, and ride it as hard as you please.

The main reason is that a hobby is fun for you personally. It's something you like to do, whether it's collecting stamps, making scale-model trains, fooling with woodwork, playing chess or checkers or backgammon or poker or bridge, or reading Plato in the original Greek.

Its antiseptic effect on your sanity in this more or less insane world comes from the fact that it takes your mind



off your troubles and worries and resentments. You're pulled out of yourself; haven't time to brood, get self-centered and introverted. And you make an actual, tangible little world in which you really are king—don't have to satisfy your normal human longing for superiority by taking to being Napoleon or Cleopatra inside your head.

The only person who doesn't need a hobby is that extremely rare bird who has the job he or she would most like to have, and finds all-round personality fulfillment and enrichment in that job. Everybody needs a hobby.

Just two suggestions: If your regular job is mainly brain work, cultivate a hobby that's mainly manual, and vice versa—and you really will get more fun out of your hobby if you refrain from talking too much about it to your friends—and you'll keep more of your friends.

### Advantages of the Radio

**T**HE editor of *Charity and Children* gives us some of the advantages of the radio and his is a very interesting analysis. Here it is:

"The radio is a democratic affair. It does not care who talks over it or what the speaker says. One can turn the dial on Sunday and get a great sermon or a garrulous harangue that is called a sermon. Some of the very finest sermons are from Baptist preachers and most of the harangues are from men who claim to be Baptist preachers. Of course we do not mean to question the claim. The Baptist denomination seems broad enough to cover a multitude of different types and styles of speech and doctrine. We are glad that it is possible to cut off any station when the sound from it becomes offensive."

### Amid the Alarms of Invasion

**C**OLERIDGE in 1798 during the alarm of an invasion wrote a poem, "Fears in Solitude," in which appears a passionate attachment for England wherein lies a great source of strength that nerves every Briton for heroic deeds and has done so for a thousand years of their glorious history.

Listen to Coleridge as he sings:

O native Britain! O my Mother Isle!  
How shouldst thou prove aught else but dear and holy  
To me, who from thy lakes and mountain-hills,  
Thy clouds, thy quiet dales, thy rocks and seas,  
Have drunk in all my intellectual life,  
All sweet sensations, all ennobling thoughts,  
All adoration of the God in nature,  
All lovely and all honorable things,  
Whatever makes this mortal spirit feel  
The joy and greatness of its future being?  
There lives nor form nor feeling in my soul  
Unborrowed from my country!

### The Gospel of Hard Work

**W**E believe in the gospel of hard work. Whether a lad on the farm, a student in college, a pastor of churches, or editor of a paper, this doctrine of hard work has been a rule of life. We have never sought a way of escape from hard work. We have never "booted a bishop" with the hope of securing a big, easy job. On the other hand we have never failed to find a hard job even if it wasn't big.

Boys sometimes say that they wished to get an education so that they will not have to work very hard, and even fathers sometimes say, "I don't want my boy to have to work as hard as I did." Such fathers mean well, but they are not wise. If the purpose of education is to save men from hard work it would be well to pull down our school houses and to convert colleges and universities into places of rendezvous for loafers. Let's be rid of the idea that the world owes one a living and if the world does not pay this debt, Uncle Sam will give me an easy job.

This is not the true American way, to use a term that is being worked to death just now. The old American way was hard work and plenty of it, and this is what in a century and a half made America the greatest nation on earth. Why not walk in the way our fathers trod while we sing "God bless America"?

### Summer Will Soon Be Ended

**M**ANY country pastors and town pastors who love to work in the country have been busy during "the good old summer time" in revival meetings and in sacred fellowship with the farmer folks in the open country, while the city pastors have been away on vacation when they gave their congregations a rest. And it is no jest that city people who go to church twice every Sunday and in addition attend other meetings need a rest during the summer months, and their pastors are very wise in giving them this needed rest.

But time is near at hand, even already here, when the church folks must get busy. For the judgment day is close at hand—we mean annual conference. And woe to that man who is not prepared to stand before the judge on that great and notable day. It is terrible to have to call upon the bishop and the superintendents to fall upon a pastor and hide him from the wrath of neglected duties.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference, Fifth Avenue, Wilmington. . . November 5**

**Let every reader of this Advocate read carefully what Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick says on page 12. It will open wide many eyes that have been half shut to important truths. Fosdick, when he shoots, has a way of ringing the bell.**

Rev. J. W. Groce, pastor-evangelist of High Point, is assisting the pastor, Rev. R. F. Hunneycutt, in revival services at Bethlehem Methodist church, Union county. The meeting will continue for ten days with services at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.

Mrs. J. W. Shell, president of Woman's Convention of the M. P. Church, suggests that friends of Miss Bettie S. Brittingham honor her on her birthday, August 28, with a handkerchief and card shower. Miss Brittingham's address is still 516 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md.

Bishops Edwin H. Hughes and J. C. Broomfield are to be the principal speakers at Junaluska from August 21 to September 1. This to be known as Inspirational Week at the Lake. Bishop Hughes never fails to draw in North Carolina where his friends are legion. Bishop Broomfield, while not so well known, has many friends in this section of Methodism.

"Food in Poland," wrote a Methodist worker early in the summer of 1940, "seems to be plentiful, but it is very, very expensive. Butter is two dollars per pound, hog lard is three dollars per pound, and such essentials as bread and milk are very high. But," he adds, "we are trying to live and fill in each day as it comes, never knowing what the next may bring."

Pfeiffer Junior College at Misenheimer has just received a gift of \$15,000 for the purchase and upkeep of a pipe organ. The gift was made by G. A. Pfeiffer of New York City, president of the William R. Warner Company, manufacturers of Warner perfumes. It was in the form of Warner Company stock. The pipe organ will be purchased and installed in a new school chapel to be erected probably next spring. In the meantime, income from the stock will be used by the school.

In spite of wars and rumors of wars all over Europe, Methodist work among the young people of Bohemia and Moravia continues to make steady progress, according to Dr. J. P. Bartak, in charge of Methodist missionary work in what was formerly Czechoslovakia. One might say that this is in accord with the Protestant tradition that has held sway in that land of John Hus for over 500 years, where Protestantism cannot be killed by any blitzkrieg or imperial decree of imperial army.

King George of England received the following message from the ninth conference of the Methodist Church in England since union: "The Methodist Conference at present meeting in Sheffield, and representing the Methodists of Great Britain and overseas, desire respectfully to assure Your Majesty of the loyalty of the Methodist people in this country and throughout the empire. The Methodist people respond with cheerful readiness to Your Majesty's appeal for that service and sacrifice in which Your Majesty and our beloved Queen have set the nation an inspiring example. The conference will encourage its people to give with pride and joy the utmost in their power to restore the nations that are, through cruel aggression, now suffering the loss of liberty and independence, and to establish throughout the earth the right of every nation, however small, to live its own life without fear."

After the Russians came into the city of Przemyśl, Poland, the books of the Methodist church were ordered turned over to the Russian court. Rev. T. J. Gamble, the Methodist pastor, not only turned over the church book but the rules and articles by Wesley as well. "After several days the church book was returned," he says "The court had said that all was good and the Methodists might be allowed to go on with their work." Mr. Gamble then invited the Russian soldiers to come and listen to his services, declaring that the Methodists had no secrets but wanted everyone to know what they were doing.—Board of Missions News Service.

The Arkansas Methodist, now in its 59th year, is the organ of Arkansas Methodism. Among its editors have been Dr. J. W. Boswell, Dr. Z. T. Bennett, Hon. George Thornburgh, Dr. J. E. Godbey, who had been editor of the Southwestern Methodist in Missouri, P. R. Eaglebarger, once editor of the Oklahoma conference organ, and Dr. James A. Anderson, veteran presiding elder, author of The Centennial History of Arkansas Methodism and leader in many good enterprises. The present editor, Dr. A. C. Millar, has been connected with the paper for 36 years. The paper has a circulation of approximately 10,000, the largest in proportion to membership of any Southern Methodist conference organ.

Rally day was observed at Canaan on the North Davidson charge the fourth Sunday in July, having an all day service. Mr. Humphreys of High Point gave an inspiring sermon at the 11 o'clock hour. Dinner was served on the grounds in picnic style. After reassembling, each church on the charge gave a short program. All had a nice time. The revival meeting followed throughout the week. Rev. Mr. Bowman of Thomasville was the pulpit helper. Had a wonderful meeting; had several conversions and 11 new members added to the church. Our Ladies' Aid will have its next meeting at the church, at which time we will elect new officers; also we will be under a different name. We feel that much good has been accomplished in the past but hope to do greater things as we take up our new work and that much good will be done. We are urging that all the ladies who are members of this church to meet with us on this date and join us in the new field. The parsonage has been given a new coat of paint. This was done through the help of all the churches on the charge. We are hoping in the near future to have our church yard worked over, as it is badly needed.—Mrs. Carl W. Clodfelter.

Palestine Flat Rock charge, Rev. J. A. Burgess, pastor, held his revival meeting the third Sunday in July. Pastor Burgess had for his helper Rev. A. D. Shelton, pastor of St. Paul church in Greensboro. He is a good preacher and not afraid to condemn sin in every form. Four young girls and a bright young man united with our church on profession of faith. The writer had the happy privilege to teach the young man and two of the sweet girls eight or nine years ago in her little card class of tots. One of our beloved former pastors, Rev. J. R. Hutton, came Sunday morning and remained until Friday. He preached a wonderful sermon on Sunday morning. Brother Hutton was pastor of our church 12 years. He is greatly appreciated at Palestine. Pastor Burgess filled his appointment today. All monies for our conference is coming along very good. Today's offering went to High Point Children's Home. Our pastor's salary is shamefully behind. I wonder sometimes if our Methodist preachers don't have as hard a time as we tobacco farmers getting money just once a year. We are hoping all will come up paid at the close, as we have each year Brother Burgess has been with us. We ask conference in advance to please return Pastor Burgess for the next year.—Grace R. Tucker.



DEDICATION OF NEBO METHODIST CHURCH

On Sunday, August 25, at 11 o'clock, dedication service of Nebo Methodist church will be conducted. Rev. J. C. Cornett, district superintendent of the Marion district, will deliver the sermon. We extend special invitation to all former pastors and presiding elders, friends and contributors toward the erection of this beautiful modern stone building. The Nebo church dates back approximately 100 years and the present building is the fourth to be occupied by the congregation.

The present building was begun and practically completed under the pastorate of H. E. Stimson and the rest of us have only helped the congregation in doing the finishing touches and clearing up all debts against the property. Now that the building is completed and equipped with all necessary furnishings to carry on the work of the church it is with great pleasure that this loyal congregation dedicate the work of their hands to be used to the service of God.

H. C. Freeman, Pastor.

REV. J. M. LOWDER DEAD

Rev. J. M. Lowder, 88, prominent retired Methodist minister, died August 16 at the Valdese General Hospital. Death followed an extended illness. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at Norwood, his native home, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The body was taken to Norwood after a brief service Sunday morning at 9 o'clock at Rutherford College. Rev. Mr. Lowder had lived since retirement from the ministry at Rutherford College, long an educational center and stronghold of Methodism. Surviving are five daughters and three sons, Miss Sarah Lowder, Miss Mary Lowder, W. B. Lowder, Miss Ruth Lowder and Marvin Lowder, all of Rutherford College; Miss Rosa Lowder, missionary to Songdo, Korea, J. Paul Lowder of Norwood, and Mrs. R. F. Martin of Raleigh.

REV. H. T. COLEY IS DEAD

Rev. H. T. Coley, pastor of Eno Methodist church, Hillsboro, passed away at his home Sunday night, August 18, following an illness of several weeks. He was in the fourth year of an unusually successful pastorate. While serving the Eno church Brother Coley was also a student in the Duke School of Religion. Surviving are his widow, who was Miss Gladys Liner of Hillsboro, his parents, one brother and one sister.

Funeral services were conducted from Eno church Tuesday morning, August 20, by Rev. A. J. Hobbs, superintendent of the Durham district. He was taken to Eureka, in Wayne county, and laid to rest in the community of his childhood.

A. J. Hobbs.

CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED

On Sunday, August 25, the fifth Spring Methodist church building will be dedicated. Spring church, which was formerly Methodist Protestant, is among the oldest churches in the state, having been founded in 1828.

Rev. J. E. Garlington, pastor of the church, will have charge of the dedicatory service, assisted by Rev. L. C. Larkin, district superintendent of the Rocky Mount district, and Bishop Clare Purcell, resident bishop, Charlotte. Rev. L. C. Larkin will be the guest speaker at 11 a. m. and Bishop Purcell will deliver the dedicatory sermon beginning at 2 p. m.

J. E. Garlington.

JUNALUSKA FROM WEEK TO WEEK

SCHEDULE OF SCHOOLS AND CONFERENCES

Junaluska School of Religion, Affiliated with Duke University (Educationn Building)...July 15-Aug. 24  
Two-Weeks' Leadership School ..... Aug. 8-22  
Camp Cheonda (Seniors) ..... Aug. 9-23  
Inspirational Week, with Broomfield and Hughes ..... Aug. 21-Sept. 1

Junaluska Program

Sunday, August 25, 11:00 a. m.—Bishop John C. Broomfield, Sermon, "The Wonderful Christ."  
4:00-4:30 p. m.—Choir Concert.  
8:00 p. m.—Bishop John C. Broomfield, Sermon, "The Wonderful Bride, or Placing a Proper Value on the Church."  
Monday, August 26, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop John C. Broomfield, Address, "The Church at the Turn of the Road."  
8:00 p. m.—Bishop Jon C. Broomfield, Sermon, "Adventuring With Jesus."  
Tuesday, August 27, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop John C. Broomfield, Address, "Missionary Motivation."  
8:00 p. m.—Bishop John C. Broomfield, Sermon, "Advent-Beyond the Conjunction."  
Wednesday, August 28, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop John C. Broomfield, Address, "Unification in Missouri."  
8:00 p. m.—Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Sermon, "Are You a Coward?"  
Thursday, August 29 10:30 a. m.—Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Address, "The Prayer of Samuel."  
8:00 p. m.—Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Sermon, "What Are You Worth?"  
Friday, August 30, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Address, "The Prayer of Job."  
8:00 p. m.—Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Sermon, "Are You on the Way to Heaven?"  
Saturday, August 31, 10:30 a. m.—Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Address, "The Prayer of the Revelator."  
8:00 p. m.—Moving Picture, "Pinocchio," and Disney Cartoon.  
Sunday, September 1, 11:00 a. m.—Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Sermon, "Making a Personal Creed."  
8:00 p. m.—Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Sermon, "Our Eternal Works."

CHINA GROVE METHODIST CHURCH TO OBSERVE FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY

The First Methodist church of China Grove will observe its fortieth anniversary on Sunday, September 1, with a specially arranged program. All former ministers, friends and members are invited to worship with the China Grove Methodists on this day. The following program will be followed:

10:00 a. m.—Service for women, Dr. C. N. Clark of Salisbury, speaker. The women's work of the church will be reorganized into the new Woman's Society of Christian Service.  
11:00 a. m.—Sermon by Bishop Clare Purcell.  
12:00 p. m.—Dinner on the grounds.  
2:30 p. m.—Historical service. Address by Dr. Paul N. Garber of Duke University.  
6:30 p. m.—Fellowship supper for young people.  
7:30 p. m.—Preaching by the Rev. H. G. Allen, pastor of First church, Lexington, and revival services each night during the week with Mr. Allen preaching.

The church was organized in 1900 and has grown in these 40 years until it has reached a membership of approximately 600, the largest membership of any church in the town. The following ministers have served the church: J. A. Peeler, E. M. Merritt, J. J. Edes, E. G. Pusey, E. N. Crowder, A. L. Aycock, W. L. Nicholson, J. A. J. Farrington, J. C. Keever, H. H. Robbins, P. E. Parker, W. S. Hales, S. E. Richardson, W. E. Hauss, F. J. Stough, E. H. Nease, J. W. Groce, C. B. Newton, R. E. Hinshaw, and the present pastor, Rev. Wilson O. Weldon.

A SHELBY BANK CHECK

In August, a month when most Advocate subscribers take a vacation, Mrs. George Hoyle of Shelby sent us a check for \$64 for renewals and new subscribers. That is a big August check and we most heartily thank Mrs. Hoyle and our Shelby subscribers to the Advocate for this generous check.



## REVIVAL AT CALVARY METHODIST CHURCH, CHARLOTTE

With the challenging theme "Put God First," Rev. Ralph E. Johnson swept Calvary Methodist church, Charlotte, with an evangelistic message that is still reverberating throughout the city. Mr. Johnson—"Uncle Ralph" to hundreds of young people all over the South—is one of our general evangelists with headquarters at Nashville.

From the beginning of the first service Sunday morning, July 28, at 9:45, through the last service Sunday night, August 11, the people at Calvary church were impressed by the tone of authority with which he spoke, were arrested by his radiant personality, knew that truly a man of God was in their midst, and they listened to him. Not in the memories of many of the oldest members of the church could be recalled such a revival of spiritual enthusiasm and God consciousness as was experienced during the two weeks Mr. Johnson preached.

Every morning at 9 o'clock the children met in the basement to hear and see "Uncle Ralph." He captivated them with his magic and music, with the pictures he projected for them; and he utilized every experience through which he led them to help them into a better understanding of the plans of God has for their lives. His sermons were brief; but those five-minute sermons to the children were filled with salient ideas for living. The total enrollment for the children reached more than a hundred.

Five mornings during the week Mr. Johnson devoted about 30 minutes of the ten o'clock services to the study of the hymns of the church. He explained the origin of many of the hymns by giving the biography of the author and the conditions under which the hymn came into being. Following the discourse on hymnology, Mr. Johnson preached.

Probably the most outstanding success of the meeting was witnessed among the young people of the church. At the first seven o'clock meeting of the young people, thirty-two young men and young women registered; by the end of the meeting two hundred and two young people had registered and maintained an average attendance of one hundred and eight. Their church attendance after young people's services reached an all time high percentage of 83 per cent. The theme "Put God First" and the appellation "Crusaders" were the chief spokes around which the young people's program revolved.

A great part of the success of the various meetings, especially the young people's meetings, was directly traceable to the inexhaustible energies of Mrs. Johnson, "Aunt Irma," and Mr. Wallis Battles, "Cousin Wallis," who so capably assisted Mr. Johnson. Mrs. Johnson acted as registrar for the children and young people, often accompanied Mr. Johnson at the piano, did a vast amount of personal work at the preaching services, and generally promoted the program of evangelism. Mr. Battles not only won the admiration of the young people for his expert handling of the moving picture, lighting, and broadcasting facilities, but he inspired them with the spirit of consecration to God's work. We are their debtors as well as Mr. Johnson's.

At the eight o'clock services more than a hundred and fifty adults and young people were reclaimed or converted. Christianity rather than churchanity was emphasized. Through the media of song, music and poetry, Mr. Johnson prepared his congregation for the messages which he delivered each evening. He voiced his convictions forcibly, with no tone of apology to anyone. At the conclusion of the meeting 27 people had made requests for membership in the church.

Following the eight o'clock services Sunday and Monday nights, Golgotha, that majestic moving-talking picture of Christ's last week in the flesh, was shown. This is the most powerful interpretation that has yet been made of the Passion Week. The deft co-ordination of music with expected emotional response aided the superb acting by the French cast in making it a never to be forgotten experience.

The entire program for the two weeks' revival was unique. It was intensive, as well as comprehensive. No group of workers could have worked harder or more unselfishly

than these friends of ours—Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Johnson, and Wallis. We are grateful to them for the work they did and for the work they have inspired us to begin.

S. M. Needham.

## RELIGION FOR DAILY LIVING

By Rev. Richard K. Morton

### What We Cherish

We seldom rightly value people or things until we must part with them. We do not know what home means until we must leave it. We do not understand how important the existence of many values is until they are threatened with destruction.

We live at home for years—and take others and their services for granted. Then when we leave or they pass away, we sustain a severe shock.

Today we are reading of infants and young children from Britain and other war-plagued lands being sent to our New World by their parents for safety's sake. This is just a news item to us—remote and largely unmoving.

But who among us who are parents wants to contemplate, today or any other day, sending to a point 3,000 miles away little children in one's home? We just can't experience what this would mean to us. It ought to bring closer to us the fact that over this vast world people—just as fine and promising and worthy of consideration as we—are hungry, sick, weary, friendless, oppressed, and dying. If there is faith and love among us, this means a reaction of helpfulness and sympathy expressed in practical things, and a new cherishing of what we have.

## TEN CONFERENCES ON RURAL LIFE AND WORK

Believing that the rural churches, irrespective of denomination, must face and attempt to solve their mutual problems together, the North Carolina Council of Churches is conducting ten regional rural study conferences over the state during August and September. These conferences will afford interested rural leaders from all denominations an opportunity to sit down together and think through their problems and interests before any state-wide co-operative rural program is undertaken.

Before announcing these study conferences, the Council's committee on Rural Life and Work, under the chairmanship of Dr. J. M. Ormond, Duke University, Durham, inquired of the various denominational leaders and others in authority to know as to which ministers and laymen they considered the most interested in the problems of the rural churches and counties of North Carolina. Fullest co-operation was given by practically all those to whom these inquiries were addressed. Many denominational leaders have previously requested that the North Carolina Council of Churches take some action leading towards certain co-operative community progress throughout the state.

These meetings are listed as study conferences and not mass meetings. No addresses have been planned and no "canned" programs will be submitted. The attendance at these first meetings is limited in that only a certain number have been invited from each of the communions. However, any others particularly interested in the problems of the rural churches should attend.

The first of this series of ten conferences has been scheduled for Snow Hill, August 14. Leaders from Johnston, Wayne, Lenoir, Jones, Carteret, Pamlico, Craven, Greene, Wilson and Pitt counties have been invited. The dates, places and counties to be represented, in the other such conferences already announced are: August 19, Morganton with Polk, Rutherford, McDowell, Burke, Cleveland, Catawba, Lincoln and Gaston counties represented; August 26, Durham with Caswell, Person, Granville, Vance, Warren, Alamance, Orange, Durham, Wake, Franklin and Chatham counties represented, and August 27, Guilford College with Iredell, Davie, Rowan, Davidson, Forsyth, Stokes, Rockingham, Guilford and Randolph counties represented. Further information regarding these conferences can be obtained from the North Carolina Council of Churches, College Station, Durham, N. C.

These study conferences will undoubtedly help pave the way for the rural institutes which are now being scheduled in several sections of the state for November of this year.

Ernest J. Arnold.



### A PROMINENT BANKER OF THOMASVILLE HONORED

R. L. Pope, prominent banker and layman of Thomasville, was paid honor Friday evening when over 200 from this city and other sections of the state gathered at the Woman's Club building here for the banquet sponsored by the Baraca class of the Main Street Methodist church, of which Mr. Pope has been teacher for 27 years.

Featuring the program which was arranged to pay tribute to Mr. Pope was the address by Dr. Liston Pope, member of the faculty of Yale Divinity School and son of the honor guest. Dr. Pope spoke, as he said, "not on your teacher but what your teacher taught," having gleaned his information from the thorough search through notes on about 500 speeches which have been made by his father.

The speeches and lessons all contained a great deal of humor, Dr. Pope pointed out, and their subjects ranged from the great men and women of the Bible to "profound questions which trouble the human mind." Through a survey of those speeches, Dr. Pope said, the "insight has been deepened through the years."

The speaker was introduced by Charles F. Lambeth, superintendent of the Main Street Sunday school. Prior to the main address Rev. Lee F. Tuttle, pastor of the church, spoke briefly on "R. L. Pope, the Man," listing a few of the things he likes about Mr. Pope as being: Attitude he carries when he goes into a thing; his splendid gift of speaking; the way he has used his gift of leadership and oratory. "The voice of a layman is something that is greatly needed," he said in praising Pope's work as a layman.

### AND WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Not long ago I actually heard Rev. J. C. Williams, a Methodist preacher, preach a sermon to his own people on hell as Christ teaches it in his words, Luke 16:19-24—an exception in Methodist pulpits today. Instead there is much colorless, toothless, so-called preaching that stirs nobody. The sermon was really evangelistic of the Bible type, and gave evidence of the preacher's call by God to preach the whole Word. The fear of displeasing his hearers had no place in it, but rather to please God; for it was hot stuff, spoken in love not to offend but to save the hearer in need of it.

In speaking of hell meaning the grave simply, as mod- and skeptics in schools, pulpits, papers and elsewhere today contend, the preacher well said that he had never heard of anyone lifting up his eyes and crying for water in the dark, cold grave.

It was very evident that the Holy Ghost gave the preacher his sermon and made him his mouthpiece, for he was manifestly in the congregation. Such sermons always bear fruit and so did this, for seven sturdy looking men and women answered the call to come forward for prayer, five of whom joined the church, and two of them wept freely as did many others in the congregation.

The church leadership seeing the church's need may continue to hand down programs to meet the need and prophesy great spiritual advance just ahead, but I am fully persuaded that until the preaching of such sermons in kind as I mention here becomes the rule instead of the exception, the church will go right on at the poor dying rate of counting numbers without adding proportionate spiritual fervency to its membership. Salvation by re-

generation and not by education is God's plan and the only steps to it are through sorrow for sin, confession, sacrifice and gospel faith. Fill the church with members through these essential experiences and outside unsaved people will have an ear for its messages.

J. D. Bundy.

### SEABOARD METHODIST CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED AUGUST 25

Seaboard Methodist church is to be dedicated on the fourth Sunday in August, 10:30 a. m. Bishop Purcell will preach the dedicatory sermon and dedicate the church. All former pastors, former members, friends, and everybody are invited to attend.

Seaboard church is not a new church, as it was built in 1922. It has been free of debt for a long time, but for some reason it has never been dedicated. A new carpet has been secured, and painting and other necessary repairs are being made, and we greatly hope the work will be completed in time for the dedication.

The church is a beautiful structure, built of brick, and at a cost of around \$16,000. Mr. Fenton Crocker was chairman of the building committee.

Seaboard was on the Garysburg charge when the present church was built. Two other structures have stood on the present site, and the church was originally organized in 1880. Seaboard charge was formed in 1924. Pleasant Grove was taken from Northampton charge, and Sharon from Conway charge, and Concord from Garysburg, making up Seaboard charge. Rev. Frank Culbreth was the first pastor.

We are looking forward with great pleasure to the day of dedication. J. Bascom Hurley, Pastor.

### OF INTEREST TO METHODIST MINISTERS' WIVES OF SALISBURY DISTRICT

Mrs. C. C. Herbert, president of the Association of Methodist Ministers' Wives of the Salisbury district, has sent a letter of interest to the wives of the association from which we copy the following:

"The purpose of our ministers' wives organization is for each of us to know more preachers' wives, and to know them better. Our district is thoroughly organized now. Each of the three counties has officers and regular meetings. You may be interested in knowing who these officers are:

Rowan county: President, Mrs. W. O. Weldon, China Grove; secretary, Mrs. J. S. Gibbs, Salisbury.

Cabarrus county: President, Mrs. R. L. Bass, Concord; secretary, Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., Concord.

Stanley county: President, Mrs. C. G. Hefner, Norwood; secretary, Mrs. R. B. Shumaker, Albemarle.

These county groups hold regular meetings for fun and fellowship. If you've not been attending, I hope you will plan to do so hereafter, because you've been missing a lot of fun.

Picnic: We hope every Methodist preacher's family in the Salisbury district will be 100 per cent present at Morrow Mountain, August 29, at 4 p. m. Our gathering will be at the picnic grounds. Try to be there by four o'clock for games and fun. If you can't make it by that time, come just as soon as you can. We must have you and your family on that big day! Even rain will not prevent our get-together. In case of rain we will meet at Central church, Albemarle. Hope for fair weather, but come, rain or shine.

Our district superintendent has graciously volunteered to pay the 10 cents admission fee to Morrow Mountain for all of us. Many thanks for this generous act. For the picnic, each family is asked to bring a picnic basket, including drinks, plates, cups, silver, and table cloth for the family—not forgetting the eats! We are planning for a big time. Don't miss it."



# Why Doesn't God Act?

By WINFRED RHOADES

In this one of the most terrible days the world has ever known there are many troubled souls crying out the cry, "Why doesn't God act?"

What is it they are hoping for? Is it that a thunderbolt from heaven, or an assassin's bullet as its earthly equivalent, shall strike down some demonic leader? Is it that some destroying pestilence shall sweep through mad armies like the plagues of olden days and destroy them or make them unable to fight? Is it that floods, or earth tremblings, or cataclysmic storms shall overwhelm the hated powers of destruction and so bring to pass the salvation that needs to be wrought?

We need to search our thoughts, and question our deeper minds. Are we desiring that God shall do from heaven precisely the thing that we condemn upon earth? Are we wanting God to overcome force by means of greater force, not disavowing the devilish ways of humanity but using them with more power because of greater resources?

Two things need to be noticed.

The first is that destroying men does not necessarily destroy ideas. Ideas are greater than men. Our real wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers of the unseen realm, against darkness of the mind and spirit. Man does not rid the earth of sinister conceptions by bringing force to bear against them, but by throwing out into the world better, juster, truer, more attractive, more constructive ideas and then putting them into practice. It was said, twenty-five years ago, that the victory of the forces that were battling against tyranny would establish liberalism in the world and set the earth free from the menace of war. Has that been the case? Ideas which it was attempted to destroy by force smouldered underground and developed until they were able to burst forth with more malice and more destructiveness than before. The ancient myth is just as true now as when first given to the world, and true on a vaster scale and in a more terrible way: sow dragons' teeth and your crop will be armed men.

If God should destroy from the face of the earth those whom we now look upon as the enemies of mankind, their ideas would survive, and would break forth afresh and wreak havoc once more in the world, unless we changed our ways radically. When we wish that God should destroy those aggressors by some act of divine power, we are not necessarily wishing that the state of affairs upon the earth shall be improved. We may be wishing that our particular status quo shall be preserved. The state of affairs upon the earth will not be improved unless we change our ideas and bring into the world a really new and better way of communal and international joint tenancy.

That is what the social teaching of Jesus is fundamentally: a program for bringing into the world a new and better way of living. His law of love means this: that the desire to have all other men share in the good things of life shall take the place of the desire to have good things oneself without regard to what happens to one's fellows. That idea of love is both revolutionary and evolutionary, but more especially evolutionary. It involves the discard-

ing of much that we have cherished and the substitution of new ways of living together as children of God; and it will lead, as it is put into practice, to the gradual evolution of ways of life that will give all men a chance to develop the possibilities that are latent within them.

The second error in our desire that God shall act with violence is that God is not the kind of being we are thinking him to be.

In but few places in the Bible are any definitions of God attempted, but in the Old Testament there are three significant statements which it is important to hold in mind. "God is spirit": that is one. "God is love": that is another. "God is light, and in him is no darkness at all": that is the third. How does God work in the world? The ancient prophet answered the question when he made the impressive statement: "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

God acts in the world as a spirit: a spirit that will change us if we will permit the change to take place; a spirit that will change also the manner and quality of our corporate life, change for the better all that life and the world have meant. God is spirit, then we do the work of God in the world when we manifest a spirit like his. It is, therefore, our business to open the innermost door of our being to the divine spirit; the spirit that was in Jesus and acted through him, the Christ spirit, and invite that spirit to come into us and to become manifest to the world through us. The parable of the leaven has a profundity of meaning that has not yet in general been appreciated. We still trust in might and power, and forget that change for the better can never come about except as the leaven of the divine spirit works inwardly in human nature and makes that which now is into something better than now it is.

But what kind of spirit is God? God is the spirit of love. That is to say, God is the spirit of good will. It follows, then, that we work as the agents and instruments of God in the world only when we labor to make good will the effective power in the world. The beginning must be made with ourselves. Good will must be made the controlling spirit and the active, outreaching power of our own lives first of all. That is the way we become as leaven in the world—the leaven of God.

God is also the spirit of light. It is a noble figure and a glorious statement. God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. Does it, therefore, follow that whatever has darkness in it is contrary to God just in proportion to the amount of darkness that it holds? Does it follow that in proportion as we seek true light, and follow that light, we seek God, and find God, and follow God? It is our business as men and women who desire the world's salvation to turn ourselves apart from the ways of darkness and to practice in our lives the ways of light.

The questions we are having to decide at the present time are hard questions. It is not easy to tell what is the way of light and what is the way of darkness. But with the idea of light we have the principle of good will. Even then our problem is not easy; we have to decide what is good will in the long run and in the most effective way. Then comes the idea of spirit. Spirit changes life not by



a manifestation of force but by transforming men's habits of thinking and feeling and acting. It works by the world-process of evolution rather than by the human process of revolution.

It is, no doubt, because light and love and spirit are slow in their effects, and because their immateriality seems weak against the materiality and the ways of force, that we do not trust them more. We want quick results. We want manifest results, acknowledged results, and want them now. But the workings of light and love and spirit are the effective ways in the long run. For life is from within.

When we ask why doesn't God act we are asking why doesn't God intervene from without and do in some miraculous way what it is our business to do as the offspring of God who would be the representatives and agents of God, the very expression and manifestation of God in the world. God does not bring justice and goodness into the world by force. Justice and goodness come only when men desire them enough to work for them and sacrifice for them, and by sacrificial effort create them.—Advance.

### PROFESSORS OF GREEK NEW TESTAMENT ANNOYED

Professors of the Greek New Testament are much annoyed by a mis-statement in your issue of August 1, page 5: that "demon is an English term derived from the Greek word of 'slanderer.'" You force us to certify your ignorance to all our students. "Demon" is not an English word at all, but an Anglicised spelling of the Greek word **daimon**. (You may pronounce "dy-mone"). This word is from the Greek verb **dai-o**, "I know." A **daimon** is a "knowing" person or spirit—usually ancestral—believed to have preter-natural knowledge and to be able to impart it, or to give oracular advice. Our modern "spirit-mediums" claim to consult such. The poor idiotic or manomaniac girl in Acts 16:16, taught a sentence by her masters, repeated it as mechanically as "Polly wants a cracker." In Matt. 8:28 and Luke 8:26, a poor illusion-haunted fellow lives in a tomb-cave by the roadside, getting some "slop-bucket scraps" from pitying persons; at moon-changes he would be officially beaten, to drive the **daimones** out of him. Such "hospital-treatment" still exists in the Orient. He has heard from those who fed him that a Yaishua Bar-Alyan (Aramaic) is coming down the road, and he fears that he is to get a tremendous flogging "before the time," by way of cure.

The Greek conception of **daimones** is that they were generally beneficent. Hesiod in his "Works and Days" about 800 B.C. urges reverence for the "good **daimones** above the ground (not in Hades) givers of wealth to mortal men." A thousand years later Origen discusses the belief that "**daimones** or mantic-spirits" direct the movements of all animals; and he uses "demonical or divine" as equivalent terms. Celsus says we should be thankful to the **daimones** appointed over trees, orchards, crops and other fruits of the earth. Origen answers, "We know that it is not **daimones** but **angeloi** who have been appointed over the fruits of the earth and the birth of animals: it is that latter that we praise and bless, as having been appointed by God over the things needful for our race." Hesiod's **daimones** are accepted as **angeloi** by Origen & Co. (Against Celics, VIII-lvii). As biological science, this distinguishes between twee-dle-dum and tweedle-dee. Of the Advocate's connection with a Greek word for slander, not one Greek passage suggests such a thing.

S. R. L.

### A NEGRO'S PRAYER

In the island of St. Vincent, British West Indies, in a Home for the Aged and Poor, our minister, the Rev. R. W. Charlesworth, the chairman of the district, was visiting the inmates and holding a service in the institution. On calling for someone in the congregation to lead in prayer, in the words of Mr. Charlesworth, "an old Negro with a lovely face offered the beautiful prayer of one on intimate terms with the heavenly Father, and included the following petition, the words of which I noted down as I was so deeply moved by it":

"God bless the King, our noble, beloved George, very troubled these days. Put thine arms all round him. Give Britain the victory we pray. You may need to chasten and discipline them, but afterwards make them victorious; and Lord ease up the chastening we humbly ask you, lest the suffering be overmuch."

—G. E. H. J., in Methodist Recorder.

### REASONS FOR NOT ATTENDING CHURCH

They were discussing the sermon at the Sunday dinner table.

The young minister had preached on "Reasons for Not Going to Church."

Half a dozen of the faithful who never miss church were talking it over.

The main objection to the sermon was that it had been too gentle and loving. The minister had said that the reasons that he heard most often were, "I was sick," "I had no way to get there," "I had to work," "I didn't have decent clothes." Then he gave three R's, which stood for three other things that interfered, "Rest, Recreation and the Radio."

One of the strong supporters of the church and of the minister said: "No transportation! If it were a ball game they'd find transportation quick enough."

Then said another: "It all boils down to not wanting to come. While a few can't come who want to, the majority that does not come is made up of people who do not want to come."

Then from denunciation of those whom the minister had not denounced as he should, the conversation moved to a different level.

"I have read," said the business man modestly, "that if we talked less about people not coming and did more to make them want to come, we'd be better off." "In other words," said another, "the question is not how they are to get there, but rather what they are to find when they do get there." The company did not answer the question that had been raised, but they came to realize that it had many sides. Some people do not like a dignified and beautiful liturgy. Other people cannot stand it to go to a back-slapping, whooping-it-up service with no intellectual content in it. If intelligent people, who are good people, say that our services are cheap, or if they say that they are cold, or if they say any one of a hundred other things, the thing for us to do is not to lose faith in our project or our mission but to put a little thought on the matter, decide what kind of contribution we as a people are best fitted to make in our services, and then make it as good as possible and let those who want something different go elsewhere.—The Christian Leader.

### ART CAN BE CLEAN

The literary career of Mr. Booth Tarkington, over a period of nearly 40 years, shows that to be successful in this country a writer does not have to use a cesspool for an ink well. The title of his first popular book, written in 1899, was "The Gentleman from Indiana." And that is what Mr. Tarkington has remained, from that time to this, a Hoosier gentleman, whose sparkling stories of American life and manners still entertain, without offending good taste.

Some time ago he spoke out against writers who believe that "a subject has to be dirty to be art." A key to much of the popularity of his own books may be found in his remark: "I never cared to write things I could be arrested for saying." The cult of "realistic" dirt will not endure. "We'll get sensible," said Tarkington, "and find the truth again."

Younger writers, if they wish their works to survive, will be wiser to take his words to heart than to seek quick and ephemeral popularity by pandering to morons.—Detroit Free Press.



# Conscripts for Conquest?

By HARRY EMERSON FOSDICK

A real crisis confronts this nation. In a time when we are not at war and when an overwhelming majority of the American people are determined not to go to war, we are being rushed pell-mell into military conscription as a settled national policy.

There yet is time to demand of Congress that this hysterical haste be stopped and that Congress itself and the American people who are to be conscripted be given opportunity to think this matter carefully through. Two weeks ago one would have supposed that the conscription bill would be passed immediately, but Congress has been hearing from the people and the results in Washington are obvious. The people of this country whose whole structure of life it is proposed to alter in accordance with the most hated element of totalitarianism, military conscription, have a right at least to demand adequate evidence that it is necessary and decent time for careful consideration. . . .

## Conscription and Democracy

I ask you to consider briefly three aspects of this matter. First, we are told that conscription is the democratic way in which to meet our crisis. Of all methods of fooling the American people I can think of nothing worse than telling them that conscription is democratic. Conscription is the essence of regimented, totalitarian, militaristic autocracy. Granted that democratic nations in Europe have been compelled to adopt conscription, but insofar they have ceased being freely democratic and instead under compulsion have copied the methods of their totalitarian neighbors. Let us be honest about this: under some circumstances conscription is necessary, but it never can rightly be called democratic.

Or if you call it that, then be sure that if conscription of man power is the way to be democratic, this nation is in no mood to stop there. If conscripting the boys out of our homes is demanded by this crisis and if that is the democratic way to handle it, then, believe me, we will go clean through with the process and be democratic in serious earnest. Conscription of wealth, conscription of industry, conscription of factories, conscription of labor, conscription of educators—why is not that democratic also, if conscription of life is? We cannot, I think, start conscription in this nation under present circumstances, making it a constituent part of our national policy when we are not at war and do not intend to go to war, without facing the most radical revolution in the structure of American life that this republic has ever gone through.

## Men and Their Jobs

Second, we are constantly told that we must have conscription because voluntary enlistment is not sufficient for our needs. To this I answer that I have just been in Washington and I find plenty of wise people there who agree that voluntary methods of meeting the present crisis have not yet been adequately attempted or even explored.

One substitute plan, for example, is to open the door to one-year voluntary enlistment. . . . The people who insist that conscription is desperately demanded in America now to supply man power for our armed forces are mere-

ly choosing, I think, what looks to them like the simplest and easiest way out. But the American people had better not underestimate what we are letting ourselves in for if we are hurried into conscription. It is not simple and easy. You cannot, for example, take these hundreds of thousands of men away from their jobs without guaranteeing that their jobs or the financial equivalent will be waiting for them when they are through. Walk around what that is going to mean to industry! And that is only one minor item.

We who oppose hasty adoption of this conscription bill do so on the basis of the proposition that there are alternative ways of meeting the issue that will be adequate, and in that we think we are backed up by some of the most competent opinion available. Mr. Harry H. Woodring until a few weeks ago was secretary of war in this present administration. He ought to know. Listen to him then: "How any fair-minded member of Congress could say that we have given the voluntary system of enlistment for the United States army a fair trial and that it has broken down, and therefore we need the compulsory service, is beyond my understanding."

Third, we who oppose this hasty action that has been urged upon the nation are constantly charged with holding the idea that democracy is a matter of rights but not of duties. That seems to me nonsense. Of course democracy is a matter of duties. Of course every man and woman of us owes service to the nation. Of course this world crisis is tremendously serious and it involves us here. Of course we are determined as loyal citizens to defend our democratic liberties and institutions.

## Democratic Duties and Conscription

To say however that that necessarily involves our cheering for this conscription bill is a complete illogical **non sequitur**. It does not follow. It is the duty of every manufacturer to serve the nation. Does that mean that his business ought to be conscripted? It is the duty of every educator to support democracy. Does that mean that he ought to be conscripted? It is the duty of every man to support democracy. Does that mean that he must be a conscript? The basic principle that we all owe patriotic allegiance to the nation is one thing; the method of regimented, totalitarian military conscription is another. . . .

What is this conscript army for? A conscript army is not needed to defend the United States or its contiguous interests. A conscript army is needed only if we are going to send an expeditionary force to conquer, let us say, Europe or Asia. The well justified suspicion will not down that behind this hectic haste to force conscription on us is the policy of the belligerent interventionists.

Mark this. The political leaders of this nation went to the conventions in Philadelphia and Chicago and did not dare to put into the Republican and Democratic platforms a plank in favor of conscription with which to go before the people. Then Congress went straight to Washington and those in favor of conscription, under the guise of a desperate emergency pictured in terms of imminent armed invasion of this country, began insisting that we must act at once, without adequate thought, without a fair



chance even for the people to realize what is going on. Well, at least, the people have spoken clearly enough so that Congress now pauses. I beg of you to see to it that Congress hears from more of the people, that the wiser, cooler heads in Congress are supported in their opposition to this hasty action.—Christian Century.

### WHAT IS SIN BUT DIRT?

Rarely, if ever, is the fact of sin mentioned as a fundamental, and yet the fact of sin is unquestionably a basic assumption of the Christian religion. When misguided people argue that man needs to be saved neither from "the error of his way," nor from "the world, the flesh and the devil," but only from the error of thinking that evil exists, they leave Calvary without excuse, Christ without a mission and the religion of Christ without apology.

Almost every home observes a weekly wash-day. The reason is plain, clothes and things will get dirty. If there were no dirt there would be no street cleaners, no dry cleaners, no steam laundries, no Chinese laundries. Their business thrives on dirt. Choice soap advertisements are displayed everywhere. They color our magazines, decorate our public highways and adorn our city streets. How could soap-makers exist without dirt? And how could civilization exist without soap-makers? We ought to build some monuments and write some epic poems in honor of that vast army of public servants who battle relentlessly against dirt. But for them civilization would be smoked and smudged and soiled beyond recognition. And praise be to the Creator for the water that falls from the clouds, gurgles from the ground, flows in the river and rolls in the ocean.

Dirt is fundamental. It is cheap, inevitable, unavoidable, unescapable. So is sin. What is sin but dirt? All the fuller's soap in the world and all the water of Abana and Pharpar are not sufficient to keep the soul clean from this spiritual smudge. But "thanks be to God for his unspeakable gift." It is more than a fundamental assumption, it is a fundamental fact of experience that there is that in the Christian religion that cleanses a man from all unrighteousness. The greatest thing that the religion of Christ holds out to any man is not a comfortable home on earth or a mansion in the skies, but the possibility of a moral recovery so real and complete that in the end it is symbolized only by one thing—a robe made in the blood of the Lamb. With this consciousness faith sings as it has always sung—

"Wash me, make me pure within,  
Cleanse, O cleanse me from sin."

—The United Presbyterian.

### MINISTERS' WIVES MEET AT DUKE

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the North Carolina Conference held its annual summer party in the banquet hall of the Union at Duke University on June 5, 1940. As the people were coming in Mrs. Howard McLamb played delightful selections on the piano.

As the meeting came to order all stood up and sang together "Howdy do, Everybody." Mrs. H. G. Ruark then made the welcome to the husbands who were our guests, and Rev. J. G. Phillips responded. This was followed by another song, "Smiles," sung in unison.

The program of the afternoon consisted of stunts given by each district. These were very clever and most enjoya-

ble. The Durham district stunt was a reading by Kitty Cline. The Elizabeth City district presented a stunt depicting parsonage life on Roanoke Island ten years in the future, and also a very clever stunt by six Elizabeth City district preachers. The Raleigh district presented a stunt called the "Battle of Wits" conducted a la radio. Mrs. H. I. Glass was the announcer and Mrs. Leon Hall the leader. Mrs. McLamb of this district gave a very beautiful piano selection. The New Bern district stunt consisted of a reading by Mrs. W. R. Stevens and a vocal duet by Mrs. Joyce and Mrs. Eubanks. The Rocky Mount district stunt was a duet by Rev. and Mrs. P. F. Newton. The Wilmington district stunt was a vocal solo by Mrs. R. G. L. Edwards with instrumental by Mrs. C. W. Barbee. Between the Elizabeth City district stunt and the New Bern district stunt a male quartet composed of Messrs. Newton, Hix, Vale and Lewis gave two numbers.

At this time an invitation to attend the wedding of Rev. V. E. Queen and Miss Frances Sharpe was read to the group. The meeting closed by all standing and singing together "Till we meet again."

### THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

We are living under changing conditions here at this Children's Home these days, and it keeps us all so busy that we find little time for writing. But we promise our readers to tell you more about it all soon.

In the meantime our expenses are going right on just the same, and all our good old former Methodist Protestants are urged to help us out just a little better from now until after conference. Our men and boys are unloading a carload of coal today, and that means an extra of nearly \$300 counting the freight. We are thankful for some good special offerings which are already coming in response to our recent call. We shall expect a shower of them around the first weeks in September.

The following is a good letter from our good brother, Dr. Barnes, superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh, and with apologies to him—

#### We Thank You, Dr. Barnes

My Dear Mr. Dixon:

Mrs. Dixon and the children reached our home yesterday afternoon, and we were delighted to have them. I was disappointed that she and Mrs. English could not spend the night with us. The boys and girls you sent us are certainly lovely children, and seem to be adjusting themselves to the new situation very nicely. I want you and Sister Dixon to come down to see them as often as you can. I shall be glad to have you and the children will be delighted to see you.

It was very kind of you to send them to us, since we do not have a bus, and we would have had to take at least two big cars for them. So we will meet expenses of the trip.

I want to thank you and Sister Dixon for the very cordial whole-hearted welcome which you extended to me when I visited your school last Saturday. I thought you and Sister Dixon arose to the occasion in a most commendable way, and I want to thank both of you for the fine, Christian spirit which you have manifested all along about the transfer of the children.

Tell Sister Dixon that Tommie cried just a few minutes after the bus pulled out, but he was soon calm and satisfied.

Hoping to have a visit from you real soon, and with love and best wishes for you, Sister Dixon and the children who remain with you, I am,

Yours fraternally,

A. S. Barnes.

One can appreciate expressions like that from a man who has been in this kind of work over 25 years.

Our school will open at Jamestown just two weeks from today, Monday, September 9. Most of our children are looking forward with pleasure to that day.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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### MRS. J. B. TEMPLE

The North Carolina conference and the numerous friends of Mrs. J. B. Temple have indeed experienced a keenly felt loss in her death which occurred on Wednesday, August 14, at her home in Kinston. Until her extreme illness which began several months ago, Mrs. Temple was conference recording secretary and an active worker in various departments of work at Queen Street church and in civic organizations. She was a consecrated follower of the Christ, a devoted wife and mother and a loyal friend to those who were privileged to know and love her. While our hearts are saddened at the thought of her passing, may we yet be mindful and grateful of the blessings which have come because she has lived and because the influence of her Christ-like life will continue to be a living benediction to those whose life she touched. We extend to her bereaved family and other loved ones sincere and heartfelt sympathy.

M. E. G.

### MARKERS AND LOAN FUNDS

Miss Vara Herring, Raleigh, announces that the annual reunion and picnic of the Littleton College Memorial Association will be held on August 23 on the college campus. Special features of the occasion will include the erection of an historical marker on the college campus and the unveiling of the memorial stone placed on the plot of former President J. M. Rhodes in the Littleton cemetery. All friends and former students are urged to be present.

Another achievement of the Littleton College Memorial Association is the establishment of a \$500 loan fund to be used by a North Carolina young woman for special training at Scarritt that she may be equipped for Christian social work in home or foreign fields. This loan fund will be available this fall.

### SOME OBSERVATIONS

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh district secretary, who has recently returned from the School of Missions at Lake Junaluska, stated that every class, forum and public address was extremely well attended. The classes overflowed to the extent that they were re-subdivided in order that all the women who so desired might get into them. There were forums on every phase of the work of the missionary enterprise, also evening addresses. Every speaker and forum leader was interesting and the women felt that each one was most worth while. The most outstanding woman speaker, according to Mrs. Hood's observations, was Mrs. Fred B. Fisher of Higham, Mass., who with her late husband was a former missionary from the M. E. Church to the Orient. Mrs. Hood was

particularly and thrillingly impressed with the very evident fact of the intense eagerness and determination on the part of the women attending the School of Missions to learn the new plans for woman's work and to make unification work effectively.

### KOREA, MEXICO, BRAZIL TODAY

In Korea, just as in Japan, the Christian schools are full to overflowing. The Korean people are heavily taxed, yet they have contributed generously to the educational program. In Korea Christians have been persecuted, yet they are keeping faith and going forward.

In Mexico, because of immigration laws, our church is not allowed to send any missionaries to teach in our Christian schools, but we have given our institutions to the Mexicans and they are being led by the Mexican people. We have worked in community centers and rural sections. Wherever a door has been closed in Mexico new doors have been opened.

In Brazil last year the Southern Methodist women raised money to open the first woman's college in Brazil. Nationalism is in Brazil but we have lived through it in other countries. We have some difficulties in Brazil but we have triumphed in other lands and the courage to go forward is in Brazil. We have three schools, social centers and rural work in Brazil.—Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon.

### "CHRISTIAN LIFE POSITIVE"

There is something wrong with the world, but God will ultimately triumph. We, as Christians, are here to do something about it. The Christian life is on-going—not negation—and being a Christian means not only leaving off things that are wrong but doing things that are right. What are we doing with the talents that we have? In stewardship there is something practical—our time, our talents, our means. The greatest tragedy of this age is indifference. May we give ourselves anew at the altar; go with our Captain, Jesus, who inspires and strengthens us.—Rev. B. C. Reavis.

### LOOKING FORWARD

Every woman in the N. C. conference should be earnestly and prayerfully anticipating the organization meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference, which will be held at E. C. T. C., Greenville, beginning at 2 p. m. on Monday, September 23, and closing with the luncheon on September 24. The president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in each local church or her alternate should attend as delegate and others who are interested are cordially invited to be present. Cost for room and meals for each person will be \$1.50 and those attend-

ing must take bed linens, towels and wash cloths. It is most important that names of those planning to attend and fee for each shall be sent to Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Box 567, New Bern, N. C., by September 15.

### THEY BELONG TO DIFFERENT WORLDS

A young woman accepted an invitation to what was designated as a banquet. She was a Christian, having been brought up in a home of piety and having made her confession of and dedication to Christ. The atmosphere of the banquet was quite a contrast to the gatherings she had been in the habit of attending. It was worldly, completely so, with cigarette smoke filling the air, the smell of liquor, and then the dance. Her gentleman friend, noting her thoughtfulness and seeming detachment from her surroundings, asked her if she would join him in the dance. At the very suggestion she seemed to shrink from the entire procedure with a sense of humiliation. She politely refused and then, as if answering the surprised and questioning look in the countenance of her friend, she added: "I oughtn't to have come here." Adding further, by way of explanation, she said: "This is a world to which I don't belong. I should have stayed in my own." And that suggests the difference between the true Christian and the unbeliever. They belong to different worlds. It is more than a difference in social or financial standing, more than a difference in clothes or intellectual tastes. It is a difference of heart-life, of ideals, of aspirations, of values—a difference in life itself. And the Christian cannot feel at ease in the world of the worldling. If he can, there's something wrong. He needs a readjustment to his own world.—Religious Telescope.

### HOLY PLACES

Wherever souls of men have worshipped, there  
Is God: where old cathedrals climb the sky,  
Or shining hillsides lift their heads on high,  
Or silent woodland spaces challenge prayer,  
Or inner chambers shut the heart from care;  
Where broken temples of old faith now lie  
Forgotten in the sun, or swallows cry  
At dusk about some crossroads chapel bare,  
Alike of bells and beauty; where saints walked  
Of old, with speaking presences unseen,  
Or dreaming boys with quiet voices talked  
In pairs last night on some still college green;  
Where Moses' Sinai flamed, or Jesus trod  
The upward way apart: there, here is God!

—Herbert D. Gallaudet.

There has not been a single day since the world began when the sun was not shining. The trouble has been with our vision.—Exchange.



## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

### MISS TROY BACK TO CHINA

Miss Nina Troy, missionary to China, who has been on a furlough of several months in the homeland, sailed from San Francisco on S. S. President Coolidge Friday, August 9, to take up her work again in Soochow.

While in the States Miss Troy visited a number of district meetings and local societies, carrying to each of them most interesting messages of her experiences in China, and of the work that she has been doing there for a number of years. Our best wishes go with her to her loved field of service and we trust her work in the future may be attended with the greatest of success.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

We are in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, secretary of education and promotion in the woman's work of board of missions, in which she gives some valuable information concerning the closing of the year in our missionary work, and which we are glad to pass on for the benefit of our missionary societies.

She says: "Now that the board of missions is organized and we have held our school of missions and missionary conferences, you are thinking of the plans for the fall and the successful closing of 1940, so that we may begin our new year, 1941, as a prepared and well organized conference society.

"You recall a paragraph found in the letter of June 20 sent by Mrs. Perry and me (copy of this printed on woman's page, N. C. Christian Advocate of July 25, 1940) which said: 'During the remaining months of this year we must not fail to meet all financial obligations which have been assumed under the Woman's Missionary Council. All reports will channel just as they have until officers are notified of change.'

"Mrs. Fulton who is the new treasurer of the Woman's Division and will continue to act as the treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Council through 1940, is telling our conference treasurers to collect all pledges to Council and send to her as heretofore. This applies to third and fourth quarters, 1940. Give the information, please, that the membership offering given at the charter meeting in September should not interfere with 1940 pledges. It should mean an increase in giving, however large or small, and belongs to the new society. Directions about this fund will be sent to conference and auxiliary treasurers.

"The year begins in January, 1941, and closes December 31, 1941. The calendar year will be the organization and pledge year, and the programs will follow the calendar year too, though this year they start on September to fill out the year.

"Our new pledges for 1941 can be made when the conference society directs after hearing from the treasurer

of the Woman's Division. They surely will be no less than for 1940 and we sincerely hope there will be substantial increase. We hope there can be added to the fourth quarter this year something for cultivation fund to be sent to conference treasurer and on to the division treasurer, so as to have something to start cultivation in jurisdictions, conferences, etc.

"One of my major concerns, in addition to our 1940 pledge, and the fall study of plans is the week of prayer. We must all work together, pray definitely and then have the most stimulating programs during the week of prayer, so as to give great spiritual impulse to the movement to secure the funds for the department at Scarritt to be named for our beloved Mrs. Perry. We are setting \$100,000 as our goal.

"We, of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, want at least 9,000 women's missionary societies to merge into the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and 325,000 charter members from the woman's missionary societies.

"For the remainder of this year Mrs. V. F. Devinney and I will work together on the task for the whole church which I have had in the M. E. Church, South. I shall need her help in missionary education in former northern groups and she will wish mine in organization among our southern conferences.

"She and I are to serve in the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation in the new board, she in charge of organization and I responsible for missionary education, and we both like what we shall be doing and are grateful for the opportunity of serving the church and the board.

"Let's make 1940 the best year even though some changes take place before its close. Every experience can be made to draw us closer to the Master and deepen our consecration to his service. The future holds larger responsibilities and richer opportunities for us who accept his leadership. May his blessings abide on you and your work!"

### SOME BIBLE MOTHERS

The mother of Moses hid him in the ark of bulrushes, and afterwards trained him in the religion of the true God.

The mother of Samson trained him to drink no wine nor strong drink.

Hannah lent her child, Samuel, to the Lord, and he became the greatest judge of Israel.

Mary, the mother of Jesus, was "blessed among women, a devout handmaid of the Lord."

Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist, was "righteous before God."

Mary, the mother of Mark, opened her house for prayer meetings.

Eunice, the mother of Timothy, so taught him that, from a child, he knew the Holy Scriptures.—Religious Telescope.

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## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### COMING TOGETHER

The boards of trustees of the two involved institutions have unanimously voted for a merging of the High Point Children's Home with the Winston-Salem Children's Home. The terms of the merger transfer the children to us and the property to High Point College, excepting that twelve children from the eastern area of North Carolina have been transferred to the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh and the proceeds from the sale of a 600 foot strip of land will be transferred to the Children's Home. Twenty children, thirteen girls and seven boys, in family groups, ranging from pre-school age to the ninth grade, will come to us next Friday from the High Point Children's Home. The terms of the merger further set forth that the other 66 children in the High Point institution will be transferred to us by July 1, 1941. Until then they will remain at High Point under the present management.

### PROPERTY POINTS

The High Point Children's Home property is held by a self-perpetuating board of trustees, who hold title to the same with authority to act as their judgment directs. In the run of time these trustees have deeded this property to the trustees of High Point College, the purpose of this transfer being to provide sufficient security to safeguard the mortgage on High Point College property. Later the High Point College authorities deeded this property back to the trustees of the High Point Children's Home, subject to the mortgage indebtedness on it and other High Point College property, amounting to over \$140,000. A parcel of unencumbered land on the High Point-Greensboro Boulevard, opposite the two buildings housing the children of the High Point institution, will be sold by the High Point Children's Home trustees, according to the terms of the merger, and the net proceeds from the sale will be transferred to the Children's Home, subject to any interest that the trustees of the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh may have in the transaction. This transfer will constitute all the material assets coming to our board of trustees. The terms of the merger do recommend that the board of trustees of High Point College turn over a strip of land on Lexington Avenue on which the superintendent's cottage is located to the trustees of the Children's Home, subject to street pavement assessment, at such time as the mortgage holder will permit. The street assessment on this property, as of August 1, 1940, amounts to \$11,166.35, practically covering the value of the property.

### COLLEGE CONSIDERATION

The terms of the merger further set forth that "all children from the Winston-Salem and Raleigh Homes matriculating at High Point College shall be given free tuition." A further stipulation is "That all young men from the Winston-Salem Home be given special consideration for self-help jobs on the farm and at the dairy, thus enabling them to earn their room, board, and matriculation fees, which would make the cost of college training practically free." It is proposed that the boys thus favored live in the Penny building on the High Point Children's Home grounds. The other building, called the Main building, will be used in some way for college purposes, according to the terms of the merger. Thus the High Point Children's Home property will be most worthily used as a High



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Point project, tending to satisfy liberal High Point contributors and serve worthy young men to a marked degree.

### UNITED APPEAL

The merging of the two Children's Homes will offer a unified orphanage appeal to the Methodists of the Western North Carolina conference. It is thought that this unified appeal will do more to unify Methodists in actual experience than any other procedure yet recorded. Failure to thus unify would doubtless do more to keep alive a division of loyalty and interest than any other prevailing situation. The merger will also tend to appreciably reduce the cost of providing for our orphan and indigent children. Overhead duplications will not be needed. Thus preparation is being made for a unified appeal for a sound unified project.

### DAVIE FARM DEAL

For a number of years we have lost money on our Davie county farm because of the necessity of providing another farm set-up over there, the distance preventing the operation of the farm from the home base. Negotia-

tions have now been concluded for a substantial option price looking to the sale of this property within four years and a fair rental from the property during this time. It is now proposed to consolidate our farm interests closer to us.

### SAVING THE PRODUCTS

We are working feverishly at the project of saving the products from our farm and truck farm. The growing process has been fine and the harvest challenge is now with us. Among other savings is that of the canning of over 3,000 gallons of choice tomatoes. Our canning group will this week begin the conserving of the late bean crop, expecting to put up some 2,000 gallons.

### HAPPY THEN, HAPPY NOW

The snapshot pictures herewith presented give glimpses of a group of boys getting ready to go to camp this summer. They went to camp, had a good time and are now back camping on the work trail. These boys are part of our wonderfully fine family. No girls are shown, their snapshots having failed to come through. However, our girls come through their work in great style.

### SCHOOL ATMOSPHERE

Our youngsters are beginning to catch the spirit of school days. When these lines appear in print it will be a little over one week before our school opens. Miss Sarah Richardson, principal, will be assisted in our faculty line-up by W. C. Clary, W. R. Edwards, Mrs. W. J. Fishel, Mrs. H. G. Folger and Misses Hazel Plaster, Donnie Matheson and Cody Higgs. W. R. Edwards and Miss Cody Higgs are the new members of our faculty, Mr. Edwards being a product of the Children's Home and Miss Hipp a product of the parsonage. We have a strong faculty. More will be said of them later.

### FOOTBALL MINDED

The football season is almost here again. All along during the summer as the boys have worked bare-backed in the fields they have paused from time to time to discuss football prospects. They have wondered who would be able to take the places of the seven boys who will be missing in this fall's line-up. In place of Coach Murray, who is director of athletics at the University of Delaware, Coach Wilburn Clary will be our director of athletics. He will be assisted by William Edwards and James Malcolm, products of the Children's Home, who have already distinguished themselves in football circles. These three young men will direct well over 100 boys, little and large, as they play football this fall. The varsity schedule of football games, the stiffest yet attempted, is as follows:

September 13, Hamlet. Here.  
September 20, Thomasville. There.  
October 4, Greensboro. Here.  
October 11, Barium Springs. Here.  
October 18, Albemarle. There.  
October 25, Gaffney. Here.  
November 1, Kannapolis. Here.  
November 8, Lexington. There.  
November 15, Concord. There.  
November 28, Asheville. There.



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TWO ORPHANAGES VISITED —  
On August 17 I visited the former Methodist Protestant Orphanage in High Point, and had dinner with Dr. and Mrs. Dixon and the children of the Home. I was happy to meet the 12 children who were to become members of our Methodist Orphanage family in Raleigh. I was glad to get acquainted with them before they were transferred to us. I spent Saturday and Sunday nights with Supt. O. V. Woosley and Mrs. Woosley of the Children's Home, Winston-Salem, where I had delightful fellowship with these outstanding orphanage workers. It may not be generally known that the Children's Home at Winston-Salem is the largest Methodist Orphanage in the United States. Superintendent and Mrs. Woosley have done a fine job directing the affairs of that great school. They give themselves without reservation to developing worth while and outstanding citizens out of the boys and girls committed to their hands.

SEVENTEEN NEW CHILDREN—  
Wednesday of last week 17 new children came to the Methodist Orphanage to make their home. Five came from the eastern part of the state and 12 were transferred from the former Methodist Protestant Children's Home at High Point. These children from High Point came from within the bounds of the North Carolina conference. All the other children in the High Point Children's Home will be transferred to the Children's Home in Winston-Salem during the next 12 months. Part of them will go the first of September, and the others will go next summer. There were only 12 children in the High Point Orphanage from our North Carolina conference. The transfer of these 12 children from the former Methodist Protestant Orphanage at High Point to our home relieves a very complicated situation. As it is now, the former Methodist Protestant churches and Sunday schools in the North Carolina conference have a separate orphanage budget for the High Point institution, which makes it rather confusing. After the meeting of our annual conference in November there will be no further confusion along that line. Dr. A. G. Dixon, superintendent of the Children's Home at High Point, and Mrs. Dixon, have shown a very beautiful Christian spirit toward us in the transfer of 12 of their children to our home. The children who came to us from High Point are well trained,

and are adjusting themselves to the new situation very readily.

As I look back over my years at the Methodist Orphanage, I realize what this home has meant to me. When I first came here in 1927 I was received with great kindness and this kindness has lasted through the many years spent here.

Along with the kindness shown me by the people of the home, I owe much to the woman's Wesley Bible class of the Steele Street Methodist church in Sanford. I shall always remember them for their generosity and love to me. The duties assigned to us each year have played a big part in my life. I'm sure that various tasks which were assigned in the home from year to year will enable me to live a much more useful life.

Everyone leaving the home owes his or her education to the orphanage school. We have learned a great deal and hope to be able to put our knowledge into use in adjusting ourselves to the outside world.

The environment of our home has a great influence on the lives of the children reared here. We have a beautiful campus which always inspires us to move onward.

I also wish to thank Mrs. G. G. Allen of New York, who gave the lovely Burwell cottage to the Methodist Orphanage. I have lived in it for the past two years and enjoyed it immensely. She has made many happy with her generous gift.

In closing I wish to say that I shall always remember the many opportunities of our home. I'll never forget the many friends and acquaintances I have made. I wish to express my deep appreciation for the training I have received in this wonderful home.

Ruby Fowler.

TWIN ROSES

On a parent stem two rosebuds grew  
And like for them, as their dawn of light,  
Their moments of sun and the cool of dew,  
The velvet coverings of milky white.

With one high hope each buoyant heart  
Had felt within the surge of power,  
Had broken its bondage of green apart,  
Had paused ere it shed its fragrant dower—

So deep within its own heart's ear,  
A rosebud whispered, "Oh, heaven's breath,  
Forever as perfect I'll keep you here,  
You shall not taste of earth and death."

The other rose, on a pulse's leap,  
In perfume yielded a soul's demand  
Of living the thought, "When we give we keep!  
My fragrance grows as my leaves expand."

To a shrinking heart enfolding its gift,  
The first bud weakened, its fragrance sighed.  
The drooping head could no more lift—  
It yellowed then and shriveled and died.

—Edith Erskine.

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### VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL REPORTS

Pastors and workers in many vacation schools held in the N. C. conference this year have sent the conference office excellent reports. We know that many other churches have held schools but their report has not yet come to us.

Listed below are the churches whose report we have received up until August 16, 1940. If yours is not listed here we will appreciate receiving the information at an early date.

#### Durham District

Burlington: Davis Street, Front Street, Webb Ave.-Holts, Webb Ave.-Holts.

Burlington Ct.: New Salem, Fairview.

Durham: Branson, Calvary, Duke Memorial, Lakewood Trinity, West Durham.

Hillsboro: New Sharon, Palmer's Grove, Lebanon.

Mebane: Central, First Church.

Milton: Connally, Purley, New Hope, Milton.

Milton, Semora.

Person Ct.: Lea's, Warren's Grove, Concord.

Roxboro, Long Memorial.

#### Elizabeth City District

Aulander: Aulander, Colerain, Roxobel.

Bath, Bethany.

Creswell, Creswell.

Edenton.

Moyock: Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial.

North Gates: Kittrell, Savages.

Perquimans: New Hope, Oak Grove, Woodland.

South Mills, Trinity.

Stumpy Point-Dare, Shiloh.

Swan Quarter: Fairfield, Providence.

Wanchese, Wanchese.

Washington, Washington.

Williamston, Williamston.

Windsor, Windsor.

#### Fayetteville District

Aberdeen-Vass, Aberdeen.

Broadway: Broadway, Morris Chapel.

Caledonia: Caledonia, Johns, Central.

Carthage, Carthage.

Goldston, Goldston.

Hamlet.

Jonesboro: Jonesboro, Lemon Spgs.

Laurel Hill: Laurel Hill, Snead's Grove.

Laurinburg.

Maxton.

Mt. Gilead.

Pine Bluff: Pine Bluff, Hoffman.

Raeford, Parkers.

Sanford.

Siler City, First Church.

Stedman, Cokesbury.

West End, West End.

#### New Bern District

Aurora: Aurora, Campbell's Creek, Florence Chapel.

Ayden: Ayden, Macedonia.

Dover: Dover, Asbury.

Goldsboro St., Salem.

Grimesland: Grimesland, Salem.

Hookerton: Hookerton, Maury, Rainbow.

Kinston, Queen Street.

Marshallberg-Straits, Marshallberg.

Mt. Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive-Calypso.

New Bern, Centenary.

Newport: Newport, Havelock, Oak Grove, Riverdale.

Pikeville-Elm Street, Pikeville-Elm Street.

Pink Hill, Webb's.

Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside.

SevenSprings, Gary's Chapel.

Vanceboro: Vanceboro, Epworth, Chapman, Lanes.

#### Raleigh District

Bailey, Bailey.

Benson, Benson.

Cary-Apex, Apex.

Clayton, Clayton.

Erwin: Erwin, Angier.

Franklinton, Franklinton.

Mamers: Mamers, Mt. Ariel, Spring Hill.

Newton Grove: Mt. Moriah, Ebenezer, Maple Grove.

Oxford, Oxford.

Princeton.

Raleigh: Edenton Street, Fairmont, Hayes-Barton, Person Street, Epworth, Central.

Selma.

Smithfield.

Tar River, Kittrell.

#### Rocky Mount District

Bethel.

Conway, Bethany.

Farmville.

Garysburg, Garysburg.

Littleton, Calvary.

Middleburg: Middleburg, Drewry Church, Cokesbury.

Northampton, Jackson.

Rich Square: Rich Square, Woodland.

Rocky Mount: First Church, Clark Street, St. Paul.

Stantonsburg: Lebanon, Evansdale, Stantonsburg.

Warren: Shady Grove, Providence.

Weldon.

Whitakers: Whitakers, McTyiere, Battleboro.

Wilson.

#### Wilmington District

Burgaw: Burgaw, Jordan's Chapel.

Chadbourn: Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, Fair Bluff.

Elizabeth: Trinity, Clarkton, Single-tary.

Fairmont: Trinity, Bethesda, Olivet.

Faison-Kenansville: King's, Goshen, Friendship, Faison.

Hallsboro, Hallsboro.

Jacksonville-Richlands: Jacksonville, Richlands, Verona, Haw Branch.

Lumberton, Chestnut Street.

Maysville: Maysville, Pollocksville, Belgrade, Tabernacle.

Southport.

St. Paul: St. Paul, Barker, Regan.

Warsaw-Magnolia: Warsaw, Carlton, Magnolia, Trinity.

Wilmington: Grace, Fifth Avenue, Trinity, Wesley Memorial, (Wesley Memorial).

### THE CARGO OF THE MAYFLOWER

We hear a great deal about the persons, particularly the relatives, who came over on the Mayflower, but little is said about the things that were brought across on the famous ship. The cargo, however, must have been heavy for it is reported that the vessel was lower in the water than the build-ers intended, and during the nine weeks' voyage the decks were frequently overrun with water.

Among the articles there were books, of course, and these included Bibles written in the English, Dutch, and French languages. There were tracts, written no doubt by Rev. John Robinson, British and Dutch almanacs, and Bible stories for children.

Among the furnishings were kettles, cranes, hour glasses, table boards, bolster and pillow cases, sheets and quilts. The table service on board consisted of knives, spoons, china, and salt cel-lars. There were no forks, as the use of forks came at a later date.

Then there were domestic animals, including pigs, goats, poultry, and two dogs. These were not the first dogs at Plymouth, however, for in 1613 Cap-tain Martin Pring startled the Indians by letting "two massive dogges" run ashore, and the natives "feared them more than twenty men." There does not seem to be any record of any cows, horses, or sheep with the cargo of the Mayflower.

In the museum at Plymouth are sev-eral heirlooms of the cargo which are treasured very highly. Among them are Elder Brewster's chair, the sword of Miles Standish, and the cradle of Peregrine White, the first child born in the colony.—Edwin D. Snyder, Johnstown, Penn.

### HOPE

This grand future should draw our thoughts all the more to itself, because it is not only grand but certain. For this the difference between the Chris-tian man's hope and any other, that it is not an air-blown bubble, that it is not a dream, a fancy, a peradventure, that it has a "Verily, verily I say unto you" to rest upon, that all the prom-ises of God in Him are Yea and Amen. . . . "We know that when He shall ap-pear we shall be like Him." We have a future which is an object, not of dim expectation and trembling hope, but of knowledge. Our end is not, "it may be," but "it will be." We have a certainty, not a possibility or a probability, for our hope. That which is to be becomes as firm a reality as that which has been. Hope is truer than history. The future is not cloud-land, but solid fruitful soil on which we can plant a firm foot.—Alexander Maclaren, D.D.

He who wants to do a great deal of good at once will never do any.—Dr. Johnson.



RESOLUTIONS AND A TRIBUTE  
TO MRS. W. M. KOONTZ

The Yadkin College Alumni Association expresses its deepest sympathy to Mr. W. M. Koontz in the loss of his devoted wife on July 27, 1940, who before marriage was Miss Lillian Thompson of Yadkin College.

We resign to the heavenly Father's will who doeth all things well, and say, 'Earth's loss is heaven's gain,' and we quote her suggestion in preparing the program for the last annual home coming event, "In closing please sing, 'God be with you till we meet again.'"

Mrs. Koontz was not physically able to attend the last home coming service but she was there in spirit.

Mrs. Koontz was an unusual and remarkable woman in many respects. Her strong personality, her love for everybody, her devotion to her good husband and home, her respect for her church, and her abiding interest in her town and county was inded a contribution that we seldom see.

She was the daughter of William L. and Mary Penry Thompson, two of the oldest families of western Davidson county. She attended Yadkin College during its high day under the presidency of Dr. W. A. Rogers, Rev. A. R. Morgan, and she was happily married to Mr. W. M. Koontz during the time Rev. George W. Holmes was president in the 90's. She was postmistress of the Yadkin College postoffice at the time of her marriage, resigning at the time of her wedding soon to take up house-keeping in Lexington, where she built up a beautiful home and made hundreds of friends.

After leaving Yadkin College, her home community, she never lost interest in the college or the church and friends there. Probably no woman in Davidson county had so many friends because of her strong character and high ideals.

When Yadkin College closed its doors to give way for the opening of High Point College the same year, 1924, suggestions were immediately made to perpetuate the memory of Yadkin College, and in 1926 the first Yadkin College home coming event was held in which alumni and friends attended. Rev. G. L. Curry was elected president. So successful was the first home coming event that a suggestion was made that it be made an annual assembly. Mrs. W. M. Koontz was made president of the Yadkin College Alumni Association in 1927, and for 13 years she served faithfully in this position. Miss Lucy Owen, now Mrs. J. R. English, served as the secretary for 12 years, and two years as vice president, and now becomes president. In 1933 Dr. O. B. Michael was elected as historian and just last year he published a 200-page book on "The History of Yadkin College, 1856-1924," in which Mrs. Koontz took a great deal of interest.

The annual Yadkin College Alumni Association home coming event has grown in attendance and interest until it has become one of the most influential assemblies in this section of the state. Mrs. Koontz indeed was a great factor in making this large annual gathering a happy assembly and a

marked success which was a benediction to all who attended.

The responsibility of perpetuating this influential assembly and organization now rests upon the shoulders of a younger group who are resolute to carry on. This year two markers will be erected in memory of Yadkin College, one at Yadkin College and the other on the campus of High Point College, its successor. The funds are already about in sight, it is reported by the historian. The next annual home coming event will be held on the last Thursday in June, on the 26th, at which time it is expected to unveil the marker. A beautiful memorial service will also be held at that time in honor of Mrs. Koontz.

In these tributes and resolutions we commend to Mr. W. M. Koontz, her life long husband and companion, to the Father above who loves all. We extend to her sisters and brother and relatives our sincerest sympathy. We resolve that a copy of these expres-

sions be sent to her husband, her county paper, and her church paper.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. O. B. Michael, S.T.D.,  
Historian.

Mrs. Lucy Owen English,  
President.

Mrs. Mayree Oakes Greene,  
Secretary.

Rev. S. W. Taylor, D.D.  
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Officers and Committee.

Some carry the Gospel in their hands—and at that rate the Paris porters, asses, and geldings may carry it as well as a Christian. Some carry it about in their mouths, and talk of nothing but Christ and the Gospel; this is pharisaical. Others carry it about in their hearts. He is the true Gospel-bearer, that carries it in his hands, in his mouth, and in his heart.—Erasmus.

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# Sunday School Lesson

AUGUST 25

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By James S. Chubb

## Confession—Forgiveness

Scripture: 2 Sam. 12:13-14; Psalm 51: 1-3, 9:13; 32:5

Confession and forgiveness make up an endless Christian activity. We mortals need to offer some one and receive the other constantly. The sensitive soul continuously is pained by new discoveries of sins committed. The soul with its eyes open ever seems to see new visions of things that should have been done. So confession is a necessary part of every worship service, as essential as praise.

One of our best religious pictures shows a great cathedral in which a group of devout and complacent worshippers are in the front of the church, but back in the rear is one lonely, sinful soul kneeling. In the picture Christ is not down in front where "all is well" but was in the background of the repentant person. He is ever working among the poor in spirit."

Our first reference (2 Samuel 12:13-14) is a record of one of the most important religious incidents in the Bible. A great king had committed a hideous sin against a private person. A great prophet made a discerning condemnation of that sin in the name of God. The great king repented before God. The record shows that the king was not only a great leader of men, but a great religious soul as well. His true greatness was revealed in his teachable, repentant spirit. Most kings have killed such a prophet.

The significance of verse 12 needs to be stressed for God does bring out into the daylight the night time sins that man commits. Jesus repeated that thought by declaring: "That which is done in secret will be proclaimed from the housetops." The clean-up campaigns that are now going on in some cities show that secret sins have a distinct tendency to become dramatized in clear sunlight.

Our entire lesson brings out the truth that after true confession, God gives true forgiveness, and after that comes new life. We must not short-circuit our teaching by omitting the latter. You have noted that pruned trees send out new growth. So it is with forgiveness—new life and new strength replace the old sins.

The fifty-first psalm is one of the most sincerely and thoroughly religious psalms. It is written on the great level of inner religion. Form, tradition, custom are all swept away for the great dynamic things of the heart. The sincere and genuine tone of this psalm is marked. Bluff, extravagant language, and exaggeration are missing. This psalm is tuned to the inner spirit of genuine religion.

True forgiveness is based upon the character of God. God is a Father, a lover of his children. He has borne with them a long time because he is that kind of God. He is not a huffy king, a severe detective, nor an absentee landlord; he is a present, working, redemptive God. Therefore, the appeal to God, because of his lovingkindness, is clear-sighted religion.

God has been good and tender so often that the appeal is made again. This was the doctrine of God that John Wesley preached. It is the kind of doctrine that melts the defense of sin, if it is the kind of sin that is "meltable."

The call for forgiveness was genuine in that this man wanted a clean life. He was a sensitive soul that knew his shortcomings. He disliked them and knew that they could not be overcome, except by the gracious love and forgiveness of the great God. This passage combined the great confession of religion to the true God with the great desire to be cleaned of the past. They go together. Reserved sins and shortcomings do not make a good confession and cannot give a triumphant forgiveness and reconciliation.

## The Value of a "Right Spirit"

The positive side of confession is clearly brought out (9-13). A "right spirit" is essential in any religious undertaking. It is the telescope that sees farther than knowledge or information. Wrong spirit can create much trouble and many regrets in a few moments, as we all know from experience.

Now, it seems to me that we can gather an idea of the greatness of this psalmist. There is not much evidence that he had committed any of the gross, sensual sins. This man was aiming at a religion of the heart—right spirit, right attitude, complete faith, noble conduct with his fellow men. That level of religious living has so many more sins and shortcomings than does the lower level of religion. This psalm is best understood as an appeal of a great soul, going on toward perfection.

I wonder if this man was a religious educator or a minister? He could have been, but if he were not either of these, he was a responsible layman who took his evangelistic efforts seriously. There gleams forth the insight that this man had failed, probably in his evangelistic teaching efforts and he understood that his sins were the real reason. If they could be washed out, then he would teach the "transgressor."

Here is real religious teaching and motivation. This man knew that there is a direct connection between our religious conduct and the influence we have over our fellowmen. Men who keep records of their spiritual condition, note that with every gain in moral conduct, the circle of influence widens.

Undoubtedly some teachers will now bring up the whole doctrine of perfection, and it should be brought up. It should not be discussed theoretically, however, but in the light of the practical workings of conscience. The issue is: Are we trying to live up to our best light, or are we trying to dull conscience? If trained and kept keen, the

conscience will continually point out new sins and new things to be done. In this sense of direction, the belief in perfection is much better than the belief in infantilism, or conventionality, or "good enough to get by." This psalmist used the practical workings of his conscience to pull him out toward "perfection."

## A Religious Outpouring

A worthy fact of spiritual life is brought out in the first five verses of Psalm 32. You will note that, while the believer kept silence, his bones roared all day long. This was a novel way of saying that he could get no peace while he kept things to himself. When he acknowledged his sins to God, then he found peace and forgiveness.

This passage brings out the fact that some things one cannot carry by himself. There must be someone to whom we can pour out our souls. This is the great religious fact behind the confessional. It is the reason why counseling and personal work have become so important. Now and then, the religious system must be cleansed with an outpouring.

And God is the one to whom we ought to pour out our souls. He can understand all. This verse contains the sublime truth that canned-up sins mean trouble and distress. The one retains his sins until the uneasiness leaves, the sins will be transformed into troublesome complexes and delusions. Stirrings within must out. When they are iniquities, they must be taken to God and be forgiven.

And so we heed the record of the truly great man who could and did listen and profit by the rebuke by God's prophet. He gained much by heeding the call. That is always true. The small mind thinks that troubles should be kept quiet; the great mind knows that they should be faced and licked. David was great.

The morbid soul that merely dotes and weeps about weaknesses makes the sins and weaknesses stronger than ever. The escapist runs from his sins—but he only makes them grow greater and greater. When he does finally face them, they are wild animals indeed. The indifferent one who imagines it makes no difference just misses the way of adventure and distinguished living. The Christian soul faces the call of conscience, confesses, is forgiven, and finds new life welling up within.—Christian Advocate.

Life is a leaf of paper white,  
Whereon each one of us may write  
His word or two, and then comes night.  
Greatly begin! though thou have time  
But for a line, be that sublime—  
Not failure, but low aim, is crime.

—Author unknown.

We limit our own lives by the attitude we take towards others. The quality which we possess both of forgiveness and love for others, determines in what measure we shall have forgiveness. In many ways we control our own destiny.—Advance.

The recovery of any good is far more pleasant than the continuance.—Bishop Hall.



# Children's



# Storyland

## THE LITTLE LOST KISS

By Emma Florence Bush

Once upon a time there was a little girl who was very cross one night when her mother was putting her to bed, and when mother leaned over to kiss her good night, what do you think she did?

She put her arms up so that it covered her face, and the little kiss instead of finding a resting place on her cheek floated over her head, around the room and finally out of the window into the night.

"What am I to do, and where can I go?" cried the little kiss as it floated around out of doors. "I have no home. The little girl I belong to won't have me and I am lost out here by myself."

The little lost kiss floated around all night long, looking at the baby birds asleep in their nests, the bunnies asleep in the grass on the ground, and the kittens asleep by their mothers in the barn, but none of these babies knew what a kiss was, and so little lost kiss had no place to rest.

When it came morning little lost kiss floated into an open window of a house where it found a little boy fresh from his bath who was eating his breakfast.

"Good morning, little boy," it cried. "May I find a resting place on your cheek? I am so lost and alone!"

But the little boy climbed down from his chair, and said crossly, "Go away. I don't want a kiss. I want to play with my ball."

The little lost kiss floated sadly away until it came to where a little girl was wheeling her doll's carriage up and down the sidewalk.

"Oh, little girl," it cried, floating down beside her, "may I find a resting place on your cheek? I am a little lost kiss."

But the little girl tossed her head and cried, "Go away! I have more kisses than I want. Everybody is kissing me all the time. I am sick of kisses. Go away."

Poor little, lonely lost kiss began to think it would never find a home, when all at once it heard the sound of sobbing. A little girl was sitting in the garden crying as if her heart would break.

"What is the matter, little girl?" asked the little lost kiss, gently floating over to her.

"I am so lonesome," sobbed the little girl. "My daddy had to go away so early this morning he did not see me. He always kisses me goodbye and I miss it so."

"Poor little girl," said the little lost kiss. "I am all alone, too. May I not cuddle down on your cheek and comfort you?"

The little girl stopped crying. "Why, little lost kiss," she said, "indeed you may. You are so soft and sweet you

## HE DIDN'T THINK

Once a trap was baited with a piece of cheese,

It tickled so a little mouse, it almost made him sneeze.

An old mouse said, "There's danger, be careful where you go."

"Nonsense," said the other, "I don't think you know."

So he walked right in boldly, nobody in sight,

First he took a nibble, then he took a bite.

Clasp, the trap together, snap as quick as wink,

Catching mouse fast there because he didn't think.

Once there was a robin, lived outside the door,

He wanted to go inside and hop upon the floor.

"Oh no," said his mother, "you must stay with me,

Little birds are safest sitting in a tree."

"I don't care," said robin, and so he gave a fling.

"I don't think that old folks know quite everything."

Down he flew, but kittie seized him before he'd time to blink.

"Oh," he cried, "I'm sorry, but I didn't think."

Now, my little children, you who hear this song,

Don't you see what trouble comes of doing wrong?

And can't you take a warning of their dreadful fate,

What became by thinking when it was too late?

—Selected.

are next best to my daddy's kisses."—Sunshine.

## NOBILITY AND STATURE

Cyrus, King of Persia, after a famous victory, took prisoner a noble prince with his wife and children. When they were brought into the tent of the victors, Cyrus said to the prince, "What will you give me to set you at liberty?"

The prince replied, "I will give you half of what I possess."

"And what will you give me if I set your wife at liberty?" asked Cyrus.

"I will gladly give you my life," replied the prince.

Cyrus, touched by such true nobility, set them both free without recompense.

That evening when the prince and his wife rejoiced together over their freedom, he said, "Did you not think Cyrus a very handsome man?"

The wife replied, "I did not notice him sufficiently well to tell."

"Where were your eyes?" exclaimed the prince.

"I had eyes only for the man who said he would lay down his life for me!"—Canadian Baptist.

## GRANDMOTHER GLADNESS

By Mrs. Lydia Lion Roberts

"Yes, I had a real pleasant visit," said the bright-eyed grandmother to her friend, "and Ellen's husband was so thoughtful of me. Every morning he gave me the morning paper and kissed me goodbye, and the last thing at night he wanted to know if I was comfortable, and gave me a good-night kiss. It isn't always that young folks think to do those loving little ways for us old folks."

"That's just it," assented the gray-haired visitor, "and it isn't that they mean to be careless, but they don't realize how those little attentions brighten the days for us. Now, my niece, Evelyn, writes to me once a week, and I can't begin to tell you how I appreciate it. She is a busy girl, at the office all day, and keeps house for her father, too, yet every week she sends me a bright, chatty letter. She doesn't write so much after all, some weeks she says there isn't much news, but every joke she hears, or the little happenings in the office, or trying a new recipe at home, or the people she meets, she tells me about them, and I enjoy every bit."

"Yes, it makes one feel a part of the world, and as if one knew what was going on," agreed her hostess. "Now, my married daughter has three children and is busy as a bee, but every few days she runs over and tells me the news. She never forgets to leave a little package for me, either. She'll say, 'Try these new cookies I made today,' or 'How do you like my brand of jam?' I guess she knows I like presents and surprises as well as the youngsters. Anyway, it pleases me."

"It doesn't take much to make us grandmothers glad," smiled the gentle-faced friend, "just a bit of loving to make us glad we're living, and a bit of the day's news so we can keep in touch with things, and the days are brighter and life sweeter as we knit and think and wait."—Home Dept. Magazine.

Schoolmaster: "Johnny, if the earth's axis is an imaginary line, could you hang clothes on it?"

Johnny: "Yes, sir, you could."

Schoolmaster: "Is that so? And what sort of clothes?"

Johnny: "Imaginary clothes, sir."

"Mama, I wish I had a little brother."

"Why do you wish that, dear?"

"Cause I'm tired of teasing the cat."



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# District Superintendent Appointments

## North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT  
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

September  
Fountain Place, 11 ..... 1  
Glen Raven Ct., Haw River, 3 ..... 1  
Webb Avenue-Holt's, Holt's, 7:30 ..... 1  
Duke Memorial, 7:30 ..... 3  
Front Street, 11 ..... 8  
West Burlington, 3 ..... 8  
Nebane, Central, 11 ..... 15  
McBane, First, 3 ..... 15  
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 ..... 15  
Milton, New Hope, 11 ..... 22  
Branson, 7:30 ..... 22  
Lakeview, 7:30 ..... 26  
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 11 ..... 29  
Carboro, Carboro, 7 ..... 29  
West Durham, 7:30 ..... 30

October  
Carr, 7:30 ..... 2  
Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 3 ..... 3  
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 ..... 3  
Yanceyville, Yanceyville, 11 ..... 4  
Leasburg, Hebron, 3 ..... 4  
Person Ct., Concord, 11 ..... 5  
Long Memorial, 11 ..... 6  
Brookdale, Allensville, 3 ..... 6  
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 ..... 6  
District Check-up Meeting, Pastors and Laymen, at  
West Durham, 10 ..... 7  
Trinity, 7:30 ..... 8  
Calvary, 7:30 ..... 9  
Chapel Hill, 7:30 ..... 10  
Graham, 7:30 ..... 11  
Alamance Ct., Bethel, 11 ..... 12  
Mt. Hermon Ct., Mt. Hermon, 2 ..... 12  
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 ..... 13  
Burlington Ct., Mt. Vernon, 3 ..... 13  
Davis Street, 7:30 ..... 17  
Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 ..... 20  
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 3 ..... 20  
Orange Ct., Efland, 7:30 ..... 20  
Cedar Grove, Carr, 11 ..... 24  
Eno, 7:30 ..... 24

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT  
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

September  
Hertford, 11 ..... 1  
South Camden, Sign Pine, night ..... 1  
Moyock-Pilmoor Memorial, Moyock, 11 ..... 8  
Currituck, Sharon, 5 ..... 8  
Kitty Hawk, night ..... 8

Manteo, 11 ..... 15  
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 ..... 15  
Wanchese, night ..... 15  
Aboskie (Church Dedication), 11 ..... 22  
Murfreesboro, Winton, 3 ..... 22  
North Gates, Kittrells, night ..... 22  
Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 2 ..... 26  
Fall Rally and Check-up, Hertford, 10 ..... 27  
Kinnakeet, Avon, 11 ..... 29  
Hatteras, Buxton, night ..... 29  
October  
Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 2 ..... 2  
Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 2 ..... 5  
Belhaven, Trinity, 11 ..... 6  
Matanuskeet, Amity, 3 ..... 6  
Swanquater-Fairfield, Providence, night ..... 6  
City Road, night ..... 9  
Pasquotank, Union, 11 and 2 ..... 11  
Gatesville, Zion, 11 and 2 ..... 12  
Columbia, 11 ..... 13  
Creswell, 3 ..... 13  
Roper, Pleasant Grove, night ..... 13  
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 2 ..... 19  
Falmouth, 11 ..... 20  
Aulander, Lewiston, 3 ..... 20  
Edenton, night ..... 20  
First Church, Elizabeth City, night ..... 23  
South Mills, Trinity, 11 and 2 ..... 26  
Bath, Asbury, 11 ..... 27  
Washington, night ..... 27

NEW BERN DISTRICT  
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

August  
Ocracoke-Portsmouth, Ocracoke, 11 ..... 25  
September  
Harker's Island, 11 ..... 1  
Beaufort, 8 ..... 1  
Mt. Olive-Calpso, Calpso, 11 ..... 8  
Pikeville-Elm Street, 3 ..... 8  
Fremont, 8 ..... 8  
Atlantic, Sea Level, 11 ..... 15  
Marshallberg-Straits, Marshallberg, 7:30 ..... 15  
Morehead City, 7:30 ..... 18  
Goldsboro Ct., Piney Grove, 11 ..... 22  
Ayden, 7:30 ..... 22  
La Grange, 7:30 ..... 25  
Oriental, Pamlico, 11 ..... 29  
Morehead City Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 ..... 29  
October  
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 ..... 2  
Jones, Foys, 11 ..... 6  
Dover, 7:30 ..... 6  
Kinston, Queen St., 7:30 ..... 9  
Crifton, 11 ..... 13  
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 ..... 13  
Hookerton, 7:30 ..... 18  
Mt. Olive Ct., Smith's, 11 ..... 19  
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 ..... 20  
Vanceboro, 7:30 ..... 20  
Newport, Riverdale, 11 ..... 22  
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 ..... 23  
Aurora, Warren's, 11 ..... 24

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT  
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

August  
Seaboard, Dedication, 11 ..... 25  
Spring Church, Dedication, 2 ..... 25  
September  
Littleton Ct., Corinth, 11 ..... 1  
Littleton, Calvary, 3:30 ..... 1  
Halifax Ct., Bethesda, 8 ..... 1  
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 ..... 8  
Nashville, 8 ..... 8  
Scotland Neck, 11 ..... 15  
Sandy Cross, 3 ..... 15  
Tarboro, 8 ..... 15  
Conway, 11 ..... 22  
Garysburg, Shiloh, 3:30 ..... 22  
Halifax, 8 ..... 22  
McKendree, Pinetops, 11 ..... 29  
District Rally, Laymen and Preachers, Rocky Mt., 2:30-29  
Wilson, 8 ..... 29  
October  
Rich Square, 7:30 ..... 2  
Spring Church, 7:30 ..... 4  
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 ..... 5  
Weldon, 11 ..... 6  
Northampton, New Hope, 3 ..... 6  
Enfield, 7:30 ..... 6  
Walstonburg, Arthur, 7 ..... 8  
Farmville, 8 ..... 8  
Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30 ..... 9  
Rocky Mount, First Church, Dedication ..... 12  
Bethel, 7:30 ..... 13  
Marvin, 7:30 ..... 17  
Middleburg, 11 ..... 20  
Warren, 3 ..... 20  
Norlina, 7:30 ..... 20  
Robersonville, Stokes (to be announced) ..... 20  
Spring Hope, 7:30 ..... 21  
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 ..... 22  
Whitakers, 7:30 ..... 23  
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 ..... 26

RALEIGH DISTRICT  
H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
THIRD ROUND

August  
Rougemont, Riverview, 8 ..... 22  
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8 ..... 23  
Moncure, Jones' Chapel, 11 ..... 25  
Tar River, Ebenezer, 8 ..... 25  
Raleigh: Hayes-Barton, 8 ..... 26  
Millbrook, Oak Grove, 8 ..... 27  
Four Oaks, Antioch, 8 ..... 28  
September  
Raleigh, Person Street, Central, 11 ..... 8  
Vance, Gillberg, 3 ..... 8  
Louisburg, 8 ..... 8  
Clayton, Horns Memorial, 11 ..... 11  
Henderson, Christ Church, 8 ..... 13  
Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 ..... 15  
Henderson, First Church, 3 ..... 15  
Henderson, City Road-White Memorial, City Rd., 7:30, 15

Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 ..... 18  
Cary-Apex, Cary, 7:30 ..... 20  
Oxford Ct., Salem, 11 ..... 22  
Oxford, 7:30 ..... 22

WILMINGTON DISTRICT  
W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

September  
Shallotte, Andrews, 11 ..... 1  
Tabor City, St. Pauls, night ..... 1  
Wilmington, Grace, 11 ..... 8  
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3 ..... 8  
Burgaw, Rocky Point, night ..... 8  
District Conference at Garland, 10 ..... 12  
Elizabeth, Purdies, 11 ..... 15  
Carver's Creek, Council, night ..... 15  
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11 ..... 22  
Chadbourne, Cerro Gordo, night ..... 22  
Wallace-Rosehill, Rosehill, 11 ..... 29  
Penderlee, night ..... 29  
October  
Town Creek, Zion, 11 ..... 6  
Scott's Hill, Seagate, night ..... 6  
Wilmington, Epworth, night ..... 9  
Faison-Kenansville, 11 ..... 11  
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 ..... 13  
St. Pauls, Regans, 3 ..... 13  
Lumberton, night ..... 13  
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11 ..... 20  
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3 ..... 20  
Maysville, Belgrade, night ..... 20  
Southport, night ..... 23  
Bladen (place to be announced), 11 ..... 24  
Garland (place to be announced), night ..... 24  
Roseboro, Halls, 11 ..... 25  
Clinton, night ..... 25  
Rowland, Purvis, 11 ..... 27  
Pembroke (Indian work), First Church, 3 ..... 27  
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night ..... 27

## Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT  
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

August  
Hillside Street, 11 ..... 25  
Asheville Ct., Elk Mountain, 3 ..... 25  
Merrimon Avenue, night ..... 25  
September  
West Asheville, 11 ..... 1  
Flat Rock, Upward, 3 ..... 1  
Haywood Street, night ..... 1  
French Broad Avenue, 11 ..... 8  
Oakley, 3 ..... 8  
Hendersonville, night ..... 8  
Leicester-Bell, 11 ..... 15  
Sandy-Big Sandy, 3 ..... 15  
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night ..... 15  
Central, Asheville, 11 ..... 22  
Saluda-Tryon-Saluda, 3 ..... 22  
Brevard, night ..... 22  
Black Mountain, 11 ..... 29  
Swannanoa, Tabernacle, 3 ..... 29  
Weaverville Station, night ..... 29  
October  
Laurel-Barnardsville, Laurel, 11 ..... 6  
Weaverville Ct., South Fork, 3 ..... 6  
Oteen, Bethel, night ..... 6  
Hot Springs, Antioch, 11 ..... 13  
Marshall, Marshall, night ..... 13  
Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30  
p. m. Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to  
be handed in.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT  
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

August  
Trinity, 8 ..... 23  
Monroe, Central, 11 ..... 25  
Indian Trail-Stallings, Beulah, 3:30 ..... 25  
Chadwick, 8 ..... 25  
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 8 ..... 26  
Big Springs, 8 ..... 28  
September  
Peachland, Fountain Hill, 3 ..... 1  
Marshville, Marshville, 8 ..... 1  
Calvary, 8 ..... 2  
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 8 ..... 4  
Brevard Street, 8 ..... 6  
Wesley Heights, 11 ..... 8  
Polkton, Poplar Hill ..... 8  
Pineville, Pineville, 8 ..... 8  
Morden, 8 ..... 9  
Belmont Park, 7:30 ..... 11  
Dilworth, 7:30 ..... 13  
Lilesville, Lilesville, 11 ..... 15  
Huntersville, Asbury, 3 ..... 15  
Derita, 7:30 ..... 15  
Central Avenue, 11 ..... 22  
Prospect, Bethlehem, 3 ..... 22  
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 ..... 22  
Duncan Memorial, 11 ..... 29  
Wadesboro, 7:30 ..... 30  
October  
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 ..... 7  
Myers Park, 7:30 ..... 14

ELKIN DISTRICT  
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

August  
Sparta, Piney Creek, 11; Potato Creek, 3 ..... 25  
Davie Ct., Oak Grove, 11 ..... 31  
September  
Coolseeme, 11 ..... 1  
Surry-Yadkin, New Home, 3 ..... 1  
Jonesville, Longtown, night ..... 1  
Warrensville, Smithport, 11 ..... 8  
Creston, Big Laurel, 8 ..... 8  
Wilkesboro, Union, night ..... 8  
Green Valley, Thomas Chapel, 11 ..... 15  
Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 3:30 ..... 15  
Boone, night ..... 15  
North Wilkesboro, 11 ..... 22



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|-----------------------------|----|
| Moravian Falls, Adley, 3    | 22 |
| Traphill, Traphill, night   | 22 |
| Todd, Cranberry, 11         | 28 |
| Helton, Baldwin, 11         | 29 |
| October                     |    |
| Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11 | 6  |
| Dobson, Stony Knoll, 3:30   | 6  |
| Elkin, 7:30                 | 6  |
| Mocksville Station, 8       | 9  |

**GASTONIA DISTRICT**  
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                          |    |
|--------------------------|----|
| August                   |    |
| Boger City, Asbury, 11   | 25 |
| Dallas, Dallas, 7:30     | 25 |
| Stanley, Stanley, 7:30   | 27 |
| Gastonia, East End, 7:30 | 28 |

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|------------------------------------------|----|
| September                                |    |
| Casar, Reep's Grove, 11                  | 1  |
| Fallston, Macedonia, 3                   | 1  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, 7:30 | 1  |
| Belmont, Main Street, 7:30               | 2  |
| Gastonia, Main Street, 7:30              | 3  |
| Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30           | 4  |
| Cleveland, Oak Grove, 11                 | 8  |
| Shelby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 3             | 8  |
| Shelby, Lafayette St., 7:30              | 8  |
| Shelby, Central, 7:30                    | 9  |
| Bessemer Ct., Bessemer, 7:30             | 10 |
| Cherryville, First Church, 7:30          | 11 |
| Rock Springs, 7:30                       | 13 |
| Lowesville, Salem, 11                    | 14 |
| Bellwood, 11                             | 15 |
| Polkville, Rehobeth, 3                   | 15 |
| King's Mountain, Grace, 7:30             | 15 |
| Shelby Ct., 7:30                         | 16 |
| South Fork, 7:30                         | 17 |
| Bessemer City, Bessemer, 11              | 22 |
| Cherryville Ct., Mary's Grove, 3         | 22 |
| Mount Holly, 7:30                        | 22 |
| Gastonia, Trinity, 7:30                  | 23 |
| Gastonia, West End, 7:30                 | 24 |
| Belmont, Park Street, 7:30               | 25 |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11               | 29 |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3                   | 29 |

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| October                        |    |
| Gastonia, Bradley Memorial, 11 | 6  |
| Lowell, Ebenezer, 7:30         | 6  |
| Cramerton, 7:30                | 7  |
| King's Mountain, Central, 11   | 13 |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11         | 20 |

**GREENSBORO DISTRICT**  
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                         |    |
|-------------------------|----|
| August                  |    |
| Mount Pleasant, 6, Sat. | 24 |
| Pleasant Garden, 11     | 25 |
| Carraway Memorial, 8    | 25 |
| Stokesdale, Sat.        | 31 |

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|----------------------------|----|
| September                  |    |
| Danbury, 11                | 1  |
| Sandy Ridge, 3             | 1  |
| Reidsville: Lindsey St., 8 | 1  |
| Reidsville: Main St., 11   | 4  |
| Moriah, 7:30 Sat.          | 7  |
| Stoneville, 11             | 8  |
| Ruffin, 3                  | 8  |
| West Greensboro, 8         | 8  |
| West Market, 8, Q.C.       | 9  |
| Reidsville Ct., 11 Sat.    | 14 |
| St. Paul, 11               | 15 |
| Oak Ridge, 8               | 15 |
| Centenary, 8               | 18 |
| Guilford Ct., Sat.         | 21 |
| Proximity, 11              | 22 |
| Midway, 3                  | 22 |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30   | 22 |
| Jamestown-Oakdale, 7:30    | 25 |
| Fiat Rock, Sat.            | 28 |
| West End, 11               | 29 |
| Madison, 3                 | 29 |
| Leaksville, 7:30           | 29 |
| Bessemer, 7:30             | 30 |

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|--------------------------------|----|
| October                        |    |
| Calvary, 7:30                  | 2  |
| Brown Summit, 11               | 6  |
| College Place, 7:30            | 6  |
| Glenwood, 7:30                 | 9  |
| Haw River, Sat.                | 12 |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11           | 13 |
| Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 | 13 |
| Gibsonville, 7:30              | 13 |
| Draper, 7:30                   | 16 |
| Tabernacle, Julian, 11         | 20 |
| Stokesdale, Glencoe, 3         | 20 |
| Grace, 7:30                    | 20 |

**HIGH POINT DISTRICT**  
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND  
(Subject to necessary changes)

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| September                             |    |
| Liberty, First, 7:30                  | 4  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30                  | 8  |
| Rankin Memorial, 7:30                 | 11 |
| Denton, Central, Denton, 7:30         | 12 |
| Denton First, Cid, 11                 | 15 |
| Linwood, Linwood, 3                   | 15 |
| Ward Street, 7:30                     | 18 |
| Highland, 10:30                       | 21 |
| Liberty, Ct., Randolph, 11            | 22 |
| South Davidson, 2:30                  | 22 |
| Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30  | 22 |
| Asheboro First, 7:30                  | 25 |
| Why Not, Flag Springs (all day)       | 28 |
| Richland, Browers, (all day)          | 29 |
| Asheboro Central, 7:30                | 29 |
| Archdale, 7:30                        | 30 |
| October                               |    |
| Lebanon, 7:30                         | 1  |
| First Church, High Point, 7:30        | 2  |
| Welch Memorial, 7:30                  | 3  |
| Seagrove-Love Joy, Seagrove (all day) | 5  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethany, 11   | 6  |
| Farmer, Farmer, 2:30                  | 6  |
| Asheboro Ct., West Chapel, 7:30       | 6  |

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**MARION DISTRICT**  
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| August                        |    |
| McDowell, Nebo, 11            | 25 |
| Old Fort Ct., 3               | 25 |
| Morganton, North Forest, 7:30 | 25 |

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|----------------------------|----|
| September                  |    |
| Sunshine, Hollis, 11       | 1  |
| Gilkey, Thermal City, 3    | 1  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30       | 1  |
| Rutherford College, 11     | 8  |
| Morganton Ct., Denton's, 3 | 8  |
| Morganton, First, 7:30     | 8  |
| Rutherfordon, 11           | 15 |
| Marion Ct., 3              | 15 |
| Old Fort, 7:30             | 15 |
| Linville Falls, 11         | 22 |
| Avery Ct., 3               | 22 |
| Spruce Pine, 7:30          | 22 |
| Bald Creek, 11             | 29 |
| Micaville, Tipton Hill, 3  | 29 |
| Burnsville, 7:30           | 29 |

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| October                                                                                                                                                                                                  |    |
| Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11                                                                                                                                                                            | 6  |
| Shady Grove, 3                                                                                                                                                                                           | 6  |
| Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                      | 6  |
| Elk Park, 11                                                                                                                                                                                             | 13 |
| Bakersville, 3                                                                                                                                                                                           | 13 |
| Marion, First, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                                      | 13 |
| Cliffside, 11                                                                                                                                                                                            | 20 |
| Forest City, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                                        | 20 |
| Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stewards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church.<br>Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed to the district superintendent at this meeting. |    |

**SALISBURY DISTRICT**  
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                           |    |
|---------------------------|----|
| August                    |    |
| Salem, 11                 | 25 |
| Gold Hill, 3              | 25 |
| September                 |    |
| Jackson Park, 11          | 1  |
| Landis, Unity, 3          | 1  |
| Midland, 7:30             | 1  |
| Grier's Chapel, 7:30      | 4  |
| Pfeiffer, Wesley, 11      | 8  |
| Coburn Memorial, 3        | 8  |
| China Grove, 7:30         | 11 |
| Kerr Street, 11           | 15 |
| Betpage, Shiloh, 3        | 15 |
| Midway, 7:30              | 15 |
| Friendship, 7:30          | 18 |
| Westford, 11              | 22 |
| Rocky Ridge, 3            | 22 |
| Roberta, 7:30             | 22 |
| Harmony, 7:30             | 25 |
| Trinity, 11               | 29 |
| East Spencer-Yadkin, 7:30 | 29 |

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| October                           |   |
| Tabernacle, 11                    | 6 |
| Albemarle Ct., Stony Point, 3     | 6 |
| Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30      | 6 |
| Stanfield Ct., Love's Grove, 7:30 | 7 |

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| Mt. Mitchell, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                       | 9  |
| Badin, 11                                                                                                                                                                                | 13 |
| Mt. Pleasant, Friendship, 3                                                                                                                                                              | 13 |
| Meeting of pastors and chairmen of boards of stewards will meet at First church, Salisbury, October 17, 7:30. Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be turned in at this meeting. |    |

**STATESVILLE DISTRICT**  
John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| August                            |    |
| Elmwood, Elmwood, 3               | 25 |
| Cool Springs, Cool Springs, night | 25 |
| September                         |    |
| Shepherds, McKendree, 11          | 1  |
| Mooreville Ct., Centenary, 3      | 1  |
| Mt. Zion, Mt. Zion, night         | 1  |
| Hickory, First Church, 11         | 8  |
| Hickory, Highland, 3              | 8  |
| Maiden, Maiden, night             | 8  |
| Catawba, Concord, 3               | 15 |
| Stony Point, Stony Point, night   | 15 |
| Davidson, Fairview, 10 and 3      | 22 |
| Mooreville, Central, 11           | 22 |
| Mooreville, Broad St., night      | 22 |
| Newton, First Church, 11          | 29 |
| Balls Creek, St. Paul, 3          | 29 |
| Troutman, Troutman, night         | 29 |

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|---------------------------------|----|
| October                         |    |
| Statesville, Broad Street, 11   | 6  |
| Grace-Rhodias, Grace, 3         | 6  |
| Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night | 6  |
| Hickory, Bethel, 11             | 13 |
| Hudson, Colliers, 3             | 13 |
| Hickory, Westview, night        | 13 |

**WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT**  
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| August                              |    |
| Jonathan, Shady Grove, 11           | 25 |
| Dellwood, Balsam (Q.C.), 3          | 25 |
| Sylva, 8                            | 28 |
| Whittier, Whittier, 8               | 29 |
| Robbinsville, 8                     | 30 |
| September                           |    |
| Murphy, 11                          | 1  |
| Murphy Ct., Hampton Memorial, 3     | 1  |
| Andrews, 8                          | 1  |
| Annual Picnic, Cliffside Lake, 10-3 | 3  |
| Dryson City, 8                      | 4  |
| Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11        | 8  |
| Bethel, Bethel, 3                   | 8  |
| Waynesville, 8                      | 8  |
| Junaluska, Junaluska, 8             | 11 |
| Louisa, Louisa, 9:45                | 15 |
| Franklin Ct., 11                    | 15 |
| Macon Ct., 3                        | 15 |
| Franklin, 8                         | 15 |
| Cullowhee, 8                        | 18 |
| Highlands, Cashiers, 11             | 22 |
| Webster, Webster, 3                 | 22 |
| Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11          | 29 |
| Shooting Creek, Myers, 3            | 29 |
| Canton, First Church, 8             | 29 |



## In Memoriam

**MEEKINS**—Pharaoh F. Meekins was born January 11, 1872, and left this world one year ago, August 9, 1939, as the dawn of a new day was breaking. He had been a member of the Stumpy Point Methodist church since early childhood and gave his life unselfishly in service to others. For two years and eight months he bore patiently bodily affliction. He is missed greatly by his friends and loved ones, but his teachings and influence continue to live in their hearts and lives. Truly he glorified God while on earth, and finishing his work has received the reward.

His daughter,

Willie M. Hooper.

**SHORT**—The friends and relatives of Sidney B. Short were deeply shocked and grieved at his sudden death on May 24, 1940, at his home in Shelby, N. C. Although he had been in declining health for several years his passing was unexpected.

The funeral rites were held at 2:30 o'clock on May 26 in the Lafayette Street Methodist church of which he was a devoted member.

Sidney B. Short was born in Cleveland county and was a son of Francis and Rosanna Short. At the time of his death he was in his 70th year. He served in the Spanish-American War and was a charter member of the Junius T. Gardner Camp No. 10. He had served faithfully and efficiently as quartermaster of the camp since its organization.

He was a popular and esteemed citizen in his community and a faithful churchman, having served on the board of stewards of his church for more than ten years. His noble character, winning personality and jolly disposition had won for him many friends over the county and state, who mourn his passing. His relatives and friends will not soon forget his kindness, helpfulness, his sympathetic views, his cheerfulness, and his beautiful outlook on life.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Callie Towery Short, and five daughters, Mrs. J. D. Blanton, Mrs. Ryburn Hamrick, Mrs. Marvin Blanton, Jr., and Misses Lucy and Mattie Short.

**WHITE**—Mrs. C. V. White, age 71 years, 11 months and 18 days, died at her home from rheumatism and uremic poisoning after an illness of 25 days.

Before her marriage Mrs. White was Miss Sallie Warren Wynne, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hoskins Wynne. She was born in Chowan county on May 4, 1868.

She was married to Charles Vernon White on November 16, 1887, at the Rehobeth Methodist Protestant church by the Rev. Mr. Lowe, M. E. minister. There were 16 attendants on the young couple at the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. White had been married 52 years last November 16 and had lived at the present home for over 50 years. She was a dutiful member of Rehobeth church, joining while young, and was organist for a good many years.

Those who mourn the loss of their dear wife, mother and sister are: Her husband, C. V. White; children, Chas. T. White, Eva Vernon White, Walter W. White, Joe Bernard White, and Sarah Alice White; two sisters, Mrs. May Bray of Hertford and Mrs. Herbert Owens of Columbia; grandchildren, Miss Margie White, student at E. C.

T. C., Greenville; Thomas, Billie and Joseph Jessie White.

The funeral was conducted Tuesday afternoon at the home by Rev. Sulon Ferree of Creswell Methodist church, assisted by Dr. G. A. Martin, Baptist minister of Creswell churches. The burial took place at the Noah White cemetery, on Tuesday afternoon, April 23, at 4 o'clock.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

(Resolutions adopted by Board of Stewards of Central Methodist Church, Concord, N. C.)

Whereas, our kind heavenly Father has taken home a beloved member of this board, Brother A. F. Hartsell; and whereas, our beloved brother has been a most faithful, loyal and devoted member of our church for a lifetime; and whereas, he loved his church most devotedly and gave unstintingly of his energy and time to his local church and rendered a conspicuous service to the church at large as treasurer of the conference board of missions, an exalting service that he took delight in performing.

Therefore be it resolved, that the Board of Stewards of Central Methodist Church, Concord, N. C., place on record our love and appreciation of this good man.

Second, That we extend to his loved ones our love and sympathy.

Third, That we commend to the rising generation the example of this devoted servant of his Master and pray that his mantle may fall on many of our younger members.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our board, that a copy be sent to the family of the deceased, that a copy be published in our city paper and in the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

A. S. Webb,  
L. D. Coltrane,  
E. K. McLarty,  
C. B. Barber.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Death having removed from this community one of its oldest and most respected citizens, Preston Philetus Johnson, familiarly known as "Uncle Press"; and

Whereas, he had lived for 93 years with honor among his fellows and with distinction as a citizen; and

Whereas, this citizenship extend into the realm of Christianity with soldierly virtues as great as those which he exhibited as a member of the Confederate Army in the War Between the States; and

Whereas, he chose to ally himself with the Methodist denomination early in life and remained faithful to its principles to the end; and

Whereas, he had been a member of this church since 1908 and had for a considerable period been an honorary steward, all the while permitting nothing to dissuade him from meeting his obligations of support and attendance; and

Whereas, his physical presence and spiritual precepts will be sorely missed by the community, church, friends and family.

Now therefore be it resolved, that these resolutions be adopted by the Board of Stewards of the First Methodist Church of Hendersonville, N. C., that a copy be made a part of the permanent minutes of the board, another copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication, and a third copy be sent to the family.

C. M. Ogle,  
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## Christian Fellowship in Time of Crisis

By ERNEST FREMONT TITTLE

*I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beseech you to walk worthily of the calling wherewith ye were called, with all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; giving diligence to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.—Ephesians 4:1-3.*

**I**N a world that is being torn to pieces by bitter conflict, there is a human fellowship that is full of promise for the future of mankind. It reaches to the ends of the earth. It transcends divisions of race and nation and color and class. It includes Europeans and Asiatics and Africans and Americans. It contains numbers of men and women of clear vision and good will who quite naturally think in world terms, who are really devoted to the good of humanity, and who, in humble dependence on God, are devoting themselves to works of education, of mercy and healing, of righteousness, justice, and peace. At a time when civilization as we have known it is collapsing, there is a world-wide fellowship in Christ that is full of promise for the future of man on the earth.

Here is faith in an age of doubt—faith in a Power not ourselves that is making for righteousness. Here is hope in an age of cruelty—the kindness of Christ manifesting itself, for example, in missionaries who, under the most dreadful conditions imaginable, remain at their posts, ministering to the bodies and souls of persons of another race. Here is insight in an age of confusion.

Today, the Christian church, as no other institution on earth, is keeping its head. Today, Christian faith, as nothing else under heaven, is serving to keep alive in the world the beliefs, the standards, and the practices of a free and humane culture. Tomorrow, it will be the faith and spirit of Christ which, if anything can, will, under God, avert utter, irretrievable disaster and heal the wounds of the world. It is, indeed, all-important to maintain this world-wide fellowship in Christ.

This, however, requires to be said. Christian fellowship cannot survive internationally unless it survives locally. It cannot possibly be maintained in the ends of the earth unless it is maintained in the church on the corner. As Americans, we have now to recognize the fact that government of the people, by the people, for the people, if it is not to perish from the earth, must be maintained in the United States. We cannot possibly save democracy anywhere else in the world if we permit it in this country to be destroyed. As Christians, we have also to recognize the fact that fellowship in Christ, if it is not to succumb to fear, hate, bitterness, and intolerance must be kept alive in local congregations.

People who are honest and unselfish and who, although differing as to means, are seeking the same ends can maintain fellowship one with another, especially if they find some things which they can do together. We do not all think alike on the war issue; but we all want to keep freedom and democracy alive on the earth; we all want to preserve faith, hope, and love; we all want to contribute in some way to the relief of human suffering; we all want to help heal the terrible wounds of the world. There are, therefore, many forms of practical service in which, with all our hearts, we can engage, and, engaging, find ourselves, despite differences of opinion, bound together in spirit, in trust, and in affection.

—Zions Herald.



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#### ADVOCATE YEAR ENDS SEPT. 30

Our fiscal year will end September 30, when we make our final report of new subscribers for the year and also our annual report to the Methodist Board of Publication. This comes before the pastors' reports to the annual conferences. So these next thirty days call for all to get in the game.

Next week we expect to make a full announcement of plans for September. All will have a chance to get in a report for the Advocate before the books close for the year 1940.

#### Statements to All Delinquent Subscribers

During the first ten days of September statements will go to all subscribers who are not paid up to date. Of course those who are ahead will receive no statement. We are fully expecting to get in many renewals during September. Pastors can aid no little by words of encouragement from the pulpits and in official meetings.

#### REALLY TWO THINGS WRONG

Dr. Arthur Hewitt at Lake Junaluska, as reported on page 8 this week, said six things wrong with the rural church. Then he proceeds to name them. But to our way of thinking the first and second things mentioned about cover the grounds. These are, according to Dr. Hewitt: First, terrible economic stringency. Second, invincible ignorance—the ignorance of bishops, district superinten-

dents and other leaders as to the importance of the country church. These two things call for money and wisdom. Why should not we go about remedying this situation here in North Carolina? In most states the situation is so desperate that it is hopeless. We really might do something about it were we to set ourselves to the task by providing more money and employing more wisdom in the venture.

#### SUPREME COURT SPEAKS

"It is urged that, as the liquors are used as a beverage, and the injury following them, is taken in excess, is voluntarily inflicted, and is confined to the party offending, their sale should be without restrictions, the contention being that what a man shall eat, is not properly matter for legislation."

"There is in this position an assumption of a fact which does not exist, that when the liquors are taken in excess, the injuries are confined to the party offending. The injury, it is true, first falls upon him in his health, which the habit undermines; in his morals, which it weakens; and in the self-abasement which it creates. But, as it leads to neglect of business and waste of property and general demoralization, it affects those who are immediately connected with and dependent upon him."

"By the general concurrence of opinion of every civilized and Christian community, there are few sources of crime and misery to society equal to the dram shop, where intoxicating liquors, in small quantities, to be drunk at the time, are sold indiscriminately to all parties applying. The statistics of every state show a greater amount of crime and misery attributable to the use of ardent spirits obtained at these retail liquor saloons than to any other source."—The Supreme Court of the United States, Crowley vs. Christenson, 137 U.S. 86.



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The young and expectant freshmen all about us are most refreshing with the early opening of our colleges. They are as exhilarating as the first flowers of spring. They fill the world with hope and expectancy. God bless them every one and cheer the hearts of parents and guardians.

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Harry Hopkins worked hard all summer and now when autumn with its life giving breezes is just around the corner the over-worked Mr. Hopkins has to surrender his job on account of his health. If he had gone to the seashore or the mountains during the Chicago convention he would now perhaps be a well man. Almost any Democratic leader who attended that convention can tell you about what happened there.

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Labor Day is of special interest and significance to the world of organized labor. In a sense, it is a dividing line between the summer and autumn in American industry. But for us Methodists in the South it marks the month of the autumnal equinox with the coming of the autumn leaf and the ripened harvests. Reports for the year and the plans for the new year are of vast concern to every alert preacher and eager church. These are the testing times for all.

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That first month and the last two! We refer to the first month of the conference year and the two months at the close of the year. The first determines largely the quality of work to be done and the last determines how well the harvest is gathered. Just now we are especially concerned with the closing weeks in the two North Carolina conferences. These weeks are the ones for which all the others were made. Success rests largely with the leaders—the pastors in every church. They must display energy, enterprise and good sense to stir and direct the lay members in town and country.

For two years now we have been in the midst of Methodist union with the eager expectation that attended the change and adjustments. These coming annual conferences will find us checking up on the results and striving to iron out the rough places. Care must be exercised to see that we do not settle down to the humdrum of the commonplace.

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The remarkably fine showing made by the drys in South Carolina this week and the equally good showing made by the anti-liquor folks in North Carolina whenever they have had a chance to vote indicate the certain trend in the two Carolinas. These two states will go against liquor as soon as the people are allowed the rights of free men in a democracy.

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Variety in Unity by Dr. W. R. Cullom of Wake Forest College in this week's Biblical Recorder is an article all should read. We set down three points made, hoping to stimulate interest in this valuable discussion: (1) God has a place in the work of his kingdom for all sorts of people. (2) It should make us more tolerant of those who differ with us. (3) It will lead us to appreciate and even to learn from those who differ with us.

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The "kitchen cabinet" has already begun to assemble at spare moments to discuss what pastors will move this year and where they should go according to divine appointment. Some attention is also being given some of the district superintendents. But with the approach of annual conference will arrive the gridiron season. With football and the "kitchen cabinet" to engross attention no Methodist preacher need to meddle with politics. He can pass up Roosevelt and Willkie till November 5. It is said that every man should have a hobby. We agree, except we advise that one eschew politics if he expects to be happy here below and also up yonder.



## Did Booze Defeat the Armies of France?

WE do not undertake to answer the above question. It is too big for us. But we let the Council of Ministers of the present Petain government tell us about it as the reports come from the United Press and other news agencies that are trustworthy.

They tell us that for eight months during the "phony war" when there was virtually no action on the Western Front the French troops drank tremendous quantities of alcohol, a spokesman said, and military authorities blame the widespread intoxication for much of the moral collapse of the soldiers.

The drinking produced nervous disorders and shell shock when the French forces finally came up against the Nazi mechanized forces, particularly such terrifying weapons as whistling bombs and swarms of tanks. A spokesman of the Petain regime said that when the war started a year ago France had become the heaviest drinking nation in Europe with a per capita consumption of about three quarts of alcohol in addition to about 50 gallons of wine. French army chiefs were said to have been "astounded" at the spread of alcoholism when the army was mobilized in September of 1939 and during the mobilization itself there were said to have been many "alcoholic accidents," including cases of delirium tremens and even death.

Such was the state of affairs that led to the defeat of France and also has resulted in partial prohibition for France in an effort toward remedying the conditions which led to the unspeakable disaster that has overtaken the French people.

The new decree published in the official journal limits drinks to 16 per cent alcohol and provides for three no alcoholic days each week. No drinks may be sold to youths under 20 years of age.

Perhaps nothing was more surprising in the history of the sundry attempts to control the liquor evil than that France should turn to prohibition. This nation's chief occupation has been to eat and to drink, especially to drink. They considered themselves past masters when it came to any and every sort of alcoholic drinks, but it now appears that drink is about to get the mastery even of the French. And if so, an average man need not think for a single moment that he can drink himself sober any more than he can spend him-

self rich. Perhaps France has learned a lesson that will be profitable through the future years.

## Theories Frequently Go to Smash on Hard Facts

FACTS are said to be stubborn things. They are more than stubborn. They are hard rocks upon which many beautiful theories go to smash.

Men and women, for instance, frequently gather their garments of charity like robes of righteousness about themselves and declare against the death penalty as a punishment for notorious criminals. But when some little child is snatched from its nursery or from the school room and carried away for ransom, while the father and mother suffer each day a thousand deaths, these fine theories go to smash and these theorists keep silent lest they be branded moral morons in the presence of the crime that has done violence to every virtue and that is inherent with tortures which would put savages to shame.

Such fine theories of tender mercy are not adapted to the world in which we live, a world of bloody dictators, kidnapers of little children, murders and every other conceivable crime. Within the last few years since we have stopped listening to the "sob sisters," both male and female, and have made a beginning in meting out merited punishment, there are signs already of a better state of affairs.

## Will England Win?

WINSTON CHURCHILL declares that Britain will win. And he is buying arms of all sorts for the next two years. The British Tobacco Company is on North Carolina tobacco markets laying up in store the favorite weed for the next two and three years. The British Navy is now equal to what it was at the beginning of the war. The British merchant marine is said to be larger than it was a year ago, and this does not include the ships of Holland, Denmark and Norway that are under the British flag. The most trustworthy experts declare that Germany will not invade England this fall or winter. And any intelligent newspaper reader who has a personal knowledge of the English Channel and the British climate, to say nothing of the English and Scotch people have no fears of an invasion of the British Isles in the immediate future. What the years hold in store is another question. But we still



believe in the ultimate victory of truth and justice and righteousness.

But what puzzles some of us is why the American people are so overwhelmed with the "jitters." We think it is about time for us to go about our business as men and not as manikins.

### A Plentitude of Wisecracks

**T**HE Statesville Landmark is a bit disturbed by the early prospect of a superabundance of wisecracks in the present campaign. Wisecracks are an easy and cheap order of fun and if they bear ill will are to be condemned. But there are other worse things even in partisan politics.

However, let's have a paragraph from the Landmark:

"By this time the public must be convinced that it is in for a barrage of wisecracks, some of which land below the belt, in the national campaign now in full swing. Mr. Willkie is plenty good at this kind of warfare, as his acceptance speech reveals, and Monday evening's activities indicate that the other side is not lacking in talent. It is a pity that it must be that way. Wendell Willkie is a sincere and able man. So is Mr. Roosevelt, and both should be spared the short-cuts."

### The Bantu's Philosophy

**M**R. THOMPSON SETON and the late Dan Crawford of African fame were seated together at a London dinner where these two stories were told, as recorded in The Christian Herald: "Mr. Thompson Seton told a story of an old Red Indian to whom he showed the wonders of New York, and who on leaving for his reservation said, 'We have no bridges to span over great rivers, no great white ways to spoil the darkness of our nights, no trains under the land and over the land, but we, Mr. Thompson Seton, we have peace of mind.' Dan Crawford enjoyed the story, and then told us of a Bantu who sat with him one night in his African hut and listened to Crawford's catalogue of the wonders of England, of water from taps, electric lights, and big ships and railway trains. When the inventory was completed, the Bantu slowly and gravely said, 'Well, Mr. Crawford, you know, to be better off is not to be better.' " It is next to impossible for us Americans to learn the wisdom that is bound up in the old Bantu's philosophy. The things that we have cannot take the place of what we are.

### The Bad Old Days

**P**EOPLE not a few take pleasure in talking about the good old days when men and women and boys and girls were better than they are now. And they love to lament the departure of the big revivals and the great preachers of other days which have passed away never to return.

But who ever heard one of these dyspeptic saints discussing the bad old days of yesterday years?

Why don't some of our preachers prepare a few telling sermons on the "bad old days?" We are persuaded that they would be more inspiring than sermons on the opposite subject. Not that the past was wholly bad or that the present is entirely good, for this was never true. The good and the bad have been mixed in every generation, but to talk occasionally about the bad would preserve a proper balance.

### Truth Will Rise Again

**M**OST people are acquainted with the immortal couplet, "Truth crushed to earth will rise again. The eternal years of God are hers." This well known utterance is immortal because it is true. All truth is immortal. It may be buried in a tomb but it will rise again. If not on the morning of the third day, it will rise in the third decade, or the third century, or the third millennium. Falsehood endures only for a season. It may be for a day, or a year, or a decade, or a century, but sooner or later and generally surprisingly soon it dies the death. It appears amazingly strange that men will put their trust in lies. Think of the rulers of any nation, like Stalin or Hitler, who put their trust in lies of every sort and in brute force, being inclined to expect permanent success for their governments which are now a curse to all the people of earth. Such cannot be.

### The Dionne Quintuplets

**I**N these days when the nations are at war and a presidential campaign is in its incipency in the United States of America, let us not forget those five little girls in Canada who have reached the age of six. They are now of school age, a great point in any child's life. At that age children cease to be babies. The nursery is no longer big enough for them. The outside world beckons and they are eager to respond. We hope they all joined in singing "Happy birthday."



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference, Fifth Avenue, Wilmington. . . November 5**

"E. Wannamaker Hardin, Jr., arrived on August 27, 1940, to live with Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hardin. Weight, 7 1/4 pounds." Mrs. Hardin is the former Miss Margaret Ormond of Durham.

Next Sunday, September 1, will be home coming day at Savannah church, Lilesville charge. All former pastors, members and friends of the church are cordially invited to attend these services.—H. R. Cornelius.

Rev. M. C. Ellerbe did the preaching for Rev. G. L. Reynolds in the annual revival of Bethel church, Alamance circuit, last week. There were 12 additions on profession of faith.

Rev. J. W. Groce of High Point will begin a revival at the Hillsboro Methodist church Sunday night, September 1, at 7:30. Services will be held daily at 3 and 7:30 p. m. through September 10. All are very cordially invited to attend.—J. V. Early, Pastor.

Home coming day will be observed at Bessemer City Methodist church on Sunday, September 8. A former pastor will preach at the 11 o'clock hour. All friends, former members and former pastors are cordially invited to attend. Dinner will be observed at the noon hour. Come and bring a basket.—Board of Stewards.

Dr. James Cannon, III, professor of the history of religion in the Duke school of religion, is en route to California to attend the triennial council of Phi Beta Kappa. Dr. Cannon is secretary of the Duke chapter of Phi Beta Kappa society and is the official delegate of that chapter to the triennial council of the general society. The session of that body will be held in San Francisco August 28 to 31. A chief item of business at the council session will be the granting of charters for new Phi Beta Kappa chapters. Nine institutions have presented approved petitions for charters. They are: Albion College, Bucknell University, Catholic University of America, the University of Denver, Elmira College, Milwaukee-Downer College, Wake Forest College, and the University of Wyoming. Dr. Cannon is accompanied by his son Walter. They will return September 9.

Shiloh, C. E. Ridge, Pastor.—The annual revival services have just closed, but we hope the revival will continue and grow throughout the year. Rev. J. L. Ingram, pastor of Midway-Welcome, was the pulpit help and preached vital truths throughout the week. He is truly a man of God and he preached with great spiritual power. There were nine additions to the church by baptism; others are coming by letter, so the pastor is opening the doors of the church for reception of members Sunday morning. We were glad to have Rev. J. R. Hutton, a superannuate, with us until after Friday afternoon service. He conducted the prayer services each evening prior to the preaching service. Other ministers, Rev. C. C. Woggoner of Beulah Reformed, Rev. J. O. Ervin of Erlanger Methodist, and Rev. N. C. Teague of Reed's Baptist were also present. The church is most grateful for the spiritual inspiration from Rev. Mr. Ingram, and will be glad to hear him again. Our pastor is engaged at Denton this week assisting Rev. G. L. Curry. We hope for them a glorious revival. The women of our church are looking forward to the charter meeting of the W. S. C. S. which will be held at the church next Sunday night unless the pastor is still engaged at Denton; but announcement will be made Sunday. We hope our church will ever go forward in accomplishments for the furtherance of the gospel.—Mrs. Homer Sink.

Certainly the art of writing is the most miraculous of all things man has devised. In books lies the soul of the whole past time; the articulate audible voice of the past, when the body and material substance of it has altogether vanished like a dream. . . . All that mankind has done, thought, gained or been; it is lying as in magic preservation in the pages of books. They are the chosen possession of man.—Carlyle.

"Bingo outdraws baseball in Cincinnati!" So says Police Chief Eugene T. Weatherly, who is a bit concerned about it. Sponsored mainly by Roman Catholic churches, the bingo parties drew in 1939 a greater attendance than did all the National League baseball games played at Crosley Field by the Cincinnati Reds—and the Reds were playing good ball. Bingo made a profit for the churches of nearly \$1,500,000; top prizes for a time reached \$1,000. Not only Chief Weatherly is alarmed; more than one Roman Catholic bishop, Archbishop and Monsignor has "cracked down" on church bingo and forbidden it, and we hear that Wisconsin Supreme Court has ruled bingo out; it is illegal even for support of church charity. Bingo is bad. Bingo is gambling, whether played in a church parish house or in a public hall.—Christian Herald.

## NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE ASSEMBLES IN WILMINGTON NOVEMBER 5-8

Last week the Committee on Entertainment made official announcement that the North Carolina conference goes to Wilmington for its annual session. This will be most pleasing to the big majority of our people. Few places are more satisfactory for such a gathering than this "City by the Sea." Again and again have the Methodists gathered in Wilmington at old Front Street and later at Grace, the successor of Front Street church.

This year the session will be held in Fifth Avenue church, which will give a warm welcome to the Methodists. This session will be different from all the rest—it will not include a Sunday. The session is announced to begin Tuesday afternoon of November 5 and close Friday noon, November 8. Most of the members can vote Tuesday morning and reach Wilmington in time for the opening session.

All who do well their jobs these weeks of preparation will have a glorious time. Those who lazy along and fail to do well their work will in all probability be over anxious about their appointments for the new year. Conference time is always hard on the shirk and loafer.

## HIGH POINT COLLEGE

High Point College brought its summer school to a close last week with the conferring of 17 degrees. This good number graduating in the summer session added to the 86 who received degrees at the regular commencement makes a total of 103 who graduated with the class of 1940, the largest class in the history of the institution.

The fall semester opens at the High Point institution on Monday, September 9. Upper classmen will register on that date and freshmen will register on Tuesday afternoon, September 10. All indications point to a full and enthusiastic enrollment.



## DILWORTH CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE CAMP A SUCCESS

On Monday morning, July 29, some 25 cars filled with boys and girls left the Dilworth Methodist church for Camp York, in the Kings Mountain National Park, for a week's adventure in the service of God and mankind. This party consisted of 76 boys and girls and 24 adult leaders.

These boys and girls worked, played and worshipped together in perfect harmony throughout the whole week. Each of them striving not to do their best but to improve themselves in every way possible. The spirit that prevailed was the spirit of Christ-like love and fellowship.

Camp York is an ideal location for a coed camp. It is divided into three sections that are more than a block length apart. The boys used one of these section and the girls used the remaining two. There were three camper and one counselor in every cabin. These small groups lent themselves to a closer personal touch between the counselors and their charges.

The campers were divided into four Indian tribes of 19 boys and girls to provide competition in the various activities of the camp. Points were awarded for each event won and these were contributed to the total score of the tribes. The tribe gaining the most points was awarded nice six-inch "D's" for every member of the tribe. The spirit of true sportsmanship coming out of this could be the envy of any group however large or small. At the end of the week silver cups were awarded to the boy and the girl who had shown themselves to be outstanding during the week.

Those persons responsible for the leadership of these boys and girls were: Paul S. Jones, camp director; Miss Janet Robinson, director of religious training; Miss Mary Margaret Johnson, director of girls' activities; and James Hornbuckle, director of boys' activities, and the following counselors and teachers: Mrs. Paul S. Jones, Mrs. W. Jeddy Johnson, Miss Lillian Walker, Mrs. Julian Beall, Miss Mildred Hutchinson, Miss Betty Love, Mrs. Jack Hyland, Miss Clara Carpenter, Miss Louise Clay, Mrs. Lonnie D. Rogers, Miss Mary Guille Morrow, Miss Dorothy Bird, Mrs. Fred J. Kerr, night, at which the awards were made and a short but inspiring talk was made by the chief advisor and counselor, Rev. Howard P. Powell.

The high spot in the entire camp program was the consecration service on the lake front on Friday night. This service was built around the Cross of Christ. The light was brought from a burning cross across the lake and passed on to each boy and girl as a symbol of a new consecration on his or her part. It can be well said that this light burned its way into the heart and life of every boy and girl in a lasting impression.

The camp program closed with a banquet on Saturday night, at which the award were made and a short but inspiring talk was made by the chief advisor and counselor, Rev. Howard P. Powell.

After the banquet the cars were filled with boys and girls, many of them weeping because the camp was over, and the return trip was made to the church in Charlotte.

This was a camp that any church can be justly proud and every boy and girl and counselor that had a part in it can also feel that surge of pride from having been a part of it. So successful was this undertaking that plans are under way to make the Dilworth Christian Adventure Camp an annual institution for that church.

## WILMINGTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 12 AT GARLAND

The meeting of the Wilmington district conference will be held in the Garland church on Garland charge, September 12, 1940. Everything is being done by pastor and people to make this a great day for all. District Superintendent W. A. Cade will preside and the conference will convene at 10 o'clock.

Dinner will be served on the grounds.

O. C. Melton, Pastor.

## SPAINHOUR-HARDEE

Of interest to a wide circle of friends is the following:

"Mrs. Ralph Harrington Spainhour requests the honour of your presence at the marriage of her daughter, Frances Belle, to the Reverend Robert Marion Hardee on Saturday afternoon, September the fourteenth, nineteen hundred and forty, at five o'clock. First Presbyterian church, Morganton, North Carolina."

## NEW PARSONAGE AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF PROGRESS AT WEST JEFFERSON

West Jefferson became a station only a little more than three years ago. Since that time they have moved forward at a rather rapid pace. Under the leadership of Jack Huncutt approximately 70 new members were added to the rolls. It was also under his leadership that a beautiful parsonage was started along the way to near completion. The first floor along with the landscaping have just been completed this spring and summer.



We meet all obligations the first of every month, so that each new month finds us with a clean slate in so far as the church budget is concerned.

We have held our vacation church school and revival and the spiritual life of the church is at a high peak. With the blessings of the Father we are really going places next year.

These people also responded to the Advocate campaign and are still responding. Every member of the board of stewards is taking the Advocate. And we have gone beyond our one subscription for every 100 members.

Hoyt H. Wood, Pastor.

## WOMAN'S COLLEGE AT GREENSBORO READY FOR THE NEW YEAR

Fall activity at Woman's College of the University of North Carolina will get under way September 4 with the meeting of the Student Leadership conference preceding the opening of freshman week September 9. Registration for new students is set for Tuesday, September 12; for upper classmen, Friday, September 13; and classes begin Saturday morning, September 14.

Enrollment for the new year has already reached capacity, more than 600 being admitted for first year work to bring the total, including transfers and upper classmen, to approximately 2,200 to 2,300.

Dr. W. C. Jackson, dean of administration, announces the appointment of one new department head. Dr. McKee Fisk, former head of the department of commercial education, Oklahoma A. & M. College, as head of the secretarial administration department at Woman's College. He succeeds Frank B. Kyker, who has accepted a job as commercial education research specialist in the department of Interior, Washington. George M. Joyee, who for several years was head of the commercial department at the Woman's College, and who has been on leave of absence to work on his doctorate at the University of Pittsburgh, is returning to the college as auditor, budget officer, and head of the commercial department.

Six new instructors: one to join the art department; two, the economics department; one, chemistry; one, geography; and one, English, have been appointed to the faculty. Five assistants, all recent graduates of the college, will also return to the campus as members of the staffs in the departments of physical education, chemistry, romance languages, sociology, and the news bureau.



## THE CHURCH-WIDE CONFERENCE

By Dr. Nat G. Long

From 24 annual conferences and 19 states, 275 persons gathered at Lake Junaluska, August 6-11, to attend the church-wide pastors' conference presented by the Board of Education and the Board of Publication of The Methodist Church. Acting for the boards, Dr. W. F. Quillian was in charge.

Dr. Edgar S. Brightman, professor of philosophy, Boston University, delivered four lectures: "An Airplane View of Philosophy of Religion," "Religion and Totalitarianism," "Religion and Individualism," "Religion and the Kingdom of God."

Dr. Brightman declared that through faith and reason we arrive at the conviction that God is seeking to establish a co-operative social order. The principles at work in our world are thwarting God's purpose. One is the principle of totalitarianism, the other is the principle of individualism. Each principle has in it both good and bad. It is the over-emphasis of the bad in the employment of each principle which prevents the establishment of the co-operative social order.

But there are serious defects in totalitarianism. It over-estimates the worth of leaders; it under-evaluates the common man; it subordinates all forms of culture to military and economic ends; it subordinates reason to emotion.

Hitlerism is totalitarianism at its worst. It brings disaster to the world.

Individualism declares the individual valuable for himself, that he is an end in himself. There is value in this principle. Our Christian religion exalts the individual. It is true that all our action, initiative, our responses are individual. There is no such thing as the social mind. Only individuals think. Goodness or badness exists only in individuals. No group ever does anything except as individuals do something.

But individualism, like totalitarianism, has serious defects. First, extreme individualism ignores the fact of one's dependence upon society, the universe, God. It gives one a false sense of his independence. Second, the extreme individualist thinks that the source of all power is within him. Third, he fails to grasp the principle of co-operation.

Dr. Arthur Hewitt, famous country preacher of Vermont, delivered four lectures: "God's Backpasture," "What Is Wrong with the Country Church?" "My Heart's in the Highlands," and "The Steeples and the Stars."

Dr. Hewitt declared that there are 10,000 villages in the U. S. without any church whatever; there are 30,000 villages with no pastor, resident or absentee. There are 52 millions of our people living in rural areas. For every 32 million people in the country, there are four million more children than for every 32 million people in the city; 80 per cent of the leadership of the church has come from the country in the past; 70 per cent of the members received by letter into the city church come from the country church. Within 12 years a generation from the first grade through the high school comes and goes. If we neglect the large numbers of country children, the moral and religious future of our country will be dark. Six things are wrong with the rural church, according to Dr. Hewitt. First, terrible economic stringency. Second, invincible ignorance—the ignorance of bishops, district superintendents, and other leaders as to the importance of the country church. Third, ecclesiastical manslaughter—the appointing powers send their most poorly trained men to the rural areas. Fourth, fatalistic pessimism—especially the lack of hope for the country church on the part of the appointing powers. Fifth, it is the victim of pious immortality—the "cussedness of the saints." Sixth it has been content with colonial isolation; we have not tried to reach with the gospel the last man in the most country district.

Dr. Burris Jenkins, pastor of the Community Church, Kansas City, delivered four lectures: "The Beauty of the New Testament," "Let's Build a New World," "The Community Church Idea," "Coming Events Cast Their Shadows." Among other things, Dr. Jenkins declared that the only way to build a new world is on the basis of the simple principles of Jesus, such as, "The meek shall inherit the earth," "Do unto others whatsoever ye would that they should do unto you," "Whosoever would be great among you let him be the servant of all." The most practical program for Christianity in building a new world is the Social Creed adopted by the Federal Council of Churches, and endorsed by the Catholic Welfare Board and the Council of Jewish Rabbis.

Bishop W. W. Peele spoke on "The Major Objectives of Methodism," and he gave the closing message of the conference. He declared that again Methodism must emphasize Christian experience and Christian living; evangelism; Christian education; world missions. These are the things which have made Methodism great; these are the things which will keep Methodism great.

Music was furnished by Prof. Walter Vassar of Greensboro College and his choir. Devotional services led by Dr. W. A. Stanbury, Bishop W. N. Ainsworth, Rev. M. T. Smath-

ers, Bishop James A. Cannon, and others. Many declared the conference the best the church has ever presented at Lake Junaluska.

## A TRIBUTE TO MRS. R. R. ALLEY

By Grace Barnhardt Plyler

The passing of Mrs. R. R. Alley in a Pittsburgh hospital, on July 23, brought sorrow and a sense of irreparable loss to a large group of friends in her adopted state of North Carolina and to many who live beyond its boundaries.

As a member of West Market Street church, Greensboro, she was outstanding because of her unfailing loyalty, constant attendance upon all the services and untiring effort in the advancement of all the interests of the church.

A close friend, companion and fellow worker with Mrs. Lucy Robertson over a long period of years, she was quietly dedicated to the program and progressive interests of the woman's missionary society, not only the organization of West Market Street church, but to the missionary enterprise as a whole. Her knowledge of its affairs coupled with her gift for wise counsel and tactful administration made her a vital force in the organization and its accomplishments. Mrs. Alley's religion was so genuine, her understanding so clear, and her reasonings so well grounded one rarely questioned any decision she made.

During the twenty-seven years of residence at Greensboro College, to hundreds of girls she was not only the librarian, but a friend and advisor in a truly maternal sense. The faculty sought her counsel, based on experience vitalized by timely progressiveness. Possessed of a deep, rich culture her character emanated a patient, discriminating sense of justice rarely seen. She was a woman to admire, to emulate and at the same time she was, most of all, a friend in the truest sense of the word; one to enjoy, whose companionship gave pleasure as well as inspiration. The world is poorer because Mrs. Alley is no longer here, but her immortality is a living, stimulating force. We will continue to feel the influence of her deeply religious nature and go out to our tasks with a higher concept of what life may become when it is really and fully dedicated to the principles and mission of Jesus Christ.

## ALL THINGS TO ALL MEN

By Amos R. Wells

Christ was a home missionary, in the house of Lazarus.

Christ was a foreign missionary, when the Greeks came to him.

Christ was a city missionary, when he taught in Samaria.

Christ was a Sunday school missionary, when he opened up the Scriptures and set men to studying the Word of God.

Christ was a children's missionary, when he took them in his arms and blessed them.

Christ was a missionary to the poor, when he opened the eyes of the blind beggar.

Christ was a missionary to the rich, when he opened the spiritual eyes of Zaccheus.

Even on the cross, Christ was a missionary to the robber, and his last command was a missionary commission. —Religious Telescope.



## TWO NEW INSTRUCTORS AT GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Miss Mary Catherine Owen

That Miss Mary Catherine Owen of Lakeland, Fla., has been appointed instructor in the English department and an assistant in the personnel department of Greensboro College has just been announced by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, who says that Miss Owen will take up her duties at the opening of the college on September 10.



Miss Mary C. Owen



Miss Mary Rebecca White

Miss Owen's record shows excellent training and wide experience in educational work. She is an A.B. graduate of Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn., and holds M.A. degrees from both Scarritt and Peabody College. She has also studied at the University of Chicago and has completed all requirements for the Ph.D. degree except the dissertation, which is under way. She has taught in Morris Harvey College and in Eastern Kentucky State Teachers College. While at Morris Harvey, Miss Owen served also as assistant dean of women.

Other members of the department of English at Greensboro College are Dr. J. Roddey Miller, head of the department, Miss Mary L. Ginn, Miss Grace Hinchliff, and Miss Annette Shinn, librarian, who teaches the course in literature for the elementary grades.

Miss Mary Rebecca White

Miss Mary Rebecca White of Fairmont, W. Va., has been appointed instructor in the department of romance languages of Greensboro College for the scholastic year beginning September 10, according to President Luther L. Gobbel, who says that this addition to the faculty is necessitated by the steady increase in student enrollment in recent years. Dr. R. T. Dunstan is head of the department, of which Dr. Madeline Stinson is also a member.

Miss White comes to the faculty of Greensboro College highly recommended. She holds the A.B. degree from Fairmont State Teachers College and the A.M. degree from Duke University, where she is also a candidate for the Ph.D. degree, having completed all the work for the doctorate except her dissertation, which is almost completed. Miss White has also studied at the University of West Virginia.

## HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

For more than a year conversations have been had and many committees and board meetings have been held looking toward the very best plans to conserve the interest of our Children's Homes, and to continue their work in a way which would best take care of the greatest number of dependent children.

It has been exceedingly difficult to tell where we were going until we arrived. And whether the very best thing has

been done many will question, while others are confident. At any rate, what is written is written, and unless the annual conferences fail to ratify it will go that way. Certainly many of our former Methodist Protestant people are anxious to know just what has been done, since we have been practically silent on the matter.

Back in late March the board of trustees of the Winston Children's Home made a proposition to our board of trustees which has already been published. Our board held two meetings and discussed the matter at length without reaching any agreement. At a third meeting a set of resolutions were presented, and after considerable debate and some amending the resolutions were unanimously adopted by those trustees who were present.

(Then follows, in order, the resolutions adopted by the board of trustees of the Methodist Protestant Children's Home, Inc., setting out the plan of consolidation with the Children's Home at Winston-Salem; also the letter of Chairman J. M. Millikan of the Methodist Protestant board to O. V. Woosley, superintendent of the Children's Home; and finally the reply of O. V. Woosley to J. M. Millikan saying that the executive committee of the Children's Home board had unanimously approved the action of the Methodist Protestant board. Then follows words of highest appreciation of the action taken by the two boards. These resolutions and both the Millikan and the Woosley letters are crowded out for want of space at the present. They are on file available for anyone to see who may care.—Editors).

Following up these resolutions and acceptance 12 children have been taken to the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh and on yesterday we took 20 to the Children's Home, Winston-Salem. At both places our children received a royal welcome and will be well cared for. In the meantime we have placed three girls back with their mothers where conditions permitted their return. That leaves us today with 30 girls and 46 boys. A number of these will be placed next spring, leaving something like 50 to be transferred to the Children's Home in Winston-Salem next summer.

All of us realize that the above depends upon conference action this fall, but conference leaders have been consulted from time to time; so we do not anticipate any trouble at conference.

## High Point College Responsibility

High Point College has assumed a tremendous responsibility in promising free tuitions to any and all boys from Winston-Salem Children's Home and the Raleigh Orphanage who may desire to enter High Point College. In that way they will doubtless pay a very heavy interest on what they are getting. But many of our people will rejoice in the fact that these buildings and grounds are to be preserved to Christian purposes.

## A Great Reception

Mr. and Mrs. Woosley, their workers and children gave our 20 children a great reception, which took the shape of a watermelon slicing. Mr. Woosley kindly permitted me to talk to the group briefly, and he then turned them loose on the melons. They were very quiet and orderly for so large a group. Mr. Woosley is a wonderful superintendent and he sees things hard. I have tried to be a good superintendent and I also see things hard. He and I have not always seen eye to eye in conversations and in committee meetings, so there have been moments when neither of us were very happy. But all this is passed now and we are over the hill difficult. We had a good time together and I think we always will have in our meetings hereafter.

## Please Remember

All former Methodist Protestants are expected to support this Home during September and October, or until after conference. Then plans will be changed. Progress means changes. Methodist union means kingdom progress, so we must submit cheerfully to the changes even though the heart aches sometimes.

## DR. C. E. ROZZELLE TO HOLD MEETING IN MACON COUNTY

The county-wide evangelistic services for the year 1940 will be held as usual in Friendship Tabernacle beginning on Sunday night, September 8. These services are for all the people and denominations of Macon county. They are a co-operative effort on the part of the churches of the county, both rural and city.

The evangelist for the coming services will be Rev. C. E. Rozzelle, pastor of Main Street Methodist church in Gastonia. Mr. Rozzelle is a man of ability, wide experience, attractive personality, well trained mind, and great preacher of the gospel.

The meeting will last for two weeks, which is shorter than last year. Those who want to profit most from it should begin attending at the first and come regularly. Every person who will is invited and urged to come. Rev. and Mrs. Philip Green will lead the singing.



# The Conference of English Methodism Met This Year at Sheffield

While laboring under the stress of war the work of the conference was carried on as usual. Of such practical value was the address of the ex-President, Rev. Richard Pike, to the class for admission into the conference that we give it in full to our readers. It follows:

"It is expected that a few simple words should be spoken to you by one whose only right to speak those words is in the mercy of God. Very few men, I think, who are drawing near to the end of their ministry can look back upon it with deep, unbroken and unqualified satisfaction; and as I speak I feel it is not my record which justifies the position I am now in, but your generosity or tolerance, and the readiness of God to use a most imperfect instrument to fulfill his holy purpose.

"You begin your ministry in days so extraordinary that one does not know whether to envy or pity you. You would not ask for pity, and one is not disposed to envy, because you will be called upon to fulfill your ministry in conditions that will test your powers to the utmost. There are a few simple maxims which it may be well to press upon your hearts in this solemn hour. This is a beautiful and solemn service. You have come through a time of hope and struggle and disappointment, and you have anticipated this moment. You have come with our full confidence. We should like you to go out of this service better equipped than we have ever been.

"The Methodist Church has given you much. It will always be giving to you as you give to it. You must work very hard. That seems too ordinary and unromantic to press upon your thought in such a moment, and yet I cannot help feeling that it is just at this point that many ministers have failed. Dr. Alexander Maclaren, and other great preachers of our younger days, always challenged us by the fertility of their thought and the perfection of their style and the unending freshness of their presentation of the inexhaustible word of God. I remember seeing a very simple thing about Dr. Maclaren. It was said that he could not work in his study until he had put on his boots and laced them up. It meant that he had to work, and it meant that in his attire there must be every accompaniment which would sustain him in his devotion to work.

"I hope you will never acquire the habit, which some of us have not entirely escaped, of talking about our hard work. Don't talk about it. Business men won't believe it. There are always men in the church who are working hard too. Some of the business men in our churches, listening to the complaint of some of our men, must have had a great deal of grace to have listened patiently.

"Then you must be cheerful. I was not born with a perpetual smile myself, but I have sunshine in my heart, believe me. In my early ministry I knew an old lady who used to come to my church. 'Why don't you come now?' I asked her. 'Well,' she replied, 'I used to go to church full of trouble and thought I should get good, but I felt that the minister had more trouble than I had, and it didn't help me at all.' People will like to know that you work without talking about it, and they will like to see sunshine in your face. And when you go into the pulpit they will like to hear you say, 'Be of good courage.'

"You must be good men, and must accept the restrictions which the Methodist ministry lays upon its ministers. You will realize that there are some things which my people can do that I cannot do. That is a very beautiful story in Genesis which tells us about Eve, who saw the tree which she was not allowed to touch. There are good people in our congregations to whom you will have to speak about that very weakness, but you must escape it yourselves. It will give you increased influence among your people.

"Goodness implies daily surrender to God, daily communion with God, and the steeping of your minds in the Word. Perhaps the Bible has been so familiar to you these last few years that it has not made its appeal to you in its loveliness. If you live with the Bible you will come to love it and you will be sure of it as you surrender your will to God, and study with the Word to make full proof of your ministry.

"I will speak of two simple things in your ministry. One is that you will be a good pastor and a preacher. You will have to adjust the balance yourselves. I could speak about visiting, but for the fact that I have failed so horribly myself. There is great advantage in getting old. You can talk to people, and you will get on with young people. You must visit your people because you love them, and loving them you will slowly but surely acquire their confidence. You will sometimes wonder whether you ought to pray with them or not. I am not always sure of that. I ought to have settled that at the beginning of my ministry. A large number of Methodists will say, 'Yes, certainly.' I will confess that I have not been able to pray in every home I have visited. But you must observe that in every home you must so be a minister of the Gospel of the Grace of Christ that nobody will ever suspect that you are anything but a minister. You must pray with old and troubled and sick people. It is amazing how prayer seems to help people. It is a mystery, but grace is full of mysteries, and I have often seen people inspired by prayer in their homes.

"Do not suppose for a moment that you are going to build up a great church with great sermons. There are only about half a dozen men in the Kingdom great enough for that. Some men have magnetism, gifts which attract; but I know perfectly well that the congregation, the wholeness of it, depends on whether I have visited them or not. A friend of mine says he can tell by the congregation whether he has had a good week's visiting or not. Coming in and out among people has been a means of grace to me.

"There is something to be said about preaching. Don't always try to be original. That is one of the heresies, not only of young men. It is a mistake. We are never so original as we think we are. Why try to be? We are sent into the world to expound and interpret the Word, and to let the originality be that of the Holy Spirit.

"Do not aim at literary excellence. There is a difference between a perfect literary essay and a sermon. Your sermons must not be those chastely polished literary productions which may cause a passing ripple to a person whose literary excellence is more manifest than his



## Glenwood Methodist Church to Be Dedicated by Bishop Purcell Sunday, September 8

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REV. ROBERT M. HARDEE  
Pastor of Glenwood Methodist  
Church



growth in grace. You may be led to speak in rugged sentences.

"Whatever my ministerial brethren may say, don't read your sermons, but trust yourself. Often you will feel that you have done badly. That is better than Bunyan. You will remember how someone told him what a great sermon he had preached, and he replied, 'The devil told me that as I came down from the pulpit.'

"I had rather you came down saying it was a poor sermon. For that is the kind of sermon often that helps people, because it represents what you feel and believe. The last thing I want to say to you about this is this. I hope when you preach you will dwell among the great things. I don't understand some men. I was walking down a street and observed that a preacher was going to preach on 'Gone with the wind.' When we think of the eternal love of God, and other great themes, trifling is not really good enough. I would take long texts. Little texts mean excitement, but won't live and hold men. There are people in your church who may be able to form public opinion. There are churches where people are not being held. I have heard of a preacher who took for his text, 'Comfort me with apples.' I would not cultivate that. I would dwell in the body of the Gospels. I have found enough in the Gospel of St. Luke for a ministry of forty years. Then there are the epistles. Let the people see in your face the mark of sincerity. Their hearts will be stirred if you expound the deep things of God.

"We send you forth. We send your barque into the sea. How soon the storms may come we do not know. But you go out knowing that you are part of the best brotherhood in the world, and in the great church the loyalty of which can never be surpassed. You are the servants of Christ in the fellowship of the service of Christ. While striving for that unity you will be faithful to your own branch of that fellowship. May God bless you."

After the singing of the hymn, "O Thou, who camest from above," the ex-President dismissed the congregation with the Blessing

### GLENWOOD METHODIST CHURCH HAD BEGINNING 40 YEARS AGO

Zion church, built some 40 years ago on the Freeman Mill road three-fourths mile from Glenwood, was the first church in Glenwood and a forerunner of the present Glenwood Methodist church. At that time there was no church in this section nearer than Centenary church on Arlington street. In fact this little church was a mission of the Centenary church, Greensboro.

The new Glenwood church is a modern brick building with 16 Sunday school rooms beside the large room used by the cradle roll. It has an auditorium seating 500, a well equipped kitchen and dining room with electric stove, rest rooms, its own water system and a membership of over 600. The pastor is Rev. Robert M. Hardee.

### COBURN MEMORIAL CHURCH, SALISBURY, DEDICATED NEXT SUNDAY

September 8, 1940, is to be a great day of celebration at Coburn Memorial Methodist church of Salisbury. At 11 o'clock Rev. W. A. Rollins of First Methodist church, Hickory, will preach. Brother Rollins was the pastor of this great church when the present building was started. At three o'clock Bishop Clare Purcell will preach and dedicate the church building.

A picnic dinner will be served in the grove near the church.

Rev. A. C. Waggoner, the pastor, has done a great work at Coburn Memorial. Among his good deeds is to lead in paying off the last of the once burdensome debt.

### N. C. CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD NOTICE

On account of the death of Rev. J. M. Lowder we are issuing Brotherhood call number 74. Laymen, superannuates, and those with salaries \$100 or less will pay \$1. Beneficiaries with salaries \$1001 to \$2000 will pay \$2. Beneficiaries with salaries above \$2000 will pay \$3.

Make checks payable to R. L. Jerome, Treasurer, and send them to 1908 Princess St., Wilmington, N. C.



## INTERESTING READING FOR NORTH CAROLINA METHODISTS

By J. B. Ivey

Two very interesting directories of annual conferences have been loaned to me by Mrs. Ben Troutman of Statesville, N. C. The first one is dated December 2, 1869. This session of the North Carolina conference was held at Statesville. This conference was composed of 132 preachers and 25 lay delegates. Contrast this with 490 clerical members of the last conference of the Western North Carolina conference held at Greensboro in 1939, besides 28 preachers on trial and 20 accepted supply pastors. There were 396 lay delegates listed in the 1940 Conference Minutes, making a total of 934 members of the Western North Carolina conference. Remember, in comparing, that the North Carolina conference was divided in 1889 into two conferences, and we have grown much since 1868.

People in those days were evidently more hospitable. Eight ministers and delegates were assigned to Col. S. A. Sharpe, while Mrs. M. E. Sharpe entertained four. Dr. J. F. Long had four, James Anderson had four, and T. C. Anderson had four.

There are many names of noted ministers who were of great renown in those days.

Dr. C. F. Deems was entertained by W. P. Caldwell. Dr. Deems was later pastor of the Church of the Strangers, an independent church in New York City. Dr. William Closs was the guest of A. M. Walker. R. S. Moran's home was with Mrs. M. H. Moore. Many stories have been told about Dr. Closs. It is said that he and Dr. Moran had the same home at the Wilmington conference. Dr. Moran was a bachelor and a regular "dandy." He had a valet that kept his clothes pressed every day, and he always wore a silk hat. None of the churches then had carpets, and Dr. Moran would always spread out his handkerchief on the floor where to lay his silk hat. One day Dr. Moran asked Dr. Closs how often he changed his linen. Dr. Closs replied, "Once or twice a week." Dr. Moran said, "I change my linen every day." Dr. Closs replied in his high nasal voice, "I thank the Lord he didn't make me so filthy." Dr. Braxton Craven, president of Trinity College, was assigned to R. F. Simonton. There was some sort of a quarrel between Dr. Craven and Deems and Moran, and it was thought that this led to Dr. Deems going to New York, and I think Dr. Moran left the conference.

Dr. Moran was a very able preacher. When he was sent to the Wilmington station, one of the best in the conference, the board of stewards wanted to fix the salary less than that paid to the previous pastor, because Moran was not married and his expenses would be less. Dr. Moran strongly objected and told them they paid for brains not for children, and further that if they reduced his salary he would quit and go down on the coast and preach to the wreckers for nothing.

Bishop Wightman presided and his home was with R. F. Simonton.

Dr. W. M. Robey, president of Davenport College at Lenoir, was sent to the home of J. M. Shook. Dr. Robey was a gifted preacher as well as a good college president. Once he preached a flowery sermon at Mount Pleasant camp ground near Morganton. During his sermon he referred to the last days "when the angel Gabriel would come, and standing on the Rocky Mountains with one

wing touching the Atlantic ocean and the other the Pacific ocean, he would proclaim in thunderous tones that time would be no more, etc." After the preachers had returned to the "preachers' tent" after the sermon, my father, George W. Ivey, was noticed sitting over to one side in deep meditation. After a while he looked up and said, "Brethren, wasn't Robey's angel a whopper?"

My father's name was not among the list of members of that conference, as he was a member of the South Carolina conference at that time, which then embraced a large section of North Carolina.

I note among other things the following who were prominent preachers then or later: W. H. and J. B. Bobbitt, L. S. Burkhead, A. D. Betts, D. R. Bruton, J. R. Brooks, P. J. Carraway, J. A. Cunningham, L. W. Crawford, Peter Doub, H. T. Hudson, J. J. Renn, J. E. Mann, C. Plyler, James Reid, N. F. Reid, A. R. Raven, R. T. N. Stevenson, M. V. Sherrill, J. Tillett, T. L. Triplett, J. E. Thompson, R. S. Webb, F. H. Wood, E. A. Yates, and many others whose names were household words in Methodist homes. There were giants in the land in those days.

The other interesting paper shown me by Mrs. Troutman was the directory of the Western North Carolina conference held in Statesville 26 years later, November 28, 1894. Bishop A. W. Wilson was the presiding officer of this session, and his home was with Major Wm. M. Robbins. George W. Ivey was then a member of this conference and his name was with his daughter, Mrs. J. H. White.

There were ten districts, and the ten presiding elders were all strong preachers. Look over this list: W. R. Barnett, John R. Brooks, C. W. Byrd, P. J. Carraway, R. H. Parker, J. J. Renn, J. R. Scroggs, A. P. Tyer, J. H. Weaver, and F. H. Wood. Wasn't that a strong cabinet? R. G. Barrett was the host of the conference.

The Western North Carolina conference had now grown to 189 clerical and 40 lay delegates, total 229 compared to 157 in the North Carolina conference in 1868 before it was divided.

Among others, among the applicants for admission, I note the names of H. K. Boyer, J. A. B. Frye, now a member of the conference in California, A. S. Raper, J. W. Roberts, etc.

Among the lay delegates are many names of prominent laymen of that day. Among others, Leon Cash, J. A. Claywell, J. H. Ferree, L. J. Hoyle, C. S. Montgomery, W. H. Phifer, F. Stikeleather, D. Matt. Thompson, C. W. Tillett, etc.

Among prominent visitors to the conference I note the names of R. L. Abernethy, president Rutherford College, Rev. G. H. Detwiler, Rev. T. J. Gattis, Rev. J. C. Kilgo, Rev. H. C. Morrison, Prof. Dred Peacock, Rev. W. A. Betts, Rev. W. L. Grissom, etc.

It would make this paper too long to attempt to name the many outstanding preachers of that conference, most of whom have passed on to their reward.

There are 10,000 villages in rural America without a church of any kind; there are 30,000 villages without a pastor; and there are 13,400,000 children under 12 years of age who receive no religious instruction whatever.—Watchman-Examiner.

In nothing be anxious, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.—Philippians 4:6.



MEMOIR OF REV. JAMES MARION LOWDER

Rev. James Marion Lowder, the son of Thomas A. and Katherine Shoffner Lowder, was born in Stanly county near Albemarle on December 31, 1852, and died at Rutherford College, N. C., on August 16, 1940, being in his 87th year. A brief service was conducted in the Abernethy Memorial church at Rutherford College on Sunday morning, August 18, and again at the Methodist church at Norwood in the afternoon, with interment in the cemetery at Norwood. The services were conducted by Rev. E. P. Billups, assisted by Rev. J. R. Duncan and Rev. Cecil G. Hefner.

By inheritance, natural endowment and training, Brother Lowder was well equipped for the work of the ministry, and it is not surprising that he did such outstanding work in the fields he served. In a memorandum in which he left a record of his life and ministry he said: "My parents were good, industrious folk, very unsophisticated. My father was a steward, a class leader, and a Sunday school superintendent for many years, and my mother was an old time shouting Methodist." He received his education in the public schools of Stanly county, and at Trinity College in Randolph county. For several years after returning from Trinity he worked on the farm, teaching in the public schools at intervals.

On March 23, 1881, he married Miss Sue Shankle, the daughter of Hon. Eli Shankle of Stanly county. God blessed this union with 11 children, eight of whom are now living. All the children have achieved success in their chosen professions, two of whom are now serving their church with distinction; Miss Sallie, as a deaconess in the home field; and Miss Rosa, as a missionary in Korea.

Having felt the call to preach, Brother Lowder was licensed to exhort in 1884. He was licensed to preach in February, 1885, in the church at Albemarle. He was received on trial into the North Carolina conference at Fayetteville in November, 1887. He gave an interesting account of this conference. "Bishop Key presided. The image of that holy man of God has never left my memory. His sermon on Sunday morning was a rare gem, yea, a feast to every hungry soul. When the bishop asked, 'Who are on trial?' Dr. W. H. Bobbitt, the presiding elder, began to eulogize me more than I deserved; then others with equal zeal. I was thirty-five years old, on a farm, and doing reasonably well. And most of all, I had a wife and two children. It would be a good thing to let well enough alone. But the vote was taken and I was put in by a substantial majority. . . . I made my way home to tell my faithful wife and eager children." When he left his home for his first appointment he said, "There was a vein of sorrow in my mind and in my wife's heart that we had never known before, but we were going out to work in the Lord's vineyard and to preach the Gospel to strangers." He was received into full connection and ordained deacon at Greensboro, December 1, 1889. He was ordained elder at Asheville, November 4, 1891. He served the following charges: Double Shoals circuit, Danbury circuit, Hillsboro circuit, Pekin circuit, Rockingham circuit, Pamlico circuit, Grifton circuit, Aurora circuit, Bath circuit, Kenansville, Richlands, and Swansboro. He very reluctantly took the superannuate relation at the conference at Greenville in 1917 and moved to Rutherford College.

It is easy to write the record of a man's work, but how difficult it is to put in writing those intangible qualities of a man's character. The quality that impressed me, and I think most of his friends, was Brother Lowder's geniality. His face fairly beamed goodness. One could not walk into his presence without being uplifted by his gracious and winsome personality. To a marked degree he possessed this quality of true greatness—that of simplicity. Tennyson's words in praise of the Duke of Wellington are applicable to him:

"Foremost captain of his time,  
Rich in his saving common sense,  
And as the great only are,  
In his simplicity divine."

He was also a man of unflinching kindness. As intimately as I knew him, I never heard him give expression to an unkind attitude. I wonder if he ever had an unkind thought?

On the charges he served he was greatly loved as a man of God. And it was this overflow of goodness that gave emphasis to his sermons. He did not so much practice what he preached as he preached what he practiced.

Brother Lowder's ministry was marked by the spirit of humility and sacrifice. He never sought an easy place. He wrote of his work: "In my itinerancy I have served hard work. Many times I have waded the lakes of the eastern part of our state and climbed the mountains of the west—the angry waters of the former rushing through my buggy and the ice and snow plentiful in the latter. Also we have gone to our new appointment with the thermometer near zero, but for all that I wish I could have done more, that is, could have been more efficient."

Brother Lowder represented a past generation. Sometimes we of the present generation look upon the past generation as a bit old-fashioned, and consider their patterns of conduct a little outmoded. But when we make honest appraisals, we see that the only thing that matters is the kind of life a man lives; that goodness is never outmoded, and that kindness is never out of date. And we know, too, that the hope of the future resides in the man of God, the man like God. So we honor this venerable man of God, using the words of one of the most affecting passages in all literature, the words of young Christian in Pilgrim's Progress, words which reflect our own deepest desire to follow in his trail: "If they see any place where the old pilgrim has lain, or any print of his foot; it ministers joy to their hearts and they covet to lie or tread in the same."

E. P. Billups.

REV. R. A. BRUTON, 76, DIES IN GREENVILLE

Rev. R. A. Bruton, 76, retired Methodist minister, died Sunday morning, August 25, at 2:30 o'clock in Pitt General Hospital following several days of critical illness. He had made his home in Greenville for the past ten years.

Funeral services were conducted Monday morning at 11 o'clock at Jarvis Memorial Methodist church by Rev. T. McM. Grant, pastor, assisted by Rev. E. L. Hillman of Rocky Mount, former pastor of Jarvis Memorial church. Burial was in Greenwood cemetery, Greenville.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mattie Mines Bruton; two sons, Gaston Swindell Bruton of Sewanee, Tenn., and Lawrence A. Bruton of Lawrence; a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Mann of Newport.

Mr. Bruton was born and reared in Richmond county near Rockingham and attended the public schools in Rockingham, from where he transferred to Bingham Military School near Mebane. Later he entered Trinity College, where he completed his education.

He joined the North Carolina conference in 1894 and had held various pastorates in the state until he retired. His last pastorate was at Kitty Hawk. He was known among a wide circle of friends in all parts of the state and greatly admired by all who knew him.

NEW EDUCATIONAL BUILDING TO BE DEDICATED

Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke University will be with us on the second Sunday in September. He will preach at Antioch at 11 o'clock and will follow with the dedication of their new educational building.

Dinner will be served on the grounds. Dr. Ormond will also speak at Epworth church just south of Clinton in the evening at four o'clock. The dedication of the new building there will follow this service.

We are greatly indebted to the Duke Endowment for money donated on each project.

A barbecue supper will be served at Epworth church. Come and let us make this a good day.

O. C. Melton, Pastor.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### AIM HIGH AND HAVE FAITH

"We do not need to fear failure as much as we need fear low aims. The great things of the world have been accomplished not by great organizations or great armies, but by the people who have dreamed. We are giving too little for missions. There are four things that determine the size of the place in which we live: knowledge, interest, a broad sympathy and faith."

Editor's note: The above excerpts from an address by Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf should serve as a guide for our attitudes and purposes as we anticipate and work toward the organization of the new Woman's Society of Christian Service next month.

### PLAN WISELY—ADVERTISE

By September 15 the charter meeting of the Woman's Society of the Woman's Society of Christian Service should have been held in every local church. By this time the pastor of each church should have appointed his committees which are wisely planning and diligently working toward this charter meeting. One of the most important phases of these plans is the work of the publicity committee. If the attention of the women is not called to the significance and privileges of the charter meeting the local Woman's Society of Christian Service will not have an effective beginning. Every woman in every Methodist church should be informed of and invited to the organization meeting. By announcements in church bulletins and at various meetings, including women's church school classes, notices in newspapers, posters, letters or cards and visitations, the publicity committee can have great power to make the charter meeting a success.

### AFRICA AND POLAND TODAY

In this, the last in a series of quotations from an address by Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon on "Our Mission Fields Today," we are again reminded that, as Christian American people, our opportunity for making our Christ known to all the world is unbounding. Said she: "Work began in Africa 25 years ago. Then there was no written language. Today we have four mission stations, hospitals, schools, missionary societies, the New Testament translated into their language, a normal school and Bible schools. All over Africa the people are clamoring for more missionaries and more opportunities.

Poland is our youngest mission field. We have two missionaries in Poland. They are grateful for the opportunities which they have in helping the people of Poland.

A unit to the living church of Jesus Christ has been established in all our mission fields. We need a minimum of 55 missionaries this year, only five were consecrated. From where are they to come except from America?

America is the only country where the young people have the freedom of study and it is only the American church which has the money with which to send the missionaries. We have the opportunities and the responsibilities that no church has ever had before. We stand today in a period of opportunity and danger and we have the courage to believe that with God we shall go forward triumphantly."

### A MOMENTOUS CONFERENCE

Never since the organization meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, North Carolina Conference, has there been a more momentous and history making meeting of women in North Carolina than will be the conference which will be held at East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, next month. Beginning at 2 p. m. on September 23 and ending with the luncheon on September 24, the program will feature particularly the election of officers and study of the new plans for woman's work, thus the North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service will begin to function. The president of each society and and as many others who are able should attend, taking their personal bed linens, towels and wash cloths. Send names and \$1.50 fee for room and meals to Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Box 657, New Bern, by September 15.

### ANNUAL OUTING HELD

Mrs. J. Y. Blanks, Roxboro, has sent the following newspaper clipping:

"The annual outdoor meeting of the Mary Hamrick missionary society of Long Memorial church was held on Tuesday afternoon, August 13. The meeting opened at five o'clock with the president, Mrs. Margaret Teague, presiding. "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" was the opening hymn. Rev. W. C. Martin, pastor of the church, conducted an inspiring devotional. After a brief business session "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" was sung and Mrs. S. G. Winstead dismissed the group with prayer. On account of rain the picnic supper was spread in the church basement. The husbands of members and a number of special friends and out-of-town guests were present."

### THE CHINA W. M. SOCIETY

The woman's missionary society of China, having lived through all difficulties, continues to progress steadily in its work. Its annual conference was held in May in Shanghai. One would not know from the offerings and new life memberships that some of the women do not have enough to eat or sufficient clothing to keep them warm in winter.—Missionary Bulletin.

Rousseau has observed that the inventor of such a history of the Gospels would have been not less wonderful than its subject.—Selected.

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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

I WILL NOT LET GO

I want to let go, but I will not let go.  
There are battles to fight by day and  
by night;  
There's work to be done, a race to be  
run, a crown to be won;  
I never will yield.  
What, lie down on the field and sur-  
render my shield?  
No, I will not let go.  
I want to let go, but I will not let go.  
Be this ever my song against the le-  
gions of wrong;  
O God, make me strong, that I may  
not let go.

MEETING OF ORGANIZATIONAL  
AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE

We are indebted to Mrs. R. M. An-  
drews, secretary, for the following item  
of news, which we are sure will be of  
interest to the women of the Western  
North Carolina conference:

"The Western North Carolina Con-  
ference Organizational and Research  
Committee of Woman's Work, repre-  
senting the three former branches of  
Methodism, met at the First Methodist  
church in Salisbury, August 14, 1940.  
At the request of Mrs. J. D. Bragg,  
president of the Woman's Division of  
Christian Service, Mrs. C. C. Weaver  
served as chairman and conducted a  
brief but most appropriate devotional  
service at the opening of the session.  
In accord with Bishop Clare Purcell,  
the time set by this group for the or-  
ganization meeting of the Western  
North Carolina Conference Society of  
Christian Service is October 1 in Broad  
Street church, Statesville, at 10 a. m.  
Eight of the 11 district representatives  
were in attendance upon the meeting.

THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF  
CHRISTIAN SERVICE

In keeping with the plans drawn up  
by the committee and approved by the  
General Conference in session in At-  
lantic City in April of this year, the  
new Woman's Society of Christian Ser-  
vice will be organized during next  
month (September). The plans are for  
a Woman's Society of Christian Ser-  
vice to be organized in every church  
possible in early September, including  
those churches which now have Aid  
Societies as well as those that have  
missionary societies. Plans for this or-  
ganization have been sent out from  
Council headquarters and through the  
district secretaries have been distrib-  
uted to the auxiliaries so that each  
may be ready to proceed with the or-  
ganization, as desired. We are urged  
to enlist every Methodist woman as a  
charter member of the new organiza-  
tion, and in order to become a charter  
member they must enlist in the very  
beginning of this new Woman's So-  
ciety of Christian Service. This will  
require effort on the part of the pres-  
ent members of the women's organi-  
zations. Through a publicity commit-

tee every woman in the church should  
be notified of the date of the meeting  
and be given a special invitation to  
be present and join the new organiza-  
tion. This meeting is to be known as  
the charter meeting.

After the local societies of Christian  
Service are set up, the Conference So-  
ciety of Christian Service must be or-  
ganized as early as is possible and  
plans made for the carrying forward  
of our work as the Woman's Society  
of Christian Service. As we pass into  
the new Methodist Church and become  
the Woman's Society of Christian Ser-  
vice, may we be lifted to higher men-  
tal and spiritual attitudes from which  
we may catch a loftier and more far-  
reaching conception of the mission and  
message of the church. May God  
strengthen and bless our united Meth-  
odism and may it grow and prosper  
through our trust and dependence upon  
Him as our great Leader.

RESULTS IN HOME MISSION WORK

For the past 15 years Sue Bennett  
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an average of 125 teachers a year. Over  
95 per cent of the teachers of Laurel  
county, Kentucky, alone, for the past  
decade have been trained in Sue Ben-  
nett College.

Last summer one of the boys from  
the Navajo missions went with his  
father on an errand some distance  
away to the home of a friend. The two  
men talked well into the night about  
things of religion, for the friend was  
a medicine man. The lad had to ob-  
serve the strict proprieties of his peo-  
ple and keep silence until spoken to.  
At last an opportunity came. The med-  
icine man walked over to the boy,  
pulled his bag of pollen from his pock-  
et and said, "This is the means by  
which I have communion with gods."  
The lad was silent for a moment, then  
reaching into his own pocket brought  
out his New Testament and said, "This  
is the means by which I have com-  
munion with Jesus Christ," and pro-  
ceeded to read a few passages.—From  
"Investigating Our Heritage."

The following beautiful prayer  
comes to us through "The Subemeco,"  
the paper issued by Sue Bennett Col-  
lege, and was written by one of "our  
girls from the Western North Carolina  
Conference" who is a student there:

MY PRAYER

Dear Father, as we humbly pause  
In silence, fashion us  
Into the flower of thy choice.  
May each petal grow into  
A symbol of Christ-like love  
And understanding in thy sight. Amen.  
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## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### HOME TO HOME

Twenty five youngsters, seven boys and 13 girls, have come from the High Point Children's Home to live at the Winston-Salem Children's Home, these boys and girls having been selected for the transfer by Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Dixon of the High Point Home. Seventy-four boys and girls will remain at the High Point Home during the ensuing school term, pending the time sufficient buildings can be constructed here for providing for them. It is expected that by the first of next July all transfers will have been made.

### SOCIALIZING

When our good friends, the Dixons, notified us of the names, ages and grades of those coming to us, we selected a corresponding number of boys and girls to go over to the High Point Home on the day before the selected youngsters would leave to come here and get acquainted with one another. Mr. Clary and Mrs. Ballou, who took the boys and girls over, report a most enjoyable time socializing with the High Point family. The children played together as if they had known each other for a long time and then came in for refreshments. The next day these same youngsters, serving as a welcoming committee, greeted Dr. and Mrs. Dixon and the High Point delegations as they came in on the grounds, showing them to their cottages and directing them to the football field, where a big watermelon feast was enjoyed by the entire group. The incoming children were presented to the group and then Dr. Dixon spoke most happily of the new day in which we are living. We are still socializing in a happy way.

### A DYING REQUEST

Sometimes a dying request becomes a living obligation. During the past week this scribe visited two groups of boys whose mothers requested, before they departed to live in the celestial kingdom, that their children be accepted into the Children's Home and there remain together under the guidance and influence of Christian direction. Both mothers were loyal members of their congregations and loyal adherents to the cause of Jesus Christ. In one instance the father had preceded the mother to glory land. In the other instance the father had been away from home a great deal and the boys were left to look to their mother for counsel and advice. It is regretted that both groups of boy cannot now be admitted. The boys who have lost both parents will come first and we will wait to know what to do about the others, since arrangements have been made

for their temporary care. All too many of those desiring to come to the Children's Home have to be provided for in some way because of our inability to provide for them.

### COLLEGE BOUND

The responsibility of aiding in determining what certain ones of our graduating youngsters will do weighs heavily upon us. Some of them have desires beyond their ability to attain. Others do not have very definite desires of attainment. The guiding of these young people into such fields of endeavor as will permit them to best use their talents requires a great deal of observation, counseling and direction. Some of our youngsters go to college for further training and others go into such vocations as they are best suited for. One of the girls in our June class stepped into a good clerical job at \$75 a month. The likenesses of the 1940 group going to college are herewith presented. Virginia Baker, Barbara Jones and Imogene Williamson will enter Pfeiffer College. Mabel Griswold will enter Berea College. Raymond Freeman and John Tesh will enter High Point College. Every one of these youngsters enters college as a self-help student.

### MONEY MATTERS

We are getting jittery about our money matters. We always do about this time of year. But it seems this year we are more jittery than ever. Of course the sensible thing to do is to use what we have as prudently as possible and have faith in our friends, being assured that they will be mindful of our financial needs. The obligations of the ensuing winter will be heavier than usual. Those congregations having paid their ten per cent apportionment since last report, herewith listed, tend to give us encouragement and strengthen our belief that others will come along in the same manner. Kindly note the summer helpers.

New Hope and Salem, Farmer circuit, Rev. F. E. Howard.

Pleasant Hill, Candler circuit, Rev. Byron Shankle.

Westview, Hickory, Rev. B. M. Crosby.

### GOOD FELLOWS TOGETHER

This paragraph is being written immediately following the return from Mills Home, at Thomasville, where a conference was held relative to the program of the next session of the North Carolina Orphanage conference. In addition to the presence of Ernest Milton of Barium Springs, president of the conference; Mrs. J. P. Frazier of Mills Home, vice president; and Miss Ruth Hunter of the Children's Home, secretary, there were present Superintendents A. S. Barnes of the Methodist Orphanage, W. M. Shuford of the Lexington Children's Home, Joseph B. Johnston of Barium Springs, I. G. Greer of Mills Home, Rev. J. A. McMillan, editor of Charity and Children, and the editor of this page. Following the drafting of the program and the delightful luncheon, served in the new Huffman building, the superintendents went into a "bull session" in which many matters of mutual interest were discussed, among them being what action might be taken in view of the recent supreme court decision relative to the taxing of the Odd Fellows' building in Raleigh, which decision may have far-reaching influence upon property owned by charitable and religious organizations. No company that this scribe gets into is more enjoyed than the group of good fellows who head up the orphanages of North Carolina.

### CHILDREN OF THE KING

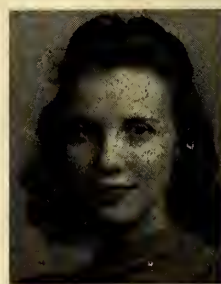
Following the serving of the tasty luncheon the Mills Home girls trio favored us with several delightful selections. The girls are no ordinary singers. They are superb. When they sang "I'm a Child of the King" I could not keep the tears from rolling down my face. Those girls with such lovely voices sang the lovely song with feeling and delightful melody. Orphan children can claim the parentage of a King.



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**ELECTRIC RANGE**—As announced previously, the electric range has been installed in the kitchen and is working successfully. It has not only done away with the unbearable heat in the kitchen, but has made the preparation of meals much easier. Due to the smoke from the old coal range the kitchen walls were left in bad condition. We had a little money left over, but not enough to paint the kitchen, though I am having it all done while the painters are here. We need at least \$50 more to complete the painting of the kitchen, vegetable porch and serving room. If our friends will send us coupons we can pay for this additional work at a very early date. When the work is finished our kitchen will be one of the best equipped and most attractive of any orphanage in the South.

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**TAXING CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS**—County commissioners are asking churches, educational and charitable institutions to list all property that they hold, which is not included in buildings, grounds and farms operated primarily for maintenance. In other words, all the property owned by the Methodist Orphanage that came to us through wills, or by foreclosures, on which we are receiving revenue, must be listed for taxation. The Methodist Orphanage has never invested a dollar in real estate as an investment. We do hold a great deal of real estate, which was willed to us, or property on which we had made loans and had to foreclose. None of our real estate is being rented at lower rates than the prevailing price on such property. Every dollar of income which we receive from rented property goes for the maintenance of our 300 children in the institution. If we have to pay back taxes for five years, it will cost the Methodist Orphanage a very large sum. Some county commissioners are just asking that taxes be paid for the present year, which would cost the Or-

phanage a considerable amount. This unexpected decision of the Supreme Court is working a hardship on our Methodist Orphanage that lacks from \$20,000 to \$25,000 of having a balanced budget. Churches, educational and charitable institutions throughout North Carolina are greatly embarrassed and handicapped by the decision to tax all their property outside of the institutions.

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Letter of appreciation:

It is with deep regret that I say "goody-bye" to this beautiful home in which I've spent 11 happy years. I have been indeed fortunate for having the opportunity of living in such a home and receiving such splendid training.

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I wish to thank all the people of the North Carolina conference for their support of the Orphanage. Each of you has been a real friend and I'm very grateful to you.

To the members of Circle Five of the Fifth Avenue Methodist church in Wilmington, I wish to extend to you my deep appreciation for the beautiful clothes that you provided me with twice a year.

The doctors of Raleigh hold a big place in my heart for their splendid medical care. It's through their patience and skill that I go from the home in good health.

I had the privilege of going out every Sunday for a year with the singing class. Words can't express my gratitude to Mrs. Nellie B. Rives, who has been another "mother" to me. I owe to her something I can never repay for the training which I have received from her.

As I leave, may I express again my thanks to everybody who has done anything for me, directly or indirectly, during my stay at the Methodist Orphanage. I will remember these pleasant days always.

Lena Mae McVickers.

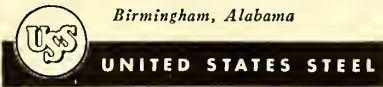
HOW TO GET ON

"Tell me how to get on in life," said the kettle.  
"Take pains," said the window.  
"Never be led," said the pencil.  
"Do a driving business," said the hammer.  
"Aspire to great things," said the nutmeg grater.  
"Make much of small things," said the microscope.  
"Never do anything offhand," said the glove.  
"Reflect," said the mirror.  
"Do the work you are suited for," said the chimney.  
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### CAMP CARLYLE FOR GIRLS

Nestled in a grove of pine trees near Hendersonville, N. C., lies Camp Carlyle. No other words can better describe the location than "nestled in a grove of pines," for that is actually true. The office, dining room, and the eight cabins are all built in a group of pines. The ground is covered by a specially picked bed of pine needles, and the sound of the pine trees swaying in the cool mountain breeze makes one feel restful and relaxed.

Here, in these lovely surroundings, June 8-15, was conducted the Christian Adventure Camp for Intermediate Girls by the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church. This camp is the church's answer to a deep longing in the heart of the early teen-age girl. Camping has its lure for every age, but for the early adolescent it has peculiar charm. For what can satisfy one's zest for exploration like delving into nature's storehouse? In camp there is the thrill of making and doing new things. The idealism of youth finds ready response in towering pine, in lifting mountain mists, and in high adventure in Christian living in the out-of-doors. Its purpose is to help the development of the girl in all her relationships—to things, to other people, and to God. It equips the girl with materials, knowledge, and enthusiasm that she can take back home and share with the other members of her intermediate department, and thus help to carry on in a better and more useful way the work of her church.

#### Morning Meditation

Each day at Carlyle was filled to the brim with worth while things to do. Reveille sounded at seven o'clock. Each girl jumped out of bed, especially if she were in the upper deck, donned her camp clothes and prepared for Morning Watch. This half hour before breakfast was one of the most worshipful and inspiring moments of the day. Each girl took her Bible and a sheet of paper on which were written some thoughts for the day. She then went off alone to a secluded spot for a few minutes of quiet meditation, to read her Bible, the thoughts on the paper, to have a prayer with God, and to see and hear him in the nature that surrounded her. Through this morning devotion she was prepared to meet the rest of the day with a happy smile and a willing and co-operative spirit.

#### The Quests

One hour of every day was spent in studying life situations and problems which they might face. These group activities were called "quests," and every girl was a member of one of the five quests offered. The quest on "Materials of Worship" helped plan the worship services for camp. Three others were "Helping Our Neighbors," "Getting Along with People," and

"What Prayer and the Bible Mean to Me." The quest on "Our Neighbors in China," taught by a missionary from Korea, gave a special program one evening for the entire camp, which was most interesting.

#### The Council and Committees

The camp organization was very efficient. The campers elected a president, vice president, and secretary, who presided at the business meetings which were held every morning at assembly. Each of the five committees, Worship, World Friendship, Citizenship and Community Service, Recreation and Personal Development, and Evangelism and Membership, elected a chairman. These chairmen, together with the three officers, composed the Council, which carried on the business of the camp for the entire week. Two counselors acted as advisors for this group.

The committee work in camp was very helpful to the girls, in that it gave them actual experience in how to carry on the work of a committee in their local churches. The committee of Worship planned the Morning Watch programs. The World Friendship group gave a program in assembly. The group on Citizenship and Community Service planned a camp code, which was given to each girl to follow during the week at camp. The Recreation and Personal Development group directed the recreational activities during "free time." The committee on Evangelism and Membership made a survey of camp and discovered that every one was a Methodist except one, who was a Presbyterian.

#### Interest Groups

When the bugle sounded at 2:30 everygirl in camp gave a whoop—for this meant that interest groups were beginning. Here they were given the opportunity of doing things with their hands. A group on Nature Lore immediately started forth down the mountain trail to study leaves and flowers. A small group of beginners in swimming raced to the lake to learn to swim in a week. Many girls could be found in the Craft House making bead bracelets, wooden shoes, belts with macaroni sticks, and many other articles. Up in "Hilltop House," the outdoor gymnasium, a group of aspiring young actresses met to practice a play for the Friday night evening program, which included choral speaking. The nurse in camp gave a helpful course on first aid down on the dock. One group of girls were busily spatting-printing "I love you Joe" on the napkins for the school day banquet. The latter part of the week every interest group showed some demonstrations of their work to the entire group.

#### Vespers

The most beautiful worship service of the day was vespers, which

was held on a hill overlooking the lake. In the distance could be seen a range of tall mountains. The colors of the sky were gorgeous shades of purple, orange, and blue. A soft breeze gently ripple the waters of the lake below. The day was coming to a close and all things seemed to be peacefully at rest. No words were uttered during the service except those spoken on the program. It was a perfect ending of the day.

#### Talent

One of the best evening programs was Talent Night. Every girl who could sing, play an instrument, or recite was scheduled to perform on this program. The opening night, a program of songs and games, were enjoyed by all. Two campfire programs were planned—one being a fete of games and the other in the form of a consecration service. A big event of the week was the banquet, which had as its theme "School Days." On each table was a little red schoolhouse. Everybody had a ribbon to tie in their hair. The toastmistress was a camper who personified the old time school teacher to perfection. Of course the food was delicious and the "commencement program" was delightful.

#### Taps

All too soon the end of the day rolled around. After the singing of "Taps" each girl returned to her cabin to prepare for bed. Just before retiring for the night, each cabin met in a group to discuss the activities of the day and to seek help and guidance from their counselor, wherever the group might need it. Then into bed each girl crawled, tired but happy, and soon was sound asleep. The bugler played "Taps"—"All is well, safely rest. God is nigh." Mary Margaret Johnson, Dilworth Methodist Church.

### CAMP CARLYLE FOR BOYS

Get about 90 individuals together and withdraw to set up a community of your own with the purpose of answering Jesus' request, "Follow me," and very interesting results will be seen! This is what happened with the intermediate boys of the conference at beautiful Camp Carlyle near Hendersonville. It was an experience in living, and the 69 boys and 18 adult leaders learned a great deal about this most important of problems. No one left Carlyle without knowing more of Christianity, and without knowing something of its total program and scope.

#### The Program

The program for the camp was well planned and well followed. Each phase of the activity contributed to its higher ideal. We could see that personal morning devotions or a soft ball game or a swim could contribute to building better Christian character. Classes were conducted in many fields that are of interest to boys from 12 to 15. Committees were soon formed to take care of our needs and to work out some of our problems. A self-government was formed, and the boys led themselves well. Among spiritual experiences the vespers could not be ex-



celled. The grandeur of the surroundings contributed to the worship, for we were in a cathedral not made with hands. The campers also learned to worship alone, for the first thing in the morning was quiet meditation in a spot selected individually for that purpose. In recreation under splendid direction we played well together and learned to put many of our findings into practice. We were entertained and entertained each other. But you just should have heard that crowd sing! Everyone sang, and that brought us very close together.

The Quest

The Christian Adventure Camp was more than an outing for the boys, it was more than a camp—it was a quest. Every person went there looking for something, and we found that something. We found that we could answer the call “Follow me,” and that is a quest of infinite value. We went away knowing that it was no easy injunction to follow, and that it would be harder when we left the camp, but we had seen the “Holy Grail” on our quest and determined to live by that high experience. As we sat around the campfire on the last night and wrote down our great desires, they became a part of the fire of our own spirits. Our quest could never fail, for we would always be a little better for having found the direction in which we must move.

The Application

The worth of this quest will probably never be fully realized, for the good has already begun to be translated into about 40 churches all over our conference. The leadership that was improved and the leadership discovered will be as leaven whose growing power cannot be calculated. The whole program was but an enlargement of the program of our intermediate departments in particular and all of Christian education in general. The future of Christianity seems far more hopeful when one can see the type of young boy growing up in our churches. Our failure comes in not affording more such training for all of our youth.

Some Findings

Ninety people facing the problems of living together for a week, found the teachings of Jesus the best guide. Disagreements came but no one saw a fight. Classes in our little society were unknown, and respect was not based on artificial standards. Discipline was based on self-control in terms of individual conscience, and not upon regimentation by coercion. We sought for God’s will rather than our own selfish desires. We gained the courage to stand by our deepest convictions though the way may seem hard, and wedetermined to take back these findings into the world in which we live. We know they will work. Somewhere among the white pines around Carlyle the records of our camp are buried to be saved until next year’s camp. The real records of our Christian Adventure, however, are written for all times in the lives that have been made better.

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# Sunday School Lesson

SEPTEMBER 1

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By James S. Chubb

## Our Debt to God

Scripture: Psalm 103: 1-5, 10-18

Praise is one of the basic elements in any worship service that is real. Search, confession, and listening must be there, but so must be praise.

Real praise is expressed both for the great things of the past and of the things of the present. One elect lady who retains her youth says that the secret of it is, "I keep myself grateful." The pilgrims sang praises on their way to Jerusalem and on their path to the house of worship.

Praise should have place at the very start of every church service. Where processions are used, the praise spirit is the real processional spirit. It symbolizes the fact that we are glad we are going to the house of the Lord.

True praise is based upon God's services to man; or put in another way, it is our debt to God. God's benefits are so many that an overflowing heart is the result, for God thought of us long before we knew him. You will recall that God amply populated this world with herbs and flesh before he finally made man. Any meditation upon God's blessings, will show him to be a lavish provider.

What are these blessings? A stimulating grouping of them is found in our psalm:

1. God forgives and removes our sins and transgressions (3:12). This we have studied before, and now it comes up again. The troubled soul is a heavy burden. The man who has lost this sense of sin has lost one of the great religious experiences. He will not know what loads God can lift.

2. God heals, too. This has ever been an important function of religion. Where true godliness goes there is a great stimulus to health. Where there are critical diseases and injuries, many medical men are frank to admit that God is the great Helper in the healing. After an operation one doctor said to the patient's family, "Medicine has now done what it can. At this place prayer helps." God is the great Healer.

3. God redeems from destruction. This guiding function is of first importance. There is a tendency for us to run down after the bloom of youth fades from our cheeks. Almost as bad as physical death is the discovery that we are at the end of our rope. True godliness and religion deal with life, growing life. A truly religious person always finds that the "best of life is ahead of him, not behind him."

So far, God has been the great Protector. He has been the Guardian Angel who stands by in the time of trou-

ble. Of course he is that, but he is more. Let us see.

4. God gives good things. There are those who think of God and of religion in negative terms. Of course, God does keep men away from evil, yet it is the good life and the good things that cause one really to believe. Jesus uses the term "good" so many times to describe himself. The hope of the future is the thing that leads us onward. The good things that God provides inspire men with eternal youth, and that kind of youth has little to do with years.

Now comes the part of our lesson that has to do with the contrast between the ways of God and the ways of man. Our salvation does not rest upon the things that man does, in the first place, but upon the character of God himself. Our religion is a religion given by the great God to be worked by little man. Let us see how this is brought out.

Man's relationship to man has often been an eye-for-an-eye and a tooth-for-a-tooth relationship. Sometimes this relationship has been based on justice—the idea that we get what we deserve. God deals with men not on the basis of deserts but on the basis of mercy.

## The Quality of God's Mercy

Of course this raises a question as to the limits of this mercy. According to Bible teaching there are no limits. This is the real meaning of verses 11, 12. As long as man will receive this mercy, God will extend it. Jesus told Peter that man must have the same spirit, even to the extent of seventy times seven. It seems to me that the writer is telling us: it is fortunate that we have no measuring stick to indicate the greatness of mercy.

The one place he strikes home in our range of experience is where he refers to a father's pity for his children. Parents are always ready to extend another chance and their alert minds can always figure another way for their children to make good. I used to think that was sentimentality; now I believe that such parents are the truly wise ones. They succeed frequently where less patience and less persistence would completely fail. So God pities us.

Now, why this great pity and mercy? The reason is that man is a frail person, unequal to his task. He stumbles, fails, makes mistakes. One bad accident or a jolt somewhere in a vital part and his frailty becomes apparent. The record of history shows that man so far has been a rather incompetent person. This frail record was dealt with realistically by this and similar Bible writers. Man is not able to save himself.

## Humanism Is Not Enough

Of course, this is a contrast to the type of thinking that would enthrone man as the God of the universe. We are just ridding ourselves of a mode of thinking that made man the omnipotent Creator of life. Reverence disappeared and delusions of grandeur regarding man replaced them. But the World War blew up this fallacious notion, and the subsequent record of the humanist philosophies, whether they parade as racial or nationalistic attitudes, has put the finishing touches to this attitude of grandeur.

Now men are perceiving, as they had not for a century, that reverence, religious faith, and dependence on God add dignity, value, and worth to human life. This is religion's answer to the poor record that man has made as an individual and as a maker of history.

As constant to this wayward way of death that man reveals, stands the majesty and eternity of God. God is the eternal Helper and Guide of this little fellow, man.

So, we have before us here in the psalm a keen analysis of the goodness of God. We praise not some imaginary god for imaginary goods; we praise a God who has been close to his children and lavish with his gifts. He has been tender as a father, exacting as a teacher, generous as a good provider. God has cared for both the outer and the inner man. A cursory listing of the great things God has done is enough to make anyone truly grateful. This psalmist bases his praises on the things that God has done for his own personal life.

Gratitude is vastly superior to self-pity (or the feelings-hurt attitude). The real foundation stone for this praise spirit is the greatness and the goodness of God.—Christian Advocate.

## BUT NONE OF THE RANSOMED

By Robert Burton Teachout

Long hours the blazing desert, stark,  
had shimmered in the sun;  
And now the red'ning peaks beyond  
bespoke the day near done.  
I thought I saw, uncertainly, a figure  
far away;  
The moments passed; the sky grew  
dim; spent was the sun's last ray.

That One who walked the plain, I saw  
no more. 'mid gathering night,  
Until amazed I saw Him there within  
my campfire's light.  
"Ho, Stranger! Thou! Come sit Thee  
down. Refreshment take, I pray!"—  
One instant stood He by my fire; and  
then His knees gave way.

His face was worn; with stains of  
blood were marked His hands and  
feet—  
He'd walked long, dusty, blistering  
miles through blasting desert heat.  
His princely cloak was soiled and rent;  
a wound gaped in His side;  
He lay there on the ground, full spent.  
I feared what might betide.

Stretched on the ground He lay as  
dead, nor moved till strength re-  
surg'd.  
I said, subdued in tone, "My friend, on  
what dire mission urged  
Have you toiled on despite your  
wounds? Was it some princely life?"  
He answered first with flashing eyes—  
then told me of his strife.

"Help me to rise," He sudden cried;  
and rising led the way  
Back to the desert whence H'd come,  
all spent, but yesterday.  
Down rugged steepes again He toiled,  
where dangers never lack,  
Till desolate He found His own—one  
wounded lamb, and black.

—Southwestern Advocate.



# Children's



# Storyland

## FINDING THE LAND OF KINDNESS

By Lucy Meacham Thurston

"You, Nell, you're number one. Now you, Sue, number two. Number three, that's you, Mary Jane. Bill's sweep of arm was to be obeyed. Wasn't he traffic cop at the school corner? He might not have on his white belt now, but he knew how to wave. The three girls drew up beside the garage, their bicycles resting against the wall, hands on the bars ready to spring into the saddle at the next gesture. But Bill held them back.

"Now where are you going, what are you going to do?"

"I know," and Nell waved her hand high above her head. "I know, we're going exploring. Don't you say a word to me, Bill Kemp, about my 'wild ideas.' Our lesson is on exploring—Columbus, how he found America."

"Righto! See what you can find. Wait, how about this? Nell, you always want to be head. You're the Santa Maria, that was Columbus' own boat. Sue, you're the Pinta, and Mary Jane's the Nina. Now off, OFF."

Nell set the pace. She slammed the small historic book she had been studying down into the wire basket fastened to her handle bars—she had been getting some groceries for her mother—whirled into the alley, the Pinta and the Nina following closely. Nell chanted in her mind phrases of the lesson she had just been reading: "At the Canary Islands they stopped for wood and water." The canary in Mother Knapp's shop window trilled out a note. Nell grinned. "Here we are!" She was off and inside the corner shop. "Three lemon lollipops, please, and could we have a drink?"

"Here's our wood," she waived the lollipop sticks, "and we've had our water. 'The sea was calm and they sailed on into the Sea of Darkness,'" she chanted, as she sped across the street and further down the alley.

"Say, you're not going down that way; look at all that stuff, boxes, paper, excelsior. Why, we can't get by."

"And the men began to grumble among themselves," Nell called back, but she kept on. "Gracious goodness, what's that? 'And at night they heard the cry of a nightbird.'" Nell knew she was making that up, but she did hear a cry, a distressed low sobbing. Slower she went peering here and there. From a board, a foot—in a red-padded slipper. Down into the excelsior was doubled up a boy as if he had been packed there. "A native," Nell's chanting mind went on, but she knew very well that the chubby fellow there was the little Chinese boy she had seen playing in the school yard and always alone. She pulled him up in her arms. "What's the matter?" Nell tried to stand him on his feet. Instantly he

## BUTTON UP YOUR LIPS

If you heard a bit of gossip  
Whether false or whether true,  
Be it of a friend or stranger,  
Let me tell you what to do,  
Button up your lips securely;  
Lest the tale you should repeat  
Bring sorrow unto some one  
Whose life now is none too sweet.

If you see a careless action  
That would bring its author woe  
If it were constructed unkindly,  
Let me tell you what to do,  
Button up your lips securely;  
'Tis far better to keep silent  
Than to cause a tear or sigh.

If you knew of one who yielded  
To temptation long ago,  
But whose life has since been blameless  
Let me tell you what to do,  
Button up your lips securely,  
His the secret, God alone  
Has the right to sit in judgment.  
Treat it as to you unknown.

—Adapted. Marian Times Standard.

fell down and with a cry of pain. "I fall down. Hurt."

"What are you doing out here? Where do you live?" The boy pointed down the alley. On a far corner hung a sign. "There? Is that where you live?" He nodded, his face twisted with pain. "We'll have to get him there; maybe he can ride in the basket. Look out, sir, don't you kick me in the face." Nell laughed, but the boy's chubby face was solemn. "Mother," he pointed to a woman looking anxiously about. "Hurt," he called solemnly as they neared her, "they found."

"Don't be scared. Get some ice, rub his ankle good, then bandage it up tight. It will soon be all right. 'The ships made for home,'" she chanted.

"Wait," the mother called. "You good to my boy, wait." She reached for a handful of nuts, she pulled down a kite, a gay lantern, and into Nell's wire basket she piled them. "We return with our treasure," Nell chanted and chanted again to Bill, waiting and cross. "Where have you been all this time? It's nearly dark. What's all this? What did you find?" Nell's eyes flew wide. Bill saw the flash of what he called one of her wild ideas light them.

"We found the LAND OF KINDNESS," she sang out. "Maybe there aren't any lands left people have not seen, any strange places to sail to, but there's always that sort of land, new and to be looked for. How do you find it? That's like you, Bill Kemp, to ask.

People sail by compass now, you say? Compasses for north and south, compasses for east and west," came Nell's chant. "Maybe there's a compass here. If you want to find the Land of Kindness you've got to be kind yourself."

—Baltimore Southern Methodist.

## THE DOVES ON THE WIRE

By Isaac Rankin

Just out of reach from my window stretches a wire which carries a heavy current of electricity for light and power. It is carefully insulated at every pole that supports it, and it is carried well out of common reach. If I could lean far enough out to touch it, death would be swifter than the tiger's leap or the serpent's sting—as swift as the lightning stroke.

Yet the doves light on it and take no harm. They fly from my window sill, where I sometimes feed them, to preen and rest upon it in safe content, and then fly off again to their search for food or nesting. The secret is that when they touch the full-powered wire they touch nothing else. They give themselves wholly to it. My danger would be that while I touched the wire I should also be touching the earth through the walls of my house; and the current would turn my body into a channel for escape. But they rest wholly on the wire and experience neither dread nor danger. They are one with it, and they are safe.

So would God have us seek our safety in complete self-surrender to his power and love. It is when we reach one hand to him, while yet we keep fast hold of some forbidden thing with the other, that we are in danger. It is the heart's clasp of earth that ruins prayer. "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me."

—The Friend.

## CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Teacher—Mabel, who was it that supported the world on his shoulders, according to the ancient myth?

Mabel—It was Atlas.

Teacher—Correct. Now how was Atlas supported?

Mabel—I think he must have married a rich wife.

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Teacher—How do you account for the phenomenon of dew?

Student—The earth revolves on its axis every twenty-four hours, and, in consequence of the tremendous pace, it perspires freely.—Texas Outlook.

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Teacher—Who discovered America?

Student—Ohio.

Teacher—No, sonny, Columbus.

Student—Aw, that was just his first name.—Washington Star.



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Chapel Hill, 7:30 ..... 10  
Graham, 7:30 ..... 11  
Alamance Ct., Bethel, 11 ..... 12  
Mt. Hermon Ct., Mt. Hermon, 2 ..... 12  
Swensonville, Swensonville, 11 ..... 13  
Burlington Ct., Mt. Vernon, 3 ..... 13  
Davis Street, 7:30 ..... 17  
Babam, Mt. Bethel, 11 ..... 20  
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 3 ..... 20  
Orange Ct., Efland, 7:30 ..... 20  
Cedar Grove, Carr, 11 ..... 24  
Eno, 7:30 ..... 24

#### ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

September  
Hertford, 11 ..... 1  
South Camden, Sign Pine, night ..... 1  
Moyock-Pilmoor Memorial, Moyock, 11 ..... 8  
Currituck, Sharon, 5 ..... 8  
Kitty Hawk, night ..... 8  
Manteo, 11 ..... 15  
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 ..... 15  
Wanchese, night ..... 15  
Ahoskie (Church Dedication), 11 ..... 22  
Murfreesboro, Winton, 3 ..... 22

North Gates, Kittrells, night ..... 22  
Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 2 ..... 26  
Fall Rally and Check-up, Hertford, 10 ..... 27  
Kinnakeet, Avon, 11 ..... 29  
Hatteras, Buxton, night ..... 29

##### October

Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 2 ..... 2  
Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 2 ..... 5  
Belhaven, Trinity, 11 ..... 6  
Matamuskiet, Amity, 3 ..... 6  
Svanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night ..... 6  
City Road, night ..... 9  
Pasquotank, Union, 11 and 2 ..... 11  
Gatesville, Zion, 11 and 2 ..... 12  
Columbia, 11 ..... 13  
Creswell, 3 ..... 13  
Roper, Pleasant Grove, night ..... 13  
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 2 ..... 19  
Lilymouth, 11 ..... 20  
Aulander, Lewiston, 3 ..... 20  
Edenton, night ..... 20  
First Church, Elizabeth City, night ..... 23  
South Mills, Trinity, 11 and 2 ..... 26  
Bath, Asbury, 11 ..... 27  
Washington, night ..... 27

#### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

##### September

Fayetteville-Fayetteville Ct., Camp Ground, 11 ..... 1  
Stedman, Tabor, 3 ..... 1  
Raeford, 8 ..... 1  
Henp, Tabernacle, 11 ..... 8  
Carthage, 4 ..... 8  
Sanford, 8 ..... 8  
Broadway, 11 ..... 15  
Aberdeen, 8 ..... 15  
Pittsboro, 11 ..... 22  
Bynum, Ebenezer, 3 ..... 22  
Siler City, 8 ..... 22  
Red Springs, 11 ..... 29  
Caledonia, East Laurinburg, 3 ..... 29  
Laurinburg, 8 ..... 29

##### October

Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11 ..... 6  
Laurel Hill, 3 ..... 6  
Pockingham, 7 ..... 6  
Ellerbe, 11 ..... 13  
Glendon, Fair Promise, 3 ..... 13  
Goldston, 13 ..... 13  
Person Street, 7 ..... 16  
Rockingham Ct., E. Rockingham, 11 ..... 20  
Gibson, St. John, 3 ..... 20  
Parkton, 7 ..... 23  
Biscoe, 11 ..... 27  
Mt. Gilead Ct., Little River, 3 ..... 27  
Mt. Gilead, 7 ..... 27  
Hamlet, 7 ..... 28  
Maxton, 7 ..... 29  
Hay Street, 7 ..... 30  
Jonesboro, 7 ..... 31

##### November

West End, 11 ..... 3  
Troy Ct., 3 ..... 3  
Troy, 7 ..... 3

#### NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

##### September

Harker's Island, 11 ..... 1  
Beaufort, 8 ..... 1  
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 11 ..... 8  
Pikeville-Elm Street, 3 ..... 8  
Fremont, 8 ..... 8  
Atlantic, Sea Level, 11 ..... 15  
Marshallberg-Strait, Marshallberg, 7:30 ..... 15  
Morehead City, 7:30 ..... 18  
Goldshoro Ct., Piney Grove, 11 ..... 22  
Ayden, 7:30 ..... 22  
La Grange, 7:30 ..... 25  
Oriental, Pamlico, 11 ..... 29  
Morehead City Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 ..... 29

##### October

Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 ..... 2  
Jones, Foy's, 11 ..... 6  
Dover, 7:30 ..... 6  
Kinston, Queen St., 7:30 ..... 9  
Griffon, 11 ..... 13  
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 ..... 13  
Hookerton, 7:30 ..... 18  
Mt. Olive Ct., Smith's, 11 ..... 19  
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 ..... 20  
Vanceboro, 7:30 ..... 20  
Newport, Riverdall, 11 ..... 22  
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 ..... 23  
Aurora, Warren's, 11 ..... 24  
Pamlico, Alliance, 11 ..... 27  
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 ..... 27  
New Bern, Centenary, 11 ..... 30

#### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

##### September

Littleton Ct., Corinth, 11 ..... 1  
Littleton, Calvary, 3:30 ..... 1  
Hallaft Ct., Bethesda, 8 ..... 1  
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 ..... 8  
Nashville, 8 ..... 8  
Scotland Neck, 11 ..... 15  
Sandy Cross, 3 ..... 15  
Tarboro, 8 ..... 15  
Conway, 11 ..... 22  
Garysburg, Shiloh, 3:30 ..... 22  
Hallaft, 8 ..... 22  
McKendree, Pinetops, 11 ..... 29  
District Rally, Laymen and Preachers, Rocky Mt., 2:30 29  
Wilson, 8 ..... 29

##### October

Rich Square, 7:30 ..... 2  
Spring Church, 7:30 ..... 4  
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 ..... 5  
Weldon, 11 ..... 6  
Northampton, New Hope, 3 ..... 6  
Enfield, 7:30 ..... 6  
Walstonburg, Arthur, 7 ..... 8

Farmville, 8 ..... 8  
Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30 ..... 9  
Rocky Mount, First Church, Dedication ..... 12  
Bethel, 7:30 ..... 13  
Marvin, 7:30 ..... 17  
Middleburg, 11 ..... 20  
Warren, 3 ..... 20  
Norlina, 7:30 ..... 20  
Robersonville, Stokes (to be announced) ..... 20  
Spring Hope, 7:30 ..... 21  
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 ..... 22  
Whitakers, 7:30 ..... 23  
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 ..... 26  
Elm City, 11 ..... 27  
Stantonsburg, 3 ..... 27  
Kenly, 7:30 ..... 27

##### November

Roanoke Rapids, 11 ..... 3  
Rosemary, 7:30 ..... 3

#### RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

##### September

Raleigh, Person Street, Central, 11 ..... 8  
Vance, Gillberg, 3 ..... 8  
Louisburg, 8 ..... 8  
Clayton, Home Memorial, 8 ..... 11  
Henderson, Christ Church, 8 ..... 13  
Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 ..... 15  
Henderson, First Church, 3 ..... 15  
Henderson, City Road-Whites Memorial, City Rd., 7:30, 15  
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 ..... 18  
Cary-Apex, Cary, 7:30 ..... 20  
Oxford Ct., Salem, 11 ..... 22  
Oxford, 7:30 ..... 22  
Raleigh, Fairmont, 8 ..... 24  
Raleigh, Person St., Central, 8 ..... 25  
Franklinton, 8 ..... 27  
Selma, 11 ..... 29  
Benson, 3 ..... 29  
Smithfield, 7:30 ..... 29  
District Check-up, Preachers and Laymen, Raleigh,  
Person St., Central, 10 ..... 30  
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 ..... 30

##### October

Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 ..... 2  
Zelulon-Wendell, Wendell, 11 ..... 6  
Creedmoor, Creedmoor, 7:30 ..... 6  
Grenville, Union Chapel, 7:30 ..... 7  
Stem, Stem, 7:30 ..... 9  
Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 ..... 13  
Erwin, Erwin, 3 ..... 13  
Princeton, Princeton, 7:30 ..... 13  
Mamers, Mamers, 7:30 ..... 15  
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 ..... 18  
Dunn, Divine Street, 11 ..... 20  
Lillington, Lillington, 3 ..... 20  
Garner, Garner, 7:30 ..... 20  
Tar River, Plank Chapel, 7:30 ..... 21  
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 ..... 23  
Four Oaks, Sanders, 7:30 ..... 25  
Jenkins Memorial, preaching, 11 ..... 27  
Louisburg Ct., Piney Grove, 3 ..... 27  
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30 ..... 27  
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 7:30 ..... 28  
Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30 ..... 30  
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 ..... 31

#### WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

##### September

Shallotte, Andrews, 11 ..... 1  
Tabor City, St. Pauls, night ..... 1  
Wilmington, Grace, 11 ..... 8  
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3 ..... 8  
burgaw, Rocky Point, night ..... 8  
District Conference at Garland, 10 ..... 12  
Elizabeth, Purdies, 11 ..... 15  
Carver's Creek, Council, night ..... 15  
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11 ..... 22  
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, night ..... 22  
Wallace-Rosehill, Rosehill, 11 ..... 29  
Penderlee, night ..... 29

##### October

Town Creek, Zion, 11 ..... 6  
Scott's Hill, Seagate, night ..... 6  
Wilmington, Epworth, night ..... 9  
Faison-Kenansville, 11 ..... 11  
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 ..... 13  
St. Pauls, Regans, 3 ..... 13  
Lumberton, night ..... 13  
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11 ..... 20  
Swainsboro, Oak Grove, 3 ..... 20  
Maysville, Belgrade, night ..... 20  
Southport, night ..... 23  
Bladen (place to be announced), 11 ..... 24  
Garland (place to be announced), night ..... 24  
Roseboro, Falls, 11 ..... 25  
Clinton, night ..... 25  
Rowland, Purvis, 11 ..... 27  
Pembroke (Indian work), First Church, 3 ..... 27  
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night ..... 27

##### November

Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11 ..... 3  
Wesley Memorial, 3 ..... 3  
Whitesville, night ..... 3  
Wilmington, Trinity, night ..... 4

## Western North Carolina Conference

#### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

##### September

West Asheville, 11 ..... 1  
Flat Rock, Upward, 3 ..... 1  
Haywood Street, night ..... 1  
French Broad Avenue, 11 ..... 8  
Oakley, 3 ..... 8  
Hendersonville, night ..... 8  
Leicester-Bell, 11 ..... 15  
Sandy-Big Sandy, 3 ..... 15  
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night ..... 15  
Central, Asheville, 11 ..... 22



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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Saluda-Tryon-Saluda, 3                                                                                                   | 22 |
| Bievard, night                                                                                                           | 22 |
| Black Mountain, 11                                                                                                       | 29 |
| Swannanoa, Tabernacle, 3                                                                                                 | 29 |
| Weaverville Station, night                                                                                               | 29 |
| <b>October</b>                                                                                                           |    |
| Laurel-Barnardsville, Laurel, 11                                                                                         | 6  |
| Weaverville Ct., South Fork, 3                                                                                           | 6  |
| Oteen, Bethel, night                                                                                                     | 6  |
| Hot Springs, Antioch, 11                                                                                                 | 13 |
| Marshall, Marshall, night                                                                                                | 13 |
| Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30 p. m. Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to be handed in. |    |

#### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, O.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| <b>FOURTH ROUND</b>           |    |
| <b>September</b>              |    |
| Peachland, Fountain Hill, 3   | 1  |
| Marshville, Marshville, 8     | 1  |
| Calvary, 8                    | 2  |
| Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 8             | 4  |
| Brevard Street, 8             | 6  |
| Wesley Heights, 11            | 8  |
| Polkton, P. P. L. M.          | 8  |
| Pinetown, P. P. L. M.         | 8  |
| Morven, 8                     | 9  |
| Belmont Park, 7:30            | 11 |
| Dilworth, 7:30                | 13 |
| Lileville, Lileville, 11      | 15 |
| Huntersville, Asbury, 3       | 15 |
| Derita, 7:30                  | 15 |
| Central Avenue, 11            | 22 |
| Prospect, Bethlehem, 3        | 22 |
| Sumner Memorial, 7:30         | 22 |
| Dunham Memorial, 11           | 29 |
| Wadesboro, 7:30               | 30 |
| <b>October</b>                |    |
| First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 | 7  |
| Myers Park, 7:30              | 14 |

#### ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, O.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| <b>FOURTH ROUND</b>             |    |
| <b>August</b>                   |    |
| Davis Ct., Oak Grove, 11        | 31 |
| <b>September</b>                |    |
| Croftemee, 11                   | 1  |
| Surry-Yadkin, New Home, 3       | 1  |
| Jonesville, Longtown, night     | 1  |
| Warrensville, Smithport, 11     | 8  |
| Creston, Big Laurel, 3          | 8  |
| Wilkesboro, Union, night        | 8  |
| Green Valley, Thomas Chapel, 11 | 15 |
| Watauga, Henon's Chapel, 3:30   | 15 |
| Boone, night                    | 15 |
| North Wilkesboro, 11            | 22 |
| Moravian Falls, Adley, 3        | 22 |
| Traphill, Traphill, night       | 22 |
| Todd, Cranberry, 11             | 28 |
| Helson, Baldwin, 11             | 29 |
| <b>October</b>                  |    |
| Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11     | 6  |
| Dobson, Stony Knoll, 3:30       | 6  |
| Elkin, 7:30                     | 6  |
| Mocksville Station, 8           | 9  |

#### GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, O.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

|                                          |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| <b>FOURTH ROUND</b>                      |    |
| <b>September</b>                         |    |
| Casar, Reep's Grove, 11                  | 1  |
| Fallston, Macedonia, 3                   | 1  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, 7:30 | 1  |
| Belmont, Main Street, 7:30               | 2  |
| Gastonia, Main Street, 7:30              | 3  |
| Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30           | 4  |
| Cleveland, Oak Grove, 11                 | 8  |
| Shelby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 3             | 8  |
| Shelby, Lafayette St., 7:30              | 8  |
| Shelby, Central, 7:30                    | 9  |
| Bessemer Ct., Bessemer, 7:30             | 10 |
| Cherryville, First Church, 7:30          | 11 |
| Rock Springs, 7:30                       | 13 |
| Lowville, Salem, 11                      | 14 |
| Bellwood, 11                             | 15 |
| Polkville, Rehoboth, 3                   | 15 |
| King's Mountain, Grace, 7:30             | 15 |
| Shelby Ct., 7:30                         | 16 |
| South Fork, 7:30                         | 17 |
| Bessemer City, Bessemer, 11              | 22 |
| Cherryville Ct., Mary's Grove, 3         | 22 |
| Mount Holly, 7:30                        | 22 |
| Gastonia, Trinity, 7:30                  | 23 |
| Gastonia, West End, 7:30                 | 24 |
| Belmont, Park Street, 7:30               | 25 |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11               | 29 |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3                   | 29 |
| <b>October</b>                           |    |
| Gastonia, Bradley Memorial, 11           | 6  |
| Lowell, Ebenezer, 7:30                   | 6  |
| Cramerton, 7:30                          | 7  |
| King's Mountain, Central, 11             | 13 |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11                   | 20 |

#### GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. E. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

|                            |    |
|----------------------------|----|
| <b>FOURTH ROUND</b>        |    |
| <b>August</b>              |    |
| Stokesdale, Sat.           | 31 |
| <b>September</b>           |    |
| Danbury, 11                | 1  |
| Sandy Ridge, 3             | 1  |
| Reidsville, Lindsey St., 8 | 1  |
| Reidsville, Main St., 8    | 4  |
| Moriah, 7:30 Sat.          | 7  |
| Stoneville, 11             | 8  |
| Ruffin, 3                  | 8  |
| West Greensboro, 8         | 8  |
| West Market, 8, O. C.      | 9  |
| Reidsville Ct., 11 Sat.    | 14 |
| St. Paul, 11               | 15 |
| Oak Ridge, 8               | 15 |
| Centenary, 8               | 18 |
| Gulford Ct., Sat.          | 21 |
| Proximity, 11              | 22 |
| Midway, 3                  | 22 |

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30       | 22 |
| Janestown-Oakdale, 7:30        | 25 |
| Flat Rock, Sat.                | 28 |
| West End, 11                   | 29 |
| Maui-on, 3                     | 29 |
| Leaksville, 7:30               | 29 |
| Bessemer, 7:30                 | 30 |
| <b>October</b>                 |    |
| Calvary, 7:30                  | 2  |
| Brown Summit, 11               | 6  |
| College Place, 7:30            | 6  |
| Glenwood, 7:30                 | 9  |
| Haw River, Sat.                | 12 |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11           | 13 |
| Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 | 13 |
| Gilsonville, 7:30              | 13 |
| Draper, 7:30                   | 16 |
| Tabernacle, Julian, 11         | 20 |
| Stoke dale, Glencoe, 3         | 20 |
| Grace, 7:30                    | 20 |

#### HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| <b>FOURTH ROUND</b>                   |    |
| (Subject to necessary changes)        |    |
| <b>September</b>                      |    |
| Liberty, First, 7:30                  | 4  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30                  | 8  |
| Parkin Memorial, 7:30                 | 11 |
| Denton, Central, Denton, 7:30         | 12 |
| Denton First, Cid, 11                 | 15 |
| Linwood, Linwood, 3                   | 15 |
| Ward Street, 7:30                     | 18 |
| Highland, 10:30                       | 21 |
| Liberty, Ct., Randolph, 11            | 22 |
| South Davidson, 2:30                  | 22 |
| Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30  | 22 |
| Ashboro First, 7:30                   | 25 |
| Why Not, Flag Springs (all day)       | 28 |
| Richland, Bowers, (all day)           | 29 |
| Ashboro Central, 7:30                 | 29 |
| Ardchdale, 7:30                       | 30 |
| <b>October</b>                        |    |
| Lebanon, 7:30                         | 1  |
| First Church, High Point, 7:30        | 2  |
| Welch Memorial, 7:30                  | 3  |
| Seagrove-Love Jov, Seagrove (all day) | 5  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethany, 11   | 6  |
| Farmer, Farmer, 2:30                  | 6  |
| Ashboro Ct., West Chapel, 7:30        | 6  |
| Wesley Memorial, 7:30                 | 9  |
| Calvary, 7:30                         | 10 |
| Shiloh, Friendship (all day)          | 12 |
| Main Street, 7:30                     | 13 |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Glead, 2:45  | 13 |
| Trinity, Trinity, 7:30                | 13 |
| Oak View, 7:30                        | 14 |
| Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 7:30      | 15 |
| Randleman-Union, St. Paul, 7:30       | 16 |
| Main Street, 7:30                     | 17 |

#### MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| <b>FOURTH ROUND</b>                 |    |
| <b>September</b>                    |    |
| Sunshine, Hollis, 11                | 1  |
| Gilkey, Thermal City, 3             | 1  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30                | 1  |
| Rutherford College, 11              | 8  |
| Morganton Ct., Denton's, 3          | 8  |
| Morganton, First, 7:30              | 8  |
| Rutherfordon, 11                    | 15 |
| Marion Ct., 3                       | 15 |
| Old Fort, 7:30                      | 15 |
| Linville Falls, 11                  | 22 |
| Avery Ct., 3                        | 22 |
| Spruce Pine, 7:30                   | 22 |
| Hald Creek, 11                      | 29 |
| Micaville, Tipton Hill, 3           | 29 |
| Burnsville, 7:30                    | 29 |
| <b>October</b>                      |    |
| Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11       | 6  |
| Shady Grove, 3                      | 6  |
| Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30 | 6  |
| Elk Park, 11                        | 13 |
| Bakersville, 3                      | 13 |
| Marion, First, 7:30                 | 13 |
| Cliffside, 11                       | 20 |
| Forest City, 7:30                   | 20 |

Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stewards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church. Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed to the district superintendent at this meeting.

#### SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, O.S., Salisbury, N. C.

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| <b>FOURTH ROUND</b>               |    |
| <b>September</b>                  |    |
| Jackson Park, 11                  | 1  |
| Landis, Unity, 3                  | 1  |
| Midland, 7:30                     | 1  |
| Grier's Chapel, 7:30              | 4  |
| Pfeiffer, Wesley, 11              | 8  |
| Coburn Memorial, 3                | 8  |
| China Grove, 7:30                 | 11 |
| Kerr Street, 11                   | 15 |
| Bethpage, Shiloh, 3               | 15 |
| Midway, 7:30                      | 15 |
| Friendship, 7:30                  | 18 |
| Westford, 11                      | 22 |
| Rocky Ridge, 3                    | 22 |
| Roberta, 7:30                     | 22 |
| Harmony, 7:30                     | 25 |
| Trinity, 11                       | 29 |
| East Spencer-Yadkin, 7:30         | 29 |
| <b>October</b>                    |    |
| Tabernacle, 11                    | 6  |
| Albemarle Ct., Stony Point, 3     | 6  |
| Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30      | 6  |
| Stanfield Ct., Love's Grove, 7:30 | 7  |
| Mt. Mitchell, 7:30                | 9  |
| Badin, 11                         | 15 |
| Mt. Pleasant, Friendship, 3       | 13 |

Meeting of pastors and chairmen of boards of stewards will meet at First church, Salisbury, October 17, 7:30. Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be turned in at this meeting.

#### STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyte, Jr., O.S., Statesville, N. C.

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| <b>FOURTH ROUND</b>             |    |
| <b>September</b>                |    |
| Shepherds, McKendree, 11        | 1  |
| Mooreville Ct., Centenary, 3    | 1  |
| Mt. Zion, Mt. Zion, night       | 1  |
| Hickory, First Church, 11       | 8  |
| Hickory, Highland, 3            | 8  |
| Malden, Malden, night           | 8  |
| Catawba, Concord, 3             | 15 |
| Stony Point, Stony Point, night | 15 |
| Davidson, Fairview, 10 and 3    | 22 |
| Mooreville, Central, 11         | 22 |
| Mooreville, Broad St., night    | 22 |
| Newton, First Church, 11        | 29 |
| Balls Creek, St. Paul, 3        | 29 |
| Troutman, Troutman, night       | 29 |
| <b>October</b>                  |    |
| Statesville, Broad Street, 11   | 6  |
| Grace-Rhodius, Grace, 3         | 6  |
| Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night | 6  |
| Hickory, Bethel, 11             | 13 |
| Hudson, Colliers, 3             | 13 |
| Hickory, Westview, night        | 13 |

#### WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| <b>FOURTH ROUND</b>              |    |
| <b>August</b>                    |    |
| Whittier, Whittier, 8            | 29 |
| Robbinsville, 8                  | 30 |
| <b>September</b>                 |    |
| Murphy, 11                       | 1  |
| Murphy Ct., Hampton Memorial, 3  | 1  |
| Andrews, 8                       | 1  |
| Annual Picnic, Cliffs Lake, 10-3 | 3  |
| Bryson City, 8                   | 4  |
| Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11     | 8  |
| Bethel, Bethel, 3                | 8  |
| Waynesville, 8                   | 8  |
| Junaluska, Junaluska, 8          | 11 |
| Louisa, Louisa, 9:45             | 15 |
| Franklin Ct., 11                 | 15 |
| Macon Ct., 3                     | 15 |
| Franklin, 8                      | 15 |
| Cullowhee, 8                     | 18 |
| Highlands, Cashiers, 11          | 22 |
| Webster, Webster, 3              | 22 |
| Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11       | 29 |
| Shooting Creek, Myers, 3         | 29 |
| Canton, First Church, 8          | 29 |

#### WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

|                                                             |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| <b>FOURTH ROUND</b>                                         |    |
| <b>September</b>                                            |    |
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| Thomasville, Trinity-Bethel, Bethel, 7:30                   | 10 |
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| Fourth Chek-up Meeting, Centenary, Church, Winston-Salem, 3 | 20 |

A freshman in high school was regaling her family with the French for potato, bread, milk, and about everything else in sight.

Marjorie, eight years old, listened and asked her big sister, "You have algebra, too, don't you, John?"

"Oh, yes, Marjorie, we have algebra."

"Well, what's algebra for mashed turnips?"—Boston Post.

Wrecked Motorist (opening his eyes)—"I had the right of way, didn't I?"

Bystander—"Yeh, but the other fellow had a truck."



RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Divine Providence has in the expression of his infinite wisdom taken from our midst Lee Jackson Best, long and faithful and consecrated member of the Wesley Bible Class of the Divine Street Methodist church; and

Whereas, the members of the Wesley Bible Class have suffered an irreparable loss in the passing of this great soldier of the Cross who for so many years in his modest, unassuming way had contributed so freely of his time and means in promoting the work of the kingdom of God on earth; and

Whereas, his life was an inspiration to this class while he lived, and the memory of it a benediction on the work of this class today:

Now, therefore the members of the Wesley Bible Class in regular meeting assembled on Sunday morning, July 21, 1940, does go on record and by this resolution has gone on record in expressing our feeling of great loss in the passing of our brother member, Lee Jackson Best; and the class and each member of it individually desires to express to the members of his family our sympathy in this hour, believing as we do that earth's loss has been heaven's gain.

Be it further resolved by the members of the Wesley Bible Class, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family, a copy be given to the press, and a copy be filed in the permanent records of this class.

This the 21st day of July, 1940.

The Wesley Bible Class.  
J. Shepard Bryan,  
H. P. Byrd,  
Wm. J. Thompson,  
O. P. Shell,  
H. O. Mattox,

IN MEMORIAM

It is with sad hearts and a sense of inestimable loss that we, the woman's Wesley Bible class of Morven Methodist church, record the "going home" of Mrs. Lila Brent Little on July 14, 1940.

For a number of years she was teacher of the class and at the time of her death was president. Her faith in God and her knowledge of the Bible were an inspiration to the members of the class and to the teachers who followed her. She was firm in her stand for the right. It was a joy to her to help carry on the work of our church, which she loved and by which she will be greatly missed. She was thoughtful of the needs of others and ever ready to lend a helping hand—which spirit has pervaded the work of our class under her leadership. May the memory of her life lead us on to larger fields of service!

We wish a copy of this appreciation sent to her family, with our love and sympathy, a copy recorded in the minutes of our class, and copies published in the North Carolina Christian Advocate and the Messenger and Intelligencer.

Mrs. R. L. Lowry,  
Mrs. J. B. Stanly,  
Mrs. C. E. Ratliff.

**DELLINGER**—Mrs. Alice J. Sullivan was born June 6, 1851, in Lincoln county, N. C. In early life she joined Pleasant Grove church, where for years she was active in the work of the kingdom. In later life she had her membership transferred to Hawthorne Lane church and was for some years prior to her death the oldest member of that congregation.

On January 23, 1872, she was married to Monroe N. Dellinger, and to them four children were born, two of whom survive. They are G. Hampton Dellinger and Mrs. Beatrice Mavella Dellinger Aderholdt of Charlotte.

There are four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren surviving. After a married life of more than 65 years Mr. Dellinger died April 26, 1937.

For several years Sister Dellinger made her home with the son and daughter in Charlotte. She had suffered much for the last few years and

looked forward with joy to the time of her going home. She passed her 89th birthday on the sixth day of last June. On August 16 she quietly went home. The funeral service was conducted from her childhood church by her pastor, Rev. E. H. Nease, assisted by Rev. W. F. Eaker.

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## The Divine Urge in Discontent

By REV. LEVI DAWSON

I STOOD on a hill overlooking the city as night was beginning to fall. At first I could distinguish places and buildings I knew, but as the dusk deepened into darkness individuality was lost in a blur. I could not tell which were roads and which rows of houses. In the black-out not even the neon lights betrayed the presence of a cinema. Everything was indistinct, except here and there a church spire pointing upwards out of the blur towards the stars. Those spires seemed to express the discontent which God has placed within man, and ever presses upwards to him.

The word "spire" originally meant "a green shoot," and referred to the blade of grass pushing its way from the dark ground towards the sunlight. It is the root of the word "aspiration," which expresses our highest longings. The first spire was made when a man first put his hands together and said his prayers. These things are not merely symbols of a divine discontent within our hearts. They are reminders of the strange paradox that final satisfaction only comes to the heart that is satisfied.

All man's great achievements have come because he was discontented. Every discovery of scientist or explorer, every new invention, has been possible because in some mind there was an urge to press on. The world lacks the upward urge. We have been content for so long to live on an animal level, to be part of the great blur of things. The story of the past years is a story of horizontal living. We have abolished heaven in our thinking, and with it have gone most of our ideals. Man has forgotten his God and been content to eat and sleep and toil, to drug his mind and soul with the cheap magazine and regular doses of the cinema. He has forsaken his destiny and, losing his aspiration, has lost his inspiration.

And yet there comes the voice of God: You were not meant for that. You were meant to be sons of the Kingdom, not slaves feeding swine. You were made so that you find no rest in contentment but only in doing the will of God. It is a vital word. So many of us have become satisfied. We have made our decision to belong to him and we have stopped there. We have regarded our conversion as an end instead of a beginning. If ever a man had a conversion to talk about it was Paul, and yet at the end of his life he is still following after, still pressing on, still struggling upward. That holy aspiration is not merely a Christian duty, it is the very lifeblood of religion. For lack of it men have become dead, and a church that is not pressing on is damned.

Holiness, whether in man or church, is not a state of mind. It is a vision to follow after. The glory of the Christian life is that there is always something beyond, something more wonderful to pursue. That is the secret of the eternal newness of our faith. It is also the way of life for men and the world.

—The Methodist Recorder (London).



# September Here, Conference is Near!

## Every Pastor's Name and Charge Should Appear in the Campaign Report

### MAKE GOOD DURING AUTUMN TIME

OUR GOAL FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE IS ONE  
NEW FULL YEAR SUBSCRIBER FOR EVERY HUNDRED  
MEMBERS OF A CHARGE

**We can win only by all doing our best!**

#### SEPTEMBER A MONTH FOR CONQUEST

1. The Advocate year closes September 30. This is to be the final and best month of the year for the church paper, both for renewals and for new subscribers.

2. In town and country church, the closing efforts of the conference year will take shape. United and determined efforts these weeks are of first concern.

3. Ordinary rounds and commonplace efforts will give place to daring and heroic leadership in all successful conquests.

4. The white plume in the forefront and the cheering voice of the intrepid leader should characterize the successful pastor leading on to victory. Catch step in September.

#### Our Fields of Neglect

The records show that the church paper suffers its most serious neglect, so far as circulation goes, in the big city church and in the little country church. Not much can be done in the little group, so the pastor fails to try even in a small way to circulate the church literature. In the big church, with the many demands to be met, this is passed over as of small consequence. As a matter of fact both of these fields stand in need of the church paper with the help it brings. Can't we improve at this point?

#### A Modest But Eager Request

Why not every pastor in both conferences urge consideration of our church paper in each and every church this month? Statements are going out to each and every delinquent subscriber. And many pastors will be sending in new subscribers. Why not make this 100 per cent? Every alert pastor who means to forward every interest of our Methodism will certainly comply with this request. The Advocate will close an unusually successful year if the friends of our church paper give it a bit of their attention in these autumnal days.

#### THE WAY THEY DO IT IN VIRGINIA

Inasmuch as so many are not now taking the Advocate, may we urge upon you, and especially upon the pastor of the church in charge, to see to it that three things are done as promptly as circumstances permit:

1. See that every non-subscribing steward is personally solicited for his subscription. (Send your list of stewards to the Advocate to be checked if necessary).

2. Select the names of ten or twelve other prospects and personally solicit them. (Please do not rely upon a general announcement from the pulpit).

3. Send reports promptly to the Advocate office.

If this matter is attended to without delay, it can be completed within a week or ten days and gotten out of the way well in advance of annual conference. Let us hear from you.

A man ought to be the same to his friend that he would be to himself. For his friend is himself in another person.—Isocrates.



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National defense commands the support of all good citizens. But these same good citizens should note how obviously we are headed into the European war. Stop! look! and listen! before it is too late.

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Dr. G. Campbell Morgan still preaches at Westminster Chapel, London, on Sunday mornings and lectures before his great Bible class on Friday evenings. He is reported to be in good health.

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Rufus was an American lad who loved to brag and his school chum, Ross, was devoted to natural curiosities. Rufus said to Ross, "My dad is an Elk, a Lion, a Moose, and an Eagle." Whereupon Ross promptly inquired, "What does it cost to see him?"

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"Days of sorrow and mourning" was the six-column front page headline in the first newspaper published in Paris after German occupation. On its editorial page appeared these significant words: "We are going to pay for sixty years of de-Christianization, falling birth rate, decline into paganism and materialism, decline into political anarchy. . . . We have worn out the patience of Providence. We returned to our free-thinking, materialistic vomit, to our moral anarchy. . . ."

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Bruce Barton says that talk should be taxed and that these taxes should be graded like income taxes are graded—the larger the income the larger the rate, the more talk the heavier the tax. It has been suggested that the first five minutes be tax exempt, the next five bear a tax of two per cent, fifteen minutes ten per cent, twenty minutes twenty-five per cent, all over thirty minutes sixty per cent, and all after dinner speakers and all members of Congress be required to pay double tax.

Here are some lines for the farmer and for those people who grew up on the farm. Strange to say they were written by a woman, Mrs. Madeleine Sweeny Miller, Brooklyn, New York, but she must have been acquainted with the fields and "God's great out of doors."

"Plow your life till it be ridden  
Of fallow aims and sins unbidden;  
Plow it deep like the up-turned sod,  
And let it lie and look at God.  
It will bring a harvest new  
From the very heart of you!"

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A movement is on foot in North Carolina to place on the tax books all property of churches, church schools, orphanages, and all benevolent institutions from which any income is derived. This strikes at all endowments which are in the form of real estate. We learn upon good authority that several boards of county commissioners have refused to place such property on the tax books. The papers report that Guilford commissioners have ordered that this property be taxed, and has invited litigation if anyone should object. In our judgment there will be no litigation. These charitable and religious institutions will hardly go into the courts to secure their rights, but if necessary, they will go directly to the next legislature to secure these rights and privileges that they have enjoyed through the past years. We are fully persuaded that the people of North Carolina will not agree to any such form of taxation, and we hereby call upon the Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists, Episcopalians and every other church, as well as the Masons, Odd Fellows and all other fraternal orders which hold property for benevolent and charitable purposes, to let the people of North Carolina, especially the members of the legislature, know of this proposed taxation. Whenever the people are informed of what is pending they will see that the proposed movement comes to naught.



## Enthroned the Prince of Peace

THE one business of the Christian church in a war mad world is to put the name of Jesus above every name. Especially urgent is such plea at this present moment when our security rests with material resources, arms and men. We are trusting to armed forces in this twentieth century as did the Roman Empire rely on the legions in the first. Then the followers of Jesus went everywhere preaching Jesus. As a result these enthusiastic devotees in three centuries had overrun the Roman world. Caesar is no more and the empire has gone with the dead nations of earth. But the spiritual qualities of the Christian church abide and Jesus remains the name that is above every name. He is still the Prince of Peace—the Saviour of men.

The disgrace of the Christian centuries is the fact that the Christian church has too long gone forth with a cross in one hand and a dripping sword in the other, though Jesus came not to destroy men's lives but to save them. The peril in every age is the failure of the church to keep the Prince of Peace on the throne. Especially true is this where the nations rely on material might and military equipment for national security. To such an hour as this have we come. During the World War we were told again and again that the Christian church had failed or else the World War with its bloody shambles would not have been. Is the church doing any better these last terrible weeks? Even here in America twenty-five years ago the churches were used as recruiting stations and agencies for promoting war. Pulpits even became vantage points for distributing the lying and vicious propaganda that goes with all wars. We emphatically hold to the conviction that the one business of the church is to preach and live Jesus so as to make pervasive the spirit of the Prince of Peace. Never should this be more emphatic than in times of war when physical force and military might have priority to love and life.

If the church fails to keep to the front this spirit of peace, humility, brotherhood and personal salvation, there is none other unto whom we can go. This is the one and only spiritual institution that remains. This, too, is having a hard time. There is so much baptized paganism in all our churches and the pressure from without is so persistent from the state and the war lords that dominate the nation as they

martial the armies, the ministers of religion are certainly between the upper and the nether millstone. The unchristian and ungodly forces of the day such as war and liquor are so foreign to all that Jesus stood for that it becomes difficult to lift him above Caesar and Bacchus. Still, this is the one business of the church and the one work of the minister.

The next few years are going to put to the test the organized churches of America since now the forces that would militarize the thought and life of our people are in the saddle. Only a church that is willing to enthrone the Prince of Peace can save us from becoming Hitlerized. It certainly will not be done by an invincible military establishment such as that of the Kaiser and of Hitler.

## An Appeal to Ministers

JOHN SCHOTT in a recent issue of The Presbyterian Tribune under the heading, "Do Ministers Worship," writes an arresting article from which we quote the closing paragraph, which is as follows:

"It does not seem to be an untimely or unwarranted appeal that ministers as the spiritual leaders of their flock first made an assiduous effort to deepen their own spiritual life. There is a story told of a young rector who had been assigned to the parish where Carlyle was living. One day he approached the venerable old man and asked what he should do for the community. 'What this parish needs,' said Carlyle bluntly, 'is a man who knows God otherwise than by hearsay.' All too often it is rightly suspected that the messages which are proclaimed week by week from our pulpits are second-hand; they are the product, as Joseph Fort Newton has indicated, of a religion which has been received, rather than a religion which has achieved. It is a very bromidic expression, yet nevertheless well deserving of repetition, that the greatest danger in not having frequent and 'personal meetings of the soul with God' is that one's ministry will speedily deteriorate into an obnoxious professionalism which cannot be hid for any length of time from the discerning eyes of one's parishioners. The constant handling of sacred things obviously tends to make one's ministry so perfunctory that a person, if he wishes his ministry to be meaningful and significant, must cultivate the Presence of God; he must constantly feel the impingement of God upon his life. At one time when Mark Twain had received an invitation to dine with



the Emperor of Germany his little daughter innocently gave expression to a surprising statement: 'You'll soon know everybody but God, won't you, daddy?' May the day never come when that can be said about the ministers of our churches!"

### **The End of the Year Crowds Upon Us**

**L**ABOR DAY marks the renewed business enterprise looked for the last four months of the year. The call on this office for printed blanks to be used in the final work of the annual conferences remind us most forcibly that the churches must make ready for the final reports of the year. The many eager children on glad feet crowding the pathway to school tell us that summer has ended and the thousands turning their faces toward the colleges tell us the same story.

The press rings from side to side urging haste in preparedness and the spirit displayed by all enterprising men of business as they gird themselves as never before emphasize the same fact. Not often have there been so many calls for unusual haste to answer the demands of these closing months of 1940. Are the ministers of the gospel and the church folks generally showing the same enterprise and determination in their field? Really we should outdo all the rest in such an age as this with its materialism and paganism crowding upon the spiritual life and fervor of this age.

Here in North Carolina the situation is especially urgent. These weeks mark the close of the present year and they also set the pace for the unusual year or years ahead of us. Prayer, devotion and earnest haste should mark the morning of each and every new day. Only God can lead us so as to save us from shipwreck.

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We are now singing "God bless America." And we do well to sing this beautiful national hymn. If it will inspire the millions who now are content to eat at the public feed trough without expense or any return on their part, we will have made a long step forward toward a better America. What we as a people need most of all at this present time is the spirit of our pioneer fathers for whom life was real and life was earnest all the heroic days of their lives. So their religion had a strange ring of certitude and of moral earnestness.

### **Recall to Morals and Public Worship**

**G**ENERAL SMUTS described the escape of the British forces from Dunkirk as "the most astounding incident of the whole war." Lord Halifax speaking on the day following the address of General Smuts declared that there are greater sources of power than ships and planes and tanks and guns in the abiding strength derived from communion with God.

Would it not be well for the churches at this time when so much is being said about the men and the millions to be secured for defense, to direct the attention of the American people by their own conduct to the declaration of Lord Halifax as they lead our people to public worship? Too many of our churches are well nigh empty; or else they are filled with listless and formal worshipers. Right here the moral and spiritual forces make secure the defenses of the nation. The inner vigor and solidity count for much more than does the outward show. France collapsed within; the inner life of the people was rotted out by alcoholic poison and immoral self-indulgence. What a lesson for America! Will the church leaders and men in the pulpit profit by the warning and duly stress the defense of the inner life?

### **South Carolina Votes Dry**

**M**ORE than four decades ago South Carolina had a state-wide dispensary system for selling liquor. This became a disgrace to the state and it was rejected by the people. Following the repeal of the 18th Amendment along with the coming of the wet administration at Washington, the state went back to the system of liquor stores. These were also most unsatisfactory. So last week by more than 50,000 majority the people put their disapproval upon the liquor business in South Carolina.

The action of South Carolina and the results in Person county and in Johnston county of North Carolina indicate the trend against liquor. Person has given a majority against liquor twice and Johnston county, after five years of liquor stores, rejects them. So it becomes clear what the results will be when the people are allowed a referendum on the liquor issue. Let the people see to it that the men who go to the General Assembly this winter are such as to allow the people the rights of free men in North Carolina.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference, Fifth Ave., Wilmington, 10 a. m. . . Nov. 7**

Rev. and Mrs. Robert L. Jerome of Wilmington announce the birth of a daughter, Jean Gray, on August 29.

The address of Mrs. John M. Wright, formerly of Jackson, N. C., is now 5816 Hodiament Ave., Jennings St., St. Louis, Mo.

After spending the summer with his parents at the Centenary parsonage, Dr. Charles A. Kirkpatrick has returned to College Park, Md., where he teaches marketing in the University of Maryland.

We are closing a very successful year on our charge at Farmer. All items in the regular budget have been paid in full with the exception of the pastor and his total amount will be forthcoming before conference.—F. E. Howard.

The Advocate of Thursday, August 29 carried announcement of my husband's death, Rev. R. A. Bruton, and I wish to call attention to an error. It stated his second wife was Mattie Mines. It should have read Mattie Hearne.—Mrs. Mattie Hearne Bruton.

**Rev. Key W. Taylor has been assigned to the Walstonburg and Bell Arthur charge. He succeeds Rev. E. C. Soper, who was admitted on trial in the Baltimore conference at the session of that conference in June.—L. C. Larkin, D. S., Rocky Mount District.**

Speaking of columns, there is the "4½ column," so named by Samuel Grafton, writing in the New York Post, who defined it thus: "The 4½ column consists of men who are trying to make political capital for themselves by exploiting the public's proper fear of the Fifth Column."

At the close of a week's meeting at Hoffman six persons gave their names for church membership. This congregation has paid its quota for this year for general benevolences and the orphanage. We hope to have the church painted before the annual conference.—William A. Parsons.

A group of fine students will fill every dormitory when Louisburg College opens next Monday, September 9. Extensive improvements have been made on buildings and grounds and an augmented faculty will afford an enlarged curriculum. The year promises to be a most helpful one to the students.

**Rev. John W. Fulton, pastor Friedberg Moravian church, has thirty benches which he would like to dispose of for a fair amount. He believes that these benches, enough to seat over three hundred, are worth one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars. Anyone interested will write John W. Fulton, Route 4, Winston-Salem, N. C.**

Happy thought: A minister friend who tries always to see things the optimistic way puts it like this when people talk about the war permanently wrecking the world: "In the beginning, the Lord created the world out of chaos, and he can do it again—even though the present chaos is perhaps somewhat worse than the first one."—B.B., Greensboro Record.

The Board of Education has issued an unusual quality of material for rally day and Christian education week. Some of it is free and the remainder is supplied at lowest possible cost. It concludes a "book of plans" for the week and a program for rally Sunday, October 6. Stereopticon sets can be obtained either from the Department of Visual Education at 740 Rush Street, Chicago, Ill., or 8 Long Street, East, Columbus, Ohio. Other materials should be ordered from Board of Education, 740 Rush Street, Chicago.

Francis Asbury lies buried in Baltimore and his bronze statue is in Washington. A casual reading of his Journal gives the impression that his ministry was below the Mason and Dixon Line. His Methodism was not sectional. He visited all the American colonies with equal interest and desire to serve.

It is reported that the story of the Lost Colony of Roanoke Island may soon be made into a motion picture. Material is now being gathered for the proposal. We hope that the producers will not overlook those tablets in Georgia. And it may be they can in some way give a glimpse of Peter S. Ney of Rowan County, N. C.

President W. S. Sharp of Pfeiffer College says that there is still room for a few more student at the college for the coming session. Young folks who have finished high school should see Dr. Sharp at once if they are interested in a college education. Pfeiffer operates on a plan where the actual cost to the student is surprisingly small.

Home coming day will be observed at the Evandale church in Wilson county Sunday, September 8. There will be a morning sermon at 11 o'clock and also an afternoon sermon. Of course there will be the dinner hour! All former friends, members and pastors are extended a special invitation.—G. W. Goldston.

The quick shrinkage of respect for civil liberties brought on by the war scare and the defense psychosis succeeds a period of several years during which our basic democratic guarantees have enjoyed unusual prestige. Now the insidious poison of the doctrine that the end justifies the means is sweeping through our body politic, making us believe that to defend democracy we must surrender it.

Home coming day will be observed at Trinity Methodist church, Beatty Ford Road, Charlotte, on Sunday, September 8. Rev. R. F. Huneycutt, a former pastor, will preach at the 11 o'clock hour. Lunch will be served on the grounds. There will be a special fellowship hour in the afternoon. Music and a talk by Rev. M. G. Ervin, another former pastor, will feature the service at 2:30. All former members, pastors and friends are invited.—J. E. Yountz.

The Franklinville Methodist church will observe its one hundred and first anniversary and home coming day Sunday, September 15. Dr. Paul N. Garber of Duke University will be the speaker at the 11 o'clock hour. A memorial service honoring those who have died during the year will be held at two o'clock. A picnic dinner will be served on the church lawn. All former pastors and former members and friends are cordially invited to attend.—R. M. Hauss, Pastor.

## CHERRYVILLE CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED SEPTEMBER 15

Cherryville Methodist church will be dedicated Sunday, September 15. Rev. C. H. Moser will preach at 11 and Bishop Purcell will preach and dedicate the church at 3. We shall appreciate the presence of all former pastors and presiding elders and the many friends who have fought with us the battle and have helped to make this occasion possible.

## N. C. CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD NOTICE

On account of the death of Rev. R. A. Bruton we are issuing call number 75.

Non-beneficiaries and those with salaries of \$1000 or less will pay \$1. Those with salaries of \$1001 to \$2000 will pay \$2. Those with salaries over \$2000 will pay \$3.

Make checks payable to R. L. Jerome, Treas., and send them to 1908 Princess Street, Wilmington, N. C.



### MAROONED AT LAKE JUNALUSKA.

The people at Lake Junaluska awoke Friday morning, August 30, 1940, to find themselves cut off from the outside world. All highways were flooded, the trains could not run and every telegraph and telephone line was out of commission. Even the radio had given itself over largely to "static." At Clyde the water was three feet deep in the highway. In Canton the waters had reached a depth of eight feet and at Dillsboro slides and high water had stopped all traffic to the west and south.

The rain began Thursday morning and continued with slight intermission through the afternoon and night. The official report at Asheville was 6.78 inches and Mr. J. B. Ivey's measurement at Lake Junaluska was seven inches. With a seven-inch rainfall in twenty hours there was a superabundance of water everywhere. Two of the floodgates in the Junaluska dam had been opened early in the night and the 260-foot spillway carried the flood over in a veritable Niagara. Yet the water in the lake rose approximately two feet above normal. But the dam held and automobiles raced over the bridge above the tumbling flood with their accustomed speed.

Dr. W. A. Lambeth took several of us, including Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, the final guest preacher of the 1940 season at the Assembly, down Crabtree creek to where it enters Pigeon river. The junction of these streams with their plunging waters reminded me of the angry waters in the "Narrows" below Niagara Falls. The only difference was the greater volume of water at Niagara and the driftwood in Pigeon river, most of which came from the wood yards of the paper mills at Canton. But the madness and speed of the waters equaled those waters on the Canadian border.

Reference has already been made to the presence of Bishop Hughes. Let it be added that the services continued without a single omission as previously announced. Bishop Hughes delivered two of his best sermons Thursday morning and evening while the rain poured in torrents, but the congregation took little notice of the rain, judging by the attendance. Bishop Hughes seemed at his best and delivered a series of great sermons to close the 1940 session.

### LITTLETON COLLEGE ALUMNAE REUNION

About one hundred of the former students of Littleton College and a few of their friends and relatives assembled on the old college campus Friday morning, August 23, for a reunion and picnic. Miss Vara Herring of Raleigh, president of the alumnae association, had charge of the program. Mrs. Emma Thornton Nowell of Macon read an interesting history of Littleton College, dwelling on outstanding personalities that had gone into the record of that institution and that had been sent out from its training. Lawyer Moore of Littleton delivered an address that stressed the influence of that college in its day and in after years. A plaque locating this college that was burned down two dozen years ago was presented, to be placed at the campus entrance.

The dinner was sumptuous and bountiful. Then a business session was held under the great trees that had sheltered thousands of young women students, impromptu talks were made by Miss Emma Graham, Mrs. Florence Rux Draughan, and others, and the classes of 1890 and 1895 were presented and toasted.

The crowd repaired to the cemetery where, after an address by Rev. E. H. Davis, a tombstone to Mrs. J. M. Rhodes was unveiled amid a profusion of flowers. As the sun neared the tree tops in the distance, the "L. C. girls" dispersed for their homes in the Carolinas, Virginia and elsewhere. Perhaps no one carried with her more devotion of that

homeward-bound group than did Miss Sallie Betts of Sanford, their faithful lady principal for many years, and Mrs. D. N. Hunt of Oxford, sister of the beloved departed Mrs. Rhodes, who had honored the assemblage with their presence. And thoughts kept winging gratefully and tenderly to Bartow, Florida, where Rev. J. M. Rhodes, founder and president of Littleton College for the forty years of its existence, is quietly waiting for his call to higher service.

Dora Hornaday Stephenson.

### RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES AT WOMAN'S COLLEGE

Miss Helen Boyd, an outstanding leader in religious education, was announced today as director of religious activities at Woman's College by Dr. W. C. Jackson, dean of administration. Miss Boyd comes to the college to direct a program instituted three years ago, and led since that time by Miss Wilmina Rowland. Miss Rowland left this spring to accept a fellowship given by the National Council on Religion in Higher Education, and will work toward her doctor's degree in religious education at Columbia University.

Miss Boyd comes to Woman's College direct from Columbia University, where she received her master's degree this spring, specializing in religious education and student personnel administration.

A native of East Lansing, Michigan, Miss Boyd has had wide experience with young people, having taught in Seattle, Washington; been Girl Reserve secretary in Seattle and in Muskegon, Michigan, and having been director of religious education in the administration of educational programs for children, young people and adults in the Michigan Congregational conference.

Miss Boyd attended the University of Washington, the Chicago Theological Seminary, and Columbia University. She is a member of the Protestant Congregational church, and holds membership in Kappa Delta, Pi Lambda Theta, Kappa Delta Pi, and Mortar Board.

The religious activities department at Woman's College grew out of the need for the co-ordination of number of religious groups on the campus. Four churches, the Episcopal, Methodist, Baptist, and Presbyterian employ full time secretaries and have club rooms near the campus. The college has an active Y. W. C. A. and eight organized church groups, all represented on the Inter-Faith Council. In 1938 there were 23 denominations represented on the campus.

In view of the large number of religious groups on the campus the college in 1938 established and completely equipped a religious center in the renovated Spencer Hall. Offices for the director, a large club room and kitchenette, and office of the Y. W. C. A. president offer facilities for meetings, recreational activities and suppers.

### MYRTLE CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED SEPTEMBER 15

Myrtle Methodist church is to be dedicated on the third Sunday in September at 11 a. m. Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte will preach the dedicatory sermon and dedicate the church. All former pastors, former members and friends are invited to attend.

This day is also home coming day at Myrtle. Lunch will be served in the grove near by at the noon hour and afterward Rev. A. C. Swofford, a former pastor, will preach. We are looking forward with great pleasure to this day of dedication and fellowship. P. W. Tucker.

### W. M. S. NOTICE, FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

The woman's missionary societies of Fayetteville district will meet at Maxton on Thursday, September 12, beginning at 10:30 a. m. and closing at 3:30 p. m. Luncheon will be served at the cost of 25 cents per plate. It is important that information concerning the approximate number of women from each auxiliary who expect to attend be sent to Mrs. Dewey Evans, Maxton, prior to the day of the meeting. This will be the last meeting of the district before the organization of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, therefore one of vital significance.



### IT HAPPENED AT SALEM

Who said that the days of revival meetings were over? This statement has been made so many times that a good many people actually began to believe it, however, in the last ten days God has shown us that these days are not passed.

Settled back in the trees of a good distance from the highway stands historic Salem Methodist church at Millport just out of Albemarle. The folks of this great old church felt the very presence of God as his Spirit fell on the congregation. The pastor, Rev. Lee R. Spencer, brought the messages each evening; the church was filled practically every service; one night over a hundred young people were in attendance, but most important of all 127 souls gave themselves to Christ.

Mr. Spencer's co-laborer was Rev. Charles D. White, pastor of Oak Summit Methodist church, Winston-Salem. Mr. White had charge of the music during the meeting—leading the congregation in the great old hymns of the church. Chorus selections were used to a great extent and the old hymns that have come down through the years were featured. None of the "jitterbug" type of so-called hymns that have gotten into some of our churches were used.

Some might think that some emotional outbreak must have been the cause of this great service, but never was an appeal to the emotion made. The pastor presented the glorious gospel in a way that it appealed to the reason; he got people to realize that it was the reasonable thing to do to be a Christian, and they came. The leaders of the church came; stewards realized that they had not been out and out for God and came; church school teachers felt the need of Christ in their own life; men and women who had never known Christ found him precious to their souls.

Another feature of these services was Bible reading. Each evening the number of Bible chapters that had been read were counted; at the end of ten days 7,698 chapters were read. It was a thrilling sight to see young and old alike report their Bible chapters.

Mr. White and Mr. Spencer have worked together in revival services throughout the conference. They were old schoolmates; in fact they grew up in the same community. They have seen their work blessed as they labor for the Master. God has always blessed their efforts and to that they give God the glory and praise. A former school teacher has this to say of their services: "We have been deeply impressed with your services; in fact I haven't heard preaching such as you and Mr. White do since I was a very young girl. I thought services like that had gone out of style, and I was disgusted with so-called 'series of meetings.' It has been some time since I heard a preacher say 'revival.' I am a student of the old school and am glad to hear of a real revival again. May God bless you in all you do, and I say, Hurrah for High Point College if it turns out men like you two."

Reporter.

### DAY OF PRAYER SEPTEMBER 8

The President of the United States has proclaimed September 8 as a day of prayer. All of our district superintendents, pastors and members are requested to observe the day in a fitting manner. There can be nothing more important in any service of worship than this prayer

for the peace of mankind. I trust every service in the state of North Carolina held on that day may have provision for a season of earnest supplication to the Father of us all that a just and lasting peace may come to our distraught world.

Clare Purcell.

### JOHN WESLEY STAND GIVEN TO METHODIST CHURCH

It will be a matter of much interest to the many friends of Rev. J. F. Burkhead, Asheboro, N. C., and the John Wesley Stand, to know that he has deeded this property to the Methodist church. The transfer was made Monday, August 27, when Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent of the High Point district, was in Asheboro to have the deed recorded.

The trustees chosen in agreement by Mr. Burkhead and Dr. Taylor are D. B. McCrary, J. D. Ross and Henry Bulla. They will hold the property in trust until a church organization is effected at the John Wesley Stand, at which time the property will be transferred to the duly elected trustees of that organization.

The John Wesley Stand will be made a part of one of the nearby Methodist charges, probably Richland, and given regular preaching appointments. Mr. Henry Bulla has been appointed superintendent and will continue the Sunday school work. The four Sunday school rooms, already begun by Mr. Burkhead, to the church building will be completed at an early date. Everything possible will be done to continue and enlarge the good work that has so faithfully been carried on at the John Wesley Stand by Mr. Burkhead.

The John Wesley stand was a preaching place before the Civil War, and throughout the years has been maintained as such, though with varying regularity. In 1903 Rev. Mr. Burkhead experienced a spiritual awakening in his own life and felt a strong and persisting inner urge to revive the work at this place. Since that time he has preached there twice a month and held a camp meeting in August of each year. Mr. Burkhead says that he has missed attending but one of these meetings, and that he has walked about 12,000 miles to and from his appointments during the 37 years that he has carried on the work.

The John Wesley Stand is located seven miles west of Asheboro on the Moore road, running from Randleman to highway 64. It is also accessible by other well kept roads. The place is widely known, and it is said that hundreds of people go there on the occasion of the annual revival. The property consists of nine acres of ground, most of it wood land, a rock tabernacle, church building, cook room, sleeping room, good well of water, and a burying ground.

The Rev. Mr. Burkhead has preached for 37 years. He is now 80 years old and cannot continue the work that he has carried on so well and so long. Out of his deep desire to see the work go on, and because of his long family connection with the Methodist church, Mr. Burkhead has been prompted to make this transfer of this property which was his in fee simple. The Methodist church fully appreciates the confidence shown by Mr. Burkhead in this gift, and he has every assurance that diligent effort will be made by the church to continue his good works.

### TOAST TO CLASS OF 1895

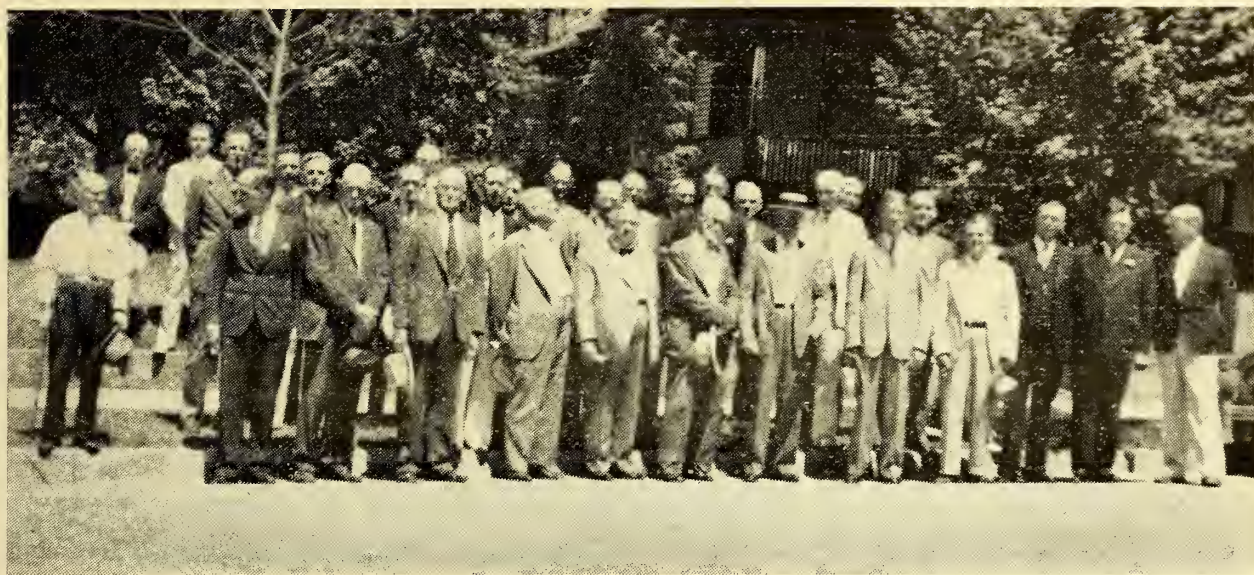
How long is the road as it stretches ahead  
To the eyes of the young ere the years have fast sped,  
But to those who have lingered and looked not ahead  
How short is the road, nor yet weary the tread!  
Though forty-five milestones are passed on the way,  
Here are faces as bright and voices as gay  
And dear ones as dear as in far yesteryear  
When youth scanned the future and felt not a fear.

Amelia and Florence and Annie and Blanche  
And Lizzie and others, a gay avalanche  
Of beauty and sweetness and young hope and zeal  
Just fresh from school tasks and full of appeal,  
Could face the fair future and count it all gain,  
Quite sure that their fates would be free from all pain,  
Not dreaming the long years could bring bitter tears,  
Of Fate could afford to them soul-searing fears.

The record is written with Time's pen of gold,  
A record this school friend dares now to unfold,  
Of hope that held firm and zeal that kept warm  
When tears blinded eyes and large loads stooped the form,  
Of work that was done with good will and success  
The Littleton College way—best way, I guess!  
So dear Ninety-five Class, ere this day shall pass  
To your health I would offer an L. F. C. glass.

(H. O.)





**Bible Classes of Rev. E. H. Davis join in celebrating his 80th birthday**

### MAKING READY FOR CONFERENCE

Bishop Clare Purcell met with members of the General Commission of World Service and Finance, of the Board of Missions, of Education, and also with the district superintendents of the North Carolina conference at Goldsboro Tuesday of this week to consider the financial set-up of the Methodist Church. More than twenty-five leaders gathered with the bishop for the work of the day. Rev. F. S. Love was asked to act as secretary of the group.

Rev. A. J. Hobbs gave an outline of the work of the General Commission of World Service and Finance. Rev. J. M. Ormond told of its relation to the work of missions, making special mention of the value of a conference commission on town and country work. It was suggested that the North Carolina conference at its coming session appoint such a commission.

Rev. Robert Bradshaw disclosed the financial condition of the Board of Education and he urged certain financial provisions be made for next year.

Bishop Purcell, following a conference with the cabinet and the committee on conference entertainment, announced that the North Carolina conference will convene in Fifth Avenue church, Wilmington, Thursday morning, November 7, at 10 a. m. and adjourn Sunday afternoon, November 10.

At an early date the program committee will issue its report.

Bishop Purcell in the afternoon of Tuesday held a meeting of his cabinet to give attention to the work of the approaching conference.

### A CIRCUIT RIDER'S SADDLE ON CHURCH ALTAR RAIL LAST SUNDAY

An honor service for superannuated Methodist preachers was held in Calvary Methodist church last Sunday morning. The service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. C. Stubbins and was in keeping with the simple order of worship of the early Methodist Church. The congregation listened to many interesting experiences as told by these men of long service in the Methodist ministry, when much of the traveling was done on horseback. A "circuit rider" saddle, formerly used by Rev. T. F. McCulloch,

placed on the altar rail of the church was an object of interest. A "hat collection" was taken for the superannuated fund. Those present and taking part were: Drs. S. B. Turrentine and S. K. Sparr, Revs. T. F. McCulloch, W. F. Ashburn and Thomas Wright. Following the service, all the superannuates who could attend, were invited to a chicken dinner in the home of Rev. T. F. McCulloch, now 89 years of age, a superannuate in Calvary church.

### REV. E. H. DAVIS AND BIBLE CLASS AT GREEN HILL

Rev. E. H. Davis has been the teacher for the men's Bible class at the Louisburg Methodist church during the years since he came to Louisburg in the fall of 1931. He has missed only once from illness during my four years at Louisburg, and he rarely ever lets other calls for service in the nearby churches take him away during the Sunday school hour.

Brother Davis' friends have taken an added interest in his work this summer due to his hale and hearty arrival at his 80th birthday on July 3. On his birthday he had a large crowd of kinspeople and others for a barbecue dinner at the old Green Hill place, where he resides. Special guests at dinner were his two Bible classes, the Louisburg men, and the adult class at King-Hill Memorial church. This second class Brother Davis teaches in the afternoon in the fine, new rural church which means so much to him and to his family. He stated that this occasion was in keeping with his custom of calling together his relatives and other friends for similar festivities at ten year intervals. In 1890 it was at High Point. In 1900 it was at Warrenton, in 1910 at Rockingham, in 1920 at Clinton, in 1930 at Zebulon (the dinner being given at Green Hill), and in 1940 at Green Hill.

On a Sunday following July 3 we devoted a morning service to "recognition day" in view of the birthday and of 54 years of service as a Methodist minister. Remarks concerning this long and successful career were made by the pastor, and the sermon was given by Brother Davis from John 3:16. The sermon was given with a physical vigor and spiritual power which made the hearers feel that it was not out of reason to hope for a like occasion ten years hence.

J. G. Phillips, Pastor.



# A Church At Prayer?

General Smuts recently described the escape of the British Expeditionary Force at Dunkirk as "the most astounding incident of the whole war." Speaking as a soldier, he declared that "if ever a force was trapped and doomed it was the B.E.F." The enemy, putting forth a supreme effort, failed to overcome the heroic defensive operation of the navy and the air force. How then, the General asked, could the Germans fairly hope to succeed in an attack on the shores of Great Britain? General Smuts has shown signal leadership not only as a soldier but as a statesman, an idealist philosopher. On this occasion he spoke of the immense material resources of the commonwealth of British nations, though later he had strong words to say about freedom as the sovereign remedy for the "ills from which human society is suffering." It was left to Lord Halifax, speaking on the day after General Smuts' address, to declare that there are greater sources of power than ships and planes and tanks and guns, and to call the free nations to recognize that true and abiding strength derives from communion with God. If the individuals who make up these nations will give heed to it, Lord Halifax's message may prove to rank with the deliverance at Dunkirk as "the most astounding incident of the whole war."

It is, of course, a matter for great encouragement when a foreign secretary in a speech which is regarded as a "reply" to a so-called overture from the enemy declares that overture to be only another aspect of "the challenge of anti-Christ" and, recognizing the resolute determination of the British people, calls upon all lovers of freedom to give themselves to prayer:

"There is one thing we can all do," said the foreign secretary, "and that is to pray. I heard the other day of a Yorkshire village where, after all the talk about a fifth column, the people had agreed to form a sixth column, in which they pledged themselves to try to give a few minutes each day in God's houses to prayer. Prayer is not only asking God for what we want, but rather the way to learn to trust him, to ask that we may know his will and do it with all our strength. If we can really do our work, whatever it is, as well as we can in God's sight, it will become his work, and we can safely leave the issue in his hands."

Is it too much to hope that here is an appeal to which the churches will give a quick and sufficient response? There is no question that the churches are making a valuable contribution to national service and to the cause of freedom. But it may fairly be doubted if this contribution differs greatly from that which is being made by the people outside the churches. A few who claim to be Christians appear to think that the Deity is either a neutral or a non-belligerent, but there is in the churches a general acceptance of the call to resist to the uttermost the attempt to destroy those things which have made Christian civilization; and, with this, there goes an opinion, varying in strength, that, in some way, the future of the Christian religion is bound up with the issues of the war; therefore it must be that we can depend upon Divine aid in the conflict in which we are involved. But if evidence is sought of a nation-wide gathering together of

Christian people, as churches, so that in Christian unity the issue may be placed before God, and his guidance and strength sought and accepted, that evidence is difficult to find.

The relationship of the churches to the present situation is one of the plain indications of the admitted general ineffectiveness of organized religion. There is no aspect of church life in which there has been a more marked change during the past generation than that which has to do with prayer. In the mercy of God there are many individual Christians to whom prayer is "vital breath"; and no doubt there are here and there groups of faithful people who gather together for intercession. But it cannot be denied that corporate prayer has not a primary place in church life. We write particularly of Methodism, for we have no qualification to attempt to assess the attitude of other churches. It will be recalled that the Committee on Corporate Prayer, appointed a few years ago by conference, made enquiries especially as to prayer in two specific relationships: family prayer and the church prayer meeting. The result of those enquiries was a distressing revelation. There is no reason to think that the condition of the local church is any better today.

It may be a service to some to discover the causes of this condition. Manifestly there has been a diversion of attention and effort from primary to secondary things, a busyness in affairs or an understandable and, in a measure, praiseworthy devotion to social service. But behind it all there is a deadly yielding to a critical spirit which seeks to rationalize everything and which accepts only that which can be explained. No one can look without sympathy on people, especially young people, who are faced today with the dilemma created by old and new methods of thought and who are baffled in their sincere attempts to arrive at a theory of life which is consonant with what is called the new knowledge. It is our conviction that the way out is to be found in the acceptance of the New Testament supremacy of faith, and of the strength of God which is only realized when man acknowledges his weakness. "Our work," writes the Archbishop of York in his most useful volume, *Thoughts in War-Time*, "is not to explain the world but to convert it." We are to call people into a kingdom, entrance into which is the child-like mind. The schoolboy's definition of faith as "believing what you know is not true" has its immediate application today. It was anticipated long ago by Tertullian: *Credo quia impossibile*. The mystery of the Divine nature and of the operations of the Divine mind should put the demand for explanations out of our desires. If every Methodist would read Paul's prayer in the third chapter of the letter to the Ephesians, with its amazing petitions, and then would accept Paul's assertion that the God of whom these stupendous gifts are asked is "able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we can ask or imagine," a new breath of the Spirit would inspire our people to a constant practice of fellowship in prayer.

It must be noted that Lord Halifax called for prayer "in God's house." Reports reach us of an increasing number of Methodist churches which are open daily for



private prayer. The extraordinary circumstances of the war may well bring about what will become an ordinary usage. The suggestion of a daily minute's silence to be announced by the B.B.C. is an admirable one. Common prayer in God's house on the Lord's Day should be urged not only on all our people, but an appeal to this end should be made from house-to-house. There are as yet few signs that the war is acting as a recall to public worship. In this regard Lord Halifax's practice reminds us of the habit of an earlier foreign secretary, Arthur Henderson, who is held in proud and grateful memory by Methodists throughout the world. When the nation was facing the most critical days of the war of 1914-18, Arthur Henderson was a chief figure in the discussions which resulted in a change of government and the formation of a small war cabinet. The leaders of the parties were in session day and night. On the Sunday Arthur Henderson was in his pew at Clapham at both the morning and evening services. It is impossible to estimate how much the nation owes to the Christian witness of such men, and who can say how great an influence would be exerted on the strength and steadiness of the people if we accepted today the obligations and privileges of fellowship in prayer and worship every Sunday? What is needed above all is the gathering together of our people for daily intercession. To wait until the beginning of the new Methodist year is to neglect an immediate opportunity. Action must be taken, not compulsory, but persuasive. Let those who believe in prayer set the example and others will follow. Every Methodist society in the land is called to prayer, and thus to make use of the most effective weapon in the Christian armory:

"In fellowship, alone,  
To God with faith draw near,  
Approach his courts, besiege his throne  
with all the powers of prayer:  
Go to his temple, go,  
Nor from his altar move;  
Let every house his worship know,  
And every heart his love."

—Editorial in Methodist Recorder (London).

#### FAIRMONT METHODIST CHURCH, RALEIGH

Fairmont Methodist church, Raleigh, is on the campus of State College. The church is eager to serve the 700 Methodist students. Every effort is made to keep the students active in the church during this important period in their lives. There is a college Sunday school class each Sunday morning and a college young people's league each Sunday night. We are inspiring and training the young people to become leaders in the church after leaving college. Your influence is needed. Pastors, parents and friends of State College Methodist students are requested to tell them about our church program; to urge them to attend; to furnish Fairmont church with the names of the students and the talents and interests of the students and any other helpful information.

Fairmont church will enroll college students as associate members. This does not affect the membership in the home church. No financial support is expected. Students are provided a church home and spiritual oversight while in college. Please send names and helpful information about students to Rev. Howard M. McLamb, Fairmont Methodist Church, Raleigh, N. C.

#### AT A SOLDIER'S GRAVE

While traveling through Orange county a few days ago I was directed into a detour that carried me by a little country church. The big graveyard indicated that the church reached far back into the life of the community. I stopped for a few moments to make some observations of dates and names.

I found the graves of seven Civil War veterans. Sun-faded U. S. flags marked the graves of five World War veterans. Three of these boys died on the battle fields of France, September 28, October 2, October 15, 1918; the other two, I learned from inquiry, died of injuries received in battle. All of these lads were born within 12 months of my birth, which came in August, 1896.

On the tomb of one of these graves I found the most appropriate and significant inscription ever carved upon the tomb of a victim of conscription—"In obedience to the command of my country, I fill a soldier's grave." Congressmen, who voted on another conscription bill, need to stand at the foot of this soldier's grave, far away from the noisy war propaganda flooding Washington, and study this inscription before voting again to draft American youth to die in the second stage of the World War. The inscription says nothing about dying "to make the world safe for democracy, nothing about the glory and reward that comes to those who die for their country; it merely states that his country called him to die and he died without asking the reason why. That inscription can appropriately be placed upon the tomb of every conscripted American soldier who died in the World War, and it can just as appropriately be carved upon the tomb of every conscripted German and English soldier who fell in battle; for "in obedience to the command" of their country they, too, "fill a soldier's grave."

Well may we stand in silent tribute by the grave of those who died thus, and well may we also question the nature of the democracy of the country that seeks to protect its free institutions by such a method of defense. What article in the Constitution gives Congress the right to set up a national lottery to determine who shall fill a soldier's grave? What democratic policies and institutions can long be defended by such a process? With what success did we defend democracy at home or abroad with a conscripted army 20 years ago?

Are homes to be broken again, mothers and wives to go down in grief, and our graveyards to be spotted again with graves of our conscripted dead? And who shall say for what purpose?

Twenty years ago America conscripted an army, trained an army, fought and won a foreign war, all within three years; the Burke-Wadsworth Conscription Bill would enslave this country for a period of five years with the greatest compulsory military program the country ever witnessed, and all in the name of national defense! A ridiculous proposal! All who are in favor this bill should begin at once to arrange their home and business affairs so as to be able to send as many as possible from their family into this military program; those who are not in favor of the bill should write their senators and congressmen today calling for the defeat of the program.

E. C. Crawford.

There are two freedoms—the false, where a man is free to do as he likes; the true, where a man is free to do what he ought.—Charles Kingsley.



# Christ Shares in All Our Common Life

By REV. LEVI DAWSON

It is a universal habit to dream in front of a fire. Whether, as children, we discover castles and fairies, or in old age find memories, a fire is the place where we see things. It must be a coal fire. An electric fire may sometimes be more convenient, but it is not the same for seeing. We have the examples of King Alfred, Polly Flinders and Cinderella for this habit, so we are in interesting company.

It is significant, too, that revelations of God have often come through fire. A burning bush, a fire of sacrifice, tongues of flame have given visions of the Most High to those who would turn aside to see. And in the Gospels there are two coal fires around which I often sit and think—a fire in a courtyard and a fire on the seashore.

The first is the fire near which Peter denied his Lord, the place where a man who had boasted of his strength found himself hopelessly weak and from which he went out to weep bitterly. The second is the fire where the same Peter received his commission, from which a man who knew he was weak went forth to become the rock on which is built the everlasting church. In those two fires we read not merely the story of Peter's soul. We see proclaimed the great facts of the Christian Gospel.

At the fireside Peter denies. At the fireside he receives his commission. In the place of his failure he is given the opportunity to begin again. The place is the same, but the man is different. In the courtyard a slave girl had told from his nerviness and fear that he had followed the Galilean. After the seashore fire it was observed from his boldness that he had been with Jesus. The difference was due to the fact that a new power had come into his life, and it had come at the very place where before he had failed. It was the power of a living, triumphant Lord.

That was so characteristic of Jesus. He did not lead men to forget their failures; rather did he lead them back to those failures that they might begin again there. As he commanded his disciples to fish again in the same place where, the previous night, they had caught nothing, so he commissions Peter at the place of his denial. He meets Thomas in his place of weakness. He does not ignore his doubts, but brings his companionship to the very place of doubting. He confronts Paul the persecutor on his way to further persecution. The change is so real there that Paul can only describe himself afterwards as a "new creation."

It was said of Michael Angelo that he could take a piece of stone cast away as useless, a piece with which other men had failed, and transform its ugliness into a thing of beauty. So Jesus meets us in the place of our failure, where we have denied him, doubted him, persecuted him, and transforms it into a place of triumph. What a thrill for Peter when he sees "a fire of coals, and fish laid thereon and bread"—what a joy when he knows its significance.

A coal fire has always symbolized the ordinary, homely things of life. The ancient Greeks would take a piece of coal from the fire at home and carry it across the sea to their colonies, so much it represented the ordinary things they loved. Here again is eternal truth. It is in

homely things that Peter fails. He does not deny before judges in the court, or before a crowd, but around a fire in ordinary conversation.

It is here, too, that most of us deny. We do not blaspheme his name in high places. We do not desecrate his day nor ignore him entirely as some do. But so often we deny him in our homes, in our ordinary conversation, around a fire of coals. Our homes are not always places where he can be at home, our conversation is not always characteristic of him who blessed the pure in heart and spoke of love, our everyday contacts and amusements are not always the kind that he can share.

And yet it is here we must first of all learn to worship and to serve. Peter is to be called later on to preach to crowds and witness before rulers, but first of all he is called to devotion at a fire of coals. The call may come to us to bear a great witness, perhaps sooner than we think. But no man is fit for that until he has heard the call by the fireside.

It is in the ordinary worship and service, too, that Jesus himself comes nearest to us. It is no accident that so many of the resurrection appearances occur around a hearth. On the seashore he comes by "a fire of coals with fish laid thereon and bread." In an upper room when they are not sure it is he, he eats fish with them—and they know. In an Emmaus home he is made known to them as he breaks the bread. It is all a continuation of that Sacrament of the Upper Room. He is teaching them that here, around a fire, in a home, at a table, he comes nearest of all.

These experiences symbolize that ordinary life in which most of us are called to serve. He is recognized not in the Temple, nor in the countryside, nor in hectic service, but round a fire of coals, a table of food. It is only when we ask him to share that common life, as the disciples invited him to abide with them at Emmaus, that the scales fall from our eyes—and we know.—Methodist Recorder.

## CRACKPOTS VS. CRACKPOTS

"Crackpots versus crackpots" has been suggested as a fitting title for the story of conflicts recently occurring in cities throughout the country. One set of "crackpots" is the irate citizenry who mobbed and beat up groups of religious zealots distributing literature, who refused to salute the American flag.

On the other side were members of "Jehovah's Witnesses," followers of the late "Pastor Russell," who stirred up the ruckus. The citizens said the saints were "fifth columnists," the tracts they handed around were enemy propaganda, and the refusal to salute the flag was treason. The "witnesses" said they were announcing the return of King Jesus and the imminent Battle of Armageddon. As for the flag, they said to salute the colored muslin would be worshipping idols.

So in Odessa, Texas, Kingfisher, Ardmore, and other Oklahoma towns there were conflicts between the zealots and the patriots. Mobs attacked the meetings of the sects, fights occurred, and many Russellites were jailed for protection or driven out of the towns.



GOLDEN CROSS RECEIPTS FROM CHARGES IN  
WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE

July 3 to August 30, 1940

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|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Asheville District                                    |          |
| Candler, Max D. Miller, Treas. ....                   | \$ 29.67 |
| Balfour church, Fletcher charge, Mrs. W. T. Merritt   | 10.00    |
| Flat Rock, C. Moody Smith .....                       | 18.08    |
| Sandy Ct., Rev. J. D. Pyatt .....                     | 6.50     |
| Biltmore, Miss Bettie Corpening, Treas. ....          | 5.00     |
| Asheville Ct., River View church, Rev. A. B. Dennis   | 14.25    |
| Asbury church, Acton charge, Miss Pamay Prestwood     | 1.50     |
| Asheville, Hillside, Neil Lee .....                   | 31.50    |
| Beechwood, Marvin Gance .....                         | 3.40     |
| Oak Hill church, Acton charge, Mrs. J. F. Starnes...  | 6.00     |
| Asheville, Central, Miss Mamie C. Clayton, Treas....  | 54.30    |
| Charlotte District                                    |          |
| Lilesville, Rev. H. R. Cornelius .....                | 5.00     |
| Brevard Street, Miss Bona W. Jones, Treas. ....       | 37.60    |
| First church, H. B. Simpson, Treas. ....              | 354.50   |
| Myers Park, J. J. Akers, Treas. ....                  | 137.69   |
| Belmont Park, F. S. Rich, Treas. ....                 | 40.00    |
| Hawthorne Lane, T. W. Smith, Treas. ....              | 1.00     |
| Marshville, Miss Vera Leonard, Treas. ....            | 8.25     |
| Pineville, Mrs. L. P. Barnett .....                   | 14.50    |
| Derita, Rev. E. O. Cole .....                         | 6.50     |
| Elkin District                                        |          |
| Mocksville, Miss Martha Call, Treas. ....             | 36.00    |
| Trap Hill, Rev. D. L. Earnhardt .....                 | 2.00     |
| Boone, J. H. Council, Treas. ....                     | 25.00    |
| Watauga, Rev. J. W. Parker .....                      | 25.00    |
| Gastonia District                                     |          |
| Cleveland Ct., Rev. T. G. Madison .....               | 13.75    |
| Boger City, Rev. E. L. Kirk .....                     | 20.60    |
| East End, Fred Jordan, Treas. ....                    | 5.85     |
| Shelby-Caroleen, Rev. H. D. Gorman .....              | 6.00     |
| Shelby, Central, Chas. A. Hoey, Treas. ....           | 50.07    |
| Shelby, Lafayette St., Miss Leola Allen, Treas.....   | 14.00    |
| Gastonia, Trinity, Miss Zay Davis, Treas. ....        | 13.37    |
| Sheby Ct., Rev. J. L. Rayle .....                     | 16.00    |
| Greensboro District                                   |          |
| Lee's Chapel, Rev. A. L. Latham .....                 | 5.00     |
| College Place, W. H. Foushee, Treas. ....             | 4.04     |
| Whitsett church, Brown Summit Chg., Rev. John Cagle   | 3.25     |
| High Point District                                   |          |
| Denton, Rev. C. E. Williams .....                     | 9.45     |
| Linwood, Rev. O. E. Croy .....                        | 21.00    |
| Mt. Olive Ch., Coleridge Chg., Rev. T. J. Huggins.... | 10.15    |

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| Marion District                                     |        |
| Morganton First, Mrs. J. A. Young .....             | 2.00   |
| Valdese, Dr. W. H. Parker .....                     | 19.44  |
| Morganton Ct., Rev. G. R. Stafford .....            | 28.60  |
| Glen Alpine, Miss Claudia Harbison, Treas. ....     | 7.25   |
| Salisbury District                                  |        |
| Midland, Rev. Cecil L. Heckard .....                | 7.30   |
| Central, Concord, L. D. Coltrane .....              | 25.00  |
| Central Concord, Mrs. R. E. Jones .....             | 6.00   |
| Central Concord, Dr. E. K. McLarty .....            | 106.80 |
| Salisbury, Park Ave., J. B. Henderlite, Treas. .... | 10.00  |
| Norwood, Rev. Cecil Heffner .....                   | 20.00  |
| Statesville District                                |        |
| Rhodhiss, R. D. Beshearer, Treas. ....              | 4.30   |
| Mooreville Central, Rev. J. W. Moore .....          | 100.00 |
| Stony Point, Mrs. N. F. Steele, Treas. ....         | 12.80  |
| Troutman, Rev. J. M. Varner .....                   | 12.00  |
| Waynesville District                                |        |
| Sylva, Mrs. H. R. Hastings, Treas. ....             | 8.00   |
| Winston-Salem District                              |        |
| Thomasville, Trinity-Bethel, Rev. W. M. Rathburn..  | 5.00   |
| Doubs charge, Harold L. Conrad, Treas. ....         | 10.05  |
| Winston-Salem, Burkhead, T. W. Butner, Treas. ....  | 30.01  |
| Rural Hall, Rev. W. R. Harris .....                 | 10.67  |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary, E. R. Clapp, Treas. ....  | 765.06 |
| Love's Chapel, Nelson Parish, Treas. ....           | 50.75  |
| Palmyra Ch., Walnut Cove Chg., Rev. R. E. Hunt...   | 4.00   |
| Thomasville Ct., R. O. Little, Treas. ....          | 21.19  |
| Lexington First, W. F. Sparger, Treas. ....         | 6.25   |
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## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### "A+O=R"

"Ability plus opportunity brings responsibility. As we have lengthened the cords that reach around the world in a united Methodism, we must strengthen the stakes. We must deepen our spiritual life. Our greatest need is to deepen the spiritual life of our church; not new methods, but new people; not diagrams, but dynamics."—Rev. U. W. Dowd.

### MISSIONARY TIMBER—WHERE?

Dr. John R. Mott recently declared that he had not visited a hospital or a Christian college or a field open to evangelism which he considered adequately manned. "It is solemnizing," said he "to see how many posts of major importance are unfilled, and this at the last time when such should be the case. Many more are needed who will put themselves in preparation to provide a worthy succession to faithful workers who, as a result of age and failing strength, must all too soon hand over their great trusts to younger men and women." Our position is that we may pray that many young lives shall be consecrated for full time service and that we may encourage potential candidates for missionary work—both in the home and foreign fields.

### OUR FINANCIAL STATUS

To do "a little bit better" than before is always an encouraging sign of earnest interest, whether it be on the part of small groups, great organizations or individual personalities. The September issue of the Missionary Bulletin reveals that during the second quarter of 1940 the Woman's Missionary Society, North Carolina Conference, gave for missions \$8,483.03, an increase of \$233.03 over the same quarter last year. These gifts represent a deep devotion to the cause of Christ and act as a potent leavening agent in carrying on the unfinished task of the Christ.

### GREENVILLE BOUND

Traveling toward Greenville, N. C., on September 23 will be a vast number of women of the North Carolina conference. Having arrived, they will gather at East Carolina Teachers College, where they will sojourn until the next day and where they will set up the organization of the new Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference, elect officers and study plans for the enlarged woman's work of the new Methodist Church. The president of each society or her alternate will constitute the delegates and all others who are interested will find a welcome and much joy and profit. The cost will be \$1.50 for each person. Names and fee should be sent to Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Box 567, New Bern, by September 15. Delegates and visitors are expected to provide linens. Will you go?

### ATTENTION, RALEIGH DISTRICT

At the 11 o'clock service at Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh on Sunday, September 15, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, foreign secretary of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church, will be guest speaker. Miss McKinnon is a native of Maxton, N. C., and is a former missionary to China. At 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day the charter meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be held. On Monday, September 16, at 10 a. m. an open forum will be held, at which time Miss McKinnon will lead in discussions and study of plans for the new Woman's Society of Christian Service. To attend this latter meeting is a rare opportunity which the women of the Raleigh district can ill afford to miss. A hearty and sincere invitation to all is extended.

### NEW LITERATURE

The literature for the new Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church year is now available at Literature Headquarters, 712 Church Street, Nashville, Tenn. Investing Our Heritage is being presented in two booklets: One contains the twelve worship services and the other, material for twelve talks or other types of programs. The book of worship material is 10 cents; the book of program talks, 20 cents. No special rates for quantities are offered.

A world map, showing the stations supported by the missionary societies of the new Methodist Church may be secured for 25 cents only by the societies of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The regular price is 50 cents. This map is necessary in the presentation of the 1941 programs.

### A CONGO PROBLEM

"Yanga, a fine old standby among the lepers of our colony, is a faithful Catholic with a vivid spiritual experience gained in a Protestant service. He is greatly distressed of late, being denied communion because of his Protestant wife. We have advised him and sent him to the priest for advice, but will have to leave the final decision to him as to what to do. We hope he will not annul the marriage. It seems to me best either for him to be Protestant, his wife Catholic, or for them to agree to raise any children as Catholic, thus bringing him back into good standing. If none of these are done, we have tried to assure him that God can save him even though he is denied communion."—From a missionary's letter.

Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested.—Bacon.

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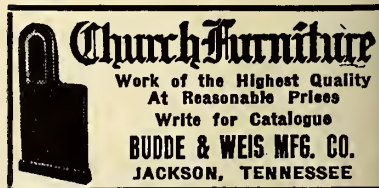


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## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### ORGANIZATION MEETING OCT. 1

The organization meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service will be held in Broad Street Methodist church in Statesville Tuesday morning, October 1, 1940, beginning promptly at ten o'clock. The newly elected president of the Woman's Society will be the official delegate, and if for any reason she cannot attend, see that an alternate is elected at the charter meeting in September.

Be sure and secure from your pastor the certificate sent him in June, have it filled out and signed and give to your delegate, as it will be her credential for this meeting. Visitors will be welcome.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Chm.  
Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Sec.

(It is interesting to know that Miss Leila Epps, missionary to Brazil, is expected to attend this meeting as speaker for the occasion. This news we are sure will be gladly received by our women, and knowing the wonderful personality of Miss Epps and her ability to make a speech of outstanding interest, we are sure that there will be a large attendance of those privileged to go to see and hear her again, as well as to enjoy the other features of the day's program. Let us be there, and may it be a great day in our Woman's Society of Christian Service!—Editor.)

### A WELL DESERVED TRIBUTE

An event of unusual interest taking place at the final meeting of the executive committee of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference, held at Lake Junaluska in July, was the presentation of an honorary Life Patron Pin to Mrs. Charles C. Weaver, the conference president, as an expression of appreciation, from her co-workers, of the wonderful service she has contributed to this organization during her 14 years of faithful, efficient and untiring leadership. Mrs. P. N. Peacock in well chosen words presented the gift to Mrs. Weaver, and to Mrs. W. W. Hagood, vice president emeritus of the conference, was given the privilege of pinning it on Mrs. Weaver, to whom it came as a complete surprise, and who, with deep feeling expressed her appreciation of this expression of love from her co-workers.

### PASSING OF DEACONESS DAISY RITTER

News of the death of Deaconess Daisy Ritter will bring sadness to many friends throughout the state with whom she had been associated in the missionary work. She passed away in Orangeburg, S. C., on July 25, after an illness of many months, and her body was interred at Cope, S. C. Miss Ritter was for some time principal of Brevard Institute, being in charge of the school at the time of its transfer to the

Western North Carolina conference, and from Brevard went to Thomasville, Ga., and was chosen superintendent of the Vashti School, serving in that capacity until she resigned on account of ill health and was succeeded by Deaconess Mary Floyd, who is now serving as superintendent.

### TWO NEW ORGANIZATIONS, HIGH POINT DISTRICT

Mrs. W. T. Powell, district secretary, writes us of two new Woman's Societies of Christian Service recently organized, one at Newsom with Miss Lillian Doby of Newsom as president; the other at Hopewell with Mrs. Ray Lambeth as president.

We congratulate both Mrs. Powell and two new organizations and wish for them unbounded success in their new work.

### THE CHARTER MEETING IN SEPTEMBER

Since September is here and the plans for the reorganization of our woman's missionary work are to be put into effect during this month, we feel that some paragraphs from a letter issued by our former conference president, Mrs. Charles C. Weaver, will be most fitting at this time and bring to us again our duties concerning the charter meeting which is to be held with in the next few weeks.

Mrs. Weaver says: "I hope you will do everything in your power to make the charter meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in your church a real success. Quite a nice program has been prepared. Please see that the charter member cards and ritual service have been ordered. I sent the lists and prices to your pastor in June. Also in the letter sent to him you will find that each woman who signs her name in the secretary's book as a charter member will give an offering as she does so, thereby meeting the requirements of membership. It is not necessary to keep a record of each individual gift, unless a woman wants to give an amount to be credited on her 1941 pledge; if so, this is permissible. These membership gifts are to be kept separate and sent in to the new conference treasurer as charter membership offerings.

"You are to have a second meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in September if at all possible, at which time your new officers will be installed and the first new program will be given. Much time and thought have been given to the planning of these programs and I hope that you will carry them out to the very best of your ability. Remember that every woman who joins the society before the conference meeting on October 1 will be a CHARTER MEMBER, and we are anxious for a large number to be reported."

These are the instructions with reference to the two September meetings from Mrs. Weaver, who has kept in close touch with all the plans and is familiar with them; so let us read carefully this message and carry out to the letter what she has asked that we do. We are anxious that every woman in every Methodist church in the conference where it is possible will become a charter member, and start in the beginning to "carry on" the great work which will be ours in the Societies of Christian Service.—Editor.

### HOUSEHOLD TREASURES

Professor H. Thistleton Mark once wrote, "Nothing happens but the mind registers it. Everything leaves its impress; and we are forever altered by all that enters into our consciousness." This is repeated to remind us that the most valuable thing in the home is the impressionable soul of the child. Sometimes it has seemed as though the most valued thing in the home was its flawless furniture, or its walls unmarked by the print of tiny soiled hands. When the house of Samuel Wesley was fired by an incendiary mob and utterly consumed, Mr. Wesley called upon his friendly neighbors to join in a prayer of thanksgiving: "Let us kneel down," said he, "and give thanks to God; he has given me all my eight children; let the house go, I am rich enough." There spoke the true Christian, and the true father, who knew how to let mere things go while treasuring the priceless souls God had placed in his keeping. Doubtless many domestic treasures perished in the flames, but the greatest treasures all were spared—the children. Dr. Charles L. Goodell once said, "Through many years of association with children and youth, the conviction is forced upon me that when a child is old enough to love father and mother, he is old enough to love God." That reasoning is sound, and we are to bear constantly in mind that the value of the life of the child is constantly enhanced as it is encouraged to know more and more about God. The home never functions so well as in that very field. To confirm what he had himself noted, this well known minister proceeds to say, "Samuel and John were sanctified unto God from their birth. Timothy knew the scriptures from a child. Polycarp, dying at 95, had served God 86 years. Baxter was converted when a child; Jonathan Edwards at seven years of age; Isaac Watts at nine; Matthew Henry at eleven, and Robert Hall at twelve." If anyone should read these words with a trace of cynicism, let him give heed from time to time to the men of prominence in religion and society in general who again and again testify to the undying influence of parental piety and religious training in the home, and to their own indebtedness to that early training for life.—Selected.

He (at a party)—"I made an awful mistake just now. I told a man I thought the host was a stingy old blighter and it happened to be the host I spoke to."

She—"Oh, you mean my husband?"



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### LABOR DAY

This is Labor Day, so marked on the calendar. It is not an unusual day with us, since every day is a labor day. All Mondays carry unusual responsibilities, but today brings more than usual. Our elementary school started this morning bringing two new teachers into action. The man with the steam shovel came to do some excavating. So many beans have got ripe that provision had to be made for preserving several hundred gallons. Arrangement for 130 high school boys and girls to recheck their courses, secure their materials and be ready for school day after tomorrow have had to be reviewed. Brethren and sisters, this is labor day.

### "TEN PER SENT"

Last week's Advocate had this scribe's spelling balled up. But that's nothing unusual and the matter is not to be complained about so long as it is understood that the mistakes appearing on this page are due to the snoozing of the proof-reader rather than the deliverances of the writer. But this instance of misspelling carries significance. It is a whole lot more interesting to us to think of "ten per sent" rather than "ten per cent." One may be an allocation. The other smacks of action. Those charges and pastors having forwarded their Children's Home quota for the year since last report are as follows:

Millers Creek, Wilkesboro circuit, Rev. J. L. A. Bumgarner.

Jones Memorial, Mooresville, Rev. G. S. I. Allen.

Edenville and Moore's Grove, Flat Rock district, Rev. C. M. Smith.

Smyre, Maylo-Smyre, Rev. J. N. Wise.

Main Street, Kernersville, Rev. W. A. Barber.

### ONE HUNDRED PER CENT

Dr. Charles C. Weaver has just dropped by and in the midst of a conversation dealing with many matters of interest he stated that the thought passed through his mind last night amid some wakeful hours that it would be a good idea to put on an earnest campaign in the conference this year for a hundred per cent giving of the ten per cent apportionment. The idea is intriguing. For a number of years we have pleaded with our pastors and constituency for a complete payment of the ten per cent apportionment. Each year we fall short of this mark some two to four thousand dollars. One can readily understand what benefit would accrue if each charge paid all its quota. Certainly this is an opportune time for a hundred

per cent ingathering. Let all those who have not yet done so, join the hundred per cent brigade.

### BIG AND HAPPY

We have 416 children here. This is a large family. These children are happy. Their appetites are good. They need three good meals every day. They are alert. They want to go to school. They need books. They have pride in their appearance. They need clothes. They are willing and ready to help. They have put in a fine summer's work. They are deserving. No apology is being made by any of us for calling upon our friends to lend them a hand. The family is large and the family is happy. Let everybody be happy in helping.

### A BEAN PARTY

A trip has just been made to the canning factory where twenty or more girls are stringing beans. They have been stringing and snapping them since early this morning. As fast as one container is emptied another is brought in by the boys from the bean fields. The youngsters have rigged up a radio and they string beans to the music that comes over the air. A number of girls were noticed patting their feet and stringing beans to the music of the hill billy band. This is part of the process of canning 2000 gallons of beans.

### FOOTBALL MINDED

The picture this week is that of the late junior and early teen-age boys in the Tise building, guided by their home mother, Mrs. J. R. Barbour, shown in the picture. Today these boys began their football practice. Their older brothers started a week ago, some sixty of them. Today the hundred pounders don their football raiment and go out to begin their preparation for the gridiron contests. We are football minded these days. The rest of the day's work is made

happier because of the fact that at its close will come the punting, running and charging connected with the timing of plays. A fellow tends to catch the spirit of youth as he notes its eagerness for the hard work of playing the football game.

### NEW COMERS

Additions to our family have been so frequent for the past several days as to cause much interest in trying to get through the process of adaptation. The youngsters have come in the morning, in the afternoon and even at night. This is the receiving time with us. During the early part of the summer placements were made to the extent of forty-four new adjustments. In their stead have come forty-four new comers to make adjustments here. The fitting up of forty-four children with sufficient clothes to supply their needs, half being in the laundry and half available for wear, calls for a heavy investment. A system like ours does not lend itself to washing a garment one day and wearing it the next. It takes a week for the turnover. This is another reminder to our friends that we need some money to buy clothes.

### WATERMELON FEAST

For the twenty-eighth consecutive year, youngsters at Children's Home here were feted yesterday afternoon at a watermelon slicing given by the senior Wesley Bible class of Centenary Methodist church. Four hundred orphans ate all the watermelon they could hold, and "20 big ones were left over," according to O. V. Woosley, superintendent of the home. The melons were secured by J. W. Yokeley, a member of the class. Superintendent Woosley gave a brief review of the annual observance to new children of the home, and presented members of the Sunday school class. Invocation was made by Rev. E. Wannamaker Hardin, assistant pastor of Centenary church. —Winston-Salem Journal.



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**HONORED GUESTS**—Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Dixon, from the Children's Home in High Point, paid us a short visit one day last week. We were delighted to have these dear friends as our guests for lunch. The 12 children who came to us from the former Methodist Protestant Children's Home at High Point were very happy to see Dr. and Mrs. Dixon. These children are lovely children, and show fine training. Dr. and Mrs. Dixon are always welcomed to our home.

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**MOREHEAD CITY**—Several days ago it was my happy privilege to be the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Graham Woodard in their summer home at Morehead City. I was delighted to see these good friends looking so well, and enjoying their lovely summer home. Fellowship with them and with their daughter and grandchildren was enjoyed to the fullest extent by me. Our children never cease to sing Mr. Graham Woodard's praises for giving them a beautiful gymnasium. He will always be enshrined in their memories because of his goodness.

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splendid service they are rendering our home.

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## LETTER FROM MYRTLE LEE DUDLEY

For the last 11 years I have had the privilege of living in this beautiful Christian home. Each year I have realized more how to appreciate and at least to some extent to take advantage of the many opportunities available at the Methodist Orphanage.

To Mr. Barnes, who has been a real daddy to us and who has done all he could to make us happy, I would like to express my deepest appreciation.

Also I want to thank each teacher and cottage mother for the part each has had in my training. I am certain that I shall be a much better person because of each one of them.

To each member of the North Carolina conference who has been so kind and has done so much for the home, I want to thank you sincerely.

The Black's Chapel Methodist missionary society has clothed me for a number of years. I shall always remember and appreciate the many nice things sent to me.

After going into the world to make my own living I shall always look up to this Christian home and let it be a guide on my way. I hope my record in life will be such that each one who has had a part in my training will be proud of me.

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By the roughness of the way;  
And the cross we have to carry  
Grows still heavier, day by day;  
When some cloud that overshadows  
Hides our Father's face from view,  
Oh, 'tis then to remember  
He has blessed us "hitherto."

Looking back the long year over  
What a varied path—and yet  
All the way His hand hath led us  
Past each hindrance we have met;  
Given to us the pleasant places,  
Cheered us all the journey through  
Passing through the deepest waters,  
He has blessed us "hitherto."

Surely then our souls should trust Him,  
Tho' the clouds be dark o'erhead;  
We've a friend that draweth closer  
When our other friends have fled;  
When our pilgrimage is over,  
And the gates we're sweeping through,  
We shall see with clearer vision  
How He's blessed us "hitherto."

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REPORT OF HOME AND FOREIGN  
MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE

This is the report of the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise offerings for the third quarter of the conference year—May, June, and July. In one column the fourth Sunday offerings are listed, and in the other the amounts of cash sent by young people's groups in payment of pledges to the Young People's Special.

Durham District

| 4th Sun. Y.P.M.S.       |         |        |
|-------------------------|---------|--------|
| Bahama, Mt. Bethel ..\$ | \$ 6.00 |        |
| Brooksdale .....        | 15.00   |        |
| Burlington, Front St..  | 22.63   | 60.00  |
| Webb Ave. ....          | 13.73   |        |
| Cedar Grove, C. Gr...   | 4.00    |        |
| Chapel Hill .....       | 21.40   |        |
| (Int.) .....            | 6.66    |        |
| Durham—                 |         |        |
| Branson Memorial ..     | 15.21   | 20.00  |
| Calvary (Int.) .....    | 3.00    |        |
| (Y.P.) .....            | 5.00    |        |
| Carr .....              | 15.00   |        |
| Duke Memorial ....      | 68.08   | 50.00  |
| Lakewood .....          | 1.68    |        |
| (Int.) .....            | 5.00    |        |
| (Y.P.) .....            | 5.00    |        |
| Trinity .....           | 28.20   |        |
| West Durham .....       | 5.64    | 25.00  |
| Graham-W. Burlington—   |         |        |
| Graham .....            | 4.00    |        |
| Leasburg, Leasburg ..   | 6.95    |        |
| Mebane, Central .....   | 13.59   |        |
| Moncure, Moncure ....   | 3.00    |        |
| Mt. Zion .....          | 1.50    |        |
| Person, Concord .....   | 6.34    | 16.00  |
| Oak Grove .....         | 9.00    | 4.00   |
| Roxboro, Long Mem..     | 41.05   |        |
| (Int.) .....            | 12.50   |        |
| (Y.P.) .....            | 15.00   |        |
| Ca-Vel .....            | 3.68    |        |
| Roxboro Ct., Grace ..   | 2.40    |        |
| Longhurst .....         | 3.34    |        |
| Mt. Zion .....          | 2.60    |        |
| Sweptonville .....      | 6.50    |        |
| Yanceyville, Prospect.. | 11.15   | 8.65   |
| Total .....             | 260.97  | 306.51 |

Elizabeth City District

|                          |       |       |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|
| Ahoskie, Ahoskie ....    | 3.00  |       |
| Aulander, Aulander ..    | 2.71  |       |
| Colerain .....           | 7.00  |       |
| Chowan, Anderson ...     | 1.59  | .97   |
| Center Hill .....        | .60   |       |
| Columbia, Columbia ..    | 3.00  |       |
| Currituck, Ebenezer ..   | 5.14  |       |
| Sharon .....             | .88   |       |
| Elizabeth City—          |       |       |
| City Road .....          | 4.42  |       |
| First Church .....       | 51.50 | 26.05 |
| Mt. Hermon .....         | 1.00  |       |
| Gates, Philadelphia ..   | 2.90  |       |
| Hertford, Anderson ..    | 2.61  |       |
| Oak Grove .....          | 5.36  |       |
| Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hk.    |       | 5.00  |
| Mattamuskeet, Bethany    | .73   |       |
| Watson's .....           | 4.78  |       |
| N. Gates, Kittrell's ... | 2.00  |       |
| Parker's (Int.) .....    |       | 12.00 |
| Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon   | 1.00  |       |
| Perquimans, Epworth..    | 11.92 |       |

|                         |        |       |
|-------------------------|--------|-------|
| Woodland .....          | 2.30   |       |
| S. Camden, Wesley's...  | 4.30   |       |
| Sign Pine .....         | 3.00   |       |
| S. Mills, McBride's.... | 2.30   |       |
| Newland .....           | 4.50   |       |
| Trinity .....           | 10.09  |       |
| Stumpy Point-Dare ..    | 8.02   |       |
| Swanquarter, Soule ..   | 2.75   |       |
| Providence .....        | 4.79   |       |
| Wanchese, Wanchese ..   | 15.00  |       |
| Washington, Washington  | 34.42  |       |
| Total .....             | 200.61 | 47.02 |

Fayetteville District

|                         |        |        |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|
| Aberdeen-Vass, Aberdeen | 8.00   |        |
| Biscoe, Biscoe .....    | 5.15   |        |
| Broadway, Broadway ..   | 5.31   |        |
| Bynum, Mann's Chapel    | 5.00   |        |
| Caledonia, Johns .....  | 5.00   |        |
| Fayetteville, Hay St... | 57.29  | 54.50  |
| (Int.) .....            | 10.00  |        |
| Camp Ground .....       | 7.32   | 15.00  |
| Hamlet, Hamlet .....    | 17.15  |        |
| Jonesboro, Jonesboro    | 12.00  |        |
| Lemon Springs .....     | 3.02   | 2.50   |
| Laurinburg .....        | 3.25   | 2.25   |
| Maxton .....            | 8.00   |        |
| Person St.-Calvary—     |        |        |
| Person St. ....         | 10.00  |        |
| Red Springs .....       | 5.00   |        |
| Rockingham, Trinity ..  | 23.55  |        |
| Zion .....              | 19.50  | 6.00   |
| Sanford, Steele St. ... | 31.01  |        |
| (Int.) .....            | 3.76   |        |
| (Sen.) .....            | 11.59  |        |
| (Y.P.) .....            | 15.55  |        |
| Stedman .....           | 6.00   |        |
| Troy, Troy (Int.) ....  | 2.00   |        |
| West End (Int.) .....   | 5.00   |        |
| Total .....             | 169.30 | 190.40 |

New Bern District

|                          |       |       |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|
| Aurora, Aurora .....     | 6.00  | 5.00  |
| Campbell's Creek ..      |       | 5.00  |
| Ayden, Ayden .....       | 8.00  |       |
| Beaufort, Anne St. ..    | 12.00 |       |
| Dover, Asbury .....      | 1.00  |       |
| Freemont, Black Creek    |       | 7.13  |
| Fremont .....            |       | 7.50  |
| Godsboro, St. Paul ..    | 51.85 |       |
| (Y. P.) .....            | 17.88 |       |
| Goldsboro Ct. ....       | 2.40  |       |
| Daniel's Chapel ....     | 5.00  |       |
| Salem .....              | 2.00  | 7.50  |
| Pine Forest .....        | 8.00  |       |
| Greenville, Jarvis Mem.  | 16.40 |       |
| Grimesland, Wharton      |       | 10.00 |
| Providence .....         | .40   |       |
| Hookerton, Hookerton..   | 5.92  |       |
| Rainbow .....            | 5.00  |       |
| Kinston, Queen St.—      |       |       |
| (Int.) .....             | 5.85  |       |
| (Sen.) .....             | 20.00 |       |
| (Y. P.) .....            | 30.00 |       |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Calypso   | 2.85  |       |
| Providence .....         | 2.00  | 5.00  |
| Smith's .....            | 2.00  |       |
| Newport, Newport ..      | 5.00  |       |
| Riverdale .....          | 2.00  |       |
| Ocracoke-Portsmouth—     |       |       |
| Ocracoke .....           | 18.00 |       |
| Pikeville, Pikeville ... | 7.00  |       |
| Riverside-Bridgeton—     |       |       |
| Beech Grove .....        | 1.35  |       |

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|-------------------------|--------|--------|
| Seven Springs, Beston.. | 2.85   |        |
| Snow Hill, Tabernacle.. | 1.30   |        |
| Vanceboro, Chapman ..   | .50    |        |
| Vanceboro, Vanceboro..  | 5.23   |        |
| Total .....             | 141.80 | 153.11 |

Raleigh District

|                           |        |        |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|
| Cary-Apex, Apex ....      | 4.66   |        |
| Creedmoor, Banks ....     | 11.00  |        |
| Bullocks .....            | 9.75   |        |
| Dunn, Divine Street ..    | 7.50   |        |
| Four Oaks, Elizabeth..    | 5.00   |        |
| Franklinton, Franklinton  | 12.00  |        |
| Fuquay Springs .....      | 9.43   |        |
| Garner, Garner .....      | 8.00   |        |
| Henderson, Henderson      | 1.00   |        |
| First .....               | 4.00   |        |
| White Memorial ...        | 10.00  |        |
| Lillington, Parker's Grv. | 10.66  |        |
| Louisburg .....           | 10.65  |        |
| Oxford, Oxford (Int.)     | 15.00  |        |
| Oxford Charge .....       | 19.40  |        |
| Princeton, Princeton ..   | 5.00   |        |
| Raleigh, Edenton St...    | 67.00  | 73.00  |
| Fairmont .....            | 50.13  |        |
| Person Charge—            |        |        |
| Central (Int.) .....      | 15.00  |        |
| (Y. P.) .....             | 20.00  |        |
| Epworth .....             | 10.75  |        |
| Selma, Edgerton Mem.      | 5.69   | 3.00   |
| Smithfield, Elizabeth ..  | 6.00   |        |
| Smithfield .....          | 10.00  |        |
| Tar River, Plank Chp.     | 1.25   | 15.00  |
| Total .....               | 209.62 | 210.25 |

Rocky Mount District

|                            |       |        |
|----------------------------|-------|--------|
| Bethel, Bethel .....       | 9.00  | 2.50   |
| Conway, Bethany ....       | 3.71  | 4.45   |
| Seyern .....               | 6.14  | 9.50   |
| Elm City, Mt. Zion ..      | 3.00  |        |
| Farmville, Farmville ..    |       | 5.00   |
| Halifax, Halifax .....     | 4.00  |        |
| Kenly, Lucama .....        | .53   |        |
| Littleton, Littleton ..... |       | 5.00   |
| Littleton, Calvary ....    | 2.00  |        |
| Middleburg, Shocco ..      | 1.35  |        |
| Nashville .....            |       | 15.00  |
| Norlina, Jerusalem ...     | 1.75  |        |
| Roanoke Rapids .....       | 2.00  |        |
| Rocky Mount, First—        |       |        |
| (Sen.) .....               | 9.00  |        |
| (Int.) .....               | 24.00 |        |
| Clarke St. (Sen.) ...      | 4.50  |        |
| Scotland Neck, S. N...     |       | 15.00  |
| Seaboard, Pleasant Grv.    | 1.60  |        |
| Seaboard .....             | 2.00  |        |
| Stantonsburg, Stans'bg     | 14.22 |        |
| Tabernacle .....           | .20   |        |
| Tarboro, Tarboro ...       |       | 19.00  |
| Warren, Providence ..      | 1.75  |        |
| Warrenton .....            | 7.40  |        |
| Warrenton .....            | 6.25  |        |
| Warren Plains .....        | 4.33  | 8.00   |
| Wilson, First, (Int.)...   |       | 9.67   |
| (Sen.) .....               |       | 1.45   |
| Total .....                | 69.23 | 134.07 |

Wilmington District

|                          |       |       |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|
| Elizabeth, Singletary .. | 4.52  |       |
| Trinity .....            | 22.90 |       |
| Union .....              | 1.00  |       |
| Wesley .....             | 1.60  |       |
| Fairmont, Bethesda ...   | 1.00  |       |
| Olivet .....             | 1.00  |       |
| Trinity .....            | 18.00 | 10.00 |
| Faison-Kenansville—      |       |       |
| Faison .....             | 7.32  |       |
| Goshen .....             | 1.25  |       |
| King's .....             | 1.80  |       |
| Garland, Garland ....    |       | 1.60  |
| Ingold .....             | 3.90  |       |
| Hallsboro, Hallsboro ..  | 6.50  |       |
| Maysville Maysville ..   | 1.60  |       |



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|-------------------------|---------|---------|
| Roseboro, Bethel .....  | 2.17    |         |
| Rowland, Rowland ...    |         | 7.50    |
| St. Pauls, Regan's .... | 1.07    | 3.00    |
| Tabor City, Lebanon..   | 1.00    |         |
| Town Creek, Zion ...    | 3.23    |         |
| Whiteville, Lebanon ..  | 1.50    |         |
| Wilmington, Epworth     | 6.00    |         |
| Fifth Ave. ....         | 30.00   | 30.00   |
| Grace .....             | 21.00   | 16.00   |
| Purdits .....           |         | 1.00    |
| Trinity .....           | 75.40   |         |
| Wesley Memorial ..      | 12.10   | 5.00    |
| Total .....             | 222.86  | 77.10   |
| Grand total .....       | 1274.39 | 1118.46 |

IN MEMORIAM

William Rufus King of Clinton, N. C., namesake and collateral relation of a vice president of the United States, died at his home on McKoy street on June 7, 1940, aged 90 years, 6 months and 24 days.

Mr. King was born in Piney Grove township, Sampson county, November 14, 1949, the son of Henry F. and Mary King of that section, and had resided in Clinton near 50 years.

From early life until about 20 years ago he was an active business man and was well and favorably known throughout the county.

Mr. King was thrice married, first to Martha Sutton of Piney Grove township, to which union five children were born: Verdie, who married R. Henry Bennett, and is now deceased; Ophelia, who married James B. Daughtry whom she survives, and now resides in Piney Grove township; Mary, who married R. L. Brown and resides at Charlotte; Bettie, who died unmarried; and a son, who died in infancy. His second marriage was to Mrs. Clara Jennett, and of this marriage there was only one child, William F. King of Wilmington. His third marriage was to Mrs. Etta King, who survives him.

He was long a member of Clinton M. E. church, and was very active in the work of the church so long as his health permitted, having served many years as a member of its board of stewards and much of the time as board chairman, and several terms as superintendent of the Sunday school.

He was a highly respected citizen of his town and county, and had many friends among those who knew him. He was the oldest resident of Clinton. His was a long, eventful and useful life.

B. H. Houston, Pastor.  
C. M. Faircloth,  
A. K. Parker.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with sad hearts that we, the members of the Afternoon Circle of Davis Street Methodist church, record the passing of Mrs. Sallie Jane Foster, May 11, 1940, from this life to life eternal. While we miss her presence and helpfulness in the circle, we must all realize that we must humbly submit to the will of our heavenly Father.

This deceased member's beautiful character and sweet smile she had for all will forever be cherished in our hearts. She was a true Christian woman, possessing the virtues of love, kindness, sympathy; always willing to lend a helping hand to those who were in sorrow or need.

Be it resolved, that we shall ever cherish her memory and that we extend to her loved ones our deepest sympathy. Be it further resolved, that a copy of this be sent to the Missionary Record and one be placed in the record of the auxiliary.

Mrs. C. C. Durham,  
Mrs. J. B. Cheek.



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# Sunday School Lesson

SEPTEMBER 8

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By James S. Chubb

## An Invitation to Worship

Scripture—Psalm 96

There are great and good reasons why people should be invited to the house of worship. There are reasons that cannot be expressed in the simple word that we "ought" to go.

The first reason is that the house of worship is the one place where we can be religiously instructed by someone who knows religion. The minister may have many faults, and more likely than not he will be the first to admit them. But he is trained in religious methods, alive to religious needs, equipped with religious insights.

Second, the house of worship affords an atmosphere in which we may lay hold of divine resources. The worship service is designed for that purpose. One can obtain divine power from many sources, but there is unique intensity in the social worship where two or more are gathered together in his name.

Note the first two verses of this psalm. They bid the worshipper to sing a new song. This is a normal worship experience. Fresh experiences inspire one to new actions and new praises. This is the eternally working experience of the Holy Spirit. Real divine inspiration is not a past handed down from hand to hand, so much as it is an inspired living experience of the present.

The song must not only be new but joyful. There are sad and painful experiences, but the joyful note is basic in religion. The Negro spirituals often start out sadly, but they almost end in a hallelujah song. This is proper because one must be joyful as he finds God and senses his great power. God is stronger than any man-made system. He has outlived all of them in the past; he will outlive those we cherish today. The religious person must sing out for joy.

Now, we are bidden to be evangelistic (3). We are not asked to argue about our religion nor to run down the other person's religion, but to declare the glories of Jehovah, our God. In fact, if our religion is real, it will be impossible for us not to tell it. Except for the few religious people who are constitutionally timid, a really religious person will tell his news about God as naturally as he will tell anything. The reason why so many people say little about their religion is that they have little to talk about. Of course, there are many ways of telling the good news of the gospel. Some do their evangelistic work in personal conversations, some in classes, some in public services. The way is not important; but the results are important.

The supremacy of God above all other gods is an idea for our own times. The psalmist (4, 5) was thinking about idols of stone and the competitive gods of other religions. We now know that the God of these Hebrew writers was far stronger and much superior to the gods of stone and clay and wood. These false gods have no worshippers in our present-day world.

But there are many gods, with many worshippers just the same. The competing gods to the true God today are nationalism, Communism, secularism, racialism. As far as our nation is concerned, the first and third are the real competitors. It is imperative that Christian thinkers put them in the background where they belong. It is not our nation that saves us, nor is it the size of our pocketbook, but the true and the living God. These other gods are perishable; they are provincial and narrow; only the living God is greater than race, nation, century, and money.

The words (6) are well chosen. The experience of worship should and will be an enriching one, if it is real. It is an experience of strengthening. How often one hears someone whisper on leaving the church, "I feel better now," or "That was just for me."

Offerings (7, 8) are vital in all true religion. The motive for the offering to God varies with different people. Some motives are religious; others are far away from religion. The religious motive is that of stewardship, the idea that God has given us talents and strength, and we are but returning to him a portion as a loyalty pledge. We do not give to insure God's prosperity, and yet you will notice that those who are regular and punctual about giving do have what they need. That is a spiritual law of life. Our churches were built of the deep and abiding sacrifices of our fathers; they will be maintained by the same spirit. I suspect that the only true religious spirit in giving is this: we will do what we have to do to make religious work strong.

The next idea (9, 10) is the greatest in the psalm: God reigns and rules upon this earth in righteousness. God, who created and maintains this earth, will not be moved. This is the sound Rock upon which the true Christian religion is built. Forces of evil do rage and tear things up for a time, but the relentless spiritual forces finally grind around and take their toll.

A faith with insight and power is needed to sense this. When the forces of Babylon and Egypt were vying for power and ascendancy, there were war forces in the Hebrew nation, clamoring that sides be taken. The prophets had more insight and insisted that the Egyptians were flesh and not spirit; therefore an abiding trust in Jehovah was the greatest protection. We know that the alliances did not give protection. It is incoceivable that a feal religious faith could have given less.

When Germany was exploiting her African colonies, one of her great Bible students said that if Germany did not discharge her stewardship well, God would bring her low. Of course, he was laughed at, but that generation lived to see the Bible student vindicated. So, it is ever with evil and evil forces.

God is working for righteousness. He takes his time, but he is not defeated. We are his hand workers and laborers to help him to establish the kingdom of righteousness. We know the price of it, yet we also know that after the suffering and the storm, comes victory. That is our great faith.

Now, notice in the remainder of the psalm, the great burst of victory, spirit. Because God does build, and because he does reign in righteousness and gives so much to his children, let everything praise him. The fields, always under the steady control of natural law the heavens, the symbol of the inevitable forces of life—let them all rejoice at this greatness of Jehovah. Note that the worship that we recommend to others is no dead thing; it is a living experience of this great, working God.

It is a mistake for us (13) to put off the judgment of God until he comes again. This psalmist senses that the God who judges in righteousness is at work now. This is the eternal spiritual law that Christians find. In every generation there is judgment for the things that are evil and there is new life and growth for the things that are right. These two processes—judgment and new life—are parallel activities of God. You who study history will readily detect the two activities. Both sides of the divine activity are going at a rapid pace today.

This is our case for presentation of the need for public worship. All must admit it is a good one; it is one that is much better than we have sometimes presented. It is worthy of more than a passing invitation; it is worth discussing once in a while; and it is worth our enthusiasm. In this year of the Methodist Advance, when we, like every other church, are feeling the tempo of divine inspiration, may we not make the most of it?—Christian Advocate.

## AMERICANIZING CHRYSANTHEMUMS

It was with flowers that the Japanese boy, Joseph Neesima, paid his debt of gratitude. Eleven years before he had come to America, a runaway from far off Japan. The ship that brought him to Boston was owned by Alphaeus Hardy, and "Joe," as the captain called him, because he could not pronounce his real name, was befriended by Mr. and Mrs. Hardy. Then sent him to school and gave him just the chance he was looking for.

So, when "Joe" got back to Japan, he wanted to send something to Mrs. Hardy that would show his gratitude. He could not send money, so he sent a few roots of Japan's national flower. These Mrs. Hardy gave to her gardener and bade him plant them with great care. And what was their delight to see for the first time the beautiful chrysanthemums!

If this boy had not said it with flowers, America might be without chrysanthemums to this day—who knows?

Neesima later became the head of the great Doosshiha University in Japan.—Exchange.

Books are needed, and yet not many books, a few well read.—Carlyle.



# Children's



# Storyland

## VACATION AHEAD

Sue had stayed after Scout meeting to help Miss Sanders the captain, put away some supplies. She was very quiet as she worked. This surprised Miss Sanders as Sue was usually jolly and talkative.

"You don't look very happy, Sue," she remarked. "It seems you would, with vacation only two weeks away."

"That's just the trouble," answered Sue. "I'm not going to have any vacation."

"Why, Sue!" exclaimed Miss Sanders, "you're not going to summer school, are you?"

"No, I mean I'm not going anywhere. I have to stay home all summer," she complained.

"Oh," said Miss Sanders thoughtfully, "but you can still have a vacation."

"But it won't be any fun," objected Sue. "I most always have gone to camp. Now mother says we can't afford any trips. We had a fire at our house this spring and that did a lot of damage."

"Yes," sympathized Miss Sanders, "I remember. Your mother burned her hands trying to save things, I believe."

"Yes, and of course I feel sorry about that. But I did so want to go to camp," mourned Sue.

"What do you like best at camp?" asked the captain.

"Oh, there are so many things. I like nature study and campfire cooking. Swimming and tennis are my favorites. Then I shall certainly miss the council fires and stunts."

"It does sound good," agreed Miss Sanders, "but most of those things can also be done at home."

"Oh, but it wouldn't be the same."

"No, not the same but equally enjoyable. Let's consider each thing you mentioned and see how it can be carried out. Take nature study. Here in the city you have a wonderful opportunity. The parks are filled with birds, squirrels and various plants. Then there are opportunities for excursions into the country."

"But what about instruction?"

"Why not teach yourself? You can get helpful materials at the libraries."

"I believe I could do that," responded Sue. "Perhaps I could earn a merit badge."

"I'm sure you could. You should be able to earn one in cooking also. It is almost as much fun to cook at home as over a campfire."

"I already know how to cook some. I'll get mother to let me cook a whole meal. If only there were some way to manage the swimming. I won't be able to afford to go to the pools much."

"Here is some good news for you, then. I happen to know that over at the East Pool they are looking for a girl to watch the small children's pool. You have your junior life-saving

## PROBLEMS OF ANATOMY

Where can a man buy a cap for his knee,

Or a key to the lock of his hair?  
Can his eyes be called an academy  
Because there are pupils there?

In the crown of his head what gems are found?

Who crosses the bridge of his nose?  
Can he use when shingling the roof of his house

The nails on the ends of his toes?

Can the crook of his elbow be sent to jail?

If so, what can he do?  
How does he sharpen his shoulder blades—

Oh, no, I do not know—do you?

Can he sit in the shade of the palms of his hands?

Or beat on the drum of his ear?  
Does the calf of his leg eat the corn on his toes?

If so, why not grow corn on the ear?

—Exchange.

badge. In return, you will get a season's ticket and free diving instruction."

"Oh, how wonderful!" cried Sue. "I'll see about it tomorrow. I do believe I'll be able to do everything I do at camp. Perhaps I can forget about the rest."

"That would not be necessary. Sue, there must be some other girls who are staying home."

"None I know very well. Judy, Beth and Jill are going as usual."

"You know, Sue, I've been thinking lately that it's too bad that you four always stick so close together. You are missing a lot by not becoming acquainted with others. I've noticed Lysa, the new girl, looking at your group with wistful eyes."

"Why," said Sue in surprise, "I have thought I'd like to know her. But I didn't know how."

"Why don't you find out at the next meeting what girls are going to stay home," suggested Miss Sanders. "Then you can meet and form a club."

"Oh, that will be fun! Miss Sanders, you are lovely. I would never have thought of this myself."

"Yes, you would, if you had given yourself a chance. But you were like most of us; you were too busy thinking about what you couldn't have instead of what you might do. Now I'd like for you to do one more thing. Write out what you consider the objectives of a vacation, whether at home or away."

Sue was busy for a while. When she had finished her friend asked her to read what she had written.

"I believe that a vacation should help one:

"1. Build good health through plenty of outdoor exercise;

"2. Learn something new;

"3. Make new friends;

"4. Participate in varied activities;

"5. Establish new enthusiasm that will last through the next year."

"That is fine, Sue. I'd like to read that to the girls next time."

"Thank you so much, Miss Sanders, for helping me. I can hardly wait for vacation to begin!"—Elizabeth Mooney in *The Girls' World*.

## SOAPING A GEYSER

The Minute Man, a geyser in Yellowstone Park, doesn't like soapsuds. Ikey Einstein may have suspected as much, but, if he did, he wasn't sure, and he wanted to find out. So Ikey, says Mr. Lewis R. Freeman, cooked up a piece of laundry soap in a fine gallon oil can and poured the mess into the crater.

"I saw him with an oil can fussing round in the vicinity of the crater," says Mr. Freeman. "Suddenly a succession of heavy reverberations shook the ground, and at the same instant Ikey started to run. He was just in time to avoid the great deluge from a great gush of water and steam that shot a hundred feet into the air, but he was not quick enough to escape the mountainous discharge of soapsuds that followed."

"Within a few seconds the five gallons of soft soap had been beaten to perhaps a million times its original volume, and for a hundred yards to leeward it covered the ground in great white, fluffy, iridescent heaps. Nothing was ever seen like the sputtering little Hebrew who finally pawed his way to air and sunshine from the outermost of the sparkling saponaceous hillocks. For a good half hour the Minute Man retched and coughed in desperate efforts to rid itself of the nauseous mass that Ikey had poured down its throat."

"Then its efforts became scattering and spasmodic and finally ceased. But for an hour longer gasps and gurgles rattled in its throat. At last even that sound ceased and deathlike silence fell upon the formation. It really seemed that the Minute Man would never spout again."—*Youth's Companion*.

A little boy at school was asked to give the definition of the word "bachelor." He replied, "A bachelor is the happiest man in the world." The school teacher asked him who in the world ever told him that and he said, "My daddy."



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# District Superintendent Appointments

## North Carolina Conference

### OURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Ourham, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

September  
Front Street, 11 ..... 8  
West Burlington, 3 ..... 8  
Mebane, Central, 11 ..... 13  
McBane, First, 3 ..... 15  
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 ..... 15  
Milton, New Hope, 11 ..... 22  
Branson, 7:30 ..... 22  
Lakewood, 7:30 ..... 26  
Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 11 ..... 29  
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 ..... 29  
West Durham, 7:30 ..... 30

#### October

Carr, 7:30 ..... 2  
Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 3 ..... 3  
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 ..... 3  
Yanceyville, Yanceyville, 11 ..... 4  
Leasburg, Hebron, 3 ..... 4  
Person Ct., Concord, 11 ..... 5  
Long Memorial, 11 ..... 6  
Brookside, Allensville, 3 ..... 6  
Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7 ..... 6  
District Check-up Meeting, Pastors and Laymen, at  
West Durham, 10 ..... 7  
Trinity, 7:30 ..... 8  
Calvary, 7:30 ..... 9  
Chapel Hill, 7:30 ..... 10  
Graham, 7:30 ..... 11  
Alamance Ct., Bethel, 11 ..... 12  
Mt. Hermon Ct., Mt. Hermon, 2 ..... 12  
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 ..... 13  
Burlington Ct., Mt. Vernon, 3 ..... 13  
Davis Street, 7:30 ..... 17  
Halama, Mt. Bethel, 11 ..... 20  
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 3 ..... 20  
Orange Ct., Efland, 7:30 ..... 20  
Cedar Grove, Carr, 11 ..... 24  
Eno, 7:30 ..... 24

### ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, O.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

September  
Moyock-Pilmoor Memorial, Moyock, 11 ..... 8  
Currituck, Sharon, 5 ..... 8  
Kitty Hawk, night ..... 8  
Manteo, 11 ..... 15  
Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 ..... 15  
Wanchese, night ..... 15  
Ahoskie (Church Dedication), 11 ..... 22

Murfreesboro, Winton, 3 ..... 22  
North Gates, Kittrells, night ..... 22  
Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 2 ..... 26  
Fall Rally and Check-up, Hertford, 10 ..... 27  
Kinnakeet, Avon, 11 ..... 29  
Hatteras, Buxton, night ..... 29

#### October

Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 2 ..... 2  
Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 2 ..... 5  
Dehaven, Trinity, 11 ..... 6  
Matanuskeet, Amity, 3 ..... 6  
Svanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night ..... 6  
City Road, night ..... 9  
Pasquotank, Union, 11 and 2 ..... 11  
Gatesville, Zion, 11 and 2 ..... 12  
Columbia, 11 ..... 13  
Creswell, 3 ..... 13  
Roper, Pleasant Grove, night ..... 13  
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 2 ..... 19  
Lismouth, 11 ..... 20  
Aulander, Lewiston, 3 ..... 20  
Edenton, night ..... 20  
First Church, Elizabeth City, night ..... 23  
South Mills, Trinity, 11 and 2 ..... 26  
Bath, Asbury, 11 ..... 27  
Washington, night ..... 27

### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

#### September

Hemp, Tabernacle, 11 ..... 8  
Carthage, 4 ..... 8  
Sanford, 8 ..... 8  
Broadway, 11 ..... 15  
Aberdeen, 8 ..... 15  
Pittsboro, 11 ..... 22  
Bynum, Ebenezer, 3 ..... 22  
Siler City, 8 ..... 22  
Red Springs, 11 ..... 29  
Caledonia, East Laurinburg, 3 ..... 29  
Laurinburg, 8 ..... 29

#### October

Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11 ..... 6  
Laurel Hill, 3 ..... 6  
Rockingham, 7 ..... 6  
Ellerbe, 11 ..... 13  
Glendon, Fair Promise, 3 ..... 13  
Goldston, 7 ..... 13  
Person Street, 7 ..... 16  
Rockingham Ct., E. Rockingham, 11 ..... 20  
Gibson, St. John, 3 ..... 20  
Larkton, 7 ..... 23  
Biscoe, 11 ..... 27  
Mt. Gilead Ct., Little River, 3 ..... 27

### NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

#### September

Mt. Olive-Calpso, Calypso, 11 ..... 8  
L'ikeville-Elm Street, 3 ..... 8  
Fremont, 8 ..... 8  
Atlantic, Sea Level, 11 ..... 15  
Marshallberg-Straits, Marshallberg, 7:30 ..... 15  
Morehead City, 7:30 ..... 18  
Goldsboro Ct., Piney Grove, 11 ..... 22  
Ayden, 7:30 ..... 22  
La Grange, 7:30 ..... 25  
Oriental, Pamlico, 11 ..... 29  
Morehead City Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 ..... 29

#### October

Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 ..... 2  
Jones, Foys, 11 ..... 6  
Dover, 7:30 ..... 6  
Kinston, Queen St., 7:30 ..... 9  
Griffith, 11 ..... 13  
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 ..... 13  
Hookerton, 7:30 ..... 18  
Mt. Olive Ct., Smith's, 11 ..... 19  
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 ..... 20  
Vanceboro, 7:30 ..... 20  
Newport, Riverdale, 11 ..... 22  
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 ..... 23  
Aurora, Warren's, 11 ..... 24  
Pamlico, Alliance, 11 ..... 27  
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 ..... 27  
New Bern, Centenary, 11 ..... 30

### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, O.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

#### September

Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 ..... 8  
Nashville, 8 ..... 8  
Scottand Neck, 11 ..... 15  
Sandy Cross, 3 ..... 15  
Tarboro, 8 ..... 15  
Conway, 11 ..... 22  
Garysburg, Shiloh, 3:30 ..... 22  
Halifax, 8 ..... 22  
McKendree, Pinetops, 11 ..... 29  
Ois'riet Rally, Laymen and Preachers, Rocky Mt., 2:30 ..... 29  
Wilson, 8 ..... 29

#### October

Rich Square, 7:30 ..... 2  
Spring Church, 7:30 ..... 4  
Seahoard, Sharon, 11 ..... 5  
Weldon, 11 ..... 6  
Northampton, New Hope, 3 ..... 6  
Enfield, 7:30 ..... 6  
Walstonburg, Arthur, 7 ..... 8  
Farmville, 8 ..... 8  
Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30 ..... 9  
Rocky Mount, First Church, Dedication ..... 12  
Bethel, 7:30 ..... 13  
Marvin, 7:30 ..... 17  
Middleburg, 11 ..... 20  
Warren, 3 ..... 20  
Norlina, 7:30 ..... 20  
Robersonville, Stokes (to be announced) ..... 20  
Spring Hope, 7:30 ..... 21  
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 ..... 22  
Whitakers, 7:30 ..... 23  
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 ..... 26  
Elm City, 11 ..... 27  
Stantonsburg, 3 ..... 27  
Kenly, 7:30 ..... 27

### RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

#### September

Raleigh, Person Street, Central, 11 ..... 8  
Vance, Gillberg, 3 ..... 8  
Louisburg, 8 ..... 8  
Clayton, Horne Memorial, 8 ..... 11  
Henderson, Christ Church, 8 ..... 13  
Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 ..... 15  
Henderson, First Church, 3 ..... 15  
Henderson, City Road-White Memorial, City Rd., 7:30, 15 ..... 15  
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 ..... 18  
Cary-Apex, Cary, 7:30 ..... 20  
Oxford Ct., Salem, 11 ..... 22  
Oxford, 7:30 ..... 22  
Raleigh, Fairmont, 8 ..... 24  
Raleigh, Person St., Central, 8 ..... 25  
Franklinton, 8 ..... 27  
Selma, 11 ..... 29  
Benson, 3 ..... 29  
Smithfield, 7:30 ..... 29  
District Check-up, Preachers and Laymen, Raleigh, ..... 30  
Person St., Central, 10 ..... 30  
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 ..... 30

#### October

Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 ..... 2  
Zel-ulon-Wendell, Wendell, 11 ..... 6  
Creedmoor, Creedmoor, 7:30 ..... 6  
Granville, Union Chapel, 7:30 ..... 7  
Stem, Stem, 7:30 ..... 9  
Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 ..... 13  
Erwin, Erwin, 3 ..... 13  
Princeton, Princeton, 7:30 ..... 13  
Mamers, Mamers, 7:30 ..... 16  
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 ..... 13  
Dunn, Divine Street, 11 ..... 20  
Littlington, Littlington, 3 ..... 20  
Garner, Garner, 7:30 ..... 20  
Tar River, Plank Chapel, 7:30 ..... 21  
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 ..... 23  
Four Oaks, Sanders, 7:30 ..... 25

### WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, O.S., Wilmington, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

#### September

Wilmington, Grace, 11 ..... 8  
Warsaw-Magnolia, Trinity, 3 ..... 8  
Burgaw, Rocky Point, night ..... 8  
District Conference at Garland, 10 ..... 12  
Elizabeth, Purlies, 11 ..... 15  
Carver's Creek, Council, night ..... 15  
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11 ..... 22  
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, night ..... 22  
Wallace-Rosehill, Rosehill, 11 ..... 29  
Penderlea, night ..... 29

#### October

Town Creek, Zion, 11 ..... 6  
Scott's Hill, Seagate, night ..... 6  
Wilmington, Epworth, night ..... 9  
Faison-Kenansville, 11 ..... 11  
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 ..... 13  
St. Pauls, Regans, 3 ..... 13  
Lumberton, night ..... 13  
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11 ..... 20  
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3 ..... 20  
Maysville, Belgrade, night ..... 20  
Southport, night ..... 23  
Bladen (place to be announced), 11 ..... 24  
Garland (place to be announced), night ..... 24  
Roseboro, Halls, 11 ..... 25  
Clinton, night ..... 25

## Western North Carolina Conference

### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, O.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

#### September

French Broad Avenue, 11 ..... 8  
Oakley, 3 ..... 8  
Hendersonville, night ..... 8  
Leicester-Bell, 11 ..... 15  
Sandy-Big Sandy, 3 ..... 15  
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night ..... 15  
Central, Asheville, 11 ..... 22  
Saluda-Tryon-Saluda, 3 ..... 22  
Brevard, night ..... 22  
Black Mountain, 11 ..... 29  
Swannanoa, Tabernacle, 3 ..... 29  
Weaverville Station, night ..... 29

#### October

Laurel-Barnardsville, Laurel, 11 ..... 6  
Weaverville Ct., South Fork, 3 ..... 6  
Oteen, Bethel, night ..... 6  
Hot Springs, Antioch, 11 ..... 13  
Marshall, Marshall, night ..... 13  
Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30  
p. m. Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to  
be handed in.

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

#### September

Brevard Street, 8 ..... 6  
Wesley Heights, 11 ..... 8  
Polkton, Poplar Hill ..... 8  
Pineville, Pineville, 8 ..... 8  
Morven, 8 ..... 9  
Bolmont Park, 7:30 ..... 11  
Dilworth, 7:30 ..... 13  
Lilesville, Lilesville, 11 ..... 15  
Huntersville, Asbury, 3 ..... 15  
Derita, 7:30 ..... 15  
Central Avenue, 11 ..... 22  
Prospect, Bethlehem, 3 ..... 22  
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 ..... 22  
Duncan Memorial, 11 ..... 29  
Wadesboro, 7:30 ..... 30  
October  
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 ..... 7  
Myers Park, 7:30 ..... 14



ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                       |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Warrensville, Smithport, 11     | 8  |
| Creston, Big Laurel, 3          | 8  |
| Wilkesboro, Union, night        | 8  |
| Greer Valley, Thomas Chapel, 11 | 15 |
| Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 3:30  | 15 |
| Boone, night                    | 15 |
| North Wilkesboro, 11            | 22 |
| Moravian Falls, Adley, 3        | 22 |
| Traphill, Traphill, night       | 22 |
| Todd, Cranberry, 11             | 28 |
| Helton, Baldwin, 11             | 29 |
| October                         |    |
| Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11     | 6  |
| Dobson, Stony Knoll, 3:30       | 6  |
| Elkin, 7:30                     | 6  |
| Mocksville Station, 8           | 9  |

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                        |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Cleveland, Oak Grove, 11         | 8  |
| Shelby-Caroleen, Caroleen, 3     | 8  |
| Shelby, Lafayette St., 7:30      | 8  |
| Shelby, Central, 7:30            | 9  |
| Bessemer Ct., Bessemer, 7:30     | 10 |
| Cherryville, First Church, 7:30  | 11 |
| Rock Springs, 7:30               | 13 |
| Lowsville, Salem, 11             | 14 |
| Bellwood, 11                     | 15 |
| Polkville, Rehoboth, 3           | 15 |
| King's Mountain, Grace, 7:30     | 15 |
| Shelby Ct., 7:30                 | 16 |
| South Fork, 7:30                 | 17 |
| Bessemer City, Bessemer, 11      | 22 |
| Cherryville Ct., Mary's Grove, 3 | 22 |
| Mount Holly, 7:30                | 22 |
| Gastonia, Trinity, 7:30          | 23 |
| Gastonia, West End, 7:30         | 24 |
| Belmont, Park Street, 7:30       | 25 |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11       | 29 |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3           | 29 |
| October                          |    |
| Gastonia, Bradley Memorial, 11   | 6  |
| Lowell, Ebenezer, 7:30           | 6  |
| Cramerton, 7:30                  | 7  |
| King's Mountain, Central, 11     | 13 |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11           | 20 |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                      |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Moriah, 7:30 Sat.              | 7  |
| Stoneville, 11                 | 8  |
| Ruffin, 3                      | 8  |
| West Greensboro, 8             | 8  |
| West Market, 8, Q.C.           | 9  |
| Reidsville Ct., 11 Sat.        | 14 |
| St. Paul, 11                   | 15 |
| Oak Ridge, 8                   | 15 |
| Centenary, 8                   | 18 |
| Gulford Ct., Sat.              | 21 |
| Proximity, 11                  | 22 |
| Midway, 3                      | 22 |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30       | 22 |
| Jamestown-Oakdale, 7:30        | 25 |
| Flat Rock, Sat.                | 28 |
| West End, 11                   | 29 |
| Madison, 3                     | 29 |
| Leaksville, 7:30               | 29 |
| Bessemer, 7:30                 | 30 |
| October                        |    |
| Calvary, 7:30                  | 2  |
| Brown Summit, 11               | 6  |
| College Place, 7:30            | 6  |
| Glenwood, 7:30                 | 9  |
| Haw River, Sat.                | 12 |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11           | 13 |
| Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 | 13 |
| Gibsonville, 7:30              | 13 |
| Draper, 7:30                   | 16 |
| Tabernacle, Julian, 11         | 20 |
| Stoke-dale, Glencoe, 3         | 20 |
| Grace, 7:30                    | 20 |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

(Subject to necessary changes)

| September                             |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30                  | 8  |
| Rankin Memorial, 7:30                 | 11 |
| Denton, Central, Denton, 7:30         | 12 |
| Denton First, Cid, 11                 | 15 |
| Linwood, Linwood, 3                   | 15 |
| Ward Street, 7:30                     | 18 |
| Highland, 10:30                       | 21 |
| Liberty, Ct., Randolph, 11            | 22 |
| South Davidson, 2:30                  | 22 |
| Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30  | 22 |
| Ashboro First, 7:30                   | 25 |
| Why Not, Flag Springs( all day)       | 28 |
| Richland, Browers, (all day)          | 29 |
| Ashboro Central, 7:30                 | 29 |
| Arehdale, 7:30                        | 30 |
| October                               |    |
| Lebanon, 7:30                         | 1  |
| First Church, High Point, 7:30        | 2  |
| Welch Memorial, 7:30                  | 3  |
| Seagrove-Love Joy, Seagrove (all day) | 5  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethany, 11   | 6  |
| Farmer, Farmer, 2:30                  | 6  |
| Ashboro Ct., West Chapel, 7:30        | 6  |
| Wesley Memorial, 7:30                 | 9  |
| Calvary, 7:30                         | 10 |

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                  |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Rutherford College, 11     | 8 |
| Morganton Ct., Denton's, 3 | 8 |
| Morganton, First, 7:30     | 8 |

| Rutherfordton, 11                                                                              | 15 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Marion Ct., 3                                                                                  | 15 |
| Old Fort, 7:30                                                                                 | 15 |
| Linnville Falls, 11                                                                            | 22 |
| Avery Ct., 3                                                                                   | 22 |
| Spruce Pine, 7:30                                                                              | 22 |
| Bald Creek, 11                                                                                 | 29 |
| Micaville, Tipton Hill, 3                                                                      | 29 |
| Burnsville, 7:30                                                                               | 29 |
| October                                                                                        |    |
| Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11                                                                  | 6  |
| Shady Grove, 3                                                                                 | 6  |
| Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30                                                            | 6  |
| Elk Park, 11                                                                                   | 13 |
| Bakersville, 3                                                                                 | 13 |
| Marion, First, 7:30                                                                            | 13 |
| Cliffside, 11                                                                                  | 20 |
| Forest City, 7:30                                                                              | 20 |
| Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stewards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church. |    |

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                         |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Pfeiffer, Wesley, 11              | 8  |
| Coburn Memorial, 3                | 8  |
| China Grove, 7:30                 | 11 |
| Kerr Street, 11                   | 15 |
| Bethpage, Shiloh, 3               | 15 |
| Midway, 7:30                      | 15 |
| Friendship, 7:30                  | 18 |
| Westford, 11                      | 22 |
| Rocky Ridge, 3                    | 22 |
| Roberta, 7:30                     | 22 |
| Harmony, 7:30                     | 25 |
| Trinity, 11                       | 29 |
| East Spencer-Yadkin, 7:30         | 29 |
| October                           |    |
| Tabernacle, 11                    | 6  |
| Albemarle Ct., Stony Point, 3     | 6  |
| Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30      | 6  |
| Stanfield Ct., Love's Grove, 7:30 | 7  |
| Mt. Mitchell, 7:30                | 9  |
| Badin, 11                         | 13 |
| Mt. Pleasant, Friendship, 3       | 13 |

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                       |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Hickory, First Church, 11       | 8  |
| Hickory, Highland, 3            | 8  |
| Malden, Malden, night           | 8  |
| Catawba, Concord, 3             | 15 |
| Stony Point, Stony Point, night | 15 |
| Davidson, Fairview, 10 and 3    | 22 |
| Mooreville, Central, 11         | 22 |
| Mooreville, Broad St., night    | 22 |
| Newton, First Church, 11        | 29 |
| Balls Creek, St. Paul, 3        | 29 |
| Troutman, Troutman, night       | 29 |
| October                         |    |
| Statesville, Broad Street, 11   | 6  |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 3        | 6  |
| Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night | 6  |
| Hickory, Bethel, 11             | 13 |
| Hudson, Colliers, 3             | 13 |
| Hickory, Westview, night        | 13 |

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                    |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11 | 8  |
| Bethel, Bethel, 3            | 8  |
| Waynesville, 8               | 8  |
| Junaluska, Junaluska, 8      | 11 |
| Louisa, Louisa, 9:45         | 15 |
| Franklin Ct., 11             | 15 |
| Mason Ct., 3                 | 15 |
| Franklin, 8                  | 15 |
| Cullowhee, 8                 | 18 |
| Highlands, Cashiers, 11      | 22 |
| Webster, Webster, 3          | 22 |
| Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11   | 29 |
| Shooting Creek, Myers, 3     | 29 |
| Canton, First Church, 8      | 29 |

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                                     |    |
|-----------------------------------------------|----|
| North Davidson, Canaan, 11                    | 8  |
| Reeds, Reeds, 3                               | 8  |
| Rural Hall, Bethel, 7:30                      | 8  |
| Thomasville, Trinity-Bethel, Bethel, 7:30     | 10 |
| Erlanger, Erlanger, 7:30                      | 11 |
| Winston-Salem, Ogburn Memorial, 7:30          | 12 |
| Winston-Salem, Oak Summit, 7:30               | 13 |
| Walkertown, Love's, 11                        | 15 |
| Kernersville, Shady Grove, 3                  | 15 |
| Welcome, Midway, 7:30                         | 15 |
| Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30                    | 17 |
| Winston-Salem, Green St., 7:30                | 18 |
| Winston-Salem, Liberty St., 7:30              | 19 |
| Doub's, at Parsonage, 7:30                    | 20 |
| Lexington, First, 11                          | 22 |
| Davidson, Centenary, 3                        | 22 |
| Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain, 7:30          | 22 |
| Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Morris Chapel, 7:30 | 24 |
| Hanes, Hanes, 7:30                            | 25 |
| Kernersville-South Winston, 7:30              | 26 |
| Winston-Salem Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 7:30         | 27 |
| Mt. Airy Ct., Oak Grove, 11                   | 29 |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, Shoals, 3                  | 29 |
| Walnut Cove, St. Mark, 7:30                   | 29 |
| October                                       |    |
| Mt. Airy, Rockford St., 7:30                  | 3  |
| Lexington, Trinity, 7:30                      | 4  |
| Hiatt-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11                 | 6  |
| West Forsyth, Harmony Grove, 3                | 6  |
| Forsyth, Mt. Tabor, 7:30                      | 6  |
| Thomasville, Community, 7:30                  | 8  |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary, 7:30                | 9  |
| Winston-Salem, First, 7:30                    | 10 |
| Thomasville, First, 7:30                      | 11 |

|                                                              |    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 11                              | 13 |
| Forsyth-Maple Springs, Maple Springs, 3                      | 13 |
| Lewisville, Union, 7:30                                      | 13 |
| Winston-Salem, Central Terrace, 7:30                         | 14 |
| Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30                               | 15 |
| Mt. Airy, Central, 7:30                                      | 16 |
| Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30                                | 17 |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 7:30                                 | 18 |
| Fourth Check-up Meeting, Centenary, Church, Winston-Salem, 3 | 20 |

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## Positive Evangelical Preaching

OUR real effectiveness as preachers of the Gospel does not depend, thank God, on our natural gifts. It depends rather, so far as it depends on us at all, upon our conviction, our experience, and our faithfulness. Our conviction of the truth of the Gospel, our experience of the reality of it in our own lives, and the faithfulness with which we proclaim it, in dependence upon the Spirit of God—these are the things that make us really effective in doing what all preaching is meant to do. Do we believe with all our hearts that the Gospel is the power of God unto the salvation of all who believe? Do we know that it is so in our own soul's experience from day to day? Do we proclaim it courageously and confidently, as the very word of God, and in the demonstration of the Holy Spirit? Is there that intense and impassioned quality in our preaching which is born only of deep conviction and of living experience—"the passion and the life whose fountains are within"? There ought to be and there will be, if we realize our responsibility. As Rabbi Tarphon said, "The day is short, and the task is great, and the reward is much, and the Master of the House is urgent."

I long to hear that urgent, passionate note in the message of our preachers—and that, not merely for its own sake, but because it is the sure index of real conviction, and real experience, and a deep concern for the souls of those who hear our words. Richard Baxter once said, "I never knew a minister much owned by God unless he had a desire, bordering upon unhappiness, to see the fruits of his labors." Now all these things are bound up together. If we believe that our message is of God, and have proved it so in our experience we shall know that it matters more than anything else that those who hear us should believe it, and should prove it for themselves. This will lend to all our preaching that passionate urgency which is always the sure sign of power and of life. I believe that if we all preached a real Gospel, and preached it urgently, passionately, pitifully, believably, we should see a revival of the work of God among us in our own days. Think of it! In every Methodist pulpit, week by week, a living gospel, proclaimed with living conviction, by men who urgently feel that their one business is to exalt Christ and to save souls!

One of the medieval chroniclers tells us that, when St. Bernard of Clairvaux was preaching at Liege, a canon of the Cathedral there, while kneeling at prayer, heard a voice from heaven saying to him, "Go and listen, for the gospel has come to life again!" Would God that those who hear us preach might be constrained to say that!

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# United Help Needed For the Advocate At Once

Why not for the next two weeks paramount the Advocate in every church? Our financial year closes September 30. Quick action by all will enable us to close the year satisfactorily.

With the many adjustments necessary this present year the church paper has been somewhat neglected. Of the 634 pastors in both conferences 274 haven't sent in a single new subscriber; 60 others have reported only one new subscriber each.

## This Present Situation Demands Attention Immediately

**AN AVERAGE OF TWO NEW SUBSCRIBERS FROM EACH PASTOR—  
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## The Pastors Can Save the Day For Us

They have access to all the Methodist people—many of whom are always ready to help a good cause. This number increases annually.

Our earnest desire so often expressed that every pastor's name should appear in our campaign report is not simply to honor the man but rather because success comes only with each man doing his best. The pastor of the big church in the city, the fruitful fields in the country and of the obscure mission points are all brothers in this common task to forward all the work of our world-wide Methodism as well as to inform our people of the undertakings at home.

## Team Work by the Leaders Will Get Marvelous Results

Are we ready and willing to give ourselves to a glorious closing all along the line this present year? If so, make September a triumphant month for the North Carolina Christian Advocate.



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The man who talks glibly about the innate goodness of the human race surely does not seek to reconcile his theory with the hard facts of life as they are appearing in the wars now being waged by Japan and Germany. The nation of the Far East and the one of Central Europe seem to be akin and they fail to reveal innate goodness.

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Were the lazy and slothful sensitive to their surroundings many of them would be feeling more and more lonely in North Carolina these stirring times with the thousands of active, energetic, alert men and women we have. This is true in the ministry, in industry, on the farm and in all other enterprises that require red-blooded men. It is personality that counts.

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With fine discrimination F. W. Boreham writes: "We are all of us more or less lopsided. One man's religion is almost exclusively intellectual; another's is almost exclusively emotional. Mary distinguishes herself by her beautiful piety; she sits perpetually at the Master's feet. Martha earns universal gratitude by her incessant activity: she is cumbered about much serving. This preacher represents the last word in culture, but his sermons strike you as icily cold. That preacher startles his hearers by his volcanic passion, but he shocks them by his outrages on learning and logic."

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The idea of an indispensable man or woman is a child of the diseased imagination of those who entertain such an idea. And it is only a figment of the imagination, for there is no such thing as an indispensable man or woman. But we have all been acquainted with those who labor under such a delusion. Sometimes he is a member of the board of stewards. Sometimes she is a member of the woman's missionary society. These indispensable people are an abomination in the sight of God and a thorn in the flesh of all good people. May we all be delivered from indispensable people.

Our deepest sympathy is with the young men who are to be subject to the draft. Most of them were born during the war which was to make democracy safe—the war that was to end war. Now many of them are to go to camp, perhaps to war. Some will be calling it a holy war. Give ear to these words from this week's Biblical Recorder:

Finally, let us not make the mistake of telling our young people that they may soon be called upon to take part in a holy war. This is not a holy war. No war is holy. War is unholy, unchristian. Our young men may have to go war, but if they do let them go knowing that they are taking man's way to settle age-old quarrels, not God's way. If war is not just that, then how can young people have or keep the Christian faith? Why would they want it?

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Better than perplexing arguments about war and peace as to what a Christian should do and the stand the church should take—as to the position of the individual and the group—is to set Jesus in the midst of the perplexities. Arguments are apt to end in bitterness and confusion. Years ago in a certain pastorate the "Second Blessing" folks with their professed high attainments in purity and holiness were ready to count as unclean all who did not agree with them. Bitterness and confusion followed their discussions of things and doctrines. Our one way of closing their mouths was to insist that they should stand themselves up by Jesus. If they could measure up with him, to rejoice; if they could not, they had something yet to attain unto. This closed the mouth of every honest soul; he stood self-condemned. His arguments failed him. The same method will work now both as to peace and war, and the many other issues troubling good people just now. What would Jesus do? What is the spirit of Jesus? What would Jesus have me to do? Yes, take your stand by Jesus as we know him. Ask your adversary to stand with you. Arguments will then be hushed and contentions will cease and harmony will result.



## The Ecumenical Methodist Conference

ON account of the war now raging in Europe no ecumenical conference will be held next year. For half a century these conferences of world-wide Methodism have been held every decade, either in England or America. The last was held in Atlanta, Ga., in 1931, and it is in order for next year's conference to be held in England, but the war prevents.

During the session of the English Methodist conference held in July at Sheffield the committee on the Methodist Ecumenical Conference, after due and grave consideration, adopted and ordered sent to American Methodists the following message:

"We regret the postponement of the Ecumenical Conference, and still more the cause which makes this gathering impossible. We Methodists in this country have as deep and passionate a love for peace and hatred of war as our fellow Methodists in all parts of the world. Our country has steadily preserved a policy of peace since the last World War. There are countries, however, in Europe and Asia whose philosophy of life and government is based upon repression and violence without regard to truth or humanity; and, in spite of every effort to avoid the disaster of war, we find ourselves involved in a life-and-death struggle in defense of our belief of freedom, justice, and truth. Our cause is not only ours, but the cause of the world, and we know we have the fullest sympathy of our fellow Methodists in the United States. But the Atlantic Ocean is wide and the extent of your country is as wide again; and we appeal to you for all possible help. We appeal not only for your sympathy, but for all possible help at the most critical point in the history of civilization."

## The Easy and Joyful

HOW easy is it for the shortstop to toss out the runner on first! What joy comes to the grandmother who fondles the child of the second generation! How easy and joyfully the old saint anticipates the transition into the heavenly home! But do not forget all that lies back of this ease and joy.

The athlete knows long and hard hours before the ease and joy of athletic prowess. Long days and weary nights of pain and anguish fills a woman's life before she can know the

joy that the good old devoted grandmother feels. The saint ready for the chariot from above experiences years of cross-bearing with their days and nights of toil, prayer, anguish and heartaches common to the long pilgrimage of those bound for the promised land.

The ease of the bird on the wing and the grace of the fish in sea that may ultimately come to our ordinary humanity, is truly a long and hard process, but the end is easy and joyful when once we have learned to be at home with God in God's world.

## Team Work Among Leaders Urgent

LAST week a group of leaders were considering together matters vital to our new Methodist set-up. Many such gatherings will be held these coming weeks. Among all the good things stressed at that time the most important was passed over, namely, team work among the leaders.

When have we ever had in our North Carolina Methodism in the memory of man any movement put over 100 per cent? The lack of team work among the leaders accounts for this failure. It has been tried out in Advocate campaigns, in revival efforts, in securing finances and in furnishing full and accurate reports of the various undertakings. Some men will always fail to reach the goal. To add to the hurt and seriousness of the failure, they do not seem to care. This results in such men doing nothing for the church paper, for additions to the church, for the benevolences—instead blanks appear in the pages of the reports. Most assuredly blanks will appear at times, but notwithstanding this we should be able now and then to secure reports 100 per cent in some urgent undertakings. Could we get 100 per cent co-operation among our preachers we would see a new day dawn.

Team work is one of the first essentials in group action. Be it an ox team, a football squad, men in the log woods, a Methodist conference the chief essential to victory is team work. Failure here certainly means humiliating failure in church work. Few of us realize how much and how often we come short in this respect. Some preachers always succeed in every field; others always fail, and no one seems to lay it to heart. So we pull along not able to hope that any of our plans will go over 100 per cent. Certainly a picked body of men such as a Methodist conference with men spe-



cially trained for their work, cherishing the high honor of being a minister of the gospel, should make a better record. This failure of our preachers to make good at all times led one of our truest and best laymen who holds himself to the highest standard in all his conduct and loyalties to remark, "Most preachers are mighty no 'count."

How we would rejoice to see both our conferences able to put over a few undertakings in which every preacher had made it 100 per cent. This would be team work that would send a thrill through us all. We would be sure of the sunrise of a new day.

### The South May Win Leadership

**T**HIRTY years ago Dr. Clarence H. Poe wrote much of the new day for the South. His vision of a better day encouraged many. In his "A Southerner in Europe" written thirty-two years ago he won no little attention. At that time he saw the new day and insisted that we can build only on the foundation of a better agriculture. This, he insisted, is the one sure foundation upon which to build.

Much has happened these last thirty years. Many changes have come with the World War and now with this present war harrassing the world. But Dr. Poe is still sticking to his theme. The stress is now on a balanced and varied use to be made of the soil. The Europe he knew in that day is a crushed and broken land, but we all know that the foundation stands sure. The might of arms and the slaughter of the sword ends in ruin. The new world must come in the order of nature under the blessing of nature's God. Poe's dream of the South's awakening thirty years ago and its realization will come by our holding fast to the spiritual factor that made us great and the moral elements upon which we relied in the early days of the Republic. Then upon a better agriculture and a more general culture in all these southern parallels we can come to finer and truer life. The desolations of war and the moral collapse that comes with armies can be overcome only by the things that come with the aid of church and school and home among a people set to the highest and best. War settles nothing. It leaves waste and ruin.

We must keep our faces to the future and hope for the time when the nations have set themselves to build on a more solid foundation.

### The Forbidden Road

**W**ITH all of us abides the tendency to seek the agreeable things of life and to find the easy way on the journey. To choose the high and the hard road is not one of our human characteristics. Too many follow the line of least resistance. To sink is easy; to take the high and hard road is something else. This calls for the upward climb, with tired feet and weary limbs.

The consequences of the backward look belong to the story of Sodom. Back into Egypt is the forbidden road. Such turning back is easier and the more agreeable to the flesh, but it ends in a blackout. Cheer up—go forward!

The Christian call that comes to each one of us is to advance by faith, being willing to suffer for Christ. Not the easy and the agreeable of the forbidden road, but the hard and heroic of the upward and onward way ends in conquest. The best is yet to be. This is the only gospel for the pulpit and the pew. This is the one gospel that will save from the curse of the backward look and turn the feet of men and women from the forbidden road. Such can lift up and lead on.

### Church Debts and Dedications

**B**UILDING churches and leaving them loaded with debts was the rule in the twenties. And the thirties have been the debt paying decade for Methodist churches in North Carolina. And many of these debts have been paid. Some of these have been liquidated at great sacrifices on the part of the people directly concerned, because it is so much easier to make debts than to pay them. There are some heroic stories connected with this debt paying campaign. But we are just here interested in the dedication of these churches now free of debt. Frequently two and sometimes three of these interesting services have been held on a single Sunday. The bishop is usually called upon for this service, but it is not limited to him. Bishop Clare Purcell has dedicated so many churches in North Carolina that we expect him to be known as the Dedicator.

It is gratifying to know that the churches are so rapidly being freed from debt. It is now a good time for all congregations to get rid of their debts. Why continue to carry the burden?



# A Big Day at Coburn Memorial Methodist Church, Salisbury Last Sunday

September 8, 1940, was a memorable day for Rev. A. C. Waggoner and his people at Coburn Memorial church. It was the day of dedication after paying off a debt of \$23,500.

This handsome, modern structure was erected at a cost in excess of \$90,000. It has an auditorium with a seating capacity, including gallery, of 1,000. Golden oak fittings and furnishings are used throughout. The pews are of the same material and everything has been done to make the church as attractive and inviting as possible.

The Sunday school building consists of seven large departmental rooms which will accommodate over 900 students. A pastor's study and other accommodations are provided.

The church was occupied for the first time on September 12, 1926, but the building was not completed until 1928. At that time there was a huge debt upon the church which with the coming of the depression became a source of financial embarrassment. During the pastorate of Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald (1930-32) \$6,000 of this debt was paid despite the depression of those years. From 1933-1937 Rev. A. C. Swofford led in reducing the debt \$8500 in addition to paying considerable accumulated interest. During the last three years under the leadership of A. C. Waggoner the remaining debt of \$23,500 has been paid. Three thousand of that debt was put on a plate collection the Sunday before the day of dedication.

The entire board of stewards are tithers and there are a total of 109 tithers in the church. This helps to explain why this church can raise so much money. Dr. C. N. Clark, the district superintendent, says this is the greatest triumph in debt paying in his knowledge. Revs. J. W. Fitzgerald and A. C. Swofford in a public statement on dedication day expressed similar sentiments.

## Sunday Services

The church auditorium, spacious and beautiful, at the 11 o'clock service was filled both upstairs and down. A large vested choir provided good music at both services. Especially noteworthy was the rendering of the "Alleluia Chorus" at the afternoon services. Rev. W. A. Rollins, now pastor of First church, Hickory, and pastor of Coburn Memorial when this new church was enterprised, delivered an excellent sermon upon "What Is Right With the Church." The great congregation heard him with obvious interest and appreciation.

The sermon was preceded by C. R. Earnhardt, who read a brief history of the church that extends across a half century of continuous progress. Following this history S. T. Coburn, son of the pastor who founded the church and he himself a faithful leader in the congregation, spoke words of welcome.

Rev. A. C. Waggoner, the pastor, was in charge of all the activities of the day and had everything moving with promptness and dispatch. All the services and addresses of the day were of such length as to weary no one.

Exactly at one o'clock Rev. Frank Jordan of Spencer returned thanks for the day and for the bounties that loaded the long tables in a grove just behind the church. The Rowan cooks, who are noted far and near, seemed to

have done their best in providing admirably for this great day and for the huge assembly.

The afternoon service began at 3 o'clock. Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald offered prayer. Dr. C. N. Clark, district superintendent, and Rev. C. A. Phillips, president of Salisbury-Spencer Ministerial Association, brought words of greetings and commended the pastor and the people of Coburn Memorial for the great work they had done.

The dedicatory sermon was delivered by Bishop Clare Purcell, who at 11 o'clock had preached and dedicated the Glenwood Methodist church in Greensboro. Following the sermon the bishop read the ritual and pronounced the sentences of dedication in the presence of a congregation almost as large as at the morning hour.

## HIGH POINT DISTRICT ORGANIZATION HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The High Point District Youth Organization of the Methodist Church held its first meeting Friday night, September 6, at First Methodist church, Asheboro. The group voted to meet quarterly.

The meeting opened with a business session with Miss Viola Brigman, district director, in charge. Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent, explained the purpose of the organization. The following policy was adopted: To try to get every church to make a conference pledge; to promote Youth Crusade Week in every charge; to send a representative to the Young People's Leadership conference; to get at least every charge represented at the assemblies at Lake Junaluska; to organize youth departments in all churches in the district; to have a Youth Crusade Caravan next year, and to hold a district retreat for union and district officers.

The election of officers was then held with the following being elected: President, George Needham, Calvary church, High Point; vice president, Tom Houts, Central Methodist church, Asheboro; secretary and treasurer, Miss Mary Brown, First Methodist church, Asheboro; publicity superintendent, John Brown, Calvary, High Point.

Rev. M. Teague Hipps, young people's director for W. N. C. conference, was the speaker at the worship service and the young people's choir of First church sang.

## MINISTERS' WIVES JOIN IN AN OUTING

The members of the Association of Ministers' Wives of the Charlotte district, with their families, gathered at Pleasant Grove camp ground on Friday afternoon, August 30, at four o'clock for a delightful outing and picnic.

The hostesses, led by Mrs. T. F. Higgins of Wadesboro, were the wives of the ministers in the lower end of the district. Mrs. E. O. Cole, president, called for a short session of the association. District superintendent, G. T. Bond, talked briefly in a humorous vein.

The Charlotte district organization has been fortunate in having present at the meetings during the past year Mrs. Clare Purcell and Mrs. Edwin D. Mouzon. Mrs. Purcell and her daughter, Miss Clare Purcell, were present on this occasion.

Mrs. E. O. Cole, Pres.  
Mrs. Mark Q. Tuttle, Sec.

## CHERRYVILLE CHURCH WILL BE DEDICATED NEXT SUNDAY

The Cherryville Methodist church will be dedicated Sunday, September 15. Rev. C. H. Moser will preach at 11. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach and dedicate the church at 3.

Picture of church arrived too late for this issue of Advocate. It will appear next week.



## THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

A. G. Dixon, Supt.

It has been a life-long policy, or rather a principle, with me not to say much about what is being done until it is done, and then to tell it. Negotiations had been going on with reference to changes here for more than a year. Numbers of you wanted to know what was doing; but I couldn't tell because I didn't know. However, I did promise that when conclusions were reached I would tell you. This I meant to do two weeks ago, and am sorry there was not room in the Advocate for the article. However, if you will be kind enough to look up the Advocate of August 22 and turn to page 16 you will see pretty well what has been done.

Please know that I have had no disposition to withhold from our people what is being done. Rather I have wanted you to know all about it, and that would give you greater satisfaction.

### The Changes

Children from this home have already been transferred to both the other Methodist homes in the state. And all those who are now here and who cannot be placed next May and June will be transferred to the Children's Home in Winston-Salem on or about July 1, 1941. From what we can tell just now that number will be about 50 to 55. We have at present 76 children. Some of us were exceedingly anxious that the property be preserved to Christian purposes. And in the final conclusions it was so arranged. Some land was sold last Saturday, and with reference to that our local paper had this to say:

### Approach of Change in Two Institutions

"A sale at auction of parcels of land owned by the Methodist Protestant Orphanage on the Greensboro road yesterday marks the beginning of the dissolution of the institution itself. The orphanage is to be abandoned here, and the boys and girls are to be sent to other orphanages operated by the Methodists.

This is one effect of the union of the divided branches of Methodism. High Point will see the passing of the home for children with regret, of course, but the city will find some compensating pleasure in the fact that High Point College is to inherit the major portion of the real estate, including the buildings and other improvements. That transfer will be welcomed, if for no other reason than that it

points to the expansion of the work of the college. The college has been rooted firmly in the community and in the life of the state and section. It is needed here and those in the Methodist church who know this to be true, are powerful enough in the counsels of the denomination to further the interests of High Point College. As one loved and serviceable institution supported by a branch of the church passes out of the community, it is pleasant to believe that the other will find strength by acquisition of valuable property."—The High Point Enterprise.

We feel sure that these expressions from The High Point Enterprise will find a responsive cord in the hearts of many of our people.

### Several Specials

In response to our call of some weeks ago several of our churches and Sunday schools have sent some splendid special offerings for current expenses. We thank you so much. Please remember that there are just a bit over five more weeks before conference, and we are expecting a special offering along with your regular offering from every former Methodist Protestant church which has not already sent the special. You will not disappoint us.

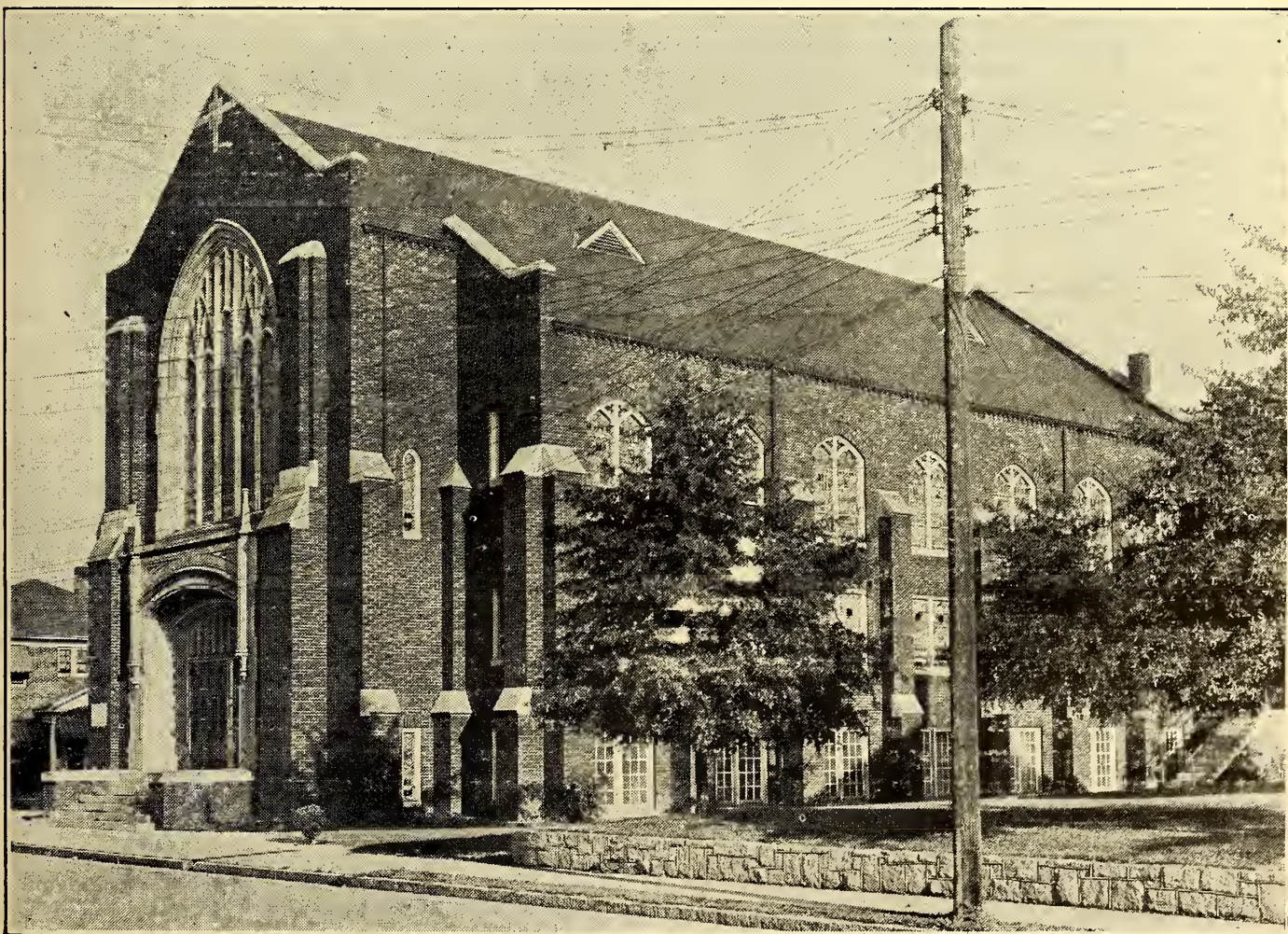
### It Seems So Strange

Not to be preparing envelopes, cards and literature for a Thanksgiving offering just after conference seems passing strange. So you get us up a good special offering before conference as a token of your appreciation, that we will not be pressing upon you for a liberal Thanksgiving offering after conference.

## TO BLACKSTONE STUDENTS DURING THE PRESIDENCY OF BISHOP CANNON

I desire to secure the names and addresses of Blackstone students from 1894 to 1910, inclusive, and from 1914 to 1918, inclusive. If any reader of the Advocate knows Blackstone students who may not see the Advocate please ask them to send their names and addresses to Bishop James Cannon, Jr., 24 N. Allen Ave., Richmond, Virginia.

James Cannon, Jr.



Coburn Memorial Methodist Church, Salisbury, Dedicated Sunday, September 8, by Bishop Clare Purcell



### WHY DOESN'T GOD STOP IT?

Over and over during the World War clergymen were besought to answer that question. On all sides it is cropping up again. The fact that it does is probably a telling commentary on the teaching of Christian leaders, whether clerical or lay. People are supposed to be taught to believe in free will, and a universe of order, but as soon as human beings anywhere decide to go in for mass murder the entire mess is blamed on God. We can't have it both ways.

This business of blaming God for man's sin and stupidity has never made a strong appeal to us. It would be a good deal wiser for men to follow the course outlined by Dr. Kingdon in his arresting article in this issue, in which he reminds us: "In an ancient day a messenger announced the coming of the kingdom of heaven, but he did not say, Rejoice; he said: Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. How shall we stand against God's present judgment unless we repent with broken and contrite hearts? We have acted as though there were no God.

. . . We have banished God from polite conversation, and acted on theories of naturalism and materialism that have made the universe our mechanical toy, and our brothers and sisters of the earth, always to be exploited, sometimes to be pitied, but never to be respected as the sons and daughters of God."

Was it God's fault that the men who gathered at Versailles after the World War wrote the bitter treaty which they skillfully and stupidly designed to wreak vengeance on their adversaries? Or that vitriolic American politicians killed the League of Nations and with it the possibility Wilson had envisioned for correcting the hatreds from which that treaty was fashioned? Says Dr. Kingdon: "We have built a peace upon revenge. Men who assumed the prerogative of vengeance wrote a treaty in the ink of vindictiveness. For ten years arrogant leaders framed their policies to continue the punishment they have decreed. The vengeance they sowed has borne its bitter fruit. . . . Is America guiltless? Can we be self-righteous? We cannot. We are the nation that killed collective security. And we did it in the name of our own selfish interests, our national sovereignty."

No. God isn't going to stop this war or any other. And whining and weeping on God's shoulder (forgive the anthropomorphic figure!) isn't the best discipline for the development of heroic Christianity. When men become mature enough to forget their greed—which so invariably defeats its own end—and spend as much energy toward constructing a kingdom of God as they have spent in constructing hell on earth, wars will end. Until this is done, let's stop alibiing ourselves by calling on God to stop the results of our intellectual and moral adolescence.—The Churchman, New York.

### LET THE LIGHT SHINE

Set your candle before a looking glass and you will get two lights. Plant your rosebush near your neighbor's fence so that a little of the beauty will grow on his side. If you have any loveliness, share it. If you have any talents, make them count most in wilderness lives. We are preserved from ostentation by a spirit of true service. A glad, free life that is full of love for others will make up for what the frosts of time have blighted in your neighbor's weary way. God shines into our hearts without for-

mality or constraint. His love is happiness-producing. Why should we hesitate, then, to set our little candles before the looking glass of the world? In such grace our light will become two lights.—The Watchman-Examiner.

### HE IS AN AMERICAN

He is an American. He hears an airplane overhead, and if he looks up at all does so in curiosity, neither in fear nor in the hope of a protector. His wife goes marketing, and her purchases are limited by her needs, her tastes, her budget, but not by decree. He comes home of evening through streets which are well lighted, not dimly in blue. He reads his newspaper and knows that what it says is not concocted by a bureau, but an honest, untrammelled effort to present the truth. He never had a gas mask on. He has never been in a bombproof shelter. His military training, an R. O. T. C. course in college, he took because it excused him from the gym course. He belongs to such fraternal organizations and clubs as he wishes. He converses with friends, even with chance acquaintances, expressing freely his opinion on any subject, without fear. He does not expect his mail to be opened between posting and receipt, nor his telephone to be tapped. He changes his place of dwelling, and does not report so doing to the police. He carries an identification card only in case he should be the victim of a traffic accident. He thinks of his neighbors across international borders—of those to the north as though they were across a state line, rather than as foreigners—of those to the south more as strangers since they speak a different language from his, and with the knowledge that there are now matters of difference between his government and theirs, but of neither with an expectancy of war. He worships God in the fashion of his choice, without let. His children are with him in his home, neither removed to a place of greater safety, if young, nor, if older, ordered ready to serve the state with sacrifice of limb or life. He has his problems, his troubles, his uncertainties, but all others are not overshadowed by the imminence of battle and sudden death. He is a fortunate man. HE IS AN AMERICAN.—New York Sun.

### REPORT OF GOLDEN CROSS OFFERING IN WILMINGTON DISTRICT

As director of Golden Cross for the Wilmington district, I wish to make the following report of offerings received and reported for this great cause:

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| Maysville, H. L. Harris, pastor             | \$ 11.00 |
| Clinton, B. H. Houston, pastor              | 16.60    |
| Lumberton, E. B. Fisher, pastor             | 15.00    |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner, pastor              | 10.00    |
| Hallsboro, C. A. Jones, pastor              | 3.47     |
| Richlands-Jacksonville, I. T. Poole, pastor | 15.57    |
| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew, pastor          | 13.00    |
| Scott's Hill, C. O. Plyler, pastor          | 20.00    |
| Grace, Wilmington, J. F. Herbert, pastor    | 114.02   |

Total to date .....\$218.66

This is the complete report to date that has reached me. It is quite possible that further offerings have been received but have not been reported to me. Will the pastors involved kindly report same to me, sending the offerings to the conference treasurer.

The goal for all the districts is EVERY CHARGE A CONTRIBUTOR TO GOLDEN CROSS. A further goal set was that each district provide a minimum of \$1000 to this cause. The first of these two goals is one that I feel we should certainly reach, without any failure, and I sincerely believe our district will reach this goal. Please let pastors report immediately upon receiving these offerings. This is a great district and should do a worthy part by the Golden Cross.  
J. F. Herbert, Director.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m...Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference, Fifth Ave., Wilmington, 10 a.m....Nov. 7**

Rev. Frank Jordan is in revival services at Central church, Spencer. Rev. Fletcher Nelson, pastor of First church, Morganton, is doing the preaching and Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., pastor at Walkertown, leads the singing.

The ministers wives of Gastonia met in an informal business session at Rankin Lake on Thursday, September 5. Twenty-two wives were present. The occasion was a picnic enjoyed by the preachers' families of the district. There were about 90 in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Mason, Statesville, R. 5, announce the marriage of their daughter, Ruth King, to Newell H. Noble of Chicago, August 30, 1940, in Wilmington, Delaware, Rev. B. M. Johns of the Methodist church performing the ceremony. Mr. Noble is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Noble of Chicago, Mr. Noble being National 4-H Leader. The couple will live in Chicago.

**There will be an opening for a pastor's assistant in one of our N. C. churches in November. Applicant must be college graduate, with a thorough working knowledge of program of Christian education; prefer single preacher, about 25 years of age; married man will be considered. Salary \$1500 first year. Send references with application. Address "Pastor's Assistant," care the N. C. Advocate, Greensboro, N. C.**

The annual Love-Joy camp meeting on the Seagrove-Love Joy charge will be held September 22-October 2. Rev. J. W. Groce of High Point will be the evangelist. Daily preaching services will be at 11, 2:30 and 7:30. The usual memorial service will be held Friday afternoon, September 27. All tents on the camp ground as well as the Sunday school rooms of the church are expected to be filled. We are praying that this will be one of the greatest camp meetings ever held at this place. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. A special invitation is extended to all former pastors and members of the church.—Mrs. L. L. Russell.

Alamance Circuit: The annual revival services have been held at all the churches. There have been 18 additions to the churches and we believe a revival in the hearts of our people. Bethel church has led in additions, there being 12 on profession of faith. Rock Creek has led in finances for pastor's help by paying Rev. J. A. Burgess, a former pastor for nine years, \$53. Center church heads the list in paying salary and claims. Alamance can soon become one of our best rural charges when they wake up to the importance of paying conference claims. Some are already awake, but not all. Mrs. J. C. McPherson is our delegate-elect to the annual conference that meets at Wilmington.—G. L. Reynolds, Pastor.

In spite of the fact that death has removed several of our good stewards, the Methodist people of Norwood have burned the old church note of a number of years' standing. Since conference \$1000 has been paid on indebtedness. Aside from retiring this debt, the parsonage has been painted and many other fine improvements made. In the school of Christian workers 45 young people and adults received credits. Our pastor, Cecil G. Hefner, was ably assisted in this school by Rollin Gibbs and Clegg Avett. Seventy-five children worked faithfully in the vacation Bible school. During the year the pastor has taught in two Epworth training conferences and one school for Christian workers. In the revival at Norwood which the pastor conducted a large number rededicated themselves to God, and several were received into the church on profession of faith.—Reporter.

Mt. Carmel Methodist church, Pikeville-Elm Street charge, cordially invites all former pastors and friends of the church to attend its home coming day next Sunday, September 15. The morning sermon will be preached by the pastor, after which five of our young people will be baptized. Dinner will be served picnic style. In the afternoon there will be a song service, the history of the church will be read, and a message will be delivered by a visiting preacher. Mt. Carmel church has recently been re-plastered and painted inside. The outside of the church has been painted, a new roof put on and painted. Since this was completed in the early summer the members have desired to have old members, former pastors and friends return. This is the occasion for observing their return.—Pastor.

Miss Annie Lenora White and Rev. James Pinckney Hornbuckle, Jr., were united in marriage Saturday afternoon, September 7, at 5 o'clock in the Fair Grove Methodist church near Newton. The pastor, Rev. J. P. Hornbuckle, Sr., father of the bridegroom, officiated. The double ring ceremony was used. Mrs. Hornbuckle is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. White of Newton. She is a graduate of Startown high school and King's College. She formerly made her home in Charlotte, and for the past three years she has held the position of bookkeeper with the Wear-long Glove Manufacturing Co. in Conover. Rev. Mr. Hornbuckle is the oldest son of Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle, Sr., of Hickory. He is assistant pastor of the Highland Methodist charge and is also studying at Lenoir-Rhyne College, where he is an honor student and a member of the senior class.

Many of our preachers have heard about the fine little parsonage that was built at Pikeville during the time that Rev. J. J. Rooks was pastor on this work. The parsonage was completed in May, 1939, and before Brother Rooks left to take work in Florida, the women of Pikeville presented the parsonage to the members of the charge by honoring his mother at a tea given in the parsonage. In June the present pastor came to Pikeville and since he and his wife have been here the good people have added a fine heating system, hot water facilities, and beautiful lighting fixtures for living room and dining room. Fixtures have also been added to kitchen, breakfast room and bath. The parsonage is a modern six-room structure, planned and designed by Pikeville women to meet the practical needs of the preacher and his family. With the payment of a small debt last year before conference the parsonage is debt free. The people of Pikeville are now anxious for a new church to match the new parsonage.

The National Society of Wesley Players, the official student dramatic organization of the Methodist Church and the only society of the kind in this country, elected Henry Blankenship of Denton, Texas, as the new president at its convention which was held at Winona Lake, Ind., September 1 and 2. Norman Preston, Jr., of the University of Louisiana was elected vice president, and Winifred Thompson of Purdue University was elected secretary-treasurer. Fifteen chapters were represented at the convention. The society voted to extend the scope of its work in giving plays for communities outside of the university, and to stress the field of dramatic worship during the year. Mrs. Joe Brown Love of Denton, Texas, and Miss Mildred Hahn, director of dramatics at Baker University, Baldwin, Kansas, were the two principal speakers on drama during the convention sessions. The new secretaries of the student department of the Board of Education of the Methodist Church, Dr. Hiel D. Bollinger, Dr. Harvey C. Brown and Harold A. Ehrensperger, act as advisors of the organization which is directly under the department of plays and pageants of the Methodist Church, of which Mr. Ehrensperger is head.



## To My Quaker Friend

It seems strange to be writing to a Quaker, to bid the plucking up of heart and taking of courage in this day of decision. The Friends have taken things on the chin for so many a century.

As to this terrible situation, for most terrible it is for all, I want to take it to pieces just as it has come to me in bits, as I have lain awake, visioned blood and suffering, and known that the seeds of destruction were sprouting and growing into terrible marihuana plants which distort and destroy the vision of all that is true, wholesome, and lovely in the mind of a person, or a nation.

The growth of science has inculcated the "truth" that anything you cannot weigh or measure cannot signify, and this in the face of ideas which have outweighed all the mass of material all along the ages.

Let us talk of what has come before in the history of the world. Sparta, a distinctly military state, conquered Athens, a country where they did thinking not yet forgotten. There were enough to cringe, to cower, and to suffer the worst, and Sparta had its will. Then Rome beat down both, especially those who opposed her iron military sway. Rome owned the world, and milked it like a cow for her own benefit. When her corrupt descendants began to quarrel over the butter, the northern hordes came down and took over all they wished. From that day to this the idea of power over the world has held the minds of the Italians, who are a mixed race of Romans and their serfs.

Because she could not coerce them, Rome slaughtered the Jews, but the Jews have a way of living through. All that history, which we have the habit of studying in school, and forgetting like a tale that is told, came down to our day with its implication of power of the stronger over the weaker, and was darkened in the middle ages, but somehow not lost or forgotten. Neither was the real truth entirely forgotten.

The Germans, descended from the invading northern hordes, are a very young race in ideas, and not far from their old heathenism at any time, save as people got converted, which can happen to anybody. It happened to Luther, and helped him move the world. But the Germans (I have been knowing about them) are always uncivilized, just good boys, or grown-up brutes. The feudal system held over longest there. The age of chivalry never taught them better, so that they have always considered women animals. I have seen the ways of them in my young days, in the old country where I lived in my childhood.

Napoleon was actually an Italian. He chose the time of stress after the French Revolution to seize the sword of conquest. The French Revolution was in its inception entirely justified, but was run away with by French over-stress of theory. Nothing in this queer world seems ever perfect, but grows lopsided and awry.

When I was in France I talked to many ex-soldiers. There came into their talk the word "*la glorie*." I said to them, "That's a word I never heard before as a part of a person's ideal." So they instructed me. They showed me Napoleon's tomb, and told me all it meant to them. Now all that Hitler is doing to Europe with bombing planes, Napoleon did with cannon. Just as Hitler says,

he said, "God is always on the side of the heaviest artillery." Not one thing that they are getting save the fruit of advance in materialistic scientific mechanism was left out of the blood bath that the French, led by Napoleon, administered to all the nations around.

England was isolated; England was stubborn, and slow, and desirous of maintaining the status quo. That she likes, but has not recently examined just what being a gentleman really consists in. England is so fine, that it makes me frantic to see her no finer. Perhaps because about three hundred years ago most of my forebears were English, I know how she works. England has put it over on about everybody she could. She has done things the Lord has set down, and she is getting hers. Poor France has gotten hers, alas and alas. The Jews have been subjected to theirs this long time. Oh, the pity of it, the innocent who must always suffer!

Now to ourselves. I have been reading this summer the four great volumes of Sandburg's Lincoln, the War Years. It is a real record, and not a mere picture of what somebody thinks. What both sides got in the Civil War was coming to us so I think, but we southerners, being beaten, did not sit down and bleat as did the Germans. We did some bleating, but what we did was in between efforts and strivings to get back where we were in the first place. We are going to be helped, not hindered by this war. You will see the old North Carolina blossom as the rose, provided we keep calm and sane, and do what is needed, trust in our God whom we have not discounted, and do not broadcast to the world all sorts of things that are not true. In the Lincoln saga, one finds him almost the only sane person in all the millions who were at war.

Finally, my sister, be strong in the Lord. "God maketh the wrath of man to praise him, and the remainder of wrath will he restrain." Napoleon lasted thirty-three years from the "whiff of grape" in the streets of Paris, to St. Helena. He left nothing behind him except "*la glorie*" and a good working code of laws which duly put women in their places, and since I wrote this over the first time, all that is gone with the wind. Christ Jesus lasted just thirty-three years from his birth, and what has he left, even to those who do not recognize him yet as the great God incarnate? I do not know, but I do know I sold out to him many a year ago.

Hitler has not filled his cup as yet. He is teaching the world what war is, in its complications and implications. The Germans are making a god of him, and wrath is heaped for them against the day of wrath, and not as they think, against the day of world triumph, more glory!

What is death? Some have been busy telling us it is annihilation; but nobody can weigh a soul. It is just going into another way of living. The bombing may be sudden, the bullet may be quick, but only once does anybody die. All these things are useful to think about, but it is a fact that we have been very lazy and very thoughtless. Of course there shall be no bombing of non-combatants, no strafing them out of the highway to make room for murderous weapons. But I really should not be surprised if some Germans had to be killed before the world will be fit for decent and peaceful folks to inhabit. When



the Spanish Inquisition was in full flower (and what a silly, gentle thing that grim mediaeval plant seems today after concentration camps and purges and German devilishness) they said, as they used now and then to find they had burned somebody they afterward knew to be innocent, that they regretted it of course. Old Torquemada would placidly declare that the Lord would know the good man in the next world, and sort him out from the evil, letting him off a few aeons of purgatory. Well, we will have to kill some rattlesnakes too, and if they are good ones, or involuntary ones, what?

The thing I am most fearful of is that we shall take to hating. We must be aware, we must take sides, but we must be dispassionate. The kind of warfare now brought into vogue by the Germans is such as can be carried on in punitive fashion, without the blood lust where sword must clash with sword. Let's do our work, but not our daily hatred.

An Old Friend.

### WASHINGTON OBSERVATIONS

By Jacob S. Payton, Editor National Methodist Press

Washington has witnessed its liveliest summer since World War days. In political fashion-plates it has seen on display something daring in an American President running for a third term, and a recent Democrat dressing for the White House in Republican togs. Each style is as odd and original as a cowboy wearing a derby. The presence of some 525 members of Congress in the nation's capital during dog days is also something new. Of course some of them have fared forth to try their prowess on the hustings to prevent some fly-up-the-creek, as each regards his opponent, from railroading him off to some political Ultima Thule. Furthermore Washington has been stirred from its usual languorous summer ease by tidings of Britons valiantly defending their island castle, and by requiems from seven misery-stricken countries, victims of Nazi fury, as Europe's first year of war grows to a close.

Not often do three Cabinet members resign in a single month as in August did Postmaster-General Farley, and Secretaries Wallace and Hopkins. Washington, always curious about changes in this important Sanhedrin, are busy sizing up Mr. Farley's successor, Frank C. Walker and appointees Claude R. Wickard for the Department of Agriculture and Jesse H. Jones, although the two latter gentlemen are well established in the confidence of government officials.

As August ended, however, the Senate commanded most attention. During its early stages debate on the Burke-Wadsworth Compulsory Military Service bill was marked by considerable turgid loquacity, and the air of the Senate chamber at times seemed vibrant with ill feeling. During the closing week of debate the solons of the upper house became more informative and less cantankerous, substituted light for heat, and when the bill, like an ark adrift for weeks, finally grounded on the Senate Ararat on August 28, the rough passage was soon forgotten.

#### Conscription Pros and Cons

The argument for conscription ran about as follows: It is thoroughly democratic. Hitler is coming. Democracy must prepare to meet despotism, and do it now. Isolationists have their heads in the sand. Since it takes from 15 to 18 months to transform a green civilian into a soldier, why give the advantage to the aggressors who are already prepared? Weakness invites attack. Was it conscription that plunged Ethiopia, Albania and China into war? They did not have it. Only conscription will provide the manpower to match the machine power already authorized by huge congressional appropriations. Conscription does not mean war, but security. Nor do the provisions of the bill smack of Hitlerism, for the reason that in America liberties withdrawn in a crisis are quickly and fully restored upon the return of normal times.

Arguments against conscription were along this line: It is entirely unnecessary. Voluntary enlistments for one year would provide adequate recruits. Why kowtow to the Army-Navy crowd, long bent on militarizing the nation? That any European power can send an invading army across 3000 miles of sea is poppycock. The testimony of military experts proves that. The Germans are not even able to put an army on land they can see 22 miles across the English Channel. Hence there is no danger that warrants conscrip-

tion. Furthermore, vast concentrated armies are obsolete. Modern warfare calls for technicians, operators of mechanized implements, such as tanks, planes, anti-aircraft guns, submarines and other blitzkrieg contrivances. Why dislocate the economic and family life of America by pulling 900,000 young men from jobs, school rooms, and their homes, and annually inducting them for training service in a 3,500,000 defense force that present-day military strategy has demonstrated is not needed? More serious is the fact that conscription will change all the democratic traditions of 150 years of American life. What we condemn in Hitler as totalitarian we shall straightway put into practice. Why be like Hitler, to stop Hitler? Conscription is a menace to American liberties; the first step towards the Fascist state. Neither the lessons of our national history nor threats from abroad warrant such a revolutionary swing away from former policies that have maintained our national security.

#### Dramatic Moments

The above list contains in succinct form most of the claims of the contenders during the highly controversial debate on the Burke-Wadsworth bill. One of the most dramatic moments came with the disclosure of the name of Sir George Parish by Senator Wheeler. As yeomen of the isolationist guard the senator from Montana has never failed to let his arguments fall like a thousand of brick on his adversaries. The subtle manner in which he caused his colleagues to lean over their desks to catch the name of Sir George, British propagandist, who had informed the senator that he intended to get America into England's war, was as engaging as a mystery story. How curiosity gave way to wrath was exhibited by the peppery octogenarian, Carter Glass, who vowed that, "If any Englishman were to come into my office with any such proposal, I would drive him out."

Senator Josh Lee of Oklahoma is a spellbinder in the better sense of that word. At times, however, he does give vent to a "purple earthquake of oratory," as a critic once described vain Roscoe Conkling's Senate speech. The Oklahoman poured forth his imprecations of wrath against Hitler in this fashion: "The only language he understands is the language spoken from the mouth of cannons, tongues of fire; and the best arguments for peace are more airplanes in the sky. Let us send up those arguments until there are clouds of airplanes and then tell the dictators to stay on their side of the ocean. Then we'll have peace in America." Straightway the galleries broke into such applause, mingled with hisses, that the President pro tempore had to restore order. A similar demonstration occurred when Senator Tydings, far less fiery than Senator Lee, but with two certificates for valor during the World War hanging in his office, offered the following reason for supporting conscription: "Out of abundant caution I would rather have it and not need it than to need it and not have it."

Southern senators appear more militaristic than others, and they seldom fail to give tongue to their indignation against Hitler and all his nefarious works. Senator Pepper of Florida is the "Citizen" Genet of the Senate, a calm agitator, with facial expression as immobile as that of an Indian. It was he who proposed a seven-point program, one point of which would "confer on the President power to suspend all rules, regulations and statutes," which would interfere with providing defense material.

#### Convictions Stated

Perhaps the ablest address during the entire debate were the brief explanations for opposing conscription offered by Senator Ashurst. Senator Ashurst, veteran Catholic member from Arizona, is chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee. He is a model of parliamentary courtesy, and so adept in seasoning his speeches with apt literary allusions that he is generally regarded as more of an entertainer than an advocate. Just before the final vote on conscription Senator Ashurst declared that his opposition to the bill had offended some excellent citizens of his state and had given umbrage to some old friends. The senator continued: "But, Mr. President, were I to be a party to riveting shackles of militarism upon America, and superimposing upon the American people in time of peace, the damnable system of conscription which has devastated Europe, I could not hope for any peace myself. . . . You cannot jump half-way down Niagara. It cannot be done. When you call for conscripts in time of peace you suspend the civil rights of millions of your fellow citizens. . . . The country in its wise and in its calm moments will not want this. It will be followed by billions and billions of dollars to be appropriated hereafter to maintain this huge, this mastodonic military machine copied from decadent Europe."

Those who have loved longest love best. A friend may be often found and lost, but an old friend can never be found, and nature has provided he that cannot be easily lost.—Johnson.



### CELEBRATES METHODISM IN CHINA GROVE

The First Methodist church celebrated its fortieth anniversary Sunday, September 1, with all day services and the return of former pastors, friends and a sermon by Bishop Clare Purcell. Services were in charge of our pastor, Rev. Wilson O. Weldon. Special music was furnished by the choir.

"The Church" was the subject of the bishop. He told us of the fine things that have been said of the church and how the church had been criticized. He said that when the church refuses to maintain freedom of speech, freedom of worship and other freedoms, it will no longer be discussed. "Let the church guard its ability to be talked about," said the bishop.

A bountiful table was spread under the oaks on the church lawn. Approximately 500 persons were served dinner. The principal speaker for the afternoon was Dr. Paul N. Garber of Duke University. His subject was "The Genius of Methodism." The junior and senior choirs sang special numbers. J. N. Dayvault, chairman of the board of stewards, gave "high lights" of the local church.

The following former pastors were presented: Rev. P. E. Parker of Thomasville, Rev. A. L. Aycock of North Wilkesboro, Rev. C. B. Newton of Winston-Salem, and Rev. E. H. Nease of Charlotte. Each had a most encouraging word for us.

At 10 o'clock in the morning a special service for the women—a most effective service it was. Mrs. C. N. Clark, our conference vice president, addressed the women, after which the Woman's Society of Christian Service was organized. Seventy-eight women were enrolled at this time. (Twenty-seven years ago a woman's missionary society was organized by Mrs. P. N. Peacock and Mrs. D. A. Beaver of First church, Salisbury, with eight members).

The following officers of our Woman's Society of Christian Service were elected:

President—Mrs. Roy Dellinger.  
Vice President—Mrs. Gilbert Cress.  
Cor. Sec.—Mrs. William Brawley.  
Rec. Sec.—Miss Aliene Bostian.  
Treasurer—Mrs. P. B. Goble.  
Chm. Missionary Education—Mrs. J. N. Dayvault.  
Social Relations—Mrs. K. A. Shinn.  
Student Work—Mrs. Alva Morton.  
Young Woman's and Girls' Groups—Mrs. E. H. Parrish.  
Children's Work—Miss Mary Suffer.  
Literature—Miss Violet Winecoff.  
Supplies—Mrs. Fred Sides.  
Spiritual Life—Mrs. H. S. Bostian.  
Membership, Mrs. A. R. Eller.  
Fellowship—Mrs. Bernard Deal.  
Status of Women in Church—Miss Willie Saunders.  
Publicity and Printing—Mrs. Ralph Whitley.

Our church feels it quite an honor to have had as its guests Bishop Clare Purcell and Dr. Paul N. Garber. It was a day to be long remembered. The church has a membership of 580. A new hardwood floor and new carpet have been placed in the church auditorium. Beginning on Sunday night revival services were begun, Rev. H. G. Allen of Lexington preaching. Services were held each evening throughout the week. Mr. Allen gave us some wonderful messages. We do feel that our church and community have been revived.

Mrs. Kenneth A. Shinn.

### GREENSBORO COLLEGE NOTES

Greensboro College students arrived Tuesday and Wednesday, September 10 and 11, with registration and enrollment starting on Tuesday for the old girls, while the new girls registered on Wednesday. The enrollment this year is record high with all the available dormitory space being filled.

Beginning Tuesday morning with the psychological tests at eight-thirty, orientation for the freshmen got under way. Following various tests throughout the day at six-thirty, the new girls met with their senior leaders to go over rules and regulations. On Wednesday evening at eight-thirty the faculty entertained with a reception in honor of the new students.

Thursday evening the two societies, Emerson and Irving, will hold formal meetings in the society halls, and again on

Friday evening they will meet preceding Decision Day, Saturday, September 14, at which time the new girls will become members of the society of their choice.

### EDENTON STREET, RALEIGH, OPENS FALL CAMPAIGN

Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, is opening its fall program with great plans. On Sunday, September 15, the charter service for the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be held in the church auditorium at 3:30 o'clock. Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon of Nashville and New York will be present for this service. She will also bring the message at the 11 o'clock hour and will lead a forum on Monday, September 16, for the women of the church and community.

The board of education has designated September 29 as promotion day and the first Sunday in October as rally Sunday, followed by the observance of Childhood and Youth Week.

The annual training school will begin on September 29 and continue through October 4. Dr. Charles C. Washburn of Scarritt College and Fred T. Barnett of Florida will be among the instructors for the school.

Dr. John C. Glenn, pastor, began his fall Sunday night services September 8 at 8 o'clock with the first of a series of four special sermons on "The Gospel for Our Times." The sermon subjects for the four Sunday evenings in September are: "Christianity's Crowning Fact—Jesus of Nazareth"; "Christ in a World at War"; "Christians in a World at War"; and "The Church in a World at War." These services will be broadcast over station WRAL. The congregations at Edenton Street church during the summer months have been fine; 168 members have been received into the church this conference year.

### REV. E. M. AVETT OFFERS A TIMELY SUGGESTION

Rev. E. M. Avett of Mocksville, who secured 30 new subscribers in this year's Advocate campaign, upon learning that any extension of the time of these subscribers between now and conference can be counted in the report of the new subscribers, plans to get those subscribers whose time is almost up to add six months to their subscriptions by paying one dollar which will be reported and thereby add to his report.

Brother Avett thinks there are other pastors who will be glad to do likewise. So we commend his suggestion to others. It is good to listen to a man who succeeds, and Avett is a man who knows how to make a success of whatever he undertakes.

### FELLOWSHIP SUPPER AT CLARK STREET CHURCH

More than a hundred persons attended the fellowship supper held at Clark Street Methodist church, Rocky Mount. Rev. B. H. Black, pastor, presided.

Guests were served a delightful supper on the lawn of the parsonage, where long tables were centered with mixed cut flowers.

After supper an interesting program was presented at the church. Mrs. W. C. Gray directed the program. Mrs. B. L. Proctor was in charge of the registration book.

Among those making brief talks were Rev. B. H. Black, L. F. Lane, Luther Boyd, T. T. Thorne, John Hollowell, Miss Martha Carroll, Mrs. Robert Tharrington, Mrs. L. K. Pigford and Mrs. T. W. Turner, rendered a duet, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. R. A. Gardner. Another duet was given by Miss Frances Dew and Miss Katherine Knight with Mrs. Turner at the piano. Mrs. Turner also gave an interesting recitation.

Rev. Mr. Black announced that the fellowship supper was so successful that it was decided to make it a yearly event.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Dr. C. C. Weaver, chairman of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, has instructed me to announce that all pastors who have applications to present to the Section of Church Extension must have their applications in the hands of the secretary not later than September 30. Applications received after that date can receive very little consideration at the annual meeting of the board. The district superintendents are requested to check their districts to see that all applications are filed by the 30th of September.

Ivon L. Roberts, Sec.-Treas.



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VACATION SCHOOL REPORTS  
STILL COMING IN

Below are listed the 267 churches reporting vacation schools to date (September 5). Every mail brings in more reports and they will be carried in future issues of the Advocate. Last year 314 churches held vacation schools and we are expecting a substantial increase this year.

Many churches have not yet reported their vacation schools. If yours is among them, please send the report today to Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C. Write her for a report blank if you do not have one.

- Asheville District
- Church

Reported by
- Black Mountain, J. G. Wilkinson.

Oakley, Mrs. S. C. Wright.

West Asheville, Sarah Kille.

Brevard, E. P. Billups.

Flat Rock, C. Moody Smith.

Edneyville-Frutland, W. Wesley Dodge.

Upward-Dana, C. Moody Smith.

Moore's Grove, W. Wesley Dodge.

Fletcher, B. A. Galloway.

Skyland, B. A. Galloway.

Hendersonville, Bessie Jordan.

Mountain Valley-Barnardsville, W. C. Sides, Jr.

Bright Hope, W. C. Sides, Jr.

Pleasant Gap, W. C. Sides, Jr.

Bell, G. M. Schreyer.

Roberson Chapel, G. M. Schreyer.

Western Chapel, G. M. Schreyer.

Leicester, A. F. Phibbs.

Grace, A. F. Phibbs.

Lake Toxaway, J. R. Bowman.

Rosman, J. R. Bowman.

Tryon, E. M. Graham.

Brick, J. D. Pyatt.

Payne's Chapel, J. D. Pyatt.

Bethesda, Mrs. H. C. Miller.

Weaverville, F. O. Dryman.

Total, 26.

- Charlotte District
- Belmont Park, Mrs. W. N. Smith.

Brevard St., Mrs. L. M. Caldwell.

Chadwick, M. G. Erwin.

Dilworth, Mrs. W. C. Klugh.

Derita, Carolyn Eargle.

Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber.

Lilesville-Savannah, Doris Seago.

Grace (North Monroe), M. W. Heckard.

North Monroe, F. L. Heckard.

West Monroe, M. W. Heckard.

Harrison, Mrs. E. W. Russell.

Pineville, Mrs. W. F. Blankenship.

Polkton, Sidney Boone.

Moore's, J. H. Carper.

Thrift, J. H. Carper.

Heath Memorial, Norman Huffman.

Mineral Springs, Norman Huffman.

Weddington, A. B. Bruton.

Total, 18.

- Elkin District
- Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles.

Elkin, Mrs. M. F. Boyles.

Wesley Chapel (Negro), Herman F. Duncan.

Wesley Chapel, Mrs. J. H. Swing.

Piney Creek, L. F. Strader.

Sparta, L. F. Strader.

- West Jefferson, Hoyt Wood.

Arbor Grove, J. L. A. Bumgarner.

Miller's Creek, J. L. A. Bumgarner.

Center, W. H. Tyte.

East Bend, W. H. Tyte.

Prospect, W. H. Tyte.

- Gastonia District
- Park St., Belmont, Mrs. C. C. Hall.

Double Shoals, G. W. Clay.

Kadesh, G. W. Clay.

Palm Tree, G. W. Clay.

St. Peter's, G. W. Clay.

Concord-Smyrna, Mrs. L. R. Eaker.

Boger City, Mrs. Tom Finger.

St. Paul, T. G. Highfill.

Bethlehem, T. G. Highfill.

Mary's Grove, T. G. Highfill.

Beulah, T. G. Highfill.

Oak Grove-Kistler's Union, T. G. Madison.

First, Lincolnton, Mrs. N. E. Sappenfield.

Trinity, Gastonia, F. H. Shinn.

Smyre (Maylo-Smyre), J. N. Wise.

Grace (King's Mountain), S. W. Johnson.

New Hope, J. A. Howell.

Mt. Harmony-Lee's Chapel, Sophia J. Elliott.

Casar, Mrs. Gurry Elmore.

Clover Hill, Irene Self.

Polkville, Mrs. Roy White.

Rehobeth, Marie Grigg.

Lafayette Street, R. C. Goforth.

Plateau, J. J. Powell.

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Zion, J. J. Powell.

Stanley, Ruth Moton.

Total, 27.

- Greensboro District
- Gibsonville, Opal Ozment.

Bessemer, Mrs. M. L. Fletcher.

Bethel, Mrs. G. P. Burchette.

College Place, Mrs. Guy S. Lane.

Muir's Chapel, Mrs. Chester A. Rose.

Glenwood, Mrs. W. T. Purgason.

Julian, O. C. Loy.

Tabernacle, O. C. Loy.

West Market, Kenneth H. Goodson.

Lee's Chapel, Marjorie Scott.

Burnett's Chapel, E. P. Hamilton.

Midway, E. P. Hamilton.

Mt. Pleasant, P. L. Shore.

Moriah, J. L. Pittard.

Main St., Reidsville, Mrs. S. B. Hamlet.

Bethlehem (Pleasant Garden), May Fields.

Center (Summerfield), Irby S. Walker.

Gethsemane, Rollin Gibbs.

Morehead, Mrs. E. H. Stallings.

Mayodan, Jack Cook.

Stoneville, Jack Cook.

Summerfield, Mary Hoskins.

Central, Asheboro, R. T. Houts, Jr.

First, Asheboro, E. C. Faulkner.

Concord (Coleridge), T. J. Huggins.

Central, Denton, Mrs. Arthur Lanier.

Jackson Hill-Newsom, Mrs. C. E. Williams.

First, Denton, Mrs. C. E. Williams.

Salem (Farmer), Sidney Boone.

Union, Sidney Boone.

Archdale, O. B. Mitchell.

Ward Street, J. E. McSwain.

First, Liberty, George R. Brown.

- Bethany, I. R. Miller.

Cotton Grove, I. R. Miller.

Linwood and Macedonia, I. R. Miller.

Tyro, I. R. Miller.

Franklinville, Mrs. C. C. Brady.

Ramseur, R. M. Hauss.

Naomi, J. L. Stokes, II.

St. Paul, J. L. Stokes, II.

Old Union, J. L. Stokes, II.

West Bend, C. L. Grant.

Lineberry, R. H. Kennington.

Total, 22.

- Marion District
- Eakersville, Mrs. R. C. Nimon.

Bethlehem, Mrs. R. C. Nimon.

Salem, Mrs. Lafayette Guyer.

Higgins Memorial, J. S. Folger.

Connelly Springs, Mrs. J. D. Peninger.

Cross Mill, F. R. Barber.

Forest City, Frances McCardwell.

Gilkey-Gilboa, Mrs. Grant Allen.

Glen Alpine, Mrs. R. T. Young.

Altamont, McRae Crawford.

Concord, McRae Crawford.

First, Marion, Mrs. Garland Williams.

Pleasant Grove (Marion Ct.), Ozelle Moore.

Clinchfield, Elizabeth Wylie.

Bethel (McDowell), H. C. Freeman.

Nebo, H. C. Freeman.

Pinnacle, H. C. Freeman.

Snow Hill, H. C. Freeman.

Trinity, H. C. Freeman.

Bethlehem, Moir W. Edwards.

First, Morganton, Mrs. Ralph Harbison.

Oak Forest-N. Morganton, H. C. Byrum.

Ethel, (Morganton Ct.), J. P. Moorman, Jr.

Bethlehem, J. P. Moorman, Jr.

Mt. Pleasant, J. P. Moorman, Jr.

Salem, J. P. Moorman, Jr.

Zion, J. P. Moorman, Jr.

Old Fort, Mrs. Ernest Widenhouse.

Ruthefordton, Mrs. W. S. Harrill.

Spindale, Miss Swann Hester.

Spruce Pine, J. B. Tabor.

Oak Hill, Mrs. Bennett Rhyne.

Valdese, A. J. Clemmer, Jr.

Warlick's Chapel, A. J. Clemmer, Jr.

Total, 34.

- Salisbury District
- New London, Mrs. J. W. Ivey.

China Grove, Wilson O. Weldon.

Central, Concord, Mrs. W. B. Ward, Jr.

Epworth, Mrs. Ruby W. Robbins.

Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr.

Kerr St., C. E. Murray.

Gold Hill, L. S. Furr.

Liberty, L. S. Furr.

Rockwell, L. S. Furr.

Bethel (Granite Quarry), McKinley Smoot.

Mt. Tabor, Mrs. H. E. Shoaf.

Providence, Mrs. Carr Kesler.

Shiloh, Catherine Brown.

Mt. Mitchell, Malcolm Reese.

Landis, C. W. Avett.

Oak Grove-Unity, C. W. Avett.

Mill Grove, C. L. Heckard.

Midway, W. C. Dutton.

Norwood, C. G. Hefner.

Zion (Pfeiffer), A. J. Cox.

Richfield, A. J. Cox.

Misenheimer-Wesley Chapel- Matton's Grove, A. J. Cox.

Coburn Memorial, Reba Holland.

Main Street, C. B. Ross.

Rowan, C. B. Ross.

Park Avenue, Mrs. Gilbert Q. Miller.

Tabernacle, Ralph B. Shumaker.

Total, 27.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### ZEAL OR INDIFFERENCE, WHICH?

Before a person is able to be a successful representative of any product that person must needs have become obsessed with the awareness of the merits of that product. Were that principle applied to our Christian living the far-reaching effects of our witnessing would be boundless. A bit closer analyzation of this truth will prove the urgency of the task and responsibility of every woman who is now a member of the woman's missionary society in endeavoring to enlist every other woman in the local churches in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Are we enthusiastically interested to "sell" our new woman's organization to those who are now indifferent or unmindful of the joys and privileges of being affiliated with the greatest organization in the world? We must accept the challenge and be energized with faith and zeal.

### TIME MARCHES ON

Soon September 23 will be at hand, then September 24, which two days will be truly profitable and memorable days for those attending the organization meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina Conference, at East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville. It is most important that presidents of local societies or their alternates, who will be delegates, and as many others who are able to do so shall attend. It is also necessary that the name and fee of \$1.50 for each person attending be sent to Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Box 567, New Bern, N. C., by September 18. Each person should take linen. The opening session will convene at 2 p. m. on Monday, September 23, and the conference will close with the luncheon on the next day. Chief features of the meeting will be the election of conference officers and a forum on the new plans for woman's work.

### OUR ORPHANAGE CALLS

A letter from Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage, states that the electric range which was a dire need and for which the women of the North Carolina conference have donated redeemable coupons, has been installed and is working successfully. The kitchen, dietitian's office, vegetable porch, serving room and pot closet have been painted. The walls of these rooms were much smoked from long usage of the coal range. The dining room has also been affected by the smoke from the kitchen and is therefore in need of fresh paint. Approximately \$50 is needed for this project. The cheering note, however, is that we have the opportunity to have a share in this worthy work with no other expenditures than our interest and a bit of effort in continuing the donation of eligible coupons to the Orphanage. Coupons from Octagon products, Luzianne coffee and tea, Bal-

lard's Obelisk flour, post cards from Rumford baking powder. To respond to this call should be the concern and desire of every woman in the North Carolina conference.

### AN INVITATION TO LEARN

Every Methodist woman in Raleigh and within convenient distance from Raleigh will wish to share with the women of Edenton Street Methodist church the rare and high privilege of learning the plans for the new Woman's Society of Christian Service, which is the only recognized woman's organization in Methodism. Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, secretary of foreign work of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church, will conduct a school of instruction and an open forum of Edenton Street church on Monday morning, September 16, beginning at 10:30 a. m. A very cordial invitation to attend this meeting is extended to all Methodist women. It is especially important that officers of local societies be present.

### CLARA CALVERT SOCIETY

It was indeed an enjoyable experience for your editor when on Monday, September 2, she met with the Clara Calvert woman's society of Christian Service in Pittsboro. Featured on the program were Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville district secretary, and Mrs. B. Cole, both of Sanford. Mrs. Cole led the group in some timely and helpful devotional thoughts. Mrs. Lawrence gave an inspirational talk, climaxing it with information concerning new plans for our woman's work. Following Mrs. Lawrence's address she guided the women in an informal discussion of the work. Your editor made a brief statement of the aims and objectives of our woman's page. One influential Christian social relations project which the Clara Calvert society is promoting is that of placing copies of The Upper Room into every room in Camp Hospital, which is located on the outskirts of Pittsboro. Mrs. D. B. Nooe is president of the Clara Calvert society.

### COURAGEOUS ACTION

Although the income of the London Missionary Society has fallen off 10,000 pounds and only one missionary could be sent out as reinforcement, this organization has underwritten the support of one Finnish missionary in India, one French missionary in Madagascar, and one German missionary in East Africa. Correspondence from Scotland indicates that when the foreign mission committee of the Church of Scotland was facing an apparently inevitable cut of 27,000 pounds, two small but separate groups of wealthy people offered independently 17,000 pounds and 40,000 pounds provided the program be maintained.—Missionary Bulletin.

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BRIGHT SIDE

There's a bad side. 'tis the sad side—  
Never mind it!  
There's a bright side, 'tis the right  
side—  
Try to find!  
Pessimism's but a screen  
Thrust the light and you between—  
But the sun shines bright I ween  
Just behind it!

—Jean Dwight Franklin.

ORGANIZATION MEETING

The organization meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service will be held in Broad Street Methodist church, Statesville, Tuesday morning, October 1, 1940, beginning promptly at ten o'clock. The newly elected president of your society will be the official delegate. If for any reason she cannot attend please see that an alternate is elected at the charter meeting.

Also please secure from your pastor the certificate sent him in June, have it filled out and signed, and give to your delegate, as it will be her credential for this meeting. Visitors will be welcome.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Chm.  
Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Sec.

A MISSIONARY HONORED

A delightful affair in church circles in Salisbury recently was the reception tendered Miss Mabel Cherry, missionary to Korea, and her friend Miss Kim of Korea, by the women of First church, a few days ago. Miss Cherry, who is spending a year in the States on a furlough, is the adopted missionary of First church. She volunteered for service in 1928 and has been a member of the faculty of the Methodist Theological Seminary in Seoul during her stay in Korea—an institution having for its chief purpose the training of young men and women for service in the kingdom of God.

Miss Kim, honoree with Miss Cherry on this occasion, is studying in the United States. While in Salisbury they were the guests of friends in the city.

ORGANIZATION MEETINGS OF  
WOMAN'S SOCIETIES OF  
CHRISTIAN SERVICE

There comes to us from various places in the conference news of the splendid meetings being held, as the Woman's Societies of Christian Service are being organized under the new set-up for our united work.

In almost every case these meetings have been largely attended and many have been enrolled as charter members of the new organization. The women are entering enthusiastically and with great interest into the new plans and many who have not yet been affiliated with the work are being enlisted. In a letter from Mrs. Helen Bourne, secretary of missionary education in the

new organization, we quote these words: "We of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, want at least 9,000 woman's missionary societies to merge into the Woman's Societies of Christian Service and we want 325,000 charter members from the woman's missionary societies." From the interest that is in evidence in this new organization we feel that it will be possible for the wishes of Mrs. Bourne to be realized, and we hope that the Western North Carolina conference women may rally to this plan and maintain the standard that our conference has reached as a woman's missionary society, doing even greater things as the Woman's Society of Christian Service. May our motto for the coming year be "Advance" in every department of the work.

MISSIONARY CHILDREN IN GREAT  
BRITAIN

From the final issue of the Missionary Bulletin appearing this month we have the following:

"In Britain are the children of several hundred missionaries between the ages of five and 16 years. Their age brings them within the British government's scheme for evacuation, passages paid by the government, provided care can be found for them in North America. The offer has been made to our British friends on behalf of the foreign missions conference and its member boards to receive in the United States and care for the first group of 150 missionary children. Friends would need to give individual guarantees of support for the duration of the children's stay in this country as required by U. S. immigration laws. One board has already agreed to be responsible for 25 children. Others have said they would gladly share. Individuals have offered to care for from one to four children. It is urgently desired that others will make similar offers. Speed is required. Address correspondence to Dr. Emory Ross, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City."

MISS JULIA WASSON HONORED

Also from the Missionary Bulletin we have the following:

"Miss Julia Wason, missionary of the Southern Methodist Church since 1908, and who is returning home in the late summer, was honored on May 18 by the alumnae of McTyeire School in Shanghai, China. A delightful tea featuring scenes of 'McTyeire Past and Present,' was enjoyed by all who attended, which included many faculty members and a large number of students. A climax was reached when the first graduating class of three was followed by the present senior class of 31 members."

A man may usually be known by the books he reads, as well as the company he keeps.—Samuel Smiles.

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21 But that ye also may know my affairs, and how I do, 'Tych'i-cus, a beloved brother

NORTH CAROLINA  
CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### HOT IN THE COLLAR

Things are breaking fast here this morning. A fellow has to turn from one thing to another quickly. There's lots to be done. This is the first Monday morning that has come since all our children, in both high and elementary schools, have been in school. We have only the children in the second grade and one section of the sixth grade out of school during the morning, all others being busy in the school learning process. Thanks to the Reynolds high school authorities, arrangements have just been made for some of our high school boys and girls to enter school an hour late in the morning and others to get out an hour early in the afternoon, this arrangement proving a life-saver to our operative tasks. While we are hot in the collar, we are trying to keep cool in the head. Such a combination usually brings results.

### SAVING THE CROPS

Providence has been good to us this year in giving us good seasons. Our crops have grown well. Our big challenge has come in trying to save them. The alfalfa and soy bean hay has grown luxuriantly. Too often when we would get it cut the rain would spoil it. But a lot has been saved. We have a bumper corn crop maturing. From the truck farm some 4,000 gallons of tomatoes, beans and kraut have been put away. The Irish potato crop was good and the sweet potato crop is just as promising. Our truck farmer states this morning that there are sixty bushels of beans hanging on the vines. We are busy trying to save the crops.

### LENDING A HAND

Some of our friends have inquired whether we can allow credit on the ten per cent apportionment for canned goods and quilts. In each instance we have stated that since we do our own canning, with the exception of fruits, we are not in position to buy the commodity we already have. As for quilts, we are glad to state that good friends give us sufficient covering as not to require the purchase of this commodity. Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr., pastor of the Laurel-Barnardsville work, in the Asheville district, writes that his people would like to fill twelve dozen jars of canned vegetables if we could get the jars to him, such not to count on the ten per cent apportionment. That's the fine spirit. Experience tells us that the sending of jars to distant areas and getting them back to us cost about as much as the commodity is worth. Our grateful thanks have been extended to Brother Sides and to a lot of other people who desire

to lend a hand. We never turn down any cash.

### ON YOUR MARK

This is the time of year to pay any residue of the Children's Home quota. There are only five full weeks between us and conference, the closing of our fiscal year. Some \$20,000 is yet due on the ten per cent apportionment. We do most earnestly hope that this will come in. To our good friends who have been a bit slow in entering the Children's Home contest, we would urge that they now toe the line, get on the mark and strive with all their might towards winning for themselves and for our boys and girls.

### PICKING UP SOME

Ten per cent apportionment receipts show signs of pulsating life. The hot weather put them either to sleep or at rest. The September breezes show signs of reviving interest. Those charges and pastors reporting their entire quota paid since last report are as follows:

Midland circuit, Rev. C. L. Heckard.  
Pine Grove, Main Street, Albemarle, Rev. C. G. Isley.

Pisgah and West Chapel, Cedar Falls circuit, Rev. J. O. Cox.

Skyland, Fletcher circuit, Rev. H. E. Bolick.

Matthews, Rev. G. G. Adams.

### BUSY AS BEES

The picture this week is that of a group of junior girls in the Cornelius cottage who prove their worth in many ways of service. No age group can out work a group of juniors. These girls are as busy these days waiting on tables, cleaning up the houses and doing a lot of other things. They work in school during two-thirds of the day and the other third they work at operative tasks. From four to six in the afternoon is play time with them, as with all our other children. These girls are usually very busy, either at work or play.

### LEARNING TO SING

With the coming of Miss Cody Hipps, who has had a lot of successful experience in glee club work, our children's interest in singing has picked up quite a bit. In addition to our singing class,

which was so well directed by Miss Martha Moores last year, Miss Hipps is leading us into glee club work more extensively. Freed of piano teaching, which was directed by Miss Moores, Miss Hipps will have more time for vocal music. It is not uncommon to hear an embryonic boy singer trying out his voice. He has plenty of volume, whatever can be said as to harmony. At any rate, we are in the singing business.

### THE STEAM SHOVEL MAN

C. M. Thomas, a good Winston-Salem Methodist layman, has a steam shovel and has recently done quite a bit of grading for us, thus providing a place for our little boys to play football. While in the office one day last week waiting for his check to be written he recounted that soon after he and his men began working one of our little boys came along with some ice water. Having refreshed themselves on the hot morning, the men wanted to pay the little fellow something for his thoughtfulness but found that the lad did not want to take the tip. Mr. Thomas reported that the lad had to be overly urged to take the money, and remarked that that was the first time in his long experience that his crew had been served ice water free of charge.

### BUILDING A PROGRAM

Usually before each fifth Sunday many requests come to us for programs to be used in church schools in inciting liberal contributions to the Children's Home. Not having time to build such programs, we simply remind our friends that the Advocate page and our little paper, the Chronicle, are usually filled with little human interest stories having to do with our children, data from which programs can be arranged. A letter this morning from Rev. G. G. Adams of Matthews says: "Our entire family enjoys your page in the Advocate. We like to know of the happenings in and around the Children's Home. Our church school superintendent, H. W. Patrick, frequently quotes items from your page and the Chronicle which tell of the wholesome and well-rounded development of our boys and girls in the Home." Go thou and do likewise.



Not big in size but they do a big business



# THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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## FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

**TIMELY EXPLANATION** — Doubtless there are pastors and other friends who wonder why we do not take more children for whom they have made application. During the last month we had to take 12 children from the Methodist Orphanage in High Point, who came from within the bounds of the North Carolina conference. After taking these children we did not have very many beds vacant. Within the last few weeks we have taken as many of the urgent cases as we possibly could. At present every available bed in the home is occupied and that necessitates our having to decline other pressing cases. I am sure that our friends will be patient and charitable in view of our inability to respond to the many calls that are being made upon us.

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**SCHOOL OPENS** — On Thursday morning, September 5, our school opened. We have always had good teachers to instruct our children, but this year I think we have the best equipped teachers that we have ever had. From an academic standpoint they are highly trained, and from a psychological standpoint well adapted to instruct and train our 300 young people. Our boys and girls are eager to make the most of their school opportunities. It may not be generally known, but our school is on the accredited list of state schools, and also on the accredited list of the Southern Association of Secondary Schools. I think these facts should be a source of pride to our North Carolina conference. In addition to the regular school work, our boys and girls are being given vocational training, which will fit them to make a livelihood when they finish at our home.

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## LETTER FROM CLARA STROTHER

During my 11 years at the Methodist Orphanage my happiest days have been spent, days which have put me in debt which I can never repay.

To the North Carolina conference I wish to say that I am very grateful for what has been done for me. When I entered the Orphanage I was too young to realize fully the opportunities that were mine. Now that I've grown older and am spending my last days at this wonderful home, I understand and appreciate what you people in the North Carolina conference have done for me.

Probably I have spent my happiest moments opening boxes of clothes which came semi-annually every year. This pleasure was provided by the Dorcas Wesleyan class of Fifth Avenue

church in Wilmington and by the Junior Wesleyan class of Front Street in Burlington. One could not have wished for nicer or better clothes than I have had. I'm glad of the opportunity to thank them again for the clothes they have sent me over a period of years.

I appreciate everything that Mr. Barnes, the cottage mothers and teachers have done to make a better and more worthy girl. Mr. Barnes is an ideal "dad" to me and to the other girls and boys. Without his help and the help of the cottage mothers and teachers I would never have had the training which I have today.

Now that the time has come for me to say "goodbye" to this wonderful home, I realize more what people are doing and sacrificing for the girls and boys. I realize also that because of them the girls and boys are receiving better training and are growing up to be fine men and women. Again I say "thank you" to all who have helped me and the Orphanage in any way. I am proud to say that I grew up in such a fine Christian home as this one is.

**IN MEMORY OF REV. HERMAN T. COLEY**

Do we question the mercy and justice of God  
When our hearts repeatedly cry,  
Just why should one whom the world so needs  
Be called, while so young, to die?

Bewildered we stand and we try to see  
Through the mists around us flung—  
We try so hard to understand  
Why he should finish his work so young.

So eager to work, to love, to live  
For the Christ who was friend and guide;  
So tireless his efforts to aid and befriend  
One and all in his parish wide.

His tireless spirit and eager heart  
Was constantly striving to be  
Gloriously used by the Spirit of God  
And victory through Christ to see.

The great world needs, oh, it needs so much  
Service consecrated and true;  
Oh, it needs brave souls who will not fail  
Our Father's needed work to do.

No answer comes to questioning hearts,  
But this fact is everlastingly true—  
God calls brave souls to work for him  
Till the task he assigns is through.

Then here a gleam shines through the clouds  
Of a Father's purpose true;  
He reckons time by deeds not years—  
By this, God's love shines through.

This thought may silence questionings,  
The mists may pass away;  
God's purpose is supreme for all  
Who work for him each day.

Rebecca B. Liner.

The miser is blind; he sees gold and does not see riches. The prodigal is blind; he sees the beginning and does not see the end. The coquette is blind; she does not see wrinkles. The learned man is blind; he does not see his own ignorance. The honest man is blind; he does not see the thief. The thief is blind; he does not see God.—Victor Hugo.

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## Report of Advocate Campaign

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It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum.

In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

### Asheville

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| Central, W. A. Stanbury .....      | 24½ |
| 4*Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton ..  | 13½ |
| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wil-    |     |
| kinson .....                       | 10  |
| Hendersonville, D. E. Camak .....  | 9½  |
| Haywood St., W. G. McFarland ..    | 7½  |
| 2*Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham ..    | 5   |
| Leicester-Grace, A. F. Phibbs ..   | 4½  |
| *Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea ..    | 3½  |
| Brevard, E. P. Billups .....       | 3   |
| Fletcher, H. E. Polick .....       | 2½  |
| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....         | 2½  |
| Biltmore, E. J. Harbison .....     | 2½  |
| French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler .. | 2   |
| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman ..   | 2   |
| Swannanoa, W. H. Benfield .....    | 1   |

### Charlotte

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ..      | 48½ |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ..    | 40  |
| 3*Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F.    |     |
| Womble .....                         | 16  |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....      | 15  |
| 3*Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie .....  | 7½  |
| 2*Calvary, S. M. Needham .....       | 7½  |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..     | 7   |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....    | 6   |
| Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease .....    | 6   |
| Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper .....    | 5½  |
| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....        | 5½  |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....    | 4   |
| *Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....        | 4   |
| Indian Trail-Stallings, J.E.B.Hauser | 2   |
| Wesley Heights, W. O. Goode .....    | 1½  |
| Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman .....      | 1   |
| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....       | 1   |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....            | 1   |
| Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins .....       | 1   |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....   | 1   |
| Bethel-Bogers, E. R. Edwards .....   | 1   |

### Elkin

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....     | 33½ |
| 7*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....      | 30  |
| 3*Boone P. W. Townsend .....         | 11½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner ..    | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....            | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....              | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....       | 8½  |
| Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....         | 6½  |
| 2*Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint .....      | 6   |
| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene .....   | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....          | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....           | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....      | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....       | 4½  |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....       | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....           | 3½  |
| Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley .....    | 3½  |
| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....      | 3½  |
| Warrensville, J. G. Wootton, Jr. ... | 4   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....          | 3   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....        | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....         | 3   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....     | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....    | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....             | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....    | 2½  |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant .....  | 2   |

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| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....               | 2 |
| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....         | 2 |
| Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr. .... | 2 |

### Gastonia

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| 7*Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....        | 31 |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....      | 22 |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....          | 15 |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....        | 14 |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey ..  | 6  |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....             | 2½ |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....        | 2½ |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill ..... | 2  |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....       | 1½ |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....          | 1  |
| Shelby-Caroleen, H. D. Garmon ..      | 1  |

### Greensboro

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|-----------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger .. | 22  |
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....         | 21½ |
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....          | 9½  |
| Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....           | 5½  |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....        | 21  |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....          | 7½  |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....         | 7   |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....         | 6   |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....            | 5½  |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogon .....            | 5   |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham ..     | 4½  |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow .....       | 4½  |
| Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse .....      | 4   |
| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick .....      | 3   |
| College Place, R. M. Courtney .....     | 2½  |
| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy .....      | 2   |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....           | 2   |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle .....       | 2   |
| Bethel-Battleground, B. W. Lefler ..    | 2   |
| Ruffin, J. W. Fowler, Jr. ....          | 2   |
| *Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....       | 2   |
| *Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....           | 2   |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....        | 1   |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....       | 1   |
| Moriah, J. L. Pittard .....             | 1   |

### High Point

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|-----------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....             | 19  |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....       | 15½ |
| 4*Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....           | 13  |
| 2*S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington ..      | 12  |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr. ....  | 11½ |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....           | 8½  |
| 2*Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger .. | 8   |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....           | 7   |
| *Calvary, D. V. Howell .....            | 5   |
| *Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....        | 4½  |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams .....     | 4½  |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....               | 4½  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley ..     | 3½  |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....          | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II ..    | 2½  |
| Linwood, O. E. Croy .....               | 2½  |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....              | 2   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....              | 2   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor ..    | 2   |
| *Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....        | 2   |
| Richland, C. L. Grant .....             | 1½  |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....         | 1   |
| Archdale, O. B. Mitchell .....          | 1   |
| Pleasant Grove, F. R. Love .....        | 1   |

### Marion

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|--------------------------------------|----|
| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley ..      | 7½ |
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....         | 7  |
| Morganton, Fletcher Nelson .....     | 5½ |
| *Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....      | 4½ |
| *Spindale, F. J. Stough .....        | 4  |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....             | 4½ |
| Rutherfordon, F. C. Smathers .....   | 2½ |
| Glen Alpine, R. L. Young .....       | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....         | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace .....    | 2  |
| Linville Falls, McRae Crawford ..... | 2  |
| Micaville-Tipton Hill, H. H. Cash .. | 1  |
| Spruce Pine, J. B. Tabor .....       | 1  |
| Mill Spring, M. W. Edwards .....     | 1  |

### Salisbury

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton ..... | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....        | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....       | 10  |

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| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....       | 10 |
| N. Kannapolis, D. T. Huss .....      | 10 |
| Salem, Lee Roy, Spencer .....        | 7½ |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner ..   | 7  |
| First, W. B. West .....              | 7  |
| Main St.-Rowan, C. B. Ross .....     | 7  |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler ..... | 7  |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson ..    | 5½ |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..   | 5  |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge .....  | 4½ |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....      | 4  |
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 4  |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3  |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½ |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores ..    | 2½ |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 2  |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½ |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1  |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1  |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1  |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1  |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1  |
| Kerr Street, C. E. Murray .....      | 1  |
| Central, R. D. Ware .....            | 1  |

### Statesville

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins ..  | 32½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison .....  | 28  |
| Central, John W. Moore .....        | 15  |
| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham ..  | 9½  |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....         | 7½  |
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....         | 6   |
| Newton, W. B. Davis .....           | 3½  |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....         | 3   |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....       | 2   |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....       | 1   |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....          | 1   |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr .....      | 1   |
| Race Street, F. H. Price .....      | 1   |
| Shepherds, A. G. Lackey .....       | 1   |
| Olin, P. F. Snider .....            | 1   |
| Lenoir, Claude Moser .....          | 1   |
| Davidson-Fairview, E. D. Ballard .. | 1   |

### Waynesville

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| *Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 11½ |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9   |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry .....  | 8   |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....       | 3   |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½  |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2   |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2   |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 2   |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½  |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 1½  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....   | 1   |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1   |
| Jonathan, R. Odell Brown .....  | 1   |

### Winston-Salem

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 9*Community, J. C. Auman .....        | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....           | 17½ |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....        | 16  |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen .....   | 14½ |
| *N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....    | 12  |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....      | 7   |
| *Grace, R. L. Forbis .....            | 6   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....           | 5½  |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....       | 5   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....            | 5   |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....        | 4½  |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....            | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ..    | 3   |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison ..   | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....            | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way .. | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....        | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....       | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter ..  | 1   |

### Durham

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Burlington, Davis St., F. W. Pas-  |     |
| chall .....                          | 38  |
| 4*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....      | 26½ |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ..     | 14  |
| *Graham, J. R. Edwards .....         | 10  |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds ..     | 9½  |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....         | 9   |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....            | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....           | 6   |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....       | 5   |
| Sweptonville, T. B. Hough .....      | 4½  |
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele .....        | 4½  |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton .....         | 4   |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love .. | 4   |
| Milton, D. I. Garner .....           | 3½  |



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|-------------------------------------|----|
| Branson, John Cline .....           | 3½ |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. ....   | 3  |
| *Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser...  | 3  |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson .....     | 3  |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps ....   | 2  |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson ....     | 2  |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth .....   | 2  |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe ..... | 1½ |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton .....     | 1½ |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish .....  | 1½ |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer .....         | 1½ |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe .....         | 1  |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early .....        | 1  |
| Yanceyville, A. E. Brown .....      | 1  |
| Glen Raven, J. F. Coble .....       | 1  |
| West Durham, W. L. Clegg .....      | 1  |

Elizabeth City

|                                    |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| 4*Williamston, S. J. Starnes ..... | 14 |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness .....       | 9½ |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt .....     | 6  |
| Washington, L. B. Jones .....      | 5  |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick .....     | 4  |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon .....   | 3½ |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe .....          | 3  |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson .....     | 2  |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon .....      | 2  |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford .....   | 1½ |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis..   | 1  |
| Roper, M. R. Gardner .....         | 1  |
| Swan Quarter-Fairfield, E.G.Cowan  | 1  |
| Murfreesboro, C. E. Vale .....     | 1  |
| City Road, E. D. Weathers .....    | 1  |
| South Mills, E. W. Downum .....    | 1  |

Fayetteville

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Siler City, C. F. Heath .....        | 16  |
| 2*Person St.-Calvary, M.W.Warren     | 13½ |
| *Sanford, Allen P. Brantley .....    | 12½ |
| 5*Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons .....     | 11  |
| *Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams .. | 10½ |
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown .....        | 10  |
| *Red Springs, B. T. Hurley .....     | 8½  |
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe .....       | 7½  |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood .....      | 7   |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer .....   | 6½  |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar .....         | 6   |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard .....          | 5½  |
| *Maxton, T. R. Jenkins .....         | 5   |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., B. F. Meacham ...    | 4½  |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson .....           | 3½  |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore .....          | 3   |
| West End, W. F. Keeler .....         | 3   |
| Broadway, J. W. Page .....           | 3   |
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette..     | 2   |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton .....        | 2   |
| Lane, J. D. A. Autry .....           | 1½  |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning .....       | 1½  |
| Raeford, E. C. Crawford .....        | 1½  |
| Caledonia, M. F. Hodges .....        | 1½  |
| Rockingham, J. H. Barnhardt .....    | 1   |
| Roberdel, F. B. Brandenburg .....    | 1   |

New Bern

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Mt. Olive-Calypso, R. G. Dawson..     | 4  |
| Pikeville-Elm St., J. H. Overton, Jr. | 3½ |
| Goldsboro, W. C. Ball .....           | 3  |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....            | 2½ |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....            | 2½ |
| Ayden, L. A. Tilley .....             | 2  |
| New Bern, C. B. Culbreth .....        | 2  |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston .....        | 2  |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens .....    | 1  |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr. ....         | 1  |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts .....              | 1  |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow .....          | 1  |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant .....         | 1  |
| Morehead City Ct., M.O.Stephenson     | 1  |

Raleigh

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone .....  | 35  |
| 2*Fuquay, E. C. Durham .....     | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb .....   | 15½ |
| *Henderson, B. C. Reavis .....   | 15½ |
| Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes .....   | 7   |
| 2*City Road-White Mem., J. K.    |     |
| Worthington .....                | 6½  |
| *Princeton, J. W. Bradley .....  | 5   |
| Person St., M. W. Lawrence ..... | 4   |
| Granville, J. P. Pegg .....      | 3½  |
| Louisburg, J. G. Phillips .....  | 3½  |
| Selma, O. L. Hathaway .....      | 3   |
| Franklinton, S. E. Mercer .....  | 3   |
| Edenton St., J. C. Glenn .....   | 2½  |
| Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee .....   | 1½  |
| Hayes Barton, Leon Russell ..... | 1½  |

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|----------------------------------|----|
| Tar River, J. A. Martin .....    | 1½ |
| Jenkins Mem., J. A. Dailey ..... | 1  |
| Rougemont, J. T. Green .....     | 1  |

Rocky Mount

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer .....     | 11 |
| *Weldon, B. P. Robinson .....       | 8½ |
| *Farmville, D. A. Clarke .....      | 6  |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams .....     | 6  |
| 2*McKendree, L. B. Pattishall ....  | 5½ |
| 2*Marvin, N. W. Grant .....         | 4½ |
| W. Halifax, W. M. Howard .....      | 3½ |
| Clark St., B. H. Black .....        | 6  |
| *Kenley, E. M. Hall .....           | 3  |
| Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome .....   | 3  |
| Enfield, B. D. Critcher .....       | 2½ |
| Bethel, M. Y. Self .....            | 2½ |
| Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane .....   | 2  |
| Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington | 2  |
| First, E. L. Hillman .....          | 2  |
| Northampton, W. L. Maness .....     | 2  |
| Warrenton, J. O. Long .....         | 1½ |
| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount.....      | 1  |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd .....           | 2  |

Wilmington

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Tabor City, N. P. Edens .....       | 20 |
| 2*Hallsboro, C. A. Jones .....      | 11 |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters .....         | 11 |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner .....        | 11 |
| Scott's Hill, C. O. Plyler .....    | 10 |
| 2*Southport, R. S. Harrison .....   | 7  |
| Carver's Creek, G. C. Wood .....    | 7  |
| *Epworth, Walter Pavy .....         | 6  |
| Garland, O. C. Melton .....         | 6  |
| Rowland, W. C. Wilson .....         | 6  |
| Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson  | 5½ |
| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew .....    | 4½ |
| Bladen, R. L. Vickory .....         | 4  |
| Elizabeth, C. W. Barbee .....       | 4  |
| Whiteville, R. G. L. Edwards .....  | 2½ |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, I. T. Poole | 2  |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews..    | 1½ |
| Trinity, R. L. Jerome .....         | 1½ |
| Grace, J. F. Herbert .....          | 1  |
| Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift .....  | 1  |
| Chadbourn, E. C. Maness .....       | 1  |
| St. Paul, A. C. Lee .....           | 1  |
| Roseboro, C. S. Hubbard .....       | 1  |

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Statesville District

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|----------------------------------------------|--|
| Friendship-Pisgah, B. A. Sisk.               |  |
| Center-Shiloh-Mt. View, B. A. Sisk.          |  |
| Bethlehem (Catawba), Mrs. Ruby Mil-<br>ler.  |  |
| Hopewell, Mrs. Zor Cornelius.                |  |
| Cool Springs, J. O. Banks.                   |  |
| Providence, J. O. Banks.                     |  |
| Rose Chapel, J. O. Banks.                    |  |
| Williamson's Chapel, Mertis O. Bal-<br>lard. |  |
| Grace Chapel, G. E. Whita.                   |  |
| Granite Falls, Reid Wall.                    |  |
| Bethel, Hickory, E. H. Lowman.               |  |
| First, Hickory, Nelle Fox.                   |  |
| Hudson, O. L. Robinson.                      |  |
| Colliers, O. L. Robinson.                    |  |
| Maiden, Mrs. D. S. Cloninger.                |  |
| Broad St., Mooresville, V. R. Masters.       |  |
| Central, Mooresville, Joe D. Thompson.       |  |
| North Newton, Mrs. Alma Yancey.              |  |
| Jones Memorial, G. S. Miller.                |  |
| First, Newton, Mrs. E. S. Setzer.            |  |
| Bethel, Statesville, G. F. Houck.            |  |
| Boulevard, G. F. Hood.                       |  |
| Troutman, J. M. Varner.                      |  |
| Whitnel, Mrs. C. E. Williams.                |  |
| Total, 24.                                   |  |

Waynesville District

|                                              |  |
|----------------------------------------------|--|
| Fincher's Chapel, Mary Davis.                |  |
| Mt. Zion, W. H. Neese.                       |  |
| Arnon Plains-Harmony Grove, W. F.<br>Beadle. |  |
| Hoskwood, W. F. Beadle.                      |  |
| Central, Canton, Mrs. R. G. Liner.           |  |

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| Balsam, Mrs. C. O. Newell.          |  |
| Dellwood, Mrs. C. O. Newell.        |  |
| Maggie, Mrs. C. O. Newell.          |  |
| Franklin, I. L. Roberts.            |  |
| Hayesville, Finis Crutchfield.      |  |
| Hickory Stand, Paul Carruth.        |  |
| Martin's Creek, Paul Carruth.       |  |
| Oak Forest, Dana Dawson.            |  |
| Sweetwater, Donald Mackey.          |  |
| Cashiers, J. S. Higgins.            |  |
| Clear Creek, J. S. Higgins.         |  |
| Highlands, J. S. Higgins.           |  |
| Horse Cove, J. S. Higgins.          |  |
| Norton, J. S. Higgins.              |  |
| Hazelwood, Donald Mackay.           |  |
| Elizabeth Chapel, C. D. Brown.      |  |
| Long's Chapel, C. D. Brown.         |  |
| Bellview, W. D. Davis.              |  |
| Hampton Memorial, W. D. Davis.      |  |
| Ranger, W. D. Davis.                |  |
| Reid's Chapel, W. D. Davis.         |  |
| Tomatla, W. D. Davis.               |  |
| Unaka, W. D. Davis.                 |  |
| Sylva, Mrs. A. P. Ratledge.         |  |
| Waynesville, Anna B. Siler.         |  |
| Love's Chapel, Mrs. W. G. Henson.   |  |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis.               |  |
| Fine's Creek, Mrs. Fred R. Safford. |  |
| Iotla, P. L. Green.                 |  |
| East LaPorte, Virginia Mikels.      |  |
| Wesleyana, G. A. Hovis.             |  |
| Total, 36.                          |  |

Winston-Salem District

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|------------------------------------------------|--|
| First, Lexington, Mrs. A. E. Brannock.         |  |
| Concord (Lewisville), G. C. Graham.            |  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham.                      |  |
| Sharon, G. C. Graham.                          |  |
| Union, Mary Poindexter.                        |  |
| Rural Hall, Mrs. A. C. Payne.                  |  |
| Community, J. Clyde Auman.                     |  |
| Main St., Thomasville, Lillian Yow.            |  |
| Morris Chapel, Blanche Westmoreland.           |  |
| Stokesburg, R. E. Hunt.                        |  |
| Crews, Mrs. J. G. Alley.                       |  |
| Midway, Dora Zimmerman.                        |  |
| Burkhead, Mrs. W. M. Smith.                    |  |
| Centenary, E. Wannamaker Hardin.               |  |
| Mt. Pleasant (Winston Ct.), V. A. Mor-<br>ton. |  |
| Pisgah, V. A. Morton.                          |  |
| Total, 16.                                     |  |

A DEFINITION OF MATRIMONY

A priest who was examining a confirmation class in the south of Ireland, asked the question: "What is the Sacrament of Matrimony?"

A little girl at the top of the class answered:

"Plaze your riverence, 'tis a state into which sowsls enter prepare them for another and a better world."

"Put her down," said the curate,

"put her down to the fut of the class."

"Lave her alone," said the priest;

"for anythin' you or I know to the contrary, she may be parfitly right."

The vicar prided himself on his oratorical powers. He used the metaphor of a ship drifting and going to pieces on the rocks.

A sailor in the audience was deeply interested.

"The waves dash over!" cried the preacher. "Her sails are split! Her yards are going! Her masts are shivered! Her helm is useless. She is driving ashore! There seems to be no hope! Can nothing be done to save her?"

The sailor rose in his seat, his eyes wide with excitement.

"Let go the anchor!" he shouted.—Tit-Bits.



# Sunday School Lesson

SEPTEMBER 15

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By James S. Chubb

## The Ever-Present God

Scripture: Psalm 139, 1-12, 23, 24

This lesson has to do with the ever-present reality of God. He is not localized in time, place, or experience. There are those that would call certain places and certain seasons sacred. There is a sense in which this is true, yet in a deeper way the eternal spirit is everywhere.

Now and then we encounter someone who wants to prepare for the last time or the judgment time. Our lesson indicates how futile such an attitude is because we are ever under the divine care and judgment. The mystics are truer than these time Christians in their insistence that God is everywhere and ever present.

God (1, 2) knows the inner heart and thought of the writer. This thought is in harmony with the thought of Jesus that "the very hairs of your head are numbered." It is the eternal answer to the person who implies that God is too big to be interested in our little ways. This personal touch is an imperishable part of the Christian faith.

This man must have been a careful observer of his thoughts and secret ways. He knew that God seems to have influenced his thoughts before he knew them clearly. Such a man must have had a delicate and honest conscience.

This amazing experience of divine understanding (6) inspired the writer of the psalm. It was so much greater than his thought, and so much larger than the thought of the people whom he knew. We see here an unusually discerning religious spirit. The presence was real and definite to him.

The next passage (8-12) is an enumeration of places where the writer has gone, only to discover that God is and has been there. We should not overlook the statement that man does not escape God, even in hell. This is one of several references indicating that God is immensely interested in that place, undoubtedly to rescue the people who do not like it. Else why would he be there?

I find verse 9 fascinating. The wings of the morning referred to the speed of light. It came quickly and sped too fast for the psalmist's imagination. It is not in the context, but it does remind me that, even though we are the speedy generation, God can be present in our speed. Not our fast planes, not our speeding streamliners, not our almost instantaneous communication outruns God.

Darkness is the time when evil does its work. It seems to take more comfort in the wings of the night. Crowds seem to get at their psychology a bit

better in the night time. But the psalmist is not fooled; it may be darker than a hundred cypress swamps, but God is there; his seeing eye is present. God made both the darkness and the light; he is equally at home with both. Man may not be able to keep up with the movements under cover of the darkness, but God can.

One of the real functions of religion is to cast out evil. While theoretically religious experience and the moral code may be separate, actually one involves the other. The supreme test in the judgment is the good that we have done to our fellow men. The test of a true neighbor is that of helpfulness in a time of accident. This human touch of helpfulness is part and parcel of our Christianity. Without it, the church falls a victim to Communism's charge that religion is an opiate. When the church lacks the human touch of service, it easily paves the way for the crushing spirit of Fascism.

The old time evangelist had many personal standards which a converted man accepted without question. Perhaps some of these things were not as important as some people believed them to be, but the principle of action was truly religious. It was recognized that conversion demanded an improved standard of conduct.

Now, we can see the clear-cut religious insight of the last two verses of this psalm. This man wanted truth in the inward parts. He was willing to be tried and tested in the matter of deeper religious thinking. They tell us that the secret thinking that one does, even the involuntary subconscious thoughts, will eventually work out into conduct.

You may have noticed that around middle age there is a certain class of sinners that are converted, and also, there is a certain group of previously good church people who go bad. The reason lies in their secret thinking.

This man wanted this secret level to be as well purged as his known conscious level of thought. And he approached the problem the right way to get the job done. He implored God to know his inner world, even the unknown part of it and "try him." This simple sincerity is the secret of the genuinely purified life. Such direct honesty is armor against ragged and failing days in the future. Let us bear down on this in our presentation of this subject.

Knowing his own proneness to let wickedness get hold of him, the psalmist prayed for God to search out any wicked way in him. That is choice! Too many of us approach religion with reservations in this matter of evil. Some will not allow God to cast out the evil from their ecclesiastical relations, and so on. The point is that this man wanted all the wicked ways cast out. And his was the religious prayer.

When one sincerely wants to bid evil goodbye and be done with it, he enters more sincerely into the way everlasting. Most of our frets and worries are due to an injured conscience. This man understood himself well enough to know this.

Also, it would be profitable for us to recall what Jesus said to the disciples, when he was discussing wealthy men and their entrance into the king-

dom. He said that only God could enable them to be saved. Here is the same idea. This man did not trust his own introspection; he appealed to God to do the looking and examining. He was not trusting the righteousness of his church, his neighbors, or the conventions of the day; he was reaching Godward.

In his life this man stood out as an exponent of religion. He knew and related the power of the ever-present spirit. He did not go on religious vacations, nor did he hide behind the excitements of the crowd that he was in. He knew the ever abiding presence of the Great Spirit. God is his powerful, omnipresent inspiration; he is the great One that brings peace and joy to the inward parts. This is going the "whole way" in religious experience.—Christian Advocate.

## EFFECTIVE PREACHING

One month ago I received a letter from a man thirty years of age, which not only thrilled me and caused me to thank God, but which also led me into an analysis of the sermon which turned the man from sin to Christ.

Here is a part of his letter: "I was sitting in my home with a bottle of whiskey by my side when, just for fun, I turned on the radio. You were preaching your morning sermon. I couldn't turn it off. When you had finished something came over me. I do not know what it was. I poured the whiskey down the sink and have started a new life by the grace of God. Excessive drinking has depleted my wardrobe and caused much suffering in my home. Just as soon as I can appear presentable I shall come down to your church."

The gentleman has come to the church and is now preparing for membership. How different his life! How different his home!

I looked up my text for that morning and found that I had preached on 1 John 4:19, "We love Him because He first loved us," taking as my subject, "The Birth of Christian Love." God had had a chance to speak to that man.

Ten years ago a man of high position and valuable talents lay at home reading his Sunday newspaper. His wife had turned on the radio and was listening to our morning sermon. Many a Sunday he had been in that position, never hearing a word. But this morning we quoted certain sentences showing how God was calling for every man to meet his responsibility. He dropped his newspaper and said to his wife, "I think he must be speaking to me." That gentleman has become our head usher. God spoke to that man that morning.

Effective preaching is that which accomplishes its purpose.

Just recently a fine Christian said to me, "I love to hear the Rev. Mr. Blank preach because he just opens the Bible and explains to us some passage of Scripture."—The American Lutheran.

As good almost kill a man as kill a good book: who kills a man kills a reasonable creature, God's image; but he who destroys a good book kills reason itself.—Milton.



# Children's



# Storyland

## BABOO

(A True Story of India)

"How much will you have to give the police this time, grandmother?" asked Baboo, aged ten, as he put down stolen fruit by the door of their hut.

"Who knows?" answered the old woman with a sigh as she looked across the field where a group of Indian men in police uniforms could be seen.

"On the honor of our 'God of Thieves' we will swear we have nothing left," she continued, as she patted the cake of brown flour and then put it against the mud fireplace to bake.

Baboo was now squatting cross-legged on the ground ready to eat his meal. His black eyes flashed. It was an exciting life—this stealing of big sums and then lying and deceiving the Indian police. His grandmother told him that he would one day be the leader of his tribe.

Two months had passed since the big raid on the Great Temple had been made. Seventy-five people had to be killed while they were doing it, but split up into bands that went in different directions, traveling night after night.

Some of them had been caught, but they were not the ones with the jewels. Those were given to the women and children. They had been hidden in secret places.

Wild barking of the dogs announced the police. They said that the whole gang must come with them, for a great officer of the government had commanded that all, men and women and children, belonging to the tribe committing crime should be brought to live in the Jail City.

At first they begged the police not to take them, but when the police would not listen, they began breaking up their homes. It didn't take long. Soon their lines of bullock carts were trailing over dusty roads. Some men walked beside the carts. Baboo walked with them, listening.

"Why," said one, "there are hundreds of us and hundreds more of six other tribes of Thieves! We will soon be free to live our own lives again."

Five days later they entered the city of Sholapur and were taken to an open space closed with a wire fence. Each family was given a piece of ground large enough for a hut, which they were told to build. At night the gates were locked, and people had to answer to roll call, and the police stayed on guard. In the day time men, women and children over fifteen worked in the cotton mills. Children of twelve could work half a day but they must go to school the other half. Children under twelve must go to school all day.

"School? What is school?" asked Baboo.

No one seemed to know—except that you had to sit and sit—and read out of

## MY CAFETERIA

By Adelaide Blanton

I have a cafeteria,  
I feed my callers free,  
And all they need to do is come,  
And that is pay for me.

The menu always differs some  
From bread to bits of grain,  
I try to keep them satisfied  
So they will come again.

I often tie some suet fresh  
Upon a limb or stick,  
And that affords a banquet fine,  
They come and pick and pick.

You may not now quite understand  
The kind of guests I feed,  
They are my little feathered friends  
Who are so fond of seed.

—Our Dumb Animals.

a book and be beaten by the teacher if you made mistakes!

"I woun't be shut up there," said Baboo. "I'll hide."

So he did for a while. But one morning he was pulled out from under the pile of rags in the corner of the hut and taken off to school. He did not like school—not at first—but after a time he learned to play a queer drum and to beat cymbals while the children sang. He liked that. He liked to play games, too. He also liked to make things with his hands out of wood and tin and cane. He even found he liked to learn to read and write. His grandmother's eyes grew wide with wonder when he read to her from a book! He ceased to steal. Boys in the city who were Scouts didn't steal. Baboo was a Scout. Then he became a Patrol Leader, then a Scout Master's Assitant.

He heard of a Great Teacher who said there was only one God for all peoples and that he cared for all boys and girls and wanted them to be good Scouts all the time and never steal. It did seem the very best way after all.

Twelve years have passed. Baboo is a young man now. He is in training for police duty. He speaks a little English. He is trusted to do many important jobs. His grandmother is very proud of him. She, too, has a position where she is trusted. Many of the tribe have been acting honestly for so many years that they are now allowed to live outside the Walled City. The name of that city is "The City of Hope," and the people who live in it find out after a while, as Baboo has done, that it pays to do honest work.

Baboo will be a leader of his tribe, but in a better sense than his grandmother predicted many years ago.—

Adapted from a story by Ellen Hobbie, from The Christian Sun.

## ANIMAL MASQUERADE

By Stanley Stotz

Although Australia is the smallest continent, it has the largest variety of animals in the world. If one each of all the different kinds of animals in Australia were assembled in one place, there would be a veritable animal masquerade party.

The most peculiar creature in Australia, or in the world for that matter, is the duckbill or platypus. Without its head, the platypus looks like a mole, but completely assembled it has a bill just like a duck, webbed feet, fur instead of feathers, and it lays eggs in a nest from which its young are hatched. Call it what you will, it is still Nature's queerest freak. In no other place in the world is this animal found.

A close "runner-up" for the title of queerest is the koala or honey "bear." Although the koala poses as a bear, he is not a member of the bear family. His nearest relatives are spiders. The koala is small, and looks like a child's plush teddy bear come suddenly to life. Like baby kangaroos, baby koalas are carried in the mother's pouch until old enough to ride on her back.

If you were to see a rabbit that looked like a miniature kangaroo, you could call it a bandicoot, but the Australian bandicoot is actually a member of the rat family, despite its rabbit-like ears and whiskers and its kangaroo habits.

Another masquerader in Australia is the feather-tailed flying mouse which perches in trees. When quiet, its tail of fine fur hangs down and looks exactly like the tail feathers of a bird. This fellow does not really fly, but makes long leaps like the flying squirrel. What looks like wings, is simply thin skin membrane which is stretched out when in flight.

All of the animals in Australia are gentle and live on foliage, with one exception. This is the dingo dog. The dingo is the only flesh-eating animal in Australia. When pressed with hunger, they will band together and attack a flock of sheep, but most of the time they harass only the small and harmless animals.

We cannot leave this masquerade party without mentioning a relative of the great gray kangaroo that has taken to living in trees. The tree kangaroo is smaller and darker in color than the gray kangaroo and can negotiate some of the most difficult tree-climbing stunts with the utmost safety. It can be said that they can "look down" on their clumsy cousins of the plains.—Our Dumb Animals.

Teacher: "Who was the greatest inventor?"

Boy: "An Irishman named Pat. Pending."—Providence Journal.



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Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                   |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Mebane, Central, 11         | 15 |
| Mebane, First, 3            | 15 |
| Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30  | 15 |
| Milton, New Hope, 11        | 22 |
| Braunton, 7:30              | 22 |
| Lakewood, 7:30              | 26 |
| Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 11 | 29 |
| Carrboro, Carrboro, 7       | 29 |
| West Durham, 7:30           | 30 |

October

|                                                                      |    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Carr, 7:30                                                           | 2  |
| Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 3                                        | 3  |
| Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30                                           | 3  |
| Yanceyville, Yanceyville, 11                                         | 4  |
| Leasburg, Hebron, 3                                                  | 4  |
| Person Ct., Concord, 11                                              | 5  |
| Long Memorial, 11                                                    | 6  |
| Brookdale, Allensville, 3                                            | 6  |
| Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7                                                | 6  |
| District Check-up Meeting, Pastors and Laymen, at<br>West Durham, 10 | 7  |
| Trinity, 7:30                                                        | 8  |
| Calvary, 7:30                                                        | 9  |
| Chapel Hill, 7:30                                                    | 10 |
| Graham, 7:30                                                         | 11 |
| Alamance Ct., Bethel, 11                                             | 12 |
| Mt. Hermon Ct., Mt. Hermon, 2                                        | 12 |
| Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11                                       | 13 |
| Burlington Ct., Mt. Vernon, 3                                        | 13 |
| Davis Street, 7:30                                                   | 17 |
| Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11                                               | 20 |
| Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 3                                            | 20 |
| Orange Ct., Efland, 7:30                                             | 20 |
| Cedar Grove, Carr, 11                                                | 24 |
| Eno, 7:30                                                            | 24 |

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                              |    |
|----------------------------------------|----|
| Manteo, 11                             | 15 |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, Mann's Harbor, 2:30 | 15 |
| Wanchese, night                        | 15 |
| Ahokeie (Church Dedication), 11        | 22 |
| Murfreesboro, Winton, 3                | 22 |
| North Gates, Kittrells, night          | 22 |
| Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 2   | 22 |
| Fall Rally and Check-up, Hertford, 10  | 27 |
| Kinnekeet, Avon, 11                    | 29 |
| Hatteras, Buxton, night                | 29 |
| October                                |    |
| Chowan, Centor Hill, 11 and 2          | 2  |

|                                          |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 2             | 5  |
| Delhaven, Trinity, 11                    | 6  |
| Matamoras, Amity, 3                      | 6  |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night | 6  |
| City Road, night                         | 9  |
| Pasquotank, Union, 11 and 2              | 11 |
| Gatesville, Zion, 11 and 2               | 12 |
| Columbia, 11                             | 13 |
| Creswell, 3                              | 13 |
| Ioper, Pleasant Grove, night             | 13 |
| Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 2          | 19 |
| Wilmington, 11                           | 20 |
| Aulander, Lewiston, 3                    | 20 |
| Edenton, night                           | 20 |
| First Church, Elizabeth City, night      | 23 |
| South Mills, Trinity, 11 and 2           | 26 |
| Bath, Asbury, 11                         | 26 |
| Washington, night                        | 27 |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                     |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Broadway, 11                  | 15 |
| Aberdeen, 8                   | 15 |
| Pittsboro, 11                 | 22 |
| Bynum, Ebenezer, 3            | 22 |
| Siler City, 8                 | 22 |
| Red Springs, 11               | 29 |
| Caledonia, East Laurinburg, 3 | 29 |
| Laurinburg, 8                 | 29 |

October

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11            | 6  |
| Laurel Hill, 3                    | 6  |
| Rockingham, 7                     | 6  |
| Ellerbe, 11                       | 13 |
| Glendon, Fair Promise, 3          | 13 |
| Goldston, 7                       | 13 |
| Person Street, 7                  | 16 |
| Rockingham Cn., E. Rockingham, 11 | 20 |
| Gibson, St. John, 3               | 20 |
| Parkton, 7                        | 23 |
| Biscoe, 11                        | 27 |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Little River, 3   | 27 |
| Mt. Gilead, 7                     | 27 |
| Hamlet, 7                         | 28 |
| Maxton, 7                         | 29 |
| Hay Street, 7                     | 30 |
| Jonesboro, 7                      | 31 |

November

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| West End, 11 | 3 |
| Troy Ct., 3  | 3 |
| Troy, 7      | 3 |

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                                  |    |
|--------------------------------------------|----|
| Atlantic, Sea Level, 11                    | 15 |
| Marshallberg-Straits, Marshallberg, 7:30   | 15 |
| Morehead City, 7:30                        | 18 |
| Goldsboro Ct., Piney Grove, 11             | 22 |
| Ayden, 7:30                                | 22 |
| La Grange, 7:30                            | 25 |
| Oriental, Pamlico, 11                      | 29 |
| Morehead City Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 | 29 |

October

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30            | 2  |
| Jones, Foy's, 11                     | 6  |
| Dover, 7:30                          | 6  |
| Kinston, Queen St., 7:30             | 9  |
| Griffon, 11                          | 13 |
| Grimesland, Salem, 7:30              | 13 |
| Hookerton, 7:30                      | 18 |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Smith's, 11           | 19 |
| Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11            | 20 |
| Vanceboro, 7:30                      | 20 |
| Newport, Riverdale, 11               | 22 |
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30    | 23 |
| Aurora, Warren's, 11                 | 24 |
| Pamlico, Alliance, 11                | 27 |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 | 27 |
| New Bern, Centenary, 11              | 30 |

November

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Seven Springs, Indian Springs, 11 | 3 |
| Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30       | 3 |

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                                             |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Scotland Neck, 11                                     | 15 |
| Sandy Cross, 3                                        | 15 |
| Tarboro, 8                                            | 15 |
| Conway, 11                                            | 22 |
| Garysburg, Shiloh, 3:30                               | 22 |
| Halifax, 8                                            | 22 |
| McKendree, Pinetops, 11                               | 29 |
| District Rally, Laymen and Preachers, Rocky Mt., 2:30 | 29 |
| Wilson, 8                                             | 29 |

October

|                                         |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| Rich Square, 7:30                       | 2  |
| Spring Church, 7:30                     | 4  |
| Seaboard, Sharon, 11                    | 5  |
| Weldon, 11                              | 6  |
| Northampton, New Hope, 3                | 6  |
| Enfield, 7:30                           | 6  |
| Walstonburg, Arthur, 7                  | 8  |
| Farmville, 8                            | 8  |
| Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30             | 9  |
| Rocky Mount, First Church, Dedication   | 12 |
| Bethel, 7:30                            | 13 |
| Marvin, 7:30                            | 17 |
| Middleburg, 11                          | 20 |
| Werren, 3                               | 20 |
| Norlina, 7:30                           | 20 |
| Robersonville, Stokes (to be announced) | 20 |
| Spring Hope, 7:30                       | 21 |
| Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30            | 22 |
| Waltakers, 7:30                         | 23 |
| Warronton, Warren Plains, 11            | 26 |
| Elm City, 11                            | 27 |
| Stantonsburg, 3                         | 27 |
| Kenly, 7:30                             | 27 |

November

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| Roanoke Rapids, 11 | 3 |
| Rosemary, 7:30     | 3 |

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                                               |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Henderson, Christ Church, 8                             | 13 |
| Raleigh, Fairmont, 11                                   | 15 |
| Henderson, First Church, 3                              | 15 |
| Henderson, City Road-White Memorial, City Rd., 7:30, 15 | 15 |
| Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8                              | 18 |
| Cary-Apex, Cary, 7:30                                   | 20 |
| Oxford Ct., Salem, 11                                   | 22 |
| Oxford, 7:30                                            | 22 |
| Raleigh, Fairmont, 8                                    | 24 |
| Raleigh, Person St., Central, 8                         | 25 |
| Franklinton, 8                                          | 27 |
| Selma, 11                                               | 29 |
| Benson, 3                                               | 29 |
| Smithfield, 7:30                                        | 29 |
| District Check-up, Preachers and Laymen, Raleigh,       |    |
| Person St., Central, 10                                 | 30 |
| Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 7:30                             | 30 |

October

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 | 2  |
| Zel-ulon-Wendell, Wendell, 11   | 6  |
| Creedmoor, Creedmoor, 7:30      | 6  |
| Granville, Union Chapel, 7:30   | 7  |
| Stem, Stem, 7:30                | 9  |
| Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11      | 13 |
| Erwin, Erwin, 3                 | 13 |
| Princeton, Princeton, 7:30      | 13 |
| Mamers, Mamers, 7:30            | 16 |
| Bailey, Bailey, 7:30            | 18 |
| Dunn, Divine Street, 11         | 20 |
| Lillington, Lillington, 3       | 20 |
| Garner, Garner, 7:30            | 20 |
| Tar River, Plank Chapel, 7:30   | 21 |
| Moncure, Moncure, 7:30          | 23 |
| Four Oaks, Sanders, 7:30        | 25 |
| Jenkins Memorial, preaching, 11 | 27 |
| Louisburg Ct., Piney Grove, 3   | 27 |
| Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30     | 27 |
| Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 7:30      | 28 |
| Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30      | 30 |
| Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30      | 31 |

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                          |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| District Conference at Garland, 10 | 12 |
| Elizabeth, Purdies, 11             | 15 |
| Carver's Creek, Council, night     | 15 |
| Hellsboro, Hallsboro, 11           | 22 |
| Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, night      | 22 |
| Wallace-Rosehill, Rosehill, 11     | 29 |
| Penderlea, night                   | 29 |

October

|                                         |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| Town Creek, Zion, 11                    | 6  |
| Scott's Hill, Seagate, night            | 6  |
| Wilmington, Epworth, night              | 9  |
| Faison-Kenansville, 11                  | 11 |
| Fairmont, Trinity, 11                   | 11 |
| St. Pauls, Regans, 3                    | 13 |
| Lumberton, night                        | 13 |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11   | 20 |
| Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3                 | 20 |
| Maysville, Belgrade, night              | 20 |
| Southport, night                        | 23 |
| Bladen (place to be announced), 11      | 24 |
| Garland (place to be announced), night  | 24 |
| Roseboro, Halls, 11                     | 25 |
| Clinton, night                          | 25 |
| Rowland, Purvis, 11                     | 27 |
| Pembroke (Indian work), First Church, 3 | 27 |
| Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night          | 27 |

November

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11 | 3 |
| Wesley Memorial, 3         | 3 |
| Whiteville, night          | 3 |
| Wilmington, Trinity, night | 4 |

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                         |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Leicester-Bell, 11                | 15 |
| Sandy-Big Sandy, 3                | 15 |
| Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night | 15 |
| Central, Asheville, 11            | 22 |
| Saluda-Tryon-Saluda, 3            | 22 |
| Brevard, night                    | 22 |
| Black Mountain, 11                | 29 |
| Swannanoa, Tabernacle, 3          | 29 |
| Weaverville Station, night        | 29 |

October

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Laurel-Barnardsville, Laurel, 11 | 6  |
| Weaverville Ct., South Fork, 3   | 6  |
| Oteen, Bethel, night             | 6  |
| Hot Springs, Antioch, 11         | 13 |
| Marshall, Marshall, night        | 13 |

Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30  
p. m. Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to  
be handed in.

ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hlatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

| September                       |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Green Valley, Thomas Chapel, 11 | 15 |
| Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 3:30  | 15 |
| Boone, night                    | 15 |
| North Wilkesboro, 11            | 22 |
| Moravian Falls, Adley, 3        | 22 |
| Traphill, Traphill, night       | 22 |
| Todd, Cranberry, 11             | 28 |
| Helton, Baldwin, 11             | 29 |
| October                         |    |
| Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11     | 6  |
| Dobson, Stony Knoll, 3:30       | 6  |
| Elkin, 7:30                     | 6  |
| Mocksville Station, 8           | 9  |



CHARLOTTE OISTRCT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Dilworth, 7:30 .....13

Lilleville, Lilleville, 11 .....15

Huntersville, Asbury, 3 .....15

Derita, 7:30 .....15

Central Avenue, 11 .....22

Prospect, Bethlehem, 3 .....22

Spencer Memorial, 7:30 .....22

Duncan Memorial, 11 .....29

Wadesboro, 7:30 .....30

October

First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 .....7

Myers Park, 7:30 .....14

GASTONIA OISTRCT

E. M. Jones, O.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Rock Springs, 7:30 .....13

Lowesville, Salem, 11 .....14

Bellwood, 11 .....15

Polkville, Rehobeth, 3 .....15

King's Mountain, Grace, 7:30 .....15

Shelby Ct., 7:30 .....16

South Fork, 7:30 .....17

Bessemer City, Bessemer, 11 .....22

Cherrville Ct., Mary's Grove, 3 .....22

Mount Holly, 7:30 .....22

Gastonia, Trinity, 7:30 .....23

Gastonia, West End, 7:30 .....24

Belmont, Park Street, 7:30 .....25

Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 .....29

Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 .....29

October

Gastonia, Bradley Memorial, 11 .....6

Lowell, Ebenezer, 7:30 .....6

Cramerton, 7:30 .....7

King's Mountain, Central, 11 .....13

Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11 .....20

GREENSBORO OISTRCT

L. B. Hayes, O.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Reidsville Ct., 11 Sat. ....14

St. Paul, 11 .....15

Oak Ridge, 8 .....15

Centenary, 8 .....18

Cullford Ct., Sat. ....21

Proximity, 11 .....22

Midway, 3 .....22

Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30 .....22

Jamestown-Oakdale, 7:30 .....25

Flat Rock, Sat. ....28

West End, 11 .....29

Madison, 3 .....29

Leaksville, 7:30 .....29

Bessemer, 7:30 .....30

October

Calvary, 7:30 .....2

Brown Summit, 11 .....6

College Place, 7:30 .....6

Clenwood, 7:30 .....9

Haw River, Sat. ....12

Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11 .....13

Rebel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 .....13

Gibsonville, 7:30 .....13

Draper, 7:30 .....16

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

(Subject to necessary changes)

September

Denton, Central, Denton, 7:30 .....12

Denton First, Cld, 11 .....15

Linwood, Linwood, 3 .....15

Vard Street, 7:30 .....18

Highland, 10:30 .....21

Liberty, Ct., Randolph, 11 .....22

South Davidson, 2:30 .....22

Ramseur-Brinkville, Ramseur, 7:30 .....22

Asheboro First, 7:30 .....25

Why Not, Flag Springs( all day) .....28

Richland, Browsers, (all day) .....29

Asheboro Central, 7:30 .....29

Archdale, 7:30 .....30

October

Lebanon, 7:30 .....1

First Church, High Point, 7:30 .....2

Welch Memorial, 7:30 .....3

Seagroove-Love Joy, Seagroove (all day) .....5

Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethany, 11 .....6

Farmer, Farmer, 2:30 .....6

Asheboro Ct., West Chapel, 7:30 .....6

Wesley Memorial, 7:30 .....9

Calvary, 7:30 .....9

Shiloh, Friendship (all day) .....12

Main Street, 7:30 .....13

Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, 2:45 .....13

Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 .....13

Oak View, 7:30 .....14

Randleman Ct., Mt Lebanon, 7:30 .....15

Randleman-Union, St. Paul, 7:30 .....16

Main Street, 7:30 .....17

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Rutherfordton, 11 .....15

Marion Ct., 3 .....15

Old Fort, 7:30 .....15

Linville Falls, 11 .....22

Avery Ct., 3 .....22

Spruce Pine, 7:30 .....22

Bald Creek, 11 .....29

Micaville, Tipton Hill, 3 .....29

Burnsville, 7:30 .....29

October

Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 .....6

Shady Grove, 3 .....6

Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30 .....6

Elk Park, 11 .....13

Bakersville, 3 .....13

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Marion, First, 7:30 .....13

Cliffside, 11 .....20

Forest City, 7:30 .....20

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, O.S., Salisbury, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Kerr Street, 11 .....15

Bethpage, Shiloh, 3 .....15

Midway, 7:30 .....15

Friendship, 7:30 .....18

Westford, 11 .....22

Rocky Ridge, 3 .....22

Roberta, 7:30 .....22

Harmony, 7:30 .....25

Trinity, 11 .....29

East Spencer-Yadkin, 7:30 .....29

October

Tabernacle, 11 .....6

Albemarle Ct., Stony Point, 3 .....6

Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 .....6

Stanfield Ct., Love's Grove, 7:30 .....7

Mt. Mitchell, 7:30 .....9

Badin, 11 .....13

Mt. Pleasant, Friendship, 3 .....13

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., O.S., Statesville, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Catawba, Concord, 3 .....15

Stony Point, Stony Point, night .....15

Davidson, Fairview, 10 and 3 .....22

Mooresville, Central, 11 .....22

Mooresville, Broad St., night .....22

Newton, First Church, 11 .....29

Balls Creek, St. Paul, 3 .....29

Troutman, Troutman, night .....29

October

Statesville, Broad Street, 11 .....6

Grace-Rhodiss, Grace, 3 .....6

Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night .....6

Hickory, Bethel, 11 .....13

Hudson, Colliers, 3 .....13

Hickory, Westview, night .....13

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Louisa, Louisa, 9:45 .....15

Franklin Ct., 11 .....15

Macon Ct., 3 .....15

Franklin, 8 .....15

Cullowhee, 8 .....18

Highlands, Cashiers, 11 .....22

Webster, Webster, 3 .....22

Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11 .....29

Shooting Creek, Myers, 3 .....29

Canton, First Church, 8 .....29

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, O.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Winston-Salem, Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 .....12

Winston-Salem, Oak Summit, 7:30 .....13

Walkertown, Love's, 11 .....15

Kernersville, Shady Grove, 3 .....15

Welcome, Midway, 7:30 .....15

Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30 .....17

Winston-Salem, Green St., 7:30 .....18

Winston-Salem, Liberty St., 7:30 .....19

Doub's, at Parschnage, 7:30 .....20

Lexington, First, 11 .....22

Davidson, Centenary, 3 .....22

Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain, 7:30 .....22

Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Morris Chapel, 7:30 .....24

Hanes, Hanes, 7:30 .....25

Kernersville-South Winston, 7:30 .....26

Winston-Salem Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 7:30 .....27

Mt. Airy Ct., Oak Grove, 11 .....29

Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, Shoals, 3 .....29

Walnut Cove, St. Mark, 7:30 .....29

October

Mt. Airy, Rockford St., 7:30 .....3

Lexington, Trinity, 7:30 .....4

Hiatt-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 .....6

West Forsyth, Harmony Grove, 3 .....6

Forsyth, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 .....6

Thomasville, Community, 7:30 .....8

Winston-Salem, Centenary, 7:30 .....9

Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 .....10

Thomasville, First, 7:30 .....11

Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 11 .....13

Forsyth-Maple Springs, Maple Springs, 3 .....13

Lewisville, Union, 7:30 .....13

Winston-Salem, Central Terrace, 7:30 .....14

Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 .....15

Mt. Airy, Central, 7:30 .....16

Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30 .....17

Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 7:30 .....18

Fourth Check-up Meeting, Centenary, Church, Winston-Salem, 3 .....20

IN MEMORIAM

COX—Robert Martin Cox was born in Forsyth county July 9, 1875, and died in a Winston-Salem hospital August 23, 1940. Mr. Cox had been in failing health for more than a year, but his death came as a distinct shock to his family and friends.

Mr. Cox was one of Forsyth county's best known citizens, having served nine terms as a member of the state legislature and at the time of his death was a member of the Kiwanis Club, vice president of the Dairy Council, a trustee of High Point College, a member of the board of Winston-Salem Teachers College and of the county welfare board.

He had been a life long member of the Hickory Ridge Methodist church (formerly M. P.) At the time of his death he was a member of the official board of the church and teacher of the men's Bible class. He was a liberal contributor to the church budget and was always present at the church services unless providentially hindered. In addition to being a faithful and efficient worker in the local church he had served as delegate to the annual conference and general conference a number of times, and also had served as a member of the annual conference stationing committee.

He is survived by his widow, who before her marriage was Miss Lillian Miller of Rural Hall; two children, Robert M. Cox, Jr., and Miss Eleanor Sue Cox, and two sisters, Misses Lulu and Daisy Cox.

Funeral services were conducted from his home by his pastor, Rev. R. A. Hunter, assisted by Rev. R. C. Stubbins, a former pastor, and interment was in the family graveyard, near the home on the Winston-Salem-German-ton road. R. A. Hunter.

HUCKS—Mrs. Margaret L. Hucks, a revered member of Trinity Methodist church, departed this life on the evening of June 24, 1940. Mrs. Hucks was entering into her 84th year and retained her interest in the finer things of life almost until the last. She is survived by the following children: Mrs. R. A. Puckett, Miss Rosa Hucks, and W. O., A. C., L. M., C. L., and B. C. Hucks. All the children being members of Trinity. Her funeral was conducted at Trinity church at 11 o'clock on the 26th of June by her pastor and several neighbor ministers. Her gentle spirit and sympathy will be missed in her home and in the church which she loved. J. E. Yountz.

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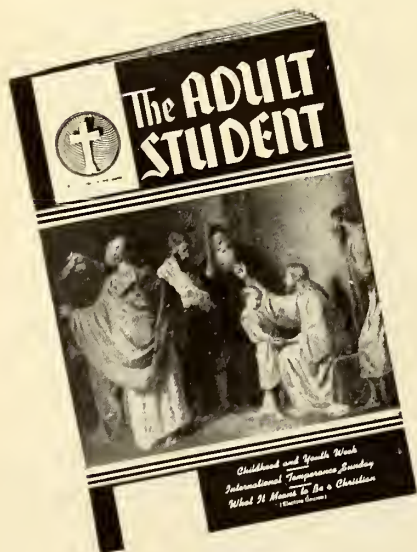
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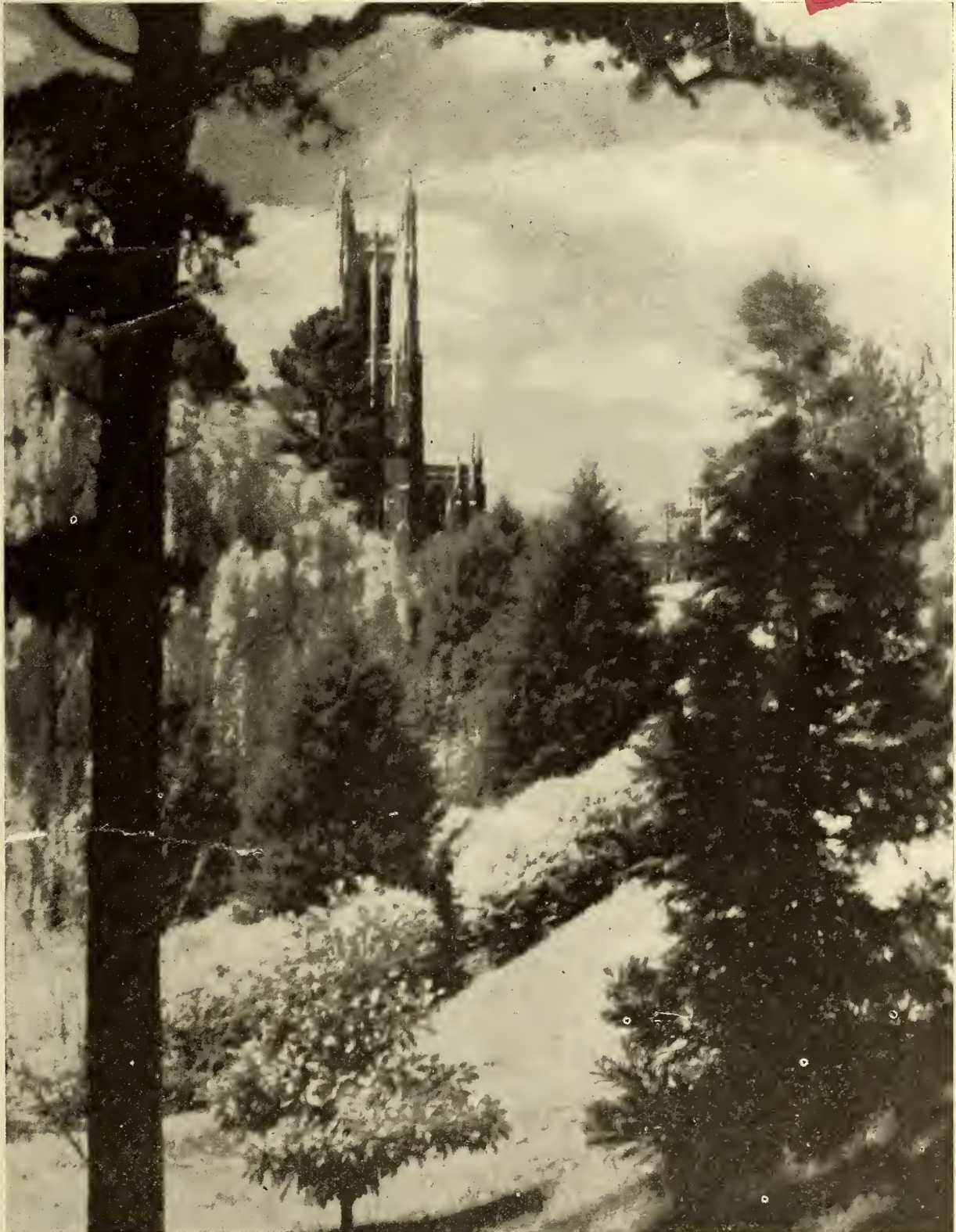
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# United Help Needed For the Advocate At Once

Why not for the next two weeks paramount the Advocate in every church? Our financial year closes September 30. Quick action by all will enable us to close the year satisfactorily.

With the many adjustments necessary this present year the church paper has been somewhat neglected. Of the 634 pastors in both conferences 274 haven't sent in a single new subscriber; 60 others have reported only one new subscriber each.

## This Present Situation Demands Attention Immediately

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Our earnest desire so often expressed that every pastor's name should appear in our campaign report is not simply to honor the man but rather because success comes only with each man doing his best. The pastor of the big church in the city, the fruitful fields in the country and of the obscure mission points are all brothers in this common task to forward all the work of our world-wide Methodism as well as to inform our people of the undertakings at home.

## Team Work by the Leaders Will Get Marvelous Results

Are we ready and willing to give ourselves to a glorious closing all along the line this present year? If so, make September a triumphant month for the North Carolina Christian Advocate.



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The next two Sundays mark the climax of the Advocate campaign. Why not lend a hand in the conquest? Why not every pastor lead on? And the laymen aid, too.

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Winston Churchill, prime minister of Great Britain, is destined to have a place in English history along with Admiral Nelson and the Duke of Wellington. His commanding voice with his simple eloquence and calm assurance never fails to thrill liberty loving people everywhere. He has by his addresses put into all English hearts a determination to save themselves from the slavery that threatens them no matter what the cost. But he has done more than talk. He has been a great leader in an hour of crisis.

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The churches of America are raising funds to aid their brethren in Britain. Last week the Baptists reported a fine contribution for the relief of English Baptists. This week we have the following announcement for the Methodists: "American Methodists have cabled \$5000 of church relief funds for use by English Methodists 'in the relief of human suffering' among stricken brethren. The gift was sent by Bishop Herbert Welch of 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, as chairman of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, representing the entire denomination, to Principal Henry Bett of Handsworth College, Birmingham, as president of the British Methodist Conference.

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The President of the United States, six of his cabinet and nearly 100 members of the House of Representatives attended the funeral of William Bankhead, Speaker of the House, in Jasper, Alabama, where he was laid to rest by the graves of his parents. An element of tragedy entered into the last days of this eminent Alabaman. At the national Democratic convention in Chicago he was one of the chief speakers and by common consent his was the

outstanding address of that great occasion. Later in the convention he was among the leaders considered for vice president, but the influence of the administration probably prevented his nomination, which must have been a sore disappointment to this sincere, sensitive spirit. It has been said frequently that Woodrow Wilson was a casualty of the World War. With equal accuracy it may be said that Speaker Bankhead was a casualty of the Chicago convention. Ingratitude broke his mighty heart.

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Apart from the interesting themes discussed and acted upon by the Council of Churches on Tuesday of this week at Thomasville by representatives of eleven denominations were the fine fellowship enjoyed and the spirit of union manifest. The luncheon at noon sponsored by the Ministerial Association of the community added much to the pleasure and success of the day. The address by Mr. R. L. Pope, an outstanding layman of the state, on "Churches Co-operating for a Better Tomorrow" was one of the best. As he presented in a concise and effective manner the problems we all must face everyone appreciated anew the united efforts looking to this end.

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Dr. Glenn Frank, killed in an automobile accident last Monday morning in Wisconsin, was a man of rare intellectual gifts and possessed a mental range that enabled him to excel wherever he turned his attention. Whether editor of the Century Magazine, lecturer in the United States and Canada, president of the University of Wisconsin, or a writer of books, his superior intellectual gifts never failed to be manifest. Whenever one got a taste of his writings he seldom let pass an opportunity to read the products of his pen. He was a star of the first magnitude and his tragic taking off leaves a great vacancy. While at his best as writer and orator his superior gifts were never limited to these spheres of human endeavor.



## Our Methodist Leadership

**W**ITHOUT in the least reflection on any other section of our Methodism we do insist that the Methodists of North Carolina, if they are willing to pay the price, can take the lead along many lines of endeavor. The vast resources of the 350,000 Methodists of the state, with the many colleges and other institutions which are ours, call for a new and more serious advance in the hundreds of little country churches, fine village churches and the potential town and city churches. We have not even begun to do our best. Too many continue to live at a poor dying rate, satisfied to hold their own. The last man of us should determine to do better from this time forth.

A united effort to make a grand closing of the work of the present year should enlist afresh every one of us. It would mean much in every church and community this year. But best of all, it will make possible a more victorious future. For every work well done is always a fine preparation for a bigger and a better work. Surely North Carolina Methodism will not be content to keep the easy rounds of routine followed by so many through the years. Alert and energetic leaders must be put in places of responsibility to point the way as they lead on "with the cross going on before." Men wanting in the daring and heroic qualities that welcome trials and suffering all along the hard and exacting ways of life should not expect to hold a place of leadership as district superintendents and pastors, or other leaders. Remember, the laymen are never going ahead of their leaders. Only on men of this spirit can we rely in such an hour as this. Men of this quality can certainly lead North Carolina Methodism to the glorious heights of its possibilities these coming decades—no others can.

In the work of and for the country church, we would become notable in American Methodism were we to make the most of our resources by paying the price of success. Preachers who are looking for easy places or are eager for finished jobs so that they "may have time to study" will be a hurt and hindrance in any and all such undertakings. The same is true of men who are eager for big salaries and prominent places. Men who will count in the rural field must be willing to walk with Him who "went about doing good."

That spirit which wins in the country church will count in every field in which the kingdom is made to come. Much of our church

work in the well established churches is a sort of housekeeping job dealing with routine. They live by gathering in the good men and women who have walked in from town and country churches to make their home in the city. Only by conquests all along the line can we hope to make the needed conquests that should come to our North Carolina Methodism. For this we plead.

## Longfellow Made Him a National Hero

**P**AUL REVERE is enthroned in early American history because Longfellow told of his midnight ride in a way that appeals to the imagination of youth and age in every generation. But he told nothing about Paul Revere except of his midnight gallop across the New England countryside. And few people have asked much else about this silversmith of Boston. But at this late date we are to have a statue of Paul Revere in Boston.

Listen to the Christian Leader as it gives us the following interesting and instructive story:

"On September 22 the Cyrus Dallin equestrian statue, designed fifty-five years ago, will be unveiled on the Paul Revere Mall in the North End of Boston. Both a famous sculptor and a famous patriot will be commemorated by the statue.

"To most people Paul Revere is the man described in Longfellow's poem. This memorial will make people realize that he had a useful and distinguished career apart from the midnight ride. He was a veteran of the French and Indian War, a well known gold and silversmith and engraver of copper plates, a leader in the Boston Tea Party, a man who rendered various important services during the American Revolution, and a prominent manufacturer after the war. The church is proud that boasts a Paul Revere bell today. Born in 1735, he lived until May 10, 1818. His boldness, initiative, resourcefulness, public spirit, are typical of the patriot at his best."

## Fun Has Not Departed from England

**F**RESH from London comes the following story: "The teacher who told me the tale found that he had to speak one Sunday afternoon about gratitude, and thought he would introduce into his lesson a few words about the duty of beginning meals with grace. Wonder-



ing how to approach the matter, he suddenly remembered that the father of one of his boys was an official of the church, and turning to him, he said: 'Willie, what is the first thing your father says when he sits down to a meal?' 'Please, sir,' said Willie, 'he says, 'Now, kids, go easy with the butter. Remember it's rationed'!'"

### One Task Remains for the Church

NATIONAL defense is the paramount issue before the American people. Material resources and military equipment are counted essential to meet force with force. But are these all? The contribution of the church—the one institution with a spiritual message—in this hour is certainly most essential. This peace time draft with its millions of boys liable for military service will do much to exalt military might above the place of the spirit and of spiritual forces which have ever been to the front in making America.

New and extra heavy demands are to come upon the church of Jesus Christ in these hectic years ahead of us. The meek and quiet spirit is never the product of camp and field. Peace and good will of which the angels sang comes not with the roar of cannon and mechanized warfare. Only to the church of God and the ministers of the Prince of Peace can we look for the ultimate conquest of the world. So the task of the pulpit becomes more and more manifest.

Regimented life in the totalitarian order in which force is pre-eminent has no permanent future. All such must ultimately go to smash. The buried empires have one and the same stories to tell. They that take the sword ultimately perish with the sword. The church of God outlasts them all. Evidently the chief task of the church remains the same in this day when we are girding ourselves to save America. The church is the light and the salt of the world.

The ministers of religion should with utmost care and finest devotion keep their heads and remain true to their Lord Christ. Never before in the vast extent between these two oceans which we expect to make so secure should the pulpits of the land fail from week to week to give forth a spiritual and victorious message. If the church fails now our destiny is certain to be that of those who rely upon force and military might. The spirit of peace and good will must remain first with the church. Keep the heart of America sound.

### The New Testament

DR. EDGAR J. GOODSPEED, who is now chairman emeritus of the New Testament department of the Divinity School of the University of Chicago and was for many years the honored head of that department, during those years completed a monumental task in "Goodspeed's Translation of the New Testament." It is one of the best of the many translations of these New Testament Scriptures.

Recently Dr. Goodspeed has written as follows:

"When I rose some years ago from the task of translating the New Testament, after a close and continuous living with it such as perhaps falls to the lot of few men, it was with two deep impressions: one its emotional intensity, the other its moral elevation. The New Testament is a great voice uplifted in our generation for the things of the spirit and the life of goodness and love. Does it not need that voice? Was it ever needed more?"

To us this is an impressive tribute from a man who for years lived continuously with the New Testament as a critical scholar. What more could one desire of it than "emotional intensity" and "moral elevation"? Timely, indeed, is Dr. Goodspeed's insistence that we give heed to the uplifted voice of the New Testament.

### Colleges of North Carolina Full and Overflowing

REPORTS at the opening of the colleges in the Tar Heel state indicate that there is no lack of students in any of these colleges. The Woman's College at Greensboro has more than 2300 students, a capacity record for the 15 residence halls. There are 800 freshmen. Greensboro College is taxed to its capacity with others still seeking admission.

As with these Greensboro colleges for women, so it is with all the colleges of the state. If anyone thinks that North Carolina has too many colleges he should inform himself as to actual needs. This is a gratifying state of affairs. But let us not be deceived by numbers. Quality of work done is far more important than the large number of students.

Along with this big increase of college students we are fully persuaded that better work than ever is being done. With this, however, we must not be content. Along with better equipment should go finer work on the part of all.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference, Fifth Ave., Wilmington, 10 a. m. . . . Nov. 7**

Rev. and Mrs. Harold Groce announce the birth of a daughter, Susan Hunt, September 11, 1940.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert W. Bradshaw announce the birth of a son, Michael James, at Duke Hospital, on Saturday, September 14.

The ministers' wives of the Elizabeth City district will lunch together during the check-up meeting in Hertford on September 27. All wives are urged to be present.—Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

Archdale Methodist church will observe home coming day the first Sunday in October. All former pastors, members and friends are invited to be with us that day. Dinner will be served on the grounds.—O. B. Mitchell, Pastor.

Our work is coming along very nicely. We are rebuilding two churches on the charge. The Jacksonville church and also the Richlands church are being brick veneered and rebuilt. We hope to have both churches completed by Christmas.—Ivey T. Poole.

Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes on September 6 appeared before the sub-committee of the Senate judiciary committee authorized to conduct hearings on a Presidential third term. The bishop was summoned by Senator Burke of Nebraska, chairman of the committee.

Dr. Forney Hutchinson, who resigned from the pastorate of Boston Avenue church, Tulsa, Okla., a year ago, that he might recuperate after an operation for eye cataracts, has the promise of complete restoration of his vision. He has been spending his Sabatical year at Mt. Sequoyah, Ark.

Rev. Walter B. West, pastor of First church, left Tuesday for New York City to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the board of missions and church extension of the Methodist Church. He was accompanied by Mrs. West and Miss Catherine and the family will return home the first of next week.

Bishop Jashwant R. Chitambar of the Southern Asia Central conference, residing at Jubbulpore, India, died on September 4 after a brief illness. He was 61 years of age. He was elected bishop on December 31, 1930. For 25 years, preceding his election, he was distinguished for his leadership in India Methodism especially in education.

The Grove Hill Methodist church of the Creedmoor charge will celebrate its one hundredth anniversary and home coming day on Sunday, September 29, the services beginning at 10:30 a. m. Rev. J. H. Shore will preach the morning sermon. The afternoon services will consist of special music and remarks by former pastors. All former members and all friends of the church are urged to join us in the celebration of this joyous occasion. Everyone is asked to bring a picnic lunch.

Bishop Clare Purcell will preach at the Williamston Methodist church Sunday night, September 22. We are looking forward to a great service. We have just closed an excellent revival meeting at Holly Springs church, two miles from Williamston. Received 24 into the church—22 by baptism and two by transfer. One additional achievement: The new Methodist parsonage at Williamston has been completed and the pastor and his family are now living in it. It is a modern seven-room house conveniently built and well furnished. It stands on the lot between the old parsonage and the church, and is an ideal home for the preacher and his family. Williamston Methodism is to be congratulated on this splendid achievement.

Among the outstanding architectural features of North Carolina Baptist churches is the baptistry of the First church of Boone. The background scene, painted four years ago by Miss Gracia Halsted, Oklahoma City artist, depicts in life-like pastels the tranquil Jordan valley, with Tabor and Hermon in the distance. The picture is accurate in every detail, declares Pastor J. C. Canipe, who has seen the Jordan first hand.—Biblical Recorder.

**On the fifth Sunday of this month, September 29, Bishop Purcell will dedicate two churches on the Biscoe charge. The dedication at Star will be at 11 o'clock. Lunch will be served for all visitors in the high school gymnasium following the services. At 5 o'clock in the afternoon the church at Candor will be dedicated. All former pastors, former members, and anyone else who would like to be present are hereby invited.**

Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor-elect of The Christian Advocate, is carrying a heavy schedule of visitations to annual conferences. Not until the approach of the new year will he take any part in the preparation or provide material for the editions of the paper now published. They will continue under present editorial supervision until announcement is made by the Board of Publication in November probably concerning definite plans for 1941.

The Religious Digest quotes a Paris correspondent of the News Week, who reports that everybody in England, from which he has just returned, is reading the 11th chapter of Daniel beginning with the 23rd verse. Even people meeting in the cafes are asking, "Have you read Daniel 11?" The English people are hoping that it refers to Hitler, whom it strikingly describes. Look it up, remembering that Hitler is a bachelor, and has exchanged the Christian God for the old Norse deities.

Sandy Ridge, Kernersville-South Winston Charge.—The annual revival meeting for this church is starting Wednesday night of this week, with Rev. J. P. Pegg of Henderson as preacher. Brother Pegg is a native of Sandy Ridge community, being a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Pegg of Sandy Ridge church. The annual home coming day will be observed next Sunday. Brother Pegg will preach at 11 a. m. The afternoon program will be devoted to singing and an address by Victor Hammer of High Point. All present members, all former members, all former pastors and all friends of the church are invited. We are looking for a happy occasion.—C. B. Way, P. C.

The Lewis Memorial church in Chungking, China—the largest church in Methodism in all West China—was totally destroyed by incendiary bombs late in August, according to information just received by the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York. The informant is Dr. F. Olin Stockwell, Methodist missionary in charge of the activities of the denomination in Chungking. This news amplifies earlier cabled word. "We had another of our daily air alarms about 12 o'clock yesterday," writes Dr. Stockwell in describing the raid and destruction of the institution that was a memorial to the late Bishop Wilson S. Lewis. "After some wait at the dugout, we saw the planes come over. There were two bunches of them, one of 33, the other 27. The bombs fell far away. When we came out of the dugout, it looked as if the damage was small. Then we heard another bunch of planes coming, and dived for shelter. This time we came out a half hour later to find a number of fires started, the fires quite far apart, but rapidly growing. Chungking has had no rain for weeks, the water is low, and with the aid of a wind, the dry buildings burnt very rapidly. Block after block of the business district disappeared in flames."



Rev. J. L. Pittard closed a good meeting at Moriah church, four miles southeast of Greensboro, September 4. Rev. Odell Brown of Waynesville did the preaching. Eleven persons joined the church on profession; others joined some other churches. The church was much edified.

Monday, September 16, Mrs. Ella Causey Reynolds was fatally injured on the Tabernacle road, near her home. She died in a Greensboro hospital that evening. She was the wife of W. C. Reynolds and was 63 years old. She was the mother of nine children. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and six daughters. One of the later is Mrs. John Field of Monroe, Mo. Also an aged aunt, Miss Belle Causey. Mrs. Reynolds had been a faithful member of Tabernacle church, where the funeral was held last Wednesday, conducted by her pastor, Rev. Mr. Loy, and Rev. Mr. Lamb, a former pastor.

Dr. C. N. Clark presided at our fourth quarterly conference last night. All items of our church budget are paid in full for the conference year except the pastor's salary, and that is paid in full to date. We have received 166 new members this year—139 on profession of faith and 27 by certificate. Mrs. C. N. Clark helped organize the women of our church into the Woman's Society of Christian Service yesterday afternoon. It was one of the most inspiring and impressive services I have ever witnessed. A fine spirit of harmony prevails at Midway and God is blessing our work.—W. C. Dutton, Pastor.

The Board of Lay Activities of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which has been headquartered in the Methodist Publishing House since its organization in 1922, will move to its new location at 740 Rush Street, Chicago, about the first of October. In addition to Dr. G. L. Morelock, the executive head of the new board, there will go from Nashville to hold positions on the staff Misses Kate Neblett and Mae Conatser. Exodus from Board of Missions headquarters in the Doctors' Building will not begin until the latter part of December, at which time Nashvillians who have composed the officary and staff of the former board of missions will move to New York City, headquarters of the new Board of Missions and Church Extension. In New York, 150 Fifth Avenue and other sites are under consideration as headquarters.

Randolph-Gray's Chapel Charge.—Successful revivals have been held at Shiloh and Bethel recently, resulting in 22 additions to the church, making 43 new members this year. Rev. E. A. Bingham did the preaching at Shiloh after Sunday and Rev. J. R. Edwards at Bethel. These men of God delivered stirring gospel messages. A singing school for the charge was conducted at Gray's Chapel some weeks ago by Miss Irene Clay. Attendance at the school was gratifying. Bethany church has just recently put a beautiful metal fence around the cemetery. All through the year the members have been remembering the pastor and wife with gifts. Mr. Murphy Brown has our thanks for a cash donation of \$10 and Mr. Roy Davis for a \$5 bill. Last year this charge paid all claims in full. We are hoping to do this again.—H. L. Isley, Pastor.

Home coming was held in Bessemer City Sunday, September 8, at the former Southern Methodist church, and approximately 400 people were in attendance. Dan H. Kincaid was chairman of the program committee, and put the affair over in an impressive manner. Rev. C. B. Newton conducted the 11 o'clock service, and there was special music by the choir, with duet numbers by Mrs. Rush Spencer and Lee Spencer of Gastonia. Dinner was served on the church grounds at the noon hour. The afternoon service, beginning at 1:45 o'clock, was conducted by S. J. Durham, who held a short memorial service for deceased members of the church. Rev. Albert Wellons offered a prayer for peace. This was followed by an interesting talk by A. J. Kirby, conference lay leader of the Methodist Church, and Rev. Harold Robinson said the benediction. Visitors came to the home coming service from Kannapolis, Winston-Salem, Gastonia, Lincolnton, Statesville, King's Mountain, Mooresville, Lowell, Ranlo and many other places.

Shiloh Charge, C. E. Ridge, Pastor.—Our people continue to press forward and it seems they are running according to conference program. The year, as we realize, is rapidly coming to a close and we hope a successful one. The fourth quarterly conference will be held at Friendship church in all day session, as requested by the district superintendent, on Saturday, October 12. Preaching in morning and conference in the afternoon. The church nomination committee met and have names of all church officers to be presented for election at the next appointment. This month, at the suggestion of the pastor, is being observed as tithing month and the remainder of the tithes will also be taken at the next appointment. The charter meeting of our woman's work was held at the church on Sunday night, September 8, and our Woman's Society of Christian Service was organized with 25 members enrolled, but as many as 12 or 15 are sure for enrollment before October 1. We think our women are going to come right in to the call and all work together and learn together so we may be able to carry on its program successfully. Mrs. Wiley Shore is the newly elected president and we hope that our women will have a desire to give a whole-hearted support to the officers of this organization.—Mrs. Homer Sink.

Rev. Charles D. White is pastor of Oak Summit Methodist church. This is his second year there. This church stands right "by the side of the road" inviting all who pass it to come in and worship. During the revival meeting this year Rev. Lee R. Spencer brought the message each evening; the church was filled practically every service. Mr. White had charge of the music, leading the congregation in the great old hymns of the church. Chorus selections were used and greatly enjoyed by all. Mr. Spencer presented the glorious gospel in such a way that it could not be rejected. The leaders of the church, stewards, church school teachers, officers of the woman's society of Christian service who felt that they wanted to get closer to Christ came to the altar; men, women and children who had never known Christ found him precious to their souls. Each evening before the service started some of the Christians led by our pastor went to the "prayer room." There we felt the very presence of God as his Spirit fell on us. We saw many of our prayers answered. Another feature of these services was Bible reading. Each evening the number of Bible chapters read were counted and at the end of ten days over 6000 chapters had been read. It was inspiring to see the young and old report their Bible chapters. On Sunday we had our home coming and Rev. O. L. Brown, a former pastor, was present for the evening service. Many have been taken into the church by profession of faith and by letter. As Mr. Spencer goes back to Albemarle our benediction on him and Mr. White, and may the Lord bless them and keep them in his service.—Reporter.

#### YOUTH CRUSADE OBSERVANCE AT KINSTON

Beginning Monday evening, August 19, and continuing through the evening of the 27th, the young people and intermediates of Queen Street church, Kinston, held a most successful and inspirational Youth Crusade observance under the direction of Miss Mary Cooper Hooper.

A program of study, worship, recreation and consecration was presented with most satisfactory results.

The program on Monday evening was begun with a wiener roast, after which the young people led a worship service, followed by the study period. Mrs. S. T. Woodson, who taught "Choosing Our Heroes," was a most interesting teacher. Typewritten programs and advanced assignments created interest among the group.

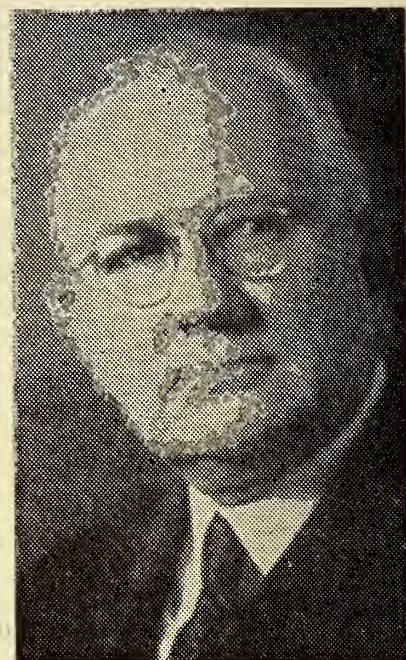
For our recreation each evening we enjoyed folk games and other recreational games in the church basement.

The Tuesday evening schedule was similar to that of Monday except that we had a picnic supper. Wednesday evening's program began with a banquet in the basement of the church.

The high light of the three days' observance came after the banquet and study period, when the young people marched over into the church auditorium for a worship service, after which Rev. C. E. Hix, pastor at LaGrange, gave an excellent talk on the Lord's Supper. This was followed by a most impressive observance of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, which closed the three-day program.

Mrs. N. S. Richardson.





BISHOP CLARE PURCELL

## Basnight Memorial Methodist Church, Ahoskie, to be Dedicated by Bishop Purcell Sunday, Sept. 22

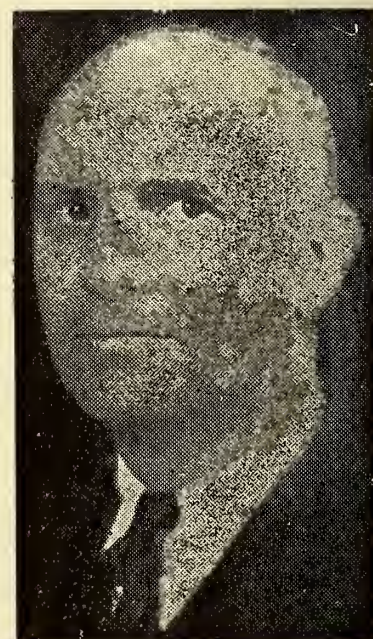
The first Methodist church to be in Ahoskie was organized during 1901, with 19 charter members. Services were held in a small school building until 1904 when they built their first church building. This was a small one-room frame structure. It served the Methodists of Ahoskie until the present brick building was erected in 1926 and 1927. When this building was completed at a total cost of approximately \$40,000 there was an indebtedness of \$15,000. Due to the accumulation of unpaid interest and street paving assessments by the beginning of the present conference year the debt had grown to something more than \$25,000. Early this year arrangements were made for the complete retirement of the debt, and this was done. Since the payment of the debt a new roof has been put on the church and extensive repairs and improvements have been made, all of which cost a little more than \$1,000. This has also been paid. The church is now in excellent repair, with one of the most beautiful auditoriums in our conference, and is entirely free from debt.

Sunday morning, September 8, Basnight Memorial Methodist church in Ahoskie was the scene of a joyous service. A large congregation was present and witnessed the burning of the old mortgages and papers which have been held against this church for so long.

By the 22nd of September, the day for the dedication of our church, there will have been placed in the church a beautiful new Hammond Electric Organ. This organ is a gift to the church by Mrs. W. H. Basnight and her small son, Ralph, in memory of Walter Howard Basnight, Jr., her older son, who died on December 23 last year. Howard, Jr., was a great lover of music and was talented in that field, so the lovely organ will be a most appropriate memorial to him. The church feels deeply its indebtedness to Mrs. Basnight and Ralph for this gracious gift.

The congregation of the Ahoskie Methodist church has voted unanimously to change the name to the Basnight Memorial Methodist church. It was largely through the interest and liberality of the Basnight family that the church was built and paid for, so the people of our church heartily endorse the plan to name the church in their honor.

The Methodist people of Ahoskie are not just idly rejoicing in the payment of their church debt. Of course they are most happy in that accomplishment. But they are beginning to dream and talk of greater things in the future. A new outlook that is bright with promise for the future is theirs. Having rid themselves of the discouraging burden of debt they are ready to respond to the challenge of the future.

REV. L. V. HARRIS  
PastorN. S. GARRETT  
Chairman of the Board



### SPAINHOUR-HARDEE

Historic First Presbyterian church was the scene of a beautiful wedding at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon, September 14, when Miss Frances Spainhour was given in marriage to Rev. Robert Marion Hardee of Greensboro. Rev. E. C. Gregory, the pastor, officiated, assisted by Rev. L. B. Hayes of Greensboro, district superintendent of the Methodist church in Greensboro district, where the bridegroom holds his charge, Glenwood Methodist church.

After the ceremony the bride's mother, Mrs. Ralph Harrington Spainhour, entertained the wedding party and out-of-town guests at supper at Mimosa farm. After their bridal trip Mr. and Mrs. Hardee will be at home in Greensboro.

The bride, given in marriage by her brother, William Spainhour, was attended by her sister, Miss Ruby Spainhour, maid of honor, and another sister, Miss Ruby Spainhour, and Miss Elizabeth Avery, bridesmaids. She wore a white lace gown with tulle skirt which had a long curving train. Her fingertip veil of illusion draped from a coronet of pearls. She wore long lace mitts and carried a white Bible topped with orchids and showered with valley lilies. At her throat was a necklace which belonged to her grandmother. The attendants were in taffeta, the maid of honor in pink, the bridesmaids in blue and all carried mixed fall flowers.

Mr. Hardee's best man was his brother, F. Stanton Hardee. The ushers were Richard E. Spainhour of Lenoir, Maj. David L. Hardee of Oak Ridge, William Hardee of Raleigh, and Joe M. Spainhour of Morganton. Miss Mary Spainhour, sister of the bride, was soloist, and Miss Goldi Shiflet was at the organ.

The bride, daughter of Mrs. Spainhour and the late Ralph Harrington Spainhour, is a graduate of East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, and for several years has been on the faculty of the Winston-Salem schools. Mr. Hardee, son of Mrs. Parrott Rastus Hardee of Durham, and the late Dr. Hardee, is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and of the school of religion, Duke University.

### ORIENTATION WEEK AT GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president, formally welcomed the students at Greensboro College Thursday, September 12, at noon when the initial chapel program of the 103rd year of the institution was presented in Odell auditorium. The theme of Dr. Gobbel's speech was "Be True." He stressed the importance of being true to home, college, self and to God. The enrollment at the college this year stands at a record peak with all available space being filled.

An orientation program for the freshmen and transfer students including lectures and routine study of campus life has continued throughout the week, and was brought to a close on Tuesday evening at 6:30 when Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, dean of students, addressed the group on "Citizenship on the College Campus."

On Wednesday evening, September 11, the faculty entertained with a reception for the new and old students in the lobby of Main building.

Concluding five days of excitement and fun for the new girls and old alike "rush week" of the two societies, Emerson and Irving, came to a close on Saturday night when the new girls decide which society they would join. The Irvings were victorious by a margin of 89 to 45.

### MRS. COLLINS DENNY

Mrs. Collins Denny, wife of Bishop Denny, died Saturday night, August 31, at her home on Park avenue in Richmond, Va. She had been ill only since the Wednesday preceding. Mrs. Denny, the former Lucy Chase Chapman, was the daughter of Allan A. Chapman of Baltimore, and was born April 29, 1857. She and Bishop Denny were married July 5, 1881, and had been living in Richmond since 1911. She was active in the work of Monumental Methodist church and was teacher of the ladies' Bible class there.

Besides her husband, she is survived by five children, Mrs. John W. Dixon of Portsmouth, Mrs. Eugene E. Vann

of Leonia, N. J., Mrs. Roscoe M. White of Petersburg; Mrs. Preston W. Slosson of Ann Arbor, Mich., and Collins Denny, Jr., of Richmond.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon from the home by Bishop W. W. Peele and Dr. J. N. Latham, with interment in Riverside cemetery.—Virginia Methodist, September 5.

### GOOD GLAD DAY AT AHOSKIE

Sunday morning, September 8, Basnight Memorial Methodist church in Ahoskie was the scene of a joyous service. A large congregation was present and witnessed the burning of the old mortgages and papers which have been held against this church for so long. Another interesting feature on the program here that Sunday was the presentation to the church by the young woman's Sunday school class of one hundred copies of the American Hymnal. We are being equipped to sing our joy in Ahoskie. The last feature on that program was the calling of the church roll. A large number of the members answered to their names. It was an interesting and inspiring service.

### MISSIONARY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

"Service programs and other material sent to pastors of the Methodist Church for the observance of October 20, as Missionary Day, have been sent for the purpose of assisting the pastors to increase regular payments on conference and general benevolence (World Service)," says Dr. W. G. Cram, executive secretary, Division of Education and Cultivation. "The collection taken on October 20 should be sent by the church treasurer to the conference treasurer. It will be a credit to the local church on its giving for benevolences. This is not to be a special missionary offering sent over and above benevolences to the Board of Missions and Church Extension."

### NOTICE TO PASTORS

Several pastors have been delayed in securing Charter Organization Certificates from Nashville, due to the rush of orders at Literature Headquarters. In each case where the pastor has not been able to secure a sufficient number of certificates he is asked to write the name of church, number of charter members, and a list officers and send to the conference in Greenville by the president or her alternate.

Ministers are welcome at the organization conference and will be entertained if name and \$1.50 registration fee is sent immediately to Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern, N. C. All visitors can be entertained under the same provision.

The organization conference at East Carolina Teachers' College opens at 2 p. m. Monday, September 23, and closes with the luncheon Tuesday, September 24. Delegates and visitors must bring their bed linens and towels.

Only societies that are organized by September 23 can be counted as charter organizations. Only members that register by that date are counted charter members.

### STARNES-MANNING MARRIAGE

Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Starnes of Williamston announce the marriage of their daughter, Daisy Vashti, to Mr. Nicholas Reddick Manning of Williamston on Saturday, September 7, 11 o'clock, at the Methodist church. The bride's father, assisted by Rev. L. B. Jones of Washington, performed the ceremony. Miss Starnes graduated from the Raleigh high school and attended Greensboro College. Mr. Manning is a native of Martin county. He is engaged as a salesman with the Dixie Motor Co. of Williamston. The young couple left immediately following the ceremony for a trip through the mountains of Virginia and in Washington, D. C. They will be at home at 110 Church street, Williamston, after September 12.



# "The Kingdom of Heaven at Hand"

By OLIN ADER

Regeneration, the door to the kingdom. "Except a man be born again, he cannot enter the kingdom of God." Regeneration is a divine work, not done in a day, but it runs through all the plan of salvation. We have belittled it by looking at its instantaneous aspect, and overlooking its continuous aspect.

We are saved by grace. "The grace of God that bringeth salvation to all men hath appeared, teaching us . . ." The grace of God brings man to a new birth by a process of spiritual education that makes him a new man with a new mind, the mind of Christ. Education is a life process; regeneration is a life process, lasting as long as education lasts. The plan of salvation is a process of continuous regeneration, wherein man is made clean by the Word spoken by Christ to him (John 15:3). Let us follow it and see:

1. Every man that comes into the world is "born in a state of gracious ability." Holy Spirits broods over the new-born babe as he brooded over creation in the beginning. The babe is the biggest thing in creation.

Physical birth comes, not in a day, but after nine months of gestation. Spiritual birth comes, not in a day, but after many days of grace—often many years of gracious preparation. After years of most careful home training, years of prayer, church-going, and many good works after years of truth-seeking, heart-searching, and preaching, John Wesley at long last came to a satisfactory state of mind, sense of saving grace that set his soul aflame. Error in the mind defeats the work of the spirit of truth, till the error is rooted out. That is why Wesley waited and wandered in the wilderness so long. Only truth can set man free. But regeneration begins when truth and grace begin to teach the child—or man.

2. When man begins to sin the Holy Spirit convicts him; and this conviction is the birth pangs of a new life.

3. Repentance is man's first step in his own salvation, and is a vital part in his regeneration. In repentance man changes his mind about the "far country," harlots, hogs, hunger and homeless hell, and changes his mind about his father, and says, "I will arise and go to my father." His hard heart is changed to a tender heart of love for father.

4. Faith is man's second and final step into full salvation in Christ. In repentance the sinner turns loose of his sins; by faith he takes hold of Christ for salvation. He must do the one, repent, or he cannot do the other, lay hold of Christ by a saving faith. He cannot serve God and mammon.

How comes faith? "Faith cometh by hearing—the Word of God." "Hear, and your soul shall live." We are born again by the Word of God (1 Peter 1:23). "The seed is the Word of God" (Luke 8:11) with life in it to save the soul. "Receive with meekness the implanted Word, which is able to save your souls" (James 1:21).

The new birth takes place in the mind-heart of man. (Mind and heart are one in Bible psychology). Faith is a change from a wrong to a right attitude of mind toward God. This great change is spiritual regeneration wrought by the Holy Spirit of truth.

5. When the Father forgives sin, there is not only a full pardon of the past, but there is also a purging from all unrighteousness. The purging goes with pardoning grace; and there is the "washing of regeneration" that saves. "He saves us by the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit."

As repentance is continuous, and as pardoning grace is continuous, so regeneration is continuous, as long as man remains in the school of grace and truth, renewing his mind. "Be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind." "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word . . . of God." The Word of God gives new life: "My soul cleaveth unto dust; quicken thou me according to thy word." Christ is the living Word that gives life to every man who believes and receives him.

Growth in grace is a continuous regeneration; and man must grow in grace and in the knowledge of Christ, or he will be "cast into hell with all the nations that forget God."

The continuous work of regeneration may be discontinued in a saved man, and will be if he neglects the Word of God and changes from the spiritual mind to the carnal mind. "To be carnally minded is death."

The continuous work of regeneration leads into sanctification, the complete separation of man unto God.

"Finish, then, thy new creation;

Pure and spotless let it be . . ."

All the work of the Holy Spirit of truth in the mind-life of man is a process of continuous education, and so is a continuous regeneration. So long as sin continues in a believer, so long must he repent and return to the fountain for cleansing, for the "washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit."

Of course there is a crisis hour when the new-born child comes into the light of life; but just as surely there are months, even years of spiritual gestation, a season of gracious preparation and spiritual education, until at long last there breaks upon his soul the Light that came to Saul of Tarsus on the Damascus Road, and made him a new man.

Regeneration never goes deeper than one's repentance; nor continues longer. "If a man sin," he need not, but "if a man sin," a holy man, he may repent. If he refuses to repent, for any pretense, and profession of holiness, he is guilty of a two-fold sin. First, a sin of ignorance; and second, a sin of impenitence.

Impenitence, the sin against the Holy Ghost, can never be forgiven.

If we come to an unknown city or place and desire to find Christian fellow-believers, we do not seek them in worldly societies, theaters, or market places, but we know that we find them in congregations where the Word of God is preached. Not all members of a church may be true Christians, but all normal members of the true church are found in the assembly, where the Word of God is preached and the sacraments are administered.—C. E. Lindberg, D.D.



### THE CULLOWHEE FLOOD

On Friday, August 30, between 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning the Tuckasegee river beat its own high water record by seven feet. At 1 a. m. the water started rising and rose six feet in 50 minutes. There was not a bridge left between Glenville and Bryson City. It, however, did not destroy the Bryson City bridge. The big concrete bridge at Cullowhee was torn all to pieces. A temporary bridge is being built and will be opened to traffic by September 10.

A young college student walked up the river from Cullowhee into Canada township. He reported that he saw by actual count 50 "water spouts." (A "water spout" is a mountain cloud burst. The water drops like a bomb. The pressure of the water washes out the dirt and leaves a "bomb hole" in the earth). The "cloud bombing" lasted about 50 minutes or less. That accounts for the river rising six feet in 50 minutes. This body of water carried death and destruction in its path. Coming at this time of the early morning several people were awakened by the water entering their bed room. Several had to swim to safety. Women and children were taken from second floor windows. In some incidents they never left the home at all—they went down with it. At least four deaths are accounted for in this way. The crops in the bottom lands were ruined. Livestock were carried down stream. From the Wike bridge to the golf course, a distance of about five miles through Cullowhee, 25 homes were destroyed or damaged permanently by the water.

The Red Cross, federal and state governments are on the job. They are rebuilding roads, feeding the people, and giving medical aid. The Red Cross is doing an excellent piece of work. If it had not been for this organization the situation might have been unbearable. The gentle, sympathetic and appreciative attitude of the nurses has meant much to the spirit of the people.

One does not hear a complaining or discouraging word from any of those who lost all they had. The people have faith in these eternal hills and the God who reigns over them. They are determined to build again. One man said, "I love that old river. I'll just move back out of its way a little piece."

To those who hate my dog—I want to tell this story. Word came to me last Saturday afternoon of the peculiar behavior of an unidentified collie dog. I went to the scene. There a dog was standing watch over a pile of drift (timber and wood trash washed ashore by the river). When day light came Friday morning the dog was there. He refused to leave. Neighbors carried food to him. The dog acted as if he were looking for something within the drift. Saturday afternoon some men searched the drift and found nothing. They convinced the dog that nothing was there. He unwillingly went home with a strange master. His heart was broken. We have not found his master. We do not know why the dog was there. But some of us believe—

Remember! Hereafter don't you ever kick my dog!

Walter Lee Lanier.

### REV. L. M. HALL NOT TO BE CALLED AS CHAPLAIN

The pastor of this church has had a great number of the members and his friends of the city, to ask him if he would be called into military service under the authority recently voted the President of the United States to call out the National Guard and the reserve officers. In order that he might know how to answer this question, and in order that the officials of the church might know what to expect, a personal letter was written to Washington, D. C., addressed to the Chief of Chaplains. Thursday of this past week the pastor received a communication from the War Department in reply to this letter which stated the following: "The War Department is not now authorized to call out any reserve chaplains who hold a commission above that of captain, or any who are over the age of forty." Your pastor is over forty years of age, and for this he is truly thankful under this age limit, and he holds a commission above the grade

of captain. If the members of this church and the friends of the pastor are as happy of this information as the pastor himself there is great rejoicing. If any other information is received contrary to the above this church may rest assured that it will be informed immediately, and that any other news that may be in circulation will not be authentic.—Divine Street Church Bulletin.

### WILMINGTON DISTRICT METHODISTS ASSEMBLE AT GARLAND

The Wilmington district conference convened Thursday of last week at Garland on highway 701, near the borders of Sampson and Bladen counties. The touch of early autumn in the air, with the clear skies overhead, contributed to the success of the day. District Superintendent W. A. Cade kept close to the well wrought out program intended to stress the essentials of the work in the district.

Following organization, A. S. Barnes presented the Methodist Orphanage, M. T. Plyler and W. A. McGirt the North Carolina Christian Advocate, A. J. Hobbs explained the new financial system, Robert W. Bradshaw, Mrs. W. T. Walters, R. L. Jerome and F. B. Joyner discussed the several phases of education, and Mrs. E. L. Hillman explained the set-up of the woman's work.

After an hour for lunch, the laymen met with Lay Leader McGirt presiding. Then came the temperance discussion and the routine business incident to a district conference. Secretary C. N. Phillips will furnish details of this day so full of good things.

The carefully prepared financial exhibit from every pastor was most encouraging, and the prospect for the close of the year highly promising. Never before has the church paper been quite so well presented to this district conference and the showing better. The Advocate is in fine favor, if we are to accept the testimony of many.

All the causes of the church were handled in such a way as to inform and stimulate interest. The fellowship at noon was as refreshing to old friends and acquaintances as were the chicken, pies, cakes, ice tea and all else to that hungry group.

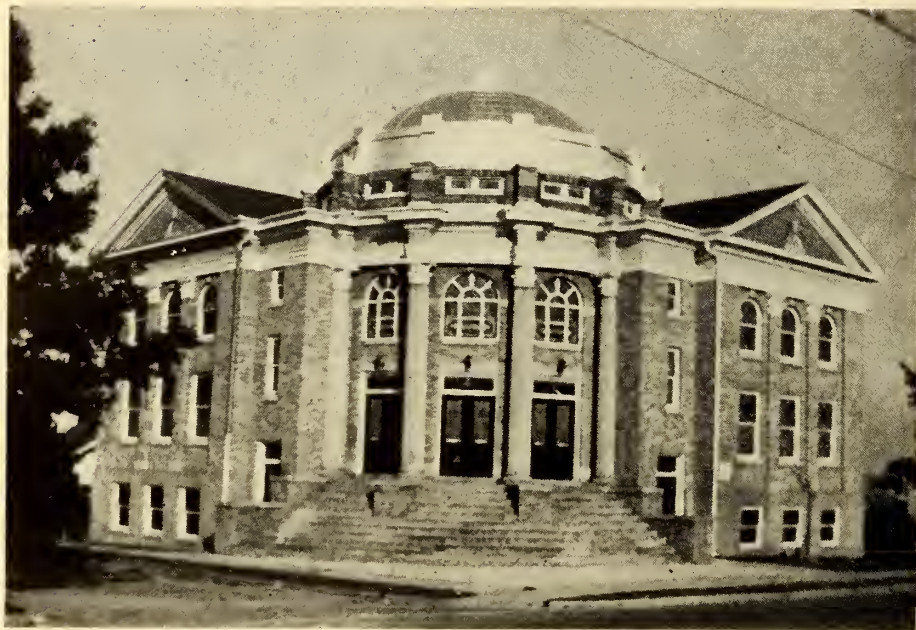
The Wilmington district is eagerly awaiting the coming of the North Carolina conference to Wilmington in November.

More than this paragraph is due W. A. McGirt for the work he has done and is doing for the church paper. He is one district lay leader who keeps at his task and he gets results. We wish that each lay leader in our two conferences would follow his example. The Advocate would gain a new standing among the Methodists of the state. What better work could they do?

Personally, it would be interesting to speak of the Wright family that went out from this Ingold section to bless the world. Few men have made a larger contribution to the state than the first president and leader for years in developing the East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville. This college stands as a monument to Robert H. Wright, who went from us a few years ago. Another member of the family has passed on, but the following still remain to bless the world. If we mistake not they are: Mrs. L. R. Wilson of Chicago, wife of Dr. L. R. Wilson of Chicago University; Mrs. Geo. B. Thomas, New Jersey; Mrs. H. B. Smith, wife of superintendent of schools, Newbern; Dr. J. B. Wright, specialist of Raleigh; B. V. Wright of Oregon; I. C. Wright, attorney of Wilmington; W. I. Wright, leading citizen of Ingold.



## The Cherryville Methodist Church Dedicated Sunday, September, 15



Cherryville Methodist Church, Rev. D. M. Nifong, Pastor

The program of the day's services was as follows: Rev. Claude H. Moser, pastor of First church, Lenoir, delivered the sermon at 11 o'clock and the dedicatory services at 3 o'clock consisted of scripture reading by Rev. L. D. Thompson of Lincolnton. Prayer by Rev. C. M. Pickens of Charlotte. Announcements and recognition of guests by the pastor, D. M. Nifong. Address by Rev. E. M. Jones, district superintendent of Gastonia district. Sermon by Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte. Bishop Purcell also conducted the service of dedication.

The Cherryville Methodist church was built in 1920, during the pastorate of the late Rev. J. F. Moser at a cost of \$75,000. The last \$23,000 has been paid, and about \$2000 has been spent in improvements on the church and parsonage.

The church stands in its beauty as a monument to Mr. Moser, those who labored with him, and those who have followed through the years.

Rev. Mr. Nifong, pastor of the local church for nearly four years, deserves much credit for this dedicatory service Sunday by his untiring efforts in paying off the church debt. In fact D. M. Nifong in paying this debt stands with Rev. A. C. Waggoner in completing a monumental task in paying church debts. It is no invidious comparison to put these two men on the top rung of the ladder.

### Trustees and Stewards

Reading left to right, back row, Mrs. Maude Harris, Mrs. Carl Carpenter, Albert Hallman, W. J. Allran, Grier Beam, Lester Houser. Second row, Richard Carpenter, E. C. Sullivan, Hal Peeler, D. Troy Carpenter, W. H. Smith, H. C. Harrelson. Front row, C. C. Dellinger, James L. Beam, T. C. Homesley, Dr. E. S. Wehunt, H. B. Smith, Dr. L. L. Self.



Trustees and Stewards of Cherryville Methodist Church

The stewards and trustees, with a large number of helpers, have labored faithfully and efficiently in paying off the debt. They desire the presence of all former pastors, presiding elders, former members and the many friends who have stood with them through the years.

### THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon

In looking at the calendar this morning I was almost startled to see that there are only five more Sundays between now and the meeting of the Western North Carolina conference. And only seven Sundays between now and the meeting of the North Carolina conference. Our former Methodist Protestants, to whom we are looking for the support of this Children's Home during this conference year, are located in both conferences, and are equally concerned about a balanced budget for this home before the meeting of the conferences.

#### Change in Financial Plans

Since the one conference meets on October 22 and the other on November 5, we take it that the change in plans for financing this home will begin on or about November 1, 1940. But we will not be appealing for funds for this home under the present plans after the meeting of the W. N. C. conference on October 22.

#### One More Offering

We can scarcely expect but one more offering from each local church for this home before conference, so we plead with pastors and S. S. superintendents to make sure that every one of our former M. P. churches send us a well rounded offering. Make your regular and your special together and cheer our hearts with a good offering and thus help us to balance our budget. A number have sent their specials, and we thank you.

We greatly appreciate the fine way in which nearly all our people have stood by us in this very trying year financially. You have shown a wonderful spirit of loyalty to and co-operation with this home during the entire year. A few churches have sent no offering at all during the year. Please find out whether or not that be your church, and whatever your record may be, send us a good offering between now and October 22. We shall be eagerly expecting. Praying the richest blessings of our heavenly Father upon every one of you in these days of winding up your year's work for the conference, we again express our deep appreciation for your good help.



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### CHILDHOOD AND YOUTH WEEK

October 6-13 is significant in the North Carolina conference in that during this week we will be observing Childhood and Youth Week. With the emphasis on "Home, Church and School Working Together" parents, children's workers and others interested in the Christian growth of children study, discuss and plan together so that they might better guide children.

In our current periodicals there are splendid helps given along these lines such as "Religious Values in Day-School Experience," Barnett Spratt; "The Church, the Children and the Community" by Edith Kent Battle found in the Elementary Teacher; "Are You a Good Sunday School Mother?" by Mary Taft Smith, and "New Homes for Old" by Harry C. Munro in the Church School Magazine; "When Parents and Teachers Drift" by L. F. Sensabaugh, in the Adult Student.

Helpful materials for observing this week have been sent to all pastors and children's division superintendents in the conference. These leaflets are available to all who want them. It can be an outstanding week in the lives of all who take part if a little effort is made in preparing for it.

Childhood and Youth Week is an occasion for enlisting the interest and help of the best leaders in the community, giving thought and time to activities in behalf of children.

### Report

At the close of this week the conference board would like to get a report of this observance. The blank for reporting is in the hands of both pastor and children's division superintendent and we are looking forward to hearing from many of the churches in the conference about plans made and carried out.

### FELLOWSHIP OF STUDY

During the year 1940-41 many children's workers throughout the Methodist Church will enroll in the Fellowship of Study. It is hoped that many of these will be from the North Carolina conference.

"The Fellowship of Study offers an opportunity for children's workers to join with other children's workers throughout the church in (1) reading at least four recommended books, (2) studying more carefully the lesson material, (3) trying out some of the ideas suggested by their study and reading, (4) and reporting to the Department of Children's Work, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., giving the names of the books read, and describing briefly the plans tried and how they worked. It is hoped that in carrying out these plans many workers will seek a closer fellowship with other nearby children's workers in their community."

Further information on the Fellowship of Study may be found in the "Children's Division Yearbook, Vol. IV. The conference office will be glad to answer any questions concerning a person joining.

### Books

A list of recommended books is found on page 40 in the current Yearbook. Many of these may be borrowed, without cost, by writing the conference office. Others may be secured through the local church libraries, city libraries and from the General Board in Nashville, Tenn.

### CHILDREN'S DIVISION YEARBOOK Volume IV

The new Children's Division Yearbook is off the press and available for all children's workers for the year 1940-41. Because this guide has proved so helpful, this marks the fourth year that such a guide has been made available.

When considering who should have a copy one will want to keep in mind the workers with children in the church school: superintendent of the children's division, superintendent of each department, pastor, general superintendent and secretary of children's work in the Woman's Society for Christian Service.

Many workers have secured the yearbook when ordering their regular church school literature; others may secure one either from the conference office or from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va., for ten cents per copy.

Begin the new year with the yearbook serving as a guide.

### VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

Pastors and workers in the vacation church schools which have been held in the conference this year have reported many splendid schools to the conference office. To date we have received information about 261 of the schools held. There are doubtless others which for some reason have not been reported. It would be a fine thing to have information on all schools and we hope that this will be a reality. Within the next week those who have worked in a school might inquire as to whether or not a report has been sent; those who yet have it to send will want to forward it immediately so that the members of the conference staff may share in the knowledge of the good work that has been and is being done throughout the conference.

### CORRECTIONS

Several errors appeared in our page two weeks ago in the report of the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise offerings. A number of contributions made by the young people were put in the column of Fourth Sun-

day offerings. If those who found their offerings not listed in the proper place will look under the other column, they will find them listed there. And the record is correct in our office.

Several charges were listed incorrectly in reporting Fourth Sunday and Mission Special offerings and we are giving the corrections herewith:

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| Chowan, Anderson           | .....\$4.20 |
| Perquimans, Oak Grove      | ..... 5.36  |
| Four Oaks, Elizabeth       | ..... 6.00  |
| Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest | ..... 2.40  |
| Warrenton, Macon           | ..... 7.40  |
| Elizabeth, Perdie (Y. P.)  | ..... 1.00  |

### SEPTEMBER 22

There are two more fourth Sundays in our conference year. Many of our church schools still are not having a part in the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise. If your church school has not made any plans for this observance September 22 and October 27, will you see that a missionary program is given at that time and an offering taken? The treasurer for this fund is Rev. C. K. Proctor, Oxford, N. C.

We will appreciate your sending the offering to Mr. Proctor as early as possible after each fourth Sunday. Perhaps your church school has kept the fourth Sunday offerings for several months. If so, please send all of these offerings to Mr. Proctor before November 1.

### CHRISTIAN WORKERS' SCHOOLS

Five Christian workers' training schools have been scheduled for the fall to serve five areas of our conference. We hope that all church workers in the vicinity of any of these schools will avail themselves of the opportunity for study afforded by them. These schools, with courses and instructors are as follows:

#### Henderson School

First church, Henderson, Sept. 15-20. The Church and Its Work, H. E. Spence.

The Children's Division of the Church, Miss Alma Cade.

The Church Working with Young Adults, F. M. Patterson.

Guiding Young People's Worship, R. W. Bradshaw.

#### Smithfield School

Centenary church, Smithfield, Sept. 22-27. (Opening session, Sept. 22, 7:30 p. m.)

Stewardship of Life, Fred T. Barnett.

Teaching Children, Miss Alma Cade.

Guiding Young People's Worship, R. W. Bradshaw.

#### Raleigh School

Edenton Street church, Raleigh, Sept. 29-Oct. 4. (Opening session Sept. 29, 3 p. m.)

Stewardship of Life, Fred T. Barnett.

Music and Hymn Appreciation, C. C. Washburn.

World Mission of the Christian Religion, B. G. Childs.

Children's Division of the Church, Miss Alma Cade.

Guiding Young People's Worship, Robert W. Bradshaw.

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## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### LET'S GO TO GREENVILLE

Historical and eventful will be the meeting of the women of the North Carolina conference when they assemble at East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, next week for the purpose of organizing the conference Woman's Society of Christian Service. Bishop Clare Purcell will convene the meeting on Monday afternoon, September 23, at 2 o'clock. At that session the organization will be effected, officers will be elected and Bishop Purcell will install the new officers. On Tuesday morning, September 24, an open forum, which will feature discussions of every department of the work will be held. Mrs. J. H. Rose, Greenville, will lead the devotions. The president of each society in the conference is expected to attend as delegate. Where this is impossible her alternate should go. Visitors are welcome, but should register before the conference. A fee of \$1.50 for each person attending should have been sent to Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Box 567, New Bern, by September 18. Those who attend should take linens.

### FARM WOMEN AIDED

A most significant and helpful Christian social relations project has been recently promoted by the women of the Carthage Methodist church in the establishment of a place where farm women coming into town may rest. Under the direction of Miss Katherine Shields, a room at the court house has been secured, renovated and furnished by donations of various women. The example of these sympathetic and zealous women may well be followed by others. Such rooms are truly a boon to weary women who come into our cities and towns and who have no other place where they may go for relaxation.

### FAIRMONT IN 1937 AND 1940

In December, 1937, Fairmont Methodist church, designed to serve the western portion of the city of Raleigh, was organized. This church with a present approximate membership of 325 has been a progressive and influential agency in all phases of the work of upbuilding the kingdom of God. An enthusiastic and purposeful group of women at Fairmont have made the woman's missionary society one of the strong societies of the North Carolina conference. Keeping pace with the enlarged missionary program of the Methodist church, the charter meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, replacing the Woman's Missionary Society, was held at Fairmont on Sunday evening, September 8. Facing an abundance of palms and other green plants, lighted candles in silver candelabra, in the center of which scene was a lighted cross—symbolic of the green hill which leads to Calvary's cross—one was reminded of

our commitment to the unfinished task of the Saviour in spreading his gospel "to the uttermost part of the earth." Rev. Howard McLamb presided at the first portion of the service. Mrs. Carter Williams sang "There is a Green Hill." Miss Juanita Stott talked on "The New Day" and Miss Mabel Conley on "The Purpose and Plans of the New Organization." The impressive enrollment service was led by Mrs. J. B. Derieux and 65 women became, for the second time, charter members of the missionary society of Fairmont church. Rev. Howard McLamb installed the new officers, who include: President, Mrs. S. W. Buchanan; vice president, Mrs. R. C. Kirk; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. B. Morris; recording secretary, Mrs. T. G. James; treasurer, Miss Mamie Turner; secretary of missionary education and service, Miss Mabel Conley; secretary of Christian social relations, Mrs. Mary Watkins; secretary of literature and publications, Mrs. W. G. Crowder; secretary of supplies, Mrs. H. C. Thomas; secretary of students work, Miss Juanita Stott; secretary of children's work, Mrs. Howard McLamb; chairman of Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. J. W. McGee; chairmen of groups, Mrs. H. M. McLamb, Mrs. T. W. Goldston, Mrs. W. R. Wingate.

### FALL MISSION STUDY

"The Church Serving Shifting Populations" is the topic for the fall mission study. In addition to the text "Uprooted Americans," there is a wealth of supplementary material, some of which includes: "Home on the Road," 10 cents; "They Starve That We May Eat," 35 cents; "Migration and Social Welfare," 50 cents; "Move on Youth," 60 cents; "We Have Seen Their Faces," 75 cents; "Methodism Serving Shifting Populations," 10 cents. There are also dramatic materials available. Much research material may be found in libraries. Order the above mentioned books and pamphlets from Literature Headquarters, 712 Church Street, Nashville, Tenn. Maps, mounted pictures and posters may be used advantageously. Appointed committees, group assignments and panel discussions will add much to the interest and effective results of a class. Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference superintendent of study, has mailed letters and pamphlets to all study superintendents in the local societies. Each of us, as members of a great Methodist Church, should study the problems presented in our fall mission study and should endeavor to do something to erase the conditions of poverty and misery among the migrant folk of our land.

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# Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

## ORGANIZATION MEETING OCT. 1

We call attention again to the organization meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service to be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, Tuesday, October 1, at 10 o'clock a. m. Delegates to this meeting are the newly elected presidents of the woman's societies, and if for any reason a president cannot attend she is asked to see that an alternate delegate is elected at the charter meeting in September. Do not forget to secure from your pastor the certificate sent him in June, have it filled out and signed and give to your delegate as it will be her credential for the meeting. Visitors will be welcome. It is of interest to know that Miss Leila Epps, missionary to Brazil, will be at this meeting as speaker for the occasion, and it will be a great privilege to hear Miss Epps at that time.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Chm.  
Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Sec.

Miss Kate Hackney, missionary to China, who has been home on a month's visit, left Nashville, where she will spend a few days with friends, leaving early next week for her field of service in China. The best wishes of her friends go with her as she goes back to take up her work in that field where our missionaries have been so faithful during the trying experiences which war has brought to China.

## A PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

By George Washington

Almighty God, who hast given us this good land for our heritage, we humbly beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of thy favor and glad to do thy will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning and good manners. Save us from violence, discord and confusion. Defend our liberties and fashion into one united people the multitudes here out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be peace and justice at home and that through obedience to thy law we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth. All of which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## MESSAGE TO STUDY LEADERS IN W. N. C. CONFERENCE

My Dear Study Leader:

By now you may be the new secretary of missionary education, but whatever your title is, I hope you are looking forward to the meetings we still call Study Leaders' meetings. They will be held from September 23-27 and the following is our schedule:

Monday, Sept. 23—Charlotte and Salisbury districts at First church, Charlotte.

Tuesday, Sept. 24—High Point, Greensboro and Winston-Salem districts at Wesley Memorial church, High Point.

Wednesday, Sept. 25—Statesville and Elkin districts at Broad Street church, Statesville.

Thursday, Sept. 26—Asheville and Waynesville districts at Waynesville Methodist church.

Friday, Sept. 27—Marion and Gastonia districts at Rutherfordton Methodist church.

The meetings will begin each day promptly at 9:30 and close at 1 o'clock. (Then you can go up town and get lunch and shop). Please be on time!

You do not have to attend the meeting at the place specified for your district if you are closer to a meeting in another district. In other words, attend the meeting that is nearest and most convenient to you—just be sure to be there! We will have group meetings for the secretaries of missionary education, Christian social relations, literature and publications, and spiritual life leaders. However, we desire that every officer and all interested members will be present, for we will have also an open forum in which we will try to answer all the questions that women wish to ask concerning our new organization. Please co-operate with the president of your society in getting as many women as possible to come.

We will emphasize the topic from your new book list, "The Church Serving Shifting Populations" for our fall study and the text books and supplementary books will be on sale at the meetings. We will also have for sale the new Bible study book, "Jesus and Social Redemption."

With sincerest thanks to you,  
Mrs. J. W. Payne.

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## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### OUR TOWN

Our Children's Home town continues to be well populated. We have 416 children and 50 adults. We are glad we do not have to fortify against other people, that no anti-aircraft machinery has to be set in motion and that no defensive balloons have to encircle the air above us. Our friends do not have to overcome any objective obstructions to come to us or to send to us. The Children's Home town cordially invites people from far and near to come and visit its inhabitants, bringing their sheaves with them.

### EMERGENCIES ARISE

It is too much to expect that with a family as large as our everything would go along smoothly all the time. There are many times of stress and emergency. Sometimes when the emergencies come, like rain, they just pour down upon us. Within the last two weeks we have had three emergency appendicitis cases. One little fellow has an annoying case of osteomyelitis and still another had a serious operation for the removal of a cyst at a dangerous place on his head. Another has just broken a leg. Of course our friends know that such situations bring more to us than the opportunity to collect flowers and take them to the hospital. At present it looks like all our ailing children are coming through nicely, thanks to good doctors, good nurses and a good hospital.

### JOY IN LOVE JOY

Love Joy is a historic camp meeting site in Montgomery county, operated under the auspices of the former Methodist Protestant Church. There is much joy in Love Joy these days because the camp meeting has been in full force. Another cause for joy is that there are five promising children at the High Point Children's Home who came out of the Love Joy congregation. It so happened that by mutual consent the Dixons brought one of these Love Joyites to us the other day, and on noting that the children came from Montgomery county, the question arose as to whether the lovely little Love Joyite should make her home at the Children's Home at Winston-Salem or at the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh. Love Joy and most of Montgomery county being in the North Carolina conference. Further investigation revealed that geographically and legally Love Joy is in the North Carolina conference. Operatively, it belongs to the Seagrove-Love Joy circuit in the Western North Carolina conference. Some day the General Conference will pass on who owns Love Joy. At present it

has been mutually agreed by all parties concerned that the five little Love Joyites will eventually come to the Children's Home, the little pre-school Love Joyite coming at once.

### CITIZENSHIP LIST

While it does not matter so much among the boys as to who gets his clothes fitted first, it is a matter of chief concern among the girls, since their wearing apparel is more varied. The fitting of fall clothing brings this interest very forcibly to our attention. Since all clothing for our children is bought through our organization, the matter of selecting given children for choosing their apparel is left to those having the matter in hand. Our procedure is to work out by cottages a citizenship list, listing in turn those girls whose general all round good living habits give them certain preferential rank. Those coming first get their fall clothes first, thus having an opportunity of a wider range of selection. Even the last girl fitted will have nice wearing apparel, but she will take what is left after the better young citizens have made their selections. Our general policy is to reward for good behavior rather than punish for poor behavior.

### THE SEPTEMBER CALL

September brings another fifth Sunday. It is the fall call from the Children's Home and the fall opportunity to send love gifts from the church schools. Our March call was answered in a big way. The June call got short circuited. We confidently hope that the September call will yield a bountiful harvest. Good friends, count your many blessings, and let us count your many offerings.

### "WHO ARE MY LADIES?"

In the fall and in the spring, in particular, as our youngsters are fitted up with their seasonal clothing they repeatedly inquire as to who are their clothing sponsors. Since our clothing sponsors send cash, and not clothing, they are a little farther removed from the children. There is, however, a fine opportunity for sponsors to become real personal with their sponsored children, this opportunity coming with the forwarding of a modest Christmas

present, the package going directly to the child to be opened on Christmas morning around the Christmas tree. Post card and letter remembrances from time to time also may keep alive the connection between the sponsor and the sponsored child. Our children call their sponsors "ladies," since most of them are women. About half of our children have clothing sponsors.

### YOUNG HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

The picture this week is that of a group of girls living in the Julia Higgins building. Most of them are just beginning their high school experiences. Following their graduation from our elementary school, conducted here on the home grounds, they are attending for the first time the Richard J. Reynolds high school, located off our grounds, where some 1500 high school boys and girls congregate each day. These girls are getting their first lessons in real honest-to-goodness outside contacts. Most of them make such adjustments profitably. A few offer real problems, either through a lack of suitable orientation or an abundance of adolescent exuberance. The boys are so engrossed in their football as to not have much time for frivolities. These and other girls will soon be so engrossed in helping the boys win their games as to weld the whole family in a well-rounded learning process.

### CALLING ON GOD'S PEOPLE

Over and over again the Children's Home is requested to provide for children whose parents have wandered away from the support of the church and its good influences. Such people become interested in the church only in time of trouble. A letter received last week from one of our good pastors reads: "The father of this child lost his wife some time ago and is not now in position to care for his son. The father is a member of my church but has not attended for five years. Neither does he support it. I am not making a plea for the father. I am making a plea for his son." It is not the policy of God's people to penalize innocent children because of sinful parents, but the question of how much help can be given to how many children is ever before them.

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**MUCH APPRECIATED FRIENDS**—The Methodist Orphanage was very happy to have Dr. Hickman of Duke University and his wife to be our guests for dinner on the second Sunday in September. These friends are very much interested in the Methodist Orphanage, and expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the children. Dr. Hickman made a most effective and appropriate prayer at our noon lunch. I am sorry they could not tarry with us after the dinner hour.

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**DISTRICT CONFERENCE** — The Wilmington district conference was a great success. Superintendent Cade was at his best and the discussions were of a high order. The church of the Garland circuit co-operated with the church of Garland in providing a bountiful dinner for the large number of preachers, delegates and visitors. Brother O. C. Melton extended a hearty welcome to all. Brother Cade was considerate of the superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage, and gave him ample time to represent the cause which he has served for more than 25 years.

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**DR. D. E. EARNHARDT**—On the afternoon of the second Sunday in September our children and workers assembled in the Vann Auditorium for an inspirational address by Dr. D. E. Earnhardt of Durham. The Orphanage school opened the 5th of September, and Dr. Earnhardt was invited to speak to the students and teachers. I can say in all sincerity that Dr. Earnhardt's address was one of the most effective and appropriate that has ever been heard at the Methodist Orphanage. Last spring when Dr. Earnhardt held our revival services, he won everybody on the campus. His coming at the opening of our school was a benediction to us all.

**EXPECTING GREAT THINGS**—It is just a little more than two weeks before another fifth Sunday rolls around. I am confidently expecting every Sunday school in the conference to remember the Methodist Orphanage by taking a special free will offering on that day. The Orphanage is being operated on borrowed money, and has been for some time. It gives me a good bit of concern to realize that we have had to borrow \$10,000 to meet our expenses. If all the Sunday schools will plan wisely for the day, and create a good bit of enthusiasm, we can easily raise \$5,000 in specials. It is not necessary for me to argue the importance of all Sunday schools doing their best for us since we have had to borrow \$10,000 to enable us to carry on. It is sincerely hoped that no Sunday school will apply the fifth Sunday offering on the apportionment, since we have to raise about \$25,000 in specials to give us a balanced budget.

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**VISITORS WELCOMED** — Thirty-five members of the Wesley Bible class of First church, Elizabeth City, visited the Orphanage on Sunday, September 8. They reached the campus in time for dinner, and all ate in our big dining room. Members of the class were distributed over the dining room by placing one member to each of the 35 tables. This was done in order that the members of the class might come in more intimate contact with our children. After dinner a short program was given in the chapel, complimentary to our visiting friends. Following the program they were carried over the campus and through the cottages, so they could see our lovely campus and the nice homes in which our children live. These friends volunteered to pay for their dinner, which we did not expect. Many complimentary remarks were made about our grounds, buildings and children, and I feel confident that this great class that has been so loyal and generous to the Methodist Orphanage will be even more so since having visited our home.

VERY BEST THINGS

- The Best Law—the Golden Rule.
  - The Best Education—self-knowledge.
  - The Best Philosophy—a contented mind.
  - The Best War—to war against one's weakness.
  - The Best Medicine—cheerfulness and temperance.
  - The Best Music—the laughter of an innocent child.
  - The Best Science—extracting sunshine from a cloudy day.
  - The Best Art—painting a smile upon the brow of childhood.
  - The Best Journalism—printing the true and beautiful on memory's tablet.
  - The Best Biography—that life which writes charity in the largest letters.
  - The Best Mathematics—that which doubles the most joys and divides the most sorrows.
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It will be noted that some have already gone beyond their minimum.

In some districts scarcely a start has been made; others are well out in front. Watch the score board.

### Asheville

|                                         |     |
|-----------------------------------------|-----|
| Central, W. A. Stanbury .....           | 24½ |
| 4*Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton ..       | 13½ |
| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wilkinson .. | 10  |
| Hendersonville, D. E. Camak .....       | 9½  |
| Haywood St., W. G. McFarland ..         | 7½  |
| 2*Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham ..         | 5   |
| Leicester-Grace, A. F. Phibbs ..        | 4½  |
| *Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea ..         | 3½  |
| Brevard, E. P. Billups .....            | 3   |
| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....              | 3   |
| Fletcher, H. E. Bolick .....            | 2½  |
| Biltmore, E. J. Harbison .....          | 2½  |
| French Broad Ave., G. E. Kceler ..      | 2   |
| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman ..        | 2   |
| Swannanoa, W. H. Benfield .....         | 1   |

### Charlotte

|                                             |     |
|---------------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ..             | 49½ |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ..           | 40  |
| 3*Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F. Womble .. | 16  |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....             | 15  |
| 3*Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie ..            | 7½  |
| 2*Calvary, S. M. Needham .....              | 7   |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..            | 7   |
| Thrift-Moore, J. H. Carper .....            | 6½  |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....           | 6   |
| Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease .....           | 6   |
| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....               | 5½  |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....           | 4   |
| *Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....               | 4   |
| Indian Trail-Stallings, J.E.B.Hauser ..     | 2   |
| Wesley Heights, W. O. Goode ..              | 1½  |
| Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman .....             | 1   |
| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....              | 1   |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....                   | 1   |
| Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins .....              | 1   |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....          | 1   |
| Bethel-Bogers, E. R. Edwards .....          | 1   |

### Elkin

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....      | 33½ |
| 7*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....       | 30  |
| 3*Boone P. W. Townsend .....          | 11½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner ..     | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....             | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....               | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....        | 8½  |
| Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....          | 6½  |
| 2*Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint .....       | 6   |
| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene .....    | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....           | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....            | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....       | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....        | 4½  |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....        | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....            | 3½  |
| Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley .....     | 3½  |
| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....       | 3½  |
| Warrensville, J. G. Wootton, Jr. .... | 4   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....           | 3   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....         | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....          | 3   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....      | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....     | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....              | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....     | 2½  |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant .....   | 2   |

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|----------------------------------------|---|
| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....               | 2 |
| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....         | 2 |
| Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr. .... | 2 |

### Gastonia

|                                        |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----|
| 7*Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....         | 31  |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....       | 22½ |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....           | 15  |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....         | 14  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey ..   | 6   |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....              | 2½  |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....         | 2½  |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill .....  | 2   |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....        | 1½  |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....           | 1   |
| Shelby-Caroleen, H. D. Garmon ..       | 1   |
| Kings Mountain, H. C. Sprinkle, Jr. .. | 1   |

### Greensboro

|                                         |     |
|-----------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger .. | 22  |
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....         | 21½ |
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....          | 9½  |
| *Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....          | 7   |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....        | 21  |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....          | 7½  |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....         | 7   |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....         | 6   |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....            | 5½  |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogon .....            | 5   |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham ..     | 4½  |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow .....       | 4½  |
| Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse .....      | 4   |
| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick .....      | 3   |
| College Place, R. M. Courtney ..        | 2½  |
| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy .....      | 2   |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....           | 2   |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle .....       | 2   |
| Bethel-Battleground, B. W. Lefler ..    | 2   |
| Ruffin, J. W. Fowler, Jr. ....          | 2   |
| *Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....       | 2   |
| *Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....           | 2   |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....        | 1   |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....       | 1   |
| Moriah, J. L. Pittard .....             | 1   |

### High Point

|                                         |     |
|-----------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....             | 19  |
| 4*Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....           | 17  |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....       | 15½ |
| 2*S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington ..      | 12½ |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr. ....  | 11½ |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....           | 8½  |
| 2*Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger .. | 8   |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....           | 7   |
| *Calvary, D. V. Howell .....            | 5   |
| *Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....        | 4½  |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams .....     | 4½  |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....               | 4½  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley ..     | 3½  |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....          | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II ..    | 2½  |
| Linwood, O. E. Croy .....               | 2½  |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....              | 2   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....              | 2   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor ..    | 2   |
| *Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....        | 2   |
| Richland, C. L. Grant .....             | 1½  |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....         | 1   |
| Archdale, O. B. Mitchell .....          | 1   |
| Pleasant Grove, F. R. Love .....        | 1   |

### Marion

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley ..      | 7½ |
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....         | 7  |
| Morganton, Fletcher Nelson .....     | 5½ |
| *Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....      | 4½ |
| *Spindale, F. J. Stough .....        | 4  |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....             | 4½ |
| Rutherfordon, F. C. Smathers .....   | 2½ |
| Glen Alpine, R. L. Young .....       | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....         | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace .....    | 2  |
| Linville Falls, McRae Crawford ..    | 2  |
| Micaville-Tipton Hill, H. H. Cash .. | 1  |
| Spruce Pine, J. B. Tabor .....       | 1  |
| Mill Spring, M. W. Edwards .....     | 1  |

### Salisbury

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton ..... | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....        | 14½ |

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|--------------------------------------|----|
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....          | 10 |
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....       | 10 |
| N. Kannapolis, D. T. Huss .....      | 10 |
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....         | 7½ |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner ..   | 7  |
| First, W. B. West .....              | 7  |
| Main St.-Rowan, C. B. Ross .....     | 7  |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler ..... | 7  |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson ..    | 5½ |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..   | 5  |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge .....  | 4½ |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....      | 4  |
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 4  |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3  |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½ |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores ..    | 2½ |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 2  |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½ |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1  |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1  |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1  |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1  |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1  |
| Kerr Street, C. E. Murray .....      | 1  |
| Central, R. D. Ware .....            | 1  |

### Statesville

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins ..  | 32½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison .....  | 28  |
| Central, John W. Moore .....        | 15  |
| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham ..  | 9½  |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....         | 7½  |
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....         | 6   |
| Whitnel, D. A. Oakley .....         | 5½  |
| Newton, W. B. Davis .....           | 3½  |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....         | 3   |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....       | 2   |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....       | 1   |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....          | 1   |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr .....      | 1   |
| Race Street, F. H. Price .....      | 1   |
| Shepherds, A. G. Lackey .....       | 1   |
| Olin, P. F. Snider .....            | 1   |
| Lenoir, Claude Moser .....          | 1   |
| Davidson-Fairview, E. D. Ballard .. | 1   |

### Waynesville

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| *Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 11½ |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9   |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry .....  | 8   |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....       | 3   |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½  |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2   |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2   |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 2   |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½  |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 1½  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....   | 1   |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1   |
| Jonathan, R. Odell Brown .....  | 1   |

### Winston-Salem

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 9*Community, J. C. Auman .....        | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....           | 17½ |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....        | 16  |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen .....   | 14½ |
| *N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....    | 12  |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....      | 7   |
| *Grace, R. L. Forbis .....            | 6   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....           | 5½  |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....       | 5   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....            | 5   |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....        | 4½  |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....            | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ..    | 3   |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison ..   | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....            | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way .. | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....        | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....       | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter ..  | 1   |

### Durham

|                                            |     |
|--------------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Burlington, Davis St., F. W. Paschall .. | 38  |
| 4*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....            | 26½ |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ..           | 14  |
| *Graham, J. R. Edwards .....               | 10  |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds ..           | 9½  |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....               | 9   |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....                  | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....                 | 6   |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....             | 5   |
| Sweepsonville, T. B. Hough .....           | 4½  |
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele .....              | 4½  |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton .....               | 4   |



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|-------------------------------------|----|
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love.. | 4  |
| Milton, D. I. Garner .....          | 3½ |
| Branson, John Cline .....           | 3½ |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr. ....   | 3  |
| *Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser...  | 3  |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson .....     | 3  |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps ....   | 2  |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson ....     | 2  |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth .....   | 2  |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe ..... | 1½ |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton .....     | 1½ |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish .....  | 1½ |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer .....         | 1½ |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe .....         | 1  |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early .....        | 1  |
| Yanceyville, A. E. Brown .....      | 1  |
| Glen Raven, J. F. Coble .....       | 1  |
| West Durham, W. L. Clegg .....      | 1  |

Elizabeth City

|                                    |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| 4*Williamston, S. J. Starnes ..... | 14 |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness .....       | 9½ |
| Ahoskie, L. V. Harris .....        | 9  |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt .....     | 6  |
| Washington, L. B. Jones .....      | 5  |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick .....     | 4  |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon .....   | 3½ |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe .....          | 3  |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson .....     | 2  |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon .....      | 2  |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford .....   | 1½ |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis..   | 1  |
| Roper, M. R. Gardner .....         | 1  |
| Swan Quarter-Fairfield, E.G.Cowan  | 1  |
| Murfreesboro, C. E. Vale .....     | 1  |
| City Road, E. D. Weathers .....    | 1  |
| South Mills, E. W. Downum .....    | 1  |

Fayetteville

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Siler City, C. F. Heath .....        | 16  |
| 2*Person St.-Calvary, M.W.Warren     | 13½ |
| *Sanford, Allen P. Brantley .....    | 12½ |
| 5*Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons.....      | 11  |
| *Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams .. | 10½ |
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown .....        | 10  |
| *Red Springs, B. T. Hurley .....     | 8½  |
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe .....       | 7½  |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood .....      | 7   |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer .....   | 6½  |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar .....         | 6   |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard .....          | 5½  |
| *Maxton, T. R. Jenkins .....         | 5   |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., B. F. Meacham ...    | 4½  |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson .....           | 3½  |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore .....          | 3   |
| West End, W. F. Keeler .....         | 3   |
| Broadway, J. W. Page .....           | 3   |
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette..     | 2   |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton .....        | 2   |
| Lane, J. D. A. Autry .....           | 1½  |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning .....       | 1½  |
| Rae ford, E. C. Crawford .....       | 1½  |
| Caledonia, M. F. Hodges .....        | 1½  |
| Rockingham, J. H. Barnhardt .....    | 1   |
| Roberdel, F. B. Brandenburg .....    | 1   |

New Bern

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Mt. Olive-Calypto, R. G. Dawson..     | 4  |
| Pikeville-Elm St., J. H. Overton, Jr. | 3½ |
| Goldsboro, W. C. Ball .....           | 3  |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....            | 2½ |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs .....            | 2½ |
| Ayden, L. A. Tilley .....             | 2  |
| New Bern, C. B. Culbreth .....        | 2  |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston .....        | 2  |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens .....    | 1  |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr. ....         | 1  |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts .....              | 1  |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow .....          | 1  |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant .....         | 1  |
| Morehead City Ct., M.O.Stephenson     | 1  |

Raleigh

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone .....    | 35  |
| 2*Fuquay, E. C. Durham .....       | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb .....     | 15½ |
| *Henderson, B. C. Reavis .....     | 15½ |
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| Worthington .....                  | 6½  |
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| Selma, O. L. Hathaway .....        | 3   |

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| Franklinton, S. E. Mercer .....  | 3  |
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Rocky Mount

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer .....     | 11 |
| *Weldon, B. P. Robinson .....       | 8½ |
| *Farmville, D. A. Clarke .....      | 6  |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams .....     | 6  |
| 2*McKendree, L. B. Pattishall ..... | 5½ |
| 2*Marvin, N. W. Grant .....         | 4½ |
| W. Halifax, W. M. Howard .....      | 3½ |
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| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount.....      | 1  |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd .....           | 2  |
| Elm City, N. C. Yearby .....        | 1  |

Wilmington

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Tabor City, N. P. Edens .....       | 20 |
| 2*Hallsboro, C. A. Jones .....      | 11 |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters .....         | 11 |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner .....        | 11 |
| Scott's Hill, C. O. Plyler .....    | 10 |
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| *Epworth, Walter Pavy .....         | 6  |
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| Roland, W. C. Wilson .....          | 6  |
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| Chadbourn, E. C. Maness .....       | 3½ |
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| Trinity, R. L. Jerome .....         | 1½ |
| Grace, J. F. Herbert .....          | 1  |
| Fifth Avenue, C. D. Barclift .....  | 1  |
| St. Paul, A. C. Lee .....           | 1  |
| Roseboro, C. S. Hubbard .....       | 1  |
| Clinton, B. H. Houston .....        | 1  |

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| Wilmington .....     | 24          |
| Winston-Salem .....  | 19          |
| Charlotte .....      | 21          |
| Rocky Mount .....    | 20          |
| Raleigh .....        | 18          |
| Statesville .....    | 18          |
| Elizabeth City ..... | 17          |
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| New Bern .....       | 14          |
| Marion .....         | 14          |
| Waynesville .....    | 13          |
| Gastonia .....       | 12          |

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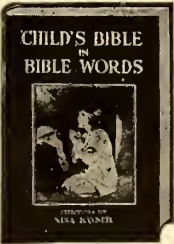


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# Sunday School Lesson

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By James S. Chubb

## The Voice of Wisdom

Scripture—Proverbs 4: 10-27

The writers of the wisdom literature in the Bible were one of the three great groups of leaders in the development of Israel's religion. They were more worldly wise and prudent than the prophets. Fortunately so, for their peculiar task was to show the practical side of religion.

A sort of preamble to the wisdom literature is found in verses 10-13. When the wisdom of God is applied to life, one does learn how to live longer and be more healthy. God is the enemy of all sickness and ill-health.

Religion tends to guide one in ways of living that leave no dark-brown after tastes. Scandals, foolish dissipations, unhealthy attitudes are abolished by religion, so that one's footsteps do not stumble. One time a friend of the family said in speaking of a public official who was abolishing a racket in the county: "He couldn't do that if he did not have a clean record." In critical moments that demand the best that one has, religious living has real significance. It puts one above scandal and it gives one healthy and hardy living conditions.

The slippery and disastrous ways of evil are described in verses 14-19. One can ponder long on the significance of this passage. One of the great things brought out in mental hospitals and personal work is that one cannot hide from his conscience. Maybe the neighbors do not know what has been done, but one's conscience knows and, in most instances, will not rest. Some of the restless evil and devilishness of which men are guilty is this restless effort to escape their own enraged consciences. Because of this, they dare not get away from their crowd. This fact of the inner life the psalmist had seen among the wicked. This inner hell is the hardest fact about sin. It is the inescapable fact that no one finally escapes.

There are also the outward results of sin. The sinner must drink deeply of violence and brute forces. Anyone who has lived where the church and the school have the minor place of influence knows the meaning of violence and foul play. It is the accepted standard where men refuse to abide by the eternal laws of self-restraint and thoughtfulness.

Present-day violence, whether in personal or national affairs, is the product of wickedness. It will continue until better personal standards clean out the vicious standards so widely accepted.

Also the way of sin is the way of darkness. There is no gossip and hope-

lessness as dark as that of a person whose life does not reflect the divine light. All evil-doing, even the "respectable" kind, tends to make us see nothing of hope for the future. That is the reason why religious gatherings see so much promise for the future and so many more opportunities, while worldly gatherings see only dangers and problems.

This latter statement includes the viewpoint of the non-religious school world. One can have much fun at the expense of some of these problem-mongering teachers by asking them how much of their cynicism is the product of an injured conscience. Think it over and see if the writer is right when he contends that an injured conscience and darkness are full-blooded brothers?

Someone has said that character is that which you do when no one is looking. Certainly our private standards of conduct determine the genuineness of our personalities. There are those who have a public standard and a private standard of character. Their one standard is that fickle thing called public opinion. Such people are unhappy when tastes and standards change. They fail to discover the inner satisfaction possessed by people whose conduct is determined by principle rather than social atmosphere.

The inner wisdom of the heart is a source of much life, just as wickedness is the source of darkness and violence. Over and over again we have been reminded during the quarter that there is value in righteousness and decency. They give not only the deepest and most lasting inner satisfaction but they give outward cause for respect as well. When we think it over, I believe that we shall discover that thoroughgoing moral standards and principles are the only basis that we have for trust and confidence. The man who is motivated by honesty, truth, respect, and temperance has a real foundation for public and private confidence.

Much is being said now about inner restraint and inner determination of conduct. This is placing the accent where it belongs. A profound interpretation of history is causing much of this discussion. Certainly historical movements teach us that man must have something to guide and inspire him. That force will either be God or it will be some human despot. Of ourselves, we do not usually find the inspiration needed.

The last part of this lesson sounds much like the sayings of Jesus. Jesus was no compromiser. His mind was too clear to fall for such follies as the "golden mean" or the middle-of-the-road idea. Jesus was a scientist of the higher order in that he followed and bade his followers to follow moral principles. The writer of Proverbs is of the same stamp.

The heart is to be kept with all diligence because from it come the issues of life. This is quite like the answer that Jesus gave to the Pharisees. When any idea gets into the subconscious, it will, by and by, return in the form of action. If the idea be a good one, the improvement is marked; if the idea be a wicked one, the slip in conduct will be marked. A person usually does not know why the condition exists in either

case. So the heart must be flooded with wholesome thoughts, wholesome ideas, and wholesome ideals. Some day they are bound to result in improved living.

Single motives and actions are extremely important if one would do the best with his life. The straight-ahead look, the undeviating course of action these are the means of developing upstanding character. When the eye is evil, the whole body is evil and when the eye is good, the whole body is full of light. This New Testament truth is right in line with this man who pled for the uncompromising way of life. This man had been around enough to know that you cannot trifle with evil. It does not do to make peace with it at all.

Right here we should see the great difference between the man who aims high and stumbles, and the fellow who of his own free will gets his feet into evil. The latter is warned by the biblical writer because he will find it hard to get away. The former is going the other way, and because of that it will be much easier for him to escape.

When one would chart a true course, he makes it from the location of the eternal stars. Such people go straighter than they would go if they started their course from less permanent spots. So with us. We go farther and amount to more if we try to steer clear of evil, than if we bow down before our human frailties and weaknesses. The latter course amounts to denying God the chance to cope with the evil in our nature.—Christian Advocate.

## THE NOISE OF BATTLE

Mr. Forrest Reid tells a story in his Private Road which, he says, he finds oddly touching because the qualities of innocence and faithfulness are in it, and as I was myself greatly moved by it I am going to repeat it here. Mr. Reid gleaned it from Southey's "The Doctor," and this is how he tells it: "A troop of British calvary which had served on the continent was disbanded in the City of York, and the horses were put up for sale. The troop's commander, however, Sir Robert Craven, was a rich man. So, because he disliked the idea of these old equine warriors being worked to death as hacks, he bought them himself, and at the same time bought a part of Knavesmire Heath, where he turned them loose to pass a comfortable and leisurely old age.

It was, I think, the natural act of a gentleman, and was remembered chiefly because of a strange thing that happened later. On one occasion, when the horses were scattered, grazing here and there on the heath, a summer storm gathered, and presently the first lightnings flashed, and the first thunders began to roll. Then, taking these fires and sounds to be the signal of approaching battle, the horses were seen to get together of their own accord, and form a perfect line to meet the enemy.

In three dealings aim at getting the best: in buying a field, in obtaining a friend, and in acquiring a book.—Talmud.



# Children's



# Storyland

## BABETTE'S SURPRISE

By N. B. Wood

Babette was tired and cross. She had made up her mind when she jumped out of bed to be as busy as a bee, and help mother all day. Everything had gone wrong, and instead of mother being pleased with her she had told her to run away and play. So Babette had taken her sunbonnet and her Teddy bear and gone into the woods. She sat on the grass and told all her worries to Teddy, who never scolded.

"Never mind, Babette," said a queer little voice, "go on pushing up."

"Who are you, and where are you?" asked Babette in surprise.

"Here I am. Just a little oak tree now, but by always pushing up I hope to grow to be a big tree, even if it takes years and years. Shall I tell you my story?"

"Oh, please do!" cried Babette.

"Well, the first thing that I can remember about myself was as an acorn. I had a lovely brown, shiny coat, and the nicest little crinkly cap, and I was one of many acorns on a big oak tree. What fun we had playing when the breezes waved the branches to and fro. How nice and fresh we felt after a shower of rain! One day the breeze turned into a gale, the branches were tossed about. My friends fell down thick and fast. For days I was never still, and at last a heavier gust sprang up, and I felt myself falling. Then came a bump that nearly cracked me, and the wind caught me, and sent me rolling and rolling until I thought I would never stop. My poor coat! How rough it got. At last I fell into a little hole, and there I stayed until one day a little boy not bigger than you, picked me up and said: 'What a big acorn. I will plant it.'

"He dug a hole and covered me up. Oh, I did hate to be in the dark earth. I lay there for so long that I forgot all about the beautiful world above. The earth seemed to get cold and wet, and I felt very uncomfortable. My brown coat that I had worn so long seemed to be getting too small for me, and one day it cracked open. How sad I felt as it dropped off. 'Never mind,' said my little brown coat, 'my work as a coat is done. Now I must strengthen your roots and help you push up to the light.' How can I push my way up through this earth? 'Just try,' said my little brown coat. So I tried, and I could feel myself pushing up and up, and oh what a long time it seemed. I was beginning to think, What is the use of trying any more, I will never get through. I felt the earth get damp again, and it seemed as if a shower of rain was softening the earth around me. I pushed again and found myself above the ground.

"Oh, how beautiful it was to feel the rain washing my leaves. Presently the

## RAIN SOLDIERS

Did you ever hear the raindrops that come pouring down all around?

They are really little soldier men a-marching on the ground.

They fill up all the cement walks and keep step in the street,

They're on a very grand parade and all their clothes are neat.

Their heads are high and little feet are keeping eager time

With the music of the pitter-patter, pitter-patter rhyme.

Their faces wear the gayest smiles; they like it when it's wet,

For they must often practice or their march they might forget.

When Mr. Weather hides the sun and empties down the rain,

They watch for children's faces press-against the window pane.

They listen for the laughter of their friends, the girls and boys.

And wish that they could play sometimes with you and all your toys.

So watch for that small army that comes marching on its way

And wave to them when they go by on a splashy rainy day.

—Arkansas Methodist.

sun peeped from behind a cloud, and said, 'Oh, there you are at last. I wondered how long you were going to be!' How did you know I was pushing up?' 'Know,' laughed the sun, 'why I have been helping you.' How? I never felt you help me. 'Didn't you feel me warm the earth after a shower of rain?' Yes, I did, and thought how nice it felt after the wet, cold rain. 'Yes,' said the sun, 'we have to take the unpleasant with the pleasant or else we will never grow.'

"Each day my leaves grew a little bigger and now you see my branches are growing. I never grumble now because I know whatever happens is best for me. When the sun shines or the rain falls, I feel myself pushing up. When the wind blows, I feel my roots taking firmer hold to the earth. When I am grown up I shall be firmly rooted, and the gales cannot blow me over.

"Now, Babette," said the little oak tree, addressing itself directly to the little girl, "you go home and try again." Babette picked up her Teddy and ran home to mother to tell her the oak tree's story.

Mother took her in her arms and said, "We must never give up, dear. It was because I felt like giving up that I was impatient with you. We must start again and help one another."—Storytime.

## BOYS OF THE BIBLE

Have you searched through the picture gallery of the Bible and picked out the famous boys whose portraits are hung up there for your consideration? We have not time to mention them all or speak in detail of each one, but we can pass down the corridor with pleasure and profit.

Joseph was his father's boy, for he wore the coat of many colors and dreamed immortal dreams which came true.

Moses was his mother's boy, for she hid the lovely baby in the flags by the riverside, and through clever providence became his nurse until he became the adopted son of Pharaoh's daughter.

Samuel was the sanctuary boy dedicated by his mother to God and serving from childhood in the tabernacle at Shiloh.

David was a shepherd boy who watched his father's flock in the fields around the city of Bethlehem.

Daniel was the captive boy who would not defile himself with the king's dainties and with royal wine as he pursued his studies in the palace school at Babylon.

John the Baptist was the desert boy, born and brought up in the wilderness of Judea.

Timothy was the studious boy who, under the tuition of his mother and grandmother, knew the Holy Scriptures from his childhood.

The lad with a meal by the Sea of Galilee was the generous boy, for he gave his lunch to Jesus who took it and fed the five thousand hungry men.

The lunatic son was the demoniac boy dominated by the evil spirit which, in accordance with the faith of his father and the power of Jesus, was cast out so that the bad boy became good.

And, of course, Jesus was the perfect boy, studious and submissive, aspiring and industrious, attractive and developing, and withal deeply spiritual, the child of Mary and the Son of God.

The boys of the Bible—what a splendid group!—The Challenge.

When Noah sailed the waters blue,  
He had his troubles same as you;  
For forty days he drove the Ark  
Before he found a place to park.

—National Motorist.

Tommy—I wonder how old Mrs. Smith is?

Jimmy—She must be pretty old. They say she used to teach Caesar.—Selected.

Teacher—In which of his battles was Alexander the Great killed?

Pupil—I think it was his last.



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FOURTH ROUND

| September                                                            |    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Milton, New Hope, 11                                                 | 22 |
| Branson, 7:30                                                        | 22 |
| Lakewood, 7:30                                                       | 26 |
| Duke Ct., Duke's Chapel, 11                                          | 29 |
| Carboro, Carboro, 7                                                  | 29 |
| West Durham, 7:30                                                    | 30 |
| October                                                              |    |
| Carr, 7:30                                                           | 2  |
| Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 3                                        | 3  |
| Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30                                           | 3  |
| Yanceyville, Yanceyville, 11                                         | 4  |
| Leasburg, Hebron, 3                                                  | 4  |
| Person Ct., Concord, 11                                              | 5  |
| Long Memorial, 11                                                    | 6  |
| Brookdale, Allensville, 3                                            | 6  |
| Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7                                                | 6  |
| District Check-up Meeting, Pastors and Laymen, at<br>West Durham, 10 | 7  |
| Trinity, 7:30                                                        | 8  |
| Calvary, 7:30                                                        | 9  |
| Chapel Hill, 7:30                                                    | 10 |
| Graham, 7:30                                                         | 11 |
| Alamance Ct., Bethel, 11                                             | 12 |
| Mt. Hermon Ct., Mt. Hermon, 2                                        | 12 |
| Sweepsonville, Sweepsonville, 11                                     | 13 |
| Burlington Ct., Mt. Vernon, 3                                        | 13 |
| Davis Street, 7:30                                                   | 17 |
| Bahama, Mt. Rethel, 11                                               | 20 |
| Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 3                                            | 20 |
| Orange Ct., Eiland, 7:30                                             | 20 |
| Cedar Grove, Carr, 11                                                | 24 |
| Eno, 7:30                                                            | 24 |

### ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| September                                |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| Ahokie (Church Dedication), 11           | 22 |
| Murfreesboro, Winton, 3                  | 22 |
| North Gates, Kittrells, night            | 22 |
| Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 2     | 26 |
| Fall Rally and Check-up, Hertford, 10    | 27 |
| Kinnakeet, Avon, 11                      | 29 |
| Hatteras, Buxton, night                  | 29 |
| October                                  |    |
| Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 2            | 2  |
| Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 2             | 5  |
| Bethaven, Trinity, 11                    | 6  |
| Matamuskiet, Amity, 3                    | 6  |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night | 6  |
| City Road, night                         | 9  |
| Pasquotank, Union, 11 and 2              | 11 |

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Gatesville, Zion, 11 and 2          | 12 |
| Columbia, 11                        | 13 |
| Creswell, 3                         | 13 |
| Roper, Pleasant Grove, night        | 13 |
| Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 2     | 19 |
| Plymouth, 11                        | 20 |
| Aulander, Lewiston, 3               | 20 |
| Edenton, night                      | 20 |
| First Church, Elizabeth City, night | 23 |
| South Mills, Trinity, 11 and 2      | 26 |
| Bath, Asbury, 11                    | 27 |
| Washington, night                   | 27 |

### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| September                         |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Pittsboro, 11                     | 22 |
| Bynum, Ebenezer, 3                | 22 |
| Siler City, 8                     | 22 |
| Red Springs, 11                   | 29 |
| Caledonia, East Laurinburg, 3     | 29 |
| Laurinburg, 8                     | 29 |
| October                           |    |
| Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11            | 6  |
| Laurel Hill, 3                    | 6  |
| Rockingham, 7                     | 6  |
| Ellerbe, 11                       | 13 |
| Glendon, Fair Promise, 3          | 13 |
| Goldston, 7                       | 13 |
| Person Street, 7                  | 16 |
| Rockingham Ct., E. Rockingham, 11 | 20 |
| Gibson, St. John, 3               | 20 |
| Parkton, 7                        | 23 |
| Biscoe, 11                        | 27 |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Little River, 3   | 27 |
| Mt. Gilead, 7                     | 27 |
| Hamlet, 7                         | 28 |
| Maxton, 7                         | 29 |
| Hay Street, 7                     | 30 |
| Jonesboro, 7                      | 31 |
| November                          |    |
| West End, 11                      | 3  |
| Troy Ct., 3                       | 3  |
| Troy, 7                           | 3  |

### NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| September                                  |    |
|--------------------------------------------|----|
| Goldsboro Ct., Piney Grove, 11             | 22 |
| Ayden, 7:30                                | 22 |
| La Grange, 7:30                            | 25 |
| Oriental, Pamlico, 11                      | 29 |
| Morehead City Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 | 29 |
| October                                    |    |
| Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30                  | 2  |
| Jones, Foy's, 11                           | 6  |
| Dover, 7:30                                | 6  |
| Kinston, Queen St., 7:30                   | 9  |
| Griffon, 11                                | 13 |
| Grimesland, Salem, 7:30                    | 13 |
| Hookerton, 7:30                            | 18 |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Smith's, 11                 | 19 |
| Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11                  | 20 |
| Vanceboro, 7:30                            | 20 |
| Newport, Riverdale, 11                     | 22 |
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30          | 23 |
| Aurora, Warren's, 11                       | 24 |
| Pamlico, Alliance, 11                      | 27 |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30       | 27 |
| New Bern, Centenary, 11                    | 30 |
| November                                   |    |
| Seven Springs, Indian Springs, 11          | 3  |
| Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30                | 3  |

### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| September                                             |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Conway, 11                                            | 22 |
| Garysburg, Shiloh, 3:30                               | 22 |
| Halifax, 8                                            | 22 |
| McKendree, Pinetops, 11                               | 29 |
| District Rally, Laymen and Preachers, Rocky Mt., 2:30 | 29 |
| Wilson, 8                                             | 29 |
| October                                               |    |
| Rich Square, 7:30                                     | 2  |
| Spring Church, 7:30                                   | 4  |
| Seaboard, Sharon, 11                                  | 5  |
| Weldon, 11                                            | 6  |
| Northampton, New Hope, 3                              | 6  |
| Enfield, 7:30                                         | 6  |
| Walstonburg, Arthur, 7                                | 8  |
| Farmville, 8                                          | 8  |
| Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30                           | 9  |
| Rocky Mount, First Church, Dedication                 | 12 |
| Bethel, 7:30                                          | 13 |
| Marvin, 7:30                                          | 17 |
| Middleburg, 11                                        | 20 |
| Warren, 3                                             | 20 |
| Norlina, 7:30                                         | 20 |
| Robersonville, Stokes (to be announced)               | 20 |
| Spring Hope, 7:30                                     | 21 |
| Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30                          | 22 |
| Whitakers, 7:30                                       | 23 |
| Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11                          | 26 |
| Elm City, 11                                          | 27 |
| Stantonsburg, 3                                       | 27 |
| Kenly, 7:30                                           | 27 |
| November                                              |    |
| Roanoke Rapids, 11                                    | 3  |
| Rosemary, 7:30                                        | 3  |

### RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| September                                         |    |
|---------------------------------------------------|----|
| Cary-Apex, Cary, 7:30                             | 20 |
| Oxford Ct., Salem, 11                             | 22 |
| Oxford, 7:30                                      | 22 |
| Raleigh, Fairmont, 8                              | 24 |
| Raleigh, Person St., Central, 8                   | 25 |
| Franklinton, 8                                    | 27 |
| Selma, 11                                         | 29 |
| Benson, 3                                         | 29 |
| Smithfield, 7:30                                  | 29 |
| District Check-up, Preachers and Laymen, Raleigh, |    |

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Person St., Central, 10     | 30 |
| Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 | 30 |

### October

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 | 2  |
| Zel-ulon-Wendell, Wendell, 11   | 6  |
| Creedmoor, Creedmoor, 7:30      | 6  |
| Granville, Union Chapel, 7:30   | 7  |
| Stem, Stem, 7:30                | 9  |
| Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11      | 13 |
| Erwin, Erwin, 3                 | 13 |
| Princeton, Princeton, 7:30      | 13 |
| Mamers, Mamers, 7:30            | 16 |
| Bailey, Bailey, 7:30            | 13 |
| Dunn, Divine Street, 11         | 20 |
| Lillington, Lillington, 3       | 20 |
| Garner, Garner, 7:30            | 20 |
| Tar River, Plank Chapel, 7:30   | 21 |
| Moncure, Moncure, 7:30          | 23 |
| Four Oaks, Sanders, 7:30        | 25 |
| Jenkins Memorial, preaching, 11 | 27 |
| Louisburg Ct., Piney Grove, 3   | 27 |
| Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30     | 27 |
| Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 7:30      | 28 |
| Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30      | 30 |
| Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30      | 31 |

### WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| September                               |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11                | 22 |
| Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, night           | 22 |
| Wallace-Rosehill, Rosehill, 11          | 29 |
| Penderlea, night                        | 29 |
| October                                 |    |
| Town Creek, Zion, 11                    | 6  |
| Scott's Hill, Seagate, night            | 6  |
| Wilmington, Epworth, night              | 9  |
| Faison-Kenansville, 11                  | 11 |
| Fairmont, Trinity, 11                   | 13 |
| St. Pauls, Regans, 3                    | 13 |
| Lumberton, night                        | 13 |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11   | 20 |
| Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3                 | 20 |
| Maysville, Belgrade, night              | 20 |
| Southport, night                        | 23 |
| Bladen (place to be announced), 11      | 24 |
| Garland (place to be announced), night  | 24 |
| Roseboro, Halls, 11                     | 25 |
| Clinton, night                          | 25 |
| Rowland, Purvis, 11                     | 27 |
| Pembroke (Indian work), First Church, 3 | 27 |
| Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night          | 27 |
| November                                |    |
| Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11              | 3  |
| Wesley Memorial, 3                      | 3  |
| Whiteville, night                       | 3  |
| Wilmington, Trinity, night              | 4  |

## Western North Carolina Conference

### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| September                                                                                                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Central, Asheville, 11                                                                                                         | 22 |
| Saluda-Tryon-Saluda, 3                                                                                                         | 22 |
| Brevard, night                                                                                                                 | 22 |
| Black Mountain, 11                                                                                                             | 29 |
| Swannanoa, Tabernacle, 3                                                                                                       | 29 |
| Weaverville Station, night                                                                                                     | 29 |
| October                                                                                                                        |    |
| Laurel-Barnardsville, Laurel, 11                                                                                               | 6  |
| Weaverville Ct., South Fork, 3                                                                                                 | 6  |
| Oteen, Bethel, night                                                                                                           | 6  |
| Hot Springs, Antioch, 11                                                                                                       | 13 |
| Marshall, Marshall, night                                                                                                      | 13 |
| Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30<br>p. m. Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to<br>be handed in. |    |

### ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. D. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| September                   |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| North Wilkesboro, 11        | 22 |
| Moravian Falls, Adley, 3    | 22 |
| Traphill, Traphill, night   | 22 |
| Todd, Cranberry, 11         | 23 |
| Helton, Baldwin, 11         | 29 |
| October                     |    |
| Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11 | 6  |
| Dobson, Stony Knoll, 3:30   | 6  |
| Elkin, 7:30                 | 6  |
| Mocksville Station, 8       | 9  |

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| September                     |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Central Avenue, 11            | 22 |
| Prospect, Bethlehem, 3        | 22 |
| Spencer Memorial, 7:30        | 22 |
| Duncan Memorial, 11           | 29 |
| Wadesboro, 7:30               | 30 |
| October                       |    |
| First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 | 7  |
| Myers Park, 7:30              | 14 |

### GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

| September                        |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Bessemer City, Bessemer, 11      | 22 |
| Cherryville Ct., Mary's Grove, 3 | 22 |
| Mount Holly, 7:30                | 22 |
| Gastonia, Trinity, 7:30          | 23 |
| Gastonia, West End, 7:30         | 24 |
| Belmont, Park Street, 7:30       | 25 |
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11       | 29 |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3           | 29 |
| October                          |    |
| Gastonia, Bradley Memorial, 11   | 6  |
| Lowell, Ebenezer, 7:30           | 6  |
| Cramerton, 7:30                  | 7  |
| King's Mountain, Central, 11     | 13 |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11           | 20 |



GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Sandy Ridge, 5 .....

Guilford Ct., 10:30, .....

Janestown, 7:30 .....

Proximity, 11 .....

Midway, 3 .....

Lee's Chapel-Grace, 7:30 .....

Janestown-Oakdale, 7:30 .....

Flat Rock, Sat. ....

West End, 11 .....

Madison, 3 .....

St. Paul's, 7:30 .....

Carraway Memorial, 7:30 .....

October

Reidsville, Main, 7:30 .....

Brown Summit, 3:30 .....

Calvary, 11 .....

Draper, Wayside, 3 .....

Spray, 5 .....

College Place, 7:30 .....

Leaksville, 8 .....

College Place, 8 .....

Glenwood, 8 .....

Haw River, Midway, 2:30 .....

Haw River, Sat. ....

Pleasant Garden, 8 .....

Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11 .....

Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 .....

Gibsonville, 7:30 .....

Draper, 7:30 .....

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

(Subject to necessary changes)

September

Highland, 10:30 .....

Liberty, Ct., Randolph, 11 .....

South Davidson, 2:30 .....

Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 .....

Asheboro First, 7:30 .....

Why Not, Flag Springs( all day) .....

Richland, Browsers, (all day) .....

Asheboro Central, 7:30 .....

Archdale, 7:30 .....

October

Lehanon, 7:30 .....

First Church, High Point, 7:30 .....

Welch Memorial, 7:30 .....

Seagrove-Love Joy, Seagrove (all day) .....

Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethany, 11 .....

Farmer, Farmer, 2:30 .....

Asheboro Ct., West Chapel, 7:30 .....

Wesley Memorial, 7:30 .....

Calvary, 7:30 .....

Shiloh, Friendship (all day) .....

Main Street, 7:30 .....

Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, 2:45 .....

Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 .....

Oak View, 7:30 .....

Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 7:30 .....

Randleman-Union, St. Paul, 7:30 .....

Main Street, 7:30 .....

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Linville Falls, 11 .....

Avery Ct., 3 .....

Spruce Pine, 7:30 .....

Raid Creek, 11 .....

Micaville, Tipton Hill, 3 .....

Burnsville, 7:30 .....

October

Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11 .....

Shady Grove, 3 .....

Connolly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30 .....

Elk Park, 11 .....

Bakersville, 3 .....

Marion, First, 7:30 .....

Cliffside, 11 .....

Forest City, 7:30 .....

Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stewards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church.

Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed to the district superintendent at this meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Westford, 11 .....

Rocky Ridge, 3 .....

Roberta, 7:30 .....

Harmony, 7:30 .....

Trinity, 11 .....

East Spencer-Yadkin, 7:30 .....

October

Tabernacle, 11 .....

Albemarle Ct., Stony Point, 3 .....

Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30 .....

Stanfield Ct., Love's Grove, 7:30 .....

Mt. Mitchell, 7:30 .....

Badin, 11 .....

Mt. Pleasant, Friendship, 3 .....

Meeting of pastors and chairmen of boards of stewards will meet at First church, Salisbury, October 17, 7:30. Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be turned in at this meeting.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Davidson, Fairview, 10 and 3 .....

Mooreville, Central, 11 .....

Mooreville, Broad St., night .....

Newton,, First Church, 11 .....

Balls Creek, St. Paul, 3 .....

Troutman, Troutman, night .....

October

Statesville, Broad Street, 11 .....

Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 3 .....

Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night .....

Hickory, Bethel, 11 .....

Hudson, Colliers, 3 .....

Hickory, Westview, night .....

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Highlands, Cashiers, 11 .....

Webster, Webster, 3 .....

Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11 .....

Shooting Creek, Mers, 3 .....

Canton, First Church, 8 .....

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston Sa'em, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Winston-Salem, Liberty St., 7:30 .....

Doub's, at Parsonage, 7:30 .....

Lexington, First, 11 .....

Davidson, Centenary, 3 .....

Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain, 7:30 .....

Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Morris Chapel, 7:30 .....

Hanes, Hanes, 7:30 .....

Kernersville-South Winston, 7:30 .....

Winston-Salem Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 7:30 .....

Mt. Airy Ct., Oak Grove, 11 .....

Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, Shoals, 3 .....

Walnut Cove, St. Mark, 7:30 .....

October

Mt. Airy, Rockford St., 7:30 .....

Lexington, Trinity, 7:30 .....

Hiatt-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11 .....

West Forsyth, Harmony Grove, 3 .....

Forsyth, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 .....

Thomasville, Community, 7:30 .....

Winston-Salem, Centenary, 7:30 .....

Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 .....

Thomasville, First, 7:30 .....

Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 11 .....

Forsyth-Maple Springs, Maple Springs, 3 .....

Lewisville, Union, 7:30 .....

Winston-Salem, Central Terrace, 7:30 .....

Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 .....

Mt. Airy, Central, 7:30 .....

Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30 .....

Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 7:30 .....

Fourth Check-up Meeting, Centenary, Church, Winston-Salem, 3 .....

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Wilmington School

Trinity church, Wilmington, Oct. 6-11. (Opening session Oct. 6, 3 p. m.)

Stewardship of Life, Fred T. Barnett.

Teaching Children, Alma Cade.

Senior Y. P. Department Administration, Robert W. Bradshaw.

Burlington School

Front Street church, Burlington, Oct. 13-18. (Opening session Oct. 13, 3 p. m.)

Stewardship of Life, Fred T. Barnett.

Teaching Children, Alma Cade.

The Church Working with Young Adults, F. M. Patterson.

Guiding Young People's Worship, Robert W. Bradshaw.

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

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HONOR SOCIETY

Those good congregations having paid their ten per cent apportionment in full since last report are herewith listed. Their help comes at a good time. Kindly note them, along with their pastors, and join us in grateful thanks.

Badin, Badin-New London, Rev. M. F. Moores.

Mt. Holly, Rev. J. B. McLarty.

Norwood, Rev. C. G. Hefner.

Farmer circuit (nine churches), Rev. F. E. Howard.

West End, Richland circuit, Rev. C. L. Grant.

Matton's Grove, Pfeiffer circuit, Rev. A. J. Cox.

Clinchfield, Marion Mills, Rev. H. M. Wellman.

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## In Memoriam

**UPCHURCH**—The subject of this sketch, William H. Upchurch, departed this life August 30, 1940. His last earthly remains were laid away in the cemetery at Antioch church amid a large crowd of sorrowing friends and relatives.

He had served his county as county commissioner and was a faithful member of the official board of Antioch Methodist church. Always loyal to his pastor, always ready to support his church both by his presence and means. We have lost a friend, his family a devoted husband and loving father. We know where to find him.

J. C. Whedbee, Pastor.

**CROWSON**—John Albert Crowson was born April 19, 1879, and departed this life August 27, 1940, being 61 years of age.

He was married to Miss Donna Lulla Garrett in 1906, who survives, also three daughters and one son: Mrs. J. H. Bryant of High Point, Rachel and Mary Lee Crowson of the home in Julian, and Paul Crowson of Liberty. He has four grandchildren.

Mr. Crowson became a member of Shiloh church, Randolph-Gray's Chapel charge, in 1907, and was an active member until his health failed.

Funeral service was held at Shiloh church on August 21 and his body was placed in the church cemetery beneath a beautiful mound of flowers.

H. L. Isley, Pastor.

### IN MEMORIAM

The lights are out in the mansion of clay,  
The curtains are drawn, for the dweller is away;  
She silently stepped o'er the threshold by night,  
To make her abode in the City of Light.

The members of the woman's auxiliary of Parker's Methodist church, Corapeake, N. C., pause to pay reverent tribute to the memory of our dear member, Mrs. Sammie Ture Riddick, who passed from this life to the great beyond Saturday, June 22, 1940.

She was a faithful and devoted member of Parker's Methodist church and the auxiliary, a devoted wife, a loving mother, and understanding neighbor and friend.

For several months prior to her death she was in declining health, and during the last few months of her illness she suffered much. But she never complained. She bore with patience and courage her suffering. She knew in whom she had believed, and was persuaded that He was able to keep that which she had committed unto Him.

She lived her religion daily as she passed onward, and in truth built her house by the side of the road, and was a friend to man. Well can we say of her, "She has fought a good fight, she has finished the course, she has kept the faith."

We express to the members of her family our appreciation of her life and pray that her noble life may inspire them, and us, to live closer to God, whom she loved and served. We extend to them our love and sympathy and pray God's blessing to rest upon them.

Mrs. Lee Riddick,  
Mrs. C. C. Savage,  
Mrs. D. E. Barnes.

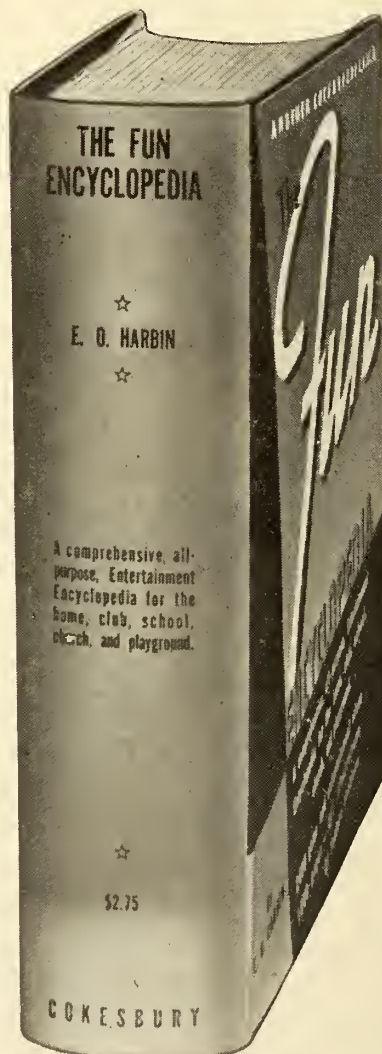
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## OUR NEED IS MEN

By Charles E. Jefferson

**W**E have fallen on easy times. Life is luxurious. Ours is an age of cushions and rose water. But there is arduous work to do. The trumpet has sounded, calling us to battle. Our cities are so many battlefields on which resolute and flint-willed men must wrestle in terrific struggle with the forces of the devil. We have a Gospel equal to the world's needs. All we lack is men. Never will Christianity subdue our American cities until there is brought into the field an army of Christians of firmer texture and sterner temper than that possessed by the cohorts now engaged. Some plead for endowments, and others advocate a change of methods, but what we want is men. The members of our churches, as a rule, are altogether too flexible and obliging. They do not know how to strike hard, nor are they willing to stand their ground. There is a widespread fear of being counted narrow, but there is a narrowness which leads to life. "I have a baptism to be baptized with; and how am I straitened till it be accomplished!" So said the broadest man that ever lived. There is dread of bigotry, but what is bigotry? If placing the kingdom of God first and compelling all things else to bend to it be bigotry, then what the world now needs is bigots. Bigotry is the persecution of others who do not agree with us. The steadfast and stubborn defense of those things which we deem of importance is sweet reasonableness and imperative duty. It is significant that the one thing which Christ first looked for in the men on whose shoulders he wished to roll the world was something which he designated as rock. As soon as a man whose temperament had in it ingredients capable of being fused into granite came under his eye, he gave him a new name—"Rock." Later on when the tides of the world were flowing away from Jesus, this man with the new name stood erect and declared that notwithstanding all learned men were saying one thing and all the people another, he still was convinced that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of the living God. It was then that the Lord declared that he would build his church on rock. It is the only rock which can withstand the assaults of the empire of death.



# United Help Needed For the Advocate At Once

Why not for the next two weeks paramount the Advocate in every church? Our financial year closes September 30. Quick action by all will enable us to close the year satisfactorily.

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Are we ready and willing to give ourselves to a glorious closing all along the line this present year? If so, make September a triumphant month for the North Carolina Christian Advocate.



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We are told that alcohol had much to do with the downfall of the French army. Our boys are now going to camp to be exposed to the same peril. What is the President going to do about this liquor evil in the army?

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The men who hold public office or are seeking offices that are dependent upon the results of the approaching elections, are very much interested in the present political campaign. But they will not be able to create the public interest in North Carolina that Wade, and Wolfe, and Walker, and Newton can stir up with their football teams. Great is football.

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What about the doctrine of hard work? Are we Americans perfectly willing to apply it to "the other fellow" while we say to ourselves, "Soul, take thine ease; eat, drink and be merry"? Why should we insist upon hard work for other folks while we personally are unwilling to give ourselves to hard tasks which are the measure of personal and national greatness? Work is divine while idleness is devilish.

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Dr. George R. Truett, who is in a ten day Bible mission in Charlotte, speaking before 400 men on Tuesday of this week at the Chamber of Commerce, chose as his subject, "What Makes a City Great." In these times that are testing our souls the great preacher insisted: "Three things are at the basis of our government, the home, the church, and the state. They must not fall. The home must be strong and pious; the state must have good citizens to support it who pay their taxes, vote for good men, and rebuke crime. But the church is our chief institution. Has Christianity failed us in the crisis of the hour? Big business failed; so did diplomacy, and education. But Christ has not failed, but holds his hands out to bid a weary world, Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest!"

"What the Adams family of Massachusetts was to good government," says J. S. Payton, "that the Bankhead family of Alabama has been here in Washington. The Hon. John Hollis Bankhead, father of the late Speaker, served for twenty years in the House and thirteen years in the Senate. And a brother, Senator John Bankhead, is now rounding out a decade in the Upper House."

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Jacob Simpson Payton, editor of The National Methodist Press, writes:

Everybody in Washington with an eye to see and an ear to hear realizes that America is already pretty much in this war. The Canadian-American defense agreement, the survey now under way for eight air and naval bases on British possessions between Newfoundland and British Guiana, the official announcement that 229 obsolete tanks are to be shipped to Canada for training, and the statement on the Senate floor recently that four out of every five airplanes now being turned out under government order are sent abroad, afford incontrovertible proof. Our neutrality law remains on our statute books, but certain of its provisions over which a few months ago congressmen fretted and fumed are as dead as the dodo bird.

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The rabbis tell a story of the reason for the location of the Temple. Two brothers had inherited a farm and lived on different parts of it, one married with a large family, the other a bachelor. At the end of the harvest the former said to his wife: "How much I have to be thankful for! But my lonely brother has no family. To make up for it, I shall take some sheaves from my field and put them in his." This he did late at night. The other brother said: "My brother has a large family to care for, so I shall put some of my sheaves in his field." So the next morning and several mornings each of the brothers found that there were still the full number of sheaves in their fields. One night they met in the moonlight. There the Temple was built, for it was the one spot on earth nearest God.—Percy Sylvester Malone, in *The Churchman*.



## The English Channel Britain's Defense

THE chalky cliffs of Dover have looked down upon the exploits of Julius Caesar, of William the Conqueror, of their own Admiral Nelson, and upon the Channel tides that run toward the Straits of Dover, there to meet the rush of waters from the North Sea. Stormy weather on these waters broke the back of the Spanish Armada and held Napoleon on the beach at Boulogne. For nine hundred years no invader has been able to cross this twenty-mile strip of water which has protected England from the hostile forces of Europe.

Let no one think that the waters of the English Channel are constantly turbulent. Because they are not. This writer on five different occasions has crossed the Channel, and in passing from Hamburg, Germany, to the southern shores of Ireland traveled the full length of these historic waters, and invariably found travel as pleasant as on the Atlantic Ocean when on its good behavior. Our experiences, however, were limited to July, August and the first days of September. But fall and winter tells another story. When befogged it heaves and roars under the relentless winds that sweep over these waters. Thus far, and no farther, is the command of the English Channel to all of Britain's enemies. Napoleon tried in vain to cross and later near by on the plains of Belgium he met his Waterloo. Adolph Hitler boasted that he would cross over immediately and with one mighty stroke smash the British Empire. A little later he declared that nobody could hurry him, but at the time of his own choosing he would cross over. Winter approaches and Hitler is still in Europe. And it is a pretty safe surmise that, like Napoleon, he will never effect a landing on British soil. His Waterloo may be somewhere in Europe and not so far in the future. For justice and judgment still abide about the throne of the Lord God Almighty who holds "dominion over pine and palm."

## The Character of Jesus Christ

FREDERIC L. DEANE in his "Followers of God" says that men may dispute on all other points of our holy faith, but no one ever argues about the character of Jesus Christ. Here is an eloquent quotation from this British preacher:

"Nobody ever argues about the character of Jesus Christ, this character which reflects

the character of God as a still pool reflects the sky. We see him in the Gospels, this Son of Man, so simple that the smallest child can understand and love him; so great that while his feet are on the earth his head is above the stars, and all the love of this poor world of ours is only a little broken echo of the beating of his heart. We see him stretching his arms wide to the whole human race, shutting out of his love, his fellowship, his understanding sympathy, nothing that breathes the breath of life or wears the form of man. We see him always the strong, kind elder brother of the weakest woman, the most sinful man, the smallest child; always at home with all men, always accessible, always the servant of all.

## Churches Exist for Religious Purposes

PRESIDENT FEW at the opening of Duke University in this time of war and preparation for war insisted that, even though Duke is ready to serve the nation in every way possible, universities exist for educational purposes and that this obligation rests upon them all to give themselves with great singleness of purpose to the educational service of the nation. The words of this noted educator applies to the churches with increasing emphasis. The churches do truly exist for religious purposes though they are often diverted from these. In a very real way and most emphatically, the demands are that the churches give themselves to the service of the nation and its religious life these days when the material, the political and the military so overshadows the moral and the spiritual.

We are stressing the outward regulations of life and the disciplines that come with regimentation, but we are being left without the inner controls that come with moral and spiritual vigor. So there is an increasing demand for the control of life from without. The work of the church is to touch the spiritual currents and to build up the moral convictions that will enable us to face such a day as this. Right here rests the real security of a nation as we build up the moral and religious convictions of a generation. France trusted in the military resources of the Maginot line as the nation rotted away within, morally and spiritually. The idea of security had reached its height in France, but it was false security. Stores of food and munitions sufficient for three years were there in that wonderful fortress, but the people had not that courage and hardihood



to enable them to withstand the German advance. It was once more the full barns and the satiated soul with nothing for the future. Will the churches of America be able to save us from the same fate? Cash will make us strong on land and sea and in the air and also furnish us the emotional security that comes with money and self-indulgence, but it remains for the churches to save us by making real and effective moral and spiritual stamina.

### **A Swiss Paper Describes Some Church Members**

FROM high up in the Alps comes an editorial paragraph from *La Vie Protestante* that is well worth reading because it reminds one of some folks to be found in the United States of America. Surely all nations are akin.

Here is the paragraph in question:

"When you have a toothache you go to your dentist. When you have a pain you go to your doctor. When you need a pair of shoes you go to a store. When you have any important affair, you upset your routine and go to your banker, lawyer, notary, government office, or the principal of your children's school. But when you have something wrong with your soul you stop going to church, stay at home full of bitterness and wait for years for your pastor to call on you. When he arrives you heap reproaches upon him. Is it normal? Your pastor has office hours, and a telephone. What are you waiting for?"

### **Silent As the Arab, Chautauqua Has Folded Its Tents**

THE traveling Chautauqua which, like Abraham, dwelt in tents through the summer and fall has silently disappeared. It was a great democratic institution with high ideals and beneficial results. It was a combination of clean, wholesome entertainment and popular education. In both it was a glowing and going success for several decades.

But they are all gone. Why? The radio and the "movies" put them out of business. People will not go to hear a Chautauqua quartette or a second rate orchestra when at home they can hear grand opera and the best orchestras of the country. Then the radio will bring to one's sitting room the President of the United States, the King of England and other world celebrities, who will discuss in a confidential way affairs of state. It is not surprising that Chautauqua could not compete with radio and the movies.

### **Woman's Society of Christian Service**

FROM side to side all across the land have come the announcements of these organizations for Christian service in hundreds of churches. The Methodist women are being organized generally for Christian service. Vast are the possibilities of these efforts in city, town and country place. But they are not free from peril. They may suffer the fate of every religious undertaking that fails to hold fast to the inner vigor that finds its nourishment in the presence of the living Christ. The potency of the personal presence may be rendered non-effective by the dull formal demands of a complex mechanism. In every age Jesus has been the victim of religious ventures lost in the externals and formal rounds misnamed Christian service—real service with Christ absent.

We have spent much time and effort in trying to make effective the many and varied organizations of our Methodism having to do with childhood and youth and adult life. The tendency in them all is to become lost in the organization and the method of procedure to the neglect of the spirit—the outward form supersedes the inner spirit. Prayers, fastings and almsgiving are ever tending to reach the stage of that pretense which Jesus condemned in his day. Speaking personally, our life long struggle has been to keep the pulpits of our pastorates from losing the flame that should kindle on the altar of every heart—on the altar of God where the fire never goes out.

Not the millions raised by the women of Methodism, but the womanly devotion displayed at the cross and in that first resurrection day will determine the lofty place of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of which so much is expected in the long years ahead. There has been so much indifference and lack of conviction that we are poorly prepared for such a day as we face. Are the women going to be so spiritual and so high souled as to contribute to the security we so much need?

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Should a good man laugh at such stories as the following: "I don't feel right about Jim Smith!" Farmer Dumm said to his wife. "He's just invited me to be a pallbearer again. He invited me to be a pallbearer when Mame, his first wife died, an' he invited me again when Susie, his second wife died. An' now his third wife's died an' he's invited me again. It don't seem right for me to accept all them favors an' not do him any."



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference, Fifth Ave., Wilmington, 10 a. m. . . . Nov. 7**

**Please send remittances for renewals and new subscribers before Tuesday, October 1, the end of our fiscal year.**

The home coming day at Gay's Chapel on the Woodleaf charge is Sunday, September 29. There will be all day services with dinner on the grounds. All friends and former pastors are invited.—G. W. Williams, Pastor.

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes will make three addresses at the South Georgia conference, convening on November 6 in Wesley Monumental church, Savannah. He will also address the North Georgia conference on November 20 at Wesley Memorial church, Atlanta.

A home coming day in Lilesville Methodist church on the fifth Sunday, September 29. All former pastors, members and friends of Lilesville church are invited. We extend a cordial invitation to the editor of our church paper. H. R. Cornelius.

There will be a celebration of the two hundredth anniversary at Whitaker's Chapel on Sunday, September 29; morning and afternoon service with dinner on the grounds. Those who are interested are invited to come. All local people are asked to bring lunch.

Home coming day will be observed with Tabernacle church, Maysville charge, on Sunday, October 6. Rev. A. S. Barnes and the singing class from the Orphanage are expected to be with us on that date. We would be happy to have friends and former pastors return and be with us also.—H. L. Harris, Pastor.

The reorganization of the woman's missionary society into the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the Lucama and the Kenly churches was attended with impressive ceremony. Lucama had 27 and Kenly had 23 charter members. A series of evangelistic services are being conducted in the Kenly church by the pastor, Rev. E. M. Hall.

Mrs. Nettie deFord reports that Richlands is showing progress in building new homes and pretty filling stations. Brother Ivey T. Poole is in fine favor and living up to his reputation of getting things done. Some changes are to be made in the church. Revivals with good results have brought joy to many. And they are looking to a home coming when the church is finished.

On the first Sunday in October, which will be the 6th, at 11 o'clock our "all day home coming service" will begin and we are expecting to have a great time. If you have ever been a member of Ward Street, or if you are at present, please remember to meet us at the church on that day. Bring your friends, and all former pastors are especially invited. Remember the time, October 6. Lunch will be served at the church and everybody is invited.—Pastor.

Toyohiko Kagawa, the most noted Christian in Japan, was placed under arrest on August 25 by the government. No details were made public except that he was accused of "violating the military code." He has been a fearless advocate of social reforms, a constant friend and helper of "submerged" classes, and an ardent advocate of peace and good will among all races. He visited America in 1935-36 and made addresses in many cities. Part of his education was secured in America. He graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary. His arrest probably is the result of the determination of the militaristic powers in Japan to silence all criticism, and possibly to control all religious groups and leaders or make them subservient to totalitarian nationalistic policies.

Said Dr. Morgan, rector of the Church of the Heavenly Rest, to President Faunce, then pastor of the Fifth Avenue Baptist church, New York: "Dr. Faunce, I have never been quite able to understand why you call your church the Fifth Avenue Baptist church when the church is not on Fifth Avenue, but on Forty-sixth street. Can you reconcile the name to the situation?" "Perhaps not, doctor," replied Dr. Faunce, "but you must at least acknowledge that our church is nearer to Fifth Avenue than yours is to the Heavenly Rest."—Advance.

The project at the northern and southern ends of the Dead Sea are working at an accelerating rate and hope to finish the projective five year development program in less than half that time. Some 900 Jews and 440 Arab workers are employed in these two plants and enjoy the most friendly relations with each other. Last year's output of potash is estimated at from 60,000 to 70,000 tons. This year's output will greatly increase that amount. When the great plants are completed the amount will be vastly increased.—Jewish Missionary Magazine.

The executive committee of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, in session in New York City, elected Miss Dorothy McConnell, daughter of Bishop and Mrs. Francis J. McConnell of New York, woman editor of the World Outlook, to succeed the late Miss Sara Estelle Haskin. The World Outlook, recently adopted as the official missionary organ of the reunited Methodist Church, has been edited and published in Nashville, Tenn., under the editorship of Dr. Elmer T. Clark and the late Miss Haskin. Prior to Methodist unification, it was the missionary organ of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Rev. Dr. A. R. Perkins of Somerset, Ky., was elected circulation manager of the World Outlook, a position formerly held by the late Dr. E. H. Rawlings, of Nashville.

Please announce in this week's edition of the Advocate that Clinchfield Methodist church, Marion, is observing home coming in connection with the fourth quarterly conference the first Sunday in October, the 6th. All former pastors and members and friends are invited to spend the day with us. There will be preaching at 11 by Rev. J. C. Cornett, D.S., followed by dinner. The fourth quarterly conference will be held immediately after lunch with an afternoon program of music and short speeches by former pastors. You can say for the Marion Mills charge that things go well with us, nothing spectacular but in the usual way. We are expecting to come up with a full report at conference. The ladies have done quite a little during the year to add to the comfort of the dwellers at the parsonage.—H. M. Wellman.

George S. Ward, one of the organizers of the Ward Baking Company, who died in Havana, Cuba, on September 3, was the founder of the Ward College, Methodist missionary educational center in Buenos Aires, Argentina. In 1913 he established this institution in memory of his mother, Mrs. Nancy Gracey Ward of Pittsburgh, Pa. During the years following he had been a generous supporter of the school and its services to Argentina youth. He was 73 years of age at his death. Mr. Ward, son of a pioneer Pittsburgh baker, with his older brother, developed one of America's largest baking industries, and promoted chemical research for the improvement of breadstuffs. Pittsburgh, New York, and Havana were the principal centers of his businesses. He had served as president of the American Bakers Association, and was instrumental in establishing the American Institute of Baking in Chicago. Throughout his life he had been active in the Methodist church in New York.

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Bishop William T. Watkins, resident bishop of Columbia Area, will reside at 719 Sims Street, Columbia, S. C. Three of Bishop and Mrs. Watkins' five sons will live with their parents. One son, Lamar, is a senior student in the Boston University School of Theology. Bishop Watkins is the first resident bishop to live in Columbia since 1902.

A good story is going the rounds these days in connection with the Presbyterian-Episcopal rapprochement. An Episcopalian lady and a Presbyterian lady met on the street and engaged in conversation regarding their respective churches. "Do you have matins in your church?" inquired the Episcopalian of her Presbyterian acquaintance. "No," replied the Presbyterian. "We find that there's nothing that wears much better than just plain red carpet on the floor."

Dr. Charles E. Maddy, executive secretary of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board (Southern), announces that an additional \$53,000 is ready to be sent to the British Baptist Missionary Society, following a recent contribution of \$100,000. It is hoped that \$200,000 will be forwarded to the British society by mid-October. The headquarters of the Baptist Missionary Society in London was wrecked in a recent German bombing attack on that city. The building housed the English society's world-wide missionary work, but most of the records had been removed.

Jehovah's Witnesses is one of several aliases of a group of vehement and bitter millennial propagandists who are without denominational organization and whose so-called interpretations of Scripture are fantastic and arbitrary. The founder was a man by the name of Russell, an uneducated petty tradesman of Allegheny, Penn. He was the controlling power while he lived and his followers have been known as Russellites, Millennialists, International Bible Students, and other designations which claim much in the way of spiritual illumination. It is largely the cult of the empty and uninformed. So says one of our exchanges.

"Jehovah's Witnesses" (Russellites) are having a delightfully successful time in their efforts to get under the spotlight. The governor of Ohio denied them the right to use the State Fair grounds for their national convention last July. The governor declared that every patriotic American should be glad to give a salute to the flag, not merely a gesture but real patriotic devotion. In West Virginia the members of this sect have been removed from the relief rolls, for they have been working against the government. In New Jersey a worker spent five days in jail rather than pay a fine of \$5 imposed upon her by the police court as a public nuisance, forcing religious literature upon the people at Ocean City. She claimed she had the constitutional right to force her arguments upon people whether they wished to hear or not.—The United Presbyterian.

#### A PETITION TO THE HIGH POINT WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

The following change in assessment of salary for our district superintendents is respectfully suggested and is hereby presented for action by the conference:

That we abolish the present 9 per cent assessment on all charges for salary of district superintendents and levy assessments as follows:

- (1) Charges paying to pastor \$1000 or less, pay 4 per cent on salary of district superintendent.
- (2) Charges paying \$1000 and up to \$1999, pay 6 per cent.
- (3) Charges paying \$2000 and up to \$2999, pay 10 per cent.
- (4) Charges paying \$3000 and up to \$3999, pay 12 per cent.
- (5) Charges paying \$4000 and above, pay 16 per cent.

If this gets too much money, lower the per cent; if too little, raise it 1 per cent in higher brackets.

Let our district superintendents pay of their salary 3 per cent for upkeep of district parsonages.

This will give a bit of relief where relief is much needed—a brotherly movement.

"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." "We that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak." "Let brotherly love continue."

O. P. Ader.

#### BROTHER LAWRENCE A. WATTS TELLS OF RELIGIOUS WORK IN OUR PRISONS

We would like to call the attention of our preachers and laymen to the religious work being done among the prisoners. We believe that Christ can save them. We believe that the Gospel should be preached each Sunday in each of our prisons. We believe that hundreds of them will respond and accept Christ as their Saviour. We believe that they can become "new men" in Christ.

Our motto is "A religious service in each prison each Sabbath day." Nearly 500 ministers and laymen are co-operating. Reports that come to our office indicate that the inmates and the officials appreciate the Sunday afternoon visit of a layman or minister who comes to conduct the service. Church school literature is always welcomed. We would like to have each prison well supplied with Christian literature.

In several instances a layman, or a men's Bible class, has taken the responsibility of providing the service on one Sunday in each month. In other instances there are ministers who give one Sunday afternoon in the month to conducting services in the prison camp. In other instances there are laymen and laywomen who go to the camp and conduct a Sunday school on each Sunday morning. These services are of the greatest value.

We urge Christian people of all denominations to share in the responsibility of preventing crime. Those persons, not identified with the church, should be constantly urged to attend the services. Those persons who are dangerously near the border line where they will commit crime of some kind should be contacted by Christian workers. Christian workers can do much in preventing crime as they make personal contacts with persons who are not attending the church services.

An effort is being made to organize a chapter of the North Carolina Rehabilitation Bureau in each county. It has been organized in 45 counties. Its only purpose is to help those who have served a prison term and returned home. Its members consist of persons who are interested. Anyone in any community may take the initiative and call together a small group and elect a chairman, vice chairman, and secretary. The group will have a time and place to meet and will meet at least one time each month. The names, and other information, regarding those who are discharged and returned to the county may be secured at the office of the county superintendent of public welfare. The group will consider the names and information regarding these persons, and try, first, to visit their homes; second, to invite them to church services; third, to give them their friendship; fourth, to encourage the school-age children to attend school; and fifth, to help them secure employment.

All Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish groups are urged to consider these phases of the prison problem of the state. First, try and get hold of those who show an inclination to violate laws; second, teach the children and young people the ten commandments; third, carry the gospel of Christ to those in prison and those who are unchurched and unsaved; and fourth, try to reach those who have been to prison and are discharged from prison, and help them to be law-abiding citizens and Christians.

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# President Few Speaks at Duke Opening

President W. P. Few Speaking at Formal Opening of the 1940-1941 Academic Year, Duke University,  
Page Auditorium, September 18, 1940

I am glad to see you here and glad to know that all of you may be able to remain throughout the year, at least so far as the demands of the Selective Service Measure are concerned. You and the public will be glad to know that Duke University has offered its services directly and fully to the government, specifically to the War Department, to the Navy Department, and to the National Defense Research Committee, which is attached to the Council of National Defense. The university for a year has engaged in the Civil Pilot Training Program and has organized a Medical Specialist Unit, U. S. Naval Reserve, which is subject to call.

Perhaps it is the university's good fortune, and yours, that the government has made no requests of us that would in any way interfere with the regular program of the university and the normal life of its students. Universities exist for educational purposes; but they do belong in a very real sense to the nation and must hold themselves in readiness to serve the nation, especially in time of emergencies such as we find ourselves in today. I think it must be well known that Duke University stands ready to serve whenever and wherever its services are needed or called for by the state or federal government.

Meantime, the obligation rests upon us to give ourselves with more than ordinary singleness of purpose this year to the work of education and thus make our appropriate contribution to the educational service of the nation. And this service should be very great.

In the United States we are now confronted with new, acute and very difficult problems. They are not only political and material, they are spiritual as well. We have on our hands a generation that is not wholly fitted for the tasks it must now face. I believe that it will quickly adjust itself and under proper leadership will rise level to all of its opportunities and meet all of its obligations. This misleading of youth that has been proceeding for a good many years is not wholly if at all chargeable to education. Schools and colleges for the most part have stood for liberal education to be sure, and really too much cannot be said for genuine liberal education. As all of us now know, there is however a liberalistic education not so often coming out of college halls as from books and newspapers, and the talks and attitudes of many people. This liberalistic education often goes hand in hand with moral latitudinarianism. When this double process has gone on long enough young people, and older ones too, left untouched by intellectual and moral disciplines are without the inner controls that make possible properly directed and regulated life. A generation thus adrift will sooner or later come to feel the need of outer controls and in the long run will be easy victims of dictators of one kind or another. Recent history in other countries furnishes illustrations of how this intellectual and moral deterioration can go on.

At any rate, men without intellectual and moral stamina cannot see with sufficient clearness the difference between good and bad, right and wrong, to make them willing to stand to the uttermost for the better against

the worse. There has been something of that indifference and lack of conviction in our own country. To overcome this and put in its place conviction and determination is a part of our spiritual preparation for the kind of day that we face. I am sure that here in this place we will do our part toward preparing ourselves for the critical days that seem to lie ahead of us.

To begin with this we must clean up the cobwebs about our brains, and learn to think and think through to right conclusions. Then we must work. We must even learn to love to work. Otherwise we will do no more of it than we have to do. With the uncertainties and doubts that have been developing there has grown up a distrust of success, a willingness to "let George do it," and an easy-going satisfaction with getting something for nothing. There ought to be a time again without too long delay when every self-respecting man will insist on making a living through honest work and leave no stone unturned to find or make a place for himself to work. America must get back to work. Increased opportunities for work must be created. Education cannot do this, but education again should emphasize the dignity and value of useful work. We must learn to speak some old words with a new accent—duty, character, work.

Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men. This is the sort of doctrine all of us ought to preach; and all of us ought to be ready to hear and to practice. We must try to build again a nation of workers. It will not be safe to commit the destinies of a great country into idle hands; but the destiny of any nation is safe in the keeping of people who think straight and who work, either with their hands or in other creative ways. With a nation of free, willing and competent workers at all the many functions of organized society we can in due time be prepared to face the world, even the world as it exists today.

## OTIS RICE ON FUNERALS

Reforms in funeral services, to do away with the "paganism" of expensive ostentation and long rituals increasing the grief of the family, were advocated recently by Rev. Otis R. Rice, rector of St. Luke's Hospital, in an address at the closing session of the twentieth annual conference for ministers and religious workers in the Union Theological Seminary, Broadway at 120th street.

"There is a need for a Christian attitude in funeral services," Mr. Rice told 235 church leaders from various parts of the nation. By that I mean more emphasis on survival of the soul than concern for the body that is left. It is un-Christian to have ostentatious and lugubrious funerals. The emphasizing of matters pertaining to the corpse, of the over-stimulation of emotion, of the wearing out of mourners by long services and waits, seems to me to be more pagan than Christian. While respect should be shown for the dead, it is no respect to those who have gone to impoverish a family for years to come because of ostentatious and expensive funeral rites."—New York Times.



### METHODISTS' BIGGEST DAY IN AHOSKIE

Last Sunday dawned gloriously in North Carolina. The Methodists of Ahoskie hailed the day with joy. Other churches of the town called off their services so all who cared might join in this service so as to make it more than a Methodist occasion. The people from all the region **round about** in that section of the state came to make this more than a day of dedication.

The pastor, Rev. L. V. Harris, left nothing undone that would mar the day, the choir made full use of the new organ to exalt the music for the occasion, Bishop Clare Purcell was especially happy in the theme of his sermon, and the devotion and real sacrifice of the congregation in paying off a \$25,000 debt this year set the tempo of the day. We have had a part in many dedications of churches, but never yet have we known one better sustained throughout than this in which the Basnight Memorial Methodist church was set apart to the services of Almighty God.

At the center of services of dedication was the presentation of the Hammond electric organ, gift of Mrs. W. H. Basnight and son Ralph, to the Basnight Memorial church of Ahoskie, dedicated to the memory of Walter Howard Basnight, Jr., who died on December 3, 1939. The poems read and the tender words of the bishop made this an inspiring episode in the finely conceived and well rendered services of the day. The faces of the officials gathered about the altar beamed with joy. Along with prayer and praise mingled tears of joy in the realization of the achievements of four decades. Mr. N. S. Garrett, chairman of the board, counted this one of the high days of his years of devoted service.

Of friends of other days and loyal Methodists whose delight is to foster every Methodist undertaking we would be delighted to write at length, but we forbear.

The lunch hour in the attractive home of Dr. J. G. Mattheson (if we mistake not) was more than a formality—it was a time of delightful fellowship under the most favorable conditions. Bishop Clare Purcell, district superintendent, B. B. Slaughter, pastor L. V. Harris, and editor M. T. Plyler were the fortunate guests of the happy occasion. The doctor is a Tar Heel and his "better half" is of Maryland, which, she admits, is one better than to be a Virginian. Ahoskie is fortunate to have such esteemed citizens and the guests on Sunday counted themselves most favored on this glorious day of dedication.

### POLKTON CHARGE

At our last conference we received an appointment about 125 miles long. We were sent from the foothills of the Blue Ridge mountains and the center of the tobacco belt to the cotton fields of Anson county.

Because of serious sickness in our family we were near a month moving to our charge. Soon after our arrival we met the bad winter weather, but starting with these good people who knew how to co-operate with and love a pastor and family, a few little things have been accomplished. Before going very far into the year our parsonage was transformed. Each room has been reworked and painted, new kitchen equipment, intalled and running water and bath fixtures put in. Electric lights have been installed in two churches, and much painting done inside and out.

For the first time in the history of the charge we met 50 per cent of our financial obligations by district conference. They have won the county banner for the largest attendance each time the County League meeting has been held and hold it at present; 29 have been received into the churches, 45 children enrolled in a vacation Bible school, 24

in a Cokesbury class. Just recently the women of our church at Polkton met and organized the new Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Our folks, with the leadership of Brother Cameron, chairman of the board of stewards, plan to have all our finances in hand by October 16, that the pastor may have the few days left before conference to make out reports and relax.

To start with, we found the work in a fine condition, due to the splendid leadership of Brother L. R. Akers, our predecessor. Last but not least, we can't fail to make progress under the leadership of Dr. Bond, our district superintendent, who stands close by his men and rejoices with their triumphs and shares their sorrows. C. W. Russell.

### TO MEMBERS OF THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Four hundred preachers of our conference are members of the Conference Brotherhood. Less than 100 eligible preachers are not. "The four hundred" are most anxious to have you join them in this worthy benevolent organization, which renders help to a preacher's family at a time when it is most needed.

As you may know, this conference year a special rate is offered to eligible preachers. To join, you are expected to arrange for all death calls issued since you were admitted into full connection. The special rate permits you to sign a note for these unpaid calls at the rate of \$1 each. This is equivalent to reducing the \$1200 benefit by a small amount. For example, if you never belonged to the Brotherhood, and were admitted into full connection before 1909, your note would be for \$131 (the number of calls since the beginning in 1909 being 131). If admitted in 1920, \$97; in 1930, \$50; in 1935, \$28; and so on. Of course, if you once belonged, the calls you paid would be deducted from the note. If you are still on trial, you join simply by paying the initiation fee of 50 cents.

**THIS SPECIAL RATE CANNOT EXTEND BEYOND CONFERENCE THIS FALL.** After conference, back calls will have to be arranged for, by those joining then, at the full rate. **IT IS GREATLY TO YOUR ADVANTAGE TO JOIN NOW.**

You doubtless know the facts about the Brotherhood. When one preacher member dies, the others are mailed notices. Within 60 days they are to send me \$3. In turn I send the benefit of \$1200 to the deceased preacher's widow or other beneficiary. Several hundred laymen also contribute to the fund.

Surely you want to have a part in helping the families of your brother preachers when they are in greatest need. Won't you sign and mail the enclosed postal today? I shall be glad to write you the exact amount of the note you would sign, if any, and any other information you may request.

C. C. Herbert, Jr., Concord, N. C.

### RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY WILMINGTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The following resolutions were passed at the Wilmington district conference held at Garland, September 12, 1940:

Whereas, Rev. W. A. Cade has now for five years served effectively as our P. E. and D. S., winning the while the respect of our pastors and people for his character and ability; and

Whereas, it is the judgment of this conference that the welfare of this district will best be served by his return to this position for the sixth year.

We, the members of this district conference assembled at Garland September 12, 1940, hereby request of the bishop his return for the sixth year if such in his judgment is in keeping with the good of the North Carolina conference.

Resolved, by the Wilmington district conference of the Methodist Church, that we suggest to our bishop and the board of temperance and social service and our district superintendent that they invite Judge E. Y. Webb to address the North Carolina conference on temperance.

C. N. Phillips, Sec.

**Please send remittances for renewals and new subscribers before Tuesday, October 1, the end of our fiscal year.**



# DR. TURRENTINE

By FRANCES GRIFFIN

The phrase "a gentleman and a scholar" might well have been coined for Dr. Samuel B. Turrentine, because the shadings of character and personality which the above expression both states and implies are all wrapped up into the stately figure of that prominent minister and educator of this state.

The years of Dr. Turrentine's life date back to the mid-nineteenth century. A native of Chatham county he graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1884, at which institution he also received his M.A. degree. Love for Alma Mater is still one of his most noticeable characteristics and he seldom misses an opportunity to return to "the Hill" for alumni sessions.

## Attended Other Universities

After leaving the University he took courses at Vanderbilt University, with Yale University, and the University of Chicago, and at Columbia University—but so much for his own education. The rest of our story is concerned with his work in the education of others, which, needless to say, is quite a different matter.

Soon after graduation he became connected with the Union Academy in Chatham county. While in that position he assisted the superintendent of public instruction of Orange county in conducting institutes for teachers and in supervising examinations for public school teachers. Thus, he became one of the pioneers in North Carolina's public education development.

Another academic post was the associate professorship of the Cartersville Institute in Georgia. All branches of the formal education of those days fell under his guidance in those institutions—Greek, Latin, English literature, higher mathematics—and his thorough and applicable knowledge of those subjects was often a source of startled admiration among modern college girls whom he taught many years later.

Though the phase of his long line of service connected with the Methodist ministry of this state is not the primary theme of this sketch, it may well be said that through his pastorates in Winston-Salem, Charlotte, Greensboro, and other cities in the Western North Carolina Methodist conference he established for himself an enviable position in church circles.

Getting back to his service in education—in the early 1890's when the late Dr. John Franklin Crowell resigned as president of Trinity College, Dr. Turrentine declined

a tender of the presidency of that institution, but for 47 years he has served as one of its trustees.

## Greensboro College in 1903

His first connection with Greensboro College came about 1903. For years the little institution—the second oldest chartered college for women in the South—had struggled to gain a foothold onto financial security, but the road was rocky and in 1903 it was on the verge of closing. Dr. Turrentine, loyal to the interests of education, aided in an extensive canvass for funds to prevent the college from fall. He was at that time pastor of the West Market Street Methodist church in Greensboro. During week days he traveled tirelessly over the state making a plea to district meetings for aid to the college. On Sundays he would return to fill his pulpit in Greensboro.

According to the college history, the college alumnae greatly aided by

such men as Dr. Turrentine, finally managed to purchase the college which they presented to the North Carolina and the Western North Carolina conferences.

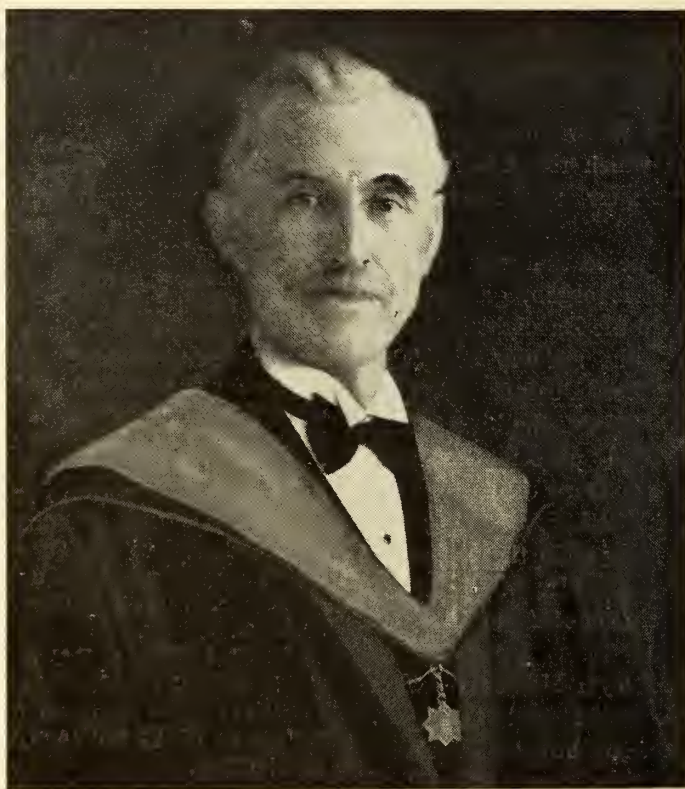
But Dr. Turrentine's work was not over. Bad luck again settled on the college, for on February 18, 1904, at 2 o'clock in the morning fire swept down to destroy the building. So, during the summer Dr. Turrentine again set out in a state-wide canvass for funds to rebuild the college and once more Greensboro College was saved.

When Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, beloved president of the college, resigned in 1913, the trustees called one of the institution's best friends for the position and in that year Dr. Samuel B. Turrentine assumed the presidency of the college. That place he served faithfully and progressively until 1935 when he resigned.

For four years thereafter he remained actively connected with the school as president emeritus and professor of Bible, and many a girl will remember always the teachings of that Book as interpreted through the dignified and scholarly lessons of Dr. Turrentine.

As president emeritus he still is a part of the college. When it observes its special occasions the most impressive figure is always Dr. Turrentine; the flowing folds of academic hood and gown seeming as much a part of the scholar himself as his snowy hair and tall straight figure.

At the commencement exercises in May, the alumnae of the college presented a portrait of Dr. Turrentine to the college and gave to him a book inscribed with the ex-





act words of the presentation and the names of those who had contributed to the cost of the portrait.

Mrs. Karl Bishopric of Leaksville, president of the alumnae association, said in presenting the portrait: "A sure knowledge of your integrity is a treasured possession of every girl who has ever known you within these walls. . . . This is a small but sincere and joyous tribute to one who has truly lived the life of a nobleman in the kingdom of God."

The portrait, a photograph of which is shown herewith, was painted by Henry Rood, Jr., well-known portrait artist of Greensboro. It will be hung in a prominent place in the Greensboro College main building as a symbol of the years of service and influence of one of North Carolina's chief educators and one of Greensboro College's most beloved presidents—truly a "gentleman and a scholar."—The State.

### A TRIBUTE TO JAMES AUGUSTUS THOMAS

(President W. P. Few speaking at a memorial service in the Duke University Chapel, September 14, 1940)

James Augustus Thomas, whose dear memory we would honor here today, was born in Rockingham county, North Carolina, March 6, 1862. He died at his home in White Plains, New York, Tuesday of this week (September 10).

Mr. Thomas was trained for business and entered early in life upon what became a distinguished business career. He spent a large part of his active business career in the Far East. He became a director of the British-American Tobacco Company, chairman of the board of directors of the British Cigarette Company and of Mustard & Company. Pioneer merchant that he was, and far-sighted man, he introduced western ways into many countries in the Orient. He organized the Chinese-American Bank of Commerce and established two schools for Chinese. He was in China during the Boxer Rebellion in 1900, during the Russo-Japanese War, 1904-05, and during the Chinese rebellion of 1911. He prospered in business and grew in favor with Chinese people and their leaders. He was honored in many ways by people and nations of the East with decorations and membership in their most select and ancient orders and societies.

Mr. Thomas retired in 1922 and spent the remainder of his life in the United States, but his interest in China did not weaken. He remained through life one of the best informed men in America about the Orient and the people of the Orient. He continued to love his China and his influence in behalf of the Chinese people was far-reaching. He became treasurer of the China Famine Relief; chairman of the China Child Welfare Association; member of the Chinese Committee for China Relief; trustee of the Shanghai American School and the American Hospital of Istanbul; director of the China Society of America; member of the American Asiatic Association and the American Institute of Pacific Relations. He was also a member of the Academy of Political Science and of many other organizations. He gave freely of himself to good causes. In fact, after his retirement from an active business career much of his time and thought was given to philanthropic and charitable work of many kinds.

He was not only busy about good deeds, he kept his mind alive. Late in life he set about writing, and he produced two interesting and valuable books. Any man who has spent his life at work and in old age sits down to

write a book will require intelligence and will power of a high order. Whoever does not believe that let him try it. It is the rare man who can thus succeed in both the "active and the contemplative life."

Mr. Thomas did even more than keep his mind alive. His interests and his sympathies remained alive and alert down to the end. In him the vision and vigor of perennial youth were happily combined with the reflexion of age. Out of this blending in him of characteristic qualities of youth and maturity came a steady stream of life and constancy of character, an inner harmony and peace of mind, a serene outlook upon the world, a zest for living that use could not stale and time could not wither.

Through a long period Mr. Thomas had been associated in business with the late James B. Duke. He kept a rare sense of gratitude and a life-long devotion to Mr. Duke. It was no doubt through Mr. Duke, and Mr. Duke's father and brother, that Mr. Thomas first became interested in Trinity College and later in Duke University. Whatever its origin may be, this interest went very deep. He came to love the institution with an uncommon love. Its problems were constantly on his heart. He was fruitful of ideas and was always seeking ways to translate his thinking into achievements for the university. He had the rare gift of interesting others in causes he had at heart. He was therefore the kind of man that is dear to the heart of any educational administrator. Mr. Thomas perhaps never lost an opportunity to bring Duke University to the attention of others who might help along with its causes. His record in this respect, as in others, is outstanding. Through his influence many gifts came to the university, some of them large gifts. When they are summed up they make an impressive total. Perhaps no man has ever done more in this way for the university. Certainly none was ever more diligent or enlightened about it.

A university is a storehouse of learning, with its libraries and laboratories, its scholars and teachers. It is also an accumulated heritage of vivid personalities. At Duke we cherish our great personalities as among our most precious spiritual possessions. Not a son of the university but a lover of it with an undying flame in his heart, our now departed friend has passed into the great tradition and by his shining example has become an enlarger of our permanent spiritual heritage. The last that is mortal of him is to remain in our keeping. May his spirit likewise abide among us inspiring us and those who come after us to lives of high endeavor, of usefulness and fellowship in the common good.

### YOUTH VS. MATURITY

I know of no greater fallacy or one more widely believed than the statement that youth is the happiest time of life. As we advance in years we really grow happier, if we live intelligently. The universe is spectacular, and it is a free show. Increase of difficulties and responsibilities strengthens and enriches the mind and adds to the variety of life. To live abundantly is like climbing a mountain or a tower. To say that youth is happier than maturity is like saying that the view from the bottom of the tower is better than the view from the top. As we ascend, the range of our view widens immensely; the horizon is pushed farther away. Finally, as we reach the summit it is as if we had the world at our feet.—William Lyon Phelps.



### UNPREPAREDNESS

Newspaper laments over our unpreparedness take two lines. One seems to intimate that we, seeing what was going on in Germany all these years (and we did know it, but could not believe in the systematic hatred it showed) should have matched them tank for tank, bomber for bomber. We are told if these things had been built, the unemployment of the depression would never have existed, and we should have been ready.

Another idea expressed is that much should have been assembled of invention, of implements fit to produce machines and all this held in readiness for an emergency. This too would have been costly, but we might have been spending less feverishly just now. These materials and methods might have been turned to peace as well as to war.

I am glad for my part that the American spirit is against war. The bellowings of Hitler and Mussolini do impress, must register with the young and thoughtless by sheer repetition. War is still a cruelty, a mediaevalism, like so much of the totalitarian program. It is old stuff, which appeals only because it finds grooves to follow in the buried emotions formed by wars of old and inherited as mental attitudes. If we had prepared as these nations prepared we should be no better than they. Possessing a fine sharp jack knife, we would wish to whittle a world to bloody chips, and have our heart's desire even as the others.

Unpreparedness in the second sense, that of not having organized the discoveries we have made for good uses, but letting them go to our enemies for money, selling scrap iron to Japan to kill the Chinese—all this commercialism is self-betrayal. For this we are to blame.

Now we have a dirty job thrust upon us, because in our haste to be rich we have not thought what we were doing. Wilson's "war to end war" could have been true if we had willed consistently to make it true. Will is character in action. Now all is to be done over again.

An Old Friend.

### GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS NOTES

The new home of Dr. and Mrs. Luther L. Gobbel was the scene of a reception Friday evening at 8:30 when the Gobbels entertained the faculty of Greensboro College of which Dr. Gobbel is the president. The reception honored particularly the new members of the faculty.

The receiving line was composed of Dr. and Mrs. Gobbel, Mrs. Daryl Kent with Mr. Kent of Guilford College, Mrs. Armand Singer with Mr. Singer of Duke University, Miss Mary Lee Flowers, and Miss Mary Owen. Greeting the guests in the study were Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McEntire, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hoffman, and Rev. L. B. Hayes. Miss Nannie Lee Smith presided at the punch bowl.

The student activities building was the scene of a tacky party Thursday evening when the Y. W. C. A. entertained for the new girls from 7:30 till 10 o'clock. Following an amusing program presented by members of the student body and faculty, juvenile games as pinning the donkey's tail and bobbing for apples were played. Miss Cameron Taylor, president of the "Y", was in charge of arrangements with the following committee assisting her: Mrs. Frances Finch, Greensboro, Misses Alice Kennedy, Kinston, and Edith Jones, Goldsboro.

The Y.W.C.A. at Greensboro College held its annual candle light service recognizing freshmen as members of the organization on Sunday evening at 6:30 in Odell auditorium. Presiding were cabinet members and officers of the organization: Cameron Taylor, Fairmont, president; Sarah Hill,

Kinston, vice president; Velda Mecum, Walkertown, secretary; and Jean Makepeace, Sanford, treasurer. Advisors who were present were Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the religious education department; Dr. Madeline Stinson, assistant professor of romance languages; and Miss Alia Ross, instructor in music. After being led by Cameron Taylor in a litany of dedication, new members lighted individual candles from the flame of one large candle representing the association.

### MISS ALICE WENZLICK IS BRIDE OF REV. HARRY S. WILLIAMS

Of widespread social interest to friends throughout western North Carolina was the marriage announcement of Miss Alice G. Wenzlick of Wheeling, W. Va., and Asheville, to Rev. Harry S. Williams. The wedding was solemnized at high noon on Tuesday in Chattanooga, Tenn., at the home of Rev. and Mrs. C. P. Hardin.

The officiating ministers were Rev. Mr. Hardin, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, and pastor of the Brainerd Road Methodist church, and Rev. T. L. Williams, brother of the bridegroom and pastor of the Belmont church in Nashville. The ever present ring ceremony was used, and only the immediate family and a few close friends were in attendance.

Mrs. Williams, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wenzlick, is a native of Wheeling, W. Va. She has made her home in Asheville for several years, serving as assistant to the manager of Grove Park Inn. She is pianist of the Hillside Methodist church.

Mr. Williams, a son of Mrs. L. J. Williams and the late Rev. L. J. Williams who served for many years in the Holston conference, was a former pastor of the Franklin circuit, prior to his transfer to the Hillside Methodist church in Asheville.

Mr. Williams received his education at Emory and Henry College, Virginia, University of Tennessee and Emory University in Atlanta. He joined the Holston conference in 1935 and was transferred to Western North Carolina conference in 1937.

Immediately following the ceremony Rev. and Mrs. Williams left for points in Florida on an extended wedding trip. After their return they will be at home at 70 Washington Road, Asheville.

### MEMORIAL TABLET TO BISHOP EDWIN D. MOUZON

The congregation of Dilworth church, Charlotte, on Sunday, September 22, 1940, dedicated a memorial tablet to the memory of Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon. The tablet, a bronze plaque, was placed upon the pew occupied by Bishop Mouzon and his family during the years of his residence in Charlotte.

The plaque is the gift of the board of stewards. It was designed by Marvin W. Helms, a personal friend of Bishop Mouzon and member of the Dilworth church. Following is the inscription: "This pew was occupied by Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon and his family and is lovingly dedicated to his memory. . . . His radiant personality was an inspiration to the congregation of this church."

### YOUTH CRUSADE WEEK HELD AT FIRST AND CENTRAL CHURCHES, ASHEBORO

The young people of Central and First churches of Asheville combined to hold their Youth Crusade each evening, September 1 through the 3rd. The Crusade opened at the First church Sunday evening at 6:15 with a fellowship supper. At the 8 o'clock worship service a message, "The Test of a Crusader," was delivered by Rev. J. W. Braxton, pastor of Central church. A well planned program of worship, study, work and play was enjoyed by the young people Monday and Tuesday. The meetings concluded Tuesday evening with an inspiring service of consecration.

Anne Lewallen, Pub. Supt.



## "IT'S GREAT TO BE EIGHTY" IS OPINION OF MISS JULIA ALBEA

By Mary Taft Smith

"If I had to stop moving about, I don't know where I'd be. Dead, I reckon." This is a typical statement of the grey-haired but straight-backed lady who has spread her 80 years over the state of North Carolina. If not from Murphy to Manteo, at least from Waynesville to Aurora, Miss Julia Albea has lived and taught music and art, leaving behind her a host of devoted pupils and loyal friends. Many are the people of all ages and all walks of life (for she is a true democrat) who are always glad to hear news of "Miss Julia," or get a glimpse of her. She now makes 435 West Gaston street, Greensboro, headquarters, and it is there that she is today celebrating the 80th anniversary of her birth.



Miss Julia Albea

Her younger days after her birth in the Methodist parsonage in Olin, Iredell county, on September 17, 1860, were hardly stationary. But by the time she was 10, Rev. W. W. Albea, her father, had been sent to Winston-Salem, where he built the first Methodist church, and later was superannuated and settled down, till his death in 1896. During that period Mrs. Albea taught the younger generation of Winstonians, so that Julia Albea's girlhood companions, many of whom were members of the Winston-Salem's "leading families," are now the patriarchs and matriarchs of that city. Some of her present-day younger friends are rather startled to hear her couple some of the great names of the state with first names in intimate fashion. There her girlhood had many of the same pleasures that the modern girl enjoys, such as hikes, picnics, beaux and parties.

As a good Methodist Miss Julia followed her mother's example and attended Greensboro College, studying mainly music and art, which were to become her life work. For after her mother's death in 1898 she started, or resumed, her pilgrimage through the state, this time in the interest of the arts she loved. She has been largely responsible for opening the eyes and ears of many people to beauty and training their hands to produce it. And she is repaid by the knowledge that some of her former pupils are now passing on the love of music to modern young people.

Of course 80 years could not be one long comedy and Miss Julia has seen much of stark drama and tragedy, part of which has resulted in her living not exactly in luxury now. But she would rather think and talk of the many friends whose kindness she admires, such as the Hinshaw sisters and Mrs. John W. Hanes of Winston-Salem. Her experience has made her quite a judge of character, and she chooses her friends for their personal qualities and not for their position. For her friends are not solely the ones who were made in her girlhood and teaching days. Her capacity for making new ones shows itself daily. One is tempted to say that she chooses her friends also for their need of her, for although her years of teaching have long been over, that is not true of her years of service.

As she took a piece of mending from a friend's hands she remarked, "I always find a poor Methodist minister's family to mend and patch wherever I go."

But she does not confine her kindly interest to "poor Methodist ministers' families," and is always ready to give any service with her ability, which spirit helps to increase her welcome to the many homes here and there which are always asking for a visit of a few days or weeks—and fre-

quently get it. During the past few years Miss Julia has made Greensboro again her headquarters, but as she says, having no home of her own, she makes North Carolina her home as she mingles with her friends. Also as she says, "It is great to be 80."

## THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon

On Thursday evening, September 19, we had the happy privilege of performing the ceremony which united in marriage Rev. Herbert D. Garmon and Miss Lucille Doris Torrains. The wedding was celebrated in the First Baptist church in Concord, N. C., and the pastor, Rev. Mr. Saunders, assisted. Miss Torrains is a native of Louisiana and the happy bridal couple left at once for a wedding trip to Louisiana and other points south. Rev. Herbert D. Garmon is pastor of the Shelby-Caroleen charge and was reared here in this Children's Home. That is why the honor of performing the ceremony came to this superintendent. These are fine young people and we predict for them a successful career in the Christian ministry. May health, usefulness and happiness crown their lives.

## A Day's Outing

This last Sunday found Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Lamb out with a group of children visiting some of the churches. They presented programs at Davis Street church, Burlington, and at the Glen Raven and Haw River charges on the Glen Raven charge. In connection with their visit these churches raised their special offerings for this home. They brought back \$110 from the Burlington church and a total of \$19.12 from Glen Raven charge. We thank the good people of these churches for these good specials, and we are still hoping that during the month of October many more of our churches will be sure to remember us with this special offering taking the place of the regular home coming offering we have been taking each year.

## One More Offering

Our people in the Western North Carolina conference have just three Sundays in October before conference, and in the North Carolina conference they have four Sundays in October and one in November in which to send us just one more offering for this home under the present financial plans. So this is our last call—make your answer a good one. We thank you, and may God bless you.

## NEWS NOTES FROM WEST END CHURCH

On Monday night of last week the first meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the West End church was held at the church with installation service followed by business meeting. After adjournment the women were invited to the parsonage by Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Keeler for refreshments and a social gathering. The chairman of membership reports that there are 50 members, which includes practically all the women of the church.

On Tuesday night the Sandhill Young People's Union met in regular monthly meeting at the West End church with more than 70 present. Carthage, West End, Aberdeen, and Pinebluff make up this group, the meetings rotating among these places. The program and social hour consisting of games and refreshments are furnished by the hostess group.

On Wednesday night of last week those members of the church school of Epworth League age and above gave a banquet to Mr. F. W. VonCanon in honor of his 25 years of service as superintendent of the church school.

A spirit of levity and good fellowship was evidenced in the songs, stunts and speeches that made up the evening's program. Mr. VonCanon stated that there had been 1274 Sundays during these 25 years and that he had been able to be present on 1249 of these. A gift of 25 silver dollars was made to Mr. VonCanon at the close of the evening.

Please send remittances for renewals and new subscribers before Tuesday, October 1, the end of our fiscal year.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### RALEIGH DISTRICT WILL MEET

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh district secretary, announces that Raleigh district study day and Central zone meeting will be held jointly at Edenton Street Methodist church on October 1 from 10 a. m.-1 p. m. Among the speakers will be the newly elected conference superintendent of Christian social relations, the conference superintendent of study and the district secretary of spiritual life groups. Those attending are asked to bring a light lunch. A large attendance is urged.

### TWO HISTORICAL DAYS

Several hundred women gathered at Edenton Street Methodist church on Sunday afternoon, September 15, for the charter meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Mrs. H. O. Lineberger presided at the first portion of the meeting. Mrs. A. W. Hoffman stated the purpose of the meeting; Mrs. A. Wray White gave a brief history of woman's work at Edenton Street. When the declaration of the dissolution of the Woman's Missionary Society and the beginning of the Woman's Society of Christian Service had been made, Dr. John C. Glenn pronounced the benediction and presided over the next portion of the meeting. Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, foreign secretary of the board of missions, gave an inspiring and comprehensive address on the purpose of the new organization, emphasizing the fact that Methodist women are a unity in a federation of Methodist women around the world. The sacrament of Holy Communion was administered and as the women left the altar they registered in a book provided for the occasion, thus signifying their desire to become members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Miss McKinnon installed the officers.

On Monday morning an open forum was held at Edenton Street, to which many women throughout the Raleigh district met to study new plans for woman's work. Miss McKinnon again spoke and led the forum hour.

On Monday afternoon the first general meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service at Edenton Street church was held. Miss McKinnon gave a summary of the accomplishments of the two days of organization and study. Mrs. John Goodman, chairman of the nominating committee, announced the appointment of several committees. Officers of the Edenton Street Society are: President, Mrs. H. O. Lineberger; vice president, Mrs. A. C. Jones; recording secretary, Mrs. H. B. Harris; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Graham Poyner; treasurer, Mrs. W. H. Middleton; secretary of missionary education and service, Mrs. James Allison, Jr.; Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. H. T. Sawyer; children's work, Miss Mary Gardner; literature and publications, Mrs. O. L. Bailey; supplies, Mrs. P. M.

Grubbs; spiritual life, Mrs. E. F. Barber; student work, Miss Flora Thompson. Officers of the Wesley Service Guild include: president, Mrs. A. W. Hoffman; vice president, Mrs. Milton Howell; secretary, Mrs. Myrtle Banks; treasurer, Miss Sudie Owen.

### BURLINGTON CIRCUIT

A communication from the Burlington circuit states: "The Burlington circuit has been reorganized and now has a bright outlook for the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Ellerbe assisted in the organization of the four societies of the four societies of the circuit. The officers were reported to Miss Florine Robertson. All indications are that the Burlington district has a bright future and more efficient work will be done."

### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

Approximately 200 women of the Fayetteville district met at Maxton on September 12. Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, district secretary, president. Rev. T. R. Jenkins led in the opening devotionals. Mrs. T. R. Jenkins spoke words of welcome, to which Mrs. S. H. Rosser responded. Mrs. D. C. Lawrence brought a message concerning the work of the district; Mrs. I. J. Strawberry spoke on missions and Bible study; Miss Elizabeth Lamb, spiritual life; Mrs. Hugh Stone, World Outlook and the Methodist woman; Miss Elva Norton, Christian social relations. Miss Norton is one of 12 young women selected by the former Woman's Missionary Council for study at Scarritt College during the past summer. Miss Elizabeth Lamb conducted the noon day devotionals. Special music was rendered by Mrs. W. A. Webb.

Following the luncheon hour in the American Legion hut, Rev. W. V. McRea opened the afternoon session with a period of worship. At the zone leaders' hour outstanding accomplishments were revealed. Gleanings from Junaluska were given by Mrs. A. P. Brantley, Mrs. W. F. Keeler, Mrs. S. A. Maxwell, Mrs. L. C. Isenhour, Mrs. J. T. O'Neal and Mrs. Paul Johnson. Miss Stegar, new industrial deaconess, was presented and spoke briefly. Rev. C. F. Heath pronounced the benediction. Much interest in the new organization was manifested and the women voted that, if possible, zones shall be retained.

### AFRAID TO TAKE HER DOLL

A little girl of Cambridge, Mass., whose father is a physician in China, has written to Senator Schwellenbach in Washington that she does not want to take her best dolls back to China when she returns because it is not safe for them. "The Japanese might bomb them with American scrap iron dropped from airplanes run on American oil," she wrote. "My father is a doctor in China. He takes American scrap iron out of Chinese women and children."—World Outlook.

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# Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

## CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION MEETING

The women of our conference are looking forward to the conference organization meeting to be held in Broad Street Methodist church on Tuesday of next week, October 1, at 10 o'clock a. m. As has been stated before, the delegates to this meeting are the newly elected presidents of the societies in the conference and they are urged to be in attendance at this meeting, as the happenings of the day will be of great importance and interest to the furtherance of our missionary work. Broad Street church, Statesville, October 1. Let us all be there.

## DEATH OF MISS ESTELLE HASKIN

The announcement of the death of Miss Estelle Haskin, former secretary of literature in our Woman's Missionary Council, and one of the editors of the World Outlook, has been received with keenest sorrow by her many friends throughout the conferences of former Southern Methodism.

Miss Haskin was devoted to the missionary work and being possessed with wonderful mental attainments, deep Christian consecration and an ardent love for the work, she was most valuable and rendered most efficient service in all departments with which she was connected, and her death is a great loss to our woman's work.

Miss Haskin passed away in New York, where she was attending a meeting of the editorial staff of the united Methodist Church, and her friends, Miss Mabel Howell and Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, were with her at her passing.

Miss Haskin, who has served since 1928 as woman editor of the missionary periodical, The World Outlook, had recently been elected to the same position of The World Outlook in the united Methodist Church.

She was a North Carolinian by birth but for many years had resided in Nashville, Tenn., headquarters of Southern Methodism, and her body was brought to that city and interred.

## ZONE MEETING AT SPRUCE PINE

A zone meeting of the Marion district held at Spruce Pine during the past week was an occasion of interest to those in attendance. Features of the meeting were the splendid attendance of the societies in the zone territory, all excepting one being represented, the splendid program listened to with enthusiastic interest.

The church was tastily decorated for the occasion by representatives of the Spruce Pine society, and Burnsville society was in charge of the day's program, which opened with a worship service by Rev. J. S. Folger, who used Exodus 14:15 as his scriptural basis as he stressed briefly the advancement of the church through its missionary activities. Special music by two young

ladies of the Burnsville church added to the enjoyment of the program. The subjects discussed during the day were: Our Heritage, The Opportunity to Meet the Needs of the Church Today, The Opportunity of World-Wide Service, all of which were most impressively emphasized through Scripture references, posters, magazines and music. All the societies made encouraging reports and expressed renewed interest in the work.

Miss Claudia Harbison, the district secretary, was a valued visitor and spoke briefly on the work of the district and urged attendance upon the two meetings to be held soon—the study leaders' meeting at Rutherfordton during this week and the conference organization meeting at Statesville October 1.

## INTERESTING MEETING AT ARDMORE CHURCH

Mrs. T. B. Holcombe of Winston-Salem sends us the following items of interest as to a recent meeting held in her church at Ardmore:

"The Morning Circle of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Ardmore Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. C. C. Smithdeal on Elizabeth avenue, with Mrs. T. C. Mock, joint hostess.

Mrs. T. B. Holcombe, circle leader, presided. Officers' reports were heard and the World Outlook was used in bringing out the latest information with regard to the woman's work in the uniting of the three branches of Methodism. Plans were made for fall activities.

Mrs. B. J. Lindley, president of the organization, announced the leaders' study meeting to be held in Wesley Memorial church at High Point Tuesday, September 24, from 9:30-1:00 o'clock, at which time the study books will be ready for distribution. She also called attention to the organization meeting of the conference society to be held in Statesville October 1 at 10 o'clock, to which each president is official delegate.

The Bible study was from the book of Dr. J. E. Crawford, "Stewardship of All Life," and Mrs. Lula C. Wilson is teacher of the group. At the close of the lesson Mrs. Holcombe introduced the visitors, Mrs. Henry Wilson and Mrs. J. G. Sterling, district secretary of the Winston-Salem district. On behalf of the Morning Circle, Mrs. Sterling presented Mrs. Lula C. Wilson with a life membership in the society and bestowed upon her the life membership pin. Mrs. Wilson's pastor, Rev. J. B. Brendall, came at the close of the meeting to congratulate her upon being the first life member of the organization of the Ardmore Methodist church of Winston-Salem.

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### A GREAT DAY COMING

There's a great day coming, a great day coming when some good Methodist church school people will gather together in their meeting houses for learning and giving. The usual church school curriculum will be used, but the offering will be unusual, since it is a fifth Sunday and will go to the needs of the Children's Home family. We hope it will be unusually large. Our willing church school givers will have laid definite plans for a good financial outpouring. Other schools will simply take an offering, the proceeds from which will be forwarded to us. Still other schools will use their "collection" for applying on the ten per cent apportionment. It is a pity to have to state that there are yet some schools which will make no mention of the Children's Home needs, thus denying themselves of being willing helpers and the Children's Home family of receipts necessary to its sustenance. Truly there is a great day coming. Some will have their lamps trimmed and burning; others just aimed to.

### A GREAT CONFERENCE COMING

There's a great conference coming! It will meet at Wesley Memorial Methodist church, High Point. Its membership will include nearly 1,000 select leaders. Much business will be done. Many reports will be made. Some will come with "clean sheets." Others may come wishing that they could leave their sheets at home. Some pastors will have their reports complete, filled in and checked, showing everything paid in full. What a wonderful feeling a pastor has when such is true! After the reports are in, the committees and boards have met and the conference has passed upon them the appointments for the following year will be read. Brethren and sisters, there's a great conference coming!

### EPOCH MAKING

We had a meeting of our board of trustees here at the Children's Home last week. As usual, the meeting was dispatchful, full of interest and constructive in its decisions. It, like other recent meetings, was epoch making in that definite plans were outlined for a consolidation of the working interests of two Western North Carolina Conference Children's Homes. The board passed a resolution recommending that the next annual conference continue the ten per cent apportionment-fifth Sunday plan for operating the Children's Homes, recommending further that all contributions from both sources be forwarded to the treasurer of the Winston-Salem Children's Home, with a provision that a full and fair distri-

bution be made to the needs of the High Point Children's Home pending the time of complete merger by July 1, 1941. The board ratified all actions of its executive committee having to do with the merger, and everything seems to be in the clear with the exception of conference action relative to providing for the sustenance of the 492 children in the two homes. It is gratifying to be able to state that decisions arrived at were in harmony with the resolutions presented to the board from the trustees of the High Point Children's Home.

### THE STOCKTON BUILDING

Much joy was expressed over the culmination of the plans for the construction of a new fire-proof building on the Children's Home grounds, to be known as the Stockton building. Funds for this beautiful and substantial building have been provided by M. D. Stockton of Winston-Salem, who for many years has shown a decided interest in the work the Children's Home has been doing. M. D. Stockton is not only a lovable man but a truly great man. His devotion to the church and to the cause of Jesus Christ has been genuine and thoroughgoing. For years on top of years he has, without publicity, provided for a distinguished missionary in a foreign field. It is no wonder that he is now providing for a distinguished service for orphan children in the home field. The Stockton building will be in the vicinity of the James A. Gray, Hulia Higgins and High Point buildings and will, like the others, provide a lovely home for girls. The total cost of the building will amount to about \$40,000.

### IN COMETH INFORMATION

Dr. J. E. Pritchard, president of the former North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, came by the other day with a smile on his face and with some information in his head. He wanted to tell this scribe a bit more about Love Joy, about which congregation mention was made last week. He corroborated the statement that Love Joy is legally in the North Carolina conference but operatively in

the Western North Carolina conference. He reports that he appeared before the proper committee at the Jurisdictional Conference in Asheville calling attention to the desire of the Love Joyites to remain in the Western North Carolina conference. But not having a written petition to that effect, the committee did not act on the matter. He reports that Love Joy desires to stay with the Seagrove-Love Joy charge, now being directed by Rev. J. H. Trolinger, pastor, and Rev. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent, both of whom received their appointments at the hands of the Western North Carolina conference cabinet. Love Joy has more than a good name; it has some good people.

### TWO AT YADKIN COLLEGE

Yadkin College has always had an interesting place in this scribe's mind. It was there, years ago, that his father went with his young bride to get enough learning to join the conference. He went to study and she went to keep boarders, cooking in an open fireplace. Now there is another interesting episode at Yadkin College. To be sure the college has moved but the Yadkin is still there. Also there are two Methodist churches there, the former Methodist Protestant and the former Southern Methodist. One has three members and the other has twenty. Two district superintendents serve these people. The former Methodist Protestant congregation is linked up with Shiloh in the High Point district. The former Southern Methodist congregation is linked up with Reeds in the Winston-Salem district. So both district superintendents, Taylor and Lambeth, have a right to claim prerogatives. The story goes that when the district lines were being made Shiloh in Davidson county was misunderstood to be the Shiloh in Randolph county, causing a mix up. At any rate, Yadkin College continues to be interesting.

### FOOTBALL DAYS

Football days are here again, very much here again. Each afternoon five squads go through their practices, the  
(Continued on page 23)



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FIFTH SUNDAY—Next Sunday presents a great challenge to the Sunday schools of the North Carolina conference. They will have a fine opportunity to do something really big for our 300 fatherless children by taking a free will offering. We have been forced to borrow ten thousand dollars for operating expenses. On the fifth Sunday we want to raise FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS, so we can pay off half of the debt. It is sincerely hoped that all the Sunday schools in the conference will rally to the support of the Methodist Orphanage, and that the free will offering will come to us as a special and not on the ten per cent Orphanage apportionment. I am counting on all the superintendents and teachers to give their schools and classes an opportunity to do something big for the Methodist Orphanage this coming Sunday.

## LETTER FROM BRONELL HAWKINS

"For the past eleven and a half years it has been my pleasure to live at the Methodist Orphanage and to enjoy numerous privileges along with 310 other lucky children.

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I shall never cease to thank Mr. Barnes for his guidance. I wish to express my appreciation to him for the important part he has played in shaping my life. He has been a father as well as a superintendent to all of us.

Next, I wish to thank most sincerely the missionary society of the Ebenezer church in New Hill, which for the past nine years has sent me semi-annually a box of lovely clothes.

The doctors of Raleigh have been so generous to our home, and I wish to say that though they have served us a long time we never tire of thanking them and expressing our appreciation.

This letter should not be ended without thanking the matrons and teachers of our home for the guidance they have given me and the many services rendered.

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## THE STORM By Leonard K. Rutter

I saw a small cloud appear  
In a sky of clearest blue;  
I watched as it rapidly spread,  
And dark and darker grew.  
Then as I watched in awe  
I saw the lightning flash,  
And shuddered when I heard  
The ominous thunder crash.

I heard the wind in the branches  
Of tall and stately trees,  
As in obedience to God's will  
They swayed and bent with the breeze.  
As far out over the ocean as my eyes  
could reach

I saw mountainous waves  
Rushing madly toward the beach.

I saw the storm pass,  
The sun shining again,  
As over land and sea  
A quiet calm came.  
Where, O where will you find  
A man who is so perverse,  
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OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO FORMER METHODIST PROTESTANTS

The Conference Council of the Methodist Protestant Church at conference last year submitted to the Conference Board of Education of the Methodist Church the following recommendation, which was adopted:

"We recommend that certain monies for young people's work, raised by Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor societies, be raised during the coming year by the same method of assessment which they have used prior to this year. This assessment was based upon a per capita membership of the Sunday school and Christian Endeavor societies. Sunday schools were assessed \$1.00 for each 50 scholars or major fraction thereof, and Endeavor societies were assessed \$1.00 for each ten members. The sum realized from these assessments in the area of the Western North Carolina conference has in the past years amounted to approximately \$300 per year."

The board voted to continue this plan, and designated Rev. J. Clyde Auman, Thomasville, N. C., as the collecting agent to receive these payments. It further recommended that amounts coming from Endeavor societies be used in the work of the conference Young People's Organization and be turned over to the treasurer of that organization, and that amounts coming from Sunday schools be included with the regular church school day offering and be forwarded to the treasurer of the conference board.

Rev. J. Clyde Auman, Thomasville, will receive these payments and will turn the money over to the proper treasurers. In order that due credit for church school day offerings may be given in our annual report to the board of education, and that credit for young people's offerings may also be given, these funds should reach Brother Auman on or before October 1.

The offerings listed below had been received up to September 6. Please forward other contributions to Brother Auman at your earliest convenience. Due credit will be given each church and the money will be turned over to the proper treasurers by Brother Auman.

From Sunday schools:

| Greensboro District                   |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Julian .....                          | \$1.00 |
| West End .....                        | 5.00   |
| Midway .....                          | 2.50   |
| Grace .....                           | 4.00   |
| Pleasant Union .....                  | 2.00   |
| High Point District                   |        |
| Mt. Lebanon .....                     | 1.50   |
| Worthville .....                      | 3.00   |
| Browers Chapel .....                  | 1.50   |
| Shiloh (Randolph-Gray's Chapel) ..... | 2.50   |
| Bethany .....                         | 2.50   |
| Bethel .....                          | 3.00   |
| Shiloh (Shiloh) .....                 | 6.50   |
| Welch Memorial .....                  | 3.00   |
| Winston-Salem District                |        |
| Pleasant Hill .....                   | 1.25   |
| Pine Grove .....                      | .25    |

| Trinity .....                           | 4.00 |
|-----------------------------------------|------|
| Mt. Pleasant .....                      | 2.00 |
| From Christian Endeavor (young people): |      |
| High Point District                     |      |
| Shiloh (Shiloh) .....                   | 1.00 |
| Pleasant Grove .....                    | 1.00 |
| Statesville District                    |      |
| Union Grove .....                       | .50  |
| Winston-Salem District                  |      |
| First, Thomasville .....                | 1.00 |

CHURCH SCHOOL DAY

The Conference Board of Education launched its program for the year on an estimated income of \$2400 from Church School Day. To date 206 churches have remitted \$1775.11 to Mr. Dunham. Ninety-six other churches requested free programs but have not sent in a contribution. A liberal response from these churches would bring us pretty close to our goal for the year. In order to be included in our annual report to the board, all contributions should reach Mr. Dunham preferably by October 1, and certainly not later than October 10. The amounts listed below have been received since our last Advocate report on August 8.

| Asheville District               |         |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| Hendersonville .....             | \$22.02 |
| Charlotte District               |         |
| Bethel (New Hope-Bethel) ....    | 1.50    |
| Elkin District                   |         |
| Salem (Davie Ct.) .....          | 3.50    |
| Gastonia District                |         |
| Clover Hill (Polkville) .....    | 2.70    |
| Marion District                  |         |
| Pleasant Grove .....             | 3.00    |
| Salisbury District               |         |
| Bethany (Albemarle Ct.) .....    | 5.00    |
| Palestine (Albemarle Ct.) .....  | 1.31    |
| Porters (Albemarle Ct.) .....    | 2.51    |
| Stony Hill (Albemarle Ct.) ..... | 3.62    |
| Union Chapel (Albemarle Ct.) ..  | 3.34    |
| Bethlehem (Gold Hill) .....      | 2.00    |
| Shiloh (Granite Quarry) .....    | 2.00    |
| Providence (Granite Quarry) ...  | 2.00    |
| Mt. Tabor (Granite Quarry) ....  | 1.75    |
| Bethel (Granite Quarry) .....    | .50     |
| Mount Mitchell .....             | 3.53    |
| North Kannapolis .....           | 4.00    |
| Landis .....                     | 4.73    |
| Misenheimer (Pfeiffer) .....     | 1.46    |
| Matton's Grove (Pfeiffer) .....  | 1.28    |
| Wesley Chapel .....              | 3.36    |
| Richfield .....                  | 3.75    |
| Zion .....                       | 1.05    |
| South River .....                | 1.18    |
| Statesville District             |         |
| First, Lenoir .....              | 25.15   |
| Marvin (Taylorsville) .....      | 1.55    |
| Trinity (Statesville Ct.) .....  | 3.16    |
| Midway (Statesville Ct.) .....   | 4.00    |
| Winston-Salem District           |         |
| Central, Mt. Airy .....          | 25.00   |

FOURTH SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL MISSIONARY OFFERINGS

September 22 was our last church school missionary Sunday for this conference year. A check on our receipts shows that we need a little over \$1200 in order to equal our total for last year. Our records also show that 40 churches that contributed during last conference year have not sent in a single contribution this year. It is hoped that these and other churches are merely in arrears in remitting their money, and that their reports for the

year will be in hand by October 10. All contributions will be cheerfully received by Mr. H. A. Dunham, 62 Patton Avenue, Asheville. We are grateful for the prompt remittance by many of our churches.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

In printing the list of vacation church schools on our Advocate page two weeks ago, the list for High Point district was omitted. We are sorry this happened, and are giving the list below, together with others that have been received since:

| High Point District                                                                                                                           |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Central, Asheboro, R. T. Houts, Jr.                                                                                                           |  |
| First, Asheboro, E. C. Faulkner.                                                                                                              |  |
| Concord (Coleridge), T. J. Huggins.                                                                                                           |  |
| Central, Denton, Mrs. Arthur Lanier.                                                                                                          |  |
| Jackson Hill-Newsom, Mrs. C. E. Williams.                                                                                                     |  |
| First, Denton, Mrs. C. E. Williams.                                                                                                           |  |
| Salem (Farmer), Sidney Boone.                                                                                                                 |  |
| Union (Farmer), Sidney Boone.                                                                                                                 |  |
| Archdale, O. B. Mitchell.                                                                                                                     |  |
| Ward Street, J. E. McSwain.                                                                                                                   |  |
| First, Liberty, George R. Brown.                                                                                                              |  |
| Bethany, Irving R. Miller.                                                                                                                    |  |
| Cotton Grove, Irving R. Miller.                                                                                                               |  |
| Linwood and Macedonia, Irving R. Miller.                                                                                                      |  |
| Tyro, Irving R. Miller.                                                                                                                       |  |
| Franklinville, Mrs. C. C. Brady.                                                                                                              |  |
| Ramseur, R. M. Hauss.                                                                                                                         |  |
| Naomi, J. L. Stokes, II.                                                                                                                      |  |
| St. Paul, J. L. Stokes, II.                                                                                                                   |  |
| Old Union, J. L. Stokes, II.                                                                                                                  |  |
| West Bend, C. L. Grant.                                                                                                                       |  |
| Lineberry, R. H. Kennington.                                                                                                                  |  |
| Farmer, Sidney Boone.                                                                                                                         |  |
| New Hope, Sidney Boone.                                                                                                                       |  |
| Lebanon, O. L. Easter.                                                                                                                        |  |
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| Bethany (Randolph-Gray's Chapel, H. L. Isley.                                                                                                 |  |
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I Went to Church

I must tell you about it. You will wonder what is so unusual for a minister to go to church. On a recent Sunday I did not preach in my own pulpit, because I was on vacation. I decided against preaching while on vacation in favor of sitting in the pew for a Sunday. The little church I attended was a typical rural-village congregation. There was nothing unusual about the day or the service, yet I can honestly say that the worship hour was a joyful experience. Remember, I went not as a minister but as a layman. I wanted to know how it feels to sit in the pew. Perhaps the local color of the mystic prairie had something to do with my attitude. I do not know for sure how much I was influenced by the glorious Chinese sunset I saw the night before while "getting the cows home," or the sweet perfume that rolled off the heavy fields of red clover while I rested on the soft prairie grass beneath a friendly moon. Or was I under the spell of the singing birds, the wild roses, and the delicious heaps of large juicy strawberries?

Whatever the reason may be, I went to church, and discovered the joy and power of worship as I never had before. It was just a frame building painted white, with plain wall paper for the interior decorating. The furnishings were very plain, the altar but a platform with a reading desk and a couple of chairs, the windows of art glass, and a piano as the only musical instrument. The bell rang, then came the choir processional and an order of worship resembling the average. The choir was small, but sang hymns and responses that added much to the spirit of worship. The minister was in charge of the service, but apparently the people as a whole did the worshipping. It was not a one-man show. The minister was of the kind you would find in nearly any village church. His sermon lasted about 25 minutes and there was no attempt to put the service "over" with the sermon.

One of the central features of the sermon was the offering. Although no special appeal was made, somehow the Lord appealed to my conscience and I was asked to make a serious choice. Would I tip the Lord with a small coin and ruin this soul-quickenng hour of worship or would I give the Lord a gift that would somehow express my appreciation for this hour of worship with fellow believers? It cost me a dollar to see "Gone with the Wind," another to see a ball game, and still another for two weeks' supply of tobacco.

I had to admit that all three of these amusements were quite tame compared to the spiritual thrill of one hour of worship. Remember, I was trying to forget I was a preacher and attempting to worship in the pew as a layman. I tried to be honest in my thinking, not allowing my position to influence my observations. I decided that if the offering was just a joke, then a nickel or dime would be all right. But the offering was not a joke, it was a part of the worship service that meant more to me than I could express with a tip. I did not want to

spoil the effect of the service with a tip. I had only one choice to make in order to assure myself of the strengthening benefits of the service.

I went to church to worship, to sing, pray, listen, think, adore, confess, give, and meditate. The attendance was poor, but for some reason that did not matter. After all, what does it profit a church to be filled with mere attenders? A handful of worshippers will outweigh any crowd that gathers for only gregarious purposes; let folks practice the art of worship at home and they won't have to urge them to join their fellow-believers on Sunday

morning. They will consider such worship the highest achievement in modern civilization.

What a privilege it is to worship God in Jesus Christ! What a joy!—Country Preacher.

Pat turned up in the office one morning with a large tear in the sleeve of his coat.

"Look here, Pat," said the boss, "why don't you get that hole mended?"

"Faith," replied Pat, "not Oi. A hole may be the result iv an accident, but sure a patch is a sartin sign of poverty."—Southern Christian Advocate.

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# Sunday School Lesson

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By James S. Chubb

## Wealth—Use and Abuse

Scripture: Prov. 11:24-31; Luke 16:11-13

More nations and people have been brought low because of wealth than because of poverty. The reasons are not far to seek. Wealth has a tendency to make one feel important. Its very privileges create false friends and a false sense of security. Its easy-going and lavish life tends to make one soft and flabby, physically as well as mentally. A teacher once said that the thing he had against wealth was that it made men afraid to be poor.

Wealth has taken such a toll among people because they have treated it as an end of life instead of a means of life, and because they have regarded wealth as something which entitled them to special privileges. Either of these two problems makes the wealthy person a problem, to himself and to society.

On the other hand, many wealthy people have been assets to society and themselves have represented a noble type of life. Such people were deeply responsible and profoundly spiritual. On the whole, however, wealth has been a debit to religious life and to spiritual living.

In this connection we ought to keep in mind that the ambition of the church to lead its people to higher and higher living standards does not involve the accumulation of great wealth. There is not much evidence that it is possible for many people to be wealthy. It can hardly be accumulated in large amounts unless there is a monopoly, or unless one creates by invention and discovery something needed, or unless one has property that has great speculative value. Of necessity, the number of people who qualify here are comparatively few.

Now, what should be the Christian attitude toward use of wealth?

1. Thrifty investment of that which one has is important. There are ways of using money that cause one to lose it, and usually no one is made better by such loss. On the other hand, there are ways of using wealth to create more wealth and more happiness among people. One should be thrifty, responsible, and level-headed in handling wealth.

2. One should be liberal with his wealth. This is a rule that brings much happiness and satisfaction to those who have means. Here is a kind of help that is twice blessed; it blesses the person who is helped and it immensely enriches the person who helps. I know many people who get much more good from giving away their means than from earning or spending it.

3. One must refrain from profiteering (26). There are chances now and then of making much money if one will but be deaf to the needs of his fellow citizens. This kind of money-making has the near universal condemnation of the Bible writers. It is enrichment at the expense of the tears of others. People who are responsible do not do it.

4. Those who trust in their riches shall fail (28). This is an old, tested, and tried truth. One never has enough money really to protect him. A change in the habits of people, a change in markets, a loss of trusted helpers and one's accumulations disappear almost overnight. Riches, when trusted, make false friends, give one a false sense of importance, and create absurd attitudes on the part of one's children. One's supreme trust is in God and his next trust is in his fellowmen and his next trust after that is in his own skill—if he would advance in life.

On the other hand, righteous use of wealth and responsible handling of wealth is a great aid to one's happiness and usefulness to society. One can learn much from the older men who caught the vision of responsibility when they were younger. They have given much of their means and wealth for private philanthropy. It has made great characters of them.

Jesus was right, however, when he said that it was easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom. The reason is that one must Christianize his wealth before he can enter the kingdom. It is a million times more difficult for a millionaire to get into the kingdom than for a poor man, because he must make his millions Christian, too. Half of it Christian will not get him in; all of it must be dedicated to God. There are those who do just that thing. Such people find abundant life.

Does a responsible, religious handling of wealth tend to make one well off? In my judgment, it does. I make this statement from wide observation of the lives of those who tithe and who take their means as a divine responsibility. Why? Is it possible that God uniquely guides those who trust him and who hold their opportunities as a trusted stewardship? You will note many, many Christian people who accept such responsibility, have an increasing share of the material things of life. If you talk with them, they will tell you that they get more than their share of the breaks, usually unexpected. Now, you answer the reason why.

When they become afraid of losing their wealth and lose this sense of responsibility, good fortune seems to disappear from the lives of such men. Why?

The central truth of the parable referred to in Luke seems to be an appeal for wisdom in handling money. There are those who are unwise in their use of wealth. They have mastered little of the art of improving the use of wealth. They do not have "money sense." On the other hand, there are those who know something of the skill of making and taking care of money. They know that the art of being well off is the art of spending less money than one receives. Such people

are always well off. If one spends more than his income, he is always hard up.

Jesus here seems to be referring more especially, however, to people who are money-lovers. There are those who make money their supreme quest and value. Many people steer their lives by money, because they have not thought through the fickleness of money. It is not a thing that comes often from direct ambition; it is usually a by-product of skill and service. When these are well developed, one is likely to have an income. This is the great truth behind 6:33.—Christian Advocate.

## MARS DECIDES

Famine follows war almost inevitably. The deadly and shocking cruelties inflicted by modern war methods upon countries attacked will be surpassed by the hunger and sickness which are prophesied in Europe during the coming winter. Supplies of food will be necessary for 27,000,000 non-combatant people in the invaded countries of Europe, especially Holland, Belgium, Poland, Norway, and Denmark. It is certain that food wherever available will be taken first for soldiers. Refugees and the people whose farms or business have been ruined will be given what may remain of food. Undernourishment will be as destructive though slower than war weapons. The calamity will be made worse by the fact that warring nations will be unwilling to permit shipment of food through blockades because they deem it an indirect method of helping the enemy to carry on the war. England and Germany have announced their determination to maintain rigid blockades without any exceptions.

Many millions of dollars already have been given by the United States to needy refugees. The two Americas have abundance of food and meat. How to supply them to starving multitudes across the ocean in war time is a task challenging utmost statesmanship and philanthropy but it is duty. The plan for neutral administration of food supplies to helpless people in Europe is humane, and ought to be followed. The administration of such a task will be gigantic and beset by almost insuperable hindrances. No matter what the appeal or need, however, the grim monster-god of war, Mars, decides the question without justice or compassion.—Selected.

## JUNALUSKA

Somewhere there may be places  
As beautiful as this;  
Some other place may possibly  
Possess its meed of bliss;  
Some other place may have the same  
Rejuvenating air—  
Some other place may have these  
things,  
But I can't remember where!

Some other lake may sparkle  
With just as keen a light;  
Some other misty mountain-top  
May hold the same delight;  
Some other valley also give  
The same release from care;  
Some other places have those things,  
But I can't remember where!

Norman H. Crowell.



# Children's



# Storyland

## MEASURING JACK'S TREE

By Chester E. Shuler

Jack called it "his tree." It was the tallest pine in all that section. It grew, quite alone, in his father's meadow. Jack loved to lie on the green grass and gaze up into the tree's top, wondering just how tall it really might be.

"If you were big like me, and in the advanced classes at school, you could measure it, Jack," boasted Ted Spragg, who was five years his senior.

"Really? How?"

"Oh," said Ted, wisely, "you wouldn't understand it now; but by and by you may."

Ted's words made him think hard. Now, how in the world could Ted, or anyone for that matter, measure the height of that pine? Even if he climbed to its top, it would be a difficult job, because the smaller limbs at the very top would not hold even a small boy like Jack himself. He began to suspect that it was just one of Ted's boasts; that the thing really could not be done at all.

Then his cousin, Jane, came from the city for her vacation on the farm. Jane was four years older than Jack, but the two played a great deal together.

Jane too, liked the tall pine. With Jack, she was fond of sitting near the giant tree. So one day, Jack told her about Ted's words.

"But I don't think he really could measure that tree, do you, Jane?" Jack added. "Ted's fond of telling how smart he is."

Jane gazed thoughtfully at the tree, then said, slowly: "I'm not too sure that he could not—that is, if he knows the right formula."

"Formula? What's a formula?"

"A method of solving a problem in mathematics," Jane explained. "I'm just trying to think—seems to me our teacher told us how that is done, if I can just remember—"

"Really? Can you show me, Jane? Oh boy, wouldn't I like to know how, so I could be as smart as Ted just this once!"

Jane sat still on the grass for a few minutes, thinking. Then she clapped her hands. "I have it!"

"Really? Oh, boy!"

"Can you get me a pole about ten feet tall, and a yardstick or ruled or tapeline?"

"Sure. Just wait a minute," and Jack dashed toward the barn, in one end of which his father had a sort of workshop. Soon he returned with a pole just ten feet in length, and a tapeline.

"What next?" Jack asked.

"Bring the pole out here and stick it into the ground," Jane directed, pointing to a spot near the tree, but where the tree's shadow did not show upon the ground. "Hold it still now," she added.

## GRATITUDE

By Gladys Lloyd

I thank you, God,  
For meat and bread,  
For daddy's roof  
Above my head;  
I thank you for  
My mother, who  
Has brought me up  
In love for you;  
For Sunday school,  
And all things good—  
My heart is full  
Of gratitude.

—Story Time.

Then the girl took the tapeline and carefully measured the length of the shadow cast by the pole.

"O. K. You can lay the pole down now," she said, walking to the foot of the tree. Then she began measuring.

Jack followed her, wondering what she was doing that for. Finally she stopped measuring and announced: "Well, Jack, your pine is just one hundred and two feet tall."

Jack grasped. "How'd you find that out? Why, I didn't see you do anything except walk around, measuring."

Jane laughed wisely. "Oh, it was easy. You see the pole is ten feet long, and its shadow at this time of the day measures just half that or five feet. Then I found that the tree's shadow measures just fifty-one feet at this same hour. So you see, if the pole's shadow is just one-half its length, the tree's shadow must be half as long as it is tall. See? Two feet of tree makes one foot of shadow at this time of the day."

"Boy," he cried, "won't I make Ted's eyes open! He thinks he knows so much more than I do."

"I'll show you some other simple formulas some day," Jane offered. "They look difficult, but really aren't."

"Thanks, Jane. I'm anxious to grow older so I can study real mathematics! It must be great fun," Jack said, grinning.—Adapted from Religious Telescope.

Two boys were quarreling. One said, "Anyway, you're a heathen. You've never been baptized."

"Yah!" shouted the other, "hat's all you know about it. I can show you the marks on my arm now!"—Vancouver Province.

Teacher: "If your mother is shopping and finds she has left her purse at home, she may ask the clerk to send the parcel C.O.D. What do these initials mean?"

Bright Boy: "Call on daddy!"

## INTERESTING EYES

By Lester Banks

Mothers frequently tell their children, "Your eyes are bigger than your stomach," when they foresee that the young persons are taking more than they can eat. In the case of the single-celled amoeba the eyes are as big as the stomach, for it is just about all stomach, and all sensitive to light. On the other hand, the jellyfish has only a rudimentary response to light in what has been termed an "eye-spot."

The eyes of an octopus are much like a person's, and so is the normal fish eyes in its mechanical perfection. In forms of life lower than the turtle the eyes lack color.

The eyes of a starfish are on its arms, those of a snail on the ends of its horns. The wasp and the bee have three eyes, in a triangle on top of the head. The eagle's eyes are pear-shaped.

Snakes have a glassy stare because their eyes are covered by a transparent cap that cannot be moved, though the eyeball within the "window" is movable. One of the eyes most sensitive to motion is that of the rabbit.

In addition to the triangle of eyes, bees and wasps have two compound eyes on the side of the head. A spider has eight eyes and a caterpillar six, set near its jaws.

The bird's eye is most marvelously adapted to changeable conditions; birds see at long range or short distances equally well, and no creature has quicker sight. The eyes of fish, too, are so made that they can see through either water or air. I have heard it said that a fish is blind when taken from its natural element, but that is a mistake. The retina of the fish eye is saucer-shaped; that of animal and bird like a cup.—Our Dumb Animals.

## A SWARM OF WORDS

The Frenchman was disgusted with the English language. "For example," he remarked, "take the word 'crowd.' This means a lot of people. That is easily learned. But a crowd of ships is termed a fleet, while a fleet of sheep is called a flock; on the other hand, a flock of girls is called a bevy, and a bevy of wolves called a gang, while a gang of fish is called a shoal. A shoal of bullocks or buffaloes is called a herd; a herd of soldiers is called a troop; a troop of partridges is called a covey; a covey of beauties is called a galaxy, and a galaxy of ruffians is called a horde. A horde of logs is called a heap; a heap of oxen is called a drove; a drove of blackguards is called a mob; a mob of robbers is called a band, and a band of bees is called a swarm!"

A swarm of words must be an essay.  
—Exchange.



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| Carboro, Carboro, 7                                                  | 29        |
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| Carr, 7:30                                                           | 2         |
| Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 3                                        | 3         |
| Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30                                           | 3         |
| Yanceyville, Yanceyville, 11                                         | 4         |
| Leashurg, Hebron, 3                                                  | 4         |
| Person Ct., Concord, 11                                              | 5         |
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B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                          | September |
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| Williamston, Holly Springs, 11 and 2     | 26        |
| Fall Rally and Check-up, Hertford, 10    | 27        |
| Kinnakeet, Avon, 11                      | 29        |
| Hatteras, Buxton, night                  | 29        |
|                                          | October   |
| Chowan, Center Hill, 11 and 2            | 2         |
| Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 2             | 5         |
| Bethaven, Trinity, 11                    | 6         |
| Matamuskeet, Amity, 3                    | 6         |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night | 6         |
| City Road, night                         | 9         |
| Pasquotank, Union, 11 and 2              | 11        |
| Gatesville, Zion, 11 and 2               | 12        |
| Columbia, 11                             | 13        |
| Creswell, 3                              | 13        |
| Koper, Pleasant Grove night              | 13        |
| Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 2          | 19        |

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| Filmouth, 11                        | 20 |
| Aulander, Lewiston, 3               | 20 |
| Kenton, night                       | 20 |
| First Church, Elizabeth City, night | 23 |
| South Mills, Trinity, 11 and 2      | 26 |
| Bath, Asbury, 11                    | 27 |
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W. V. McRae, O.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                   | September |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Red Springs, 11                   | 29        |
| Caledonia, East Laurinburg, 3     | 29        |
| Laurinburg, 8                     | 29        |
|                                   | October   |
| Pinebluff, Hoffman, 11            | 6         |
| Laurel Hill, 3                    | 6         |
| Rockingham, 7                     | 6         |
| Ellerbe, 11                       | 13        |
| Glendon, Fair Promise, 3          | 13        |
| Goldston, 7                       | 13        |
| Person Street, 7                  | 16        |
| Rockingham Ct., E. Rockingham, 11 | 20        |
| Gibson, St. John, 3               | 20        |
| Parkton, 7                        | 23        |
| Biscoe, 11                        | 27        |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Little River, 3   | 27        |
| Mt. Gilead, 7                     | 27        |
| Hamlet, 7                         | 28        |
| Maxton, 7                         | 29        |
| Hay Street, 7                     | 30        |
| Jonesboro, 7                      | 31        |
|                                   | November  |
| West End, 11                      | 3         |
| Troy Ct., 3                       | 3         |
| Troy, 7                           | 3         |

### NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, O.S., New Bern, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                            | September |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Oriental, Pamlico, 11                      | 29        |
| Morehead City Ct., Franklin Memorial, 7:30 | 29        |
|                                            | October   |
| Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30                  | 2         |
| Jones, Foys, 11                            | 6         |
| Dover, 7:30                                | 6         |
| Kinston, Queen St., 7:30                   | 9         |
| Griffon, 11                                | 13        |
| Grimesland, Salem, 7:30                    | 13        |
| Hookerton, 7:30                            | 18        |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Smith's, 11                 | 19        |
| Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11                  | 20        |
| Vanceboro, 7:30                            | 20        |
| Newport, Riverdale, 11                     | 22        |
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30          | 23        |
| Aurora, Warren's, 11                       | 24        |
| Pamlico, Alliance, 11                      | 27        |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30       | 27        |
| New Bern, Centenary, 11                    | 30        |
|                                            | November  |
| Seven Springs, Indian Springs, 11          | 3         |
| Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30                | 3         |

### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, O.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                                       | September |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| McKendree, Pinetops, 11                               | 29        |
| District Rally, Laymen and Preachers, Rocky Mt., 2:30 | 29        |
| Wilson, 8                                             | 29        |
|                                                       | October   |
| Rich Square, 7:30                                     | 2         |
| Spring Church, 7:30                                   | 4         |
| Seaboard, Sharon, 11                                  | 5         |
| Weldon, 11                                            | 6         |
| Northampton, New Hope, 3                              | 6         |
| Enfield, 7:30                                         | 6         |
| Walstonburg, Arthur, 7                                | 8         |
| Farmville, 8                                          | 8         |
| Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30                           | 9         |
| Rocky Mount, First Church, Dedication                 | 12        |
| Bethel, 7:30                                          | 13        |
| Marvin, 7:30                                          | 17        |
| Middleburg, 11                                        | 20        |
| Warren, 3                                             | 20        |
| Norlina, 7:30                                         | 20        |
| Robersonville, Stokes (to be announced)               | 20        |
| Spring Hope, 7:30                                     | 21        |
| Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30                          | 22        |
| Whitakers, 7:30                                       | 23        |
| Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11                          | 26        |
| Elm City, 11                                          | 27        |
| Stantonsburg, 3                                       | 27        |
| Kenly, 7:30                                           | 27        |
|                                                       | November  |
| Roanoke Rapids, 11                                    | 3         |
| Rosemary, 7:30                                        | 3         |

### RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                                   | September |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Franklinton, 8                                    | 27        |
| Selma, 11                                         | 29        |
| Henson, 3                                         | 29        |
| Smithfield, 7:30                                  | 29        |
| District Check-up, Preachers and Laymen, Raleigh, | 30        |
| Person St., Central, 10                           | 30        |
| Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 7:30                       | 30        |
|                                                   | October   |
| Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30                   | 2         |
| Zelion-Wendell, Wendell, 11                       | 6         |
| Creedmoor, Creedmoor, 7:30                        | 6         |
| Granville, Union Chapel, 7:30                     | 7         |
| Stem, Stem, 7:30                                  | 9         |
| Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11                        | 13        |
| Erwin, Erwin, 3                                   | 13        |
| Princeton, Princeton, 7:30                        | 13        |
| Mamers, Mamers, 7:30                              | 16        |
| Bailey, Bailey, 7:30                              | 18        |
| Dunn, Divine Street, 11                           | 20        |
| Lillington, Lillington, 3                         | 20        |
| Garner, Garner, 7:30                              | 20        |
| Tar River, Plank Chapel, 7:30                     | 21        |
| Monrore, Monrore, 7:30                            | 23        |
| Four Oaks, Sanders, 7:30                          | 25        |

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Jenkins Memorial, preaching, 11 | 27 |
| Louisburg Ct., Piney Grove, 3   | 27 |
| Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30     | 27 |
| Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 7:30      | 28 |
| Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30      | 30 |
| Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30      | 31 |

### WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                         | September |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|
| Wallace-Rosehill, Rosehill, 11          | 29        |
| Penderlea, night                        | 29        |
|                                         | October   |
| Town Creek, Zion, 11                    | 6         |
| Scott's Hill, Seagate, night            | 6         |
| Wilmington, Epworth, night              | 9         |
| Faison-Kenansville, 11                  | 11        |
| Fairmont, Trinity, 11                   | 13        |
| St. Pauls, Regans, 3                    | 13        |
| Lumberton, night                        | 13        |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11   | 20        |
| Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3                 | 20        |
| Maysville, Belgrade, night              | 20        |
| Southport, night                        | 23        |
| Bladen (place to be announced), 11      | 24        |
| Garland (place to be announced), night  | 24        |
| Roseboro, Halls, 11                     | 25        |
| Clinton, night                          | 25        |
| Rowland, Purvis, 11                     | 27        |
| Pembroke (Indian work), First Church, 3 | 27        |
| Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night          | 27        |
|                                         | November  |
| Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11              | 3         |
| Wesley Memorial, 3                      | 3         |
| Whiteville, night                       | 3         |
| Wilmington, Trinity, night              | 4         |

## Western North Carolina Conference

### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, O.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                                                                                                                | September |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Black Mountain, 11                                                                                                             | 29        |
| Swannanoa, Tabernacle, 3                                                                                                       | 29        |
| Weaverville Station, night                                                                                                     | 29        |
|                                                                                                                                | October   |
| Laurel-Barnardsville, Laurel, 11                                                                                               | 6         |
| Weaverville Ct., South Fork, 3                                                                                                 | 6         |
| Oteen, Bethel, night                                                                                                           | 6         |
| Hot Springs, Antioch, 11                                                                                                       | 13        |
| Marshall, Marshall, night                                                                                                      | 13        |
| Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30<br>p. m. Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to<br>be handed in. |           |

### ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                             | September |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Todd, Cranberry, 11         | 23        |
| Helton, Baldwin, 11         | 29        |
|                             | October   |
| Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11 | 6         |
| Dobson, Stony Knoll, 3:30   | 6         |
| Elkin, 7:30                 | 6         |
| Mocksville Station, 8       | 9         |

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                               | September |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Duncan Memorial, 11           | 29        |
| Wadesboro, 7:30               | 30        |
|                               | October   |
| First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 | 7         |
| Myers Park, 7:30              | 14        |

### GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, O.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                | September |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11     | 29        |
| Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3         | 29        |
|                                | October   |
| Gastonia, Bradley Memorial, 11 | 6         |
| Lowell, Ebenezer, 7:30         | 6         |
| Cramerton, 7:30                | 7         |
| King's Mountain, Central, 11   | 13        |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11         | 20        |

### GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, O.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                | September |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Flat Rock, Sat.                | 28        |
| West End, 11                   | 29        |
| Madison, 3                     | 29        |
| St. Paul's, 7:30               | 29        |
| Carraway Memorial, 7:30        | 30        |
|                                | October   |
| Brown Summit, 3:30             | 5         |
| Calvary, 11                    | 6         |
| Draper, Wayside, 3             | 6         |
| Spray, 5                       | 6         |
| Leaksville, 8                  | 6         |
| College Place, 8               | 7         |
| Glenwood, 8                    | 9         |
| Haw River, Midway, 2:30        | 10        |
| Haw River, Sat.                | 12        |
| Pleasant Garden, 8             | 13        |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11           | 13        |
| Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 | 13        |
| Gibsonville, 7:30              | 13        |
| Grace, 6:30                    | 14        |
| Draper, 7:30                   | 16        |

### HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                 | September |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Why Not, Flag Springs (all day) | 28        |
| Richland, Browers, (all day)    | 29        |



|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Asheboro Central, 7:30                | 29 |
| Archdale, 7:30                        | 30 |
| October                               |    |
| Lebanon, 7:30                         | 1  |
| First Church, High Point, 7:30        | 2  |
| Welch Memorial, 7:30                  | 3  |
| Seagrove-Love Joy, Seagrove (all day) | 5  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethany, 11   | 6  |
| Farmer, Farmer, 2:30                  | 6  |
| Asheboro Ct., West Chapel, 7:30       | 6  |
| Wesley Memorial, 7:30                 | 9  |
| Calvary, 7:30                         | 10 |
| Shiloh, Friendship (all day)          | 12 |
| Main Street, 7:30                     | 13 |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, 2:45 | 13 |
| Trinity, Trinity, 7:30                | 13 |
| Oak View, 7:30                        | 14 |
| Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 7:30      | 15 |
| Randleman-Union, St. Paul, 7:30       | 16 |
| Main Street, 7:30                     | 17 |

MARION DISTRICT  
J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                                                                                        |    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Bald Creek, 11                                                                                         | 29 |
| Micaville, Tipton Hill, 3                                                                              | 29 |
| Burnsville, 7:30                                                                                       | 29 |
| October                                                                                                |    |
| Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11                                                                          | 6  |
| Shady Grove, 3                                                                                         | 6  |
| Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30                                                                    | 6  |
| Elk Park, 11                                                                                           | 13 |
| Bakersville, 3                                                                                         | 13 |
| Marion, First, 7:30                                                                                    | 13 |
| Cliffside, 11                                                                                          | 20 |
| Forest City, 7:30                                                                                      | 20 |
| Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stewards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church.         |    |
| Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed to the district superintendent at this meeting. |    |

SALISBURY DISTRICT  
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                                                                                                                                                                          |    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Trinity, 11                                                                                                                                                                              | 29 |
| East Spencer-Yadkin, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                | 29 |
| October                                                                                                                                                                                  |    |
| Tabernacle, 11                                                                                                                                                                           | 6  |
| Alhmarle Ct., Stony Point, 3                                                                                                                                                             | 6  |
| Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30                                                                                                                                                             | 6  |
| Stanfield Ct., Love's Grove, 7:30                                                                                                                                                        | 7  |
| Mt. Mitchell, 7:30                                                                                                                                                                       | 9  |
| Radin, 11                                                                                                                                                                                | 13 |
| Mt. Pleasant, Friendship, 3                                                                                                                                                              | 13 |
| Meeting of pastors and chairmen of boards of stewards will meet at First church, Salisbury, October 17, 7:30. Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be turned in at this meeting. |    |

STATESVILLE DISTRICT  
John Hoyle, Jr., D.S., Statesville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Newton, First Church, 11        | 29 |
| Balls Creek, St. Paul, 3        | 29 |
| Troutman, Troutman, night       | 29 |
| October                         |    |
| Statesville, Broad Street, 11   | 6  |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Grace, 3        | 6  |
| Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night | 6  |
| Hickory, Bethel, 11             | 13 |
| Hudson, Colliers, 3             | 13 |
| Hickory, Westview, night        | 13 |

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT  
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Dellwood, Maple Grove, 7:30         | 18 |
| Andrews, 7:30                       | 19 |
| Highlands, Cashiers, 11             | 22 |
| Webster, Webster, 3                 | 22 |
| Jonathan, Shady Grove, 7:30         | 22 |
| Rockwood, Rockwood, 7:30            | 24 |
| Bryson City, 7:30                   | 26 |
| Robbinsville, 7:30                  | 27 |
| Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11          | 29 |
| Shooting Creek, Myers, 3            | 29 |
| Canton, First Church, 7:30          | 29 |
| October                             |    |
| Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11        | 6  |
| Junalaska, 3                        | 6  |
| Canton, Central, 7:30               | 6  |
| Cullowhee, 7:30                     | 9  |
| Bethel, Bethel, 7:30                | 10 |
| Clyde, 7:30                         | 11 |
| Dellwood (dedication), 11           | 13 |
| Hazelwood, 7:30                     | 13 |
| Andrews, 7:30                       | 15 |
| Murphy, 7:30                        | 16 |
| Murphy Ct., 7:30                    | 17 |
| Bryson City: Final District meeting | 18 |
| Morning Star (dedication), 11       | 20 |
| Waynesville, 7:30                   | 20 |

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT  
W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| FOURTH ROUND                          |    |
| September                             |    |
| Kernersville-South Winston, 7:30      | 26 |
| Winston-Salem Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 7:30 | 27 |
| Mt. Airy Ct., Oak Grove, 11           | 29 |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, Shoals, 3          | 29 |
| Walnut Cove, St. Mark, 7:30           | 29 |
| October                               |    |
| Mt. Airy, Rockford St., 7:30          | 3  |
| Lexington, Trinity, 7:30              | 4  |
| Hlatt-Sedge Garden, Crews, 11         | 6  |
| West Forsyth, Harmony Grove, 3        | 6  |
| Forsyth, Mt. Tabor, 7:30              | 6  |
| Thomasville, Community, 7:30          | 8  |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary, 7:30        | 9  |
| Winston-Salem, First, 7:30            | 10 |
| Thomasville, First, 7:30              | 11 |
| Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 11       | 13 |

|                                                               |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Forsyth-Maple Springs, Maple Springs, 3                       | 13 |
| Lewisville, Union, 7:30                                       | 13 |
| Winston-Salem, Central Terrace, 7:30                          | 14 |
| Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30                                | 15 |
| Mt. Airy, Central, 7:30                                       | 16 |
| Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30                                 | 17 |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 7:30                                  | 18 |
| Fourth Church-up Meeting, Centenary, Church, Winston-Salem, 3 | 20 |

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CHILDREN'S HOME  
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| Lv. Greensboro  | 9:40 PM  |
| Lv. High Point  | 10:05 PM |
| Lv. Thomasville | 10:15 PM |
| Lv. Lexington   | 10:30 PM |
| Ar. Knoxville   | 7:00 AM  |

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Lv. Charlotte   | 9:00 PM  |
| Lv. Concord     | 9:30 PM  |
| Lv. Kannapolis  | 9:43 PM  |
| Lv. Salisbury   | 11:10 PM |
| Lv. Statesville | 11:39 PM |
| Lv. Hickory     | 12:35 AM |
| Lv. Morganton   | 1:15 AM  |
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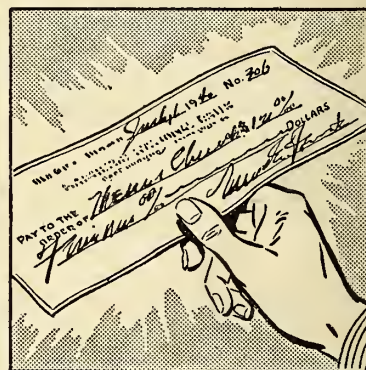
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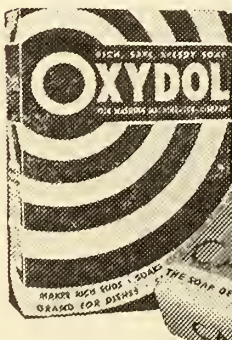
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## The Wanderer

UPON a mountain height, far from the sea,  
I found a shell,  
And to my listening ear the lonely thing  
Ever a song of ocean seemed to sing,  
Ever a tale of ocean seemed to tell.

How came the shell upon that mountain  
height?

Ah, who can say  
Whether there dropped by some too careless  
hand,  
Or whether there cast when Ocean swept the  
Land,  
Ere the Eternal had ordained the Day?

Strange, was it not? Far from its native  
deep,

One song it sang—  
Sang of the awful mysteries of the tide,  
Sang of the misty sea, profound and wide—  
Ever with echoes of the ocean rang.

And as the shell upon the mountain height  
Sings of the sea,  
So do I, ever, leagues and leagues away—  
So do I, ever, wandering where I may—  
Sing, O my home! sing, O my home! of  
thee.

—Eugene Field.



## TWO METHODIST CHURCHES MERGE IN HENDERSON

Christ Methodist church, of the former Methodist Protestant denomination, and the First Methodist church, formerly Methodist Episcopal, South, will merge following the annual session of the North Carolina conference of the united Methodist Church in Wilmington the week of November 6-8, as the result of action of the congregation of Christ church Sunday morning.

The merger, which had been under consideration for several months, and had been discussed by individuals and board members of the two groups, was approved in a resolution of invitation passed unanimously by the First Methodist church on Sunday, September 22. Christ church congregation voted favorably to the plan at its service Sunday morning, though the action was not unanimous.

Immediately after the latter church had acted at its Sunday morning service, the pastor, Rev. T. J. Whitehead, went in person to the First church, where he spoke briefly in announcing to that congregation the decision of his own membership.

The action follows the unification last year of the Methodist Episcopal Church (North), the Methodist Protestant Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Under the plan adopted, Christ church will be merged as a unit, except for members who object to going in, with the First Methodist and the latter's handsome stone edifice on North Garnett street will be used as the church home of both groups. Christ church property will be sold and the proceeds used for whatever purpose the united group decides.

Following the merger, members of Christ church will be given official places on the board of trustees, the board of stewards, in the Sunday school, the missionary groups, and in every other department, the same as they were in their own church prior to the merger.

Christ church has a membership of between 350 and 400, and the First Methodist some 800 or more. The merger is expected to provide a membership of between 1,100 and 1,200.—Henderson Daily Dispatch.

## JOHN PAUL LUCAS, SR.

A great circle of friends are in sorrow on account of what seemed to them the untimely death of John Paul Lucas at the early age of 55. He appreciated his friends, he loved his work and at all times manifested an enthusiasm that was contagious. Even a few moments of fellowship with him served as a spiritual tonic.

We came to know him first when a young reporter and editorial writer for one of the leading dailies of Charlotte, and the high opinion formed of him then has remained through all the years. He formed no critical or uncharitable estimates of his fellowmen. His manifestation of friendship was no hollow pretense, but the gentle outflow of a sincere generous nature.

When he aligned himself with the Duke Power Company that great corporation secured one of its most creative and constructive workmen in a publicity that brought results of a desirable and profitable sort.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Montie Lucas of Charlotte; by his widow, the former Miss Alice Craft of Wilmington; a daughter, Mrs. Douglas Sprunt of Dur-

ham; two sons, John Paul Lucas, Jr., of Clemson College and Charlotte, and Charles Craft Lucas of Charlotte; the following grandchildren: Alice Hamilton and Edith Lucas Sprunt of Durham, Alice Conway and Catherine Manner Lucas of Clemson College, and Charles Craft Lucas of Charlotte; two sisters, Mrs. John C. Watson and Mrs. Joseph McLaughlin of Charlotte; and four brothers, J. T. Lucas of Denver, Colo., A. M. Lucas of Hickory, H. G. Lucas of Brownwood, Texas, and Dr. R. T. Lucas of Shreveport, La.

## THREE CHECK-UP MEETINGS

Within the last week we sat in with the check-up meetings of the Elizabeth City district at Hertford; of the Rocky Mount, at Rocky Mount; and of the Raleigh, at Person Street church. District Superintendents Slaughter, Larkin and Glass had good attendance from each of their districts and all were in fine fettle. Much work has been done but much remains to be done in the way of finances before the conference assembles in Wilmington on November 7. Though the situation is not the most rosy, the close may be most satisfactory by hard work. Failure usually follows where the leaders fail to lead and the people loiter. Methodist people have a habit of leaving about half of the finances to be secured the last month of the year. Some charges are still holding to the "old way." Practically all the pastors are hopeful of a fine close.

At Rocky Mount last Sunday afternoon the church was well filled with pastors and laymen. Brief statements were made by representatives of the several causes and Dr. W. K. Green gave a capital closing address. It was a most profitable occasion.

## BREVARD COLLEGE OPENS

Brevard College opened on September 24 with approximately 375 students to begin its seventh year. This year's enrollment shows an increase over that of the school total last year.

Several programs of freshman orientation were carried out during the first week of school. Such were planned by representatives of the student-faculty government in a pre-opening retreat held at Camp Transylvania near Brevard. Jack Donnell, Climax, president of the student group, was in charge. There were also discussions of the future meetings of the council during the ensuing year.

Rev. McMurray Richey, assistant pastor and director of Christian education at the Central church, Asheville, was speaker at the initial chapel program. Speaking to the more than 375 students who were gathered in the chapel for the first time this year, Mr. Richey touched a high note of challenge to the students to be persistent in their college studies and activities. Mr. Richey showed a keen insight into the minds of students and young people of junior college age.

Chapel at Brevard is held three times each week; and during the year many programs of worth are presented to the students.

## METHODISTS GIVE \$130,000 FOR OVERSEAS

Methodists early this summer contributed more than \$130,000 for Overseas Relief and they are continuing—in their churches and individually to support this effort "for the relief of human suffering." This distribution is under the direction of the committee of which Bishop Herbert Welch is chairman, and Morris W. Elmes (150 Fifth Avenue, New York City) is treasurer.

## DURHAM DISTRICT CHECK-UP MEETING

The fall check-up meeting for the Durham district will be held at the West Durham Methodist church, Monday, October 7, beginning at 10 a. m. Pastors, church officers, and other leading laymen and laywomen are expected. The meeting should be over not later than 12 or 12:30.

A. J. Hobbs, D. S.



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When a man forgets God and burns incense at the altar of his own greatness he may enjoy his worship but it is a great strain upon humanistic standards. While these worshippers may be numerous, the spiritual heroes among them are few and far between.

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"Count your blessings one by one." Our emphasis just now is on "one by one," and we mean to apply it to every Methodist this last month before conference. Successful closing of the year rests with each one. In a most real sense are we members one of another. Each successful pastor will strive to see that not one is left out of the count—no, not one!

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The Methodist Publishing House has the following interesting variety of names: The coincidence of five Smiths, unrelated, on the second floor of the Nashville House is more than met by the total absence of persons with such a surname in the Richmond House. Furthermore, no two of the thirty-seven employees are known by the same surname. And the thirty-seven employees have thirty-four different given names. There are two Margarets, two Helens, and two Johns. And not a single person named Luther Adirondack McGillicuddy!

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The thousands of students in the colleges and universities of North Carolina render most important the religious work to be done among young men and women in these formative years. With the increase of hundreds from year to year and the influx of all kinds of isms, the greater need there is for enlarging the work of the Wesley Foundation charged especially with the work among students in the state supported institutions. Our conference boards of education along with our Wesley Foundation are moving to make more effective the work in our educational institutions in the state. It requires both time and money to enlarge the work and enable it to act effectively.

An epitaph on the monument to an old Indian fighter illustrates our blind spot in regard to the wickedness of war: "To Lem S. Frame who during his life shot 89 Indians whom the Lord delivered into his hands and who was looking forward to making up his hundred before the end of the year when he fell asleep in Jesus, March 27, 1843."

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No fool ever knows that he is a fool. The man who built his house upon the sand thought he was wise enough until the rains came and the winds blew. The man who spent his time building larger barns while he neglected his soul was not aware at the time of his folly. On the contrary he counted himself prudent and provident. But after all one would not expect a man wanting in wisdom to be over wise.

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"The imperturbable confidence of the British people in the triumph of our cause is the outstanding feature of the opening of the second year of the war. It leaves no room for any slackening of effort; indeed, it demands a stiffening of determination and a solemn acceptance of the greater sacrifices which may yet be demanded. The Prime Minister has told us that 'the road to victory may not be as long as we expect' but that 'we have no right to count on this.' There are stronger reasons than ever for girding ourselves for fiercer battles. The intensity of the struggle adds to the obligation to look ahead and to be ready to solve the problems and meet the opportunities of the after-war years. Winning the peace may prove to be an even more exacting task than winning the war." The foregoing words are the opening paragraph of an editorial in the Methodist Recorder (London) on "Looking Ahead." The editor closes with these words: "A forward movement means looking ahead. Let us exercise to the full our gifts of evangelism in winning men and women. And let us not be blind to the vision of the future as it unfolds in the life of youth."



## Exodus Belongs to Man

**G**ENESIS is a beginning; Exodus is a going out. Beginnings belong to all orders of being; going out into the untried for high and varied achievement belongs in a most peculiar sense to man. He leaves behind fish and fowl and beast as he passes on to the higher stages in the realm of the true, the beautiful and the good. The fish of the sea remain true to their beginnings, inhabitants of the deep, each after his kind. Birds from year to year continue to build their nests after the same fashion following the instincts of a thousand generations. The same is true of the beasts of the field and the wild inhabitants of the jungle. At least such seems to be true of flower, fish, bird and beast—each at home in its element. The flower is at home in the field, the fish in the water, the bird in the air, and the beast in its wide domain. These, however, never get far from the elements of their origins. But such is not true of man. He belongs to Exodus as well as to Genesis.

Man aspires after the beautiful, longs for the true, and finds satisfaction only in the good. Though some would be let alone that they may serve the Egyptians, returning to the garlic and the onions, this is not true of man at his best. He has that which lifts him above the dirt and fits him to walk with the blessed in fellowship with just men made perfect.

The home, the school, the state and the church are the institutions essential to civilized man as he in his earthly pilgrimage passes from the land of his beginnings to his final abode on high. That each and all of these institutions should be at their best must be apparent to every one. Anything that tends to debase the home, to render inefficient the school, to corrupt the state, and to defile the church is a sin against our humanity. Godly fathers and mothers, devoted teachers, patriotic citizens and saintly leaders in pulpit and pew will give any people a high place among the immortals.

## He Became Poor

**J**ESUS owned nothing. He was born in another man's stable. His closet of prayer was a mountain top or the wilds of the wilderness. He died upon the cross of an enemy and was buried in the grave of a friend. At his death he had no material gifts to bestow upon

his mother who with other women hung about the foot of the cross.

He became poor that we through his poverty might become rich, even in material things. The rich nations of earth are the Christian nations. And if these Christian nations had followed the Master's instructions in regard to war, they would today be a thousand fold richer in the material things of earth than they are. War has done more to impoverish the earth than any other destructive agency known to man. Yet men refuse to obey the instructions of the Prince of Peace.

## A Distinguished North Carolina Family

**G**OVERNOR CLYDE R. HOEY a few days since paid a gracious and merited tribute to Robert M. Hanes of Winston-Salem, N. C., president of the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, who last week retired as president of the American Bankers' Association. Governor Hoey could have paid similar tribute to several of the Hanes brothers because they are worthy.

Generally speaking a great and good man has a great and good mother. This is strikingly true of the Hanes brothers, and her daughters share equally their mother's gifts. In later years after being relieved of household duties Mrs. John W. Hanes became active in helping people and institutions in need of her benefactions. She is known far and wide as one ready to aid any deserving cause, particularly of the Methodist church, of which she is a devoted member.

The mention of these things are clearly by the way, for our purpose in this connection is to present Governor Hoey's tribute to one member of the Hanes family. The governor's statement follows in full:

I have just returned from the convention of American Bankers' Association in Atlantic City which was attended by nearly 4,000 bankers from every section of the United States. It was a source of gratification to me personally, and I feel sure it will be a matter of pride for the whole state, to know of the great record made by our own Bob Hanes who has served for the past year as president of this association.

"Mr. Hanes, during his term of president, has attended bankers' conventions throughout the nation and has won fame for himself and reflected great credit upon the state by the many splendid addresses he has delivered and by his brilliant record of accomplishments as president.

"His administration has been marked by constructive achievements and his dynamic personality and broad vision have enabled him to lead the bankers to new heights



of service, and it was generally agreed that this convention under his leadership was the greatest in the history of the national association.

"I was so impressed with the unanimity of praise for him by the bankers throughout the nation and so pleased to have him termed by all as one of the really great American bankers. This is the first time a North Carolinian has ever been elected president of the American bankers and it was specially fortunate for the state that the choice should have fallen upon one so well equipped to render such high praise from all sources. North Carolina should feel very proud of her bankers generally, many of whom attended this convention and particularly proud of Bob Hanes as a man and as a banker."

### **Ralph Waldo Emerson's Timely Message**

**L**ESS than a quarter of a century after the close of the World War Europe is again at war in what may become another international calamity with all the nations of earth involved. At this time the people of all nations would do well to give heed to what Emerson in his "Representative Men" said of Napoleon Bonaparte. These are his words:

"Never was leader so endowed and weaponed; never leader found such followers. And what was the result of this vast power? these immense armies, burned cities, squandered treasures, immolated millions of men? All passed like the smoke of his artillery and left no trace; he left France smaller, poorer, than he found it. France served him with life, limb, estate; but when men saw that victory meant only another war; that after toiling so desperately they were never nearer reward, or ease—they deserted. The eternal law of man, and the world, ruined him. By 1814, the universal cry of France, and Europe, was 'Assez de Bonaparte!'"

### **The Sermon That Always Wins**

**M**ANY sermons are like a solid wall. Some of them are rough hewn stone, while others are solid blocks of polished granite in which the builder thereof takes a pardonable pride. But how much better if some beautiful interesting pictures were hung upon these substantial and inviting structures. Why not put in a window or two to let in the light. Illustrations in a sermon are like pictures and windows. They serve to beautify and to let in the light. Any public speaker who knows how to use illustrations and to tell human interest stories never fails to get a hearing. Such a preacher never speaks to empty pews.

### **Difference the Resurrection Has Made**

**T**HE Old Testament is full of God and the movements of the divine presence; so is the New Testament. But the atmosphere of the one is far removed from the other. The God manifest in desert lands and on mountain tops to patriarchs and prophets later is known as the God of the whole earth, who rules in righteousness and cherishes a tender concern for the children of men. This same Presence moves across the pages of the record of the later dispensation.

Little, however, of the resurrection idea appears in the ancient record as compared with the later writings. In the Old Testament are found a few jewels flung out of God's resurrection casket; the New Testament is one grand Easter anthem. The gospels close with the one note of triumph and the epistles are full of the gospel of the resurrection.

The Acts of the Apostles, which is not yet a finished book, is simply a record of the conquests made through the long centuries among the people of earth by those who have known the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of his sufferings.

The distinctive feature of the Christian church that abides and wins victories is the presence of the Christ who was dead and is now alive. He is able to bring victory out of defeat; the empty tomb is always close by the cross.

### **The Common Man**

**C**HRISTIANITY began among the lower strata of society. At first not many rich or noble were found in the Christian ranks. But the Christian religion is not unique in this respect. The great social revolutions have generally been cradled in manglers. Civilization is deeply indebted to lowly cradles and unknown mothers hold a heavy account against the world.

No ignorance is quite so stupid as that which discounts the common man and that scorns the hidden capacities of the common people. The finest thing said of Jesus as a teacher was that the common people heard him gladly.

The greatest shortsightedness of the Christian church has been its disposition to get away from the common people. Every church in every age is at this point beset with snares.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference, Fifth Ave., Wilmington, 10 a. m. . . . Nov. 7**

W. Jackson Huneycutt has been awarded a graduate assistantship in the Department of Philosophy of Boston University.

The Belwood charge is coming on fine. On September 15, the pastor's birthday, Palm Tree church honored him with a gracious pounding, for which he is very grateful.—Geo. W. Clay.

Forty seniors in the New York State College of Forestry have concluded an inspection of Duke University's forestry school and its demonstration and experimental tracts. The New York student foresters have been on a southern tour extending to Florida.

Gov. Luren D. Dickinson of Michigan won renomination in the Republican primary in that state by an overwhelming majority. He served as lieutenant governor eight times before he became governor by the death of Gov. F. D. Fitzgerald in 1939. He has represented continuously the Michigan conference in the General Conference since 1916 and was a member of the Uniting Conference.

Nathan Scott Hendrix, son of the late Bishop E. R. Hendrix and grandson of Dr. Nathan Scarritt, founder of Scarritt College, a Methodist institution at Nashville, Tenn., died August 29, at his home in Kansas City, Mo., aged 63. He was an active member of Melrose Methodist church from boyhood. During the last World War he served 18 months in France as a Y. M. C. A. secretary. His wife, two daughters, and a son survive.

Over radio station WSTP in Salisbury from 7:30 to 7:45 p. m. the following programs will be given: Monday, Oct. 7: Rev. W. A. Kale of Trinity church, Kannapolis, on "The Home and the Child's Religion." Tuesday, Oct. 8: Rev. R. Dwight Ware of Central church, Albemarle, on "The Church and the Child." Wednesday, Oct. 9: Rev. M. Teague Hipps, conference director of youth, Salisbury, on "The Church School Training Its Youth." Tuesday, Oct. 10: Mrs. W. W. Weant, state vice president of P. T. A., Salisbury, on "The Responsibility of the Public School in Religious Training." —Wilson O. Weldon, Chm.

The Alliance Weekly says, "In the 20th century war has reached a total eight times greater than all the preceding centuries," according to Professor Sorokin of Harvard University. In an analysis of 932 wars and 1,615 internal disturbances in 2,500 years, the average man of the 13th century had 6,500 more chances to die peaceably in his bed than his descendants in the 20th century. He says that Spain has led the world in warfare with fighting going on during 67 per cent of her history; England 56 per cent; France 60 per cent; Russia 46 per cent; Italy 36 per cent; Germany 28 per cent; ancient Greece 57 per cent, and ancient Rome 40 per cent.

Years of search for comic situations and names in ancient Greek literature have resulted in two recently published books by scholars trained in the Duke University Greek department. "Incongruity in Aristophanes" is the title of a book by Dr. C. C. Jernigan, now professor of Greek and Latin in the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina. A Who's Who of all the comic names in Greek literature, entitled "A Comic Prosopography" has been published by Dr. J. N. Truesdale of the Duke Greek department. Dr. Jernigan and Dr. Truesdale, both native North Carolinians, received their A.B., A.M., and Ph.D. degrees at Duke.

A revival meeting began at Gray's Chapel September 22 and closed Friday night of the same week. Rev. C. E. Ridge, pastor of the Shiloh charge, did the preaching. There were 32 conversions and 29 accessions to the church. The attendance was large from the beginning to the close, and there was a fine revival Sunday afternoon when there were seven preachers on the platform.—H. L. Iseley, Pastor.

Rev. Paul Hardin, pastor of First church, Asheboro, will arrive in Greensboro October 7 to assist Rev. R. M. Hardee in a revival at Glenwood Methodist church that has been in progress since Wednesday, the 2nd. The revival will continue through Sunday, the 12th. Mr. Hardin is one of the outstanding young ministers of the conference and we would like to take this opportunity to invite all of our friends out to hear him.

The annual week's revival meeting at Gray's Chapel closed Friday, September 27. We had a glorious revival with 37 conversions and 29 new church members by letter and 25 by baptism. Rev. C. E. Ridge was our help and did fine preaching. We were glad to have Rev. Mr. Hutton visit with us during the week. We have elected all officers for the ensuing year. As conference draws near we are looking forward to having Rev. and Mrs. Isley with us for another year.—Reporter.

Rev. B. H. Black is pastor of Clark Street church, Rocky Mount. He is happy in his work and wonderfully proud of that fine group of young people who compose that vested choir. They render a fine service and are devoted to their work. To be in Brother Black's pulpit last Sunday morning and in the parsonage at noon was indeed a personal pleasure. It seemed strange for none of those boys to be about the board. They are all away just now, leaving the heads of the household as is the lot of those who rear large families. "Ben" remains much as he was in the long gone days at old Trinity.

Rev. Dr. Donald H. Tippet, for nine years pastor of Bexley Methodist church, Columbus, Ohio, has been appointed pastor of First church, Los Angeles, succeeding Rev. Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor-elect of The Christian Advocate. Dr. Tippet preceding his pastorate at Bexley church was senior pastor and head worker of the Church of All Nations in New York City. He came to that church from Christ church, Denver. His new pastorate will begin on Sunday, October 13. He began his ministry in Colorado in 1919. He was born at Central City, Colo., March 15, 1896. He graduated from the University of Colorado in 1920 and from Iliff School of Theology in 1924. He has been in constant demand for addresses and sermons on special occasions.

In an effort to secure support for Rev. Lawrence A. Watts, director of religious training at Central prison, Raleigh, in his effort to set up in every community groups pledged to assist in the rehabilitation of the 20,000 men and women released from our prisons each year, and so lower the high percentage of repeaters, some 75 per cent at present, Rev. Walter Pavy of Wilmington spoke from radio WMFD (Wilmington) last Friday, entitling his talk "Bad Boys," and illustrating it with a large number of letters—he called them "love letters," which he had received from Polish, French, Ukranian, Russian as well as Anglo-Saxon lads who had ran foul of the law. Mr. Pavy urged that this is a very definite challenge to the church, which if we fail to meet our judgment will be, "I was in prison, and you didn't visit me. I was released from prison, and you didn't care what happened to me, and old companions and discouragement made me a repeater." Next Friday Mr. Pavy plans to speak on "England and English Life," and the following week on "Shevchenko, the Liberator of the Ukraine." The broadcast is at 9 p. m.



Bishops H. Lester Smith and Titus Lowe, and Drs. John W. Hoffman and M. H. Lichliter, forty years ago were received on trial together in the Pittsburgh conference. At the session of that conference, which began on October 1, in Franklin Street church, Johnstown, Pa., Bishops Smith and Lowe, and Dr. Lichliter were announced as special speakers for Wednesday and Thursday.

Dr. William A. Brownell of the Duke University education department will serve as consultant to the dean of the University of Puerto Rico department of education during the coming academic year. He will also teach a course in educational psychology. Accompanied by his family Dr. Brownell is on his way to New Orleans where he will sail October 1. He will return after June 1.

This has been a good year for Cooleemee Methodist church. Among the visible accomplishments might be mentioned new pews, a new chimney for the church, some lattice fences, and other improvements which cost about \$1300. All are paid for and there is no indebtedness on any of the church property. The Advocate, the Children's Home, the Golden Cross, Church School Day, vacation Bible school, evangelism, missions, and other worth while phases of our church program have been given proper emphasis. We expect to close the year with a good record.—A. A. Kyles.

### CHURCH SCHOOL BUILDING AT LEAKSVILLE TO BE DEDICATED

Leaksville Methodist church will dedicate its church school building October 6 at 8 o'clock. Bishop Clare Purcell will deliver the dedicatory sermon. This building was erected in 1937 during the pastorate of Rev. W. O. Gooode.

Some items of interest about the Leaksville church: Organized 1837. Present church building was erected 1903; Rev. A. L. Stanford was pastor. Dedicated 1905 by Bishop Wilson. An honored name in the tradition of the church is Rev. Daniel Field, who for a generation rendered great service. Hon. A. D. Ivie was for years a leader of great influence. These and many others served the church loyally and entered into their reward.

J. M. Hopper, R. P. Ray, J. G. Farrell, F. M. Flinn, and G. C. Gammon have been members of the official board for 25 years or more. They serve with unquestioned loyalty.

Mrs. R. P. Day has been for 50 years a member of the choir. Mrs. John Ed Williams holds the record of 47 years as a Sunday school teacher. Mr. F. M. Flinn was 28 years Sunday school superintendent. Church membership is now almost 400. Fifty new members have joined this year. With our present equipment free of debt, with the fine spirit of unity evident in the church along with the high type personnel of the membership, it is easy to see a great future for our church.



Leaksville Methodist Church and Church School Building

### CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT AT HIGH POINT

The people of High Point are looking forward with great pleasure to the coming session of the Western North Carolina annual conference which will be held at Wesley Memorial church, October 22-25. The Methodists of Thomasville, Jamestown and the surrounding section are co-operating most heartily in preparing for the conference entertainment.

Following the precedent of last year we are expecting all ministers and delegates living within thirty miles of High Point to return home at night. We are sending by mail Monday to all others a letter with a reply post card. We shall greatly appreciate it if each member and delegate will return the post card as soon as possible in order that the assignment committee may know how many delegates to assign to homes. If we do not receive your post card, we shall assume you do not wish the local committee to provide lodging and breakfast for you. We shall appreciate the return of your card in any case. If the regular delegate cannot come, he is requested to give the letter and card to the alternate to send in.

The bishop and his cabinet will be placed at the hotel. All others will be entertained in homes. If for any reason any of the members or delegates wish to stay in the hotel, we shall be glad to make reservation for them provided they assume the expense. We have two excellent hotels which can take care of a limited number for \$1.50 (and up) without bath, \$2.00 (and up) with bath.

Upon arrival in High Point, the ministers and delegates are requested to come to Wesley Memorial church for their assignment and meal tickets.

We regret that because of the increased number of delegates, it will be impossible for us to entertain over night any of the ministers' wives.

R. T. Amos, Chairman  
Local Entertainment Committee.

### LUNCHEON OF MINISTERS' WIVES AT HERTFORD

The luncheon of the ministers' wives of the Elizabeth City district was held in Hertford on the day of the check-up meeting for the district. Seventeen wives were present and a most delightful fellowship hour was enjoyed. The women of the Hertford church were given a vote of thanks for the delicious luncheon served. Mrs. B. B. Slaughter gave the invocation. Mrs. R. F. Munns welcomed us, with response by the chairman, Mrs. J. R. Poe, who also presided over a short business session. A card was read from Mrs. L. C. Larkin urging us to send all parsonage news and improvements to Mrs. Poe before November 7. Please send your name to Mrs. W. A. Cade, 19 Grace Street, Wilmington, if you expect to attend the luncheon on Saturday during annual conference. Mrs. W. J. Watson, Sec.

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT CHECK-UP MEETING

The final check-up meeting for the Charlotte district will be held at First church, Charlotte, on Friday, October 18, at 2 p. m. All pastors' reports to the annual conference are to be complete and turned in at this time. If for any reason table III cannot be completed by this date, it may be turned in on the first day of annual conference at High Point. In any event make out table III on the yellow sheet of the pastor's report and bring it to this meeting so that we may have a correct report of finances to date. Tables I and II must be complete and turned in at this time.

All pastors are expected to be present for this meeting; and charge lay leaders are invited. If for any reason you find it impossible for you to be present, SEE THAT YOUR REPORTS ARE IN MY HANDS by the hour set above.

G. T. Bond.



# "The Religion of Wendell Willkie"

By DANIEL A. POLING

I talked to Wendell Willkie about religion. "What is the religion of Wendell Willkie? What are his religious ideals and relationships?" Christian Herald readers want to know—the stream of letters steadily rising makes that clear.

In the June issue of Christian Herald when we carried pictures of four candidates for the presidency in each of the major political parties this man Willkie was not in the Republican "gallery." He was not among the first four or even the first eight. But three weeks later he was Republican presidential nominee. No wonder we wonder.

After reading a few laudatory biographical sketches, talking to a few Willkie fans and re-reading some of Mr. Willkie's speeches I took a plane for Indiana to gather first hand material for the answer to the question of Christian Herald readers: "What is the religion of Wendell Willkie?" As a non-partisan religious journal we were bound to do something about that question for already we had answered similar questions concerning President Roosevelt, Candidate Roger Babson on the Prohibition party and Candidate Norman Thomas of the Socialist party. Since 1932 three major articles have presented President Franklin Delano Roosevelt to the considerably more than one million readers of this journal—laudatory articles they were of course. Before my Indiana trip the available material in the field of my search was limited. "Who's Who in America" listed Mr. Willkie's church as "Episcopal." That was something, for every sketch in "Who's Who" has been personally O.K'd by the sketchee. Mr. Willkie did not forget or choose to omit (many men do) his religious affiliation. I started with a favorable impression. During the weeks since the hectic Philadelphia national convention letters received from the "lunatic fringe" that borders every faith had variously informed me that Mr. Willkie is "an infidel," "a Catholic," "a Jew," and that "he doesn't believe the Bible." But in fairness let me add that two gentlemen wearing the right button had reassured me with the word that Mr. Willkie had "almost" been elected president of the Y. M. C. A. while a student in the University of Indiana and that only the war prevented him from becoming a foreign missionary!

After that I took to the air and landed in Cincinnati. From Cincinnati to Rushville, Indiana, I traveled by train. They call it the "Willkie Special." It is an accommodation train, a two-car gasoline motor and it stops at the cross roads. The schedule is slow—two hours and thirty-three minutes for 84 miles, but one has time to see the ripening corn, the grazing cattle, the church spires dominating the village sky lines, also the ancient coach is air-conditioned.

I found Wendell Willkie like that—village and open country, the friendly Middle West modernized, but still friendly, old fashioned, intimate. He is from Indiana, but still of it. He personifies success that doesn't forget the worthy though humble past. For a great multitude without respect to party ties there is significance and even reassurance in the fact that a man who may become President locates his personal campaign headquarters not in Chicago's Loop, nor in New York's Manhattan, but in

Rushville, Rush county, Indiana. And it may be just another illusion but we like it—the farm boy as master of Wall Street and a resolute maker of the greater America. But what about that question? We came back with the answer. We got it from townsfolk and church members, from pastors and from Mr. Willkie himself. Mrs. Willkie's family is Presbyterian, as is Mrs. Willkie herself—earnestly, actively so. There is a reserve about this gracious lady, a certain shyness that shrinks from the cameras and camera men at the church door. Her life has been different. Worship just doesn't belong to the calculating give and take of a political campaign. She would worship quietly, unobserved. And her husband is of the same mind. Religion, for these Willkies, isn't a pose, it is a practice. I can understand—once in my old home town I was asked to kiss my blessed mother while the camera ground. That was perhaps the only request of a brother newspaper man I ever refused. Had he snapped me unaware it would have been different. Worship is like that.

Wendell Willkie's parents were Methodists and devout—some would say "severe." Their son has only reverence for his memories of them. His own Sunday school days were boisterous, but he has not forgotten the lessons. "I am still learning them," he said. As a young man he was confirmed and became a member of old St. Stephen's Episcopal church. A poor and struggling parish, it was a sturdy Welsh community. "Why the Episcopal church?" I asked. He smiled as he replied, "Associates. A fine girl influenced me. Those I liked to be with, and what I found for myself." Here, Mr. Preacher, are several sermons or addresses on "The influence of good companions." But young Willkie was no mere ornament in his church relations. He took an active interest in church affairs and eventually became a lay reader of the Episcopal church. Years afterward, in Coffeyville where he taught school, he was the organizer of one of the first if not the very first high school Y. M. C. A.'s in Kansas. Also he conducted a Y. M. C. A. camp.

But what does this former lay reader of the Episcopal church have now to say about religion, about Christianity?

As I sat with him in Rushville, Indiana, I asked him the direct question, "Mr. Willkie, what does religion mean to you?" He looked me in the eye with characteristic directness as he replied, "In a sense, it means everything. It is life. Unless we can keep alive and strengthen spiritual values in this world, there is no survival. Of course that is true of any time, but it is doubly true now. The church above all other agencies is our hope, and it is hope, not despair or fear, hope and faith that keeps us on the march."

In another connection he said: "The Christian faith cannot be reconciled with the totalitarian state. Christianity, like democracy believes that the individual is of first importance—that the individual is not the creation of government, but that government is the creation of the individual. The spiritual life must be free and not politically controlled."

These sentences I think are particularly fine: "There are men today who apparently would destroy this free-



dom of the human spirit. There are men who say that the United States has reached its maturity, that there are no more frontiers. Well, Christianity has no traffic with this philosophy of defeat. Christianity is a faith for men who are forever breaking trails to new achievements. In his sermon in Jerusalem after the crucifixion Simon Peter cried to his audience, "You killed the pioneer of life."

That last shows Mr. Willkie familiar with the Moffatt translation of the New Testament!

Whatever else may be said about him here is a man terribly in earnest and totally honest. Some of the wisest political heads in America shook in dismay when he declined the support of Father Coughlin. "He could have straddled that one and saved 40,000 votes in my state," said a leader. Well, many others have "straddled that one" but Mr. Willkie couldn't. He believes that intolerance is one of the greatest social sins. He believes in America, America with her constitution and the Bill of Rights, and in all her civil liberties. And I believe that long after this particular incident is forgotten America will remember the moral integrity of Wendell Willkie. His religious philosophy is a good deal like that of Will Rogers. Will once said, "I never saw a man I didn't like."

I got the impression one afternoon in Indiana that to be elected President is to Wendell Willkie not the ultimate thing, but that being in all ways possible to him worthy of the presidency is primary. With such a formula a man can survive either success or failure and remain good company for himself.

Also I heard him say, "There is a price that I wouldn't pay—for anything. And that is at the heart of the religion of Willkie. I am not a political prophet. This is not a political journal. I went to Indiana to get for Christian Herald readers an answer to a question they seriously asked. Here is the answer."

I do not know whether I have written about a man who will become President of the United States, but I am sure that I have written about one who is worthy to become President of the United States.—Christian Herald.

#### MISS TAYLOR MARRIES REV. MR. HARDIN

Mrs. David Kerr Taylor announces the marriage of her daughter, Bowman Norman, to Rev. Henry Grady Hardin, Jr., of Mt. Airy, son of Mrs. H. Grady Hardin of Louisburg.

The wedding took place at 4:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, September 23, in the Oxford Methodist church and was attended by members of the family and a few friends. The ceremony was performed by the bride's grandfather, Rev. F. M. Shamburger, assisted by her pastor, Rev. O. W. Dowd.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Frank Shamburger Taylor of Raleigh, wore the gown her mother, the former Miss Myrtle Shamburger, wore at her wedding. The dress was ivory duchess satin trimmed in rose point lace. Her veil was of ivory illusion with a rose point coronet.

Miss Louise Taylor was maid of honor for her sister. She wore a blue taffeta gown with a fitted cap of tiny yellow chrysanthemums, and carried an arm bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums.

Rev. Edward Mickey of Mount Airy accompanied the bridegroom as best man.

Mrs. D. S. Johnson, organist, played the wedding music. Mrs. Hardin is a graduate of Greensboro College.

Mr. Hardin, who is a graduate of Duke University where he was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity, is a minister in the Western North Carolina Methodist conference. After a wedding trip to Sullivan's Island the couple will be at home in Mt. Airy, where Mr. Hardin is pastor of Rockford Street Methodist church.

#### NEW CHURCH OF WEST BURLINGTON CELEBRATES ITS FIRST SUNDAY

The West Burlington Methodist church, of which Rev. L. L. Parrish is pastor, will celebrate its first Sunday in the new church Sunday, October 6, with an all day program.

A home coming day will be observed, all members, friends and former pastors are invited to be present.

Rev. Ernest G. Overton of Roxboro, first pastor to serve this congregation, will deliver the 11 o'clock address. Following the morning service, lunch will be served in the basement.

The afternoon program will consist of special musical selections, and talks by various church officials and former pastors. Rev. L. L. Parrish will preach at 7:30 in the evening.

On Monday evening at 7:30 Rev. R. L. Crossno of Lillington will begin a series of evangelistic services. Rev. Mr. Parrish will direct the singing.

The newly completed auditorium at West Burlington, a large, modern brick building, is located on the corner of Kivet and Trollinger streets. The main floor and balcony afford a seating capacity of approximately 600. A large basement contains class room, kitchen and recreational hall. This \$12,000 auditorium is the first unit completed in the expansion program of the church. Additional plans provide for the building of a Sunday school plant and a parsonage at a later date.

#### Brief Sketch of West Burlington Methodist Church

The West Burlington Methodist church was organized in 1924 by Rev. J. B. Hurley, pastor of Front Street church. But its beginning dated back further than that—back to January, 1917, when a group of women organized a missionary society in the community.

Realizing the need of a church in the community, those women worked and prayed, and their faith was rewarded. In the summer of 1924 a building was secured and a Sunday school was organized in the frame building on Kivet street. The site of the new auditorium.

One week before the annual Methodist conference the church organization was completed. The bishop appointed Rev. E. G. Overton to this work; 60 charter members were enrolled.

Throughout the 16 years of existence West Burlington church has maintained a steady growth in membership and finances. Today there are 450 members—a church school enrollment of 550. Under the leadership of Mr. R. Y. Whittemore, who is entering his sixth year as superintendent, the school maintained an average attendance of 375.

Prior to 1935 Mr. J. A. Lowe served for ten years as superintendent.

The increase in attendance through the years necessitated the addition of class rooms to the main building from time to time. In 1935 a large hut was built by the young men's Bible class. It is used by them for class assembly. This class with an enrollment of 250 is one of the largest in Burlington.

Realizing the need of more room and more modern facilities, the present building program was launched early this spring, under the direction of Rev. L. L. Parrish, who is completing his first year's work here.

Since its organization the following preachers have served this charge: Following the Overtons three years here, E. C. Durham of Fuquay was sent here. Then Bob L. Poole, now an executive of the Methodist Board of Church Extension. A. C. Thompson of Columbia, who remained two years. He was succeeded by C. F. Heath and J. A. Martin. And B. O. Merritt of Snow Hill, who preceded the present pastor, Rev. L. L. Parrish.

#### TO MEMBERS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BREVARD COLLEGE

The board will meet in Hickory, Thursday, October 17, at 10:30 a. m. The meeting will be held in the Hickory Hotel. A full attendance is desired, inasmuch as there is some very important business to be transacted.

H. C. Sprinkle, Chairman.  
E. J. Coltrane, Secretary.



# Eruditio Et Religio

By ALBERT C. OUTLER

(This sermon was delivered at the opening chapel service for freshmen the current year at Duke)

There is a verse in the eleventh chapter of the Epistle to the Hebrews which ought to mean a little more to some of you here today than it ever could have before:

"Through faith, Abraham, called to leave his home and go unto a land which he would afterward call his own, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing where he was going."

There is a familiar, almost modern sound to this old, old story of a pilgrim, who was moved by what he took to be the call of God to "pull up stakes," to say farewell to his kith and kin there in the valley of the Euphrates river and launch out in search of a new and better land which he might some day claim for himself and his children. What made Abraham a pilgrim was not just his audacity nor his willingness to cut the ties of home and clan. Restlessness, boredom or callousness might carry a man or woman as far as that. The record makes it plain that the distinctive thing about Abraham's venture was his faith, his vision of something more beyond his life's present levels of achievement and value. It says that he was looking for a new order of life "which had sure foundations, whose architect and builder was God." It was Abraham's faith and vision which made his break with the past justifiable, and which gave him courage and strength in the dark and difficult days that lay ahead. Like every true pilgrim, Abraham was one "whom a dream hath possessed."

There is something universal about this experience of Abraham. As a matter of fact, many of you here this morning are finding yourselves in similar situation. You, too, have left home, the old familiar places and friends; you, too, are setting out into a new and strange place which you doubtless hope you may some day call your own. Childhood and early adolescence are behind; and now you venture forth into a new and significant phase of the task of growing up, not knowing very clearly where you are going. To be sure, there is an aura of adventure about it all and many of you, perhaps, understand something of the importance of these next few years that lie ahead. Yet as you look around you and before you, the future must surely seem as uncertain and opaque as it did to Abraham. In times like this, how can anyone predict or plan for the future in a world-culture, one phase of which is breaking up and the new phase of which has not yet appeared? Your college course cannot be expected, therefore, to prepare you as though there were a clear and manageable prospect for your future life and work. More than ever, vocational education, i.e., training in skills and crafts as they have been practiced heretofore, must be subordinated to what is called "liberal education," the essence of which should be the acquirement of a view of life based on intelligence and character which shall be relevant to any future which may come. A liberal education is one which liberates the mind and spirit of a person. Its object is to free the mind and its savage brother, superstition, to release our spirits from the stifling grip of race and class and nationalistic prejudices, from that kind of narrow partisanship which exalts spe-

cial claims of class or group or vested interest above the general good, to deliver us from fanaticisms of all sorts. The kind of education which will serve us in any eventuality is one which has disciplined the mind and will, stimulated the imagination and our sensitivity to beauty, broadened our sympathies and concern for all our human brethren, which has, in a word, made us citizens of the world. Some such vision as this and a faith that it is possible for you, even in these days, and at this university, must constitute your badge of intellectual and spiritual pilgrimage.

Not every one leaves home on a pilgrimage, however, and not every one who wears a "dink" has set his foot on the road to wisdom. Many people, even now, come to college as a matter of social expectation and pressure. You know the wisecrack: "College is the period between the time a boy's voice changes and the time when he starts selling insurance." Perhaps one might say, not to ignore the ladies that, for many a girl, it is a pleasant interlude between puppy love and the altar. When I was in college (way back in the "twittery twenties") we smiled over the jibe that college was a four year's loaf baked out of dad's dough.

Besides these charming but useless drones, there are those who look to college as the place which will furnish them the weapons by which they mean to bludgeon the world into submission and tribute. Here is the selfish and sometimes criminal perversion of the intellect and its powers to vulgar and anti-social ends. The university has been the training ground for many a scoundrel.

But many of you—and one could wish there were more—have come to your university life as pilgrims, with a faith that these next four years may mean much in your life. You have come to a good university, whose manifest destiny, some of us believe, is to become a great university, a fashioner and moulder of the lives of its sons and daughters into fit and worthy servants of God and man. The university has welcomed you because of its faith in itself and the ideals for which it stands. It, too, is a pilgrim; it, too, has its dream for the future. The progress from competence to greatness will come, if at all, as the whole community here, students and faculty, make explicit in thought and deed this faith, this dream by which we have been possessed.

What is this faith, this dream? It may be naive of me, but I take it that one version of it is contained in the motto which stands on every copy of the seal of the university: **Eruditio et religio**. I know that mottoes are glib, that they invite lip-service, that they are often honored more in breach than observance. But they also, and I believe this is the case at Duke, may be the affirmation of an ideal, a faith for modern pilgrims journeying into the uncertain and perhaps tragic future in which destiny has set our lives.

As you came into the chapel you may or may not have noticed the two carved female figures flanking the great arch which leads from the narthex to the nave. Take a look at them sometime and reflect often upon their sym-



bolism. On the north side of the arch there is a figure of *Eruditio*: learning. Across the arch to the south stands a somewhat similar figure, this one called *Religio*: religion. There they stand, looking with hopeful eyes down this long nave upon each new generation of student life. Here, translated into beautiful symbols, is the faith of the university: learning and religion—the two-fold life if wisdom and of love to God and neighbor. I have already said that these are symbols of an ideal as yet unrealized. Indeed, I must confess that I have more than once thought I could see a glint of frustration in the otherwise restrained expressions of these fair ladies. I have never been quite sure which of them looked the more wistful.

Now, what does this faith, expressed in the motto of the university, mean to you as you enter into its life and aspirations? It means, for one thing, that the university is something more than an impressive pile of buildings, something more than a stadium and nationally famous athletic teams, something more than a collection of competent teachers and scholars, something more than a great library. Each of these is important and fits into the scheme of things here, but we shall lose the way if we put too much stress on any one alone. A university is nothing less than a community of men and women bound together by a common interest in and concern for the life of learning and righteousness. It is a fellowship of intellectual and moral effort, a fraternity of the devotees of truth; it is a syndicate for the production of the critical temper and the inquisitive mind. No one here is properly exempt from this imperative to be learning, to be growing intellectually and spiritually, to be maturing in personality and character. And, curiously enough, the main resource for this whole process is simply the association and fellowship of free and yet self-disciplined minds. There are many external means, tricks you might almost call them, by which we try to prod you on and yet all of us shall be knowing that you can lead a boy to college but you cannot make him think. New insights, new ideals come mainly as a result of the associations we have with other men and women who are themselves infused with this spirit of learning and religion. Make the most of your opportunities for association with men and women of ability, both faculty-folk and your fellow-students, especially those who can think and express themselves with discrimination, grace and critical power.

The greatest gain which life in college may give to a young man or woman is an adequate view of life, that is to say, adequate wisdom about one's self and about one's fellows and about one's world. It goes without saying that any such view or understanding will take you far beyond the ideas and concepts and attitudes which you have brought here from home and from childhood and from high school. Every one of you has come to college with his share of illusions. You may never lose them all, perhaps, but it is very important that you should exchange as many of them as you can for something more substantial—for concepts and attitudes which are built on facts and not fancies. The purging of the illusions ought to lead us beyond cynicism and despair to a life of self-criticism and self-control. Socrates was fond of saying that the unexamined life is not worth living.

There can be no adequate view of life without both the elements of which I have already spoken—learning and religion. Each of us lives in a world of facts with

which we ought to be more or less familiar. Some of them are very simple and learned easily and some of them are very complex and can be learned with difficulty if at all. And yet, our mastery of the world is measured in the first instance by what we have learned about it. Ignorance of any sort is always stunting and stifling and often disastrous. This world of fact is the province of *Eruditio*. To seek for the best knowledge we can have of the world about us (the field of the natural sciences), the world within us (which is in part, the field of psychology and philosophy) and the world in which we live with our fellows (history, literature, and the social sciences)—this is learning and it is the life blood of the university. *Eruditio* makes us aware of the extension of the world and if one progresses here one finds a bigger world than was ever dreamed of before, a more complex world and one finds that he himself stands in a different relation to it all than perhaps he had ever thought. The task of the course and laboratory work here is primarily that of learning.

But the job of the university is only half done by this introduction of its students to the extension and complexity of this world of fact, explored by the sciences and interpreted by the humanities. The other side of life's gold coin must also be minted if it is to have full value. Religion, supported and informed by learning, is an indispensable part of any adequate view of the world or of human life. For there are values in life as well as facts, and back of these values there stands God, the supreme value and valuer of all being. Life has meaning, and that meaning has its ground in a Reality which makes order and meaning possible in human experience. Learning, you see, teaches us how to analyze, how to pull things to pieces: to dissect, to compare, to contrast—an English sentence, a complex chemical compound, a political theory, a period of history or a religious concept. But life is never content with analysis—it demands synthesis, reconstruction, decision. How shall we put things back together, how shall we make our choices, save in terms of our scale of values and our concept of the meaning and destiny of the larger scheme of things of which we are a part? Here is the soul of religion. In its discovery and recognition of God as the supreme and central fact, the first and final cause of all things, the fashioner and determiner of our destinies and the destiny of the world, religion affords a focus for all of life, an integrative principle by means of which the fruits of learning can be judged and ordered and made to enrich the texture of our common human life. Religion helps to unify our scattered fragments of truth, marshal our petty efforts into a supreme endeavor and organize our partial insights and affirmations into a victorious faith. As learning is concerned with the extension of life, religion is concerned with the intention of life. Learning gives us the data for living; religion the motives and goals for living.

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The forest trees once asked the fruit trees: "Why is the rustling of your leaves not heard in the distance?" The fruit trees replied: "We can dispense with the rustling to manifest our presence; our fruits testify for us." The fruit trees then inquired of the forest trees: "Why do your leaves rustle almost continually?" "We are forced to call the attention of man to our existence."—Talmud.



## HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

All is going well with us here and our 76 children are all in school. It is rather remarkable that we still have 76. When we came here just 12 years ago we found 72 children in the Home. We shifted about and used several rooms for children which were being used for matrons and increased the number to 120. And now, after sending 12 to Raleigh and 21 to Winston-Salem and placing several others, we still have more children than we found here on the first day of October, 1928. We have 12 in the senior class this year, and a few others will become 18 during the year, so as suggested by Mr. O. V. Woosley last week, there will remain 50 to 55 to be transferred next spring.

### Twelve Happy Years

Mrs. Dixon and I left a happy pastorate after only one year of service to take charge of this Home. We took it with misgivings, but they have been years crowded with the many cares of selecting the most needy, caring for about an average of 115 children daily, and then of placing them when 18, or when they had graduated from high school. They have been years filled with anxiety, careful and constant service, and abundant happiness in most of the results. These have been the crowning years of our service. Our church has honored each of us with many responsible positions, but none were more honorable than this of caring for these youngsters day by day for 12 years.

### The Year Is Ending

As former Methodist Protestants, it is my privilege to call upon you for just one more offering. Around the first of August we mailed a letter to all pastors and S. S. superintendents. In that letter were the following paragraphs:

"In former years we have gone to conference with a deficit and have depended upon your Thanksgiving offerings to pay us out; but this time we must pay up by conference. We need, so badly, a special offering from every former Methodist Protestant church in both conferences to take the place of the regular home coming offering. SURELY NO CHURCH WILL FAIL US IN THIS.

Somebody must see that this is done, or it will not be done. So we are sending these letters to pastors and Sunday school superintendents asking that they present this to the people for us.

WE HAVEN'T ANY OTHER WAY TO GIVE YOUR PEOPLE A CHANCE TO HELP US IN THIS NEEDY AND WORTHY CAUSE. SO IF YOU FAIL US WE CAN BUT SUFFER. BECAUSE OF THE VERY CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH WE LABOR THIS IS A VERY URGENT APPEAL.

With only good wishes for all of you, and thanking you most sincerely for your deep interest and your good help during these many years, and praying God's richest blessings upon each of you."

Right now you are very busy winding up your conference work. But your church will send us one more offering between now and conference. A little planning and a bit of urging will help us greatly. Many have already responded, and we thank you.

### Fall Produce

Our farmer people have been exceedingly kind to us each fall in sending to us hundreds of half-gallon jars filled with fruits and vegetables, and other produce.

To pastors: You may move; I do not know. I certainly have no inside information on it. At any rate, it will be fine if you will see that your people gather the produce together at some one point on the charge, the parsonage if possible. Then send it to us if you can as many of you have been doing. If you cannot send it, then please assemble it so as to make it as easy as possible to pick it up and we will send truck for it. Our boys are all in school; so help us to save time and gasoline if we send for it. Please let us know soon. We thank you.

## CONFERENCE-WIDE MEETING OF METHODIST WOMEN AT STATESVILLE OCTOBER 1

Reorganization of women's work of the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist church was completed October 1 at a conference-wide meeting of women held at Broad Street Methodist church, with more than 1500 persons in attendance.

The women's work of the Western North Carolina conference was organized under the new system brought about by the union of the Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal, South, and Methodist Protestant churches. The new society formed is known as the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

The meeting was opened by Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte. Mrs. C. C. Weaver of Charlotte was chairman, and Mrs. R. M. Andrews of Greensboro, recording secretary.

Conference officers elected were: Mrs. C. C. Weaver of Charlotte, resident; Mrs. C. N. Clark of Salisbury, vice president; Mrs. John W. Hoyle, Jr., of Statesville, recording sec-

retary; Mrs. A. L. Thompson of Greensboro, corresponding secretary; Mrs. P. N. Peacock of Salisbury, treasurer; Mrs. J. W. Payne of Waxhaw, secretary of missionary education and service; Mrs. R. M. Andrews of Greensboro, secretary of Christian social service relations and local church activities; Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., of Asheboro; secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild; Mrs. Walter Lanier of Cullowhee, secretary of student work; Mrs. A. E. Lamb of High Point, secretary of young women's and girls' work; Mrs. George Hoyle of Shelby, secretary of children's work; Mrs. R. C. Kennedy of Bessemer City, secretary of literature and publicity; Mrs. J. W. Harbison of Shelby, secretary of supplies; Mrs. W. R. Harris of Asheville, editor of the woman's page in the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

The following chairmen of standing committees were named: Spiritual life, Mrs. C. N. Clark of Salisbury; status of women, Mrs. C. L. Newell of Dellwood; missionary personnel, Mrs. F. E. Branson of Canton.

Delegates elected to the Jurisdictional conference are: Mrs. C. C. Weaver of Charlotte, Mrs. R. M. Andrews of Greensboro, Mrs. George Hoyle of Shelby, Mrs. C. N. Clark of Salisbury, Mrs. W. C. Hammer of Asheboro, and Mrs. W. R. Harris of Asheville.

The afternoon session included an address by Miss Leila Epps, missionary to Brazil, who told of the work of the woman's missionary societies in Brazil.

## GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

The members of the freshman class at Greensboro College elected Miss Betty Armfield as their chairman when they met September 21 at one-thirty in Odell auditorium. The chairman will serve until a class president is elected at a later date.

Miss Armfield is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Armfield of Madison avenue, Greensboro, and completed her high school work at Henderson last year.

Climaxing an afternoon of fun for the two societies at Greensboro College the Emersons elected Miss Jane Moore, 412 Woodlawn avenue, as their Queen, while the Irvings chose Miss Peggy Purnell of Lynchburg, Va., as their Bride, on the afternoon of September 26 at the annual picnics. The Emersons held forth at Cone Club and the Irvings at Greensboro City Park. Miss Kathryn Thomson is president of the Irvings while Miss Ruth Slocumb has the same honor in the Emerson society.

Tuesday afternoon, October 1, from four until six o'clock Miss Elba Henninger, head of the department of speech and dramatic art at Greensboro College, entertained the members of her department with a tea given at 140 College Place. Miss Charlotte Searles, assistant in the department, was co-hostess. Greeting the guests at the door were Miss Anne Exum, Fremont, and Miss Erlene Green, who are seniors in the department.

## GOLDEN CROSS CONTRIBUTIONS FROM WILMINGTON DISTRICT

I am asking you please to print in this week's paper if possible the list below. It shows that all but eight of the charges in the Wilmington district have made contributions to the Golden Cross. I believe that I shall shortly be able to report that every charge in the district has made its contribution. The following is the complete list to date:

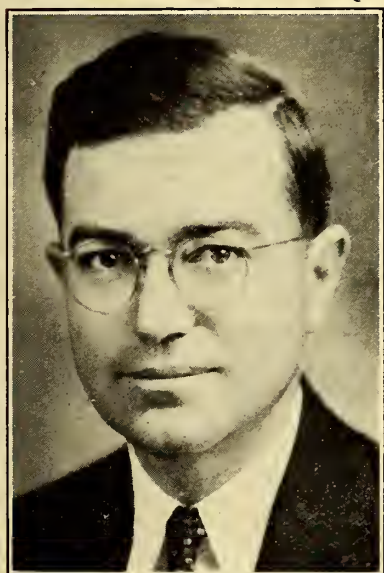
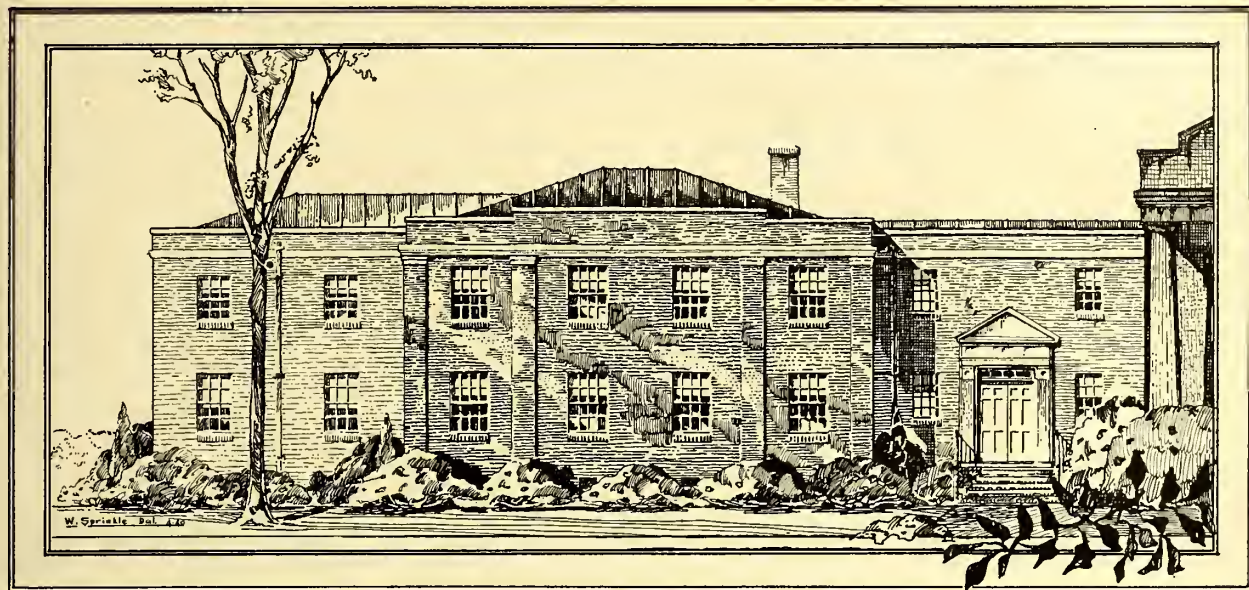
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| Town Creek .....             | 4.00     |
| Whiteville .....             | 20.00    |
| Epworth, Wilmington .....    | 2.00     |
| Grace, Wilmington .....      | 114.00   |
| Wesley Memorial .....        | 21.00    |
| Total .....                  | \$355.00 |

I am sending this revised list because the list published two weeks ago was obviously incomplete and misleading. I think this is a fine representation for the Wilmington district. The other charges will be coming in, I am sure.

J. F. Herbert.



## New Educational Building of First Methodist Church, Siler City Will Be Dedicated Next Sunday



**REV. C. F. HEATH**  
Pastor



**REV. AUBERT M. SMITH**  
Associate Pastor

Bishop Clare Purcell will dedicate the educational building of the First Methodist church on Sunday morning, October 6, at 11 o'clock. All former pastors, former members, and friends of the church are invited to be present for this dedication.

Siler City Methodism had its origin in a Sunday school under a brush arbor about the year 1885. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, erected a frame structure in the year 1887. The Methodist Protestant church erected a frame structure in the year 1894. The present church, a brick structure, was built by the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1925, and for seven months has been occupied by the merged congregations. The former Methodist Protestant church building has been sold and the proceeds have been used in the erection of the new educational plant.

After considerable discussion and get together meetings over a period of twelve months, the Methodist Protestant and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in separate church conferences, on June 4, 1939, voted to merge.

The pastors of the respective churches appointed an inter-church committee, which met on June 20, 1939, and worked out a basis of union.

The fourth quarterly conference petitioned the bishop that he send the present pastors back to perfect the union and complete the educational building. In accordance with this pe-

tition Rev. C. Freeman was sent back as pastor of the Siler City charge and Rev. Aubert M. Smith as associate pastor. These men have worked side by side in the merging of the churches and in the building enterprise.

As a result the merged churches will form a station next year and the other four churches on the charge will form a circuit. The First Methodist church of Siler City will have a membership of approximately five hundred.

During this conference year a \$500 organ debt has been paid and the pipe organ was dedicated in July by Dr. J. M. Ormond; \$15,000 has been raised for the educational building. In addition each congregation has this year increased its regular budget.

### THE MOST PRECIOUS PRIVILEGE

The most ominous sign of our times is the indication of an intolerant spirit.

Democracy has its own capacity for tyranny. The interests of liberty are peculiarly those of individuals and hence of minorities, and freedom is in danger of being slain at her own altar if the passion for uniformity and opinion gathers head.

If progress has taught us anything, it is the vital need of freedom in learning. Perhaps this is the most precious privilege of liberty—the privilege of knowing, of pursuing untrammelled the paths of discovery, of inquiry.—Charles Evans Hughes.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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### PERSONAL WORK

It is our duty and privilege to have an adequate program of friendship and fellowship that we may seek by every legitimate means to win the co-operation of the last woman in our membership and constituency. No one is too much of a "shut-in" by illness, disability, family work or inclination to be excluded from our effort, which is truly a form of evangelism. We should enter into this phase of our work with loving tact, kindly persistence, Christian imagination and sincere prayer. Not every woman can do what we have commonly called "church work"; but there are ways in which she may serve, as indicated in the purpose and plans of our new organization.—Mrs. Henry Hoag Frost, in The Methodist Woman.

### OUR NEW CONFERENCE

When the Woman's Society of Christian Service North Carolina Conference organization meeting was held at East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, on September 23-24, approximately 1,000 women and a number of ministers sat through three full and busy sessions with intent interest, thus evidencing the fact that the beginning of the new plans for woman's work in the N. C. conference is both gratifying and encouraging. Bishop Clare Purcell convened the conference on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Mrs. J. H. Rose, Greenville, led in a helpful devotional, using the theme "Gratitude for Our Heritage and a Rededication of Ourselves to God and to the Supreme Tasks That Lie Ahead." The anthem "Send Out Thy Light" was rendered by the choir of Jarvis Memorial Methodist church and Mrs. J. H. Waldrup sang "My Task." Mrs. Walter Patton, Louisburg, was elected temporary secretary. Following the election of officers and an inspirational address by Bishop Purcell, the officers were installed by the bishop. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, newly elected president, presided at the remainder of the three sessions.

On Monday evening Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent of the New Bern district, conducted the worship. Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess on the Person-Yanceyville circuits; Miss Elizabeth Titsworth, new worker at the Methodist Student Center at E. C. T. C. and Miss Pricilla Stegar, new industrial deaconess assigned to East Laurinburg, spoke of their accomplishments, plans and aspirations. Rev. E. G. Cowan pronounced the benediction.

At 7:30 on Tuesday morning a very large number of women gathered in Austin auditorium for a morning watch, led by Mrs. Hillman. The business session convened at 9 o'clock. Mrs. J. H. Rose again led the devotional with the theme "Cultivation of Spiritual Values Within the Church." Mrs. Helen Kirkpatrick sang "Give of Your Best to the Master." An open forum

was held at which various phases of the work were discussed and questions answered by Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Mrs. F. B. McKinnle, Mrs. J. H. Cutchen, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Mrs. R. C. Gary and Mrs. W. A. Thorne. The purpose and value of spiritual life groups were made real and vital messages brought by Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Mrs. Joe Chandler, Mrs. R. E. Brown and Mrs. Gertie Matthews. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood spoke in the interest of the Methodist Orphanage. The closing prayer was led by Mrs. A. M. Gates. Various side lights of the conference will be published on our woman's page during the next few weeks.

### NEW CONFERENCE OFFICERS

Officers of the new Woman's Society of Christian Service N. C. Conference are: President, Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount; vice president, Mrs. W. A. Thorne, Roanoke Rapids; recording secretary, Mrs. S. S. Holt, Burlington; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern; treasurer, Mrs. F. B. McKinnle, Goldsboro; secretary of missionary education and service, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon; Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. J. H. Cutchen, Whitakers; children's work, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Elizabeth City; secretary of young women and girls, Mrs. S. A. Dunn, Enfield; secretary of student work, Mrs. George Holton, Star; secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson; supplies, Mrs. W. L. Knight, Weldon; literature, Mrs. R. H. Broome, Ayden; publicity and publications, Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh. District secretaries are: Durham, Miss Florine Robertson, Burlington; Elizabeth City, Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City; Fayetteville, Mrs. Dan C. Lawrence, Sanford; New Bern, Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern; Raleigh, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh; Rocky Mount, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway; Wilmington, Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Whiteville.

### LUCAMA CHARTER MEETING

On Monday night, September 16, the women of the Lucama Methodist church held the charter meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The services were conducted in a setting of ferns and white flowers by the pastor, Rev. E. M. Hall. About 30 women pledged themselves as charter members and were presented certificates by Mrs. S. E. High, temporary secretary. Following this service Mr. Hall read the report of the nominating committee. This was accepted and the following officers were installed; President, Miss Ruby Branch; vice president, Mrs. D. W. Rose; second vice president, Mrs. C. C. Lucas; recording secretary, Mrs. W. B. Barnes; corresponding secretary, Miss Eleanor Lamm; treasurer, Mrs. S. E. High. Eleanor Lamm.

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## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### PASSING OF MRS. C. C. KENNEDY

In the death of Mrs. C. C. Kennedy at her home in Charlotte on the afternoon of Saturday, September 21, First church lost one of its oldest, most prominent and best loved members, one whose long life of 81 years was spent in active Christian service and loyal devotion to the cause of her Saviour whom she loved and worshiped.

Mrs. Kennedy had been in declining health for a period of years and for the three weeks preceding her death had been seriously ill. Before her marriage Mrs. Kennedy was Miss Lula Wriston, a member of one of Charlotte's most prominent families, and spent all her life in Charlotte, where she numbered her friends by her acquaintances.

She was actively identified with the woman's work in her church, where she will be greatly missed, serving for years as secretary of the woman's home mission society and for 25 years as treasurer of the foreign missionary society, and for a number of years was leader of the children's organization, then known as the Light Bearers. She was also active in work outside of her church and aided in the organization of the first day nursery in her home city; was a member of the Y. W. C. A. auxiliary, the American Red Cross and Charlotte Woman's Club. She was one of the 24 women who organized the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina conference in Salisbury in 1890, and at the fiftieth anniversary meeting of the conference in April she was present in her invalid's chair and her presence was an inspiration. At the recent organization of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in First church, she was given the privilege of signing her name on the roll as the first charter member. Her funeral was conducted on Sunday afternoon at First church by her pastor, Rev. C. C. Weaver, assisted by Rev. H. K. Boyer of Derita, her former pastor, and her body was laid to rest in beautiful Elmwood cemetery.

"We cannot think of them as dead  
Who walk with us no more;  
Along the path of life we tread  
They have just gone before."

### STUDY LEADERS' MEETING IN CHARLOTTE

The first in the series of five study leaders' meetings for our conference during September was held in First church, Charlotte, Monday, September 23, from 9:30 to 1 o'clock. This meeting which was for the Charlotte and Salisbury districts' study leaders was presided over by Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, Charlotte district secretary, with Mrs. Andrew W. Smith, as recording secretary. We are indebted to Mrs. Smith for the following interesting account of the day's program:

"Mrs. C. N. Clark of Salisbury led the devotional, using as her theme

'The Master Has Come and Called for Thee.' Mrs. Z. V. Moss, secretary of Salisbury district, was introduced by Mrs. Wakefield and had charge of the sale of the study books. The leaders of the four study groups were also presented: Mrs. C. N. Clark, conference spiritual life leader, who led a discussion group on spiritual life; Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., chairman of international relations and world peace in the Conference Bureau of Christian Social Relations, was in charge of the group discussion on Christian social relations in place of Mrs. H. W. McCain, conference superintendent, who was unable to attend the meeting; Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, led the group of literature and publicity leaders and presidents; and the group of missionary education secretaries was led by Mrs. J. W. Payne, conference superintendent of that department. The group reconvened in the chapel for an inspirational talk by Mrs. Payne, who urged in connection with the two studies being planned a study of the migrant and his problems, and she also asked that we give special attention to the study on China and its Christianity, which can make a contribution, in the way of example, to us as Americans.

A playlet, 'We Must Move On,' by Mrs. Payne, was presented by Miss Lillian Walker, Mrs. H. P. Powell and Mrs. Lonnie Rogers of Dilworth church and depicted beautifully the problems of the migrant and what was being done about it.

The question box was most interesting and enlightening and consisted for the most part of questions touching the new set-up of our woman's work. Mrs. Weaver told about the new Bethlehem House which is soon to be opened in Charlotte, and which gives to our conference its second Bethlehem House.

A recommendation from the C. S. Relations group was presented to the effect (1) that we co-operate with nearby negro Methodist churches in their needs; (2) that we enlighten negro women as to how to obtain physical examinations easily; (3) ask the loan from Missionary Council of packets on needed subjects; (4) that Christian social relations committee be a clearing house for the relief work of the local church.

Mrs. Moss and Mrs. Wakefield were voted thanks for their long and faithful services as district secretaries. The attendance at the meeting numbered 276, according to districts, Statesville 7, Gastonia 34, Salisbury 65, and Charlotte 170."

No book is worth anything which is not worth much, nor is it serviceable until it has been read and re-read, and loved, and loved again, and marked so that you can refer to the passages you want in it, as a soldier can seize the weapon he needs in an armory.—Uthor unknown.

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## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

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### THE SUN SHINES

Last week was a hard one. There seemed to be more things to do than could be accomplished. We were working against a "deadline" throughout the entire week. The Chronicle had to go out. The fifth Sunday letter had to be prepared. The children had to have their new clothes in order to be ready to go to church. Plans for the new buildings had to be revised. These were just some of the things that had to be done by a given time. We all worked long and late. But now it is Monday morning. The fifth Sunday has registered its contributions, the weather is celebrating, the sun is shining and we are trying to catch all of the value its beams can impart to us.

### THE SICK GET WELL

Nancy, Barbara and Louise are up and about after their emergency operations for appendicitis, they having had to be hurried to the hospital in the dead hours of night. Lawrence is in a rolling chair following an operation for osteomyelitis and a long period of uncertainty as to his recovery. George is back at home following the removal of a growth on his head, causing some two weeks' stay in the hospital. Fred's broken leg is mending though still cased up as he lies flat on his back. This Morning not only brings sunshine but the assurance that the sick are getting well. Join us in grateful thanks.

### THE BUILDING GOES UP

The Brooks building is taking shape, the walls are up through the first story. In spite of the fact that mechanics are leaving these parts every day for camp construction in various parts, there are still enough skilled men to build buildings, even though the process advances more slowly. We have the hope that the Brooks building can be enclosed before bad weather. Arrangements for beginning the Stockton building are complete and this, a much larger building, will soon be under way.

### THE BOYS PLAY BALL

The picture this week is that of our 100-pound football team. These boys played their first game last Saturday morning, winning over a similar team of fine boys from Oxford Orphanage by a score of 12 to 0. In the rear are shown Coach Edwards, to the right, and Assistant Coach Darnell, to the left. Our 85 pounders also played with Oxford 85 pounders, losing by a score of 6 to 7. The varsity team played Thomasville High at Thomasville Friday night, winning by a score of 22 to 6. The varsity plays Greensboro High at Bowman Gray Stadium, Winston-Salem, next Friday night at eight o'clock. Whoopee!

### THE TRUSTEE IS FUNNY

Enough things have happened wrong this morning to make a fellow want to look for something to change his attitude. Usually when such a situation comes on, this scribe rakes around for a letter he has received from Rev. J. S. Hiatt. The following missive was received in reply to a call for a recent meeting for our board of trustees:

"There is a story that runs thus. It seemed that when Rastus and Sam died they took different routes, so when the latter got to heaven he called Rastus on the telephone. 'Rastus,' he said, 'how yo' like it down thar?' 'Oh, boy! Dis jere is some place,' replied Rastus. 'All we have to do is to wear a red suit wid horns an' eberv now an' den shovel some coal on de fire. We don't work no more dan two hours out of de 24 down here. But tell me, Sam, how is it with you up yonder?'

'Mah goodness. We has to git up at fo' o'clock in de mawnini' and gathah in de stahs; den we has to haul in de moon and hang out de sun. Den we has tre roll de clouds aroun' all day long.'

'But, Sam, how comes it yo' has ter work so hard?'

'Well, to tell de truf, Rastus, we's kin' o' short of help up here.'

And I agree with Sam that in this the Elkin district which has been flooded by many waters we are short of help and I have been working overtime for many days. And for the reason I have mentioned I have not informed you that my plans were to attend the meeting at the Home September 19 at 10:30. But I'll be there and Rufus' football will travel with me to the scene of action."

### THE MEETING COMES NEARER

The approaching annual conference seems to come nearer every day. Of course a better way to say it is that we are getting nearer to the meeting every day. But why bother about language when the big meeting is the big thing in one's mind. We do most earnestly hope that every charge will have paid every cent of its apportionment to the Children's Home by the time we meet at the big meeting. Brethren,

let's do our dead level best to help one do his dead level best.

### THE FOLKS GIVE MONEY

Our friends are beginning to remember us again with their money. We are ever so glad, for we certainly need it. We shall want to use it wisely and make it last as long as it will. The following charges, listed with their pastors, have paid their apportionment in full since last report:

Jackson Park, Kannapolis, Rev. J. J. Holmes.

Midway, Kannapolis, Rev. W. C. Dutton.

Wesley Memorial, High Point, Dr. E. H. Blackard.

Taylorsville, Rev. W. A. Kerr.

Beulah and Bethlehem, Cherryville circuit, Rev. T. G. Highfill.

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Calvary, Charlotte, Rev. S. M. Needham.

Reidsville circuit, Rev. T. V. Crouse.

### THE GOOD MAN LIVES

Recently the following letter from Rev. W. A. Betts, Bamberg, S. C., came with a dollar bill enclosed. The oftener I read the message the more it means to me. Our thoughtful readers are asked to read it:

"On last Mothers' Day, out of my meager income as a 'retired' Methodist minister I joyfully donated a dollar to The Methodist Orphanage at High Point, The Children's Home at Winston-Salem, and The Methodist Home at Raeligh in North Carolina. Also to the Epworth Orphanage, The Connie Maxwell Orphanage and The Thornwell Orphanage in South Carolina. In grateful celebration of my 83rd birthday on the autumnal equinox, September 22, I am forwarding similar contributions."



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ENSILAGE—The last ten days in September was an unusually busy time with our farmer and the boys, filling silos with ensilage. The weather was ideal, and we have our two large silos filled to capacity. Each silo holds one hundred and thirty-five tons of ensilage, and this means much to us in operating our dairy. At this writing the farmer and boys are busy saving a large supply of hay.

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ILLNESS—I know it will be a source of deep regret to her many friends throughout the conference to know that Mrs. Nellie B. Rives, who directs our singing class, has been seriously ill for the past several weeks. She is now convalescing, but has not returned to the Orphanage. All singing class engagements have been cancelled because of Mrs. Rives' illness. We sincerely trust that Mrs. Rives will soon be her normal self again.

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FOOTBALL—On the last Friday afternoon in September our football team played its first game with Bethel high school, near Roxboro. Our boys returned home rejoicing over a 24—0 victory. It was one of the cleanest games I have ever witnessed and fine sportsmanship was manifested by both teams. Mr. F. J. Smith, one of the regular teachers in our Orphanage school, is coaching our boys every afternoon after school is out. We have a very light team, but the team is well coached, and the boys are looking forward to a successful season.

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FIFTH SUNDAY—It is sincerely hoped by the trustees and administration that all of our church schools observed last Sunday as Orphanage Day. If, for any reason, any did not do so, it is urged that they take a free will offering for our three hundred and three boys and girls this coming Sunday, which is the first Sunday in October. Since we are badly in need of funds for operating expenses, I want to urge all the Sunday schools to send their fifth Sunday offering to us at the earliest possible moment. I am deeply grateful to our Sunday schools for taking a special offering for us last Sunday. May I express the hope that those who have not done so will remember us this coming Sunday.

My Dear Friends:

I have lived eight very happy and profitable years at the Methodist Orphanage and I wish to express my appreciation to friends who made it possible for me to live here.

I consider myself very fortunate in being brought up in such a wonderful home. No other place could have replaced my home so well, for I have been given every opportunity to develop myself for life. Mr. Barnes has been a very good dad and has done everything he possibly could for the development of each one of us.

The guidance of each matron and teacher is greatly appreciated. I know each correction they have made for me will be helpful in later life.

The ladies' Bible class of Carr Methodist church in Durham has been very good to me, and I hope to be able to repay them by making the best of life. I want to say "thank you" to each member for what you have done for me.

The doctors of Raleigh have been very kind and considerate and I want to thank each of them for the splendid medical attention given me and to the other children.

To each member of the North Carolina conference may I say that I am indebted to you for making this a real home for me, and I know the child who takes my place will be just as contented and happy as I have been.

I wish to express my gratitude to all the other friends who have helped to make this home what it is today. Especially to Mrs. G. G. Allen do I have deep gratitude, for no other building could be more beautiful or homelike than the Burwell cottage which she made possible.

In closing this letter I wish to express thanks to all the friends of the home, and I hope you will continue to be a friend of the home through years to come.

Mattie Cole.

BUILDERS AND KEEPERS OF FIRES

An old proverb runs something like this: "Any fool can build a fire, but it takes a wise man to keep it burning." This proverb has an old truth in it. Any young man can take a handful of paper, put it into the furnace and strike a match to it, but that would not qualify him for a job as fireman, whose duties are to keep the fire going and fix the drafts right so the boilers will be heated up and the building warmed with the least fuel possible. That takes real ability.

When it comes to the business of living, you will find that old proverb still true. Any young man can light the fire of a new purpose in life, but to keep that flame alive in the face of cold drafts of opposition, the damp atmosphere of discouragement, is something that not every person can do. That is what takes real grit and courage; that tests a person's mettle and brings out all there is in him.

Many have started fires of new purposes, and perhaps before very long many of these fires will be out. Those who will keep them going are the men and women the world needs today. What about your purposes? How long will the fires burn? God help us to keep them ever burning brightly.—Ex.

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- 1. One or more special programs at the church.
  - a. A parent-teacher meeting. (See one suggested program in the Children's Division Yearbook, Vol. IV.)
  - b. A play. (See "The Broken Circle," in the September Church School Magazine).
- 2. A systematic plan for church school teachers to visit parents and public school teachers; for parents to

know the church school and public school plans for the children; for interested parents and church school teachers to attend meetings of public school teachers when the discussion will center in the character development of children as the chief objectives of the school; for interested parents and teachers to join study groups and extension classes.

- 3. A social occasion for parents and teachers, with decorations and refreshments in keeping with the best social practices of the community; selected hostesses to further acquaintance and friendliness in an informal manner during the opening period; brief program consisting of three short talks on "The Dominant Needs of Children, and Young People, and Our Plans for Meeting Them," one each from the angle of the home, the church, and the school.

4. Initiating specific plans for the nursery home visitor as a means of better understanding between the home and the church concerning the earliest years of a child's life.

5. A sermon at the beginning or the end of the week on some such subject as "Making Religion Real to Our Boys and Girls."

6. Checking significant articles in the September and October issues of the Elementary Teacher, the Christian Home, Church School Magazine, and the Adult Teacher and circulating these magazines among parents and teachers.

7. Reviewing or circulating at appropriate church and community gatherings a collection of good books on child life, religion, and character.

8. Short talks on some such subject as "Helping Our Children to Achieve Christian Character" at every church gathering and at such community clubs and luncheon meetings as may be possible.

9. Appropriate radio programs.

10. The organization of a study group to continue four or six week-day afternoons or evenings to follow up the interests resulting from the above activities.

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      - (1) The play, "The Broken Circle" .....
      - (2) The parent-teacher program in the Children's Division Yearbook .....
      - (3) A social meeting for parents and teachers .....
      - (4) Other .....
    - b. Sermon by the pastor .....
    - c. Homes and schools visited by parents and teachers .....
    - d. Initiated or strengthened plans for Nursery Home Visitor .....
    - e. Articles and books circulated or reviewed.....
    - f. Talks at church and community gatherings.....
  - 2. Other plans carried out .....
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| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wil-     |     |
| kinson .....                        | 10  |
| Hendersonville, D. E. Camak .....   | 9½  |
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| 2*Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham .....  | 5   |
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| *Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea .....  | 3½  |
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| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....          | 3   |
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| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman ..... | 2   |
| Swannanoa, W. H. Benfield .....     | 1   |

## Charlotte

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 3*Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ...     | 54 |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ...   | 40 |
| 3*Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F.    |    |
| Womble .....                         | 16 |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....      | 15 |
| Thrift-Moores, J. H. Carper .....    | 9  |
| 3*Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie .....  | 8  |
| 2*Calvary, S. M. Needham .....       | 7½ |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..     | 7  |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....    | 6  |
| Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease .....    | 6  |
| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....        | 5½ |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....    | 4  |
| *Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....        | 4  |
| Matthews, G. G. Adams .....          | 3  |
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| Wesley Heights, W. O. Goode .....    | 1½ |
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| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....       | 1  |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....            | 1  |
| Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins .....       | 1  |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....   | 1  |
| Bethel-Bogers, E. R. Edwards .....   | 1  |

## Elkin

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| 10*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....       | 39  |
| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....       | 33½ |
| 3*Boone, P. W. Townsend .....          | 14  |
| 3*Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....         | 10½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner ..      | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....              | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....                | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....         | 8½  |
| 2*Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint .....        | 6   |
| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene .....     | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....            | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....             | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....        | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....         | 4½  |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....         | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....             | 3½  |
| Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley .....      | 3½  |
| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....        | 3½  |
| Warrensville, J. G. Wootton, Jr. ...   | 4   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....            | 3   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....          | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....           | 3   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....       | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....      | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....               | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....      | 2½  |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant .....    | 2   |
| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....               | 2   |
| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....         | 2   |
| Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr. .... | 2   |

## Gastonia

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| 7*Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....   | 31  |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison ..... | 22½ |

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| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....           | 15 |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....         | 14 |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey ..   | 6  |
| Kings Mountain, H. C. Sprinkle, Jr. 5½ |    |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....              | 2½ |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....         | 2½ |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill .....  | 2  |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....        | 1½ |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....           | 1  |
| Shelby-Caroleen, H. D. Garmon ..       | 1  |
| East End, E. W. Needham .....          | 1  |

## Greensboro

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|-----------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger .. | 22  |
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....         | 21½ |
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....          | 9½  |
| *Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....          | 7½  |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....        | 21  |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....          | 7½  |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....         | 7   |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....         | 6   |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....            | 5½  |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogdon .....           | 5   |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham ..     | 4½  |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow .....       | 4½  |
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| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick .....      | 3   |
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| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy .....      | 3   |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....           | 2   |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle .....       | 2   |
| Bethel-Battleground, B. W. Lefler ..    | 2   |
| Ruffin, J. W. Fowler, Jr. ....          | 2   |
| *Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....       | 2   |
| *Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....           | 2   |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....        | 1   |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....       | 1   |
| Moriah, J. L. Pittard .....             | 1   |

## High Point

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|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....           | 19  |
| 4*Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....         | 17  |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....     | 15½ |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr. 13½ |     |
| 2*S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington 12½   |     |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....         | 11  |
| 2*Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger  | 8   |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....         | 7   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....            | 6½  |
| *Calvary, D. V. Howell .....          | 5   |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....             | 5   |
| *Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....      | 4½  |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams .....   | 4½  |
| *Pleasant Grove, F. R. Love .....     | 4½  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley ..   | 3½  |
| Linwood, O. E. Croy .....             | 3½  |
| Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....        | 3   |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II 2½  |     |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....            | 2   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor ..  | 2   |
| *Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....      | 2   |
| Richland, C. L. Grant .....           | 1½  |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....       | 1   |
| Archdale, O. B. Mitchell .....        | 1   |
| Welch Memorial, J. D. Williams .....  | 1   |

## Marion

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley .....   | 7½ |
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....         | 7  |
| Morganton, Fletcher Nelson .....     | 6½ |
| *Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....      | 4½ |
| *Spindale, F. J. Stough .....        | 4  |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....             | 4½ |
| Rutherfordton, F. C. Smathers .....  | 2½ |
| Glen Alpine, R. L. Young .....       | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....         | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace .....    | 2  |
| Linville Falls, McRae Crawford ..... | 2  |
| Micaville-Tipton Hill, H. H. Cash .. | 1  |
| Spruce Pine, J. B. Tabor .....       | 1  |
| Mill Spring, M. W. Edwards .....     | 1  |
| Bostic, C. M. McKinney .....         | 1  |
| Morganton Ct., G. R. Stafford .....  | 3  |

## Salisbury

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton ..... | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....        | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....       | 10  |
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....    | 10  |
| N. Kannapolis, D. T. Huss .....   | 10  |

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|--------------------------------------|----|
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....         | 7½ |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner ..   | 7  |
| First, W. B. West .....              | 7  |
| Main St.-Rowan, C. B. Ross .....     | 7  |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler ..... | 7  |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson ..... | 5½ |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..   | 5  |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge .....  | 4½ |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....      | 4  |
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 4  |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3  |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½ |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores ..    | 2½ |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 2  |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½ |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1  |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1  |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 1  |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1  |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1  |
| Kerr Street, C. E. Murray .....      | 1  |
| Central, R. D. Ware .....            | 1  |
| Gold Hill, L. S. Furr .....          | 1  |

## Statesville

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins ..... | 32½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison .....    | 23  |
| Central, John W. Moore .....          | 15  |
| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham ..    | 9½  |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....           | 7½  |
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....           | 6   |
| Whitnel, D. A. Oakley .....           | 5½  |
| Newton, W. B. Davis .....             | 3½  |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....           | 3   |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....         | 2   |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Conibs .....        | 1   |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....            | 1   |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr .....        | 1   |
| Race Street, F. H. Price .....        | 1   |
| Shepherds, A. G. Lackey .....         | 1   |
| Olin, P. F. Snider .....              | 1   |
| Lenoir, Claude Moser .....            | 1   |
| Davidson-Fairview, E. D. Ballard ..   | 1   |
| Troutman, J. M. Varner .....          | 1   |

## Waynesville

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| *Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 11½ |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9   |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry .....  | 8   |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....       | 3   |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½  |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2   |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2   |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 2   |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½  |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 1½  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....   | 1   |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1   |
| Jonathan, R. Odell Brown .....  | 1   |

## Winston-Salem

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 9*Community, J. C. Auman .....        | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....           | 17½ |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....        | 16  |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen .....   | 14½ |
| *N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....    | 12  |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....      | 7½  |
| *Grace, R. L. Forbis .....            | 6   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....           | 5½  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....        | 5½  |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....       | 5   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....            | 5   |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....            | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ..    | 3   |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison ..   | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....            | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way .. | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....        | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....       | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter ..  | 1   |
| Morris Chapel, C. J. Winslow .....    | 1   |

## Durham

|                                     |     |
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| 3*Burlington, Davis St., F. W. Pas- |     |
| chall .....                         | 38½ |
| 4*Brooksdale, D. A. Petty .....     | 26½ |
| Mt. Herman Ct., R. L. Hethcox ..... | 14  |
| *Graham, J. R. Edwards .....        | 10  |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds ..... | 9½  |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin .....        | 9   |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn .....           | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris .....          | 6   |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks .....      | 5   |
| Branson, John Cline .....           | 5   |
| Swepsonville, T. B. Hough .....     | 4½  |

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## Sunday School Lesson

OCTOBER 6

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By Rollin H. Walker

### Luke and His Gospel

Scripture: Luke 1:1-4; The Acts 1:1; Colossians 4:14; 2 Tim. 4:11a

We test the truth of the Gospel records first in the library, and then in the laboratory. First we examine critically all the historical sources and then we go out into life and find whether this Jesus whom the Gospels affirm to be alive fulfills his promises when men obey his will.

That is precisely what Luke himself did. He tells us that he traced all things accurately from the first, and did it in the light of the many accounts that had already been written. But more than that, he also accompanied Paul as a fellow missionary, and bravely shared the hardships of the great apostle. Hence, he had seen the extent to which the power of the Holy Spirit re-enforced a courageous witness to Christ as the Saviour of the world. He had found that the Jesus portrayed in the Gospels made himself manifest as a living Presence to those who amid trials and tribulations proclaimed his evangel. Everywhere, Jew and Gentile, bond and free, who were eager to lead a better life found in him the power and grace that they needed.

The critics are telling us that the form of the stories of Jesus, during the time between his ministry and the time of the writing of the Gospels, was changed to fit the ideas that the church came to have about Jesus. There is an element of truth here, but they have greatly exaggerated it. If a farmer were to say to his neighbor, "I will send you a sack of seed corn," and it should turn out to be a mammoth variety, the man who received it might report to his friend as saying, "I will send you a sack of mammoth seed corn." But would you accuse him of twisting the truth? The Gospel which the apostles received from Jesus like Aaron's rod budded in their hands, and we are grateful to them rather than resentful, for giving it to us in its budded form. No reasonable person who reads Luke's Gospel and his book of The Acts will suspect him of painting a greater Christ than he had experienced.

The first question we naturally ask is, Who was Theophilus? We know nothing about him save that he has a Greek name, and that Luke addressed him as "Most excellent Theophilus," or as we would say, "Your Excellency." That probably means that he was a high Roman official.

The Christians were reported to have unusual power over disease. It is easily possible that, as Luke was a physician (Colossians 4:14), he had been called to attend Theophilus in this ca-

capacity. We know, for instance, that in Korea Dr. Allen, the early missionary, gained entrance to the royal household because he was a doctor. Luke tells us that when he and Paul were shipwrecked in Malta, Paul prayed for the father of the chief man of the island, and he was healed. Very likely Luke gives Paul sole credit for work in which he, too, had a share.

In addition to his special desire to help Theophilus it was good policy to dedicate his Gospel and The Acts to a Roman official at a time when Christianity, by reason of its popularity, was coming under the suspicion of the imperial government. The book would not be so apt to be confiscated.

As a fellow worker with Paul perhaps the telling of the stories of Jesus to the inquirers had been Luke's special work. He may have written out many brief narratives for Paul's converts to commit to memory before the missionary party moved on. In the process of being told over and over these stories would in time become streamlined, and gradually attain to their present classical simplicity.

Luke knew that his narrative would be critically scanned, because no Roman official would take the risk of coming out as a Christian and facing the obloquy which that involved, unless he felt that his faith had a very firm footing in fact.

We can hardly realize today with our inexpensive paper, our smooth-flowing fountain pens, and our typewriters, how much it would involve for Luke to inscribe this Gospel with an iron stylus on papyrus or parchment.

The Gospel of Luke has been called the most beautiful book ever written. The utter simplicity, the insight, the suggestiveness, and the sheer beauty of the story, grow on one through the years. One of our modern "best sellers" often thrills at the first reading, but at the second reading it is less impressive, and if one were compelled to read it many times the experience would be nauseating. But the Gospel of Luke bears endless re-reading, and is all the time revealing new meanings which the writer plainly intended us to see, but which hitherto our minds have been too dull to comprehend fully.

One of the extraordinary things about the Gospel is what it does not say. In that superstitious age with all its wild notions, Luke would perpetually be tempted to put in comments that would not bear the critical scrutiny of subsequent ages, but, although of course, it is plain at times that he is a child of his age, in general he was mysteriously restrained from putting in material that would not bear the acid bath of subsequent criticism. We can only explain this by saying that he was inspired and guided and restrained by the Holy Spirit.

The fact that Luke took all of his trouble primarily to strengthen the faith of one man, should be an encouragement to all Bibles teachers who cannot hope for more than a small class which sometimes dwindles down to one or two.—Christian Advocate.

The sheep that bleats most does not give the most wool.—German.

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# Children's



# Storyland

## THE HOLE IN THE FENCE

By Faye N. Merriman

It wasn't a very large hole, but then it wasn't such a very small one either. Mr. Martin's horse had just kicked a piece off the board fence free and galloped down the road.

With his hands thrust deep into his pockets, Harvey gazed first at the hole and then at the horse, an expression of indignation on his face. He was on his way to play marbles with the boy who lived across the square. "Jim Matrin oughtn't to let his horse run loose," he said. "I've a notion to tell him to come and fix the fence. But he would not do it; he'd only laugh. 'Tisn't such a big hole."

He looked toward the hole, then off across the square, where Ned was waiting for him. The hole was quite big enough, he knew, for the chickens to get through. And mother had trusted him to see that the chickens didn't get out. True, she had mentioned only the gate, but she did not know about the hole Jim Martin's horse would kick in the fence.

With another sigh Harvey laid his bag of marbles on the gate post and hurried to the barn. Two shingles, a dozen or two nails, and a hammer are what he carried when he came back. He nailed the shingles over the hole, hitting his fingers only twice while he worked. Then, with a sigh of relief, he returned the hammer to the barn.

"I guess I'd better count the chickens," he said uneasily. "One might have gotten out while I was in the barn. Why, what's that?" He jumped over the fence and peered at a black object among the hens. "I didn't know mother bought any black chickens!" he exclaimed. "Someone must have brought it last night after I went to bed. What funny looking feathers it has on its legs!"

He was so interested that he forgot to count the chickens for a moment, but he soon saw that they were all there. Then he ran across the square to play marbles.

As he was coming back Mrs. Hardin, who lived in the brown bungalow at the edge of the orchard just beyond them, stopped him in great excitement. "O, Harvey," she exclaimed, "have you seen a stray chicken anywhere?"

Harvey shook his head, "No, ma'am," he said. "Did you loose one?"

"Yes, it's a prize hen that Mr. Hardin bought. I'll give you fifty cents if you find it. It must have gotten out of the box through a loose board on the side, and I've hunted everywhere for it. I don't know what Mr. Hardin will say to me when he finds it is gone. No one in town has a hen like it. It's black, with feathers on its legs. You can't mistake it."

Harvey stared, and his eyes opened wide. "Why, I know where it is right

## DO YOU KNOW HER?

By Monica Williams

Thoughtful, thoughtful Mary Lou,  
Thinking of kind things to do;  
Quickly she runs to open the door,  
When mother comes from the grocery store.

With a cheery smile she knows it is fun  
To brush up the crumbs when the meal is done,  
Carry the plates to the kitchen with care,  
While mother rests in the big arm chair.

And when all the others rush out to play,  
She waits for a moment just to say—  
"Goodbye, mother, I do love you."  
Thoughtful, thoughtful Mary Lou.

—Sunshine Bulletin.

now!" he cried. "There was a black hen with our chickens when I fastened up a hole in the fence. It must have gone in while I was in the barn after the nails. I'm sure it must be yours, for I saw a funny-looking black chicken with feathers on its legs."

So it proved to be. Mrs. Harden went away with the wandering hen clasped in her arms, and Harvey jingled a 50-cent piece in his pocket.

"The dogs might have got it," he said, "or it might have wandered away in the woods, and then she would never have found it."

And looking at the shingles nailed to the fence, Harvey smiled with satisfaction.—Boys and Girls.

## JUST FOR FUN

Mother—Doctor, one of Harry's eyes seems ever so much stronger than the other. How do you account for that?

Doctor—Knothole in the baseball fence last summer, most likley.

\* \* \* \*

Bobby from the South was visiting his New York cousin and saw his first snow.

"Isn't it great?" inquired his host. "Oh, I don't know," replied the visitor, "it's really nothing but popped rain."—Exchange.

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Grandma was helping Peggy make out a list of little guests for her holiday party.

"How about the Morton twins?" grandma asked.

"Well, there's no need to ask them both," Peggy answered, "they're 'zactly alike."—Selected.

## HOW BOBBY WENT TO THE GROCERY

Bobby had started down-town with a grocery list, and it was the first time he had gone alone, so he felt very proud and happy over it. But by-and-by he stopped under a lamp-post to rest.

"It's purty hard work to walk all alone to the grocery man's," he thought. Just then a girl came by and stopped to mail a letter in the iron box on the lamp-post. Bobby watched her with human interest.

"Where does it go to?" he asked.

"The letter?" answered the girl. "Oh, down to the posoffice. Didn't you ever see a postoffice box before?"

"No, ma'am," said Bobby. "Cause we've just moved here from the country."

Then, as the girl went on, Bobby stood still looking at the box.

"I wonder if it wouldn't take my grocery list down-town," he thought. "Cause, if it's smart enough to take letters, I should think it would be able to take a grocery list."

So he tucked his grocery list in and sat down to see what would happen, though his conscience pricked him a little.

"My mother might not like it," he thought. "I wish I had thought to tell her about it first."

Presently a man dressed in gray drove up and, jumping out of his truck, unlocked the door and took out the letters. Bobby stood up on tip-toe and tried to see in.

"I thought," he explained to the man, "maybe I'd have some groceries there. I put a list in."

"No," said the man, laughing, "this doesn't deliver groceries. But you climb in and I'll take you down to the grocery. Here's your list."

The grocery man let Bobby ride back with him, and when Bobby saw his mother looking anxiously out of the door, he at once began to explain.

"I tried to ex-ex-peppermint with a box, mother," he said, "but I was sorry; though it was a tormentous long ways to the grocery man's and if they hadn't let me ride, I don't know how I'd managed. But I won't do it again, mother, truly."

"No, Bobby," said his mother, experiments don't always turn out right, and it's better to go along the way your mother expects you to."

"Yes, that's so," said Bobby. I won't forget that."—Selected.

Fond Mother: "And where is our angel child this afternoon?"

Father: "Well, if he knows as much about canoes as he thinks he does—he's out canoeing, but if he doesn't know any more about them than I think he does—he's swimming."



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Denton, October 6 to 20.

## District Superintendent Appointments

### North Carolina Conference

#### DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, O.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                                                      | October |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Chatham Ct., Hickory Grove, 3                                        | 3       |
| Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30                                           | 3       |
| Yanceyville, Yanceyville, 11                                         | 4       |
| Leasburg, Hebron, 3                                                  | 4       |
| Person Ct., Concord, 11                                              | 5       |
| Long Memorial, 11                                                    | 6       |
| Brookside, Allensville, 3                                            | 6       |
| Roxboro Ct., Grace, 7                                                | 6       |
| District Check-up Meeting, Pastors and Laymen, at<br>West Durham, 10 | 7       |
| Trinity, 7:30                                                        | 8       |
| Calvary, 7:30                                                        | 8       |
| Chapel Hill, 7:30                                                    | 9       |
| Graham, 7:30                                                         | 10      |
| Afance Ct., Bethel, 11                                               | 11      |
| Mt. Hermon Ct., Mt. Hermon, 2                                        | 12      |
| Swopsonville, Swopsonville, 11                                       | 13      |
| Burlington Ct., Mt. Vernon, 3                                        | 13      |
| Davis Street, 7:30                                                   | 17      |
| Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11                                               | 20      |
| Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 3                                            | 20      |
| Orange Ct., Effland, 7:30                                            | 20      |
| Cedar Grove, Carr, 11                                                | 24      |
| Eno, 7:30                                                            | 24      |

#### ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, O.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                          | October |
|------------------------------------------|---------|
| Windsor, White Oak, 11 and 2             | 5       |
| Rollhaven, Trinity, 11                   | 6       |
| Matamoras, Anity, 3                      | 6       |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night | 6       |
| City Road, night                         | 9       |
| Pasquotank, Union, 11 and 2              | 9       |
| Gatesville, Zion, 11 and 2               | 12      |
| Columbia, 11                             | 13      |
| Creswell, 3                              | 13      |
| Roper, Pleasant Grove night              | 13      |
| Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 2          | 19      |
| Elmwood, 11                              | 20      |
| Aulander, Lewiston, 3                    | 20      |
| Edenton, night                           | 23      |
| First Church, Elizabeth City, night      | 23      |
| South Mills, Trinity, 11 and 2           | 24      |
| Bath, Asbury, 11                         | 27      |
| Washington, night                        | 27      |

#### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, O.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                       | October |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Pinobuff, Hoffman, 11 | 6       |
| Laurel Hill, 3        | 6       |

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Rockingham, 7                     | 6  |
| Ellerbe, 11                       | 13 |
| Glendon, Fair Promise, 3          | 13 |
| Goldston, 7                       | 13 |
| Person Street, 7                  | 16 |
| Rockingham Ct., E. Rockingham, 11 | 20 |
| Gibson, St. John, 3               | 20 |
| Parkton, 7                        | 23 |
| Biscoe, 11                        | 27 |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Little River, 3   | 27 |
| Mt. Gilead, 7                     | 27 |
| Hanlet, 7                         | 28 |
| Maxton, 7                         | 29 |
| Hay Street, 7                     | 30 |
| Jonesboro, 7                      | 31 |

##### November

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| West End, 11 | 3 |
| Troy Ct., 3  | 3 |
| Troy, 7      | 3 |

#### NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, O.S., New Bern, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                      | October |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Jones, Foys, 11                      | 6       |
| Dover, 7:30                          | 6       |
| Kinston, Queen St., 7:30             | 9       |
| Griffon, 11                          | 13      |
| Grimesland, Salem, 7:30              | 13      |
| Hookerton, 7:30                      | 18      |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Smith's, 11           | 19      |
| Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11            | 20      |
| Vanceboro, 7:30                      | 20      |
| Newport, Riverdale, 11               | 22      |
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30    | 23      |
| Aurora, Warren's, 11                 | 24      |
| Pamlico, Alliance, 11                | 27      |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 | 27      |
| New Bern, Centenary, 11              | 30      |

##### November

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Seven Springs, Indian Springs, 11 | 3 |
| Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30       | 3 |

#### RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, O.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                 | October |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Zel-un-Wendell, Wendell, 11     | 6       |
| Creedmoor, Creedmoor, 7:30      | 6       |
| Granville, Union Chapel, 7:30   | 7       |
| Stem, Stem, 7:30                | 9       |
| Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11      | 13      |
| Erwin, Erwin, 3                 | 13      |
| Princeton, Princeton, 7:30      | 13      |
| Mamers, Mamers, 7:30            | 16      |
| Bailey, Bailey, 7:30            | 18      |
| Dunn, Divine Street, 11         | 20      |
| Lillington, Lillington, 3       | 20      |
| Garner, Garner, 7:30            | 20      |
| Tar River, Plank Chapel, 7:30   | 21      |
| Monroe, Monroe, 7:30            | 23      |
| Four Oaks, Sanders, 7:30        | 25      |
| Jenkins Memorial, preaching, 11 | 27      |
| Loulsburg Ct., Piney Grove, 3   | 27      |
| Puquay, Holly Springs, 7:30     | 27      |
| Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 7:30      | 28      |
| Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30      | 30      |
| Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30      | 31      |

#### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, O.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                         | October |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|
| Spring Church, 7:30                     | 4       |
| Seaboard, Sharon, 11                    | 5       |
| Weldon, 11                              | 6       |
| Northampton, New Hope, 3                | 6       |
| Enfield, 7:30                           | 6       |
| Walstonburg, Arthur, 7:30               | 8       |
| Farmville, 8                            | 8       |
| Rocky Mount, St. Paul, 7:30             | 9       |
| Rocky Mount, First Church, Dedication   | 12      |
| Bethel, 7:30                            | 13      |
| Marvin, 7:30                            | 17      |
| Middleburg, 11                          | 20      |
| Warren, 3                               | 20      |
| Norlina, 7:30                           | 20      |
| Robersonville, Stokes (to be announced) | 20      |
| Spring Hope, 7:30                       | 21      |
| Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30            | 22      |
| Whitakers, 7:30                         | 23      |
| Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11            | 26      |
| Elm City, 11                            | 27      |
| Stantonsburg, 3                         | 27      |
| Kenly, 7:30                             | 27      |

##### November

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| Roanoke Rapids, 11 | 3 |
| Rosemary, 7:30     | 3 |

#### WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, O.S., Wilmington, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                         | October |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|
| Town Creek, Zion, 11                    | 6       |
| Scott's Hill, Seagate, night            | 6       |
| Wilmington, Epworth, night              | 9       |
| Faison-Kenansville, 11                  | 11      |
| Fairmont, Trinity, 11                   | 11      |
| St. Pauls, Regans, 3                    | 13      |
| Lumberton, night                        | 13      |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11   | 20      |
| Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3                 | 20      |
| Maysville, Belgrade, night              | 20      |
| Southport, night                        | 23      |
| Bladen (place to be announced), 11      | 24      |
| Garland (place to be announced), night  | 24      |
| Roseboro, Halls, 11                     | 25      |
| Clinton, Purvis, 11                     | 25      |
| Rowland, Purvis, 11                     | 27      |
| Lumberton (Indian work) First Church, 3 | 27      |
| Lumberton Ct., Pomona, night            | 27      |

##### November

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11 | 3 |
| Wesley Memorial, 3         | 3 |
| Whitville, night           | 3 |
| Wilmington, Trinity, night | 4 |

## Western North Carolina Conference

### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, O.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                                                                                                                 | October |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Laurel-Barnardsville, Laurel, 11                                                                                                | 6       |
| Weaverville Ct., South Fork, 3                                                                                                  | 6       |
| Ocon, Bethel, night                                                                                                             | 6       |
| Hot Springs, Antioch, 11                                                                                                        | 13      |
| Marshall, Marshall, night                                                                                                       | 13      |
| Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30<br>p. m., Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to<br>be handed in. |         |

### ELKIN DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, O.S., P. O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                             | October |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Ararat, Hunter's Chapel, 11 | 6       |
| Folsen, Stony Knoll, 3:30   | 6       |
| Elkin, 7:30                 | 6       |
| Mocksville Station, 8       | 9       |

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, O.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                               | October |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 | 7       |
| Myers Park, 7:30              | 14      |

### GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, O.S., 605 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                | October |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Gastonia, Bradley Memorial, 11 | 6       |
| Lowell, Ebenezer, 7:30         | 6       |
| Cramerton, 7:30                | 7       |
| King's Mountain, Central, 11   | 13      |
| Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11         | 20      |

### GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, O.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                | October |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Brown Summit, 3:30             | 5       |
| Calvary, 11                    | 6       |
| Draper, Wayside, 3             | 6       |
| Spray, 5                       | 6       |
| Leaksville, 8                  | 6       |
| Collego Place, 8               | 7       |
| Glenwood, 8                    | 9       |
| Haw River, Midway, 2:30        | 10      |
| Haw River, Sat.                | 12      |
| Pleasant Garden, 8             | 12      |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11           | 13      |
| Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 | 13      |
| Gibsonville, 7:30              | 13      |
| Grace, 6:30                    | 14      |
| Draper, 7:30                   | 16      |

### HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, O.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

(Subject to necessary changes)

|                                       | October |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Welch Memorial, 7:30                  | 3       |
| Seagrove-Love Joy, Seagrove (all day) | 5       |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Bethany, 11   | 6       |
| Farmer, Farmer, 2:30                  | 6       |
| Asheboro Ct., West Chapel, 7:30       | 6       |
| Wesley Memorial, 7:30                 | 9       |
| Calvary, 7:30                         | 10      |
| Shiloh, Friendship (all day)          | 12      |
| Main Street, 7:30                     | 13      |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, 2:45 | 13      |
| Trinity, Trinity, 7:30                | 13      |
| Oak View, 7:30                        | 14      |
| Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 7:30      | 15      |
| Randleman-Union, St. Paul, 7:30       | 16      |
| Main Street, 7:30                     | 17      |

### MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, O.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                     | October |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Marion Mills, Clinchfield, 11       | 6       |
| Shady Grove, 3                      | 6       |
| Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 7:30 | 6       |
| Elk Park, 11                        | 13      |
| Bakersville, 3                      | 13      |
| Marion, First, 7:30                 | 13      |
| Cliffside, 11                       | 20      |
| Forest City, 7:30                   | 20      |

Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stewards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church.  
Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed to the district superintendent at this meeting.

### SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, O.S., Salisbury, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                   | October |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Tabernacle, 11                    | 6       |
| Albemarle Ct., Stony Point, 3     | 6       |
| Main Street, Albemarle, 7:30      | 6       |
| Stanfield Ct., Love's Grove, 7:30 | 7       |
| Mt. Mitchell, 7:30                | 9       |
| Radlin, 11                        | 13      |
| Mt. Pleasant, Friendship, 3       | 13      |

Meeting of pastors and chairmen of boards of stewards will meet at First church, Salisbury, October 17, 7:30. Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be turned in at this meeting.

### STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., O.S., Statesville, N. C.

##### FOURTH ROUND

|                                 | October |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Statesville, Broad Street, 11   | 6       |
| Grace-Rhoddis, Grace, 3         | 6       |
| Lenoir Ct., South Lenoir, night | 6       |
| Hickory, Bethel, 11             | 13      |
| Hudson, Colliers, 3             | 13      |
| Hickory, Westview, night        | 13      |



| WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT                     |         |
|------------------------------------------|---------|
| W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C. |         |
| FOURTH ROUND                             |         |
|                                          | October |
| Fines Creek, Fines Creek, 11             | 6       |
| Juralaska, 3                             | 6       |
| Canton, Central, 7:30                    | 6       |
| Cullowhee, 7:30                          | 9       |
| Bethel, Bethel, 7:30                     | 10      |
| Clyde, 7:30                              | 11      |
| Dellwood (dedication), 11                | 13      |
| Hazelwood, 7:30                          | 13      |
| Andrews, 7:30                            | 15      |
| Murphy, 7:30                             | 16      |
| Murphy Ct., 7:30                         | 17      |
| Bryson City: Final District meeting      | 18      |
| Morning Star (dedication), 11            | 20      |
| Waynesville, 7:30                        | 20      |

| WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT                                        |         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston Salem, N. C. |         |
| FOURTH ROUND                                                  |         |
|                                                               | October |
| Mt. Airy, Rockford St., 7:30                                  | 3       |
| Lexington, Trinity, 7:30                                      | 4       |
| Hiatt-Sudge Garden, Crews, 11                                 | 6       |
| West Forsyth, Harmony Grove, 3                                | 6       |
| Forsyth, Mt. Tabor, 7:30                                      | 6       |
| Thomasville, Community, 7:30                                  | 8       |
| Winston-Salem, Centenary, 7:30                                | 9       |
| Winston-Salem, First, 7:30                                    | 10      |
| Thomasville, First, 7:30                                      | 11      |
| Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 11                               | 13      |
| Forsyth-Maple Springs, Maple Springs, 3                       | 13      |
| Lewisville, Union, 7:30                                       | 13      |
| Winston-Salem, Central Terrace, 7:30                          | 14      |
| Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30                                | 15      |
| Mt. Airy, Central, 7:30                                       | 16      |
| Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30                                 | 17      |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 7:30                                  | 18      |
| Fourth Check-up Meeting, Centenary, Church, Winston-Salem, 3  | 20      |

ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN REPORT  
(Continued from page 19)

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele           | 4½ |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton            | 4  |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love | 4  |
| Glen Raven, J. F. Coble           | 4  |
| Milton, D. I. Garner              | 3½ |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson         | 3½ |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr.      | 3  |
| *Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser   | 3  |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps      | 2  |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson        | 2  |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth       | 2  |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe     | 1½ |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton         | 1½ |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish      | 1½ |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer             | 1½ |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe             | 1  |
| Hillsboro, J. V. Early            | 1  |
| Yanceyville, A. E. Brown          | 1  |
| West Durham, W. L. Clegg          | 1  |

Elizabeth City

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Williamston, S. J. Starnes      | 14  |
| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness            | 10½ |
| *Washington, L. B. Jones          | 9½  |
| Ahoskie, L. V. Harris             | 9   |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt          | 8   |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick          | 5   |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon        | 3½  |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe               | 3   |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis    | 3   |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon           | 2½  |
| Belhaven, W. B. Penny             | 2½  |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson          | 2   |
| Mattamuskeet, C. K. Wright        | 2   |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford        | 1½  |
| Roper, M. R. Gardner              | 1   |
| Swan Quarter-Fairfield, E.G.Cowan | 1   |
| Murfreesboro, C. E. Vale          | 1   |
| City Road, E. D. Weathers         | 1   |
| South Mills, E. W. Downum         | 1   |

Fayetteville

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Siler City, C. F. Heath           | 16½ |
| 2*Person St.-Calvary, M.W.Warren  | 14½ |
| *Sanford, Allen P. Brantley       | 12½ |
| 5*Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons        | 11  |
| *Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams | 10½ |
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown           | 10  |
| *Red Springs, B. T. Hurley        | 8½  |
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe          | 7½  |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood         | 7   |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer      | 6½  |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar            | 6   |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard             | 5½  |
| *Maxton, T. R. Jenkins            | 5   |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., B. F. Meacham     | 4½  |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson              | 3½  |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore             | 3   |
| West End, W. F. Keeler            | 3   |
| Broadway, J. W. Page              | 3   |

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette | 2  |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton        | 2  |
| *Lane, J. D. A. Autry          | 1½ |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning       | 1½ |
| Raeford, E. C. Crawford        | 1½ |
| Caledonia, M. F. Hodges        | 1½ |
| Rockingham, J. H. Barnhardt    | 1  |
| Roberdel, F. B. Brandenburg    | 1  |

New Bern

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| Mt. Olive-Calypto, R. G. Dawson       | 4  |
| Pikeville-Elm St., J. H. Overton, Jr. | 3½ |
| Goldsboro, W. C. Ball                 | 3  |
| Newport, C. S. Boggs                  | 2½ |
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| Ayden, L. A. Tilley                   | 2  |
| New Bern, C. B. Culbreth              | 2  |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston              | 2  |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens          | 1  |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr.              | 1  |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts                    | 1  |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow                | 1  |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant               | 1  |
| Morehead City Ct., M.O.Stephenson     | 1  |

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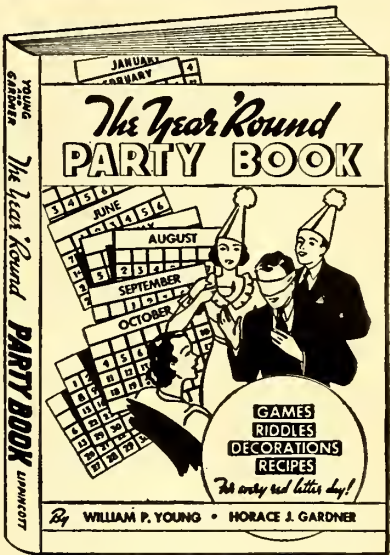
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| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone     | 35  |
| 2*Fuquay, E. C. Durham        | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb      | 15½ |
| *Henderson, B. C. Reavis      | 15½ |
| Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes      | 7½  |
| 2*City Road-White Mem., J. K. |     |
| Worthington                   | 6½  |
| *Princeton, J. W. Bradley     | 5   |
| Granville, J. P. Pegg         | 5   |
| Person St., M. W. Lawrence    | 4   |
| Louisburg, J. G. Phillips     | 3½  |
| Selma, O. L. Hathaway         | 3   |
| Franklinton, S. E. Mercer     | 3   |
| Edenton St., J. C. Glenn      | 2½  |
| Rougemont, J. T. Green        | 2   |
| Four Oaks, J. W. Whedbee      | 1½  |
| Hayes Barton, Leon Russell    | 1½  |
| Tar River, J. A. Martin       | 1½  |
| Jenkins Mem., J. A. Dailey    | 1   |
| Millbrook, M. M. Walters      | 1   |
| Bailey, W. L. Loy             | 1   |

Rocky Mount

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|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Bethel, M. Y. Self                  | 16½ |
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer           | 11  |
| *Weldon, B. P. Robinson             | 8½  |
| Clark St., B. H. Black              | 7   |
| *Farmville, D. A. Clarke            | 6   |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams           | 6   |
| 2*McKendree, L. B. Pattishall       | 5½  |
| 2*Marvin, N. W. Grant               | 4½  |
| W. Halifax, W. M. Howard            | 3½  |
| Rosemary, C. T. Rogers              | 3½  |
| *Kenley, E. M. Hall                 | 3   |
| Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome         | 3   |
| Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington | 3   |
| Enfield, B. D. Critcher             | 2½  |
| Seaboard, J. Bascom Hurley          | 2½  |
| Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane         | 2   |
| First, E. L. Hillman                | 2   |
| Northampton, W. L. Maness           | 2   |
| Warrenton, J. O. Long               | 1½  |
| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount           | 1   |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd                 | 2   |
| Elm City, N. C. Yearby              | 1   |

Wilmington

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| Tabor City, N. P. Edens             | 21  |
| 2*Hallsboro, C. A. Jones            | 11  |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters               | 11  |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner              | 11  |
| *Chadbourn, E. C. Maness            | 10½ |
| Scott's Hill, C. O. Plyler          | 10  |
| 2*Southport, R. S. Harrison         | 7   |
| Carver's Creek, G. C. Wood          | 7   |
| Clinton, B. H. Houston              | 7   |
| *Epworth, Walter Pavy               | 6   |
| Garland, O. C. Melton               | 6   |
| Rowland, W. C. Wilson               | 6   |
| Bladen, R. L. Vickory               | 6   |
| Faison-Kenansville, A. L. Thompson  | 5½  |
| Jacksonville Richlands, I. T. Poole | 5   |
| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew          | 4½  |
| Elizabeth, C. W. Barbee             | 4   |
| Whiteville, R. G. L. Edwards        | 2½  |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews      | 1½  |
| Trinity, R. L. Jerome               | 1½  |
| Grace, J. F. Herbert                | 1   |
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## In Memoriam

**SIMPSON**—Mrs. Margaret Simpson was born in McDowell county May 21, 1854. After an illness of five weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. N. O. Pitts of Glen Alpine, she quietly and calmly passed to her reward in the early hour of September 9.

She is survived by three sisters, five children, 23 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Simpson joined the Methodist church in early childhood, thus having been a member for some 75 years, to which, according to the reports of all those who knew her best, she had been faithful and loyal. She constantly manifested her love for her Lord, his Word, his church and his people. There were always, even when suffering, a spiritual glow in her face and a smile on her lips, which were indicative of the peace within her heart.

R. L. Young, Pastor.

**COMPTON**—Mrs. Jeanette Maris Compton, born May 3, 1859, died January 17, 1940. Her useful life had been spared to the ripe age of 80 years, 8 months and 14 days. August 4, 1892, she was married to Artemus A. Compton, who had gone to his reward a short time before her going. To this happy union were born four children, James and Cooper Compton, Mrs. Charlie Walker and Mrs. Luna Compton Hughes, the latter being called away a few years ago, and one stepson, Charlie. Sister and Brother Compton labored together in building up one of the most substantial homes in Orange county; not only in a material way but the spiritual side of life was put first in this home, which is now manifested in the lives of the children. Sister Compton was a consistent member of Cedar Grove Methodist church from early life, while her husband was a member of Mars Hill Missionary Baptist church. We were never able to tell any difference as they were always faithful in attending and supporting both churches. The funeral services were conducted in Cedar Grove Methodist church by the pastor, assisted by Brother A. K. Cheek, pastor of her husband's church. The body was laid to rest in the nearby church cemetery surrounded by a host of sorrowing relatives and friends. The newly made mound was banked with lovely flowers giving forth beauty and fragrance typical of the life that had just closed on earth. S. F. Nicks, Pastor.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our kind heavenly Father has taken home a beloved member of our Sunday school, Miss Nova Yow; and whereas, our beloved friend has been a most faithful and devoted member of the adult class and rendered service by being secretary of her class and by her presence every time her health would permit, and her dearest wish was to get well enough to go again to the church she loved so well and fill her place in the classroom.

Therefore be it resolved, that the members of Seagrove Methodist Sunday school place on record our love and appreciation for this good woman.

Second, That we extend to her loved ones our love and sympathy.

Third, That we commend to the rising generation the example of this loyal departed sister and pray that her mantle may fall on many of our younger members.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the relatives of the de-

ceased, that a copy be published in the Courier-Tribune and in the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. Noah Williams,  
Mrs. W. E. Tucker,  
Mrs. R. B. King.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Aid Society of Soule Methodist church, Swan Quarter, want to express our deep sense of loss in the passing of one of our most beloved members, Mrs. Mary Benson; and to pay tribute to her memory as our dear friend and loyal co-worker.

She was quiet, sincere, unassuming and gentle in disposition, devoted to every interest of her church, her loved

ones and friends. Her strong Christian character and her life of splendid loving service challenge us to follow in her footsteps and inspire us to live better, more useful lives of devotion to our aid society, our church and our heavenly Father.

Our sympathy and love go out to her family and her many friends.

In appreciation of her consecrated life of devoted service, we desire that this tribute of love and respect be entered in the records of the aid society, that a copy be sent to the family, and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and The Hyde County Herald.

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## What I Believe About War

By RALPH W. SOCKMAN

Minister, Christ Methodist Church, New York, N. Y.

**I** BELIEVE that wars are not inevitable. War is a form of insanity or disease, and, like the physical plagues of olden times, can be purged from the earth. To say that human nature cannot be changed seems to me a damnable heresy, denying the divinity of our Lord, who died believing that, if he be lifted up, he could draw all men unto him.

I believe that war cannot be ended by war, whether waged on other shores or on our own. To fight fire with fire may seem to put out the flames for a time, but it drives the heat underground to break out elsewhere.

I believe there is a distinction between the war system and police force. War is the use of violence by partisan bodies in a spirit of hatred for the purpose of killing. Police force is coercion exercised by a non-partisan body in a judicial spirit for the purpose of redemption.

I believe that the United States should make known to the world the kind of international peace organization which we would be willing to join. Twenty years ago we joined in a war and then kept out of the peace. Maybe with God's help we could join now in some mighty peace move and keep out of the war.

I believe that the present battle of Britain is a struggle for democracy in which we cannot be morally neutral. But the European war is more than a fight between dictatorship and democracy. It is a part of a world-wide social revolution which cannot be stabilized merely by the defeat of the dictators. The basic causes are deeper and wider, and the United States will ultimately render larger service to democracy and social stability by refraining from the present struggle. The way to keep democracy safe for the world is to keep it out of war.

I believe that the Christian church as an institution must set herself a standard higher than that which she can expect of a complex secular organization like the state. As a church we must ever keep God in Christ as the sovereign lord of our consciences, and stand by those who suffer for conscience sake.

I believe in preparedness for the preservation of the American way of life. But while I grant the advisability of reasonable military force as our part in the world's policing, I believe the best preparedness for the nation is not in armies and navies, which are soon scrapped, but in the morale of people who know and serve God.



**PROGRAM FOR SECOND SESSION OF WESTERN  
NORTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH**

Wesley Memorial Church, High Point, Oct. 22-25

**Monday, October 21**

2:00 p. m. Meeting of boards and committees.  
7:30 p. m. Conference Historical Society, R. L. Ownbey presiding. Address: "Lincoln County Methodism," W. L. Sherrill.

**Tuesday, October 22**

9:00 a. m. Conference will convene with the Holy Communion administered by Bishop Clare Purcell, assisted by the district superintendents.  
10:00 a. m. Organization of the conference.  
11:30 a. m. Memorial service. Address by H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.  
12:45 p. m. Luncheon for retired ministers and Bishop Purcell.  
2:00 p. m. Meetings of boards and committees.  
3:00 p. m. Anniversary of the Board of Lay Activities and of the Board of Temperance. A. J. Kirby and R. C. Goforth will preside. Address: Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf, Chicago Area.  
7:30 p. m. Anniversary of the Board of Education, W. A. Stanbury presiding. Address: "Motives and Aims in Christian Education," Dr. Costen J. Harrell, pastor West End church, Nashville, Tenn. Greensboro College Glee Club will sing.

**Wednesday, October 23**

9:00 a. m. Devotional service. Business session.  
2:00 p. m. Meetings of boards and committees.  
3:00 p. m. Sermon by Bishop Waldorf. The service is under the auspices of the Commission on Evangelism, and E. K. McLarty will preside.  
4:00 p. m. Conference Brotherhood, H. G. Allen presiding.  
7:30 p. m. Anniversary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, C. C. Weaver presiding. Address: Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, secretary of the Foreign Division of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, New York. The Pfeiffer College Glee Club will sing.

**Thursday, October 24**

9:00 a. m. Devotional service. Business session.  
12:45 p. m. Ministers' wives' luncheon.  
2:15 p. m. Conference lovefeast, led by E. K. McLarty.  
3:15 p. m. Sermon: Bishop Waldorf.  
7:30 p. m. Ordination service. Sermon by Bishop Waldorf.

**Friday, October 25**

9:00 a. m. Devotional service. Business session. The appointments will be read when the other business is completed. Adjournment.

**DAY OF PRAYER FOR DEFENSE OF AMERICA**

The General Commission on Evangelism suggests that all our churches be open either at noon or evening or all day Wednesday, October 16, for our members and others who desire to come and pray for the spiritual defense of America. Millions of men will be registering on this day

for the defense of America. Let us invite our members and friends to come to our churches and pray for America to have spiritual power in our world.

Chas. C. Seleeman, Chm.  
Harry Denman, Exec. Sec.

**DEDICATION AT ROCKY MOUNT**

The First Methodist church, Rocky Mount, is looking forward to a great occasion on Sunday morning, October 13, when the congregation will witness the dedication of the new church school building.

The debt of \$80,000 of some 14 years' standing has been paid in full and the building is ready for dedication. Bishop Clare Purcell will be present and will preach on this occasion.

All former pastors who have served during these years have been invited to come back and share in this dedication. Also former members who helped in this undertaking who have moved away have likewise been invited to return for this occasion.

We extend to the editors of this paper a cordial invitation to be present.

**N. C. CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT**

Summary of total receipts for ten months period, December 1, 1939 to September 30, 1940:

| District         | D.S. Fund  | Benev.     | Jur'd'al Exp. | Gol. Cross |
|------------------|------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| Durham . . . .   | \$ 2700.85 | \$ 5250.46 | \$ 756.50     | \$ 361.69  |
| Elizabeth City   | 1600.99    | 3959.32    | 403.75        | 142.88     |
| Fayetteville . . | 2586.31    | 4068.17    | 144.50        | 299.25     |
| New Bern . . .   | 1673.77    | 3748.23    | 437.91        | 221.07     |
| Raleigh . . . .  | 2179.43    | 3855.66    | 545.15        | 188.44     |
| Rocky Mount . .  | 2304.39    | 3583.07    | 359.80        | 139.90     |
| Wilmington . .   | 1806.04    | 2988.79    | 492.27        | 280.41     |
| Total . . . .    | *14851.78  | 27453.70   | 3139.88       | 1633.64    |

\*Loans excluded.

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**DR. J. E. PRITCHARD NEVER STOPS**

One of the fine things about an Advocate campaign for new subscribers is the way it gathers momentum when a pastor keeps the paper before the people. A case in point: Dr. J. E. Pritchard of First church, Winston-Salem, had sent in 16 full year subscribers. This gave him seven stars. We thought he had a paper in almost every home, but last week six more came. Good for Pritchard.

**GRACE, WILMINGTON, KEEPS UP ITS RECORD**

Grace church, Wilmington, has a fine record in support of the church paper. Last week Rev. J. H. Herbert remitted \$28 for 14 new subscribers from Grace. Herbert has a way about him that gets results. He has become noted in this office for the fine work he does for the North Carolina Christian Advocate. A fine pastor who uses the church paper as an assistant.

**REV. J. V. EARLY COMES AGAIN**

A second report from Rev. J. V. Early of Hillsboro adds seven more full year subscribers to the Advocate. This is indeed a fine showing made by this alert young preacher. Such is a characteristic of this successful pastor. Our most grateful thanks, brother.

A final report of the Advocate campaign for the Western North Carolina conference will appear next week. The report for the North Carolina conference will appear later. Then will be known the record for the Advocate this good year 1940.



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Is religion your steering wheel or simply a spare tire to be used in emergencies? It is better to have it as a "spare" than to have none at all. But how much better to use it as a steering wheel to direct one aright along the crowded ways of life.

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It is a matter to be deplored that the church in so many instances has failed to appreciate the real worth of the church periodicals in its work of education, of world evangelism and of most other activities. Too often the church paper has been treated as a red-headed, freckle-face, underfed and poorly clad stepchild of the family.

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Every summer school in America, as well as the countless conferences on educational and religious topics found their conception and birth in the Chautauqua assembly founded by the two Methodist dreamers of higher culture who never grew old enough to become weary in well-doing or to cease their dreams of adding knowledge to knowledge. If the Methodist Church had never done another thing in the educational world it would have deserved first honors for this one thing alone, that it gave the greatest impulse toward continued adult education that the world has ever seen.—Rev. James Sheerin.

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Dr. T. Otto Nall in the interest of more accurate speech, both written and spoken, repeats what has been said many times before but without avail with men who are careless in the use of the English language. Nall says: "‘Reverend’ is an adjective. One should never address a clergyman simply as ‘Reverend.’ That would be like calling to the postman, ‘Faithful, please take this letter!’ Or saying to the barber, ‘Skillful, don’t cut too much off the top!’ ‘Reverend’ should not be used without the name of the person so honored, and the best form calls for the use of first names or initials."

A gushing sister confronted the preacher at the close of his sermon with "That was a swell sermon." A phlegmatic layman addressed his pastor with "That was a good effort, brother, a good effort." These are not of weekly occurrence. But here is one that goes to church almost every Sabbath day: "I enjoyed your little talk." This never fails to place the preacher on a cooler.

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Another nation-wide preaching mission is to be conducted this fall and winter. It began September 29 at Kansas City and will include twenty-two leading cities. The central theme of the mission is "Christ Is the Answer." Leading preachers such as Stanley Jones and Frederick W. Norwood will be among the speakers. The statement of purpose of this National Preaching Mission includes these words: "To recapture the fearless aggressiveness of the early church . . . to get Christianity into action . . . a remobilization of our spiritual forces which the gravity of the hour demands." "Christ is the answer."

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That we are day by day nearing war is evident to all who watch the movements of events. What mean the words of Winston Churchill in which he links up the British and United States fleets as a threat against the axis powers? Does that mean that there is an understanding between London and Washington? A few months ago every assurance was against America's going to war, but of late all is strangely silent. Churchill's words as to the three power pact, as given by the Associated Press, are:

"The pact binds Japan to attack the United States of America should the United States intervene in the war now proceeding between Great Britain and the two European states. This bargain appears so unfavorable to Japan that one wonders whether there are not some secret clauses. It is not easy to see in what way Germany and Italy can come to the aid of Japan while the British and United States navies remain in being, as they certainly do and as they certainly will."



## Keep Heart of America Sound

**J**UST now the nation-wide plea is to strengthen our national defenses. To the average man these are measured in forts, guns and air-planes. These would make us invincible on land and sea and in the air. The wiser leaders, however, insist that we must strengthen the defenses both without and within. But even with them the stress too often is put upon the scaffolding of life and religion.

Note how we set about changing the nation and transforming the people by legislation. To pass laws and to put new emphasis upon the statute books is a well known expedient. Then, too, to line up and use those who have big money is counted essential. These can speak with authority and it is done. Along with these—money and legislative enactments—go organization of our forces. So, along these lines we get busy building up our national defenses.

Jesus differed from man in that he passed all such as these by and relied wholly on the unseen. No others of earth have so fully and entirely relied on the spiritual forces in man and in the nations. The inner concern was always first with him. This was the daring adventure he asked of all men. Why not try for once the adventure of walking in the footsteps of Jesus from day to day? This will put anyone to the test. A simple, loving, Christian ministry is one of the finest adventures in any community.

To keep Jesus to the front in the pulpit, in all the demands upon the pew, and in this present effort to make a new world will go to the heart of America and do much to make vigorous the church of God. This will do more than all else to make strong our defenses within—to keep the heart of America sound.

## Methodist Governors

**M**ETHODIST governors in these United States are reasonably numerous and that is proper and right, for the Methodist people are numerous. We North Carolinians perhaps would say that the Tar Heel State has not only the best Methodist governor but the best among all the governors in the entire nation. Not all perhaps would agree that Honorable Clyde R. Hoey has no superior, but they would agree that Missouri has the most interesting situation Methodistically speaking. Missouri for the next four years will have a Methodist governor because both candidates are Methodists

and both are members of the same local church, which is Grace church at St. Louis. Forest Donell, the Republican candidate, is teacher of the men's Bible class, and the Democratic candidate, Lawrence McDaniel, is a member of that class. The wives of both men are active in the women's work of the church and the two families are best of friends.

## When Peace Comes Again

**F**OLLOWING the Armistice in 1918, our boys returned from the World War and gladly took up the work of a nation at peace with the world. There was much rejoicing in all the land as the soldier boys from Europe left behind the life of the battlefield for the life of peace. It was theirs once more to enter into the ordinary rounds of American toil. The life of the professional soldier never has and does not appeal to the average American boy.

Again Europe and as for that most of the world is at war. Along with this conflict has come the draft in America to send many of our boys to the camp for training. Is this to be chiefly to train men for the field of battle? We are assured that it is simply for discipline and that after a year they are to return to the former rounds of peace. While there is to be strict military discipline the main object is to prepare for better citizenship in a world at peace—such we are told. It is all a part of our scheme of our national defense. Let us hope that in this our American people are not being misled. So the draft is primarily a training for a time of peace as we set to the building of a new world rather than the building of armies to go out and conquer new worlds. If this is true the boys drafted will be trained primarily for peace rather than for arms. Following the Armistice the many lines of training open in 1918 to the soldiers in Europe before their return to America were to fit them for citizenship. Will the main effort in camp in 1940 be to render the draftees military-minded with war glorified or will it be to make them better citizens in a world of peace?

Thoughtful men in England and also in America are thinking about when peace comes again and they are planning for this. Peace and not war is to be the ultimate order of the world. This is God's world and the Prince of Peace is on the throne, destined ultimately to rule. So the part of wisdom is to plan for the time when man's madness in war has given place to the divine order of the universe. Wis-



dom ever looks to the new world rather than to the madness that ends in blood and ruin.

Really, are our boys in their year of military training to be disciplined for the coming of peace or is the emphasis to be laid on skill in driving the sword though an enemy and the glory of murder on the field of slaughter? Will Christ have a place in the camp and will he be exalted on the field?

### Five Hundred Years of Printing

**I**N this eventful year of 1940 we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the invention of printing, which marks a distinct epoch in the history of civilization. Were it not for the art of printing literature would be barred for lack of duplication. Information would be sadly limited without the sundry forms of the printed page. It is impossible for us to imagine what the present day would be like if all forms of printing were eliminated. We would surely say the Dark Ages have come upon us with all the horrors that would follow the remembrance of a day such as we now enjoy.

Mr. Frederick G. Melcher, editor of Publishers' Weekly, in an interview with Dr. Guy Shipler, Jr., as reported in Zions Herald says:

The exact date of the invention of printing is not known, and research into the subject is still filled with controversy. The acceptance of 1440 as the date of origin, therefore, is based largely on tradition, yet there are certain bits of evidence to give this acceptance credence. Religion first came into the picture about 1455, the year in which Johannes Gutenberg is believed to have completed printing his famous Bible. Not only was this the first major printing job in the history of the world, beginning as it did the story of modern book production, but the finished product is a masterpiece of printing which has never been excelled. Termed by Mr. Melcher "printing's greatest triumph," the Gutenberg Bible marked the beginning of large scale reproduction.

The first printing on the American continent took place in Mexico City 400 years ago, and again the first publications were of a religious nature. In 1534 Bishop Zumarraga returned to Mexico from Spain, bringing with him a printer who had a small press and a limited supply of type. The scarcity of paper made much work impossible, but a religious leaflet and a Mexican catechism were printed, and in 1540 the "Manual de Adultos" appeared from the little press. Curiously enough, there was another 100-year lapse before printing was taken up in what is now the United States. It was in 1640 that the first book appeared here—and it was a book of hymns, the "Bay Psalm Book," printed in Cambridge, Massachusetts. As an appropriate part of the commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the invention of printing and the 300th of its advent in the American colonies, the Harvard University Press will publish this fall a hymnology of three centuries of American hymns.

### Not Many Personal Favors

**J**ESUS did not ask many personal favors for himself. The occasional hospitality of his Bethany friends, a cup of water at Jacob's well in Samaria, a friendly and sympathetic hour of watching with him in the Garden, and a request at the last Passover supper with his disciples that they remember him are about all the requests that our Lord made for himself. "The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto but to minister and to give his life a ransom for many." The hospitality at Bethany, the cup of water in Samaria, the hour of watching in Gethsemane were confined to his earthly life. But the command, "Do this in remembrance of me," extends to the end of the ages. This is the one insistent and never failing request of our Lord and Master—to keep him in perpetual and everlasting remembrance.

### An Ideal Home in Metaphor

**T**HE ideal home is a gymnasium. That is a place to develop physical health and strength. The ideal home is a playground because play is a necessary part of a well developed life. The home must be a workshop. Children should learn the fun of doing things. The idle hands as well as the idle brains will get a job in the devil's workshop.

The home is civilization's greatest schoolhouse. Life's most abiding and valuable lessons are learned within the sacred precincts of the home. A good mother's knees are the altar stairs to God. The ties that bind most men and women to their moorings are the family ties.

### The Berlin-Rome-Tokyo Poet

**W**E leave the war for the daily press and the radio to handle. Neither do we give any serious attention to the European pacts and treaties whether formulated in Rome or Berlin or in some Alpine retreat, because they are mere scraps of paper. But we find in a recent issue of Zions Herald a reference to the recent pact between Germany, Italy and Japan that deserves the widest possible publicity. It runs thus:

"Three blind mice, see how they run!  
They all ran after the farmer's wife,  
Who cut off their tails with the carving knife,  
Did you ever see such fools in your life?  
Three blind mice."



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference, Fifth Ave., Wilmington, 10 a. m. . . . Nov. 7**

Miss Daisy Davies, who fell in her home on September 22 and injured three ribs and sustained other injuries, is seriously ill in the Emory hospital, although reported to be improving.

Rev. Melvin E. Trotter, well known evangelist, died at his Holland (Mich.) cottage on September 11, aged 70. He is said to have founded more than 67 city missions in the United States.

Dr. Henry Clay Morrison, president emeritus of Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky., and editor of the *Pentecostal Herald*, was a classmate of Charles Soong, father of Madam Chiang Kai-shek, in Vanderbilt Theological Seminary, more than 50 years ago.

Dr. Billy Phelps of Yale was once asked: "What have you found more interesting, a fine scholastic paper read by a student or a football game?" "Well," smiled Dr. Phelps, "I'd rather hear the student read—but I'll admit I never jumped up and broke my hat to bits when he finished."—*Boston Globe*.

The annual ingathering at Black's Chapel Methodist church will be held on Friday, October 18, at 11 a. m. All kinds of things as cotton, corn, potatoes, peas, chickens, canned fruit, vegetables, etc., will be sold at auction and proceeds go to the church. A barbecue and picnic dinner will be sold at a nominal fee. The public is invited to attend.—*Dunn Dispatch*.

Among the radio speakers returning to the air the first of October are Rev. Ralph W. Sockman, pastor of Christ church (Methodist) in New York City, and Rev. W. Van Kirk, executive secretary of the Department of International Justice and Goodwill of the Federal Council of Churches. Dr. Sockman will be heard again in "The Radio Pulpit" on Sundays at 10 a. m., Eastern Standard Time, and Dr. Van Kirk in "Religion in the News" on Saturdays at 6:30 p. m., Eastern Standard Time, both over the Red Network of the National Broadcasting Company.

Two very fine revivals have just been held on the Fuquay charge. The first was at Kipling, in which Rev. R. L. Crossno of Lillington drew large crowds with his interesting messages. At Fuquay Springs we closed last night one of the best meetings the church has ever had, with Rev. J. J. Boone of Smithfield doing the preaching. Four young people were received into the church on profession of faith. Others will be received next Sunday. This helps us to close the conference year with a new spirit of fellowship and co-operation in rounding out the year with a full report. We are very sure this will be done.—E. C. Durham.

Baltimore Church, West Forsyth Charge.—Our pastor, Rev. S. B. Ferree, filled his regular appointment Sunday morning. A large and attentive congregation was present to hear his farewell message, this being the last appointment for this year. His subject was "The Way to Heaven." Our pastor has labored with us for the past six years; the weather was never too cold nor bad that he could not minister to his flock. He has stood by his people in sickness and death as a pastor should. I think I can speak for the entire people that we are sorry to see him and his good family leave us. But wherever they go, it will be their gain and our loss. The fourth quarterly conference was held at Harmony Grove Monday evening. Our woman's auxiliary has elected their new officers in their new woman's society. We are hoping to gain something from this new society.—Josephine Phillips, Reporter.

We observed rally day at Broad Street, Statesville, Sunday. Had great congregation and inspiring service; offering amounted to more than \$600. Gain has been made all along the line. We have this year paid \$30,000 on our church debt. Please pat us on the back. I am enclosing the hymn which I composed for the occasion and which the congregation sang with much feeling and appreciation.—A. C. Gibbs.

Dr. George A. Buttrick, president of the Federal Council of Churches in America and minister of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian church in New York since 1927, met with an automobile accident in the Poconos on August 23, while en route to meet an engagement connected with the work of the Council. His car collided with a truck driven by an unlicensed operator on the wrong side of the road. His injuries, which were serious, have kept him in the hospital for several weeks. He has now returned to his home and hopes to be able to return to his pulpit the last of this month.—*Christian Advocate*.

Russia is having a hard battle against religion. It has been compelled to admit that its struggle against the churches has not succeeded. The leader of the Militant Godless Association says that "After 20 years of bitter persecution the churches continue to live. It would be the greatest mistake to weaken anti-religious propaganda today. Church circles are still powerful. At Moscow alone 300,000 to 500,000 rubles a year are used by religious communities. In spite of the struggle, the Orthodox Church still prevails over the branch of the church which has been reformed. The church which has adapted itself to the circumstances of Soviet life must be fought differently than at the revolution."

Scotch plaids and kilts are being pulled from trunks this week in preparation for the second annual Cape Fear Valley Scottish Festival which will feature Paul Green's epic drama of Flora Macdonald, "The Highland Call," at evening and matinee performances during the three weeks from October 14 through November 2 at Fayetteville. Actors from a dozen or more states have been assembled for the cast of 100, directed by John W. Parker, assistant director of the Carolina Playmakers, again collaborating with the production, with the aid of Josephine Niggli, of Monterrey, Mexico, former Playmaker, and the advisory direction of Dr. Frederick H. Koch, founder and director of the Playmakers at the University of North Carolina.—*Dunn Dispatch*.

Shiloh, Shiloh Charge, C. E. Ridge, pastor.—We are rapidly closing our year's work and everything seems favorable for a successful ending. Our pastor preached an unusually good sermon Sunday on the subject, "My Father's Business." He brought very strong facts which applied to our needs and we appreciate it. At the last appointment in September an offering was taken for Golden Cross amounting to \$8.70. We are sure that this is a most worthy cause. As has been our custom we have several jars of fruit and vegetables canned for the High Point Children's Home, and all who have such or any other farm produce are asked to take same to the parsonage, so Dr. Dixon may get it to the Home. The monthly meeting of our W. S. C. S. will be held Sunday at 11 o'clock following the Sunday school. We hope all members will be present. The pastor has urged a good attendance for our last quarterly conference of this year to be held at Friendship church, Saturday, October 12. All day service. Preaching by district superintendent at 11, dinner and then quarterly conference. All members please be present, and especially those who haven't attended a quarterly conference. At our next and final preaching service, October 20, there will be an installation service held for all newly elected church officials. At this service also the church will give the annual report and the reading of amounts contributed by each member.—Mrs. Homer Sink, Reporter.



## WORK PROGRESSES IN THE DISTRICT THAT SUFFERED SO MUCH FROM FLOOD

Yes, we have had a flood; no adequate description of the destruction wrought by the on rushing waters has been written. Human lives lost, houses and churches washed away, crops destroyed, and the soil depleted for years to come. But the people have accepted the challenge to rebuild and the work goes forward. At check-up meetings reports showed that much progress has been made in building, repairing and painting churches and parsonages as follows: Advance church painted; Cooleemee church, pews installed, with improvements made on grounds and parsonage; Davie circuit, church school rooms added at Salem and church painted; Center church, Yadkinville circuit, church painted; Jonesville parsonage remodeled and Grassy Creek church painted; Elkin parsonage remodeled and heating system installed; Moravian Falls parsonage remodeled and painted; North Wilkesboro, parsonage remodeled; Wilkesboro, new church at Union being finished; Wilkesboro circuit, church school rooms at Friendship and parsonage painted; Watauga circuit, Mabel church painted; Green Valley circuit, four churches repaired and painted; Warrensville parsonage remodeled; Mill Creek church painted and new church nearing completion at Lansing; Hilton, new church built at Baldwin; Ararat, Hunter's Chapel church remodeled and new church under construction at Mt. Herman; Sparta, parsonage remodeled; Farmington parsonage has installed water system. Advocate campaign goes on with Avett taking the lead. Mocksville, Ararat, Warrensville, and West Jefferson have paid everything in full for the year. All interests of the church have been taken care of in the hills where men have to endure hardships to carry on the kingdom work. We are proud that we have a district superintendent known by all as Brother Joe Hiatt who knows how to organize and lead on to victory.

Dwight B. Mullis,  
Secretary Elkin District.

## ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT "FALL VICTORY RALLY AND CHECK-UP" MEETING

The meeting was called to order in the church at Hertford at 10 o'clock Friday, September 27, by Rev. B. B. Slaughter, district superintendent. James W. Sneed was elected secretary.

The devotional was conducted by Rev. W. C. Benson of Edenton, who in a very eloquent, fervent and impassioned appeal presented the necessity for a living experience of God through Christ as the only hope of the world for peace.

Next in order was the reports of the preachers. The district superintendent requested them to state briefly: "Where you are. How far yet to go. How you're going to get there." And the preachers responded in a great way. Every report evidenced Christian optimism, regardless of where they were or how far they had to go. All agreed that they would "get there" in good shape. Brother J. M. Jolliff gave a humorous touch to his report by using the figure of an automobile as representing his church and depicting how he was going to make the grade. In reports following much was made of the automobile story. Some were in high gear, some in low, some in intermediate (and one brother's clutch was slipping), but they were all moving forward and felt assured they would arrive on time and in good shape.

Brother Slaughter, as always, kept his program well in hand and on schedule. There was manifest a splendid spirit of co-operation by all having a part in the proceedings.

The district superintendent spoke briefly on the subject of reports, calling especial attention to the necessity for accurate "rolls of officers" and the necessity for prompt reports of vacation Bible schools. He also stressed the importance of "specials" for our Orphanage. He then outlined the purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

The district superintendent, calling attention to the importance of having a "well informed" membership, requested that the Elizabeth City district set as its goal: The N. C. Advocate in every Methodist home.

Dr. M. T. Plyler at this time made a very brief but moving appeal for the Advocate and was accorded a most pleasing response.

Rev. L. V. Harris of Ahoskie spoke to the topic: Zone Meetings for the District Board of Church Extension and Missions. Rev. John R. Poe, district missionary secretary, later spoke briefly on the same subject.

Rev. F. S. Aldridge, conference Golden Cross director, (stating his desire not to dislocate the schedule) made possibly the shortest and yet most effective appeal he ever made for the Golden Cross, and received the promise of full co-operation from the pastors and laymen.

Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, conference secretary of children's work, presented the yearbook of the children's department for 1940-41, and urged workers with children to avail themselves of the information it contained.

The district superintendent called attention to the new financial plan for the church and requested that the "catechism" (which had been previously distributed) be read responsively; and this was done, the D. S. reading the questions and the congregation the answers.

The time for adjournment was extended 15 minutes so as to avoid the necessity for an afternoon session.

The D.S. then outlined the changes in the "laws of the church," calling particular attention to those affecting the local church.

The Doxology was sung by the congregation and the benediction pronounced by Dr. M. T. Plyler.

James W. Sneed, Secretary.

## TO MINISTERS OF THE CHARLOTTE AREA

My Dear Brethren:

This letter is to bring to your attention a very important matter in connection with our work. In driving over the areas, I find many Methodist churches which have no markers indicating what kind of churches they are. Other denominations almost without exception have their churches well identified. Our Publishing House has provided a neat, inexpensive and dignified marker. I trust that during the coming year we may have every Methodist church in North Carolina so identified that all passers-by may have no doubt about them. This is a matter that our young people would be delighted to accept as a project.

Please be assured of my abiding interest in all your work. My best wishes. Faithfully yours.

Clare Purcell.

## REV. J. B. HURLEY CRITICALLY ILL

Rev. J. B. Hurley, a well known retired member of the North Carolina conference, suffered a paralytic stroke September 7 when on a visit to his son, Dr. Leonard B. Hurley, in Greensboro. He was taken to St. Leo's hospital, where he has remained in an unconscious condition all the while. Up to this time he has failed to respond to the treatment of his physicians who give little encouragement for any decided improvement.

Dr. Hurley is almost 82 years of age and had enjoyed his usual good health until stricken early in September. He has a host of friends in all parts of the state, particularly in the eastern section, where he served as pastor and presiding elder of the leading churches and districts.

## MINISTERS' WIVES' LUNCHEON

The luncheon for the ministers' wives of the Western North Carolina conference will be held in High Point on Thursday, October 24, at 12:45 p. m. Please make your plans to be on hand at that time and send a card at once to Mrs. E. H. Blackard, High Point, N. C., making your reservation, so that our hostesses may know how many to prepare for. An unusually interesting program has been arranged by Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr.

Mrs. Walter B. West, President.



## GOSPEL-MINDED RELIGION OR POLITICALLY-MINDED?

The eminent French Roman Catholic scholar, Professor Jacques Maritan, pierced straight to the heart of the matter in an address at the recent conference in celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of the University of Pennsylvania, when he drew the distinction between a "gospel-minded" conception of Christianity and a "politically-minded" conception. Those who take the first realize that it is the business of the church and of Christian people to tell the world the truth about God and man, "to enter into the labors and sorrows of the world in order to carry into it the flame and life of a faith truly free from the world." The other course is that of compromise with violence and evil, trying to choose the less dangerous of two allies (as fascism in preference to communism, both of which Christians ought to spurn), and seeking political support for religion. Religion, he says, is hampered, not helped, by such alliances. "I believe that the spiritual will be delivered from the various kinds of infeudation in corrupt temporal structures from which it suffers today. . . . The best way that Christians can serve religion is not to entrust its fate to political or semi-political means, be they utilized with the most ardent zeal, nor still less to oscillate between one demon and another through a misapplication of the principle of lesser evil." The specific meaning of this is that Christianity should make no terms with the totalitarian powers in the hope of gaining institutional security or advantage. More broadly, the church should not make alliance with any political organization. Right! Our opinions might not entirely agree with those of Professor Maritan as to the exact content of that faith upon which the gospel-minded Christian should center his attention, but we are at one in repudiating all programs of political alliances for the supposed defense of religion. God's truth does not need the support of any "political or semi-political" organization. It never did. It is a pity the church did not learn this sooner—in the fourth century, for example, when it seized the first opportunity for "infeudation in corrupt political structures" on the excuse that otherwise Christianity would be wiped out. It would not have been then, and it will not be now if it will maintain not isolation from the world's suffering and need but freedom from entangling alliances with the machinery of governments.—The Christian Century.

## THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA LEADS

Economists declare that the purchasing power of the American people today is greater than the combined total of the 500,000,000 Europeans, and exceeds by far that of the billion Asiatics.

In a Flag Day address the other day, a former national commander of the American Legion, F. N. Belgrano, Jr., speaking to his fellow workers of the Pacific National Fire Insurance Company, of which he is the lead, presented statistics that should give all of us profound confidence in the power of our country to prepare to defend itself against invasion from any quarter.

"Although the United States possesses only 6 per cent of the world's area and only 7 per cent of its population, yet it harvests one-third of all the world's foodstuffs; and this same 7 per cent of the world's population annually consumes 48 per cent of the world's supply of coffee, 53

per cent of its tin, 56 per cent of its rubber, 21 per cent of its sugar, 72 per cent of its silk, 36 per cent of its coal, 42 per cent of its pig iron, 47 per cent of its copper and 69 per cent of its crude petroleum.

"The citizens of the United States own 80 per cent of the motor cars operated in the world. They own 33 per cent of the world's railroads, and possess two-thirds of all its banking resources. 22,000,000 homes are wired for electricity and serviced by 20,000,000 telephones and 30,000,000 radios. We have the finest educational system in the world. Our facilities for the care of children, the aged and infirm—our hospitals and our health service—surpass those of any other nation.

## TO MINISTERS AND DELEGATES, WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

My Dear Brethren and Sisters:

The Western North Carolina annual conference is almost upon us. We are now in the midst of that rush which generally precedes our annual sessions. I wish to send my greetings to each of you and to enlist your prayers for a successful conference. The program has been carefully arranged and we will enjoy every item of it. Since the conference is to be held between Sundays, the time has been shortened. This will necessitate the most careful planning of all our work in committees and boards. Where reports can be prepared before the conference opens, it will be well to do so. Your especial attention is called to the use of the new report blanks. District superintendents will furnish them to each pastor. These blanks are very different in some respects from those which we have been accustomed to. However, it is very easy to understand them, and complete instructions go along with each set of blanks.

I am very pleased to announce the coming of my distinguished colleague, Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf of Chicago. He will preach no less than four times during the conference. We are most fortunate in having him in our area for these days.

Our reports up to date indicate that we will have a very fine showing in the matter of accessions on profession of faith. I am sure that the reports on benevolences will likewise be most encouraging. Let us all see that nothing is left undone as we approach this important session of the conference.

My best wishes.

Faithfully yours,

Clare Purcell.

## IN WHAT DOES GOOD WILL CONSIST?

Devout Christians are insisting that we must teach good will for Hitler and Goering.

We agree, if good will can be defined broadly enough to include forcibly arresting them, stripping them of power to harm people and imprisoning them until they amend their ways. Any other good will to Hitler and Goering is ill will to their victims.

We agree that to be Christian means to show good will to friend and to foe, but it is also means to use our brains and our wills and prevent evil men from trampling on the weak and the helpless.

We are not advocating hate or vindictiveness, but we are saying that something is lacking in our doctrine of good will when it throws the same aura of rosy light around both the evil and the good.—The Christian Leader.



**METHODIST LEADER DIES UNEXPECTEDLY**

Dr. William Marvin Alexander, widely known and greatly loved leader in the Methodist Church and an outstanding figure in educational circles of America, passed quietly to his reward at an early hour on Friday, October 4, his sixty-third birthday. Death came during his sleep and evidently as the result of a heart attack. His going, therefore, which was not discovered until the fam-



**Dr. William Martin Alexander**

ily's rising hour, was a severe shock to all his close associates. Thursday he had been at his desk in the Methodist Publishing House as usual, giving valuable and constructive aid in the final steps incident to the merging of Methodist boards of education and at that time appeared to be in his usual good health and cheerful spirits.

He is survived by his wife, a daughter, Mrs. B. A. Thompson of Nashville, and the following brothers and sisters: Rev. J. E. Alexander, Grandby, Mo.; Dr. T. F. Alexander, Wichita, Kansas; Dr. J. M. Alexander, Wichita Falls, Texas; Mrs. Nora McCauley and Mrs. Mac Myers, Augusta, Kansas; and Mrs. Mary Treweek, Wichita, Kansas.

**DEDICATION AT LEAKSVILLE**

Following a Sunday night supper, October 6, given by the board of stewards in honor of Bishop Clare Purcell and visiting ministers, which included Rev. L. B. Hayes, D.S., R. T. Houts of Spray, Paul R. Rayle and J. L. Love of Draper, Rev. A. L. Aycock of Wilkesboro, W. O. Goode of Charlotte, N. C. Williams of High Point, with Mr. Luther Hodges as toastmaster, Bishop Purcell dedicated the church school building of Leaksville Methodist church. Under the leadership of Mr. Dudley Huggins, Ben Holmes, J. C. Spickler, R. A. Butler, C. P. Smith, Mrs. G. W. Armfield, finance committee, the church accepted a generous offer made by Mr. G. C. Gammon and paid indebtedness early in the year.

Special gifts to the church were announced, made by Mrs. J. G. Farrell, Miss Esther Moore, Philip Wall, Reaves Washburn and Richard Wilkinson.

Mr. J. Frank King, chairman of the board of stewards, made the presentation of building.

Judge Henry P. Lane prepared a history of this church that is to be printed in permanent form.

It was regretted that Mr. J. M. Hopper could not be present for the dedication, since he has had such an im-

portant connection with this church. He has been a member 68 years, Sunday school scholar 74 years, steward 51 years, and teacher 63 years.

Rev. A. C. Swofford is closing his third year as pastor of this church.

**LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS**

The fall meeting of the trustees of the college is being held on October 16 at 10:30 a. m. Among many important items to be discussed is that of the payments due on the bonded indebtedness of the college. Every effort is being made to be sure that all contributions from individuals and churches be paid by November 15, at which date this particular debt must be retired.

There are 24 students, spring graduates of the Mill's high school, Louisburg, enrolled this fall at Louisburg College. It is interesting to note that 24 out of a class of 40 graduates are attending the local college.

The following officers have been elected for the men's athletic association at Louisburg College: Earl Williams, Coats, president; Henry Murden, Suffolk, Va., vice president; James Durham, secretary-treasurer.

The Louisburg College orchestra, under the direction of Prof. James E. Byerly, gave a program in the college auditorium on Saturday evening, October 5, at 8 o'clock. The program ended with an original composition by the orchestra.

The Phi Theta Kappa, honorary fraternity of Louisburg College has elected officers for the year: Catherine Gillis, Raleigh, president; May Davis, Louisburg, vice president; Stanley Patten, Providence, Rhode Island, treasurer; Mildred Carter, Louisburg, recording secretary; Ruby Gray Massenburg, Louisburg, corresponding secretary. Acting Dean George M. Oliver was invited to serve as honorary member. Bids were sent to Ralph Roe, Suffolk, Va.; Doris Rhodes, Fayetteville; Mary West, Dover.

The Lambda chapter of Alpha Pi Epsilon, honorary secretarial fraternity of Louisburg College, met for its initial meeting on Tuesday, September 24. The following officers were elected for the new year: Alice Cahill, Winston-Salem, president; Edna Gillis, Raleigh, secretary; Joseph Newsom, Littleton, treasurer; Della Mae Lewis, Spring Hope, reporter. Several new members have been accepted in the Alpha Pi Epsilon: Laurel Ballard, Oriental; Edith Pittman, Wilmington; Joseph Newsom, Littleton; and Dorothy Wilder, Franklinton.

**GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS**

The students and faculty at Greensboro College traveled to High Point lake last Wednesday for the annual student-athletic association picnic. Various sports such as swimming, horseshoe pitching, ping pong and badminton were enjoyed. Following the recreational period a delicious picnic supper was served, including chicken salad, apples, chocolate bars and other good things to eat. Anne Exum, Fremont, is president of the students' association and Rachael Archer, Greensboro, is president of the athletic association. Miss Agnes Jeter, head of the department of physical education, supervised the event.

The vesper service held in the student activities building Sunday evening was an unusually impressive one. Rev. J. Elwood Carroll, pastor of Grace Methodist church, spoke to the large group of faculty and students on the subject of "Paths to God," stressing three paths through the home, life, by an ethical understanding, and through one's philosophy. John Derr, Greensboro, popular young tenor, sang "Spirit of God" (Neidlinger).

**CONFERENCE BOOK EXCHANGE**

I will be at conference Wednesday and Thursday only and will gladly sell books for anyone who brings them, ten per cent charge on sales. No sale, no charge. Put your name in the book, also the price. Do not send lists, send the books. I can't sell from a list. No commission charged on preachers' widows' books. I wish someone would take the Book Exchange off my hands, because my health is not good and I will have to give the work up. The Exchange helps everybody—it moves the books from where they are no longer needed to where they are needed, thus releasing money to buy more books. Preachers' widows get rid of useless property and get much needed cash. Someone ought to keep this work going on. I have put 22 years into it and now must retire. I have sold books, cashed checks and sold on time and have never lost a dollar. My brethren have always been most kind and helpful and I appreciate it very much.

Cordially, A. R. Bell, Reidsville, N. C.



# Fear Not . . . Remember

By REV. LEVI DAWSON

There was a time in the Old Testament story when the people of God were trembling with fear as they faced an unknown future. The word of God came to them telling them not to be afraid and giving them a reason for confidence. That reason was very significant. They were not told the details of God's plans in advance. They were not given material assurance of victory. They were simply told to "remember." Their hope for the future was to be found in remembrance of their past.

Dr. Johnson once said that most people needed reminding rather than instructing. The appeal to memory is constantly strong in the pages of Scripture. In times of anxiety and doubt, of terror and fear, the word is always the same, "Remember."

"Thou shalt remember all the way the Lord thy God hath led thee." In times of anxiety we are to find our confidence in the unchallengeable fact that God has led in the past. How often the people of Israel reminded of God's deliverance from the power of Egypt. Things looked hopeless then, but he watched over them even in the wilderness and against overwhelming odds led them into the promised land. "Remember Egypt and the wilderness." It is like a refrain throughout the Bible. With what marvelous logic do the prophets deduce from this their confidence in the future. The deliverance of the past is a pledge that God is with us now. If he did not love us and had no purpose for our lives he would not have helped us then. If he helped us then he will not leave us now.

Later generations have looked back to similar deliverances. Imagine the despair of the disciples on Calvary, but what a victory followed! Try to realize their sense of loss as their Master left them at his ascension; yet it was the prelude to Pentecost. What despair filled so many hearts as Jerusalem fell! But its fall meant much for early Christianity. Again and again seeming calamity has been turned into triumph. A hidden purpose not seen at the time was later revealed, and through it all was the triumphant power of God. Thou shalt not be afraid . . . thou shalt remember.

These are days when many of us are tempted to doubt. The word of God comes to us as it has so often come before: "Remember." Look back over your own life. Take hold of some experience when you were sure of him. Perhaps as someone clasped your hand in understanding, or as some sunset gave peace to your soul, or as some word of Scripture came like a word from God, especially for you. Remember that he who was with you then is with you now. The past is the pledge of the future.

But there is a warning note in God's reminding "Thou shalt remember thou wast a bondman in Egypt." Whilst you glory in his past help, do not forget what you were without him. You were a slave—helpless, valueless, and without hope. All you are and all you have you owe to him. This, too, is the constant theme of the Bible. There is no deliverance apart from God. Without him we are like branches lopped off a tree and left to wither, for apart from him we can do nothing. Apart from him even Paul is but a "wretched man." As there was no deliverance in the past apart from him so there will be no deliverance now.

In personal life and in national life the warning of the past is clear. Thou shalt remember thou wast a bondman. We need to remember that in these days. There is so much emphasis on material things. There is danger that we put all our trust in reeking tube and iron shard. These things may be necessary, but we must remember that there is no final victory in them alone. There is no kingdom of God without a King. There will be nothing but disaster, however many battles are won, if He is forgotten.

Confidence and warning both come to us in this act of remembrance, and yet the picture is not complete. We are led to an upper room with Master and disciples, with bread and wine, and we hear once again the word, "Remember . . . remember Me." Here to remember does not mean to meditate upon the past. It means rather to "call to mind," to realize something which is true. That truth is the eternal presence of Christ. "Do this," says Jesus, "to call to your minds the fact that I am always with you." The disciples were slow to realize this, but when they did it was the greatest discovery of their lives.

God sent out Moses and Joshua, Amos and Jeremiah, and a host of others. He sent them to difficult tasks, but always with the assurance that he would be with them. Jesus sent out his disciples with the promise that he would be with them alway, even unto the very end. He sends us out with the same Companionship.

Thou shalt not be afraid . . . thou shalt remember. He has blessed us in the past, he will not fail us now. Although apart from him we can do nothing, in his strength nothing is impossible. As he calls us to go he will not suffer us to go alone. This is our confidence and in it we will rejoice—

"We'll praise him for all that is past  
And trust him for all that's to come."

—Methodist Recorder (London).

## UP-TO-DATE TRANSPORTATION TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our great state is providing wonderful means of transportation for our children in attending the day school. I have wondered why our churches could not do something for the underprivileged children in providing for transportation in attending our church schools. After Cedar Grove church was finished and dedicated we decided that at least an experiment would be undertaken. Through the kind cooperation of the superintendent of public schools, Mr. R. H. Clayton, a second hand school bus was secured at a reasonable price, overhauled, painted, and made ready for service last June. It was used first in transporting our children to the vacation Bible school at Cedar Grove church, where we held a union Bible school with our neighbor Presbyterian church. Tom Hendrix, a Duke student who was with us for the summer, was our first driver. Tom and the children had a great time. Fifty or more were brought in each morning on the bus. On the first Sunday in July the first trip was made for our Sunday school. Brother Cooper Compton, the chairman of our board of stewards, has volunteered to take over the bus and make the regular round for the children each Sunday morning. This movement has greatly increased the interest and attendance of our Sunday school and at the same time has helped the Presbyterians, as the bus serves some of their children also. One Sunday's collection in Sunday school is given each month to help in defraying expense. The title of the bus is held in the trustees of Cedar Grove Methodist church. In this issue will be seen a picture of the bus, driver and children.

S. F. Nicks, Pastor.



### SPEAKS TO FRESHMEN

(Notes used by President W. P. Few, speaking to Freshmen, Sunday evening, September 15, 1940)

I am happy to give Mr. Fred Cleaveland the first place on tonight's program, and to have him present to you in as intimate way as possible the Duke University Interdenominational church and the opportunities for fellowship and service that it provides for students and members of the university community. Mr. Cleaveland, as acting director of religious activities, has for two years faithfully and effectively in this important part of the university's constant effort to serve the best interest in the Duke Interdenominational church and will always be at your service whenever you need him about your personal problems of whatever kind.

I, too, am deeply interested in our university church and in the religious welfare of our undergraduates. I shall be at your service just as freely as Mr. Cleaveland or the other workers in this field who give their entire time to it. I particularly commend to you Mr. W. T. Cottingham, who is to serve this year as director of united religious activities. He was a member of Mr. Cleaveland's class at Duke, and I am confident that he will bring to his task here this year the same sort of competence and high dedication for which he was known as an undergraduate and for which his work since graduation has become even better known.

I am always happy for an opportunity to welcome students new and old to the opportunities for learning and for living that are offered by Duke University. I could wish that every one of you might avail himself of all these opportunities to their fullest possibilities. Whatever we may think of it or however we may feel about it, it is a stern fact that education, like life itself, is a sifting process. Both here and later you will be sifted like wheat, for "sifting out the hearts of men" before some judgment seat is a process that is always going on here and everywhere.

I would have you welcome the sifting disciplines of life, but by all means do not trust yourself to the drift of circumstance. Quite on the contrary, choose for yourself the way you would go, and go in that way. Try to count

for something in college and afterwards in life. Amount to something now as well as later. Be good for something. All this not only for yourself but also because you are a member of human society and have obligations to others as well as to yourself. Begin the development of your altruistic side of life here and now if you have not already begun. Strive to make this a better place for your having lived in it and a place to which you can look back as to an ever-shining place where you caught aspirations to true character and genuine excellence and whence you went out into the life of the world determined to do your full part and make your appropriate contribution to the good of mankind. That sort of living, I firmly believe, is the greatest sport in the world. I hope that every one of you has a zest for it—its work, its struggles, its disappointments, as well as its rewards. And may the rewards for each of you include not only success but enduring personal satisfaction.

While you cannot be unmindful of the future to which you go or the confused state of the world in which you are, I could wish that all of you, without too much regard for this confused time, might spend your undergraduate years in peace of mind and quietness of spirit, seeking for the best things for yourself and for others, and keeping ready for whatever life may hold for you and specifically for whatever service your country may call upon you to give.

### W. F. QUILLIAN WILL SERVE AS SECRETARY OF PROMOTION ON BOARD OF MISSIONS

Dr. W. F. Quillian who has been general secretary of the Board of Christian Education in Nashville, Tenn., since 1930, has accepted the position to serve as secretary of promotion in the Division of Education and Cultivation of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, with offices at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York.

"This will be in line with what I have been doing and I will have responsibility for the organization of district and local church work and summer conferences and assemblies. I will also conduct a Speaking Bureau for Missions. This is in a sense a new field and is of strategic importance. Associated with me will be a capable staff. Since my life interests have been education and missions, I look forward to this service with great joy," Dr. Quillian states of his new office.



Modern Transportation of Sunday School Children to Cedar Grove Methodist Church; Rev. S. F. Nicks, at right, is the Enterprising Pastor



## GENERAL BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES MOVED TO CHICAGO

The General Board of Lay Activities moved into its new headquarters at 740 Rush Street, Chicago, Ill., the first of October.

The board was organized July 29 with the election of the following officers:

President, Edgar T. Welch, Westfield, New York.  
Vice President, Ray H. Nichols, Vernon, Texas.  
Record Secretary, Wm. R. Phelps, Bedford, Va.  
Treasurer, Frank C. Whitcher, Platteville, Wis.

The board elected Dr. George L. Morelock Executive Secretary, and E. Dow Bancroft associate secretary. Later the executive committee elected Dr. James W. Workman associate secretary in the field of Christian Stewardship, and Mr. W. Rolfe Brown office secretary.

For 18 years Dr. Morelock has been General Secretary of the General Board of Lay Activities of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He is a graduate of the University of the South, a graduate student of Stanford University and holds the honorary degree of LL.D. from Millsaps College. He brings to his new task valuable experience in the work of the Methodist Church, particularly in the field of lay activities. He is the author of a book, "A Steward in the Methodist Church," and a number of pamphlets which have had a wide circulation in the Southern section of the church. He is a layman.

E. Dow Bancroft has been doing religious work nearly all his life. First as Y. M. C. A. secretary in Columbus, Ohio; second, in the field of stewardship in connection with the Commission on Men's Work until it was merged with the Board of Lay Activities of the Methodist Church. He will give special attention to brotherhoods and men's work but will be available for promotional work in the field. He is a layman.

Dr. Workman at the time of his election as associate secretary was pastor of First Methodist church, Fayetteville, Arkansas. He is a graduate of Henderson-Brown College and the Yale Divinity School and holds the LL.D. degree from Southern College. He has served his church as student pastor, pastor, district superintendent, and college president. He is a diligent student, a good writer and a forceful and attractive speaker. He will devote the most of his time to the field of Christian stewardship but will also be available for field work.

Mr. Brown is a graduate of Duke University, Union Theological Seminary, and spent one year in study and travel in Germany. He has taught in Lafayette and Smith colleges and for a number of years was business manager in St. Luke's Methodist church, Oklahoma City. He will serve the board as office secretary, manager of "The Methodist Layman" and in study and research work.

The board has authorized the publication of "The Methodist Layman," a trade journal for all lay leaders and others connected with the lay work. At present this will be issued four times a year. It will be edited by the staff of the general board.

Other publications in the field of stewardship and leadership pamphlets were authorized and Dr. Morelock was instructed to revise his book, "A Steward in the Methodist Church" for publication under the title, "The Official Board of the Methodist Church."

The board also authorized the holding annually of a Council of Conference Lay Leaders in each jurisdiction of the church. This will be done in collaboration with the conference lay leaders in the several jurisdictions.

The staff of the general board, as rapidly as time and the limited funds of the board will permit, will seek the needs of the lay organization as they are presented.

All communications should be addressed to The General Board of Lay Activities, 740 Rush Street, Chicago, Ill.

## AN IMPORTANT POST FOR DR. A. W. WASSON

An important international chairmanship in the religious world is that of Committee on Co-operation with Latin America to which Dr. A. W. Wasson of Nashville has just been elected.

Dr. Wasson is the third person to hold this post, which represents approximately thirty Protestant mission boards. His predecessors in the chairmanship are Dr. Robert E. Speer and Dr. R. E. Diffendorfer.

The purpose of the committee is to encourage co-operation between the Christian bodies working in Latin American mission fields, including Mexico, Cuba and Central South America.

Dr. Wasson has called a meeting of the committee of October 12 in Mohawk, New York.

For a number of years Dr. Wasson has been actively identified with the missionary work of the Methodist Church, having served as a foreign missionary and for the past ten years as foreign missions secretary of the Methodist Episco-

pal Church, South. He is secretary-elect of mission work in Latin America of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the reunited Methodist Church. He will be headquartered in New York City after January 1.

## HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon

All goes well with our group in High Point, except that the days are slipping by all too fast since we are not yet ready for conference. That is we haven't as good a prospect for a balanced budget as we would like. And yet it could be worse.

### A Plain Statement

Let me state a fact here that I have not referred to in print this year, and I only do it now that every one of us former Methodist Protestants may be stirred up to do our very best by this Children's Home financially during October. Knowing that our forces would be somewhat disorganized during this year, and knowing that some of our sources of income would be cut off, the trustees of the Children's Home in Winston-Salem and of the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh agreed "to supplement, if necessary, through their established channels, contributions of the Children's Home in High Point with an amount not exceeding \$6,000." If they have to pay the \$6,000, or any part of it, the Children's Home will pay two-thirds of it and the Methodist Orphanage one-third. They are hard pressed like we are and it will work a hardship on them to have to pay it. We have worked strenuously this year to keep these homes from having any part of this amount to pay. I don't want them to have to do it, neither do you. Well, then there is only one thing for us to do to prevent it. Just chip in cheerfully in each church in the state and send one more good offering to this home. Last year we raised in October \$1766.81, and if we will just do that well, or a bit better, this year that will reduce to a minimum any amount that others will have to help us. So hustle up a good offering.

### A Delightful Conference

On last Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Woosley of the Children's Home, and Mrs. W. C. Hammer of Asheboro, one of the founders and lifetime friends of this home, came to see us that we might spend an hour or more talking over plans for the merger and plans for running this home until about July 1, 1941. It was a delightful meeting, and plans as developed in the conversations were perfectly satisfactory to all concerned.

In that meeting it was agreed that we will continue under the present plans of financing until November 1, and then go under the new plans that may be set forth by the approaching annual conference. So all your offerings for orphanage work are to come here until November 1 to be applied on our current expense account. Nearly all of you have done well; now do a bit better for just this once.

A dear old lady 87 years old and in the church home for the aged in Westminster, Md., sent us a check for \$2 today. She is almost helpless, and yet with her own hands she earned the money and joyfully sent it to us. "Go thou and do likewise."

### A Happy Day

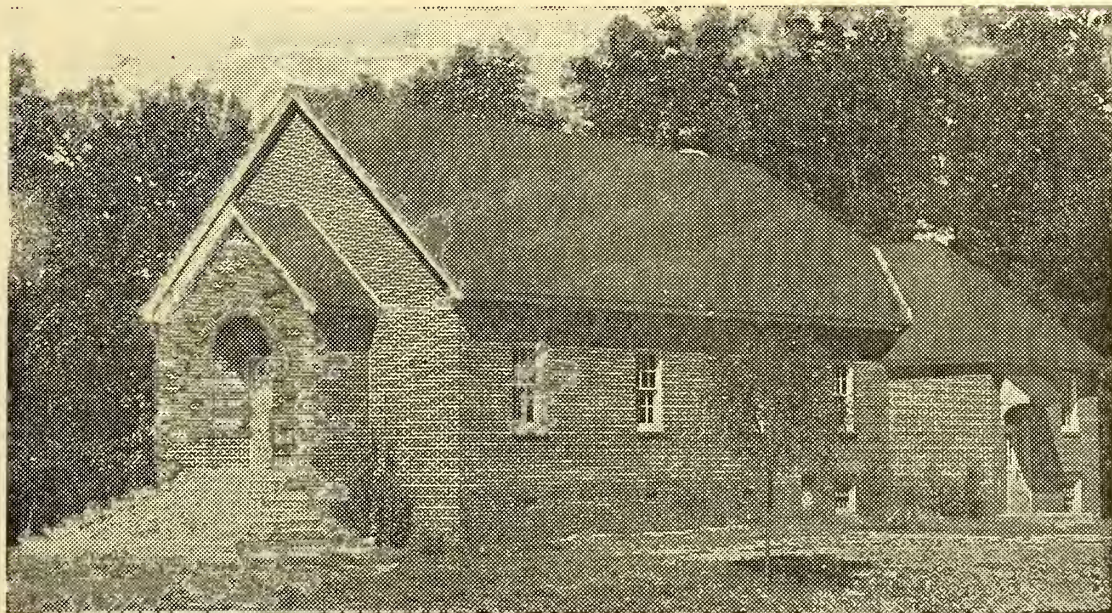
This last Sunday morning Mrs. Dixon and I took three of our older children and ran over to Siler City to hear Bishop Purcell preach and dedicate an educational plant for the First Methodist church there. It was uplifting and inspiring to hear him preach, and it was cheering to watch the people and see their faces light up as this splendid educational plant was dedicated to God for the purpose of teaching the coming generations the truth of his Word. This all came about through uniting an M. E. Church, South, and a Methodist Protestant Church. Our minds were carried back 12 years when we served Liberty-Siler City charge. There were two Methodist churches in each community, and we longed to see just one Methodist church in each of them. Today that has been accomplished. "What hath God wrought?" Yesterday we noted that the old M. E. Church, South, in Liberty was closed and all the Methodists under the direction of Dr. Geo. R. Brown were worshiping in what was the M. P. Church building. And down at Siler City the old M. P. church has been sold and transformed into an apartment house, and all the Methodists with their combined forces have built splendid Sunday school rooms adjacent to the former M. E. Church, South, building, and all are happy in their new associations.

How glorious all this appeared to me, and I am confident that it is pleasing to our heavenly Father. May it not be true that some of us have been holding back with reference to a merger of our Children's Home interests? Who knows? Especially so since it has been worked out that this property is to be associated with High Point College. May the dear Lord lead on into that which will glorify his name most, even though the tears and the heartaches do come.

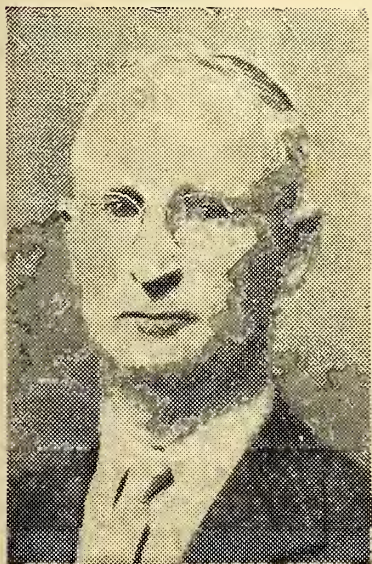
Whatever money you may have in hand for this Children's Home please send it to us soon. Thank you and God bless you.



## Maple Grove Methodist Church, Dellwood Circuit, to be Dedicated on Sunday, October 13th



REV. W. L. HUTCHINS  
District Superintendent



REV. C. O. NEWELL  
Pastor

The first Methodist church of the present Maple Grove church was organized in the old Turpin school house about 1901. This school house was built with a raised platform for church services. The Baptists worshipped here also. From 1907-1910 Rev. Jim H. Green, the pastor, was instrumental in starting the church building which was known as Turpin's Chapel. J. L. Queen, father of our present solicitor, gave the land and a greater part of the money for this building. It cost around \$600. This church was dedicated by Bishop Atkins under the pastorate of Rev. C. L. McCain about 1911.

This building burned in March, 1935. Rev. H. D. Jessup, pastor, began work immediately on the new building now known as Maple Grove. This modern brick building was constructed at a cost of \$8200, of which all but \$1500 was raised by the membership and friends of the church. There are five church school rooms.

The present membership of this church is 137. There is a thriving church school with Hardy Liner as superintendent, a good Epworth League with Miss Hilda Moody as president, and an active Woman's Society of Christian Service with Mrs. Edward Glavich as president. This latter organization has been very active in the raising of funds for the new building.

Rev. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent of Waynesville district of the Methodist Church, will dedi-

cate this church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. We are expecting Rev. H. D. Jessup also to be with us and preach in the afternoon. Sunday will be a home coming for all the friends of Maple Grove church. Bring a basket dinner and enjoy the day with us.

### TODAY

Wherefore, even as the Holy Spirit saith, Today if ye shall hear his voice, harden not your hearts.... Take heed, brethren, lest haply there shall be in any one of you an evil heart of unbelief, in falling away from the living God: but exhort one another day by day, so long as it is called Today; lest any one of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.—Hebrews 3:7-14.

God's great word to man is "Today." In Christ all the blessedness of eternity is gathered up in an ever-present Now: the one need of the believer is to know it, to respond to it, and to meet the "Today," the "Now, my child!" of God's grace with the "Today," the "Even now, my Father!" of his faith. —(Andrew Murray: The Holiest of All).

Today, while it is called Today,  
My willing heart I bow;  
I harden it no more, but pray  
And look for mercy now.

Today, before tomorrow come,  
I yield to be renewed,  
My Saviour's mean, but constant home,  
A temple filled with God.

Now, Saviour, now thy servant bless,  
Who always ready art,  
And fully from this hour possess  
My unopposing heart.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### THE FIRST AND HIGHEST UNIT

To my mind there is absolutely no field of service in which our Christian service counts for so much as that of the local church, for upon the strength of the local church, the strength of every other enterprise depends. The first object, therefore, of every Methodist woman is to be sure that the church to which she belongs receives the very cream of her talents and time that it may be strongly and firmly established. In the structure of the new woman's organization the local church is the first and highest unit. Let every Methodist woman begin right now to magnify her local church.—Mrs. J. W. Snell in *The Methodist Woman*.

### SYMPATHY FOR MISS BROOKS

Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess on the Person-Yanceyville circuits, was called to Drexel, Missouri, recently to attend the funeral of her father. Our heartfelt sympathy to Miss Brooks in her hour of sorrow.

### REPORT CHARTER SOCIETIES

Certificates for charter Woman's Societies of Christian Service should be sent AT ONCE to Mrs. Walter Patton, Louisburg, N. C. In the event that the charter blanks have been lost names of society, church, date of organization, number of charter members and list of officers should be sent to Mrs. Patton. Only those societies which were organized prior to September 23 are charter societies.

### OUR INDUSTRIAL DEACONESS

The Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Carolina conference, has been indeed fortunate in securing the approval of the former Woman's Missionary Council for an industrial worker, and that good fortune is raised to a higher degree in the appointment of Miss Pricilla Stegar for that work. Miss Stegar was born in Missouri and is a graduate of Scarritt College. She was actively engaged as district secretary of the Central Texas conference for approximately 12 years. From Texas she was sent to Kansas City, Mo., where she served as pastor's assistant at Troost Avenue Methodist church for four years. In North Carolina Miss Stegar is working in the mill settlement of East Laurinburg and her address is Box 644, Laurinburg, N. C. Already Miss Stegar has won the hearts of those in our conference who have met her. We shall follow her activities with interest and we should give her our loyal support.

### TWO NEW SOCIETIES

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh district secretary, announces the recent organization of Woman's Societies of Christian Service at Cokesbury church on the Fuquay charge and at City Road church, Henderson. Mrs. J. A. Taylor, Corinth, is president at Cokesbury and

Mrs. W. F. Adams at City Road. In neither of these two churches have there previously been organized woman's work under the Woman's Department of the Board of Missions—certainly not in recent years. We are wishing and predicting for the members of these two societies the incalculable degree of happiness and fruitage which will of necessity come broader fields of service.

### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

The members of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service from the Fayetteville district met immediately after the Monday evening session of the conference at E. C. T. C., Greenville, on September 23-24. The district secretary reported on matters of interest and with the help of the representatives from the five zones reorganized into four. No change was made without the agreement of the representatives of the zones concerned. The zones and their leaders are: Chatham-Lee, Mrs. Junius Wren, Siler City; Cumberland-Hoke-Roberson, Mrs. Jesse Gibson, Shannon; More-Montgomery, Mrs. H. Lee Thomas, Carthage; Richmond-Scotland, Mrs. John W. Covington, Rockingham. It was an enthusiastic half hour session, and we are pleased to have the zones continued and grateful for all that Mrs. Dan C. Lawrence means to our district.—Elizabeth Lamb.

### DURHAM DISTRICT MEETS

Women from all over the Durham district met at Duke's Chapel on September 27 for help and instruction. Miss Florine Robertson, Burlington, and Mrs. J. A. Warren, Chapel Hill, received the guests and sold mission study books. Mrs. J. C. Garrard extended greetings and Rev. T. B. Hough, Swepsonville, led in prayer. Mrs. J. L. Midgette, Norlina, gave a worship talk. Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon, introduced Mrs. Paul Garber, Durham, who gave a detailed exposition of the book, "Uprooted Americans." Mrs. Midgette led in an informal discussion of the migrants. A unique feature was the impersonation of migrants given by 12 ladies. Mrs. J. H. Cutchen, Whitakers, conference secretary of Christian social relations and local church activities, gave an illuminating paper on "The Duty of the Church Toward the Migrant." Mrs. A. M. Gates, Durham, made the closing prayer. A delightful lunch was spread outdoors. Rev. F. A. Lupton gave the invocation.

### SCHEDULED ZONE MEETINGS

Northern zone, Raleigh district, Mrs. T. R. Smith, leader, will meet at Oxford on Wednesday, October 16.

Southern zone, Raleigh district, Mrs. H. A. Bizzell, leader, at Princeton on Thursday, October 17.

Alamance zone, Durham district, Mrs. T. B. Hough, leader, at Webb Avenue, Burlington, on Sunday, October 20 at 2:30 p. m.

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# Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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## ORGANIZATION MEETING IN STATESVILLE

Tuesday, October 1, 1940, was truly a great day for the missionary women of the Western North Carolina conference, who met in Broad Street Methodist church in Statesville, in an all-day session for the organization meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service.

From all parts of the conference they came, representing the former three branches of Methodists, recently united in the Methodist Church, and the large crowd filled every available space in the commodious Statesville church, the number of those present being estimated at 1500.

The meeting was called to order by Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte, who announced as the opening hymn for the day's program No. 479, "Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does his successive journeys run," and following the hymn prayer was offered by Rev. G. R. Brown of Bethel church.

Bishop Purcell stated the purpose of the meeting and in greeting his audience expressed his gratification for the "great demonstration of missionary interest," evidenced by the large crowd in attendance.

Mrs. R. M. Andrews was chosen as temporary secretary and gave the report of the research committee. Mrs. C. C. Weaver was elected chairman and took charge of the meeting.

In appropriate words of greeting Mrs. T. V. Goode, former district secretary of the Statesville district, welcomed the guests. A nominating committee composed of Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, Mrs. G. R. Brown, Mrs. C. N. Clark, Mrs. F. R. Baker and Mrs. J. G. Sterling, was appointed by the presiding officer for the nomination of the officers for the new organization. Mrs. A. L. Thompson of Greensboro, former superintendent of literature and publicity in the Woman's Missionary Society, W. N. C. Conference, was presented and gave an interesting message on The World Outlook and The Methodist Woman, urging her hearers to subscribe to each of these two periodicals which are most essential in carrying forward the work.

Mrs. R. C. Kennedy of Bessemer City, of the former M. E. Church, explained the district set-up in the new organizations, suggesting as officers, a president, corresponding and recording secretaries, and such other officers as will best develop and promote the interests of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the district.

At this time the report of the nominating committee was heard, and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. C. Weaver of Charlotte; vice president, Mrs. C. N. Clark of Salisbury; recording secretary, Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., of Statesville; corresponding secretary, Mrs. A. L. Thompson of Greensboro; treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Pea-

cock of Salisbury; secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. W. F. Redding of Asheboro; secretary student work, Mrs. Walter Lanier of Cullowhee; secretary young women and girls' groups, Mrs. E. A. Lambe of High Point; secretary children's work, Mrs. George Hoyle of Shelby; secretary missionary education and service, Mrs. J. W. Payne, Waxhaw; secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Greensboro; secretary literature and publications, Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, Bessemer City; secretary supplies, Mrs. J. W. Harbison, Shelby; editor woman's page N. C. Christian Advocate, Mrs. W. R. Harris. Three chairmen of standing committees elected: Spiritual Life, Mrs. C. N. Clark, Salisbury; Status of women, Mrs. C. O. Newell, Delwood; missionary personnel, Mrs. F. E. Branson, Canton. Six delegates to the Jurisdictional conference named were: Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Mrs. George Hoyle, Mrs. C. N. Clark, Mrs. W. C. Hammer and Mrs. W. R. Harris. Alternates: Miss Amy Hackney and Mrs. B. C. Kennedy. A questionnaire, bringing out much information pertaining to the organization, was held and resulted in discussions of several topics of interest and value. At this time it was announced that 496 delegates were in attendance and charter members numbered 21,268.

The afternoon session opened with a scripture lesson from the 15th chapter of John, read by Mrs. Clare Purcell followed by prayer. A most interesting feature of the afternoon was the message brought by Miss Leila Epps of Brazil, who spoke on The Challenge of Today and brought out much that was interesting in her work as a missionary. She spoke of the influence of the little magazine Voz Missinaria—The Missionary Voice—and reported and reported that it had 7000 subscribers and took 15,000 subscriptions, all paid in advance. Her message was heard with the closest attention my the large audience who greeted her. The installation of the officers by Bishop Purcell closed the program of this interesting day, which had for its special work the organization of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

All those societies having no delegate at the organization meeting are asked to send their certificates containing the names of officers and number of charter members to Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., 240 Walnut Street, Statesville, N. C., so that they may be enrolled. Please attend to this at once.

Mother—Jane, do you know if Johnny has come home from school yet?

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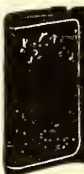
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## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### ANTICIPATION AND SPECULATION

A good circuit rider who is completing a quadrennium of constructive leadership has just dropped in to leave us a good fifth Sunday offering. The charge's ten per cent apportionment was paid early in the year. The circuit rider was aglow with conference fever and conference fervor. This scribe, raised in the home of a circuit rider, joined in the discussion that was well seasoned with anticipation and speculation as to the appointments for the ensuing year. Leads directing probable appointments are more abundant these days than they used to be. The open cabinet provides more opportunity for discussion and evaluation. The new order will doubtless work well, particularly with such an open-minded bishop as we now have. It will not be long until anticipation and speculation can turn into realization.

### WHAT WILL THE ANSWER BE?

There is a great deal more connected with these pre-conference days than speculation as to conference appointments. Records of achievements will be listed and those who have worked well in the heat of the days, the weeks and the months, will come forth bringing their sheaves with them. They will be the ones who, with faces aglow, can receive another year's marching orders with satisfactory promotions. Among the interests such pastors will have provided for is that of the Children's Home family. Our anticipation and speculation as to what the answer will be to our financial needs will doubtless be satisfactorily answered by those who have warm hearts and willing hands for helping our orphan children.

### SENSE OF SECURITY

At the suggestion of Dr. A. G. Dixon, superintendent of the High Point Children's Home, a conference was recently held for the purpose of coming to an understanding as to detailed procedure of directing the two homes, the one at High Point and the one at Winston-Salem, during the ensuing year. We had no trouble in getting together. All details were satisfactory in every particular. We want Dr. and Mrs. Dixon to have every sense of security during the time that they will be administering to the needs of the 76 children in the High Point institution. All finances will be directed through the Winston-Salem institution with the guarantee that funds will be sufficiently provided to meet the needs of the High Point Children's Home family. Thus we will proceed with a unified

appeal and we trust with a unified response to such an extent that a genuine sense of security may prevail.

### THE FINAL APPEAL

Dr. Dixon is making a heroic effort at securing as much money as possible for completing his conference year. While quite a deficit now prevails, he hopes that much of it may be wiped out by the coming of conference. It can be truthfully said that our former Methodist Protestant friends have not lain down on the job in view of the fact that a merger of their Home is being made with the Winston-Salem Home. It is confidently expected that the now prevailing High Point Home \$4,000 deficit may be largely wiped out.

### NO END OF APPLICANTS

There is no end to the stream of applicants desiring a home at the Children's Home. During these days of financial stress we are continually being confronted with the urgent request that a home be provided for some children now not having a home. There seems to be no end to this line of applicants. Our Home being entirely filled, we can only do the next best thing, that of investigation and arrangement for temporary care, pending the time when a better sense of security can prevail.

### TWO AT A TIME

We have two good buildings being constructed on our grounds, the Brooks building and the Stockton building. The walls of the former will soon be completed ready for the framework. The foundation of the latter has been laid and a good start made on the walls. This fire-proof building will supply a long felt want for providing a home for additional girls. At present we have room for 30 more boys than girls. The Stockton building will even up the situation. An additional dormitory for boys is expected to be started as soon as financial provision can be assured. No maintenance funds will go into any building construction.

### THE GAMES CONTINUE

The picture this week is that of our varsity football squad. These boys played a hard game last Friday night at the Bowman Gray Stadium, Winston-Salem, with the fine team representing Greensboro high school, the final score being 14 to 13 in our favor. Our next varsity game will be with Barium Springs on Alspaugh field at the Children's Home next Friday afternoon. This will be a hard game and the outcome cannot readily be guessed. Last Saturday morning our 85 and 100 pounders played with similar teams representing Barium Springs, our 85 pounders winning by a score of 13 to 6 and our 100 pounders by a score of 26 to 6. The little fellows will go to Barium in the near future for return games.

### THE HONOR SOCIETY GROWS

Just look at the honor society members this week, those congregations having paid in full their ten per cent apportionments since last report, and join us in grateful thanks to the congregation and to the pastor in charge:

Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, Rev. E. H. Nease.

Belmont Park, Charlotte, Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald.

Chadwick, Charlotte, Rev. M. G. Ervin.

East End, Gastonia, Rev. E. W. Needham.

Asheboro circuit, Rev. J. O. Cox.

Lincoln circuit, Rev. D. H. Rhinehart.

First church, Lincolnton, Rev. L. D. Thompson.

First church, Forest City, Rev. W. H. Groce.

Abernethy Memorial, Rutherford College, Rev. J. R. Duncan.

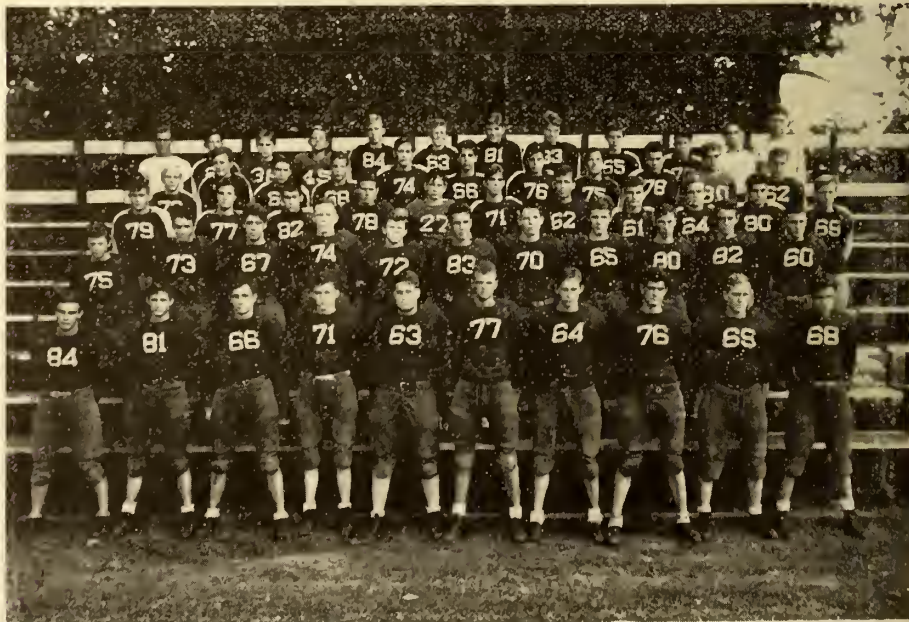
Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, Rev. P. W. Tucker.

Valle Crucis, Watauga circuit, Rev. J. W. Parker.

Union, Wilkesboro circuit, Rev. W. J. Plint.

New Hope, Doubs circuit, Rev. A. C. Kennedy.

Warrensville, Warrensville circuit, Rev. J. G. Wooten, Jr.



Big, strong and reasonably handsome, these boys work hard and call it play



## THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**CLOTHES**—October is here, and our boys and girls are beginning to feel the need of some warmer clothes. Mrs. Mary W. Allred, our head matron, has sent the lists out to those who are sponsoring the clothing of our children. As usual, I know those who are providing the clothes for our boys and girls will send them in as promptly as possible. It would be difficult for me to overstate the value if this beautiful service to our children. I want our friends to know that their efforts and sacrifices are sincerely appreciated.

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**CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION** — Grove Hill church, on the Creedmoor charge, celebrated its one hundredth anniversary on the fifth Sunday in September. A large and representative congregation overran the church on that happy occasion. Rev. J. H. Shore was the guest preacher at the 11 o'clock hour. As usual, Brother Shore delivered a timely and inspiring sermon, which was highly complimented by all present. Brother E. B. Craven, the pastor, and the congregation, had made elaborate preparation for the one hundredth anniversary of the church. The history of the church was read by Miss Marie Jenkins, which was very interesting and illuminating. In the afternoon Rev. S. E. Mercer of Franklinton, Dr. J. A. Morris, and A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage, delivered short messages. A great many prominent and representative members have gone out from Grove Hill church. Rev. J. W. Jenkins, the first superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage, was a member of Grove Hill church, as well as many of his ancestors.

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**GREAT EXPECTATION**—I am confidently expecting all our pastors and churches to leave no stone unturned

in their efforts to raise their entire ten per cent apportionment within the next few weeks. I am not jittery, but very anxious, about the outcome of our Orphanage apportionment. If the pastors and churches would put themselves in my position, with three hundred dependent children on their hands, and with \$10,000 indebtedness, they could better understand and appreciate how I feel about the matter. If the entire Orphanage apportionment were paid in full, it would leave our Orphanage budget around \$25,000 out of balance. With these facts before you, I do not feel that it is necessary for me to endeavor to convince our constituency of our urgent need. The three hundred children in the home have come to us from all sections of the conference, at the urgent request of pastors and churches. When we were asked to take these children it was assumed that their needs would be supplied by the conference; therefore I am expecting every pastor and church to meet their obligations in a big way.

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**FROM WOODROW CARROLL**—I realize that I am about to bring to a close the happiest years of my life at the Methodist Orphanage.

The Methodist Orphanage has been my home for the past 11 years. These have been the shortest years of my life. I feel that I am leaving the best home that anyone could have. At the age of eight I was admitted to the home, along with three brothers, two of whom are still here. I started my first year in school here and have continued to go through the eleventh grade. It did not take me long after coming here to realize that I was very lucky to have such a good home.

First of all I wish to thank Mr. Barnes, who has been so good to me. He has never spoken an unkind word to me, and he has always encouraged me and has given me good advice.

As I leave I shall never forget the workers and children, who have made my life here a pleasant and happy one. The workers have always been patient and kind to me. They have understood me and helped me in many ways. I shall always remember the boys and girls who have been like brothers and sisters to me.

I wish to thank the Sunday school class at Rocky Mount, which has been so kind to me. They have willingly sent me a box of very nice clothes twice each year, and they will always be remembered for their kindness to me.

In leaving this fine home I shall never forget it, and I shall always think of it as a place I am proud to be from.

### LAKE JUNALUSKA

By Grace Noll Crowell

Lake Junaluska, with your cross  
Lifted and burning on yon crest,  
You draw mankind toward the Christ,  
You bid hearts pause awhile and rest  
Beside your shores where water spills  
Like silver radiance from the hills.

For here the Christ is lifted up,  
A thousand throats call out his name;  
The singing voices climb the skies,  
And earnest hearts and lips proclaim  
His Master, Lord—oh, small bright sea,  
You share the Christ of Galilee!

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## FORSYTH COUNTY TRAINING SCHOOL

For the past four years the Forsyth county training school has been held during the last week in September at Centenary church, Winston-Salem. Each year the school has shown steady growth in the number of persons and churches reached. The most significant increase was registered in the school which closed on September 27, when 246 people received credit. The growth of this school is the result of the leadership of the district superintendent, the pastor, assistant pastor, and superintendent at Centenary, the Methodist ministers, superintendents, and numerous interested laymen of the county. A training school for Christian workers is now well established as a necessary phase of the district program each year.

## Catawba County Training School

After a lapse of a decade without an annual training school, the Methodist churches of Catawba county met at First church, Hickory, during the week of September 15-20 to study and to improve the work of their church schools. The district superintendent, pastors, and laymen responded in a fine way and it is hoped that this school will again be established as an annual event for the Methodists of Catawba county. We are indebted to W. A. Rollins and the good people of his church for the use of their fine church school equipment during the week.

## High Point Training School

With approximately 200 people enrolled and in attendance, this school met at High Point College September 15-20. All reports indicate that fine results were obtained. The former Methodist Protestants of High Point and vicinity responded in a fine way, and helped to make this one of the outstanding larger schools of the year.

## HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE

We are grateful to many schools of the conference for their fine support of this church school mission special during the years. On September 22 First church, Charlotte, gave an offering of \$160 for this cause. This amount represents one of the largest single contributions by any church in the conference. The total for the year is also the largest ever for this church. We extend our hearty thanks to Miss Stewart and her fine fellow workers of First church. Many other schools of the conference are also giving liberally to this church school mission special.

According to J. Edgar Hoover, crime now costs us \$15,000,000,000 a year, and crime is largely due to a lack of proper character development in childhood.

## CHURCH SCHOOL DAY

Contributions to this offering are still being received by Mr. Dunham. Many churches that requested free programs have not yet sent in their reports. Those churches that have reported during the past two weeks are as follows:

### Asheville District

Bell (Leicester-Bell) .....2.31

### Gastonia District

St. Peters (Belwood) ..... 2.25

### Marion District

Zion (Morganton Ct.) ..... 2.00

### Salisbury District

Friendship (Mt. Pleasant) ..... 2.10

Mt Pleasant (Mt. Pleasant) ..... 3.20

Love's Grove (Stanfield) ..... 1.00

Oakboro (Stanfield) ..... .50

### Statesville District

Ebenezer (Hudson) ..... 2.00

Centenary (Mooresville Ct.) .... 2.52

### Winston-Salem District

Grace ..... 3.00

## VACATION SCHOOLS

During the last two weeks reports of vacation schools have been coming into the office in gratifying numbers. Listed below are those that have not previously been reported on this page:

### Gastonia District

Main Street, Belmont, Mrs. C. R. McAdams.

Bessemer City, Albert W. Wellons.

First, Cherryville, D. Moody Nifong.

Grace, Kings Mountain, S. W. Johnson.

Bess Chapel, W. L. Harkey.

Denver, J. Max Brandon.

Sharon, J. Leonard Rayle.

Sulphur Springs, J. Leonard Rayle.

Central, Kings Mountain, H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.

Caroleen, H. D. Garmon.

Bessemer (Shelby-Caroleen), H. D. Garmon.

### Greensboro District

Calvary, R. C. Stubins.

Proximity, G. W. Vick.

Madison, R. M. Laughlin.

Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams.

Julian, O. C. Loy.

Tabernacle, O. C. Loy.

Centenary, Helen Bostick.

Draper, Paul R. Rayle.

Leaksville, A. C. Swofford.

### Marion District

Avondale, T. R. Wolfe.

Cliffside, T. R. Wolfe.

Pleasant Grove, Ozelle Moore.

Rutherford College, J. R. Duncan.

Bald Creek, Mrs. Roy Hensley.

Borings Chapel, J. N. Snow.

Martins Chapel, H. H. Cash.

Windom, H. H. Cash.

Ebenezer, R. E. Ward.

## Salisbury District

First St., Albemarle, H. E. Stimson.  
 Betahny Albemarle Ct.), G. L. Wilsinson.

Palestine (Albemarle Ct.), G. L. Wilkin-  
 kinson.

Union Chapel (Albemarle Ct.), G. L. Wilkin-  
 son.

Ann St., Concord, E. O. Peeler.

Harmony, A. A. Lyerly.

Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins.

Bethel (Friendship), Earl A. Cook.

Trinity, Kannapolis, W. A. Kale.

Bethpage, R. W. McCulley.

Shiloh, R. W. McCulley.

Mt. Olivet, Mildred Waddell.

Friendship (Mt.P.-Cold Spgs.), H. L. Creech, Jr.

Mt. Pleasant, H. L. Creech, Jr.

Mt. Zion, Joulain A. Lindsay, Jr.

Cedar Grove, Julian A. Lindsay, Jr.

Randall, Julian A. Lindsay, Jr.

First, Salisbury, Mrs. Fred Henry.

Central, Spencer, Mrs. Jack Cooke.

Central, Albemarle, R. A. Elder.

Long Street, Mrs. R. H. Dennis.

Oakboro (Stanfield), John R. Hamilton.

### Statesville District

Cleveland, Y. D. Poole.

Clarksbury, R. V. Martin.

Harmony, R. V. Martin.

Fairgrove, J. P. Hornbuckle.

Highland, J. P. Hornbuckle.

Mt. Bethel, J. P. Hornbuckle.

New Salem, J. O. Banks.

Cedar Valley (Hudson), J. O. Banks.

Centenary, Mrs. S. C. McLaughlin.

Fern Hill, A. G. Lackey.

Rocky Mount, A. G. Lackey.

Vanderburg, A. G. Lackey.

Wesley's Chapel, A. G. Lackey.

McKendree, A. G. Lackey.

Stony Point, Mrs. W. J. Nesbitt.

Mount Zion, W. S. Smith.

Huntersville, W. S. Smith.

Union Grove, E. A. Bingham.

Concord, W. Q. Grigg.

Catawba, W. Q. Grigg.

First, Lenoir, Mrs. Mark Goforth.

Rhodhiss, G. E. White.

Westview, Hickory, B. M. Crosby.

### Waynesville District

Bryson City, A. L. Rayle.

Clyde, Mrs. R. C. Cannon.

Clark's Chapel, P. L. Green.

Bethel, P. L. Green.

Snow Hill, P. L. Green.

Shady Grove, Mrs. R. Odell Brown.

Andrews, G. N. Dulin.

Andrews (Negro), Vivian Moore.

Culowhee, W. L. Lanier.

Pine Grove, G. L. Lovett.

Murphy, Mrs. W. L. Hutchins.

Bethel (Shooting Creek), Dan H. Dennis.

Marshall's Chapel, Dan H. Dennis.

Echota, C. L. Fisher.

Shoal Creek, C. L. Fisher.

Whittier, C. L. Fisher.

First, Canton, John Wyatt.

Robbinsville, H. L. LaFevers.

Mulberry, J. C. Swaim.

Union, J. C. Swaim.

Patton's Chapel, J. C. Swaim.

Asbury, J. C. Swaim.

Central, Canton, W. R. Kelly.

### Winston-Salem District

Pine Grove, Mrs. B. E. Alspaugh.

Erlanger, J. O. Ervin.

Central, Mt. Airy, Mrs. R. F. Collins.

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## The Chap Fra' Yorkshire

"It's been the happiest day of my life!"

That is what he said on the station platform, a figure in khaki dimly seen in the faint blue light.

"I say," he began, a cup of coffee in one hand and a paper bag in the other, "can I tell you summat? I'll bust if I don't! Everybody here's in a hurry, everybody, but you look as if you've nowt much to do. I mustn't let it get cold."

When a man volunteers the startling information that he has been enjoying the happiest day of his life, what else can one do but listen? In depressing times such as these it is something to find anyone who does not complain; but to come face to face with a man so thrilled with life that he blurts out to a stranger the astonishing news that a really happy day is ending, that man is worth listening to. So I listened.

Together we walked along the dreary platform—draughty and dark, inhabited, it seemed, by ghostly figures and phantom shapes, which appeared hazily out of steam and blackness. With jostling crowds on every side, with the noise of a shunting engine drowning the words shouted into my ear, with the rattle of barrows, the slamming of doors, the sound of raucous voices, there was evidence enough that we were in a noisy, wartime world. Yet heaven was about us, and peace was there.

"Home on leave, I am," declared my sudden acquaintance. "Been out yonder the dickens of a long time—and dreaming every night of Blighty. That's the Yorkshire coast for me, of course—little village up past Scarborough where my father owned a coble till him and my brother was lost at sea. Now there's only the best mother in the world, God bless her. Never been twenty miles from home, she hadn't." He was chuckling. "Slept within sound of the sea all her life, she had. I mustn't let the coffee get cold."

Was he slightly the worse for drink? I satisfied myself he was not. Was it his wedding day? I had a suspicion it might be.

"And what has made you so happy?" I put the question direct.

He laughed, and in spite of the dim light I caught something of the infection of joy shining in his face.

"Happiest day of my life," said he. "Planned it all out yonder in a tumble-down barn with straw for a bed. Doing fatigue, I was. Sudden it comes all ower me. 'By gow, says I, 'I'll give my mother a day in town, I will, a right grand day.'"

"So I telled a few other chaps—and how they laughed. Just stand here a minute, and then I'll introduce you. I must tell somebody. Called me balmy, they did. Said I ought to take my best girl to a panto when I got home on leave. Not me! It's my mother 'as done most for me all along—and so I bethought myself and now I'm home again, I've brought her up here...."

We were standing on the platform of one of the dullest stations in one of

the biggest towns in the north of England.

"At fust she wouldn't hear of it, but I made her put her Sunday overcoat and hat on, and we left home at seven this morn. And we went into Woolworth's and the arcades, and I stood looking in hat shops and shops where they sell things ladies wear—and by gow, it did me good to see her face, and I bought her a new hat and some gloves, and an egg-timer; and we went into a restaurant for lunch, and she didn't half tuck in—I'd put a bit of money by, you see.

"Then, in the afternoon—eh, it were grand—we went to t'pictures, and it were fust time for her, and she were fair mystified. And then we had us tea, and after that we went to a mission hall, and there was a little chap that made us sing hymns, and the tears came down my cheeks. And when he asked who'd stand up for Jesus, I looked at my old mother's face, and it were like an angel's face, only it had lines on it, and I stood up and I says, 'I will!' I says, and I felt my heart sing, and I saw my mother looking up to heaven, and—I mustn't let it get cold...."

I'm afraid the coffee was cold, but I doubt if the little brown lady with whom I shook hands would care. She was old-fashioned and quaint, but her eyes dwelt lovingly upon her soldier son on leave—her boy who had forgotten himself and devoted himself to her—and had found his Saviour on the happiest day of his life!—The Methodist Recorder, London.

### SERVING THE LORD

A Christian cowboy out in the west expressed it this way: "Lots o' folks think that serving the Lord means shouting themselves hoarse, praising his name.

"Now, I'll tell you how I look at that. I'm here working for Jim. If I'd sit around the house telling what a good fellow Jim is, and singing songs to him, and getting up in the night to ser-

enade him, I'd be doing just what a lot of Christians do; but I wouldn't suit Jim, and I'd get fired mighty quick.

"But when I buckle on my straps and hustle among the hills and see that Jim's herd is all right, not suffering for lack of water and feed, or getting off range and being branded by cattle thieves, then I'm proving my love for Jim and serving him as he wants to be served."—The Evangelical Messenger.

### HOME COMING, BETHEL CHURCH, GREENSBORO, OCTOBER 13

Bethel church on Battleground avenue will observe its first home coming celebration on next Sunday, October 13.

Church school will open at 9:45 with T. C. Hoyle, superintendent, presiding.

The 11 o'clock sermon will be delivered by Rev. J. H. Green.

The afternoon service will consist of special music and remarks by former pastors and friends of the church.

All pastors and former members of the church are invited to worship with us and enjoy a good day of fellowship. Dinner will be served on the grounds.

### GOD'S IMAGERY

By A. C. Gibbs

(Written for Rally Day, October 6, 1940, Broad Street Methodist church, Statesville, N. C.)

What we call life is but God's dream—  
His imagery of soul.  
He sends us out in endless stream  
Toward an eternal goal.

In Him alone the real abides;  
The fountain head is He;  
O'er all the realms His care presides,  
On land and air and sea.

God's thoughts are we, in myriad form;  
All play the part He gives;  
And some must stem the raging storm  
To sound a love that lives.

But all in Him are housed complete;  
Each child shall have His rest;  
No son shall suffer last defeat  
Who claims His loving breast.



Bethel Methodist Church, Greensboro, will hold its first Home Coming Day celebration Sunday, October 13



## Sunday School Lesson

OCTOBER 13

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By Rollin H. Walker

### The Boyhood of Jesus

Scripture: Luke 2:40-52

Joseph and Mary took Jesus along with them to the feast. That was the law. They did not consult him as to whether he wanted to go or not, any more than children today ought to be consulted about a reasonable amount of attendance on religious services.

No doubt, however, the boy looked forward with eager anticipation to the journey up to Jerusalem. What boy would not? And how his imagination was stirred by the singing of the pilgrims as they went over the hills up to the famed capital! He would know the psalms of ascent by heart (Psalms 120-134), so that he could join in with his childish voice.

Then there were the great multitudes in Jerusalem, and the fiery speeches of the orators who would seize their opportunity to address the people, just as later our Lord himself did at the Feast of the Passover (Luke 19, 47, 48). All this would fire the spirit of the Boy Jesus. And, of course, also he would be impressed by the great architecture of the Temple, and the stately services.

And this was not just for one day, but for a week. It is important that young people should occasionally have somewhat prolonged seasons of concentration upon the things of God in order that their imaginations may be deeply stirred. This is beautifully accomplished in our young people's institutes where by the end of the week great ideals and purposes take shape in their minds, and like the men of old, they see visions (The Acts 2:17).

It is extremely important that there should be a picturesque element in our religion. That was true of the religion of ancient Israel, but it is not so true of some of our churches. Biblical pageants and moving pictures should form a greater part of our religious instruction. Protestant worship is too bare.

Without doubt the Passover experience was a spiritual crisis to Jesus. Some people seem to think that religious crises are needed only in the lives of men who have been down in the gutter and are suddenly rescued by the power of God. But the perfectly normal life of Jesus was characterized by great crises such as the baptism and the transfiguration, and this experience at the Passover Feast was one of the first.

Jesus became so interested in the great story of the deliverance of Israel from Egypt, which the Passover celebrated, and all that it suggested about God and his dealings with men, that he forgot everything else, and like other boys it never occurred to him that his parents might be worrying.

Was it normal for Jesus to be so absorbed in asking questions of the doctors when he was only twelve years of age? Is it not better to say, Would it have been normal if he had not been interested?

But many an American boy has not had a fair opportunity to be normal. His chief Sabbath nourishment has been the "funnies" of the Sunday newspaper. He knows far more about Micky Mouse than about Moses, because his father and mother have been too busy to give him any religious instruction.

What conditions tend to lead a child to have a normal interest in religion at twelve years of age? First of all, instruction by parents who are keenly aware of what is essential and what is non-essential in religion. That requires thinking on the part of parents.

Again, father and mother ought to be able to tell the Bible stories with a thrill and glow. The time will come when it will be deemed as much an essential part of the preparation for motherhood to be able to tell religious stories in a way to delight a child, as it is to learn from the doctor the proper way to feed him.

Then to be eagerly interested in religion, the child must notice that father and mother are getting great joy from communion with God, and in the work and service of the church; and that they are all the time in a mood of expectancy like a little child the night before Christmas.

We note that Jesus called God his Father. That was not the ordinary name for God among the Hebrews. They used it now and then, but it was not customary to speak of God as the Father. One wonders whether the kindness of Joseph to the little lad did not make him feel that father was the best name for the God of heaven and of earth.

We are told that his parents did not understand Jesus' saying, "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's house?" We talk about children not understanding their parents, but quite as frequently the parents do not understand the children. Mary did a wise thing: she pondered all these sayings in her heart. Mary had the good fortune not to be a society woman, too busy with engagements to find time to ponder over the mysteries of the development of her Son.

Perhaps Joseph and Mary appeared just at the right time. Jesus may have begun to discern with a child's unerring instinct that some of these profound looking theologians were stuffed with straw and hence he was willing to go down with Mary and Joseph who loved him so tenderly, and who really knew God, and doubtless he was glad to get back among the shavings of the carpenter shop, where he could carry out a boy's bent for making things.—Christian Advocate.

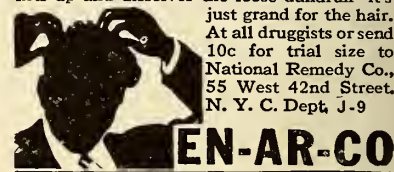
Aunt Hetty: "Sakes alive! I don't believe no woman could ever have been so fat."

Uncle Hiram: "What y' readin' now, Hetty?"

Aunt Hetty: "Why, this paper tells about an English woman that lost two thousand pounds."—Ex.

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# Children's



# Storyland

## CHIPS

"Hello, boy!"

"Hello, man!" the answer came back as quick as a flash.

"Stop a minute, will you?"

The boy stopped and turned about, grinning.

Mr. Arthur Milman, artist, had strolled beyond the village limits, looking for the picturesque to fill his sketch book.

Catching sight of a boy swinging an empty basket, it looked as if he'd found something to fill the bill, or, rather, a page of the book. The boy's face was keen, but full of a jolly good nature.

"What's your name, my son?"

"Chips!" The words came with a twinkle.

"Humph!" Mr. Milman muttered, "bright youngster." Then aloud: "Why do they call you 'Chips'?"

"Folks call me that 'count of my business," and Chips swung his basket proudly.

"Oh, I see! Well, Chips, if you want to earn a quarter easily, you stand still a little while just as you are, and let me make a picture of you."

Chips grinned again in delighted appreciation, and the artist sketched away.

Chips was really a noted character—he was a monopolist. The men who owned the large woodyard let him have all the kindlings. They were willing to do it without cost, in view of the fact that he was the mainstay of his mother, who was too feeble to work. But Chips was no beggar; he meant to do business on business methods. Therefore, he paid a small price for the kindlings, and sold them out by the basketful at houses in the village.

Everybody liked Chips; he was so industrious, so kind to his mother, so ready to give and take a joke. He had a gay word for every housewife or servant maid; he grabbed off his cap and said, "Thank you!" with rough politeness every time he was paid for the kindlings.

It may be thought strange that other boys did not poach on Chips' preserves. Indeed, it was tried once or twice, and he pounced on the offender in a fashion not to be desired. After that the manager of the woodyard, wishing to give the boy the best chance, and not being devoid of humor himself, posted the following notice:

"The owners of this yard have sold the right to deal in kindlings to Richard Holmes, otherwise known as 'Chips.' Any one trespassing on this will be handed over to the police.

So Chips was really a monopolist, though he didn't know it until Mr. Milman, the artist, said so, after Chips had explained his occupation.

Mr. Milman took a great liking to the boy.

"Chips," he said one day "I'm going back to the city pretty soon, and all

## THE RUNAWAYS

Said Peter once to Sister Prue,

"I've a splendid notion:

Let's run away, both me and you,

And cross the land and ocean!

We'll steal out by the garden gate,

Provided they don't lock it.

I've eighteen pence, at any rate,

And biscuits in my pocket!"

Alas, for all these plans so fine!

At half past eight they started;

But they were back by half past nine,

Most weary and down-hearted,

For Prue fell down and hurt her head

And Peter tore his stocking.

"We'd better go by day," they said;

"These roads at night are shocking!"

—Selected.

winter long I'm going to paint pictures. There are several things I'd like to put such a boy as you in. How would you like to go with me? You could learn to take care of my rooms, and then pose for me when I needed you. I'd give—let's see—" Mr. Milman thought a minute, and then named a sum that made Chips' eyes fairly dance.

"Think it over, and ask your mother."

Chips' face fell at the word "mother."

Chips marched off frowning hard. That night he lay awake—an unheard of proceeding. One thing he resolved, "I'll not trouble mother with it till I've settled it myself." It was not the first time he had shielded her from anxiety. Toward morning he went off to sleep.

When he awoke, and had plunged his tousled head in cold water, everything cleared up. He knew!

It was like him to go straight to Mr. Milman.

"Well?" the artist asked.

"I've thought it over, sir. I'd like to go mighty well, but mother couldn't spare me. Yes, sir. I know it's big money to what I get now; it's just this a-way: You wants me three months, say. Then I comes bak, an' some other boy has my place, 'cause they can't have the kindlin' litterin' round. An' maybe I wouldn't like to sell kindlin' after I'd been a city feller. An' the woodyard man has promised me a place 's quick's I'm big enough; so it's slow an' sure. But it's mother mostly. She'd feel it every minute. Thank you, sir, but I've decided."

There were pretty nearly tears in the honest eyes. Mr. Milman grasped the boy's hand; he never wanted so much to paint as at that moment.

"I'm proud of you," was what he said, "and when I come back next summer we'll make up for what we can't do this winter, eh?"

As the boy turned away, the artist thought to himself, "Chips has a good head and a good heart."—Morning Star.

## THE PUPPY

By Mattie C. H. Dunnick

We were on our way to Saint Mary's church when we met a small brown, woolly puppy. He gazed wistfully at each passerby but no one noticed him; he seemed to be a lost puppy.

Now, I have always had a great love for dogs, especially puppies, so I just naturally gave that tiny fellow a friendly little pat.

That settled it. He was beside himself with joy and trotted along happily until we reached the church door where I chased him off.

In the midst of the service the priest held up his hand and said, "Will one of the ushers quietly remove the little dog?"

There he was, coming up the aisle, sniffing at each pew as he came. He had not reached my seat before the usher met him. He turned and fled, but not to leave. Oh, no, he had no such intention. He was in the other aisle before the usher reached the door.

Thinking the puppy had left the building the usher sat down. The service was resumed.

In a few minutes people on that side of the church began to smile. There was that puppy wagging his tail industriously as he scanned the faces along the way.

Well, he passed from one seat to the next until he reached the front, just as the incense holders were being waved about.

That was too much. He jumped about, barking excitedly. Again the service was interrupted while the ushers, two this time, tried to put him out. Up one aisle, across the front and down the other aisle they went, but to no avail.

Finally, the kindly old priest said, "We will ignore the mischievous puppy and conclude the service."

Finding all quiet again, the puppy continued his search for his lost friend. As he crossed the front this time he sat down near the priest, cocking his head from side to side as though he was trying to puzzle things out.

Then he spied the tassles on the priest's gown; just the nicest things to play with; so he made a grab for them, but the priest also made a grab and caught the puppy in his arms; spoke a few gentle words as he pulled his woolly ears. The ushers came forward. Again the puppy made his escape and scampered away down the aisle. In doing so he passed my seat, recognized me and hid under my chair where he rested quietly until the service was over.

I tried to lose the puppy in the crowd, but he had adopted me and evidently meant to stick to me for life.

At this writing he is my constant companion, except when I go to St. Mary's.—Our Dumb Animals.



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#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Chapel Hill, 7:30 .....10  
Graham, 7:30 .....11  
Alamance Ct., Bethel, 11 .....12  
Mt. Hermon Ct., Mt. Hermon, 2 .....12  
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 .....13  
Burlington Ct., Mt. Vernon, 3 .....13  
Davis Street, 7:30 .....17  
Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 .....20  
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 3 .....20  
Orange Ct., Eiland, 7:30 .....20  
Cedar Grove, Carr, 11 .....24  
Eno, 7:30 .....24

### ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Pasquotank, Union, 11 and 2 .....11  
Gatesville, Zion, 11 and 2 .....12  
Columbia, 11 .....13  
Creswell, 3 .....13  
Roper, Pleasant Grove night .....13  
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 2 .....19  
Plymouth, 11 .....20  
Aulander, Lewiston, 3 .....20  
Edenton, night .....20  
First Church, Elizabeth City, night .....23  
South Mills, Trinity, 11 and 2 .....26  
Rath, Asbury, 11 .....27  
Washington, night .....27

### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, O.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Ellerbe, 11 .....13  
Glendon, Fair Promise, 3 .....13  
Goldston, 7 .....13  
Person Street, 7 .....16  
Rockingham Ct., E. Rockingham, 11 .....20  
Gibson, St. John, 3 .....20  
Parkton, 7 .....23  
Bliscoe, 11 .....27  
Mt. Gilead Ct., Little River, 3 .....27  
Mt. Gilead, 7 .....27  
Hamlet, 7 .....28  
Maxton, 7 .....29  
Hay Street, 7 .....30  
Jonesboro, 7 .....31  
November  
West End, 11 .....3  
Troy Ct., 3 .....3  
Troy, 7 .....3

### NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Griffon, 11 .....13  
Grimesland, Salem, 7:30 .....13  
Hookerton, 7:30 .....18  
Mt. Olive Ct., Smith's, 11 .....19  
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 .....20  
Vanceboro, 7:30 .....20  
Newport, Riverdam, 11 .....22  
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 .....23  
Aurora, Warren's, 11 .....24  
Pamlico, Alliance, 11 .....27  
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 .....27  
New Bern, Centenary, 11 .....30  
November  
Seven Springs, Indian Springs, 11 .....3  
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 .....3

### RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 .....13  
Erwin, Erwin, 3 .....13  
Princeton, Princeton, 7:30 .....13  
Lammers, Manners, 7:30 .....16  
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 .....18  
Dunn, Divine Street, 11 .....20  
Lillington, Lillington, 3 .....20  
Garner, Garner, 7:30 .....20  
Tar River, Plank Chapel, 7:30 .....21  
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 .....23  
Four Oaks, Sanders, 7:30 .....25  
Jenkins Memorial, preaching, 11 .....27  
Louisburg Ct., Piney Grove, 3 .....27  
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30 .....27  
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 7:30 .....28  
Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30 .....30  
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 .....31

### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Rocky Mount, First Church, Dedication .....12  
Bethel, 7:30 .....13  
Marvin, 7:30 .....17  
Middleburg, 11 .....20  
Warren, 3 .....20  
Norlina, 7:30 .....20  
Robersonville, Stokes (to be announced) .....20  
Spring Hope, 7:30 .....21  
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 .....22  
Whitakers, 7:30 .....23  
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 .....26  
Elm City, 11 .....27  
Stantonsburg, 3 .....27  
Kenly, 7:30 .....27  
November  
Bonneke Rapids, 11 .....3  
Rosemary, 7:30 .....3

### WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Faison-Kenansville, 11 .....11  
Falmont, Trinity, 11 .....13  
St. Pauls, Regans, 3 .....13  
Lumberton, night .....13  
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11 .....20  
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3 .....20  
Maysville, Belgrade, night .....20  
Southport, night .....23  
Bladen (place to be announced), 11 .....24  
Garland (place to be announced), night .....24  
Roseboro, Halls, 11 .....25  
Clinton, night .....25  
Rowland, Purvis, 11 .....27  
Pembroke (Indian work), First Church, 3 .....27  
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night .....27  
November  
Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11 .....3  
Wesley Memorial, 3 .....3  
Whiteville, night .....3  
Wilmington, Trinity, night .....4

## Western North Carolina Conference

### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, O.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Hot Springs, Antioch, 11 .....13  
Marshall, Marshall, night .....13  
Final meeting at Central church, Asheville, at 7:30  
p. m. Friday, October 18. Annual conference reports to  
be handled in.

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Myers Park, 7:30 .....14

### GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 605 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
King's Mountain, Central, 11 .....13  
Mayfo-Smyre, Smyre, 11 .....20

### GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 S. Main Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Haw River, Midway, 7:30 .....10  
Haw River, Sat. ....12  
Pleasant Garden, 8 .....12  
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 11 .....13  
Bethel-Battleground, Bethel, 3 .....13  
Gibsonville, 7:30 .....13

Grace, 6:30 .....14  
Draper, 7:30 .....16

### HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1009 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

(Subject to necessary changes)

October  
Calvary, 7:30 .....10  
Shiloh, Friendship (all day) .....12  
Main Street, 7:30 .....13  
Randolph-Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, 2:45 .....13  
Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 .....13  
Oak View, 7:30 .....14  
Randelman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 7:30 .....15  
Randelman-Union, St. Paul, 7:30 .....16  
Main Street, 7:30 .....17

### MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Elk Park, 11 .....13  
Bakersville, 3 .....13  
Marion, First, 7:30 .....13  
Cliffside, 11 .....20  
Forest City, 7:30 .....20  
Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stew-  
ards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church.  
Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed  
to the district superintendent at this meeting.

### SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Padin, 11 .....13  
Mt. Pleasant, Friendship, 3 .....13  
Meeting of pastors and chairmen of boards of stew-  
ards will meet at First church, Salisbury, October 17,  
7:30. Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be  
turned in at this meeting.

### STATESVILLE DISTRICT

John Hoyle, Jr., O.S., Statesville, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Hickory, Bethel, 11 .....12  
Hudson, Colliers, 3 .....13  
Hickory, Westview, night .....13

### WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, O.S., Waynesville, N. C.

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Bethel, Bethel, 7:30 .....10  
Clyde, 7:30 .....11  
Dellwood (dedication), 11 .....13  
Hazelwood, 7:30 .....13  
Andrews, 7:30 .....15  
Murphy, 7:30 .....16  
Murphy Ct., 7:30 .....17  
Bryson City: Final District meeting .....18  
Morning Star (dedication), 11 .....20  
Waynesville, 7:30 .....20

### WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-

#### FOURTH ROUND

October  
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 .....10  
Thomasville, First, 7:30 .....11  
Thomasville Ct., Fair Grove, 11 .....13  
Forsyth-Maple Springs, Maple Springs, 3 .....13  
Louisville, Union, 7:30 .....13  
Winston-Salem, Central Terrace, 7:30 .....14  
Thomasville, Main Street, 7:30 .....15  
Mt. Airy, Central, 7:30 .....16  
Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30 .....17  
Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 7:30 .....18  
Fourth Check-up Meeting, Centenary, Church, Winston-  
Salem, 3 .....20

## JUST FOR FUN

A drill sergeant was drilling the re-  
cruit squad in the use of the rifle. All  
went smoothly until blank cartridges  
were distributed. The recruits were in-  
structed to load their pieces and stand  
at "ready," and then the sergeant gave  
the command:

"Fire at will!"

Private Lunn was puzzled. He low-  
ered his gun.

"Which one is Will?" he asked.—Ex.

\* \* \* \*

"Are you going any farther west?"

"I planned to," said the foreign vis-  
itor. "Is there any danger from In-  
dians?"

"Not if you keep out of the way of  
motor cars."—Ex.

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Father: "Yes, my boy, I'm a self-  
made man."

Son: "My, pop, that's what I like  
about you. You always take the blame  
for everything."



IN MEMORIAM

**BENSON**—On July 21, 1940, at her home in Lake Comfort, Hyde county, Mrs. Mollie Benson, 82, wife of the late T. R. Benson, passed away, leaving those whom she loved to join those whom she loved "long since and lost awhile."

Descending from a long and noble family line she had her roots deep in the past. She loved old things, she cherished old friendships, and clung tenaciously to what had been in her life, and years of service continued to add a rich retrospect. While she loved the past, she did not live in the past; her face was always forward, her glance was always upward, with an unflinching faith in the divine goodness of God.

One needed but to come into the presence of this good woman to feel the power of will that shone in her eye and was accented in her speech. She was a woman of deep conviction, and whenever any moral issue was at stake one did not have to inquire as to her attitude, but knew instinctively that the side which made for human welfare was where she stood.

There was something that radiated from Mrs. Benson's personality which was felt by everyone who came near her. She made people better and happier without knowing it; she radiated sunshine, joy, entertainment and a delightful atmosphere through an entire home. She was a mother whose charm of manner and sunny disposition were the life and joy of her family.

Throughout these years with all their toil and anxiety she met each day with a spirit undaunted and with a face that remained serene as far as her children ever saw. She did not allow the weight of trials to taint the sweetness of her spirit or to dim her faith in God.

Hers was truly an understanding heart and her service to her family and many friends will long remain as an inspiring memory.

Surviving are several grandchildren, three daughters, Mrs. Henry Boomer and Mrs. Bill Boomer of Swanquarter, and Miss Hattie Benson of the home, who was her mother's faithful companion. Her oldest daughter, Mrs. Watson, died last spring.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. R. Grant, a former pastor, and burial was in Soule cemetery.

Friend.

**HENDERSON**—Mrs. Catherine Jane Henderson, wife of the late Rev. Isaac N. Henderson, was born January 16, 1853, at Hubert, N. C. Early in life at the age of 16 she made a profession of faith and joined Queen's Creek Methodist church. She loved her church and her Bible was worn with constant use. Her devotion to her Master was manifested in her Christian service, however small it was, until she was called to her heavenly home July 1, 1940.

This old church has a home coming every year. For the last few years she has been recognized as its oldest member. They were always happy days for her.

Mrs. Henderson's long span of life was spirit filled. She possessed a personality that radiated to all in her presence. With a sense of humor and an active mind at the age of 87, her life was ever lived for others in a most beautiful way. She lived a simple, humble life devoted to her home and the rearing of a fine family. She ever instilled the highest and noblest ideals in her children, who rise up to call her blessed. She was the mother of six children who are: R. W. Hen-

derson, Maysville; J. Leroy Henderson, Hubert; I. N. Henderson, Wallace; Mrs. E. J. Conway, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. L. B. Farnell, Jacksonville, N. C., and Mrs. E. S. Barbour, Hubert.

After the cares of the day had been fulfilled and stillness prevailed, God in his infinite mercy lifted her from pain and suffering and called her to come up higher to a mansion not built with hands, eternal in the heavens. The church welcomed her, and the angels sang, and the Father spoke: "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Lillian Finch.

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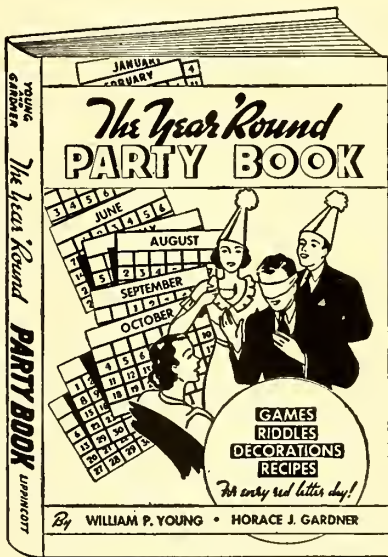
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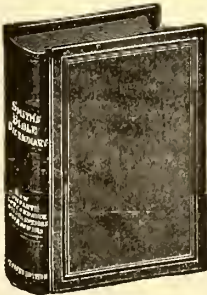
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## In Memoriam

**GREER**—E. A. Greer, 22, died in the explosion in the Hercules Powder Plant at Kenville, N. J., September 12, 1940. His body was brought to Andrews for burial. Funeral was conducted in the Methodist church on Sunday afternoon by the pastor and Rev. E. F. Baker and burial was in Andrews cemetery. He is survived by his father and mother, four sisters and two brothers. "E. A." had been gone from Andrews slightly over five months, had received four promotions on his job, and gathered to himself many friends. He had many friends in and about Andrews. His special interest was the poor. His life suggests, "Inasmuch as ye have done it to one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me." Unannounced he made glad the hearts of poor and needy men, women and children. A fine, clean, upright gentleman was "E. A." He was a member of the Methodist church.

G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

### IN MEMORIAM

Our Father in his divine wisdom having removed our friend, Mrs. Lettie Pope Hudson, and feeling that her home going has brought sorrow to our people and left a vacancy that cannot be filled.

She had been ill for more than a year, but never did one of her friends see her when she seemed impatient. She had a cheerful smile for all who visited her, and a conversation with her encouraged and increased the faith of those who went to encourage her.

We, the members of the woman's missionary society of the Black's Chapel Methodist church, hereby express our thanks to God for her life and commend her loved ones to the faithful care of One who doeth all things well.

That a copy of this memorial be placed on our minutes, a copy be sent to her family and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. June Royals.

Mrs. Donald McIntyre.

**PHILLIPS**—Mrs. Julia Reno Phillips was born February 6, 1862, in Buncombe county, N. C., and died August 13, 1940. She was married to Benson P. Phillips February 7, 1884. Three children were born to this union, two of whom survive—Mrs. Robert Russell and Mrs. Narvel J. Crawford. Five splendid grandchildren also survive—Phillips, Betty Lee, Frank, Jean Russell and Narvel J. Crawford, Jr.

After a married life of nearly 50 years Mr. Phillips died September 16, 1933. Mrs. Phillips lived with her daughters in Asheville after his passing until their reunion in the heavenly world. Funeral services were conducted by a former pastor, F. O. Dryman, assisted by Rev. G. Carlton Cox, pastor of the Merrimon Avenue Baptist church, from the Liberty Methodist church in Haywood county—the church of her childhood.

Mrs. Phillips joined the Liberty Methodist church when 11 years old. Later she moved her membership to the Harmony Grove Methodist church on the same charge. Here she remained a faithful member until her death. Thus she had been a member of the church militant for nearly 68 years. Mrs. Phillips was the youngest child of Rev. and Mrs. Henry Reno, pioneer itinerants in this section of North Carolina. The Reno camp ground in Hay-

wood county bears his name. Mr. Phillips was a son of another Methodist preacher, Rev. Bynum R. Phillips. Mrs. Phillips was a lover of her church, a loyal supporter of her pastor and a devout follower of her Lord. She was a good wife and a wise, understanding mother.

"Beautiful life is that whose span  
Is spent in duty to God and man;  
Beautiful calm when the course is run,  
Beautiful twilight at the set of the sun,  
Beautiful death with a life well done."

Fred O. Dryman.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

According to the will of our heavenly Father, he saw fit to call from our midst on the first day of September, 1940, our beloved friend and brother, Roy R. Sisk.

We, the members of the board of stewards of Central Methodist church, Shelby, N. C., lift our hearts in praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for the privilege we have had of working with and mingling with this noble character for these many years. His Christ-like life has been an inspiration and benediction to each of us, and to all those who had the privilege of knowing him. Central church shall always cherish his memory, and shall miss his faithful attendance at all church services. We join with Dr. E. K. McLarty in his declaration and tribute at the funeral, "Roy Sisk was a concrete example of church loyalty."

Therefore be it resolved: That we express to his sisters and brother and to all who were near and dear to him our deepest sympathy, and pray God may comfort and sustain them; that God may give us the strength of character that we may emulate this noble life; that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, the N. C. Christian Advocate, and that a copy be retained for the church files.

John R. McClurd,  
Thad C. Ford.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Brother John B. Collier, son of the late William Henry and Rebecca Collier, and long one of the most valuable and influential members and workers in our church and charge, died at his residence in Garysburg, N. C., September 18, 1940, following an extended illness;

And whereas, until ill health forced his retirement from active work in our church and community, Brother Collier was one of our most faithful and effective members, having well served our church as member, chairman of its board of stewards and superintendent of our Sunday school, and on many other of its committees;

And whereas, our church and charge desire in recognition of the faithful and valuable life and services of Brother Collier to record its loss and sorrow in the passing of this faithful servant of the church and his Lord; therefore be it resolved by the fourth quarterly conference of the Methodist church, in regular session held in Shiloh church, Garysburg charge, September 22, 1940:

First, That we appreciate the long and faithful services to this church and charge rendered by Brother Collier and record our great loss and sorrow in his long illness and death.

Second, That we extend to the family our deepest sympathy in their great loss and bereavement.

Third, That these resolutions be copied in full upon the minutes of this conference and copies thereof supplied the family and the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

L. C. Larkin, D. S.  
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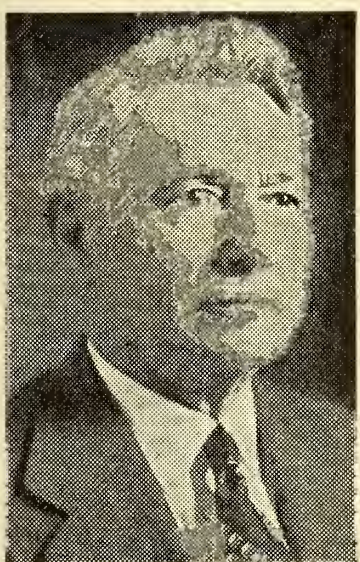
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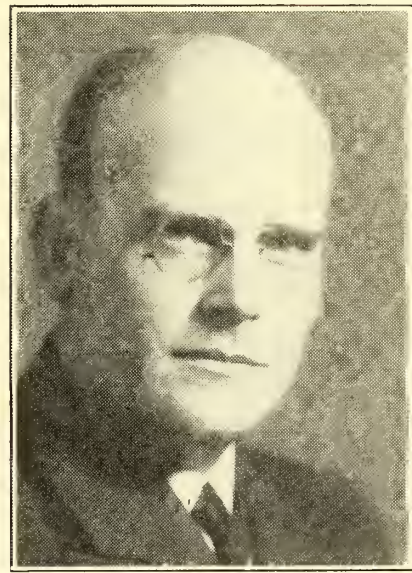
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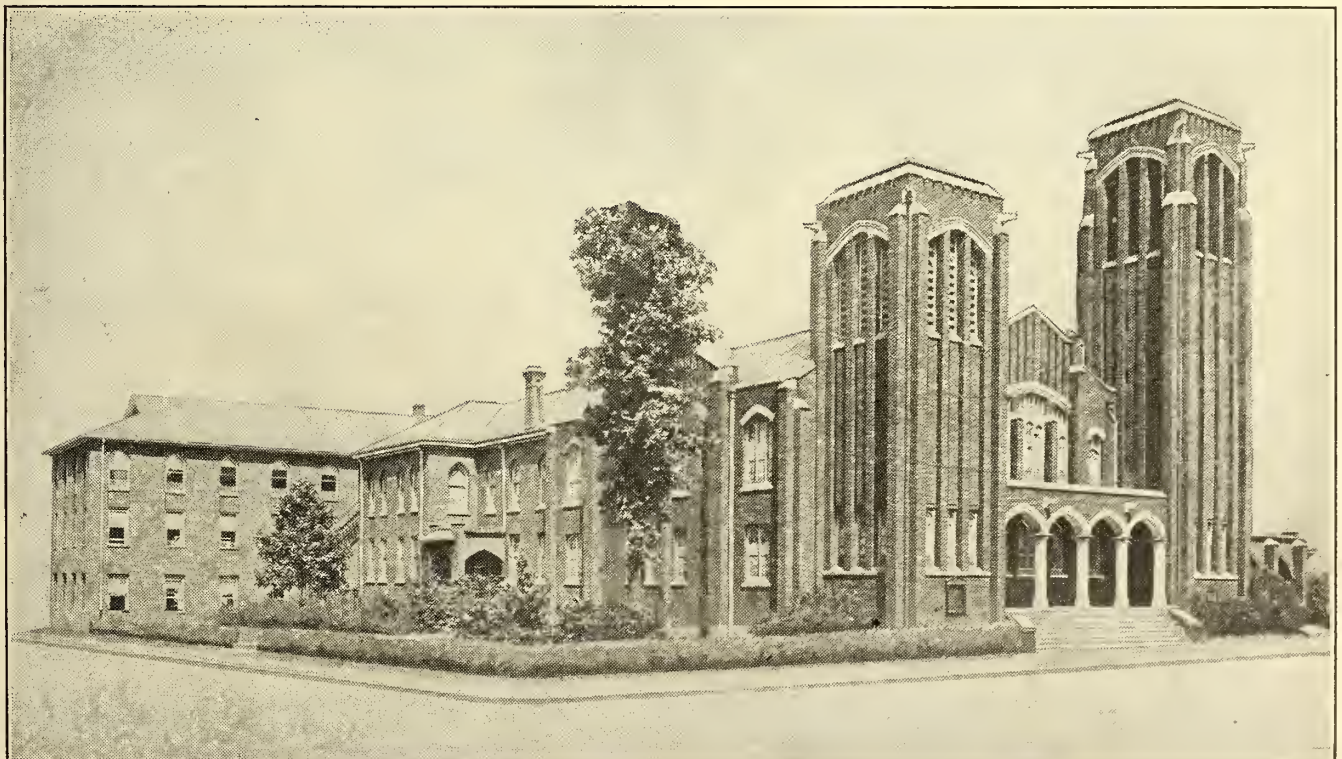
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View of the Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, High Point, where the Western North Carolina Conference will convene on Tuesday morning, October 22



## Repeal—By Whom?

By James H. Bunch

Before the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States became effective January 16, 1920, a group of millionaires, international bankers, automobile manufacturers, Wall Street bankers, and oil magnates organized the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment for the purpose in the main of securing repeal. In order to function more effectively and to appeal to the different classes of people in the United States, the above named money kings formed the United Repeal Council composed of five organizations, namely, the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, generally known as AAPA, the Voluntary Committee of Lawyers, the Crusaders, the Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform, and the American Hotel Association. These subsidiary organizations were initiated by the AAPA. Fifteen of the twenty-eight directors of one of the largest automobile manufacturing corporations of the United States were members of the AAPA. The Voluntary Committee of Lawyers was composed of big corporation lawyers controlled soul and body by these lords of wealth. The Crusaders were in the main composed of the sons of the millionaires above mentioned. The Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform was composed mostly of the wives of these millionaires. The American Hotel Association was, of course, composed of owners and operators of the big hotels of the United States so as to secure a stream of liquor of Niagara proportions flowing through the hotels.

The United States Senate Lobby Investigation Committee in 1930 seized the secret files of the AAPA and it was found that the AAPA had only about 10,000 dues paying members and that out of \$425,000 received in dues and donations in one year, eight millionaire contributors had given 47 per cent of the total amount, twenty millionaires contributed 64 per cent of the total and fifty-three millionaires had furnished 75 per cent of the total. In other words, this the greatest "wet" organization in the history of the world was run by millionaires who amounted to about .000000004 per cent of the total population of the United States. It was furthermore revealed by the Senate Lobby Investigating Committee from these secret files that the millionaires backing the AAPA represented corporations having a total worth of forty billions of dollars. These millionaires with some others owned and controlled the automobile, oil, munitions and steel industries, transportation and communication systems, and the banking business of the United States.

Why did they spend millions of dollars for repeal? Why did these money kings and captains of industry conduct the most intensive and most highly financed campaign from 1920 to 1933 to secure repeal?—(To be continued)).

## CHURCHES TO VOTE ON MERGER

On Wednesday, October 9, 1940, the quarterly conference of both the Liberty Street and First Methodist churches in Winston-Salem unanimously approved merger resolutions and on Sunday morning, October 20, both congregations will vote on the question. Before the union of the three denominations at Kansas City the Liberty Street church was the First Methodist Episcopal church and the First Methodist was the First Methodist Protes-

tant church. If these two churches merge the property of the First Methodist will be used as the house of worship for the new organization. J. E. Pritchard,  
Pastor First Methodist.

## Shall It Be War Again?

By R. B. Eleaser

A serious word with you, reader: Are you willing to have the United States go to war again in Europe's quarrel? If not, now is the time to say so in emphatic terms. We are much nearer war today than when we re-elected Wilson in 1916 "because he kept us out"; yet five months later he put us in.

The same thing can happen again. There is every reason to believe it will, unless the millions who favor peace bestir themselves at once, and vigorously!

The militarists, the politicians and the munitions makers are in full cry. The propagandists are busy telling us what they want us to know and concealing the rest. All the specious slogans that beguiled us in 1917 are out in force. The government is doing everything possible "short of war." Every day it edges closer to the brink and takes desperate chances of going over.

Meantime, looking back to 1917, we see that the great "war to end war and to save democracy" produced only a crop of new dictatorships and sowed the dragons' teeth harvest of hate that Europe is reaping today. Our own well-meant sacrifice of blood and treasure, we realize too late, was poured out in vain.

In the light of that experience—so costly, yet so futile—do you think we should try it again? Are you willing again to have the battle fields of Europe baptized with the blood of American boys?

## THE NEW MAIN STREET CHURCH, HIGH POINT, CORNERSTONE LAID NEXT SUNDAY

Two months ago we let the contract for our new church at Main Street. Mr. J. O. Connor and Son are the builders. The church is now about ready for the roof. We had hoped that we might get started on this church in time to have it completed for the conference, but we did not. We are looking forward to October 20, when Bishop Purcell will be with us to officiate at the laying of the cornerstone. This service will begin at 3 o'clock. We are expecting to have with us on this occasion Dr. Blackard and his congregation at Wesley Memorial, who have helped us greatly in the realization of our dream, as well as other friends throughout this section.

We are going to have a beautiful church. The cost will exceed what we had first contemplated, but as the building begins to take shape we are all well pleased. The cost will be about \$40,000 or a little above.

We have an excellent congregation at Main Street. Our people have undertaken this task with great earnestness and the future seems to be one of great promise for the church.  
N. C. Williams, Pastor.

## GREENSBORO DISTRICT NOTICE

The Greensboro district meeting for pastors and charge lay leaders, or chairmen of boards of stewards, will be held at West Market Street church at 3 p. m. October 20. Reports are to be handed in checked for the records of the annual conference.  
L. B. Hayes.



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Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of the Methodist Church writes: "Let me say...that never in 37 years when the third term principle as such has been discussed have I heard any man favor it, unless he was definitely influenced by some current conditions that tied him with ardor either to a person or party."

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This gasoline age seems to have removed "army mules" and cavalry horses from the picture in the present war. Motorized instruments of war, therefore, have saved horses and mules from the sufferings that they endured in all previous wars. This is one thing for which we can be thankful.

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To be a slave when one might be a king, to walk low roads when one might tread the high, to crawl when one might just as well take wings, to take the slime when one might have the sky; to mingle with those whose lives are cheap when with the sons of God one might commune, love the shallow rather than the deep, to choose discord rather than the tune; to dwell in swamps when one might brave the height, to have a hovel for the heart and miss the golden dome where it might dwell in light—is there a greater tragedy than this?—Clarence Edwin Flynn.

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Jesus said to the men gathered about him in Palestine, "The world is the field." For us Methodists of our two North Carolina conferences the same general declaration holds; but our specific field to which we should give ourselves with high devotion is the "Old North State." Our church paper, our church schools and kindred institutions and the local churches in town and country must get the best we have. These are our fields and our agencies to spread scriptural holiness. The call comes to the last man of us to hear the call of Jesus: Follow me, learn of me, go with me, and win with me.

Few of us ordinary mortals can hope to be so much like Jesus as is Stanley Jones. Could the ministers of our two conferences go out from High Point and Wilmington, each one a Stanley Jones in his devotion to Jesus, the waste places would rejoice and the city centers would be filled with singing. Were each of us to follow Jesus and learn of him so as to give and to go somewhat as does this modern apostle of three continents marvelous conquests would follow.

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While outwardly it appears as though Christianity in Germany is being crushed, the fact seems to be in the opposite direction. The German paper, *Die Furche* (Berlin) recently carried an article on the astonishing increase of Bible reading and the keeping of the "morning watch." It says that the demand for Bibles among the German Protestants has increased from 50 to 70 per cent per annum since 1934. A corresponding increase is evident in the demand for commentaries of the Scriptures. Their editions are ten times larger than they were ten years ago. A similar movement is noted among the Catholics in Germany.—Religious Digest.

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Adolph Hitler a little while ago told the world how he with speed would cross the English Channel, destroy London, capture England, smash the British Empire, take over Britain's navy and thereby be able to hold dominion over the whole earth. But Britain's navy still carries the Union Jack over every ocean of earth and the record of invaders' failure to cross the Channel remains as it has been for almost a thousand years. The figures show that less than 40,000 of the English have died in this futile attempt of Hitler to make good his boast. It is deplorable that even this number should die at the hands of such a notorious assassin as Adolph Hitler, but it is pretty good evidence that this assassin is a long way from the object of his dreams.



## Western North Carolina Conference at High Point

**A**T 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, October 22, the second session of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church will assemble in Wesley Memorial church, High Point. The first session of this conference was held one year ago in Greensboro. That was really a uniting session of Methodist conferences in North Carolina. The Blue Ridge conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met in separate session as did the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, also the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Then following these separate sessions the entire body assembled and organized the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church. And now this conference will gather next week in High Point.

It has been the practice for Methodist conferences in North Carolina to meet Wednesday or Thursday and continue through the following Sunday. But on account of the size of this conference and a consequent desire to shorten the time of its assemblage and also in order that the pastors need not be out of their pulpits on Sunday this new plan has been adopted. This time of meeting will probably become permanent.

With the single exception of the Virginia conference, this is the largest conference in the Southeastern Jurisdiction, and there are very few conferences with a larger membership in the entire Methodist Church. This conference has 518 clerical members and approximately 490 lay members. The membership of more than a thousand does not include the official and unofficial visitors who will attend the High Point Conference. It goes, therefore, without saying that the Methodists next week will fill the furniture city full of good people and possibly some are not so good. From the first a Methodist conference has been of more general interest than are most church gatherings. The work of review for the year and the assignments of the pastors to their fields of labor have ever been of very general interest to the preachers and the churches.

The people of High Point have been busy for weeks making ready for this big assembly of the followers of Wesley, and all members of the conference who live more than twenty miles of High Point will be entertained in the homes of the people. All who live within a circle of twenty miles from the seat of the confer-

ence will drive back and forth from their homes. This is not a new plan, as it was practiced last year at the Greensboro conference.

## Our Resources Are Sufficient

**W**E never watch a sluggish ball club gradually losing the game but that we see in our mind's eye individuals and groups in the game of life without just cause going down in defeat. A group of boys may know enough about the game and be fully capable of putting the ball across the goal line, but want of determination, alertness and output of needed energy sends them down to inglorious defeat.

We are not here dealing with a hypothetical case on the gridiron but drawing attention to dozen and dozen of cases that will occur all over North Carolina these next few weeks that will end thus as the pastors come up to conference to report. The slothfulness of inert men and women, leaders who take counsel of their fears, will end in failures. They will insist that success was out of the question. Of course, failure follows so long as such a situation exists. It is for men of God, by the help of God, to win in the face of impossibilities by their changing the situation. Why is it some men always fail? Why do some men always succeed, no matter where they go? The trouble usually is in ourselves and not in our stars.

This Advocate begins early in the year to urge the value of a good start and then all the weeks through we do what we can to encourage the workers until the final weeks of the year, when we more and more stress the need of diligence in business as men try to serve the Lord, all the while hoping that all may come up to conference with songs and gladness for this happy day.

## Those on Relief

**M**R. ROGER BABSON, candidate of the Prohibition party for President, is quoted as saying that, of families in America not on relief, four out of five have no members of the family who drink, and of families on relief, four out of five have members of the family who do drink.

Such is the curse of strong drink. What should one think of the judgment of a man, to say nothing of his conscience, who advocates liquor stores and other places for the sale of alcoholic liquors for the tax money that he gets from the sale of liquor? Such a man is wrong in the head as well as in his heart.



## Fine Days to Hustle

**T**HOSE of poetical temperament can revel these fine autumn days in all that's overhead and round about them. The gorgeous colors in the wide expanse of forest and field and sky change with each passing day. The tonic of the autumn air gives spring to the step and elasticity in the eager moments of life. We Methodists have no little to constrain us to unusual activity these gorgeous hours as we near the close of the year. Hustle should be a characteristic of all who care to win. To close well this present year makes for the success of the coming year. The alert—preachers and laymen—careful to bring the present year to a glorious close will make possible finer conquests in all the urgent months ahead. Alas! alas! for those who loiter to the close hoping for more propitious hours to greet them beyond this present horizon! Such opportunities never come to the slothful who loiter and wait and wish

To keep the proper attitude towards the world and to cherish a cheerful disposition makes for physical and mental health. For all such persons there remains the expectation of victory in the end. Those of the opposite temperament suffer the depression that comes with failure to enterprise new ventures and to plan for additional conquests. All such must move on leaden feet, the victims of depression and all health of body and mind. These count work a curse as they bewail their own hard lot and sorrowful fate.

These fine autumn hours in this blessed land free from the death and damnation resting upon much of our world should send us Methodists forth in these closing days of another year to labor and toil as never before. A heavy responsibility rests upon us to follow the Christ with a devotion superior to all we have ever known. Then will come the joy of the finished task and the glad preparation for a bigger and better work. Let us hustle.

Most of the Methodists who come together at High Point and at Wilmington for the annual review cherishing deep disgust over their hard lot might do well to test out themselves by standards of Jesus as indicated in the foregoing suggestions. The divine urgency, the rigorous discipline, the sense of brotherhood and the cross-bearing with many have been absent. Too many are not willing to pay the price that comes with setting one's face steadfastly to go to Jerusalem, steadily moving into the deepening shadows of the cross. They

will not follow him all that way required of those able to display the print of the nails in their hands and the anguish of the cross on their brows.

## An Eminent Preacher and Church Leader

**B**ISHOP ERNEST L. WALDORF of the Chicago Area will be guest preacher at the Western North Carolina conference next week in High Point. He will preach at 3 o'clock each afternoon during conference and deliver the ordination sermon Thursday evening when the deacons and elders are ordained, which is one of the high hours of the conference sessions.

All who heard him in that memorable address last winter in Winston-Salem will be eager to hear him again. His sermons make a special appeal to men because of his manner of approach to the practical, every day affairs of life. An enthusiastic football fan with four of his sons coaches, one of these Lynn Waldorf of Northwestern, Bishop Waldorf will be at home in North Carolina during the gridiron season.

He was elected bishop in 1920 and his episcopal services have been mainly in the middle west, where he is remarkably popular as preacher and bishop. We think that Bishop Purcell has done well to secure his services for the approaching High Point conference.

## The New Discipline

**T**HE new Discipline of the new Methodist Church is now ready for sale to all who desire it. We were about to say it is a ponderous volume. But that sounds too big and weighty. Yet it numbers 920 pages and is for sale at the low figure of 75 cents. Many Methodists will buy the book. We think it should be in every Methodist household as a book of reference if not for prolonged study. It would require a long time for one to master the contents.

In some sections, we are told, schools have been organized for the study of the discipline. This is not a bad idea.

A Hebrew shepherd heard this song within his soul, "The Lord is my shepherd," and poured forth the beauty of that song in the Hebrew tongue. But the Hebrew language could not contain it. It has sung itself into every tongue and every time. And weary pilgrims worn with the tiresome journey have shouted songs of triumph.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**W. N. C. Conference, High Point (Tuesday), 9 a. m. . . Oct. 22**  
**N. C. Conference, Fifth Ave., Wilmington, 10 a. m. . . . Nov. 7**

Rev. and Mrs. James W. Fowler, Jr., announce the birth of a son, James Wiley Fowler, III, Sunday, October 12, Reidsville, N. C.

A new brick parsonage is going up for the new preacher who comes to Rural Hall after conference. Water and lights are included in the contract.—W. Reid Harris, Pastor.

Robert Eugene Burgess, weight 7 pounds and 12 ounces, came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Burgess, New York City, on October 10, 1940. Mrs. Burgess is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Hunt of Walnut Cove, N. C.

A change in the date and meeting place of the Council of Bishops is announced by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, secretary to the Council. The plan now is to meet at the Hotel Dennis, Atlantic City, N. J., Tuesday, December 3.

Did you enroll? When the recent canvass was made did you subscribe for your splendid church paper, the N. C. Christian Advocate? No official in our church today can possibly lead as he might and should do without the informing, inspiring aid this paper supplies every week. Enroll today.—Bulletin of Central Church, Mooresville.

Italian, Polish, Russian, Austrain, Spanish and American children, all enrolled in the Broadway Church of All Nations, Baltimore, Md., recently sent their daily vacation Bible school offering of \$2.98 for relief of war sufferers in Europe. Miss Dorothy Cassell was the director of the school, in which 174 youngsters were enrolled, and Rev. John S. German is pastor of the church.

Fairmont Methodist church, Raleigh, observed College Day September 29. A great throng of State and Meredith students attended. Students participated in the service as choir members, ushers, collectors; they distributed the hymnals and bulletins and read the Scripture lesson. Rev. H. M. McLamb, pastor, preached an appropriate sermon on "The Investment of Life." Names of about 210 students were announced as associate members of Fairmont church for the college year. New names of associate members will be announced on Sundays as secured. We invite you to become an associate member.—The Methodist Student.

We have had a great year in our new church at Oak View and in our evangelistic work. We have held 16 revivals during the year. We have preached around 350 times and have seen more than 600 blessed at the altar of prayer. The altar is still a good place to get blessed. One church was organized, many believers were edified and many church members pledged to tithe. The best of all is, "God is with us." I have enjoyed working with my beloved brethren in the ministry who have a passion for souls. We have over 200 in Sunday school at Oak View, which is only four years old. We have been on the air each Sunday 9 to 9:30 for nearly five years. We love souls, We love God. Praise be his name.—J. W. Groce.

It was my pleasant privilege to preach for Rev. H. R. Ashmore twice the first Sunday in October—Candor at 11 o'clock and Star at 5 p. m. These are beautiful churches, well equipped and well furnished throughout. Brother Ashmore has done splendid work on the Biscoe charge in freeing the charge of debt and having two churches, Candor and Star, dedicated this fall, besides doing fine work in every way. I think Brother Ashmore is one of our finest young men and with that "model" preacher's wife of his they are doing splendid work. I enjoyed my stay in that elegant parsonage home, where I received every attention from wife and daughter that could be asked.—A. J. Groves.

Grace Sloan Overton is to be at Grace church from October 27 through November 1. It would gratify me if you will publish this notice so that the pastors who are near Wilmington will be able to announce the engagement to their people and bring some of them to hear Mrs. Overton. We are looking forward with great joy to her coming. She will speak three times per day in Wilmington, two of which engagements will be at the church—10:30 a. m. and 8 p. m. —J. F. Herbert.

I would like to contact any persons interested in attending the National Rural Forum to be held at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., November 6-9, in order to arrange a trip. On November 6 at 3 p. m. the Methodist Rural Fellowship will have a discussion program on the subject, "An Adequate Ministry for an Adequate Church." At night Rev. Ralph Williamson, president of the Fellowship, and Dr. Mark A. Dawber will speak. The Christian Rural Fellowship is responsible for the opening day's program of the forum on the 7th with discussions of the church and rural life by Henry C. Taylor, John H. Reisner, Mark Rich, Thomas Alfred Tripp and others. All the programs of the forum will be of vital interest.—Garland Stafford, E. Concord St., Morganton, N. C.

Sunday, November 10, marks the beginning of World Fellowship Week, when members of Young Women's Christian Associations in 53 countries will unite in prayer for their fellow members throughout the world. In this, the 46th year in which associations have held daily services of prayer for one week to strengthen fellowship the world around, special prayers will be offered in the United States for the many associations which have "gone into the silence," associations in conquered lands with which the World's Council of the Y. W. C. A. has no direct communication, such as Norway, Denmark, Poland, Roumania, Belgium, The Netherlands, Czechoslovakia and associations in belligerent countries. The Y. W. C. A. in the United States is the only large association in the world which is carrying on a normal program of activities this year. As association buildings in China have been bombed the Y. W. C. A. has moved farther and farther into the interior as the Chinese people have withdrawn into the western area. Seven association buildings have been bombed and abandoned and seven we centers have been established, perhaps more by this time.



MR. R. T. AMOS

Prominent High Point churchman and chairman of the Conference Entertainment Committee





DR. PAUL N. GARBER

Professor of Church History, Duke University, and a pre-conference speaker at Wesley Memorial Church, Sunday night at 7:30

Alcohol is a traitor within itself and it is the deadly poison used by the traitor. It is used by one nation to destroy another nation. It is used by the brewer and the distiller and the political crook and corruptionist to destroy individuals who constitute a nation. France says she was drunk at the fatal time she staggered and fell. That is the reason given by France as to why she lost. The council of ministers at Vichy approved a decree establishing prohibition throughout France to end what is called a "disastrous era of alcoholism among French soldiers."—R. L. Godwin.

The Davidson County Methodist Young People's Union held their annual retreat at Sunny Acres on October 12-13. Work for the coming year was planned and the policy drawn up. Rev. M. T. Hipps, director of young people's work in the W. N. C. conference, met with the group and conducted the morning worship. Miss Jean Steelman, director of young people's work in the Winston-Salem district, was also present. Davidson county young people who spent the week-end there were: Misses Sybil and Doris Bryant, Trinity; Mary Barber, Reeds; Mary Louise Lumsden and Lena Jenkins, Erlanger; Marion, Laura and Ralph Shaw, Midway; Odelene Byerly and Frances Wright, Pinewoods; Hilda Swicegood, Tyro; Brownie Beck, Herbert Blair, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Leach, Fairgrove.—L. G. Shaw.

As the conference year closes in the Gibsonville Methodist church we find that we have made progress spiritually and financially. In the church school the work has gone along smoothly; membership gained and leadership strengthened. A young people's department was organized August 8 with the Brick Methodist church as its meeting place—64 on roll. Ernest Blosser is the superintendent of the young folks; Miss Gertrude leader. The woman's work is fully organized under the new name Woman's Society of Christian Service (50 charter members). Mrs. L. A. Wharton is president; Mrs. F. R. Owen, Mrs. D. M. Davidson and Mrs. C. A. Walker are circle leaders. At the fourth quarterly conference, which was held Sunday evening, October 13, the chairman of the board of stewards, D. M. Davidson, reported to the district superintendent, Rev. L. B. Hayes, that all church obligations were riased in full two weeks before conference. The general superintendent of the church school, T. E. Stough, gave his annual report, and recommended to the quarterly conference that plans for building an educational building should be in the minds of the people for the coming year. J. W. Burke, chairman of the finance board, gave a report and moved that the pastor's salary be raised, which was accepted by the board. An every member canvass has been practically completed by members of the board and we are looking forward to the new year's work.—Gibsonville Reporter.

## MISS JANET ORMOND MARRIED TO DR. T. N. LIDE IN DURHAM

For the wedding in the chapel of Duke University of Miss Janet Ormond and Dr. Thomas Norwood Lide of Washington, D. C., a large number of relatives and friends gathered at 4:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, October 12. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Jesse Marvin Ormond of the faculty of the Duke University School of Religion, father of the bride, assisted by Rev. H. C. Smith, pastor Duke Memorial Methodist church.

Preceding the ceremony, Miss Alma Cade, organist, played a musical program. "O, Perfect Love" was sung by a quartet composed of Miss Margaret Smith, Miss Tempe Newsom, W. M. Upchurch, Jr., and C. S. Hooper, who also sang "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" by Lutkin, following the benediction. Traditional marches were used.

The bridegroom had as his best man his uncle, E. Gladstone Acker of Martinsville, Va.

Groomsmen were Dr. James McGuire of Grundy, Va., Dr. Atticus James Gill of Duke Hospital, Dr. Hugh A. Carithers, Jr., of New York City, Rev. Wannamaker Hardin of Winston-Salem, brother-in-law of the bride, Dr. Pat I. Nixon of Washington, D. C., and William F. Franck, Jr., of Durham.

Bridesmaids were Miss Elizabeth Eskridge Ormond, sister of the bride, and Miss Louise Henry Acker of Martinsville, Va., cousin of the bridegroom.

Escorted by her brother, Rev. John Kerr Ormond, by whom she was given in marriage, the bride wore a wedding gown of white satin with deep yoke of Alencon lace which was laid into the top of the long pointed sleeves.

Mrs. Lide, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jesse Marvin Ormond of Duke University, is a graduate of Duke University, where she was a member of the Kappa Delta sorority. Since her graduation she has been connected with the Alumni department of Duke University.

Dr. Lide, son of Mrs. Thomas Norwood Lide of Anderson, S. C., and the late Mr. Lide, received his B.S. degree from Clemson College, and his M.D. degree from Duke University, where he was a member of Phi Chi honorary medical fraternity. He served internship in Germantown and Pennsylvania hospital in Philadelphia, and is now a member of the staff of Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D. C. He is a first lieutenant in the medical corps of the U. S. Army. He and Mrs. Lide will be at home at 7700 Blair Road, Washington, D. C., following a wedding trip.

## GREENSBORO COLLEGE NOTES

The Greensboro College school of music presented its first recital of the year on Wednesday, October 9, at 4:30 in Odell auditorium. Taking part on the program were Miss Frances Kelly, Mt. Holly; Miss Margaret Humphrey, Burgaw; Miss Mary Katherine Snyder, Greensboro; Miss Margaret Wrenn Koontz, Greensboro; Miss Mary Lee Oliphant, Mooresville; Miss Mary Noble Angel, Winston-Salem; and Miss Celeste Horne, Birmingham, Ala.

On Friday night, October 11, the class in acting sponsored by the Greensboro College Players presented two one-act plays in Odell auditorium under the direction of Miss Charlotte Searles, assistant in the department of speech and dramatic art. The first, "Happy Returns" by Essex Dane, was a delightful comedy based on the celebration of Mrs. Hattie Holiday's "twenty-ninth" birthday and provoked many laughs from the audience. The second play, "Will-o-the-Wisp" by Doris F. Halman, held the spectators spell-bound from beginning to end with its mysterious story.

A large crowd heard Rev. Kenneth Goodson, assistant pastor at West Market Street church, when he spoke at the regular vesper service at the college on Sunday evening at the student activities building. Rev. Mr. Goodson pointed out three things in which he said "I believe," that there is a God, that the human personality exists, and that manliness is an essential trait in a Christian.

On Tuesday, October 8, at the regular chapel hour Dr. Gobel, president of the college, spoke to the group on the ways in which Greensboro College has grown throughout the years. Particularly interesting to the girls were the changes in rules and regulations.

## PRE-CONFERENCE SUNDAY AT WESLEY MEMORIAL CHURCH

Bishop Clare Purcell will preach at Wesley Memorial church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. At 7:30 p. m. Dr. Paul N. Garber of Duke University will bring the message on the subject, "Our Church." The Sunday of conference in past years has always been a great day. Wesley Memorial is seeking to make the Sunday before conference this year stand out in the religious life of its people.



### "VOTE AS YOU PRAY"

The request for amendment to the rule requiring all charges to pay same percentage (9 per cent) on all salary to district superintendents, and for a change that shall give relief to small charges paying less than \$2,000 to pastor, and make a small increase of per cent on charges paying over \$2,000, many hope will have respectful consideration at High Point conference, and will in a brotherly spirit be unanimously adopted.

Some years ago a committee was appointed by our conference to find a plan whereby some salary adjustment could be made that would give relief to many weak rural charges and some urban churches, whose support was so small as to embarrass their pastor and themselves. That committee disappeared—somewhere.

This suggested amendment, printed in the Advocate two weeks ago, is a modest effort to meet an urgent need. We all know that.

The amendment asks respectfully for a vote by all pastors—maybe, laymen, too, should vote. This vote will test the brotherhood spirit in our conference. Let us vote as we pray, and as we preach. Let self be laid on the altar.

An humble preacher on a small charge says, "I am for it; but how are you going to put it across—with high salaried men voting against it?" Answer: Many high salaried men have a brotherhood spirit and will vote for adjustment. District superintendents who feel for their struggling men on weak charges will support this measure.

If the bishop will note the high salaried men who vote against it, and move them to the lower salary levels, they will vote warmly for it next year—too late! ("Laughter, and loud applause!") This is a test vote.

"God defend the right." "Let brotherly love continue."

Olin P. Ader.

### FINE PROGRESS AT RUTHERFORD COLLEGE

Under the leadership of our pastor, Rev. J. R. Duncan, Abernethy Memorial church, Rutherford College, has had a good year. Among the signs of progress are these: Our young people's group, so our district superintendent tells us, is one of the largest and most enthusiastic in the district, some 65 to 75 being on the roll, with a very fine attendance at every meeting. Marvin Lowder, Jr., president for the past year, has just retired to enter Brevard College for the year, and for his successor, the young people chose Miss Margaret Langford as president. She will continue to lead them in a very fine way. We are hoping at some future date to build a nice hut so that the social activities of our people, both old and young, may be centered about our church.

A very fine brand new parsonage is under construction, and will be completed at no far distant date. It has seven rooms, including a study, is conveniently arranged, harmonizes in architectural beauty with our church, has a basement large enough to hold about everything a pastor needs, including two cars, and plenty of closet and storage space, even for barrels of sermons. When completed, we believe it will be one of the best and most convenient in the conference.

Our pastor held his own meeting here this year, even in the midst of building the parsonage. It was well attended, much good was done spiritually, and five boys and young men came into the church as a result. The Sunday school, the department of social service among our very fine and loyal women, the board of stewards, and even the choir seem to be working harmoniously and loyally for the good of our church and the Master's cause.

Finances are in good shape, and by the last Sunday before conference we shall be ready to send our pastor up to conference with "everything paid up in full." In addition, good contributions were made to Golden Cross and European Relief. The district superintendent has been threatened

with "something terrible" should he fail to return our pastor, but he has already proved to us that he knows a good thing when he sees it, and we feel in safe hands. Locally and "districtally" we do not feel that we would want better leadership, and as we go into the new year, we shall go in expectation of accomplishing even greater things for the Master's cause.

Jas. H. Burrus.

### NEWS FROM CENTENARY, WINSTON-SALEM

As annual conference draws near in Western North Carolina, Centenary Methodist church in Winston-Salem, of which Dr. G. Ray Jordan is minister, is prepared to make the following report on certain phases of this year's activities and accomplishments:

A total of 212 new members have been received into the fellowship of the church family, of which number 97 have united by vows and 115 by the transfer of church letter; 1907 persons have been enrolled in the program of Christian education, of which number 88 have completed the required work of credit in training conferences.

During the year \$7,700 has been raised for benevolences, which sum will probably again lead the Methodist churches of the South; \$9,200 has been aided for missions. The Children's Home offering was \$1,200 plus \$700 which has been raised through fifth Sunday offerings in the church school. Golden Cross Sunday was observed, at which time \$730 was given for this worthy cause. On church school day an offering of \$236.38 was received and sent to the Board of Christian Education of the W. N. C. Conference.

Every effort has been made to observe the complete program of the Methodist Church in this one unit of our great system.

E. Wannamaker Hardin,  
Assistant Minister.

### NOTES FROM LOUISBURG COLLEGE

On Thursday, October 10, the dramatic club of Louisburg College held its initial meeting for the purpose of electing officers. The following were elected: Robert Bartholomew, Goldsboro, president; Mary West, Dover, vice president; Sam Tuten, Aurora, secretary; Joseph Newsom, Littleton, business manager.

The following have been elected officers of the Y. W. C. A. Louisburg College: Doris Rhodes, Fayetteville, president; Rachel Fox, Roxboro, vice president; Irene Vaughan, Rich Square, secretary; Mary West, Dover, treasurer.

The International Relations Club of Louisburg College, affiliated with Rockefeller Foundation for promotion of peace, elected its officers for the year. Robert Bartholomew, Goldsboro, president; Sam Tuten, Aurora, vice president; Catherine Gills, Raleigh, secretary-treasurer.

The Gamma Upsilon chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at Louisburg College held its pledge service for new members Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the faculty parlor. Following the service, President Walter Patten spoke briefly. He commended the pledges on their recent attainment and made suggestions for attainment of still higher goals. Dr. Thomas C. Amick, sponsor for the chapter, welcomed the new members.

Refreshments were served to President and Mrs. Walter Patten, Mrs. T. C. Amick, Dean George Oliver, and Dean Lula May Stipe, honorary members; Dr. T. C. Amick, sponsor; Catherine Gissis, president; May Davis, vice president; Stanley Patten, treasurer; Mildred Carter, recording secretary; Ruby Gray Massenburg, corresponding secretary; Doris Rhodes, Ralph Roe and Mary West, pledges.

### A BIRTH NOTICE OF INTEREST TO FORMER STUDENTS OF WOMAN'S COLLEGE

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Eugene L. Smith at the Methodist hospital in Brooklyn, New York, a daughter, Lu Ann, on October 3.

The above name you will not recognize, but before marriage my name was Idalene Gullledge and I worked with the Methodist students at Woman's College. My husband is minister at the Wesley Methodist church in Roselle, New Jersey. We are very happy in our work there.

With all good wishes for you and your work, I am,  
Sincerely, Idalene Gullledge Smith.

### A SPLENDID PHILANTHROPY

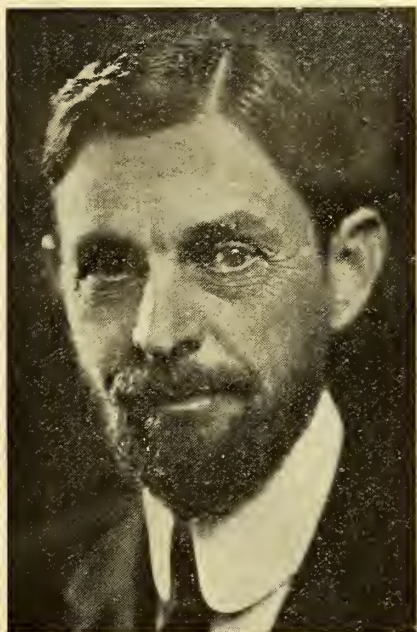
The Charlotte Observer in last Monday morning's issue said editorially:

"That is a fine and generous philanthropy on the part of Mr. J. A. Jones and his son, Mr. Edwin L. Jones, in making it financially possible, by reason of their gift of \$25,000 for their church, that of the Dilworth Methodist, to have a new \$75,000 educational building at its command. The Jones family has long been among the more liberal supporters not only of their church and other causes of the Methodist denomination, but of charities in their own community of Charlotte of a more varied nature."



## PRESIDENT FEW PASSES

President W. P. Few, 72, died at Duke Hospital at 7 a. m. October 16, following a heart attack a week ago, is the message received as we go to press. He became president of Trinity College in 1910. Since the founding of Duke



President William Preston Few  
1867—1940

University he has guided the marvelous development there to the day of his death.

An excellent scholar and teacher, a great college and university president, and a devout churchman and loyal friend has passed from us. Few men were more devoted to his family and more fully committed to the quiet and unpretentious rounds of life than was this good man and esteemed gentleman.

## TRIBUTE TO MR. CHARLES T. WEATHERLY

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant." We are sure these words have come to our dear Mr. Charles T. Weatherly, who suddenly left us on October 10, 1940. Seventy-one years he spent of kindness, consideration and loyalty to his home, his church and his community, and especially to the Children's Home in Winston-Salem. His home has been adequately described by Edgar A. Guest in "The house by the side of the road." As he was truly a friend to man.

He was devoted to his church and served as Sunday school superintendent, steward and church trustee for 47 years.

We would not think of asking a little person to do a big task. When we want the greatest thing done, we go to the greatest person we know. So God selected this great soul for this special task.

His beautiful Christian character will remain with our memories to urge us to greater things for our Master. A rich heritage has been left his family and friends, and should challenge the best in them to continue to hold up

the torch he carried that others may see where he tried to lead. Never did his trumpet sound any false notes, never were any false fires kindled on his altars, and there can be no doubt when suddenly the messenger came Mr. Weatherly was found ready. To all of us there should be no grief or sorrow. His great hope is fulfilled and he beckons to us that glorious hope of immortality. His presence and influence will be greatly missed, but our loss is his gain. We pray that his Christ-like spirit may ever abide with us and to all who loved him, inspiring us to nobler things.

Mrs. John Kirkman.

## THE CHINESE WAY IN MEDICINE

Chinese Medicine has been inadequately understood in the past. The scientific medicine of Europe and America had its roots, almost exclusively, in Greek medicine; and the Western physicians who journeyed to China before the present century often approached that country with an unfortunate attitude of disdain in regard to matters cultural. Chinese officials and citizens, on their side, displayed fully as much contempt for the foreigner. The result was that mutual inquiry and understanding scarcely got under way, in the field of medicine, prior to the establishment of the Chinese Republic in 1911-12.

Today, however, with the widespread use of Ephedrine, and the growing knowledge of other remedies commonly used in China, there has developed an increasing interest in the materials, the methods, and the history of Chinese Medicine. Nothing could be more timely, therefore, than that the Johns Hopkins Press should issue a study that presents the underlying philosophy of Chinese Medicine, pictures some of its eminent physicians, and outlines some of its distinctive contributions. The material for this book comprises the three Hideyo Noguchi lectures on The Chinese Way in Medicine, that were delivered in 1938 at the Institute of the History of Medicine of the Johns Hopkins University by Dr. Edward H. Hume, on the invitation of Prof. Henry E. Sigerist, the director of the Institute.

The study is based on the author's personal inquiries and observations in China over a period of twenty-five years, and on his wide reading in the original Chinese texts. It would not have been enough to search through Chinese medical monographs only; for the story of Chinese Medicine is written in the annals of every province and county in the land; is learned by conversation with peasant and scholar and priest; and is often most effectively told in sculpture and painting or in the poetry of tribute panels in the temples.

## FATAL ACCIDENT TO FRANKLIN TUTTLE OF CHARLOTTE

The information has just reached this office that Franklin, the six-year-old son of Rev. and Mrs. M. Q. Tuttle of Charlotte was accidentally killed by an automobile September 27. The accident occurred in front of the parsonage of Brevard Street Methodist church, of which Brother Tuttle is pastor.

With great sorrow we learn of this deplorable occurrence and extend to the stricken parents our deepest sympathy. May the sustaining grace of a kind heavenly Father be their solace in these trying days.

## WHITTLINGS

By Dr. R. L. Akers

When pork goes up people use the squeal.

Usually there is too much "rat" in ratification.

War wages are high but not as high as the wages of sin. Sometimes an ounce of preparedness saves tons of re-pairedness.

It is easy for a man to love his enemy when he is his own enemy.

It seems that when the ice wagon goes on a vacation the coal wagon begins to work overtime.

Why is it that when the tongue is hitting on all eight the brain is usually in neutral?

The chimes of Normandy are sweet but to most of us the chimes of normalcy are sweeter.

The eagle is our national bird, but from this year's census reports America had better swap the eagle for a stork.

We surely do improve. Once people committed suicide by blowing out the gas, now they just "step on it."



## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT TO THE METHODISTS OF ENGLAND

I want to send a message of the deepest sympathy, in the name of the Methodist people, to the ministers, officers and congregations of all the numerous churches and halls that have been destroyed or damaged recently by air raids, and to assure them of the utmost support from the whole of the connection. It is one of the most distressing facts in this brutal war that so many of our sanctuaries have been wantonly destroyed, along with the homes of hundreds of our poorest folk. How long, O Lord, how long!

I trust that in every place our religious work will be carried on with as little disturbance and displacement as possible. In many places temporary premises will have to be used, and all sorts of makeshift arrangements will have to be employed. I hope that in every case where it is necessary such a procedure will be adopted. There must be no cessation of the work that we do in the cause of God.

I may add on this point that, so far, only two or three of my own engagements have been cancelled by the places concerned; and those, oddly enough, in comparatively safe regions, while places which are really exposed, like Brighton and Hastings and Worthing, have bravely carried on. In these towns there have been very creditable congregations, and, I think I may say, a season of real encouragement and blessing. It makes havoc of my own arrangements when one place in a series drops out, and I am left to waste a day far from home—a day that would have been gladly accepted by some other place if we had known in time, for I had to refuse two invitations for every one that I was able to accept.

There is more in this, however, than any matter of personal inconvenience, or even any loss of opportunity. I feel very strongly that religious people ought to carry on in spite of all the adverse conditions that obtain at the moment. That is a vital necessity. It may be necessary, of course, to change the hours of service, and to make other adjustments. But the services of the church should be regularly and fearlessly maintained. There has been an air raid alarm during or immediately before, every service and meeting I have conducted this month, to say nothing of one or more alarms on every journey that I have taken. I have told the people in the services that they could go to a shelter or to the basement if they wished, but for my own part I proposed to carry on as if nothing untoward was happening. I am glad to say that this has evidently been approved by the congregations, and I believe that not a single person has gone out.

I am quite sure that this is what we ought to do. The worship of God and the preaching of his word is more important than anything else we do, and we carry on with all sorts of other activities. Men go to business every day, in spite of the risks they run; women go out shopping; multitudes of people are found in the picture houses and in the public houses. Can we not run the same sort of risk to serve God and to honor him? As I said the other day to the Birmingham ministers, if I am to be killed by a bomb I would rather be killed worshipping God and preaching his word than doing anything else in the world. Many of the words of Scripture and many of the words of our hymns take on a new meaning in days like these.

Let every preacher say, as he goes to preach—

“Happy, if with my latest breath



REV. J. CLAY MADISON  
Pastor of First Methodist Church  
High Point

I might but gasp His name;  
Preach Him to all, and cry in death,  
Behold, behold the Lamb!”

The other night in London—the night of the worst air raid there has been yet—I had to walk about seven miles, in the small hours, in order to reach a point whence I could travel to my next day's appointment. Almost every instant of that two hours I heard deafening gunfire, and exploding bombs, and the crash of collapsing buildings, and the clatter of shattered glass falling to the pavements. I cannot say that I felt afraid, though I did once take shelter in an entry when I heard the whoo-o-osh! of a falling bomb a good deal nearer than was comfortable. But I knew that I was fulfilling my allotted task, and that I had made the Most High my habitation, and I found myself singing, under my breath, so as not to alarm an occasional A.R.P. warden!—

“Let mountains from their seat be hurled  
Down to the deep, and buried there,  
Convulsions shake the solid world,  
Our faith shall never yield to fear!”

If our religion is worth anything, it ought to enable us to hold to our faith, and to do our work in danger as well as in safety, and in war as well as in peace. Let us make up our minds that at any risk we are going to maintain the worship of God and do the work of God.—Henry Bett, in Methodist Recorder.

## VICTORY CONFERENCE ON THE FAISON- KENANSVILLE CHARGE

For the sixth year in succession the churches of the Faison-Kenansville charge met together last Friday, October 11, for their “Victory Conference.” Six years ago the habit was formed—the habit of calling the fourth quarterly conference to meet one month before the meeting of the annual conference, at which time the churches complete the payments of all the budgets. The day was fine last Friday and representatives came from every church and every one reported a victory, and in some cases the budgets were overpaid. The district superintendent, Mr. Cade, was at his best in the pulpit at the 11 o'clock hour, the fellowship about the picnic table in the yard will long be remembered, and the spirit of the conference which followed was such as rejoices the heart of the pastor. It was truly a “victory conference.”

The pastor is finishing four happy years with these loyal people who know so well how to win victories in the work of the Master. There are greater victories yet ahead for them.  
A. L. Thompson, Pastor.



## THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon

Our 76 fine children who are here for the winter are healthy and happy. Their needs are just as great per child as if we had our full quota of 120. They must be cared for, and the bills made through the year for the care of these and also for those who have gone out from us must be settled by or about November 1, because on that date we go under an entirely different plan for financing the homes.

Our unpaid bills as of October 1 amounted to about \$4,000, but we have a bit of money out which we hope to be able to apply on that, and if we can do that it will cut our current obligations down to about \$1500.

We are now running through October at the cheapest rate we can to take proper care of our children, and the October bills must be met; but we are hoping that the income for this month will take care of the expenses and a bit more.

Any money sent us between now and November 1 by former Methodist Protestants, or by any other kind of Methodists, or by anybody else who would like to help a worthy cause, will be applied on this year's current expenses before asking the other two children's homes to help us one whit.

We are still hoping that our good friends who have been so good to us for the last 12 years will be real liberal toward the work here just this once more. And if they will we are still hoping to be able to work out a scheme by which we will not have to call upon the other homes for any money. So mote it be. If we fail in that we shall be very greatly disappointed; but we must have some of the finest co-operation we have ever had to enable us to do it.

If your church or Sunday school has not already sent us an offering for October, don't you dare come to conference without either sending or bringing us a good offering from each church on your charge. Let's make it unanimous for one time. We are depending upon you. Will you do it? Well, all right, if you will then I'll never write another article like this as long as I live. Is it worth it to call me off? Try it then.

### Produce

We sent out over 2000 empty glass jars in the spring and summer. We know that all of them are coming

back this fall along with other produce. Please gather it together in one place on each charge, preferably the parsonage, and send it to us if possible. If you cannot do that, then write us by an early date so we may plan our trips for the least possible driving. We thank you for past help and we thank you for doing all we are asking you to do. You have been good to the little ones and God will surely repay you fourfold. And we hope you will not let up one white when you begin to send your offerings to Dr. A. S. Barnes, Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, and to Mr. O. V. Woosley, The Children's Home, Winston-Salem. They have beautiful homes, they are doing a fine work, and they merit your fine co-operation.

This home will draw its sustenance through the office of the Children's Home, Winston-Salem, after November 1. That is, we expect the annual conference to so decree. In case it does, then all your offerings for this home will be sent to Mr. O. V. Woosley after November 1, unless it is an October offering that you have carelessly held over. If you have any money send it to us now. Thank you, and God bless you.

## WHAT JAMESTOWN-OAKDALE CHARGE HAS DONE DURING PRESENT PASTORATE

They have organized two thriving organizations of young people, where there was none at the beginning of the pastorate. They have doubled the enrollment and attendance of the church school at Oakdale and increased enrollment and attendance of church school at Jamestown some 25 per cent. They have increased their membership of the churches 85 members.

They have built a six-room church school building and furnished it at Oakdale, paid for and dedicated it. They have bought an eight-room parsonage with four acres of land, the parsonage having modern conveniences, and they have paid for this all but \$130. They still have some \$400 in subscription to pay off this note when it comes due, with money left over to put on some needed repairs. This parsonage and furnishings is worth more than \$5000. Besides they have raised the pastor's salary from \$1650 to \$1800. So the present pastor is called to go to a land that shall be revealed later.

G. W. Fink.



First Methodist Church, High Point—Formerly of the Methodist Protestant Church



# Annual Conference Program and Notices

## PROGRAM FOR SECOND SESSION OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

Wesley Memorial Church, High Point, Oct. 22-25

### Monday, October 21

2:00 p. m. Meeting of boards and committees.  
7:30 p. m. Conference Historical Society, R. L. Ownbey presiding. Address: "Lincoln County Methodism," W. L. Sherrill.

### Tuesday, October 22

9:00 a. m. Conference will convene with the Holy Communion administered by Bishop Clare Purcell, assisted by the district superintendents.  
10:00 a. m. Organization of the conference.  
11:30 a. m. Memorial service. Address by H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.  
12:45 p. m. Luncheon for retired ministers and Bishop Purcell.  
2:00 p. m. Meetings of boards and committees.  
3:00 p. m. Anniversary of the Board of Lay Activities and of the Board of Temperance. A. J. Kirby and R. C. Goforth will preside. Address: Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf, Chicago Area.  
7:30 p. m. Anniversary of the Board of Education, W. A. Stanbury presiding. Address: "Motives and Aims in Christian Education," Dr. Costen J. Harrell, pastor West End church, Nashville, Tenn. Greensboro College Glee Club will sing.

### Wednesday, October 23

9:00 a. m. Devotional service. Business session.  
2:00 p. m. Meetings of boards and committees.  
3:00 p. m. Sermon by Bishop Waldorf. The service is under the auspices of the Commission on Evangelism, and E. K. McLarty will preside.  
4:00 p. m. Conference Brotherhood, H. G. Allen presiding.  
7:30 p. m. Anniversary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, C. C. Weaver presiding. Address: Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, secretary of the Foreign Division of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, New York. The Pfeiffer College Glee Club will sing.

### Thursday, October 24

9:00 a. m. Devotional service. Business session.  
12:45 p. m. Ministers' wives' luncheon.  
2:15 p. m. Conference lovefeast, led by E. K. McLarty.  
3:15 p. m. Sermon: Bishop Waldorf.  
7:30 p. m. Ordination service. Sermon by Bishop Waldorf.

### Friday, October 25

9:00 a. m. Devotional service. Business session. The appointments will be read when the other business is completed. Adjournment.

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES

### COMMITTEE ON FIRST YEAR

The Committee on the First Year Conference Course will meet Monday, October 21, at 7 o'clock in the room designated. All members of the First Year Class are requested to meet with this committee and have their correspondence courses certified. E. P. Billups, Chm.

### CLASS OF SECOND YEAR

The Committee of the Second Year will meet Monday evening, 7 o'clock, in the room designated. James B. McLarty, Chm.

### CLASS OF THE THIRD YEAR

The class of the Third Year is asked to meet Monday, 5 p. m., at Wesley Memorial church in the room assigned for this purpose. Cecil G. Hefner, Chm.

### COMMITTEE OF FOURTH YEAR

The Committee of the Fourth Year will meet in the room assigned on Monday afternoon, October 21, at 5:15. C. C. Herbert, Jr., Chm.

### COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS

The Committee on Conference Relations and Ministerial Qualifications will meet in the room designated for that purpose Monday afternoon, October 21, at four o'clock in Wesley Memorial church. George B. Clemmer, Chm.

### CONFERENCE BOARD OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES

The Conference Board of Hospitals and Homes will meet at designated place, Wesley Memorial church, High Point, Monday afternoon, October 21, at 4 o'clock. O. V. Woosley, Secreatry.

### COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

The Commission on Evangelism will meet next Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the place designated. Any suggestions to be incorporated in the annual report will be welcomed. E. K. McLarty, Chm.

### BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING

The Board of Ministerial Training will meet in the room designated Monday, October 21, at 5 p. m. Wm. A. Jenkins, Chm.

### BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

Dr. C. C. Weaver, president of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, has authorized me to announce that the Section of Church Extension will meet on Monday, October 21, at 2 o'clock at High Point in the room appointed for its use in Wesley Memorial church. Ivon D. Roberts, Sec.-Treas.

### BOARD OF TEMPERANCE

The Board of Temperance will meet in the room designated in Wesley Memorial church, High Point, Monday afternoon, October 21, at 3 o'clock. All members of the board are urged to be present. Any person desiring to have a statement or resolution included in the conference report will please submit it to the board at that time. R. M. Hauss, Sec.

### CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT

Most of the ministers and delegates to the Western North Carolina Conference, which will meet in High Point, October 22-25, have returned their postcards concerning lodging and breakfast. It is absolutely necessary for all ministers and delegates to return the postcards if they wish entertainment. Please return your card anyway.

R. T. Amos, Chm. Entertainment Committee,  
Wesley Memorial Church.

### GOLF AND BOWLING ENTHUSIASTS

The Emerywood Country Club of High Point is extending the use of the club to members and delegates of the Western North Carolina Conference in High Point, October 22-25. Those who can find time between conference ses-



sions will be welcome on the golf course or tennis courts. Dr. Blackard will be glad to give a card of introduction to any who desire it.

The Arcade Bowling Alley has offered the use of its alleys to conference members and delegates up until 7 o'clock each evening. There will only be a charge of five cents per string for the pen boys.

R. T. Amos, Chm.  
Entertainment Committee.

#### COMMITTEE ON THE COURSE OF STUDY FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL

The Committee on the Course of Study for Admission on Trial will meet in the designated room in Wesley Memorial church at 5:30 p. m. Monday, October 21. All candidates for admission on trial must appear before this committee.

Paul N. Garber, P. E. Lindley, V. A. Morton,  
Committee.

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference is called to meet in the room assigned in Wesley Memorial church at 2:30 o'clock Monday, October 21. All members of the board are urged to be present at this opening session, since some very important matters are to be considered. Representatives of our colleges will be heard at a session of the board beginning at 7:30 the same evening.

W. A. Stanbury.

#### COMMITTEE ON ACCEPTED SUPPLY PASTORS

The Committee on Accepted Supply Pastors will meet Monday afternoon, October 21, at 3 o'clock in the room designated. The following are members of the committee: G. R. Stafford, J. G. Wilkinson, B. A. Culp, W. A. Jenkins, J. C. Groce, C. W. Kirby, P. E. Lindley, S. W. Taylor and T. F. Higgins. All accepted supply pastors who wish to continue this relationship should report to this committee, and those who have not completed their course of study should meet their respective committees.

E. P. Billups, Chm.

#### TO RETIRED MINISTERS OF THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Dr. Blackard, the conference host, and his local committee have been good enough to arrange for us to have a luncheon together on Tuesday, October 22, the first day of the Western North Carolina Conference. We shall meet in the ball room at the Sheraton Hotel. Your conference meal ticket will admit you. I assure you it will be a genuine pleasure for me to be with you on this occasion.

Will you please notify Dr. Blackard immediately on the enclosed card whether you can attend so that he may know how many plates to provide?

Clare Purcell.

#### SHILOH CHARGE CLOSSES WELL

The fourth quarterly conference of Shiloh charge was held at Friendship church, Lexington, October 12. Dr. S. W. Taylor delivered an inspirational sermon. Then in the hut a bounteous lunch with coffee was served to a goodly crowd. In the afternoon the conference was held. Much business was dispatched with rapidity and efficiency, which is characteristic of Dr. Taylor. This was one of the most harmonious conferences that it has been my lot to attend. The people seemed to be of one accord, and all were eager to learn and to co-operate in the plans for furthering the union and the cause of the Christian church.

Sunday our pastor, Rev. C. E. Ridge, filled his regular appointment, the last for this conference year. Rev. Mr. Ridge has been on our charge seven years and is loved by the people perhaps as few pastors are loved. He has seen and been instrumental in many improvements on the charge, among which are the building of Friendship's brick hut and Shiloh's nice brick parsonage; also a great increase in membership. He has been an untiring laborer for the Master. We would be exceedingly glad to have him returned to us; but whether he is or not, our high esteem will go with him and Mrs. Ridge—and fortunate indeed will be the church that gets them.

All our obligations this year will be met, and we believe we are ready for a good start for the new year. Reporter.

Though this is the age of the Spirit, it is appropriately termed the Christian Era, for the Spirit "takes of the things of Christ alone"; never changes the theme but continues to unfold the "unsearchable riches."—Ecce Deus.

#### CHURCH SECRETARY AND DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Miss Sara Smith of Cherryville, N. C., has been employed as church secretary and director of Christian education by First Methodist church, Lexington, N. C., for the coming conference year. Miss Smith comes highly



Miss Sarah Smith

recommended. She is a graduate of Sue Bennett and Greensboro Colleges, having majored in religious education.

#### WHAT ARE WE PREPARING FOR—DEFENSE OR WAR?

A forthright editorial in The Saturday Evening Post of September 7 places the war situation as it affects Americans clearly before the spell of "a kind of hypnosis" produced partly by war propaganda and partly by a foreign policy "compounded in a spirit of moral grandeur, international heroics, delusions of a military power not in being, false premises and panic." Under the sinister influence of this hypnosis "this country goes where it does not look and looks where it does not go." If some morning the country should awake to find that it had "walked backward into war, it would take it no doubt as having been somehow inevitable from the first, and yet nobody would be able to say quite how or why it happened." Although the Post is strongly in favor of an adequate preparedness program in the United States, yet it rightly asks, "What are we preparing for—defense or war?"—Biblical Recorder.

#### MINISTERS' WIVES' LUNCHEON

The luncheon for the ministers' wives of the Western North Carolina conference will be held in High Point on Thursday, October 24, at 12:45 p. m. at the First Presbyterian church. Make your plans to present and send card to Mrs. E. H. Blackard, High Point, N. C., making your reservation, so that our hostesses may know how many to prepare for. An unusually interesting program has been arranged by Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr.

Mrs. Walter B. West, President.



## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

### MY CHURCH

My church helps me:

To keep a sky in my life and to look up,  
To keep my hand in God's and to hold on to him.  
To see the eternal values above the material.  
To lift life above self to service for Christ.  
To see the good in others and praise it.  
To keep sweet and to keep busy for Him.  
To have a seeing eye, feeling heart, helping hand.  
To test the motives of life and choose the best.  
To do justly, love mercy and walk humbly.

—Byron W. Hatfield.

To the Members of the Executive Committee:

The first executive committee meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference is called for Wednesday, October 23, at High Point. To this meeting are called all conference officers, chairmen of standing committees, and former district secretaries.

Mrs. W. T. Powell, 526 Parkway, High Point, the district secretary of the High Point district, has invited us to her home for this executive committee and luncheon meeting at 1 p. m. Upon adjournment of the morning session of the conference at Wesley Memorial church, we will meet at the front of the church to go to her home.

Please write Mrs. W. T. Powell, 526 Parkway, High Point, AT ONCE as to whether or not you can or cannot attend this meeting, so she will know for how many to prepare. Let us have the fullest possible attendance at this our first executive committee meeting of Conference Society of Christian Service.

Expenses to this are paid for no one, since we are taking advantage of the fact that some are at conference anyway.

Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr.  
Recording Secretary.

### WEEK OF PRAYER IN NOVEMBER

Time: November 3-9, 1940. Financial objective: Endowing a Chair of Religious Life and Thought at Scarritt College.

Amount needed: \$100,000. Name of chair: Clara Tucker Perry, president of the Woman's Missionary Council 1931-1940. Major objective: Stimulating and deepening the spiritual experience of every woman participating in the program, intensifying her interest and concern in establishing a Christian World Community, increasing her sense of stewardship of life and material gifts. Program in booklet form has been arranged and distributed to each of the former woman's mission-

ary societies, containing a worship service, material for two talks, one on "Scarritt Built for the Future" and one on Scarritt's New Day, which may be used for a two days' program or for an all day retreat.

### MISS HACKNEY OFF TO CHINA

After a stay of a week or more in San Francisco, occasioned by the postponement of the date of sailing, Miss Kate Hackney sailed Saturday, October 5, for China aboard the liner President Coolidge, to resume her work as a missionary. Miss Hackney, who is kindergarten teacher in the Laura Haygood Normal School, spent part of the summer here with her sisters, Misses Minnie, Nell and Amy Hackney. Our best wishes go with her to her loved field of service.

### ZONE MEETING, STATESVILLE DISTRICT

Mildred K. Yount, Secretary

The Caldwell county zone of the Woman's Society of Christian Service met recently at Grace Chapel Methodist church, with Mrs. A. D. Abernethy, zone chairman, presiding. The meeting opened with devotionals conducted by Rev. G. E. White, pastor of the church. Mrs. J. E. Yount welcomed the visitors and the response was given by Mrs. Abernethy. Six societies answered to roll call and each gave a brief report of her year's work.

The superintendent of local work, and Christian social relations of the Granite Falls church, Mrs. Lula Hickman, explained the work of her department in the new organization and conducted a brief forum in which questions vital to the work were discussed.

The Statesville district secretary, Mrs. T. V. Goode, was present and brought a message concerning "Our Past Heritage and Our Future Obligations," stressing especially the work with the migrant workers. Several talks were then given on spiritual life committees. World Outlook subscription certificates were presented to the societies qualifying for Council credits. Officers for the coming year were elected, Mrs. Abernethy as chairman and Miss Mildred Yount as secretary, with the next meeting to be held at Littlejohn's church. After a delightful social hour with the ladies of the church as hostesses, the meeting adjourned.

### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT ZONE MEETING

Central church was the place of meeting of zone three of the Asheville district recently, with Mrs. W. G. McFarland the presiding officer and Mrs. Hubert Young acting as secretary.

The opening devotional was conducted by Dr. W. A. Stanbury, after which the passing of Miss Estelle Haskin, for-

mer secretary of literature of the Woman's Missionary Council and woman editor of The World Outlook, was announced by Mrs. McFarland, and while Mrs. Allen Luther, pianist, played softly "Crossing the Bar," the congregation stood with bowed heads as a tribute of appreciation. Reports of the reorganization of the zone societies into Christian service societies were given and the number of charter members enrolled in each society was given. A questionnaire on the new set-up of the work was conducted by Miss Amy Hackney, district secretary, and report of district chairman of social relations work from Mrs. L. P. Sims, chairman, was read.

Mrs. W. R. Harris stressed the new plan of work, urging the co-operation and loyalty of the district women in the new plans, and announced the coming conference organization meeting to be held in Statesville October 1. An item of interest in the report of the treasurer was the assistance being given by the zone to two students for their education, in preparation for Christian service.

The closing devotional was led by Miss Clara Brown, zone chairman of spiritual life, who used as the basis for her talk the three requisites of membership in the woman's organization—prayer, service and gifts interspersing these topics with songs appropriate to each subject. The meeting closed with the last verse, "God of Grace and God of Glory," followed by prayer by Mrs. W. R. Harris. Lunch was served in the dining room of the church by a committee from Central's society and a pleasant social hour was enjoyed.

### INTERESTING CHARTER MEETINGS

From all parts of the conference come reports of wonderful charter meetings that have been held, characterized by a spirit of enthusiasm and deep interest on the part of our conference women as they go into the Woman's Society of Christian Service. We rejoice with these societies that so many charter members have been enrolled, and we feel that united as we are in this great organization we will go forward in our work and achieve wonderful success in the future.

### HUNTING FOR HAPPINESS

Those who hunt for happiness never find it. Your happiness is inside of you—in your heart. If it be not there, so far as you are concerned, it is nowhere. Happiness is not to be found in wealth though some folks foolishly think they would be happy if they were rich; it is not in castles, some of the happiest homes are huts; it is not in high position, "uneasy lie the heads of all who rule." If you want to be happy, do little deeds of kindness, extend even the smallest courtesies, show a disposition to be accommodating, helpful, sympathetic, unselfish, considerate. If you want your happiness to increase, continue this procedure. The surest way to keep happy is to do someone a kindness every day. The constant repetition of such acts will cause a perpetual fountain of pleasure to well up in yourself. Happiness in the heart, like skill in the playing of a violin, is increased by practice.—Dawn.



North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

BE MAGNANIMOUS

"We cannot afford to be less than magnanimous in this unity. We must be big and unselfish and we cannot afford to let our social interests or likes and dislikes come between us and the Woman's Society of Christian Service." —Mrs. E. L. Hillman.

SEND NAMES OF OFFICERS

The corresponding secretaries of local Woman's Societies of Christian Service should send to their respective district secretaries names of new officers in the local societies and to each conference officer the names of similar officers in the local societies. Names of conference officers were published on the N. C. conference woman's page of the October 3rd issue of the Advocate. New Officers are now taking charge. However, third quarter reports should be sent by old officers while new ones stand by and learn from them about their duties.

CONCERNING FINANCES

Until January 1, 1941, the money raised in our societies will go through the same channels as before the new organization. Therefore, the only way in which our obligations to our missionaries, deaconesses and other phases of the work may be met is by carrying on the finances as before through December 1940. The money from charter meetings and new members should be sent to the conference treasurer separate from the pledge and will be held intact and used on some needful cause of the work.

A CHURCH BOARD OF MISSIONS

In every Methodist church there is to be a church board of missions and church extension. The duties are defined in Paragraph 1041 of the Discipline: "The pastor shall convene the members of the board at the first opportunity for organization and for the election of officers." These are the words of the Discipline. The church board should be organized immediately after the beginning of the conference year. A book of suggestions and information for the work of the board has been prepared. Pastors may secure as many copies as they wish from the joint division of education and cultivation.—World Outlook.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

Rocky Mount district held its study leaders' school in Nashville on October 2, 1940. We had a fine, alert group of women who had come for information as to how to conduct the fall study. Everyone left the meeting feeling that it was the best ever of its kind, and determined to go back to their respective home towns and do something about the condition of migrants. Mrs. Boone and her corps of workers were well on their jobs with untold helps to meet the needs of

every size society. To those societies which were not represented, if the writer can assist them with any information concerning the "how" and "why" of the study, please write her. —Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway, N. C.

A NEW SOCIETY

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh district secretary, announces that a new charter Woman's Society of Christian Service has been organized at Harris Chapel on the Vance circuit. Mrs. J. B. Greenway is president. All good wishes to these women for a joyful and fruitful service in the work of the missionary enterprise—the greatest organization in the world.

DISTRICT-ZONE MEETING

The Raleigh district and the Central zone of that district held a joint district study day and zone meeting at Edenton Street church, Raleigh, on October 1. Mrs. A. W. Hoffman, zone leader, presided. Mrs. Walter Davis, district spiritual life leader, led the morning worship. Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary of missionary education and cultivation, led the study hour. The topic of the fall study, "The Church Serving Shifting Populations" was discussed by Mrs. R. L. Kirk and Mrs. Earl Brian. Mrs. J. L. Midgette gave practical helps in conducting interesting study classes. Mrs. George Pickett presented a skit relative to the study of the migrant people. Mrs. J. H. Cutchen, conference secretary of Christian social relations and local church activities, spoke on "What the Church Can Do for Migrants." Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, district secretary, gave information concerning the new Woman's Society of Christian Service. Miss Mary Gardner presented baby life membership certificates to Elizabeth Louise Hedden, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Forrest D. Hedden; Robert Sterling Kirk, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Kirk; and Albert Conrad Pearson, 3rd, son of Mr. A. K. Pearson, Jr., and the late Mrs. Ruth Pender Pearson and great-grandson of Rev. and Mrs. E. H. McWhorter. These were gifts of the Central zone. Mrs. Howard McLamb led the noon day devotional. Rev. C. P. Jerome pronounced the benediction. A fellowship hour was enjoyed during the luncheon which was served in the social room of Poindexter Memorial.

STAND BY FOR CHINA

All over China a new surge of admiration for the Christian missionary who has steadfastly ignored the advice of his consular officer to leave the danger zone, who instead has dared to stay and serve. The missionary's opportunity and prestige in China in the future will be definitely advanced as a result of the courage and devotion he has shown during these two years of war. Most have stayed at great physical risk; some have paid the last price.—From The Methodist Woman.

Pull the Trigger on Lazy Bowels

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When constipation brings on acid indigestion, bloating, dizzy spells, gas, coated tongue, sour taste and bad breath, your stomach is probably "crying the blues" because your bowels don't move. It calls for Laxative Senna to pull the trigger on those lazy bowels, combined with good old Syrup Pepsin to make your laxative more agreeable and easier to take. For years many Doctors have used pepsin compounds, as agreeable carriers to make other medicines more palatable when your "taster" feels easily upset. So be sure your laxative contains Syrup Pepsin. Insist on Dr. Caldwell's Laxative Senna, combined with Syrup Pepsin. See how wonderfully its herb Laxative Senna wakes up lazy nerves and muscles in your intestines, to bring welcome relief from constipation. And see how its Syrup Pepsin makes Dr. Caldwell's medicine so smooth and agreeable to a touchy gullet. Even finicky children love the taste of this pleasant family laxative. Buy Dr. Caldwell's Laxative Senna at your druggist's today. Try one laxative that won't bring on violent distaste, even when you take it after a full meal.

Girls Are Advised To Build-Up For Relief

Lack of knowledge causes many a weak, undernourished girl a lot of suffering!

Many others, however, know how the headaches, nervousness, cramp-like pain of functional dysmenorrhea due to malnutrition are helped by the proper use of CARDUI.

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## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

### ANXIOUS BENCH

We are sitting on the anxious bench waiting for financial tidings. Waiting is not the easiest thing at best. It is all the more exciting when attended with anxiety as to whether sufficient funds will be received at the end of the conference year to provide for the health and happiness of a large and challenging family. So we sit on the anxious bench. It is located just inside the conference year. Come sit by us and bring a little cash along.

### SECURING RESULTS

In sending a check covering in full the ten per cent apportionment for Laurel and Mt. Pleasant, on the Laurel-Barnardsville work, in Buncombe and Madison counties, Rev. William C. Sides, Jr., writes as follows: "I wish I had the entire amount to send you this morning, but it is a hard matter to raise money on this poor charge. I will try to pay the Children's Home in full. I know you need every bit of the apportionment from all charges. We have eight churches this year scattered over a radius of 20 miles. I think the charge will be divided next year. The salary will be small but if a man will come here and work the people will stand by him. These mountain people have big hearts."

Mrs. N. C. Dobbins, in sending in the total apportionment for Boonville, writes: "We never have any trouble getting our Children's Home money. That is one reason we do not get it all in until the last of the year. We pay other claims and then say 'Children's Home' and our members reach down in their pockets again. We hope that every charge will pay in full."

### WHAT ABOUT JOHN?

Sixteen-year-old John has just come in the office. He wants to stop school and go to work on the farm. He says that the reason he has been giving his home mother some trouble is that she has insisted on his studying when he is not interested in his books. John wants to work at hard physical labor during the day and at night go over town to the Y. M. C. A. to learn to be a boxer. The youngster is broad shouldered and right much of a man. When we stood up together John's head reached a little above mine. What should be the answer to John's request? Well, we are still thinking about that.

### PLEASANT HILL

Our singing class went to Pleasant Hill, on the West Forsyth charge, last Sunday afternoon, this congregation being one of the six on the former Methodist Protestant charge so effec-

tively served during the past six years by Rev. G. B. Ferree. Years ago this hustling pastor was a school boy where this scribe was teaching. He was dependable then as he is dependable now. In the run of time he has served the Lord well as a minister, raised a good family, one of whom is a young minister in the North Carolina conference, and faces the future with the devotion and loyalty of a true servant of God. Pleasant Hill is a lovely church with a fine congregation of good people. Following our program an offering was taken to be sent to the High Point Children's Home.

### WHAT KIND OF FURNITURE?

We have only a moderate amount of breakage here, even though our buildings are filled with growing children. But things do wear out, particularly chairs, beds and tables. In the run of time we have learned to buy heavier

"INASMUCH AS YE  
HAVE DONE IT TO  
ONE OF THE LEAST  
OF THESE, MY  
BRETHREN, YE HAVE  
DONE IT UNTO  
ME"

and more durable furniture, furniture that costs in its initial price but serves much longer. This has been a heavy year in the replacement of furniture. Hundreds of chairs and scores of beds have had to come in to take the place of those that have served their day.

### OUR HEATING SYSTEM

We have not yet had a great deal of cold weather but sufficient to remind us that our heating system must be in good shape. Years ago we had a careful survey relative to a central heating system, hoping thereby to reduce operating expenses and fire hazards. We found that such a system would cost over \$100,000 and the idea was abandoned. During the last several years we have been gradually equipping our furnaces with stokers, these reducing to some extent our coal bill and greatly adding to convenience and safety. Our good friend, Mrs. John W. Hanes, has just provided funds for the placement of a stoker in the Anna Hanes building, where a large group of little primary boys live. This stoker will reduce the heating problem and the fire hazard in this building to the minimum.

### HONOR SOCIETY

Join with us in grateful thanks to the following congregations and pastors for having completed their ten per cent apportionment payments during the past week:

China Grove, Rev. W. O. Weldon.  
Ardmore, Winston-Salem, Rev. J. H. Brendall, Jr.  
Hendersonville, Rev. D. E. Camak.  
Culowhee, Rev. W. L. Lanier.  
Waynesville, Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr.  
Mocksville, Rev. E. M. Avett.  
Forest Hill, Concord, Rev. C. C. Herbert, Jr.  
Granite Falls, Rev. Reid Wall.  
First Street, Albemarle, Rev. H. E. Stimson.  
Acton circuit, Rev. J. L. Reynolds.  
Asbury Memorial, Asheville, Rev. R. B. Templeton.  
North Wilkesboro, Rev. A. L. Aycock.  
Green Street, Winston-Salem, Rev. R. S. Truesdale.  
French Broad Avenue, Asheville, Rev. G. E. Keeler.  
Mt. Olivet, Concord, Rev. F. W. Kiker.  
Valdese, Rev. A. J. Clemmer, Jr.  
Rocky Ridge, Concord, Rev. H. H. Robbins.  
Bessemer City, Rev. H. M. Robinson.  
Dana and Upward, Flat Rock circuit, Rev. C. M. Smith.  
Oak Grove, Landis circuit, Rev. C. W. Avett.  
Old Union, Randleman circuit, Rev. J. L. Stokes, II.  
East Marion, Rev. H. M. Wellman.  
North Monroe and Grace, Rev. M. W. Heckard.  
Mt. Tabor, Forsyth circuit, Rev. C. W. Kirby.  
Laboratory, Crouse circuit, Rev. W. F. Eaker.  
Boonville, Yadkinville circuit, Rev. J. H. Green.  
Lake Toxaway, Rosman circuit, Rev. J. R. Bowman.  
Richfield, Pfeiffer circuit, Rev. A. J. Cox.  
Laurel and Mt. Pleasant, Laurel-Barnardsville circuit, Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr.

### A WILL AND A WAY

Rev. C. W. Kirby came to the Forsyth circuit four years ago and immediately got acquainted with his people, including their ability to do and their ability to pay. Great advancement has been made along all lines, including increased membership, increased religious fervor and activity and increased payments. The Children's Home has reaped increased payments because of this activity, the ten per cent apportionment during the quadrennium having been increased 57 per cent and the fifth Sunday offerings 65 per cent. It is no wonder that the charge is asking for a return of their pastor.

### HOME COMING

Last Friday on Alspaugh Field here at the Children's Home we had a most interesting football game with the boys representing the Presbyterian Orphans' Home at Barium Springs, the final score resulting in 21 to 26 in favor of the visitors. It was home coming day. Many of our alumni were here. Even  
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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**A PROMISING PREACHER**—James Rogers, a former Methodist Orphanage son, now in his second year of the School of Religion at Duke University, preached at Jenkins Memorial church recently. Our large and middle sized boys and girls, and workers attended the service, and were highly pleased with the sermon James preached. It will be gratifying news to our readers to know that five of our former sons have entered the ministry.

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**IN A HUDDLE**—Many pastors and churches are putting their heads together these closing days of the conference year, making plans to report a clean sheet at our approaching conference in Wilmington. I feel confident that while they are in a huddle they will remember that the Methodist Orphanage has three hundred and three children who are vitally concerned about the result of the Orphanage apportionment being paid in full. Since we are \$10,000 in the red, I cannot urge too strongly the necessity of paying the ten per cent apportionment in full, without applying any specials on apportionment that have come to the Orphanage during the year from Thanksgiving, fifth Sunday collections and individuals. I rest the case of the Orphanage in the hands of loyal and devoted pastors and churches, with a feeling that they will do their dead level best for those who cannot help themselves.

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**A FULL DAY**—On the first Sunday in this month I made a short Orphanage talk at the Maysville Sunday school, preached at Tabernacle church on the Maysville charge on home coming day at the 11 o'clock hour, preached at Oak Grove church on the Jones charge at 3:30, and the evening hour I was at Foy's Memorial church on the

Jones charge. Tabernacle church is one of the oldest Methodist churches in Onslow county, and the congregation filled every available seat for the home coming day service. It was my first visit to Tabernacle, and Brother H. LeRoy Harris, the pastor, and his people received me most cordially. The congregation at Oak Grove was not very large but was very attractive. Brother W. G. Lowe, the pastor, was very kind to me. I was glad to have in the congregation Brother J. A. Russell, district superintendent of the New Bern district, for that service. This was also my first visit to Oak Grove church. For the evening service at Foy's memorial church a great congregation assembled and, in the absence of the pastor, Joe Becton, one of our former Orphanage sons, introduced me to the congregation. Joe has been superintendent of Foy's Sunday school and is now on the board of stewards. It was through his invitation that I preached at Foy's. He has two brothers also who are members of this church and take an active part in its life. It was a source of much pleasure to me to so many of our former boys and girls active in church services. Brother and Sister J. L. Sasser invited me to be their guest while in the community, where I spent Sunday night. A picnic supper was prepared and served by Sister Sasser and Fred Becton's wife, where all the Becton boys, the Sassers and I ate. It was a most enjoyable occasion. On Monday morning James Becton took me on a fishing outing on the mill pond near the Lassiter home. I returned home Monday afternoon a little tired, but happy over the fact that I could contact three churches and one Sunday school the day before.

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Dear Friends:

As the time draws near for my departure from this Methodist Home, I face it with a heart that is both sad and joyful, for it is here that I have been taught everything that has made me what I am, and what I some day hope to be. It is here that I have lived the past 12 years and in the years to come the memory of the home will live with me.

To the friends of the North Carolina conference I wish to say that I sincerely appreciate what you have done to make it possible for such a home to exist. For without your support many children, like myself, would be homeless.

To the friends of the Methodist church in Rich Square, N. C., I find it hard to express my deep gratitude, for you have been wonderful to me. You have supplied me with clothes twice each year, and I am very thankful.

To the teachers and matrons may I say "Thank you" from a grateful heart, for through your guidance I have reached the last round of the ladder to my high school days. May I accomplish something worth while to show my appreciation.

The doctors of Raleigh have given their services freely to the children of this home, and I am deeply indebted to them for my good health today.

We may all sing a note of praise to the best dad there is. You all know him—he is Daddy Barnes. For him

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### Asheville

|                                    |     |
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| Central, W. A. Stanbury .....      | 24½ |
| 4*Asbury Mem., R. B. Templeton ..  | 13½ |
| 3*Black Mountain, Jesse G. Wil-    |     |
| kinson .....                       | 10  |
| Hendersonville, D. E. Camak .....  | 9½  |
| Haywood St., W. G. McFarland ..    | 7½  |
| 2*Saluda-Tryon, E. M. Graham ..    | 5   |
| Leicester-Grace, A. F. Phibbs ..   | 4½  |
| *Merrimon, Rev. N. G. Bethea ..    | 3½  |
| Brevard, E. P. Billups .....       | 3   |
| Oakley, R. H. Taylor .....         | 3   |
| Fletcher, H. E. Bolick .....       | 2½  |
| Biltmore, E. J. Harbison .....     | 2½  |
| French Broad Ave., G. E. Keeler .. | 2   |
| Hillside Street, F. O. Dryman ..   | 2   |
| Swannanoa, W. H. Benfield .....    | 1   |

### Charlotte

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| 3*Dilworth, Howard P. Powell ..      | 54 |
| Belmont Park, J. W. Fitzgerald ..    | 40 |
| 3*Homestead-Pleasant Grove, C. F.    |    |
| Womble .....                         | 16 |
| Brevard St., M. Q. Tuttle .....      | 15 |
| Thrift-Moore, J. H. Carper .....     | 9  |
| 3*Huntersville, F. F. Frisbie ..     | 8  |
| 2*Calvary, S. M. Needham .....       | 7½ |
| New Hope-Bethel, J. R. Warren ..     | 7  |
| Hickory Grove, J. M. Barber .....    | 6  |
| Hawthorne Lane, E. H. Nease ..       | 6  |
| *Polkton, C. W. Russell .....        | 5½ |
| Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius .....    | 4  |
| *Ansonville, O. P. Ader .....        | 4  |
| Matthews, G. G. Adams .....          | 3  |
| Indian Trail-Stallings, J.E.B.Hauser | 2  |
| Duncan Memorial, C. R. Allison ..    | 2  |
| Wesley Heights, W. O. Goode ..       | 1½ |
| Waxhaw, Norman A. Huffman ..         | 1  |
| Myers Park, R. L. Ownbey .....       | 1  |
| First, C. C. Weaver .....            | 1  |
| Wadesboro, T. R. Higgins .....       | 1  |
| Big Springs, L. R. Akers, Jr. ....   | 1  |
| Bethel-Bogers, E. R. Edwards ..      | 1  |

### Elkin

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| 10*Mocksville, E. M. Avett .....   | 39  |
| Yadkinville, John H. Green .....   | 33½ |
| 3*Boone, P. W. Townsend .....      | 14  |
| 3*Cooleemee, A. A. Kyles .....     | 10½ |
| Wilkesboro, J. L. A. Bumgarner ..  | 9   |
| Elkin, H. F. Duncan .....          | 7   |
| Todd, W. W. Hager .....            | 8½  |
| W. Jefferson, H. H. Wood .....     | 8½  |
| 2*Wilkesboro, W. J. Plint .....    | 6   |
| Moravian Falls, J. M. Greene ..    | 6   |
| Sparta, L. F. Strader .....        | 5   |
| Advance, P. L. Smith .....         | 5   |
| Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup .....    | 5   |
| Farmington, J. W. Vestal .....     | 4½  |
| Jonesville, D. B. Mullis .....     | 4   |
| Creston, J. R. Short .....         | 3½  |
| Surry-Yadkin, S. J. Brawley .....  | 3½  |
| Traphill, D. L. Earnhardt .....    | 3½  |
| Warrensburg, J. G. Wootton, Jr. .. | 4   |
| Watauga, J. W. Parker .....        | 3   |
| St. Paul, L. C. Stevens .....      | 3   |
| Helton, R. J. Starling .....       | 3   |
| Mocksville Ct., K. G. Holt .....   | 3   |
| N. Wilkesboro, A. L. Aycock .....  | 2½  |
| Davie, A. W. Lynch .....           | 2½  |
| Green Valley, M. L. Chappel .....  | 2½  |
| Ararat-Mt. View, T. W. Bryant ..   | 2   |
| Ararat, G. B. Gwyn .....           | 2   |

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| Dobson, R. G. McClamrock .....         | 2 |
| Laurel Springs, T. A. Plyler, Jr. .... | 2 |

### Gastonia

|                                        |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----|
| 7*Boger City, E. L. Kirk .....         | 31  |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....       | 22½ |
| Central, G. B. Clemmer .....           | 15  |
| 2*Fallston, J. M. Morgan .....         | 14  |
| Lincolnton-Bess Chp, W. L. Harkey ..   | 6   |
| Kings Mountain, H. C. Sprinkle, Jr. .. | 5½  |
| Belwood, G. W. Clay .....              | 2½  |
| Lowesville, J. A. Howell .....         | 2½  |
| Cherryville Ct., T. G. Highfill ....   | 2   |
| Polkville, T. H. Swofford .....        | 1½  |
| Lowell, C. O. Kennerly .....           | 1   |
| Shelby-Caroleen, H. D. Garmon ..       | 1   |
| East End, E. W. Needham .....          | 1   |

### Greensboro

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Mt. Pleasant Ct., J. L. Trollinger | 23½ |
| Gibsonville, R. G. Tuttle .....      | 21½ |
| 3*Cleveland, T. G. Madison .....     | 21  |
| Grace, J. Elwood Carroll .....       | 9½  |
| Flat Rock, J. A. Burgess .....       | 8   |
| *Calvary, R. C. Stubbins .....       | 7½  |
| Glenwood, Robt. M. Hardee .....      | 7   |
| 2*West End, R. M. Andrews .....      | 6½  |
| Haw River, C. W. Bates .....         | 5½  |
| Guilford, J. B. Trogdon .....        | 5   |
| Lee's Chapel-Grace, A. L. Latham ..  | 4½  |
| Pleasant Garden, E. E. Snow .....    | 4½  |
| Reidsville Ct., T. V. Crouse .....   | 4   |
| Centenary, C. S. Kirkpatrick .....   | 3   |
| College Place, R. M. Courtney ..     | 2½  |
| Tabernacle-Julian, O. C. Loy .....   | 3   |
| St. Paul, A. D. Shelton .....        | 2   |
| Brown Summit, John F. Cagle .....    | 2   |
| Bethel-Battleground, B. W. Lefler .. | 2   |
| Ruffin, J. W. Fowler, Jr. ....       | 2   |
| *Lindsay St., E. L. Ballard .....    | 2   |
| *Midway, E. P. Hamilton .....        | 2   |
| Leaksville, A. C. Swofford .....     | 1½  |
| Stokesdale, W. T. Albright .....     | 1   |
| Sandy Ridge, T. G. Williams .....    | 1   |
| Moriah, J. L. Pittard .....          | 1   |

### High Point

|                                        |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----|
| 3*Shiloh, C. E. Ridge .....            | 20  |
| 4*Lebanon, O. L. Easter .....          | 17½ |
| Denton-Central, G. L. Curry .....      | 15½ |
| First, Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr. .... | 13½ |
| 2*S. Davidson, R. H. Kennington ..     | 12½ |
| Asheboro Ct., J. O. Cox .....          | 11  |
| 2*Seagrove-Love Joy, J. H. Trolinger   | 8   |
| *Central, J. W. Braxton .....          | 7   |
| First, J. C. Madison .....             | 6½  |
| *Calvary, D. V. Howell .....           | 5   |
| Why Not, C. H. Hill .....              | 5   |
| *Coleridge, T. J. Huggins .....        | 5   |
| *Randleman, J. R. Anderson .....       | 4½  |
| Denton, First, C. E. Williams .....    | 4½  |
| *Pleasant Grove, F. R. Love .....      | 4½  |
| *Richland, C. L. Grant .....           | 4½  |
| Randolph-Gray's Chp, H. L. Isley ..    | 4   |
| Linwood, O. E. Croy .....              | 3½  |
| Randleman-Union, J. L. Stokes, II ..   | 2½  |
| Farmer, F. E. Howard .....             | 2   |
| Randolph-Mt. Vernon, P. R. Taylor ..   | 2   |
| *Rankin Mem., Edward Suits .....       | 2   |
| Welch Memorial, J. D. Williams ..      | 2   |
| Highlands, T. G. Smith .....           | 2   |
| *Oak View, J. W. Groce .....           | 1½  |
| Liberty Ct., D. A. Bailey .....        | 1   |
| Archdale, O. B. Mitchell .....         | 1   |

### Marion

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| 5*Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley ..     | 7½ |
| 3*Elk Park, J. J. Wood .....        | 7  |
| Morganton, Fletcher Nelson .....    | 6½ |
| *Old Fort Ct., R. E. Ward .....     | 4½ |
| *Spindale, F. J. Stough .....       | 4  |
| Gilkey, C. R. Ross .....            | 4½ |
| Valdese, A. J. Clemmer, Jr. ....    | 3½ |
| Morganton Ct., G. R. Stafford ..... | 3  |
| Rutherfordton, F. C. Smathers ..... | 2½ |
| Glen Alpine, R. L. Young .....      | 2½ |
| Bald Creek, J. N. Snow .....        | 2  |
| Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace .....   | 2  |
| Linville Falls, McRae Crawford ..   | 2  |

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| Micaville-Tipton Hill, H. H. Cash .. | 1 |
| Spruce Pine, J. B. Tabor .....       | 1 |
| Mill Spring, M. W. Edwards .....     | 1 |
| Bostic, C. M. McKinney .....         | 1 |

### Salisbury

|                                      |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| 4*Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton .....    | 19  |
| Midway, W. C. Dutton .....           | 14½ |
| Norwood, C. G. Hefner .....          | 10  |
| 2*Midland, C. L. Heckard .....       | 10  |
| N. Kannapolis, D. T. Huss .....      | 10  |
| Central, E. K. McLarty .....         | 9   |
| Salem, Lee Roy Spencer .....         | 7½  |
| Coburn Memorial, A. C. Waggoner ..   | 7   |
| First, W. B. West .....              | 7   |
| Main St.-Rowan, C. B. Ross .....     | 7   |
| Concord, Ann St., E. O. Peeler ..... | 7   |
| Albemarle Ct., G. L. Wilkinson ..    | 5½  |
| Granite Quarry, T. B. Huneycutt ..   | 5   |
| Spencer-China Grove, A. Ridge ..     | 4½  |
| China Grove, W. O. Weldon .....      | 4   |
| Rocky Ridge, H. H. Robbins .....     | 4   |
| Main Street, C. G. Isley .....       | 3   |
| Friendship, E. A. Cook .....         | 3   |
| Woodleaf, G. W. Williams .....       | 2½  |
| Badin-New London, M. F. Moores ..    | 2½  |
| Roberta, H. W. Bell .....            | 2   |
| Landis, C. W. Avett .....            | 1½  |
| Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr. .... | 1   |
| Bethpage, R. W. McCulley .....       | 1   |
| Tabernacle, R. B. Shumaker .....     | 1   |
| Westford, T. W. Hager .....          | 1   |
| Kerr Street, C. E. Murray .....      | 1   |
| Central, R. D. Ware .....            | 1   |
| Gold Hill, L. S. Furr .....          | 1   |
| Park Avenue, J. S. Gibbs .....       | 1   |

### Statesville

|                                     |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 2*First, Hickory, W. A. Rollins ..  | 32½ |
| North Newton, C. A. Morrison .....  | 28  |
| Central, John W. Moore .....        | 20  |
| Union Grove-Zion, E. A. Bingham ..  | 9½  |
| Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith .....         | 7½  |
| Maiden, J. G. Winkler .....         | 6   |
| Whitnel, D. A. Oakley .....         | 5½  |
| Newton, W. B. Davis .....           | 3½  |
| *Bethel, E. H. Lowman .....         | 3   |
| Balls Creek, B. A. Sisk .....       | 2   |
| Lenoir Ct., J. W. Combs .....       | 2   |
| Elmwood, Y. D. Poole .....          | 1   |
| Taylorsville, W. A. Kerr .....      | 1   |
| Race Street, F. H. Price .....      | 1   |
| Shepherds, A. G. Lackey .....       | 1   |
| Olin, P. F. Snider .....            | 1   |
| Lenoir, Claude Moser .....          | 1   |
| Davidson-Fairview, E. D. Ballard .. | 1   |
| Troutman, J. M. Varner .....        | 1   |

### Waynesville

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| *Macon, J. C. Swaim .....       | 11½ |
| Sylva, A. P. Ratledge .....     | 9   |
| Hayesville, J. C. Gentry .....  | 8   |
| Canton, W. R. Kelly .....       | 3   |
| Bryson City, A. L. Rayle .....  | 2½  |
| Webster, G. A. Hovis .....      | 2½  |
| *Crabtree, W. H. Nease .....    | 2   |
| Morning Star, W. H. Pless ..... | 2   |
| Bethel, J. W. Blitch .....      | 2   |
| Franklin, I. L. Roberts .....   | 2   |
| Murphy Ct., G. W. Bumgarner ..  | 1½  |
| Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier .....   | 1   |
| Rockwood, W. F. Beadle .....    | 1   |
| Jonathan, R. Odell Brown .....  | 1   |

### Winston-Salem

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 9*Community, J. C. Auman .....        | 19  |
| 7*First, J. E. Pritchard .....        | 19  |
| Erlanger, J. O. Ervin .....           | 17½ |
| First, Lexington, H. G. Allen .....   | 14½ |
| *N. Davidson, O. B. Williams .....    | 12  |
| West Forsyth, G. B. Ferree .....      | 7½  |
| *Grace, R. L. Forbis .....            | 6   |
| Welcome, J. L. Ingram .....           | 5½  |
| Lewisville, G. C. Graham .....        | 5½  |
| Main Street, L. F. Tuttle .....       | 5   |
| Forsyth, C. W. Kirby .....            | 5   |
| *First, J. T. Bowman .....            | 3   |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion, J. D. Morris ..    | 3   |
| Thomasville Ct., Van B. Harrison ..   | 2   |
| Trinity, L. E. Mabry .....            | 2   |
| Kernersville-S. Winston, C. B. Way .. | 1   |
| Centenary, G. Ray Jordan .....        | 1   |
| Winston Ct., V. A. Morton .....       | 1   |
| Forsyth-Maple Spgs., R. A. Hunter ..  | 1   |
| Morris Chapel, C. J. Winslow .....    | 1   |
| Walnut Cove, R. E. Hunt .....         | 1   |



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### CHURCH SCHOOL DAY

In the columns below you will find the list of church schools which have made a contribution to Church School Day during the year 1939-1940. As you will see, 93 church schools have sent in offerings. We are glad that these 93 churches were able to have a Church School Day program and receive an offering for this work. But what did the other 650 churches in our conference do about Church School Day?

Perhaps your church school has already had this program and some money was contributed but it has not been sent in. If this is true of your church school, will you please see that this money is sent to Rev. C. K. Proctor, Oxford, N. C., before October 30? We will appreciate your assistance with this Church School Day offering.

### CHURCH SCHOOL DAY, 1940 (Through September)

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|------------------------------|----------|
| Burlington, Front St.....    | \$ 15.00 |
| Webb Avenue .....            | 6.00     |
| Bynum, Mt. Pleasant .....    | 6.11     |
| Durham, Duke Memorial .....  | 18.00    |
| Leasburg .....               | 3.00     |
| Mebane .....                 | 6.32     |
| Milton, Connally .....       | 2.00     |
| Milton .....                 | 3.40     |
| New Hope .....               | 3.05     |
| Semora .....                 | 3.20     |
| Person Charge, Concord ..... | 2.70     |
| Oak Grove .....              | 1.10     |
| Woodsdale .....              | 1.35     |
| Roxboro, Long Memorial ..... | 10.00    |
| West Durham .....            | 8.02     |
| Yanceyville, Prospect .....  | 7.25     |
| Total .....                  | 96.50    |

#### Elizabeth City District

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Bath, Bethany .....          | 3.00  |
| Currituck, Ebenezer .....    | 1.19  |
| Elizabeth City, First .....  | 16.16 |
| Perquimans, Oak Grove .....  | 1.90  |
| South Camden, Wesley's ..... | 2.25  |
| South Mills, Trinity .....   | 3.00  |
| Stumpy Point .....           | 5.00  |
| Washington, First .....      | 25.00 |
| Windsor .....                | 3.25  |
| White Oak .....              | 3.09  |
| Total .....                  | 63.84 |

#### Fayetteville District

|                          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Broadway, Broadway ..... | 5.11  |
| Morris Chapel .....      | 5.70  |
| Fayetteville .....       | 2.70  |
| Hamlet .....             | 5.13  |
| Jonesboro .....          | 3.65  |
| Lemon Springs .....      | 1.94  |
| Parkton Charge .....     | 2.22  |
| Rockingham .....         | 10.18 |
| Total .....              | 36.63 |

#### New Bern District

|                               |      |
|-------------------------------|------|
| Goldsboro Ct., Ebenezer ..... | 2.25 |
| Daniel's Chapel .....         | 4.00 |
| Pine Forest .....             | 4.00 |
| Salem .....                   | 3.00 |
| Goldsboro, St. Paul .....     | 7.25 |

|                                        |       |
|----------------------------------------|-------|
| Grimesland, Wharton .....              | 1.00  |
| Hookerton .....                        | 4.15  |
| Maury .....                            | 4.82  |
| Rainbow .....                          | 2.95  |
| Kinston, Queen Street .....            | 6.34  |
| Newport .....                          | 3.00  |
| Ocracoke .....                         | 6.04  |
| Pikeville .....                        | 5.00  |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove ..... | 1.45  |
| Riverside .....                        | 1.55  |
| Total .....                            | 56.80 |

#### Raleigh District

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Creedmoor, Banks .....          | 3.23  |
| Grove Hill .....                | 2.00  |
| Dunn, Divine St. ....           | 6.29  |
| Franklinton .....               | 6.31  |
| Fuquay, Kipling .....           | 3.54  |
| Garner .....                    | 2.00  |
| Henderson, First .....          | 7.63  |
| Lillington, Parkers Grove ..... | 4.40  |
| Moncure, Mt. Zion .....         | 3.83  |
| Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion .....      | 3.93  |
| Oxford, Salem .....             | 2.00  |
| Raleigh, Fairmont .....         | 4.63  |
| Selma .....                     | 5.00  |
| Smithfield .....                | 5.50  |
| Stem .....                      | 3.51  |
| Tar River, Plank Chapel .....   | 3.00  |
| Total .....                     | 66.80 |

#### Rocky Mount District

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Bethel, Bethel .....            | 5.00  |
| Conway .....                    | 6.86  |
| Enfield-Whitakers, Whitakers .. | 1.00  |
| Kenly, Kenly .....              | 2.00  |
| Littleton .....                 | 8.70  |
| Norlina, Zion .....             | 5.00  |
| Rocky Mount, Clarke St. ....    | 3.00  |
| First .....                     | 29.39 |
| Seaboard, Seaboard .....        | 3.40  |
| Pleasant Grove .....            | 3.80  |
| Spring Hope .....               | 3.00  |
| Stantonsburg, Evansdale .....   | 2.87  |
| Tarboro .....                   | 7.70  |
| Warrenton, Warrenton .....      | 7.50  |
| Macon .....                     | 7.00  |
| Total .....                     | 96.22 |

#### Wilmington District

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| Burgaw, Rocky Point .....     | 4.00   |
| Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo .....  | 1.00   |
| Chadbourn .....               | 3.00   |
| Clinton, Clinton .....        | 10.05  |
| Keener .....                  | 1.00   |
| Fairmont, Trinity .....       | 4.75   |
| Faison-Kenansville, Goshen .. | 4.00   |
| Kings .....                   | 1.25   |
| Garland, Ingold .....         | 1.16   |
| Hallsboro .....               | 3.91   |
| Town Creek, Piney Grove ..    | .80    |
| Wilmington, Fifth Ave. ....   | 9.00   |
| Grace .....                   | 18.49  |
| Total .....                   | 62.41  |
| Grand total .....             | 479.20 |

#### Summary

| District           | Schls. Con. | Amt.     |
|--------------------|-------------|----------|
| Durham .....       | 16          | \$ 96.50 |
| Elizabeth City..   | 10          | 63.84    |
| Fayetteville ..... | 8           | 36.63    |
| New Bern .....     | 15          | 56.80    |
| Raleigh .....      | 16          | 66.80    |
| Rocky Mount .....  | 15          | 96.22    |
| Wilmington .....   | 13          | 62.41    |
|                    | 93          | 479.20   |

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## Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

Herald of the Dawn

Scripture—Luke 3

Luke tells us that John the Baptist was in the desert until his manifestation to Israel. That, of course, does not mean that he was a hermit. The hermit always degenerates and becomes a fanatic. But it does mean that John after his contacts with the priests, the publicans, and the rapacious Roman soldiers, had a habit of making for the desert where he could think things through, and wrestle with God in prayer for a better day. The man who looks over one daily and then spends much time meditating on the meaning of the news, will come to a far deeper understanding of his times than one who reads more widely but does not take time to think and to pray. John succeeded in being in touch with his world, but not of it (John 17:14-18).

What a strange figure John must have cut in his raiment of camel's hair! And what strange fare for so great a genius! We can be sure that he did not dress and live in such fashion for effect. A great man never puts on a theatrical make-up. And Jesus said, "There hath not risen a greater than John." He wore camel's hair and ate locusts and wild honey because that was what he could get, and if he sought for better food and clothing he would need to turn aside from fierce concentration on his task. It was as though a college student's clothes gave out on him, but rather than quit school to earn money to buy a decent suit, he saw the solution of his problem in a sign which read, "Overalls \$1.49."

Luke regards the day when the word of God came to John in the wilderness as a world event, and hence gave us the year of the reigning Caesar, and the names of the surrounding rulers. What a dark picture they form!—the profligate Tiberius, the murderous Herod, the weak and passionate Pilate, and the wicked high priests. But John was the herald of the dawn.

His eloquence must have been a combination of gunfire and organ music. He was one of the greatest orators of all time. This country preacher did not have to go up to Jerusalem to be heard by the city folks; Jerusalem came out to him. They traveled the hard mountain roads down to the Jordan Valley, and camped out in the wild country like our ancestors in the camp meetings.

When the dignified Pharisees and Sadducees came to his preaching, John did not invite them to a seat on the platform. Indeed there was no platform, nor any pulpit chairs. What a shocking reception he gave them! Ye offspring of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?

John was also chemically pure of Jewish race arrogance. He told the people, as President Wildman says, that their birth certificates would not help them in the coming judgment.

When the people asked John what they should do, they expected him, perhaps, to demand that they should take more sacrifices to the Temple and observe more scrupulously the taboos against unclean food. But nothing of the sort: "He that hath two coats, let him give to him that hath none; and he that hath food let him do likewise." Sharing, says John, is the beginning of religion. It is to be noted that he did not say, Let Hart, Schaffner and Marx give some of their ten thousand coats to the poor; but, Let him that hath two coats give to him that hath none. That cuts very close.

Even the publicans who were supposed to have no religion at all, came to John and said, What must we do? John did not load them up with burdensome demands. He put his finger on their one main temptation and said, Collect no more taxes than law allows.

Then the soldiers sent by Herod to see that the crowd did not start a revolution, said, What must we do? And here again John is very simple. He points to their main besetments and says, "Don't use your weapons on these defenseless people; don't accuse them falsely in order to get an excuse for robbing them; and do not eke out your wages with graft." How modern that sounds! It brings up the scandals of or great cities where police and politicians prey upon the people.

Popularity is one of the subtlest of all intoxicants, but it did not intoxicate John the Baptist. His supreme greatness perhaps is his realization of his limitations. I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, said he, but there cometh one after me the lachet of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose; he shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

The angelic vision had promised that John would be filled with the Holy Spirit from his mother's womb, and yet in spite of the marvelous endowment that had come upon him, and the evidence which he saw on every hand of the work of the Holy Spirit in moving men to repentance under his preaching, he said, There is one to come whose baptism will be accompanied by a spiritual power so immeasurably greater than mine that by comparison my baptism will seem merely a baptism with water.

But Jesus himself came to John for baptism, and it was more than a baptism of water, for the Spirit descended upon our Lord with mighty power. Thus John's humility was honored.

### John's Messages to Us

1. John's example says, At any cost take time to think and to pray until you know the will of God for the day and the hour.
2. Concentrate fixedly on your appointed task in life.
3. Let your hope of a better day always burn like a huge bonfire in the night.
4. Center your mind on Christ with wonder, awe, and great expectation.

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# Children's



# Storyland

## RICHARD THE CONQUEROR

Richard Burleigh was picking blackberries over in the Hill Pasture by the river. It was very drowsy and pleasant and still. There was only the sound of the river, the rushing Scoggin, to be heard.

Suddenly a new, strange sound made Richard straighten up quickly and look all around. It was a sort of large "Chr-r-r!" as if made by a mammoth harvest fly. Then it began to sound clattery, like old Tom Garrett's rattle-trap wagon. The sound seemed to be everywhere! Robert looked to the right, to the left, before him, behind him. Nothing strange in sight. Then he looked up. Ah, there it was! A great winged thing! He knew at once what it was for, of course, he had heard all about airplanes. How he wished it would come down! And then, all of a sudden, it did! But not in the way the aviator would have liked! Wobbling and tipping, down, down, down, it fluttered and clattered, till—bump! it had landed right in the biggest and thorniest blackberry patch!

For a minute there was no sound except the rustling and rattling and creaking of the great wings settling down in the bushes. Then there was no sound at all. And then, right across the stillest sort of stillness, came a groan!

Richard woke up! It sounded to him like a broken-leg groan. He had broken his leg the winter before, and he knew just how it felt. He pushed in through the bushes. The aviator sat in his place, but his head dropped forward on his breast. He was very limp-looking. As Richard crackled through the bushes, he opened his eyes a little.

"I'll get a doctor!" said Richard.

"Please!" said the aviator, and his eyes closed again.

Richard got out of the berry patch, threw back his shoulders, and took a deep breath. It was quite a long way, and rough, up along the river to the bridge of the cross road that farther on joined the long, long Ridge Road where Dr. Brown lived.

Suddenly his eager eye saw something to make him clench his fists. Away beyond the river, up the hill, on the high Ridge Road, was Dr. Brown, jogging along behind old white Betsy! Oh, if he only could jump the Scoggin! Then he could race up the hill and "head off" the doctor, and get him to drive back to the bridge, and then guide him to the hurt aviator. What a lot of time it would save! And the aviator was suffering so!

But the Scoggin, though not very wide at that place, was too wide to be jumped, and so swift that Richard's mother had his promise not to go swimming there, though he could swim well in the Deep Brook Pool.

Suddenly his eager eyes caught sight of a clump of slender birches, close by

## A LOST KITTEN'S PLEA

By Bess Levine.



Have mercy on me, please, kind sir,  
And do not put me out;  
'T is such a dark and stormy night,  
With not a soul about.

A little nook is all I need,  
To curl right up and sleep.  
Perchance a mouse might show his head,  
And then I'll earn my keep.

—Our Dumb Animals.

the river. He remembered how, when he came with his father to get a Christmas tree, those very trees, loaded down with sleet, had bent over the river, away beyond the farther bank. He knew one of them would bear him up safely and swing him across, but—

Richard, who was a brave boy about most things, had always felt queer and shaky when he tried to climb high. It made him feel all shivery just to think of climbing up that slender birch far enough to bend it so it would swing him across.

Richard Burleigh threw up his chin. He spoke out loud, though there was no one but himself to hear:

"Father says I could beat that scared feeling—conquer it, he says—if I once just made up my mind hard! And now's the time to do it! I must get across the river!"

In almost no time he was far up in the tree. It bent—slowly at first, then a little faster, then much faster—he was close to the ground on the farther side—he had let go! Swish! Up went the tree again! Over and over rolled Richard. Then up he jumped, and though feeling a good bit shaken, and half as if he were dreaming, he raced off up the hill!

"Well, well, well," said Dr. Brown, when he had heard Richard's story of the hurt aviator, told in short, quick sentences. "Jump in here, Richard—jump in! Giddap, Betsy! We'll soon have him fixed up all right. But your folks live the other side of Scoggin. How did you get across here, boy?"

Richard told him.

"Hm—hm!" said the doctor. "But aren't you usually skittish about climbing high trees and the like?"

"I used to be," Richard, very quietly said, but his eyes were shining happily.

"Hm—Richard the Conqueror," said the doctor.

"That's what father said I could be," said Richard Burleigh—"a conqueror."

Soon they reached the place where the airplane lay. "Quick work," said the aviator, smiling faintly at Richard.

"That's because Richard the Conqueror was your messenger," said Dr. Brown, as he set to work.

When the aviator had been made as comfortable as possible, the doctor went to get help to carry him to a house where he could be cared for. Richard stayed for company.

"So you're Richard the Conqueror," said the aviator, eyeing him keenly, and smiling a little.

"I'm Richard Burleigh," said Richard, "and I don't know who Richard the Conqueror is!"

"Well, Richard the Conqueror was a very brave king," said the aviator.

"Oh," stammered Richard, "Dr. Brown is always joking."

"Um," said the aviator, "you look to me like a chap who would make a fine aviator some day."

"Oh, I'd like that, first rate!" said Richard, honestly and earnestly, and in great surprise.—Selected.

## HIDDEN BIRDS

By Alfred I. Tooke

In each of the following sentences a bird is hiding. Can you find them all?

1. What is that group of people? If there is a panic on, do run for the nearest gate.

2. But you must run fast and keep out of the way of the crowd or they may knock you down.

3. Once my boy, John, in a panic ran every way but the right way.

4. Finally he and another boy found a gate and both rushed to get through and got jammed there.

5. When John got home his coat had a new rent in it.

6. His coming roused curiosity as to what had happened.

7. He feels like a hero now that he has had such an exciting adventure.

8. He and his cousin Ross played a duet on the violin, netting a dollar between them.

9. With a special bat Ross scored a home run in the ball game.

—Selected.

Mrs. Jennings had taken her small daughter out to tea with her, and during the meal was horrified to see the child trying to force a thick piece of cake into a very small pocket.

"Oh, Mildred," she said in shocked surprise, "what are you doing?"

"That's all right, mother," her small daughter reassured her, "I'm just taking this slice back to nurse for a pattern."—Christian Science Monitor.

Church School Teacher—Can any of you little girls tell me who lived in the Garden of Eden?

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Orange Ct., Efland, 7:30 .....20  
Cedar Grove, Carr, 11 .....24  
Eno, 7:30 .....24

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, O.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

October  
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 and 2 .....19  
Flymouth, 11 .....20  
Aulander, Lewiston, 3 .....20  
Edenton, night .....20  
First Church, Elizabeth City, night .....23  
South Mills, Trinity, 11 and 2 .....26  
Bath, Asbury, 11 .....27  
Washington, night .....27

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

October  
Rockingham Ct., E. Rockingham, 11 .....20  
Gibson, St. John, 3 .....20  
Parkton, 7 .....23  
Biscoe, 11 .....27  
Mt. Gilead Ct., Little River, 3 .....27  
Mt. Gilead, 7 .....27  
Hamlet, 7 .....28  
Maxton, 7 .....29  
Hay Street, 7 .....30  
Jonesboro, 7 .....31  
November  
West End, 11 .....3  
Troy Ct., 3 .....3  
Troy, 7 .....3

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, O.S., New Bern, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

October  
Hookerton, 7:30 .....18  
Mt. Olive Ct., Smith's, 11 .....19  
Snow Hill, Mt. Hermon, 11 .....20  
Vanceboro, 7:30 .....20  
Newport, Rivordall, 11 .....22  
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 .....23  
Aurora, Warren's, 11 .....24  
Pamlico, Alliance, 11 .....27

Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 .....27  
New Bern, Centenary, 11 .....30  
November  
Seven Springs, Indian Springs, 11 .....3  
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 .....3

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FOURTH ROUND

October  
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 .....18  
Dunn, Divine Street, 11 .....20  
Lillington, Lillington, 3 .....20  
Garner, Garner, 7:30 .....20  
Tar River, Plank Chapel, 7:30 .....21  
Moncure, Moncure, 7:30 .....23  
Four Oaks, Sanders, 7:30 .....25  
Jenkins Memorial, preaching, 11 .....27  
Louisburg Ct., Piney Grove, 3 .....27  
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30 .....27  
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 7:30 .....28  
Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30 .....30  
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 .....31

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, O.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

October  
Marvin, 7:30 .....17  
Middleburg, 11 .....20  
Warren, 3 .....20  
Norlina, 7:30 .....20  
Robersonville, Stokes (to be announced) .....20  
Spring Hope, 7:30 .....21  
Rocky Mount, Clark St., 7:30 .....22  
Whitakers, 7:30 .....23  
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 .....26  
Elm City, 11 .....27  
Stantonsburg, 3 .....27  
Kenly, 7:30 .....27  
November  
Roanoke Rapids, 11 .....3  
Rosemary, 7:30 .....3

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

W. A. Cade, O.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

October  
Jacksonville-Richlands, Richlands, 11 .....20  
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3 .....20  
Maysville, Belgrade, night .....20  
Southport, night .....23  
Bladen (place to be announced), 11 .....24  
Garland (place to be announced), night .....24  
Roseboro, Halls, 11 .....25  
Clinton, night .....25  
Rowland, Purvis, 11 .....27  
Pembroke (Indian work), First Church, 3 .....27  
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, night .....27  
November  
Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11 .....3  
Wesley Memorial, 3 .....3  
Whiteville, night .....3  
Wilmington, Trinity, night .....4

Western North Carolina Conference

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, O.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

October  
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 11 .....20

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, O.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

October  
Main Street, 7:30 .....17

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 West Fort St., Marion, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

October  
Cliffside, 11 .....20  
Forest City, 7:30 .....20

Meeting of pastors and chairmen of board of stew-  
ards October 20, 3 p. m., Marion First church.  
Pastors' reports to the annual conference to be handed  
to the district superintendent at this meeting.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, O.S., Waynesville, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

October  
Murphy Ct., 7:30 .....17  
Bryson City: Final District meeting .....18  
Morning Star (dedication), 11 .....20  
Waynesville, 7:30 .....20

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

W. A. Lambeth, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-  
Salem, N. C.  
FOURTH ROUND

October  
Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 7:30 .....17  
Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 7:30 .....18  
Fourth Check-up Meeting, Centenary, Church, Winston-  
Salem, 3 .....20

An American was on a Christmas  
walking tour in Scotland. Snow had  
fallen and he was struggling along a  
narrow road when he met a Highlander.

"I guess, friend, I am lost," he said,  
plaintively.

Scot: "Is there a reward out for ye?"

American: "Nope."

Scot: "Well, ye're still lost."—Ex.

IN MEMORIAM

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with sad hearts that we, the  
members of the Woman's Missionary  
Society of Philadelphia Methodist  
church, record the passing of Mrs.  
Martha Draughan Harrell August 25,  
1940, from this life to life eternal.  
While we miss her presence and help-  
fulness in the society, we must all real-  
ize that we must humbly submit to the  
will of our heavenly Father.

This deceased member's beautiful  
character and sweet smile she had for  
all will forever be cherished in our  
hearts. She was a true Christian wo-  
man, possessing the virtues of love,  
kindness, sympathy; always willing to  
lend a helping hand to those who were  
in sorrow or need.

Be it resolved, that we shall ever  
cherish her memory and that we ex-  
tend to her loved ones our deepest  
sympathy. Be it further resolved, that  
a copy of these resolutions be sent to  
the Missionary Record and one be  
placed in the record of our auxiliary.

Mrs. F. Leslie Pierce,  
Mrs. Norfleet Cross.

IN MEMORIAM

The members of the woman's mis-  
sionary society of Hertford, N. C., wish  
to pay a loving tribute to the memory  
of one of our charter members, Mrs.  
Elizabeth Barber, who died August 3,  
1940. If she had lived until October  
she would have been 87 years old. She  
was the oldest member of our church  
and of our auxiliary. With the increas-  
ing infirmities of old age life with her  
had lost its zest as a sheaf ripe for the  
garner. She patiently waited for her  
translation.

She threw off her mortal coil not  
conscious of the sad parting with loved  
ones. Only divine strength can make  
the bereaved resigned. Oh, the blessed  
assurance of heavenly recognition and  
eternal reunion. (Rev. 20:4).

We extend to the family our deepest  
love and sympathy.

Miss Kate Blanchard,  
Mrs. C. T. Skinner,  
Miss Mary Love.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of Sue D. Swindell so-  
ciety of Queen Street Methodist church  
wish to pay tribute to the memory of  
our much loved member and friend,  
Mrs. E. B. Hargett, who died May 18,  
1940.

Mrs. Hargett was a devoted wife,  
mother and grandmother, a true friend  
and a loyal member of both church  
and auxiliary. We are grateful for her  
life of quiet, unassuming faithfulness  
and service. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we extend our deepest  
sympathy to her family and pray that  
God may comfort and guide them.

Second, That a copy of these resolu-  
tions be sent to the family, a copy be  
recorded in the auxiliary minutes and  
a copy be sent to the North Carolina  
Christian Advocate.

Mrs. R. J. Dawson,  
Mrs. F. B. Hooker,  
Mrs. G. L. Jordan.

IN MEMORIAM

We, the members of the ladies' Bible  
class of Brookstown Sunday school,  
are deeply grieved at the sudden pass-  
ing of one of our much loved mem-  
bers, Mrs. Stella Henrietta Shields.  
There was no time for a last farewell.  
The gates of heaven opened and her  
happy spirit entered while our Saviour  
bade her welcome. As we assemble in  
our class today we feel it fitting that



we hear testimony to the value of the life of this our friend and comrade. We shall miss her in our class, church and community. She was always ready and willing to do all she could for the advancement of God's kingdom. While our hearts are sad at this unexpected going we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well. Now we "see through a glass darkly," but some day we will understand. To the bereaved husband and children, parents, relatives and friends we extend our most sincere sympathy and pray that her life may be an inspiration to them and also to us.

"We cannot say, we will not say, that she is dead—  
She is just away."

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, in the passing from our midst our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. Irene Broome Temple, faithful member of our missionary society of Queen Street Methodist church; and whereas, the members of this society have suffered an irreparable loss in the passing of our friend who gave so freely of her time in promoting the work of the kingdom of God on earth; therefore be it resolved:

First, That the removal of such a life leaves a vacancy that will be felt by our church, missionary society and community.

Second, That we express to the members of her family our deepest love and sympathy in this time of sorrow, believing as we do that earth's loss has been heaven's gain.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy be recorded in our minutes.

Mrs. R. A. Thompson,  
Mrs. J. D. Grady,  
Mrs. J. H. Alexander.

CHILDRDEN'S HOME  
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the loss of the game, the first in six years with Barium, did not dampen the ardor of our home comers. All joined in admiration of the Barium boys for being able to pass to victory when they found our line too strong for them.

SOWING IN THE DUST

While our friends are sowing seeds of kindness our farmers are sowing seeds of business. Having turned our land weeks ago when the soil was moist, the tractors now drag the disc harrows over the pulverized land, stirring up clouds of dust. The drills follow the harrows, gently placing the seeds where they ought to be. In due process of time God's gentle rain will fall upon these seeds and they will shoot forth with all the grandeur of greenness. What would we do without God?

METHODIST ORPHANAGE  
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there is a never dying love that will remain in my heart always. He has been a father, a true friend and pal, in whom we could always confide. The torch I hold for you, Mr. Barnes, will stand high above all others. May your days of service to those who love and honor you be continued for years to come.

With a tear in my eye I bid farewell to the home I have loved so long.

Josephine Best.

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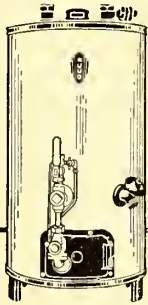
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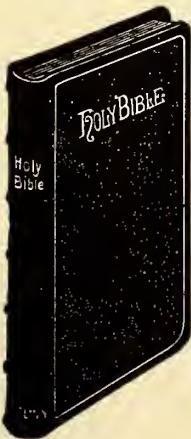
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## In Memoriam

**MANN**—Samuel Spencer Mann, retired attorney and former legislator, was born in Lake Landing in 1867 and died September 10, 1940, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Clifton Credle, in Sladesville.

He was an outstanding leader in Hyde county, being a man of strong conviction and high moral standard. He was the leading attorney of Hyde for years, trustee of University, representative in General Assembly, and served as clerk to Rivers and Harbors Commission in Washington, D. C. He was instrumental in the development of Lake Mattamuskeet. He was a member, with his wife, of Sladesville Methodist church, to which he gave his loyal devotion and support. His gentle spirit and gracious personality will be greatly missed. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Nolia Watson, and eight children.

Funeral services were conducted in Swanquarter church by Rev. E. G. Cowan, Rev. R. R. Grant, Rev. L. B. Jones, Hon. H. S. Ward, and Rev. W. B. Penny.

W. B. Penny, Pastor.

**HESTER**—James Fisher Hester was born April 4, 1886; died September 19, 1940. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Pearl Bolick Hester, and five children, Paul Hester of Albemarle, Misses Edith and Ruth Hester, Joe and J. F., Jr., all of Newton, and one grandchild. Also surviving are two brothers, Frank Hester of Kannapolis and Floyd Hester of Newton, and three sisters, Mrs. M. A. Beard, Mrs. June Yancey and Mrs. Charles Thornburg, all of Newton.

Brother Hester was a charter member of the North Newton Methodist church and has been active in the work of the church through the years as steward and church school teacher, and had served as supply pastor in the following charges: Bessemer City circuit, W. Airline at Gastonia, Oak Grove church near Charlotte, and Penley's Chapel near King's Mountain.

A good man, father and friend has gone. May the memory of his quiet, child-like faith in God, his gentle traits of Christian character be a benediction to his loved ones and all those who knew and loved him for what he was. We shall miss him in the home, church and community.

C. A. Morrison, Pastor.

**ISLEY**—Julia Anne Clayton Isley was born in Person county, N. C., on April 30, 1861, and went to be with God July 15, 1940, having lived here 79 years, two months and 15 days. She was the only child of Martin Van and Elizabeth Frances Long Clayton. Her father was drafted into the war between the states, and after being wounded died in a hospital in Kinston, leaving mother and child. On June 20, 1878, she and Edwin A. Isley were united in marriage. This was a union of beautiful harmony until death separated them about 25 years ago. Ten children were born to them, seven of whom survive, as follows: Ella Grace, Lettie Speck, Charles H., Walter Johnson, Rev. Hubert L., Bertie Velna, Roxie Mozetta, William K. There were also 32 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Sister Isley was devoted to her home and children, as all good and true mothers are. She taught her children the fundamental things of character. She believed that

dancing, card playing and other like practices were things the young should shun as they would a viper. She believed in abstaining from the appearance of evil.

But hers was not a negative life and teaching; she loved to do good. Many a mile has she walked to see her sick neighbors and to minister to them in every way possible. But to her the church was the greatest institution in the world and she was loyal to it for more than 50 years, being a member of Mt. Hermon Methodist church near Graham. Her children rise up and call her blessed.

A. D. Shelton.

**LASSITER**—Mrs. Ada Channing Lassiter, born in Northampton county December 22, 1862, was taken to her eternal reward September 25, 1940, after an illness of several weeks in a Wilmington hospital. Mrs. Lassiter joined the Methodist church as a child when she lived in Boykin, Va., later joined with her husband at New Hope church in Northampton county, and then became a member of Trinity Methodist church in Wilmington 13 years ago when she and her husband came to live with their son. Mrs. Lassiter was a deeply spiritual woman whose countenance showed how closely she lived to her Lord and how faithfully she served him. In her more active days she taught a Sunday school class and was very active in the missionary society. It was a genuine benediction to be in her Christian home and have fellowship with one of God's saints. She is survived by her husband, W. E. Lassiter, two sons, L. I. of Wilmington and W. C. of Jackson, one brother, J. H. Channing of Newsome, Va., and three grandchildren. She was laid to rest in Oakdale cemetery in Wilmington with many beautiful flowers giving testimony to the high esteem in which her many friends held her. Her pastor conducted the service, being assisted by Dr. A. J. Barton of the Baptist church.

"Servant of God, well done!  
Thy glorious warfare's past;  
The battle's fought, the race is won,  
And thou art crowned at last."

R. L. Jerome, Pastor.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Almighty God has seen fit to translate our brother beloved, Henry Ernest Cranford, to a higher sphere of spiritual service; and

Whereas, Brother Cranford was a steward in Trinity Methodist church, chairman of the finance committee, and active member of the men's Bible class, often engaged in deeds of kindness and mercy, notably helping those in need and conducting religious services at the Red Cross Tuberculosis Sanatorium, and in numerous ways faithful and loyal to his church; and

Whereas, his winsome personality and gracious manner endeared him to a large circle of friends. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we record with deep sorrow and a sense of great loss the passing of our brother.

Second, that we express to his wife and relatives our deepest sympathy in their untimely loss and bereavement, and that we commend them to the unfailing love and comfort of our heavenly Father.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his wife, a copy spread upon the minutes of the board of stewards, and that a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate for publication.

H. E. O'Keef,

H. A. Mock,

R. L. Jerome.

For the Board of Stewards.

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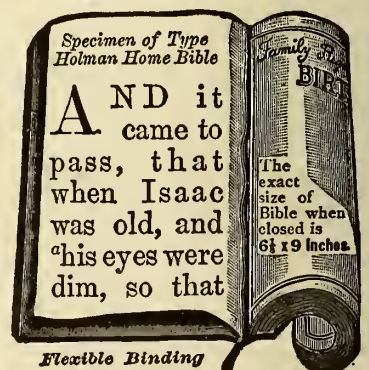
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## PROGRAM OF THE 1940 SESSION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Fifth Avenue Methodist Church, Wilmington, Nov. 6-10

### Wednesday, November 6

7:30 p. m. Meeting of the Conference Historical Society. Address, "Some Interesting Episodes in the Life of Fifth Avenue Methodist Church," by Rev. C. D. Barclift.

### Thursday, November 7

10:00 a. m. Communion service, administered by Bishop Clare Purcell, assisted by the district superintendents.

Formal convening of the conference for organization and business.

3:00 p. m. Sermon by Rev. S. E. Mercer, Franklinton, N. C.

5:00 p. m. Meeting of the North Carolina Conference Brotherhood.

7:30 p. m. Anniversary of Board of Missions and Church Extension, Dr. J. M. Ormond presiding.

### Friday, November 8

9:00 a. m. Devotional service by Bishop Thomas C. Darst, Wilmington, bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Business session.

11:00 a. m. Anniversary of Board of Lay Activities.

12:00 noon Reception of class into full connection.

3:00 p. m. Sermon by Rev. A. L. Thompson, Faison.

5:30 p. m. Duke banquet at Fifth Avenue Methodist church; Dr. Paul N. Garber, speaker.

7:30 p. m. Anniversary of Board of Christian Education, Dr. H. E. Spence presiding.

### Saturday, November 9

9:00 a. m. Devotional. Business session.

7:30 p. m. Anniversary of Board of Temperance.

### Sunday, November 10

9:00 a. m. Annual Love Feast. Leaders, Rev. G. T. Adams, Rev. J. H. Shore and Rev. J. H. McCracken.

11:00 a. m. Conference sermon by Bishop Clare Purcell.

3:00 p. m. Memorial service, Rev. H. C. Smith presiding.

Memorial address, Rev. R. E. Brown.

7:30 p. m. Ordination sermon, Bishop Edgar Blake, Coral Gables, Fla.

Ordination of deacons and elders.

Reading of appointments and adjournment.

### BISHOP BLAKE AT WILMINGTON

I have real pleasure in announcing that Bishop Edgar Blake will be a visitor to our conference in Wilmington and will preach the ordination sermon for us on Sunday evening, November 10. He will also be in one of the Wilmington pulpits at the Sunday morning hour. Bishop Blake is recognized as one of our outstanding episcopal leaders, having served the church many years with conspicuous ability and devotion. His coming will mean much to all of our ministers and lay delegates.

During the few days yet remaining before the meeting of the conference, all of our people should put forth every effort to make the very best possible reports to the conference. The conference program committee has prepared a very fine schedule of services. The business sessions of the conference will be somewhat different from what it has been heretofore, due to recent changes in legislation. The same pastor's report blanks, however, will be used just as heretofore.

Clare Purcell.

### COLERAIN METHODIST CHURCH BURNED

The Colerain Methodist church was burned Sunday morning, October 20. The church which was rebuilt last year was a complete loss. It is thought the fire started in the educational building from an overheated flue. The fire had gained considerable headway when discovered and all the equipment in the educational building was lost. However, the pews, hymnals and the organ were saved. The beautiful memorial windows which were placed in the church only last year could not be salvaged because of the intense heat. The loss was only partially covered by insurance.

A building committee has been appointed and we hope to have the new church building under way within a few days. The Colerain people had a per capita giving last year of \$75. This spirit can never be defeated and we will build an even larger and more beautiful church. The Colerain church is a part of the Aulander charge, and Rev. John R. Poe is the pastor.

### THE BEST OF THE YEAR

October in Dixie has a charm all its own. The tinge of autumn is in the air. The scarlet and the gold appears in field and forest, and the frost is on the pumpkin. The glory and the pageantry of nature may be seen on every hand. With the return of the harvest season an eager interest stirs in all the land.

One of our Southern poets, John Charles McNeal, sings thus of the autumn time:

"Heavy with sleep is the old farmstead;  
The windfall of orchards is mellow;  
The green of the gum tree is shot with red,  
The poplar is sprinkled with yellow;  
Sluggish the snake and leafy the stream;  
The field mouse is fat in his burrow;  
Sun-up sets millions of dew drops a-gleam  
Where the late grass is grown in the furrow.

Oh, the smell of the fennel is autumn's own breath,  
And the sumac is dyed in her own blood;  
The charr of the locust is what her voice saith  
And the cricket is one with her mood.  
Soft are her arms as soft-seeded grass,  
The blue bells at dawn are her eyes,  
And as slow at dawn are her eyes,  
And slow as slow winds are her feet as they pass  
Her bees and her butterflies."

In the language of the plantation, the same poet puts it thus:

"Oh, dip some 'taters down in grease  
En fling de dogs a 'tater apiece.  
Ram yo' brogans clean er tacks,  
Split de splinters and fetch de ax.  
It's 'possum time again!"

### NOTICE, PREACHERS OF N. C. CONFERENCE

Rev. T. M. Grant, secretary, requests the Advocate to say that statistical report blanks are to be secured from your district superintendents.



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## The Western North Carolina Conference Assembled in High Point

AT 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, October 22, the Western North Carolina conference assembled in Wesley Memorial church, High Point, with all available space occupied by members of the conference and visitors. The first hour was devoted to an observance of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, which was administered by Bishop Clare Purcell, the presiding bishop, assisted by the district superintendents of the conference. It was an impressive service.

At 10 o'clock the organization of the conference was effected by the election of secretaries and appointment of boards and committees. This annual conference has a larger membership than the general conference which met last April in Atlantic City and almost as large as the Uniting conference that held its historic session in Kansas City in 1939, when the union of American Methodism was consummated.

Upon nomination of Rev. W. L. Sherrill, E. H. Nease, the secretary of the last conference, was re-elected and he at once nominated his assistants as follows: C. W. Bates, W. K. Goodson, E. K. McLarty, Jr., C. P. Benton and J. G. Wilkinson. W. A. Lambeth, secretary of the bishop's cabinet, read the nominations of members of the several boards and committees of the conference, and all these were duly elected.

Dr. E. H. Blackard, host of the conference, in well chosen words extended greetings to the visitors and reminded them that all needed information could be secured from the printed instructions contained in the booklet presented each member of the conference when he registered. This is a good place for us to say that the committee on entertainment has omitted nothing that could add to the pleasure of this conference.

Rev. C. P. Jerome, retired member of the North Carolina conference, was introduced.

Dr. C. W. Tadlock of St. Louis, Mo., and secretary of the Board of Pensions, was presented to the conference and entered a plea for better support of retired ministers.

Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf of Chicago and guest preacher of this conference was presented by the presiding bishop, and he expressed pleasure upon his return to High Point for this session of the conference.

The names of the retired ministers of the conference were called in open session, their characters passed and several of the members of the "old guard" responded most fittingly. Upon motion of E. H. Blackard the secretary was instructed to send messages to all of those re-

tired men who could not be present. All of those whose names were called were referred to the committee for the same relation that they have sustained the past year.

A memorial service in honor of the seven ministers of the conference who have died during the past year was held with the memorial address being delivered by Dr. H. C. Sprinkle of Kings Mountain. The memorial for Rev. J. N. Downum was spoken by Rev. Paul W. Townsend of Boone. Memorial for Rev. W. A. Newell was in charge of Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of Duke University; memorial for Rev. A. S. Raper was handled by Rev. J. L. Ingram of Welcome. Memorial for Rev. J. T. Ratledge was handled by Rev. L. B. Hayes of Greensboro; memorial for Rev. T. J. Rogers was in charge of Dr. S. B. Turrentine of Greensboro; memorial for Rev. J. H. West was in charge of Rev. E. P. Billups of Brevard; memorial for Rev. A. H. Whisner was prepared by his daughter, Miss Wilhelmina Whisner of Philadelphia, Pa.

Bishop Waldorf, in the afternoon making the first of his four addresses, spoke on "Dawn and Dusk." He held out enduring hope for the period lying ahead.

"The darkest hour," Bishop Waldorf said, "comes just before the dawn. I think there is but little doubt that we have that hour just now." He expressed a hope for democracy, church, youth, and the many other things which are being discounted in these days.

At the night session, presided over by Dr. W. A. Stanbury, with Dr. Costen J. Harrell of Nashville, Tenn., chief speaker, spoke of "Motives and Aims in Christian Education." Dr. Harrell stated that with the greatly enlarged church since unification, the church should make Christian education more vital. Speaking from the standpoint of a pastor, he said the Christian message must be interpreted in a changing age in which the basic ideas have been challenged by the totalitarian powers.

"We all believe in Christian education, but we have muddled it," he said, "and with false attitudes and false assumptions have caused a lot of trouble. For example, we may have the idea that superior knowledge will cause superior living. With a false attitude of mind, we can't appreciate the possibility of every student. And we must learn in Christian emphasis that character is primal. That the foundation of character is faith. That we have to believe something, and, finally, that character blooms into faith."

The full story of the conference will appear next week.



## The Soul of William Preston Few Embodied in Duke University

DUKE UNIVERSITY with its colleges and schools and faculties has libraries, laboratories and classrooms sufficient for the work of education to which it is committed. Its Gothic chapel, its ample grounds, its forests and gardens are admired by all. These furnish eloquent testimony to the wisdom and efficiency of President William Preston Few during his long years of service as head of Trinity College and builder of Duke University. His marvelous record is writ large in the growth of this institution. This unusual outlay in brick and stone greets the eyes of all beholders and gives it a place among the leading universities of the land. But be it ever remembered that the life of an individual or of an institution can never be measured by the gross standards of earth or be gathered up in statistical tables. A university to promote truth and to serve humanity must certainly have a soul.

Duke University in its formative years can claim the good fortune to have had a president who put quality of soul above material equipment and the marks of distinction gained by academic rating. The universities of the land bestowed on him numerous degrees, educators delighted to honor him, and his church numbered him among the first of her sons, but with all this William Preston Few remained the same sincere, modest, unaffected soul, free from the hollow pretenses of life. His high moral qualities and noble Christian spirit evident through life gave him an exalted place among those who knew him best. President Few was so genuine and kindly disposed towards all as he walked among men with unsullied soul that he cherished deep disgust for the man who for selfish advancement was guilty of disloyalty and pretense. He had light in his own clear breast and could appreciate a man whose life is an open book. His ability to sense a situation and to ferret out results of a course of activity contributed much to his wise leadership.

President Few held himself to exacting standards and he insisted more and more upon these rigid demands for Duke men—every one of whom should find his place and then, with a spirit of adventure and daring and devotion to high ideals and spiritual preparation, do his work. He insisted the work of a man's hands and the passion of a man's life should be to secure personal immortality by achievements

that endure. Such was the ambition of this noble leader that spiritual and moral values might stand out clear and full in the midst of academic attainments at Duke University. To him the location of the chapel at the center of the university was highly significant of the permanent need for religion in our human world and also of his desire to give it a first place at Duke. Even this past month, since the opening of the present session, President Few said:

"The new Duke University Chapel in its general structure and in most of its details is reminiscent of the great European cathedrals built when the church was the center of community life. Like the old cathedrals, it has its watchman on the tower and its bells, like the bells of old will serve practical as well as artistic purposes. We hope that this beautiful chapel of ours, rising central and dominating in this 'city of the mind,' will serve for our whole community as did the cathedrals in the earlier ages. We cannot expect again, at least in our day, a concurrence of intellectual opinion, but we do covet for this chapel a oneness of feeling about it, a sense of it as a part of our community life that will bring to it week after week and year after year great throngs of students and teachers, and others.

"The architectural harmony and strength of the plant are intended to suggest unity and fullness of life with religion at the center. If the university is to have this unity and round completeness it must ever cherish some galvanizing central principle that will hold it from disintegration. On the campus the chapel, hard by the library and the laboratories and co-operating with the university in its every effort to promote the truth and serve humanity is not only central, but, with its stained glass, its vaulted roof and noble spires, will dominate the place. This is intended to be symbolic of the truth that the spiritual is the central and dominant thing in the life of man. Can this ideal be realized in our world and can religion and culture in its highest form ever engage successfully in a great formative, common undertaking to make this a better world than man has yet known?

"Duke University is founded in that faith; and the part I had in that founding and have in that faith will always serve better than any



words I could use to set forth my conception of the necessity and the place of religion in the life of man."

Of all the buildings of the entire university plant none held the interest and abiding esteem of the president as did this chapel in which there was so much of history and art and religion to win his devotion. To him this was the center of all—a kind of hidden moral, spiritual power dominant in all and over all. We like to think that the light that illumines the tower at night, always shining brightest when the night is darkest and coldest, is truly symbolic of the influence emanating from the soul of William Preston Few embodied in this Gothic cathedral.

The young and those who refuse to grow old interested the president of Duke most. With what zest did he welcome each new generation of students from year to year! To him they were pilgrims of destiny privileged to live for a time on this campus, some of whom would attune their lives to the lofty inspirations of the bells of Duke. He has now passed out of sight, but may he not count for more and more to the student generations in the future years?

His body rests in the crypt near altar and choir but his soul fills all this "city of the mind." Though frail of body through the years of his exacting tasks as president, his strength was as the strength of ten because his heart was pure. Since no good deed ever utterly perishes from the earth, the spiritual forces fostered by this noble soul will live on in the traditions of Duke University to influence future generations of mankind.

There is the old legend of Brittany concerning a city of Is which in some far off age is said to have been submerged by the sea. Sailors along the coast point out its supposed location and assert that in stormy days they see tops of buried church spires in the hollow of the waves and hear rising from the depths of the sea the sound of the bells. In the far-off future, generations of college men will doubtless gather here and talk of the old forgotten and far-off events and of men of the long ago. Perchance, among these will be told the story of the noble president who first heard the bells of Duke. Now and then some rare spirit of Duke will feel as a distinguished Frenchman once said of himself, "that I have at the bottom of my heart a city of Is whose bells still call to worship. Their trembling notes seem to come from infinite depths, like voices from another world."

M. T. P.

## Dedicated to God

**B**ISHOP CLARE PURCELL has dedicated fully fifty churches, to say nothing of organs and church school buildings, since he came to North Carolina. These have been dedicated to God and set apart from all unholy uses. This is all very fine. It shows that houses have been built and debts paid, often at no little sacrifice and at great cost. It is a devoted and loyal people that can do this. Now, how about the lives devoted to the service of God in following Christ?

Men and women dedicated to God count in a great way for the Christian conquest—men and women whose lives are set apart from all ungodly and unholy uses. In the words of Paul, men and women whose "bodies are presented as living sacrifices, holy and acceptable unto God." In our words of dedication, "We, the minister and the people of this church and congregation, compassed about by so great a cloud of witnesses, do here and now dedicate ourselves anew to the worship of God in the sanctuary and to the establishment of His kingdom among men everywhere."

Lives wholly acceptable unto God, dedicated to his service this day and generation will cause the church to arise and shine.

Would it not be well for the Methodists of this state, with their wonderful outlay in the building of churches in town and in country places, to give themselves to a fuller dedication of home and school and individual life to a larger and finer service by renouncing their ungodly ways and living holy lives in this their day and generation? Why not find what Jesus would have us do?

## Preparing to Proceed

**O**UR annual conference sessions are more than occasions for conference. To review the work of the year offers a fine back look to the end that we may cherish a more rational and constraining outlook. These are really occasions to prepare us for the advance. In the words of the themes so often used by the old circuit riders, we would hear again the orders, "God commanded the children of Israel that they go forward."

Methodists who fail to go from conference eager for conquest in the year ahead need not hope for much. The year gone should make us anxious for the weeks to come. If defeat has dogged our steps we should cling the closer to our Lord; if victory has crowned our efforts we are encouraged to go on.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**N. C. Conference, Fifth Ave., Wilmington, 10 a.m. . . . Nov. 7**

Perkins, South Camden charge, paid out last Sunday morning; also Golden Cross contribution.—Wade Johnson.

Brother E. N. Harrison of the Bath charge is critically ill at the Tayloe hospital, Washington, N. C. The prayers of the church are asked for him.—L. B. Jones.

The pastors' reports at the recent session of the St. Louis annual conference held at Kirkwood show a net increase in membership over last year of 2234. The conference treasurer's report reveals that practically 100 per cent payments were made of the assessment for conference claimants, which was approximately six per cent of the pastors' salaries.—Missouri Methodist.

"Snyder Day" was observed at Wofford College last Saturday, October 12, as old grads returned for the annual home coming day paid tribute to Dr. Henry Nelson Snyder, now in his 50th year at Wofford. As a token of esteem and affection for his service to the college, Dr. and Mrs. Snyder were presented a silver service. The silver service was purchased with "love gifts" from all of the 46 county chapters of the college alumni association in South Carolina, as well as clubs in North Carolina and Georgia. The presentation was made by Dr. W. D. Roberts, superintendent of Epworth Orphanage, as the alumni assembled at the Snyder home.

In the English counties, Kent, Essex, Suffolk and Norfolk, all lying east of London and in the southeast of England, only three churches of the Presbyterian and Congregational groups had been even temporarily closed on September 1. In some instances the ministers had been forced to find temporary pastorates elsewhere, but the people were carrying on the services with splendid courage and devotion. The coastal churches are having to bear the brunt of the German attacks, especially around Dover and the mouth of the Thames river, but they are receiving support and encouragement from the interior churches.—New Orleans Advocate.

Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick has just closed a successful quadrennium at Centenary, Greensboro. The debt which has been on the church for several years was wiped out this year. About 1500 has been raised and spent on repairs and painting both the church and the parsonage. On Sunday, October 13, eight members were received, four by vows and four by letter. One member was received the past Sunday at the evening service on profession. One-third of the present membership has been received this quadrennium. The present roll is near 900. A young adult class was organized about two years ago and is very hopeful. More than 100 are charter members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.—A. C. Sherrill.

Some days ago in conversation with Dr. J. L. Stokes, our pastor at Randleman, I learned that the W. N. C. conference has five preachers named Stokes, all members of the same family. Rev. M. B. Stokes joined the conference in 1905, and has been for many years a missionary in Korea, now stationed at Seoul. Rev. James C. Stokes joined in 1931, now at Oak Ridge. Rev. Dr. J. L. Stokes, II, also in 1931, at Randleman. Rev. M. B. Stokes, Jr., now teaching in Illinois, joined in 1933. Rev. C. D. Stokes, another son, now a student in Yale College, New Haven. Let us hear from any other annual conference that can equal or beat this record. Our conference once had five Sherrills, now all dead except one, Rev. W. L. Sherrill, the former secretary. Smiths now lead with nine members, I think.—A. C. Sherrill.

Rev. Oscar L. Simpson, for the past 12 years prominent in the editorial field of the Board of Christian Education of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, with headquarters at Nashville, Tenn., has re-entered the pastorate of the Methodist Church and has been appointed by Bishop Paul B. Kern to Emerald Avenue Methodist church at Knoxville, Tenn., in the Holston conference, being transferred from the Western North Carolina conference.

The regular Sunday evening services of Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Wilmington, are being broadcast over the local station, WMFD, from 8 to 9 o'clock. This is just another attempt to fulfill the desire of this church to be of service to the largest possible number of people and to share the inspiration of its Christian worship with others in the city and beyond. The radio facilities will be available for part of the program of the North Carolina annual conference which meets in this church November 6-10.—Church Bulletin.

Plans and activities of the Methodist Church for meeting the religious needs of its college youth are studied in the elective course for adults which will appear in the December Adult Student. Consideration will be given to an analysis of the needs of college students, the scope of the Christian Student Movement, the ministry of the church through the pulpit and the local church progress, the development on the part of the student of a sense of service and a realization of the significance of church membership. The course was written by the late Dr. W. M. Alexander.

Cedar Cliff, Mt. Hermon Charge.—Our church is moving along nicely. We have met our budget in full this year, of which we are very proud. This was done with the co-operation of the members and pastor all working for the advancement of the kingdom. We have had large attendance for the past several months. We are starting what we call the "youth movement" in our church. Next Sunday night we invite all our youth to come and help us out, and also anyone who would like to come. We wish to thank the trustees of the Duke endowment for the books they presented to our church.—Mrs. R. M. Boger.

The semi-annual meeting of the board of trustees of Louisburg College was held in the college faculty parlor on Wednesday, October 16. The report of the president, Rev. Walter Patten, was presented and revealed the following items: The current debt has been reduced \$8379 and \$1300 of the Louisburg College bond have been paid by education. A payment on the bonds deposited with the Durham Bank and Trust Company is to be made November 15 through the special debt fund. Four courses have been added to the curricula this fall, namely: The Agricultural Terminal course, the Dental; Pharmacy course, the Nursing; Medical Secretarial course, and the Technician course.

The annual meeting of the historical society of the W. N. C. conference was held Tuesday night, with Rev. R. L. Ownbey, Charlotte, presiding. The principal speaker of the evening was Rev. W. L. Sherrill, superannuate of Lincoln, who spoke on "Methodism in Lincoln County." Rev. Mr. Sherrill is the author of "The History of Lincoln County." The speaker drew from his extensive knowledge of both the general history of Methodism in America and that of Lincoln county to show the phenomenal growth of the church in the foothills of North Carolina. He told of how the area beyond the Catawba river was in 1749 a wilderness, where wolves, panthers and Indians roamed; and yet, how between that year and 1787 Scotch Presbyterians and German Lutherans dared to set up log cabins in that section, eke out a living as best they could, and hold fast to their faith.



FLOWERS BECOMES ACTING PRESIDENT OF DUKE

Dr. Robert Lee Flowers becomes acting president of Duke University following the death of President W. P. Few. Now in the fiftieth year of his connection with Trinity College and Duke University, he has been identified with the institution longer and more intimately than any other member of the administration and faculty. In



Dr. Robert Lee Flowers

every phase of the institution's development Dr. Flowers' influence has been felt and he is a favorite with every generation of students for half a century. As vice president and secretary-treasurer, in daily and oftentimes hourly in contact with President Few and others of the administration, he knows the internal life of the institution as few others. Since his graduation at the Naval Academy in 1891, his whole life has gone into the development of Trinity College and Duke University.

In many ways has the life of this son of Carolina gone into the life of the state and the Methodist Church, but at the center of it all has been the development of the institution at Durham.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

The Greensboro College board of trustees, meeting Thursday, October 17, at 2 p. m. in Main building at the college, voted, subject to the approval of the two North Carolina Methodist conferences, to proceed with plans for construction of a central heating plant at an estimated cost of between \$50,000 and \$55,000, to be financed in part by a bond issue.

The plant, which is to be placed on the southeast corner of the campus, will contain modern facilities and will be ample in size and capacity to accommodate present structures and future buildings contemplated. The proposal of the central heating system arose from the necessity of either building a central unit or of replacing heating boilers which had reached the limit of usefulness. E. C. Wiley and W. E. Royall, representatives at the meeting of the Wiley and Wilson engineering firm of Lynchburg, Va., have been instructed to draw up plans and specifications and to ask for bids.

Among other steps taken by the trustees was the reelection of old officers and members of the executive, finance, and investment committees. Officers include: Charles S. Wallace, Morehead City and Jacksonville, Fla., president; James E. Lambeth, Thomasville, vice president; T. C. Holye, Sr., Greensboro, secretary; and H. G. McEntire, treasurer of the college, treasurer. Serving on the executive committee

are C. A. Bray, Greensboro; Dr. L. L. Gobbel; Dr. M. T. Plyler, Durham; T. C. Hoyle, Greensboro; James E. Lambeth, Thomasville. On the finance and investment committee, Dr. C. W. Banner, Greensboro; Dr. Gobbel, T. C. Hoyle, H. G. McEntire, Greensboro; W. Y. Preyer, Greensboro and New York City, and R. G. Stockton, Winston-Salem. Board members whose terms office expire December 31 and who were elected to succeed themselves are Dr. R. L. Flowers, Durham, representing the North Carolina conference, J. G. Hanes, Winston-Salem, the Western North Carolina, and Dr. M. T. Plyler, Durham, representing the alumnae association.

Annual reports from the college president, Dr. Gobbel, and from the business manager, H. G. McEntire, were received by the board, and by resolution offered by Rev. G. T. Adams, Sanford, the committee offered enthusiastic approval and appreciation of the present administration. The president's report indicated that the scholastic year 1940-1941 has opened with a record enrollment surpassing those of former years. Also included in his report was a statement of additions and changes in the faculty and staff, of campus improvements, and a plan of a living endowment.

President Gobbel delivered the Layman's Day address at Calvary Methodist church, Greensboro, upon the invitation of Rev. R. C. Stubbins, pastor, at 11 a. m. Sunday, October 13. Dr. Gobbel spoke on "The Privileges and Responsibilities of Laymen."

On Monday, October 14, at 10 a. m., Dr. Gobbel addressed the monthly meeting of the Rockingham County Ministerial Association. His subject was "The Church and Higher Education." The Rockingham association is composed of about 25 ministers of the county.

The Greensboro College Glee Club sang in High Point on Tuesday night, October 22, at 7:30. This was the first concert that the glee club has given this year. The group sang four numbers, "Ave Maria" (Luzzi), "Morning Prayer" (Recli), "The Lord Is My Shepherd" (Schubert) and "Queen of the Heavens" (Mascagni). The concert was in the Wesley Memorial Methodist church where the Western North Carolina conference is convening.

Miss Helen Maddock was presented in her annual voice recital on Sunday afternoon, October, 20 at 4 p. m. in Odell auditorium. Miss Maddock is instructor in the school of music. Her varied program was unusually well received by the large audience of students, faculty and town people.

Dr. Gobbel and Dr. Raymond Smith, head of the department of religious education, are attending the annual conference which is convening in High Point this week.

PRESIDENT AND MRS. WALTER PATTEN HONOR THE FACULTY AT LOUISBURG

President and Mrs. Walter Patten were at home Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock honoring the faculty of Louisburg College.

Guests were greeted by President and Mrs. Patten and Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Phillips. Miss Lula Stipe poured coffee from a beautifully appointed table covered with a lace cloth. It was centered with pink candles burning in silver holders and an arrangement of pink and white cosmos. After-dinner dessert was served at small tables covered with peasant cloths and centered with small potted plants.

During the evening Mr. Phillips rendered several selections on the violin, accompanied by Mrs. Phillips. Games were also played.

Miss Alice Cahill and Mrs. Phillips assisted in serving refreshments to: Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Amick, Mr. James E. Byerly, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Cameron, Mr. W. H. Clatworthy, Mrs. Stella Culpepper, Mrs. Grady Hardin, Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Kilby, Miss Alice Kramer, Miss Rose Marciole, Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Moon, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Oliver, Mrs. Genevieve Perry, Miss Virginia Peyatt, Rev. J. G. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Shope, Mr. L. R. Taff, Mr. J. B. Woodall, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Yarborough.

Rev. W. A. Cade, chairman of the board of trustees of Louisburg College, and Rev. W. V. McRae, member of the board, were also present.

A WORD FROM THE GOLDSTON CHARGE

Our six years as pastor of the Goldston charge have taught us that there are still many patient, thoughtful, liberal, appreciative Christians. The people of the Goldston charge believe in doing things in a big, helpful way, and seem never to tire of making nice and profitable gifts to their pastor and family. Each one of the six churches shared with us the best of the "first fruits of their increase" year after year, and this year have doubled their giving. The congregation of Meroney's church pounded us generously on October 13. We wish to use this method in thanking them for their kindness to us, and for all the other expressions of their love and liberality. Also to thank all the members of the other churches and the individuals who have so graciously ministered to our needs that we might better serve them in spiritual things.

W. J. Underwood and Family.



### FUNERAL SERVICES OF DR. WILLIAM PRESTON FEW

Attended by a congregation of more than 2,000 persons that filled University Chapel to overflowing, funeral services for Dr. William Preston Few, president of Trinity College and Duke University for over 30 years, were held at three o'clock Friday afternoon, October 18, 1940.

Every department of the university's organization—trustees, administrative officials, faculty, alumni, students and employees—was represented at the impressive rites, and scores of dignitaries representing church, state, and education from many parts of the country were present.

Following the service, interment was made privately in the chapel crypt.

From 9 o'clock Friday morning until 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon an almost endless line of mourners entered the chapel and passed before the bier of the university president as he lay in state before a bank of flowers.

Governor Clyde R. Hoey represented the State, and there were representatives of many of the various societies and organizations with which Dr. Few was identified. George G. Allen of New York, chairman of the trustees of the Duke Endowment, and Col. John R. Bruton, chairman of the university trustees, led those bodies in attendance at the funeral. Mrs. Doris Duke Cromwell of New York, daughter of James B. Duke, founder of Duke University, was present, as were Mrs. Mary Duke Biddle of New York, and other members of the Duke family.

Life-long friends and colleagues of Dr. Few mingled with members of the Duke freshman class in doing honor to the educator of whom Dr. Frank S. Hickman, dean of University Chapel, in the funeral address said, "He will increasingly stand forth in our memory, and in the estimate of the history of education in the South, not so much as a great scholar, and administrator as he will as a great soul. That," said Dr. Hickman, "will be his ultimate distinction."

Four ministers officiated at the funeral, and choral and organ music was rendered. Dr. Eugene C. Few, pastor of Druid Hills Methodist church, Atlanta, Ga., a nephew of Dr. Few, read the Scripture; and the prayer was offered by the Rev. Harry C. Smith, pastor of Duke Memorial Methodist church, Durham. Dean Hickman delivered the address, and the Rev. H. E. Myers of the Duke School of Religion pronounced the benediction. Three hymns were beautifully rendered by the 150-voice student choir directed by J. Foster Barnes: "How Firm a Foundation," "This Is My Father's World," and "Abide with Me." Edward Hall Broadhead was at the organ console, and rendered the prelude and postlude.

### DR. GRENFELL IN BRIEF

Sir Wilfred Grenfell, world noted medical missionary to Labrador, died in his home in Vermont last week. Dr. Grenfell was a native of England where he was educated. He graduated at Oxford University and the University of London hospital. A great future opened before him in London. He went on a cruise after finishing his medical training and that cruise took him to the shores of Labrador. The lack of medical attention on the part of the Indians, Eskimos and the white people of Labrador caused Dr. Grenfell to throw in his lot with them. He spent nearly fifty years in that service. He worked among the peo-

ple of that cold land and then made trips to England and to the United States and told of his work and of his need. He always received a warm response to his appeal and what he needed was gladly donated. A fine yacht would be thoroughly equipped and manned and loaned for months at a time. The equipment consisted of medical supplies and nurses and doctors went along to administer aid. At times there would be several of these floating hospitals in service at one time. At the time of his death a summary of his endeavors consisted of: Five hospitals, seven nursing stations, two orphanages (two others had burned), 14 industrial centers, four summer schools, three agricultural stations, 12 clothing distributing centers, four hospital ships, one supply schooner, a dozen community centers, several co-operative stores, a co-operative lumber mill and a haul-up slip for ship repairs. The staff included 60 surgeons, dentists, nurses, teachers and welfare workers. Upwards of a hundred volunteers worked each summer in the various mission stations.—Charity and Children.

### THE METHODIST RURAL FELLOWSHIP

A new movement on behalf of rural Methodism has been launched. It is known as The Methodist Rural Fellowship.

With the realization that out of the 46,000 Methodist churches across the nation 39,000 are definitely rural, being in communities of 2500 or less, and with the further realization that with the declining urban birth rate the future of organized religion is dependent upon the rural churches of our nation, a group of men representing 14 annual conferences gathered at Atlantic City 25-26, during the recent General Conference, in what Prof. C. M. (Pat) McConnell called a "woodshed" meeting, and initiated the Methodist Rural Fellowship.

The Fellowship is intended to be just that—a band of brotherly regard among those who serve and live in the rural areas of The Methodist Church and sympathetic urban Methodists. It is felt that the Fellowship can supplement the able official leadership of our churches and in some cases approach vital problems with greater freedom. It has no intention of setting up any class divisions between rural and urban folk. Rather, it seeks to draw them together in mutual understanding. It is designed to further Methodism's part in Christianizing rural America.

Rev. Ralph Williamson, Ithaca, N. Y., is president, and Rev. P. N. Pitcher, R.F.D., Oxford, N. Y., is secretary. The advisory committee is composed of Prof. C. M. McConnell, Dr. A. J. Walton, Prof. R. A. Felton, Dr. M. A. Dawbar, Dr. A. H. Rapping and Dr. J. M. Ormond. Those who desire to join may do so by sending the membership fee of one dollar to the secretary.

Garland Stafford.

### HOME COMING, McTYEIRE CHURCH

The interior of the McTyeire church on the Whitakers charge has been made very attractive with the completion of the improvements. We will observe home coming the fourth Sunday, October 27, with morning and afternoon services and dinner on the grounds. All former pastors, former members, friends and visitors are invited to join us on this day.

A. M. Williams.



### DR. GRACE SLOAN OVERTON AT GRACE CHURCH, WILMINGTON

Grace Sloan Overton, LL.D., well known because of her visits to Junaluska and the youth assemblies at Louisburg College and elsewhere in this state, will begin a series of services at Grace church, Wilmington, on the coming Sunday morning, October 27. Mrs. Overton will arrive from an Arkansas appointment at 3:20 on Sunday morning at Hamlet, from which place she will be brought



Mrs. Grace Sloan Overton

by a representative of Grace church, so that she can speak at Grace at 11. At 6 p. m. she will address a supper meeting of Wilmington Methodist youth, and then at 8 o'clock will speak again to the larger audience.

At 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. each day, Monday through Friday, her ministry will continue at Grace church. Two engagements to speak at the high school and engagements to speak before civic clubs have likewise been made.

The 10 o'clock meetings for the week days have been announced as meetings especially for parents. Mrs. Overton has given the following subjects for these meetings:

Oct. 28—"There Must Be Birth Before Destiny."

Oct. 29—"There Must Be Understanding Before There Is Dignity of Parenthood."

Oct. 30—"There Must Be Opportunity Before There Is Growth."

Oct. 31—"There Must Be a Philosophy Before There Are Goals."

Nov. 1—"There Must Be a God Before There Is a Religion."

Rev. J. F. Herbert, pastor of Grace church, cordially invites nearby pastors to come and bring their folks to this feast of spiritual food.

### LOUISBURG COLLEGE NOTES

On Friday evening, October 18, at 6 o'clock, the social committee of Louisburg College gave a formal dinner honoring the thirty-second wedding anniversary of President and Mrs. Walter Patten.

The faculty tables were centered with large arrangements of white chrysanthemums and tube roses interspersed with greenery. Tall white tapers burned in crystal holders. The student tables were decorated with fall flowers in colors of lavender and white. These were centered by graceful tapers.

The college orchestra, under the direction of Mr. James E. Byerly, played during the four course dinner. Mr. I. D.

Moon, head of the department of music, sang "O, Perfect Love." Mr. Byerly was accompanist for Mr. Moon.

At the conclusion of the dinner the faculty presented Dr. and Mrs. Patten with a lovely floor lamp.

The social committee of Louisburg College was host at a college party on Saturday evening, October 19, at 8 o'clock. The social hall was attractively decorated, and the autumn motif was carried out in the use of leaves and shocks of corn. The college orchestra, under the direction of Mr. James E. Byerly, played during the evening. Refreshments were served.

### MARTYRS

I am an unorthodox person, although all my long life, since the age of understanding I have been a Christian. In my mind I had laid a different emphasis on some of the things other Christians had interpreted, and this perhaps was unfortunate for me. I had dwelt far more on the active than on the passive. The existential part of Christ's ministry and example, the fact that of the cross taken by my Lord as a necessity of his mission. I had thought of as imposed on him from the outside, rather than assumed willingly, and of his own initiative, so to speak. I dwelt upon his mental sufferings rather than on any physical torture. Indeed the gory details of the Crucifixion I visualized, as anyone must who reads the story, but I took the whole with reservation.

Why keep imagining the physical side of it? Wasn't it rather sadistic, this dwelling upon blood and wounds? Christ's great passion, so I conceived, was really a passion for souls, souls which had forsaken him and fled, or like Peter had denied him. I thought of all those we love who go astray, and I said in my heart, "That and no other was Christ's sorrow's crown of sorrow, the reflecting how he had penetrated the hard hearts that had the greatest need for him." All this I still think, but living in a land where we have become so tender-hearted, so soft that we cannot bear to inflict, will not suffer pain, I had forgotten what physical pain must be. I had lost sight of the pain possibilities of poor human nerves, unpitied and unsolaced.

Now has come this horrible Hitler-rape of Europe. We know, even if we have not the specific instances, of maimings, of dismemberings, of unspeakable helpless sufferings, of whole populations ground up in the mill of insensate hatred. Nowadays the physical sufferings of Christ come to my mind so insistently, and so filled with meaning. And also so comforting. To every mangled child, to every victim of the juggernaut of this fiendish triumph comes my Master. He says, "All this have I suffered in my body, broken for you, my blood shed." The Saviour has gone this way. He knows how it hurts. And by that fact, and by our deep sympathy with what is happening to the innocent in Europe, we may keep our Lord in mind as never before, both as a spirit and as an incarnation. Here on earth we are all imprisoned in matter. Loosing of the bars may mean the tearing apart of the nerves meant for guidance and giving of warning. Like Hitler's use of the machines for destruction, which are better fitted to help us come nearer together, machines which could lift burdens from tired backs, and make for leisure and life, but which Hitler has used to produce a shrieking discord over the whole of a great continent, our nerves are made for joy and have become our torment.

"The blood of the martyrs is the seed of God's church." Those who have died are alive. They are martyrs of liberty, victims of treachery. They are innocent. Shall not those be requited who have willed them to suffer such tortures? They shall, but we cannot dare lay on the stripes or scroll the punishment. Self-defense is ours, but punishment belongs to God. We must be faithful, work, pray, defend the right. "How long, O Lord, how long!"

An Old Friend.

### GLORIOUS INGATHERING AT CLINTON

Revival services in Clinton came to a close last week. The pastor preached for two weeks in one of the best attended revivals held in the church in a number of years. The attendance was large throughout the series and the entire church was revived in its spiritual life. Mr. Pat Alderman of Kinston, well known choir director and singer, led the singing in a most effective way.

A most impressive service was held last Sunday morning when 45 people, men, women and children gathered around the altar to assume the vows of church membership. Parents and Sunday school teachers came to stand beside those who were entering into this new relationship.

Immediately following this service the celebration of the Lord's Supper was observed. New members filled the first two tables and the remainder of the congregation followed, thus closing one of the most significant services held in the church this year.

Seventy-five members have been received on the charge this year, nearly all of whom have been on profession of faith.

B. H. Houston, Pastor.



# A Brief Sketch of Dr. William Preston Few

**Dr. Few, President of Duke University, Died on Wednesday, October 16**

William Preston Few was born in Greenville county, S. C., December 29, 1867. He was one of three sons and five children of Dr. Benjamin F. Few and Rachel Kendrick. His father, a physician, served as a surgeon in the Confederate army.

His preparation for college was in the Greer high school under J. W. Kennedy, afterwards president of the Presbyterian College at Clinton, and J. M. Manley, later professor of English in the University of Chicago, who gave him his first impulse to scholarship.

Young Few entered Wofford College in 1885. There he showed a special interest in literary studies and distinguished himself in speaking, debating, and writing. He was one of the sophomore declaimers, a junior debater, and one of the originators and first editors of the Wofford College Journal. Among the teachers who were most helpful to him were Prof. J. B. Henneman, then teacher of Greek and afterwards of English at the University of the South, and F. C. Woodward, professor of English. His closest friends were in Chi Phi fraternity of which he was a member. He received the A.B. degree in 1889, and his graduating speech was on "The Benefits of Reading."

After his graduation, Few taught for the year 1889-90 in St. John's Academy, Darlington, S. C. He was an instructor in the Wofford College Fitting School, teaching Latin and English, in 1890-91, and instructor in English in Wofford College in 1891-92.

In September, 1892, the desire for training under the ablest scholars in the English and other language studies in which he had become deeply interested led the young Wofford instructor to enter the graduate school of Harvard University. There he remained four years under the inspiring influence of such men as Prof. F. J. Child and G. L. Kittredge. Though he lost more than a year's time by reason of trouble with his eyes, he received the A.M. degree in 1893 and the Ph.D. degree in 1896.

After leaving Harvard with his degree, Dr. Few was not long in finding his life work. On August 1, 1894, Rev. Dr. John C. Kilgo, a South Carolinian, had been elected president of Trinity College. Part of his vigorous constructive work in the upbuilding of Trinity College, which had moved to Durham in 1892, consisted in surrounding himself with a group of thoroughly trained and enthusiastic young faculty members. In 1896 he called the Wofford and Harvard graduate to be professor of English.

Not only did Dr. Few display marked ability as a teacher but he also interested himself in the administrative work of the college with such success that President Kilgo depended upon him for constant assistance in carrying out his policies.

In 1902 Dr. Few was elected dean of Trinity. He added the duties of this position to the work of his professorship until 1910 when President Kilgo resigned following his election as bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. When the trustees of Trinity were confronted with the problem of choosing a new president, it was natural that they should call upon the able dean who had become such a sturdy figure in President Kilgo's constructive administration.

With the hearty endorsement of Bishop Kilgo, the trustees selected Dr. Few as his successor. He was formally inaugurated on November 9, 1910, in the presence of one of the most representative and brilliant educational gatherings ever held in the South.

Although Trinity and Duke under President Few developed as have few educational institutions in American history, he steadily warned colleges to turn from the temptation to seek mere bigness. He urged that the greatness of a college or university depends upon its ideals and its influence rather than upon its numbers.

Though a busy university president, Dr. Few gave time and thought unstintingly to the religious and educational work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, now the Methodist Church. He was a delegate to the General Conference since 1914, a member of the Education Commission since 1898, a member of the General Sunday School Board since 1914, and one of the most active officers of Duke Memorial Methodist church and Sunday school in Durham. He was a member of the commission that prepared the legislation for the Uniting Conference of the three branches of Methodism.

Dr. Few was always in much demand as a speaker and writer whose ideas were always expressed in language of power and distinction. He profited greatly by an intimate acquaintance with Shakespeare and other English masters of style. He was altogether exceptional in his ability to find exactly the right word or phrase to express an idea. Some of his more important addresses on educational, civic, and literary topics appeared in publications of the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools of the Southern States, the volume on "The American College" published on the occasion of the Allegheny College Centennial, the publications of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association, the South Atlantic Quarterly, and others.

As a writer and later as one of the editors, Dr. Few was closely identified with the South Atlantic Quarterly from the first issue. Many of his thoughtful and strikingly expressed articles provoked discussion in the public press of the country and stimulated other writers.

President Few's educational leadership received recognition in many quarters. Soon after his inauguration as president of Trinity College, he received the LL.D. degree from Wofford College, his alma mater. Later he was invited to make addresses at Southwestern University and Allegheny College, and both of these institutions conferred the LL.D. degree upon him.

He also received the LL.D. degree from Syracuse University, Ohio Wesleyan University, the University of North Carolina, and Davidson College; the Litt.D. degree from Birmingham-Southern; the Ed.D. degree from Southern College; and the L.H.D. degree from Boston University in June 1940, at which time he spoke at that institution's centennial.

Harvard University made him a member of the committee appointed by the Board of Overseers to visit the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. He served as president of the North Carolina State Literary and Historical Association in 1913. His great interest in the educational



progress of the Negro race led to his election, in 1918, as a trustee of the Negro Rural School Fund supported by the Anna T. Jeanes Foundation. He was a member of the General Board of Christian Education; he served as president of the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the Southern States. Dr. Few was a life member of the North Carolina Education Association, an honorary member of the Durham Rotary Club, and director of the State University Railroad.

### PASTORAL ACHIEVEMENTS IN WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

The 167,000 Methodists in the Western North Carolina conference who pay \$4100 to help support 16 pastors in the Waynesville district have a right to know whether or not this investment is bringing in returns. I am, therefore, in the columns of the church paper making a report of the achievements of these 16 pastors.

At Bethel Rev. J. W. Blitch has so developed Bethel church that it has voted to add \$300 to its salary in order to become a station. Sunday school rooms have been added and the main auditorium is being veneered with brick. The growth has been phenomenal. Bryson City: Brother Rayle has had good meetings, splendid daily vacation Bible schools, and has added several new members to his church on profession of faith. Both church and parsonage have undergone some minor repairs. Clyde: Under the wise, friendly and tactful leadership of C. E. Price, two Methodist churches have been united in spirit and aims. A new church building, costing at least \$25,000, has been projected. The end of 1941 will see its completion. Crabtree: Rev. W. N. Nease dropped into this new field somewhat a stranger to the mountains and the mountain people, but he has done faithful work. The Crabtree parsonage has had lights installed and two of his churches have undergone needed improvements. Dellwood: You cannot mention C. O. Newell without mentioning his good wife. They have both worked together hard this year and will come up to conference with gratifying reports. Maple Grove was dedicated last Sunday, a beautiful new structure, brick veneered. His parsonage has been painted inside and out. Many things have been added to make it more livable. Franklin Circuit: P. L. green and his wife have carried on in a very fine way the splendid work that H. S. Williams began in the beginning of the year. Good meetings have been held and many have been added to the membership of the church. This is a growing charge and will soon say goodbye to the Board of Missions. Hayesville: Brother Gentry is a hard worker and his work has borne fruit on the Hayesville charge. A beautiful new rock church is nearing completion at Hayesville. Professor Ormond regards it as one of the most beautiful structures Duke has helped to build. Gentry's bath room is nearing completion. Here, too, a good wife renders her full share to the usefulness of a faithful servant of the church. Highlands: When Milton says, "He also serves who only stands and waits," Rev. J. S. Higgins says, "You're not talking to me." Higgins has faced a hard task in the spirit of a pioneer and Highlands, spiritually speaking, has moved higher. Jonathan: In the middle of the year Odell Brown hit this place in high, and until this moment he has not been in reverse or even in second. Twenty-five additions have been made to the church. His enthusiasm is being felt in the Hazelwood community where a Sunday school has been organized, young people's group also, and the Methodist church moves forward there. Macon Circuit: Were I called upon to give a definition of perseverance, I would say Rev. J. C. Swaim. He never knows when to quit, preaching day and night, and at odd times with hammer and saw helping to build beautiful Asbury church. Swaim has earned all he gets and more besides. Morning Star: W. H. Pless, the morning of January 1, 1940, gathered with his congregation, young and old, around a pile of smoldering ashes which was all that was left of a beautiful new country church. October 20 this good brother and the same congregation assembled in a beautiful new church and witnessed its dedication. The Methodist Church in all this section has witnessed no greater achievement than the rebuilding of Morning Star. It, too, will add \$300 to its salary and become a station at conference. Murphy Circuit: Rev. G. W. Bumgarner with a new pastorate told me the other day that he had traveled 18,000 miles doing the work of his charge this year. Such efforts have brought forth an abundance of spiritual achievement. He has eight churches and each of them have undergone repairs this year. Robbinsville: H. L. LaFevers is a master worker with young people, sings well, and has led his church to the completion of a magnificent stone structure. Robbinsville "ain't what it used to be." Whittier: C. L. Fisher lost his parsonage, lost his books, his beds, his clothes, and came very near losing his life in a recent flood. Not to be dismayed, on the following Sunday morning he had his congregation to sing "Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."

Whittier is getting ready to rebuild. Some good lady who lives in Florida has offered a home free to the Methodist pastor until a parsonage can be completed. Shooting Creek: Dan Dennis has found something of the spirit of Asbury in these hills. He is getting ready to build at Elf, is re-covering some of his churches and painting others. His charge has been out for three weeks.

The salary raises for this year combined with the promises for the ensuing year totals \$3000, which makes a 10 per cent increase in salary increases this year. Has any other district done better?

The few charges helped direct by Duke donations have rendered similar service. In each of these have been improvements and achievements within the realm of spiritual life.

In my humble opinion the money spent in the Waynesville district has been well spent. Each man has earned all he got and perhaps needed more. However, if any man believes that the 2½ cents he has contributed to the support of the pastors in the Waynesville district has not produced sufficient results, if he will come over and spend a few days with me, I will prove to him that he is entirely wrong, and I cannot do so I will gladly refund his 2½ cents.

For myself and for all the pastors thus helped, I wish to express to the entire conference my sincere gratitude. For them and for myself permit me to say, "God bless you all."

W. L. Hutchins, D. S.

### WHO WANTS TO BE CALLED "REVEREND"?

Benjamin Franklin expressed exactly my idea concerning titles of respect. Said this great man, "In old time it was no disrespect for men and women to be called by their own names. Adam was never called Master Adam; we never read of Noah Esquire, Lot Knight and Baronet, nor the Right Honourable Abraham, Viscount Mesopotamia, Baron of Canaan. No, no, they were plain men, honest country graziers, that took care of their families and their flocks. Moses was a great prophet and Aaron a priest of the Lord; but we never read of the Reverend Moses nor the Right Reverend Father in God, Aaron, by Divine Providence Lord Archbishop of Israel. Thou never sawest Madam Rebecca in the Bible, my Lady Rachel; nor Mary, though a princess of the blood, after the death of Joseph called the Princess Dowager of Nazareth. No, plain Rebecca, Rachel, Mary, or the Widow Mary, or the like. It was no incivility then to mention their naked names as they were expressed."

Of all abominations which most ministers detest is to be addressed directly as "Reverend Smith, or Reverend Jones." It is wrong, to begin with. "The Reverend Mr. A. A. Smith" is the correct form. It is to be used in addressing a letter, or in making reference to Mr. Smith. It is not to be used in direct address. But, even if it were, it makes most ministers self-conscious to be called "Reverend." It seems to make too much of a distinction between them and their fellows. Most ministers would much prefer to be called "Mister Smith, or Mister Jones."

In the bulletin of one of the great universities of the world, an institution whose professors have all the highest degrees which can be conferred upon them, the courses are described, and after each course description, the name of the teacher is given. It is never "Doctor So and So," but always "Mister So and So."

Among the most laughable things is the custom of calling every politician who announces for some office in a county or in the nation at large "The Honorable So and So." Some of them lack a lot of being honorable.

Why all these titles anyway? Is it not the basic motive underlying them to exalt one man above another? Really, in the truly Christian sense, one should not be put above another by title or otherwise. I rather like old Ben Franklin's idea.—Nat G. Long, in Wesleyan Christian Advocate.



# What Minister's Wives Are Asking

## SIXTEEN PERTINENT QUESTIONS

By A. RITCHIE LOW

1. Is it a good thing for a minister's wife to accept office in her husband's church?

2. Should a minister's wife be a leader or wait until she is asked for advice?

3. What part should a minister's wife play in community enterprises?

4. Do you think a minister's wife should take the presidency of any of the women's organizations in the church?

5. Should the minister's wife work generally in the church, or should she take a particular job?

6. How much should children of the parsonage be examples to the other young people.

7. Is it a minister's wife's duty to take time off for physical, mental, and spiritual refreshment?

8. Should there be times when a minister's wife can get away from her responsibility?

9. Is it right for a minister's wife to "spread out thin," being present at or working in all organizations and contributing financially to all?

10. Should a minister's wife have special friends within her husband's church?

11. Is it possible for a minister and his wife to work out a mutual sharing program for their various interests? If I were to add my list of "would-like-to-aids" to the list of my husband's giving, our living expenses could not be met.

12. How can a minister and his wife arrange an adequate social program for themselves and still chum with the whole church?

13. If there is no maid in the parsonage, about how much time can a minister's wife devote to church work and still give her children the companionship and attention which they need?

14. What about dances and "after prom" events in which ministers' children are bound to be included?

15. Is the minister's wife expected to cook and donate to all the various food sales connected with the church?

16. Am I right in believing that birthday celebrations for the family come before church committee meetings, etc.? On several occasions I have heard children in parsonages say, "Mother, is that cake and candy for us or for the church?"

The wife of a medical man has just put down on paper the trials, the joys and tribulations of being the wife of a physician. She calls her book "Doc's Wife." It's a tough assignment, she says, but, on the other hand, it's worth the candle. She likes her job, although she does admit there are drawbacks. A doctor, for instance, is at the beck and call of everyone, his time is not his own, and more than likely the very night he has planned to take his wife to "Gone With the Wind" he has to rush over, bag in hand, to see Mrs. Cray, who is expecting a baby. When you live in a physician's home, things like that are happening all the time, says Doc's Wife. Just the same, she wouldn't have it otherwise. Life would get drab, tame.

Some little woman of the manse should sit down and put her thoughts on paper—although it might be necessary to speak anonymously! What a human and gripping story many a minister's wife could tell! I am not thinking of the intimate, personal experiences that have been given in confidence, but of the little, every-day happenings that sometimes makes you laugh and at other times bring tears to your eyes. I know of no woman, not even Doc's Wife, who has a better opportunity to see folk both at their best and at their worst than the mistress of the average manse. Even the adventure of Osa Johnson, in all her African glory, cannot compare with the colorful career of being the wife of a pastor who lives at the crossroads. If life is where you find it, neither the preacher nor his wife has any reason to complain.

But this doesn't mean that, when the title "Reverend" has been attached to one's name, thereafter life is all skittles. By no means. Every profession has its ups and downs. Many a couple who live in a parsonage by the side of the road carry burdens that trouble the heart. If any are more familiar with the "sad, sweet music of humanity," I have yet to meet them.

I was talking just the other day with Mrs. Crayer about how she enjoyed being a minister's wife. That, of course, is not her name, but it will serve our purpose. Mrs. Crayer's husband is pastor of an average, small-town church of about two hundred members. They have been married eleven years and have three children. It was strange, she said, that I should ask her about how she enjoyed being mistress of the manse because, just the week before, she had attended the Rural Ministers' conference at Ocean Park, Maine, where a large number of the ministers' wives had got together to compare notes. For three mornings, Mrs. Crayer told me, they had really opened up their minds in heart-to-heart talks. They got right down to business, called a spade a spade.

What did they talk about? I asked. Many things, she replied. For instance, what should be done when one has to run up local bills because the husband is not getting his salary on time? Sometimes the merchants are also your church members, and this makes the transaction all the more embarrassing. Another thing, why should the the pastor's wife have to pay a girl to come in and mind the children so as to let her attend some evening meeting, when the same sacrifice is not asked of other women, even those who have more money to do with? The one who raised the question was quite willing, she said, to make some sacrifice once in a while, but she didn't think it was quite fair for others to assume that just because she was the minister's wife she had to do it.

Take the question of the pastor's children. Are people inclined to expect too much of them? Their parents want them to live up to their best, to be sure, but is it fair to expect them to be normal if they are allowed only the privacy of a goldfish? Is there any tendency for folks who live in the parsonage to be over strict, lest the children not give a good enough example to others? And what about the family car? Should pastors allow their older boys and girls to take it out, say, after an evening social? Then there is the question of dances, especially public dances. If the youngsters don't go they are stuck up; if they do, it's simply terrible and something ought to be done about it. The very idea!

Where can the minister's family draw the line between their church and their home life? "Gee, may," said one eight-year-old lad to his mother, "ain't you goin' to help me with my lessons? Where are you goin' now? Wa'n't you out last night?" More than one ten-year-old and twelve-year-old who lives in a parsonage has asked the same question.

Then there is the matter of loaning furniture. "Upon my word," said a mistress of the manse the other day, "I do declare just about every stick in the house has



been lugged over to the church. Not that I mind. I like to help out when a play is being presented and all that, but just the same I do wish they'd give me a rest. There are others, you know." I think I understood what she meant. She wasn't selfish, she just thought she had done more than her share. In her opinion, church committees should build parsonages at least half a mile from the church, which would, she believes, tend to put a crimp in the borrowing business.

Mrs. Crayer wanted to know before I left her whether or not I should like to see a list of the questions submitted to the ministers' wives at the conference at Ocean Park. "You just bet I would," I told her, and so, accompanying this article is the list. I include it, not only because I think the questions are extremely timely, but also because I have a notion the editor of Zions Herald would be willing that you readers send in your reactions to them. —Zions Herald.

## AN ATLANTIC CROSSING IN WAR TIME

By J. T. Cullum Blackmore

A rather brusque decision found me boarding a ship at Liverpool on the morning of August 2, after a 14 months' stay in England. My young daughter, Lorna, was with me. We did not know the hour or even date of sailing, not even the name of the boat; but it proved to be S. S. "Scythia" and we sailed at twilight that same evening.

Slowly we steamed out through a winding lane of buoys so placed as to keep us clear of some wrecks whose funnels and masts could be seen in the shallow waters. Our liner passed through a waiting convoy of small cargo boats, and on out to sea, led by an efficient looking destroyer whose great speed enabled it to zigzag all over the place and yet keep ahead of us, winking its Morse lamp to tell us when also to bear to the right or left. That dark mass in the gloaming, swishing to and fro, outlined by its ruffle of white foam, may have meant "destroyer" to a lurking U-boat, but to us it was literally a guardian angel. And we were thankful it kept up its untiring vigil all next day. Grateful, also, were we for the aircraft which patrolled over us during the day. That air patrol brought me one of the greatest thrills of my life.

Both of our sons, William and Frank, are air pilots. The older, because of a blood disorder, is unable to fly for the present, so is doing defense work; but Frank is in the coastal command and regularly patrols St. George's Channel. He knew his father and sister were to sail August 2 or later, and said he would scrutinize the decks of liners for a certain bright orange-colored dress that he knew.

Luck was with us on August 3. The weather was fine. Since we were included in the second sitting at meals, we were on deck from twelve to one o'clock. A land plane came straight towards us. Lorna wrenched off the coat which covered her dress. Jostling the passengers we scampered up to the top deck just as the plane passed over the first time, and we saw a hand waving at us. Banking steeply the machine curled back toward the ship. We sprang on the top of a hatch where the flaming orange showed up well. Stewards ordered us down—ship's orders are to take cover when planes fly over. I yelled to the steward in front: "That is my son." He caught my meaning and nodded laughingly. But all that the steward behind us caught, as he reached to pull us down, was the back of Lorna's hand across his face as she gesticulated wildly in answer to her brother's waving from the saddle of his air steed.

The plane repeatedly roaring down at us to masthead, and each time Frank's arm flung widely out of the cockpit window, with others of his crew watching beside him as the dear lad gave us his farewell, carved a deep, vivid picture in my memory—our guardian from the sky. What a poignant farewell to England!

On board it could be grim. At lifeboat drill: "Parents, the men of our boat do what they can, but if one of your children falls overboard it is your responsibility. Don't expect the boat to stop to pick up your child and thus endanger the lives of all others." The tots swarmed around us lisping their high-class English. Enormously swelled out with their white kapok life-belts they looked like tops. With finger and thumb you could twist them by their flaxen heads and make them spin on their tiny feet. Two-year-

olds looked comical toppling over as they bounced against each other.

The tense feeling wore off as the days passed, yet the news went round that the troop ship with Canadian soldiers, sunk August 10, went down within eighteen miles of us. (We were then off Halifax). It was, perhaps, only a rumor, as may also have been an earlier discussion about two other ships in our vicinity. But U-boats are not as bad now as they were during the last war.

My first trip to America was in July, 1918, when Bishop William F. Anderson had me come over to America to represent North Africa for the Methodist Centenary of Missions. The experiences of total blackouts on board, and sleeping with safety devices ready for use, were not new to me. Twenty-two years ago America openly shared the defense of the world against the rule of force, and she experienced many sinkings even within sight of her own shores.

Before I left England on this trip I had noticed that peoples were becoming less apprehensive even though air raids were becoming more frequent. They are less and less inclined to run to outdoor dugouts. They now seek the firmest room angle or corridor inside their houses. Many Englishmen are strengthening their homes with extra supports and joists. Though somewhat less protective against bodily harm, indoor "citadels," with easily installed mattresses where the "warned" can sleep through the whole raid, constitute a much better protection for the inner personality, guarding it against the full brunt of the searing experiences of air warfare. The British government realizes that the new arrangement is good for morale and now offers suggestions for strengthening indoor refuges. Better a moderate refuge which is used than a stronger one which is not. My own garden dugout has up to this time never once been used.

On board the "Scythia" I got further light on the mystery of the French collapse. A kindly stranger responded heartily to my inquiries. His French had a foreign accent but "he knew his onions." I give the substance of our conversation: The French are ultra-cultured, dreaming ever and only in following out their life in their own way on their own soil, which produces sufficient to meet their needs. They are not acutely aware of the power of far-off happenings to affect their lives. Herein the inhabitants of France differ from those of Great Britain. On their little island, the British, dependent for generations upon relationships with other countries, had developed a keen sense of the importance of foreign developments. In 1914 France fought because she was invaded. Britain, though not touched, fought because little Belgium was violated. In 1938, France refused to face the supreme act of war to save her ally, Czechoslovakia, and only very reluctantly did she follow her partner, Britain, in declaring war on Germany in 1939 on account of Poland. This war was never popular in France, nor was the alliance with Britain in the struggle overly popular.

To the British the Dunkerque evacuation was a triumph which increased their faith in their own fighting ability. To the French, "Lord Hawhaw" of Germany quickly pointed out in his broadcasts that Dunkerque fulfilled his oft-repeated prophecy that the British "would fight to the death of the last Frenchman." Coming quickly on the heels of the Meuse break-through and King Leopold's defection, Dunkerque did much to break down French morale. My fellow passenger averred that defeat drew the best from the British; the French, he said, were different—witness Napoleon's experience with his grand army in Russia.

The policy of "defense in 1940, attack in 1941" lulled the French into a state of inadequate preparation, snug behind their Maginot line. They out-calculated. Add to this the fact that the French army lacked cohesion between the better class officers and the worker-soldiers whose minds were filled with dreams of social reforms. France, moreover, had not recovered its youth since the war of 1918, and especially did she show the lack of the spirit of youth. And to the last the French fondly hoped that Russia would strike and draw off German pressure. (I noted that the stranger spoke of Russia as "my" country).

The fact of the case is that now that France is down it is doubtful if she can be restored to self-confidence and power by anyone, even by her own sons, operating from abroad. It is of first importance that her own will be re-born. Bitter crushing under the German boot if iron may pres all the wine from the renowned French grapes.

As we talked, I sensed the stranger's mastery of politics and felt his rapid forward stride. We had marched for a long time around the deck holding on to each other as we threaded our way ahead of the other walkers. Finally we slowed down and stood at the taffrail watching the groundswell rolling in under the moonbeams. We left high world politics and came down to nearer things. I began to tell him of Frank's flying over us. The stranger noticed the waving pilot. He gave my shoulder a father's sympathetic grip and asked my name. Then came a handshake and I asked his name. "Kerensky," he said. Then I understood his grasp of politics; his discernment of the French situation; aye, and the cloud of autograph hunters!

My thirteenth crossing was far from unlucky!

—Zions Herald.



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### OUR WOMAN'S PAGE

We are pleased to announce that through the kindness of the editors of the North Carolina Advocate, Drs. M. T. and A. W. Plyler, a full page in our church paper, beginning with this issue, is granted our conference society to be used in the interest of the woman's work. This action on the part of the editors which comes "from a desire to aid in every way possible the Woman's Society of Christian Service in this first year of its existence," is greatly appreciated by the 18,000 women who compose the membership of this splendid new organization. During the years that our woman's page has been in existence it has been found most valuable in the dissemination of missionary information and we are deeply grateful that we are privileged to continue this service in our woman's work.

At the recent organization meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, in Statesville, October 1, the editor of the woman's page in the Advocate was made a member of the executive committee, and the work separated from that of the conference secretary, by whom it has been done, chiefly, in the long period of years that we have had a page set aside for our woman's work. As editor of this page, Mrs. W. R. Harris asks the co-operation of the women of the conference in making it a page that will be of interest and value in the work. As we enter into this new organization, and in grateful appreciation of the kindness of our editors, we ask that all of our societies make an effort to increase the number of subscriptions to our Advocate until it is in every home represented in our woman's work.

### WEEK OF PRAYER, NOV. 3-9, 1940

The endowment of a Chair of Religious Life and Thought at Scarritt College, named for our former Council president, the Clara Tucker Perry Chair, is the financial objective for this year of the Week of Prayer. As we look back over the records of our woman's work and see what the contributions of Week of Prayer have meant in the furtherance of our woman's work, we realize how very important it is for every Woman's Society of Christian Service to observe this prayer week with an appropriate program and a generous contribution.

From message of Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, treasurer of Woman's Division of Christian Service, and Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, secretary of Missionary Education of Joint Division of Education and Cultivation, we quote: "This will not be the last week of prayer program, but it is the last authorized by the Woman's Missionary Council, with the offering directed by Council as a special for a (former) Southern Methodist institution. Scarritt College is now an institution of the Methodist Church, but this is the opportunity of

those who helped to establish it and who built the Bennett Memorial and have worked faithfully through 48 years of history of Scarritt Bible and Training School and Scarritt College for Christian Workers, to make another offering for a much needed endowment for the college we love, and to express appreciation of our highly honored and beloved Council president. One of the largest amounts raised for the week of prayer, excepting the Jubilee offering, was the \$70,292 contributed last year. This year we need an increase of \$30,000 over last year to secure the \$100,000 necessary for the establishment of this chair. Those interested in the training of Christian workers and who feel that Scarritt College should provide amply for this training, cannot fail to realize that this department of Religious Life and Thought needs sufficient endowment for its proper efficiency. This love offering of \$100,000 during the week of prayer will not only help to supply Scarritt's need for an endowment, but give to us an opportunity to honor one who has rendered, in our name and for us, an outstanding service. May we in the Western North Carolina conference give liberally to this great fund.

### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT ORGANIZATION MEETING

In keeping with the plan of our new work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service the districts, one by one, and as quickly as possible are holding their meetings for the organization of the district Woman's Society of Christian Service. The first one of these meetings reported to us is from the Asheville district, and we are indebted to Mrs. P. Lane Gaston, secretary of the meeting, for the following account:

"Pursuant to a call from Rev. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent of the Asheville district, 70 or more representatives of the woman's societies of the district met in Central church Friday morning, October 11, for the organization meeting of the Asheville District Woman's Society of Christian Service. The meeting, presided over by Mr. Smathers, opened with hymn 483, 'From All the Dark Places of Earth's Heathen Races,' and was followed by an impressive and inspirational message on 'Thy Kingdom Come,' in which the speaker stressed the opportunity of the women in the new and enlarged work to assist in the salvation and redemption of the world, to which God has called them in this united service.

Miss Amy Hackney was named temporary chairman and Mrs. P. Lane Gaston secretary. Hymn 462, 'From Thee All Skill and Science Flow,' was used as a solo, with Mrs. George Schreyer of Leicester as soloist.

A feature of the morning was the election of the officers for the district. The report of the nominating committee was heard and the following were

elected: President, Mrs. C. S. Brown; corresponding secretary, Miss Amy B. Hackney; recording secretary, Miss Alma Trowbridge; secretary of missionary education and service, Mrs. S. M. Garren; secretary of Christian social relations, Mrs. J. S. Williams; secretary student work, Mrs. George Schreyer; secretary supplies, Mrs. C. A. Hawkins; secretary literature and publications, Mrs. W. R. Harris; secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Miss Jane Sullivan; secretary spiritual life, Mrs. F. A. Walton. The four zone leaders elected were: Zone one, Miss Bessie Jordan, Hendersonville; zone two, Mrs. Thomas Heffner, Asheville; zone three, Mrs. W. G. McFarland, Asheville, and zone four, Mrs. Vernon Hall, Leicester. It was unanimously decided to have only one zone meeting each year and that to be held in the fall.

The closing of the program featured the installation of officers by Rev. M. T. Smathers, using the beautiful service from 'Investing Our Heritage,' the book of programs for September 1940-August 1941, prepared by an editorial committee composed of the editors serving in the missionary societies and ladies' aid of the former Methodist churches.

As these officers knelt at the altar the beautiful hymn of brotherhood, 'Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life' was sung and the benediction pronounced by Mr. Smathers."

### NOTICE, DISTRICT SECRETARIES

We would like accounts of your district organization meetings sent to editor of woman's page as early as possible for publication. Please attend to this promptly.

### SOME NEW ORGANIZATIONS

From Elkin district comes the announcement of the following new societies of Christian Service:

Maple Grove, Ararat charge—President, Mrs. Jennie Beamer; vice president, Mrs. Kezziah Woodruff; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Mary Beamer; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Lucy Beamer; treasurer, Mrs. J. S. Gardner. P. O. address of all officers Mount Airy, Route 3.

Potato Creek society, Sparta charge—President, Mrs. Charles E. Cox; vice president, Mrs. Nannie Williams; Cor. and Rec. Sec.-Treas., Miss Grace E. Kirk. P. O. address of officers, Mouth of Wilson, Va.

Statesville district reports a recent organization of woman's society at Fairmont church, with Mrs. R. E. Frazier as president, Route 5, Statesville.

### NEW BEGINNINGS

Every morning is a new beginning—every day—another chance to prove yourself as you go on your way—another opportunity to show what you are worth. Each time God paints a dawn upon the dark and sleeping earth. . . . Calamities will come—you maybe sure of that, my friend. It's life—you never know what's waiting just around the bend. But these are only challenges to put you to the test—to face them with a trusting heart—and He will do the rest. . . . And if you fail or falter, or weaken by the way—look up—don't despair. God always sends another day."



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### CHEERFUL NEWS

Because of their belief in the potentialities of the woman's page; because of the fact that societies of the former Methodist Protestant and Methodist Episcopal churches have been added to our conference and because there are now more phases of woman's work to be promoted, the approximately 1,000 women gathered at Greenville on September 23-24 for the conference organization meeting requested Dr. M. T. Plyler and Dr. A. W. Plyler, editors of the N. C. Christian Advocate, for the restoration of the third column of the woman's page. This request has been granted and the attitudes of the editors, as expressed in a letter to Mrs. E. L. Hillman, is indeed gracious and Christian. They write: "Our desire is to aid in every possible way the Woman's Society of Christian Service in this first year of its existence. So at your request we intend to restore the two full pages of the paper, one for each conference." This glad news will fill the hearts of the women of the N. C. conference with thanksgiving. May it bring us to an acute awareness of our responsibility in making our woman's page an invaluable asset in promoting the cause of Christ in the greatest organization on earth. May we keep faith with the editors of the N. C. Christian Advocate, with the women throughout the N. C. conference and with God, to whose work the page is dedicated. M. E. G.

### SCHEDULED ZONE MEETINGS

Warren county zone, Mrs. J. C. Burwell, leader, will meet in Warrenton Methodist church on Saturday afternoon, October 26, at 2 p. m. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, conference president, will be the speaker.

Person zone, Mrs. W. M. Fox leader, will meet at Long Memorial church, Roxboro, November 3, 2-4 p. m. All members are urged to attend.

### SPIRITUEL LIFE RETERAT

Miss Elizabeth Lamb writes: "Our Fayetteville district spiritual life retreat will be held at Hay Street church, Fayetteville, on Friday, November 1, at 10 o'clock. The meeting will close at one o'clock. Information about tea rooms, cafes and cafeterias will be given upon request at the close of the meeting. We feel that we need this time apart for prayer and meditation. You are urged to attend if possible.

### MISS ELIZABETH TITSWORTH

Succeeding Miss Zoa Ann Davis at the Methodist Student Center in Greenville is Miss Elizabeth. Miss Titworth was born in East Tennessee. Her educational background consists of undergraduate work at Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn., and at Scarritt College, from which latter place she received her M.A. degree this

past June. Her work at Greenville is her first assignment under the former Woman's Missionary Council. Miss Titworth is cherishing hopes and aspirations of her present and future accomplishments at the Student Center which are of the highest degree of Christian thought. Young, energetic, consecrated and possessing an appealing personality, she is already proving the worth of her purposes and efficiency. The women of the N. C. conference should be happy to support Miss Titworth with material aid for her work and with prayers for the success of her undertakings.

### LLOYD MURRIE LEE

Mrs. W. A. Felton, St. Pauls, shares with us the news that Lloyd Murrie Lee, young son of Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Lee, has been made a life member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of St. Pauls Methodist church by his grandfather, Mr. Oscar Murrie, Little Rock, Ark. Mrs. Lee is the former Mildred Murrie and was director of religious education at Edenton Street church a few years ago. Rev. Mr. Lee is pastor of the Methodist church, St. Pauls.

### LAUREL HILL CHARGE

There were formerly five auxiliaries of the woman's missionary society on the Laurel Hill charge, Fayetteville district. Now there are five charter societies of Woman's Society of Christian Service with a charter membership of 65. All five societies were represented at the conference organization in Greenville, with three official delegates. Snead's Grove society is buying and preparing milk for an undernourished negro boy. When this matter was reported to the society it was said of the baby, "It is helpless; the only thing it can move is its eyes. It is seven months old. Its mother does the best she can with what she has." The society has also screened the baby's bed from the flies. The improvement in the child has been rapid and the women have received the greatest blessing by far. We are planning a fall study class to be conducted by the four women who attended the coaching day held by Mrs. Boone in Sanford. We realize that we will only inadequately cover the material given, but we have a three fold purpose in handling the matter in this way: To encourage study classes; to interest our women in Christian social relations which begins at home; to promote the unity and fellowship of the women of the Laurel Hill charge. Mrs. E. H. Measamer.

### NORTHERN ZONE MEETS

Under the leadership of Mrs. T. R. Smith, Henderson, the women of the northern zone, Raleigh district, are entering into the new plans for woman's work with vigorous interest. On Octo-

ber 16 the fall meeting of the zone was held at the Methodist church in Oxford. Rev. O. W. Dowd, pastor, opened the meeting with timely devotional thoughts, emphasizing the necessity of going apart with God before going out to do his service. Greetings were extended by Mrs. E. E. Fuller, to which Mrs. Lawrence Fleming responded. In her message Mrs. Smith urged that the women begin the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service with right attitudes. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, district secretary, brought a message relative to the various phases of the work. An open forum was led by Mrs. H. O. Lineberger and participated in by Mrs. Hood; Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary of missionary education and cultivation; Mrs. R. C. Gary, conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild; Miss Mary Gardner, conference secretary publicity and publications; Mrs. Walter Davis, district secretary spiritual life groups, and Mrs. A. B. Deans. The noon day worship began with a solo, "Teach Me to Pray," by Miss Lucy Speed. The meditation upon the subject, "The Unfinished Task," was led by Mrs. J. L. Midgette. Following the delicious luncheon and happy fellowship hour, the afternoon session convened. The study hour was held, during which Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Midgette imparted much inspiration and many helpful suggestions for the study of migrant folk. Ministers present included Rev. B. F. Boone, Rev. J. A. Martin, Rev. J. P. Pegg, Rev. T. J. Whitehead, Rev. T. J. Worthington and Rev. O. W. Dowd.

### WEEK OF PRAYER

Since its beginning in 1892, Scarritt College for Christian Workers has had a fruitful and history making existence. Today there is an urgent need for a Chair of Life and Thought at Scarritt and in order to meet that need all the week of prayer money from 1940 will be directed to that purpose. The Chair of Life and Thought will be another department and a very important one which will seek to develop spiritual life and Christian character in a bewildered time. One hundred thousand dollars is necessary for the employment of a person to head the Department of Christian Life and Thought and to make permanent such a service. The Chair of Life and Thought is to be known as the Clara Tucker Perry Chair, honoring one who has served the cause of Christian missions over a period of her lifetime, from her earliest interest in the junior society of her church until the present day, the last nine years of which time she has served as president of the Woman's Missionary Council of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Doubtless no other woman did more effective work during the process of unification of the three branches of Methodism than did Mrs. Perry. Mrs. Perry is the wife of Rev. John W. Perry, a minister in the Holston conference. The placing of this honor is truly worthy. This will be the last opportunity the women of the former Woman's Missionary Council and its societies as a group will have in making a special gift to Scarritt. Shall it not be a gift of supreme love and sacrifice?



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### THE SHOUTING TIME

These lines are being written on the day before the opening of the second session of the Western North Carolina Conference of The Methodist Church. The conference will convene tomorrow. The check-up meetings in the various districts were held yesterday. Large, brown, sealed envelopes were deposited with the district superintendents containing the record—financial, statistical and otherwise—of the year just closed. Now that the records are made, comes the shouting time. Some can say "Halleluia!" others "Glory to God!" while others will do their shouting with inward reactions. God can hear one as well as the other.

### THANKS—THANKS—THANKS

Every recent mail has been good to us. With the checks and money orders have come kind and assuring expressions of confidence. If present indications can be relied on, our collections this year will be better than last year. If assurances mean anything, our work is held in as high a favor as ever before. We bow our heads in grateful thanks to our heavenly Father and to our friends for an opportunity to help direct a large group of parentless children along the way of living, good living.

### SOME TAKEN, SOME LEFT

The picture this week is that of a group of 20 boys and girls who came to us from the High Point Children's Home the latter part of last August. The picture of the children was taken on the High Point Children's Home grounds just before leaving for their new home. Since these 20 promising youngsters have come, little Sylvia, a pre-school girl, has added to the number of newcomers, thus making 21 boys and girls who have transferred their living quarters from one Methodist Home to another Methodist Home. Seventy-six children still remain at High Point Home where they, Dr. and Mrs. Dixon and associates will direct their growth and development until after school next spring. Following high school graduation and the completion of new buildings here on the grounds some 50 or 55 of these youngsters will come to the Winston-Salem Home to live, thus completing the merger. Other youngsters in the High Point Home will have been satisfactorily placed, according to Dr. A. G. Dixon, the superintendent.

### VISITING ONE ANOTHER

It will be interesting to our friends to state that the relationship between the two branches of the Western North

Carolina Conference Methodist Children's Homes is most cordial. The directors have a clear working understanding and a sense of security in their phases of work. The boys and girls are visiting one another as opportunity permits. At some of our football games a delegation from the High Point Home comes over and helps cheer for the team. We are getting together in a fine way.

### HE WENT TO SCHOOL TODAY

Twelve-year-old Lawrence Brittain is a lovable boy. He is sponsored by the Wesley Fellowship Class of Main Street, Belmont. This lad has had a very severe case of osteomyelitis, the painful annoyance in his left leg developing during the summer. It looked for awhile that Lawrence might leave us, but thanks to a good surgeon and good nurses, Lawrence has come through and this morning winded his way, with the aid of crutches, to his first fall school session. The entire body of school youngsters gave Lawrence, the lad whose face always beams with smiles, a glad hand.

### HONOR SOCIETY

The following congregations with their pastors are listed as having completed their entire ten per cent apportionment during the past year. Kindly join us in grateful thanks to them for their timely help:

Ward Street, High Point, Rev. J. E. McSwain.  
Bethel, Hickory, Rev. E. H. Lowman.  
Morris Chapel, Walkertown, Rev. C. J. Winslow.  
Boger City, Rev. E. L. Kirk.  
West End, Gastonia, Rev. J. C. Grose.  
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Rockford St., Mt. Airy, Rev. H. G. Hardin.  
Winston Ct., Rev. V. A. Morton.

Liberty St., Winston-Salem, Rev. B. A. Culp.  
Carraway Memorial, Greensboro, Rev. J. P. Hipps.  
Central, Asheville, Dr. W. A. Stanbury.  
Albemarle Ct., Rev. G. L. Wilkinson.  
Walnut Cove Ct., Rev. R. E. Hunt.  
Bethel-Battleground, Rev. B. W. Lefler.  
Salem, Albemarle, Rev. LeRoy Spencer.  
First Church, Marion, Rev. W. A. Jenkins.  
Burkhead, Winston-Salem, Rev. W. M. Smith.  
Lilesville Ct., Rev. H. R. Cornelius.  
Central Terrace, Winston-Salem, Rev. C. B. Newton.  
Summerfield Ct., Rev. Rollin Gibbs.  
Boone, Rev. P. W. Townsend.  
N. Monroe-Grace, Rev. M. W. Heckard.  
Laurel-Barnardsville Ct., Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr.  
Love's Chapel and Oakboro, Stanfield Ct., Rev. J. R. Hamilton.  
Cross Mills and Capernium, Cross Mills, Marion, Rev. F. R. Barber.  
Gilboa, Gilkey Ct., Rev. C. R. Ross.  
Misenheimer, Pfeiffer Ct., Rev. A. J. Cox.  
Avondale, Cliffside-Avondale, Rev. T. R. Wolfe.  
Oak Hill, Table Rock Ct., Rev. V. P. Crowder.  
Cashiers and Horse Cove, Highland Ct., Rev. J. S. Higgins.

### BOUND FOR BETTER BUSINESS

Observation extending over a number of years leads one to the assurance that better business methods are being used in accounting for funds raised by church officials. The careful district check-ups have set the financial situation in a position of double checking. It has become the exception for the pastor to collect funds for a cause and hold them for months, though the writing of these lines has been interrupted by a long distance telephone message inquiring whether a good pastor had turned over to the Children's Home funds that had been raised for it throughout the year, stating that no receipts had been forwarded. We re-

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First group of promising youngsters coming to us from High Point Children's Home



## THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**HEAVY EXPENSE**—The Orphanage coal bins are being filled for our winter supply. It requires several hundred tons of coal to keep our children warm through the fall and winter, and it costs us a big pile of money. I have a feeling that our many friends will want to lend a helping hand when our needs are so great.

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**DINING ROOM**—Our large dining room needs painting badly, and we can get it done without it costing the Orphanage anything, provided our friends throughout the conference will send us Octagon soap coupons. I feel all that is necessary is to let our friends know that this work needs to be done, and that it can be accomplished without any outlay of money in the way I have just mentioned.

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**HELENA**—It was my happy privilege to preach the home coming sermon on the second Sunday in this month. From Brother E. L. Hill I received a most cordial invitation to be the guest speaker on that happy occasion. Many former members of the Helena church were present, as well as a large number of the present membership of the church. A sumptuous dinner was served on the church yard immediately after the morning service, and there was a short service in the afternoon. Brother Hill is closing another successful year on the Mt. Tirmah charge. The Methodist Orphanage has a big place in his heart, and in the hearts of his several churches. It is most encouraging to know that our pastors and churches are so deeply and enthusiastically interested in our 303 children.

**THE SECOND MILE**—It is not generally known throughout the conference among a great many churches that we absolutely need approximately \$25,000 in specials to balance our budget. There are a great many churches that believe if they pay their ten per cent apportionment that is all that is needed for our operating expenses. I want to kindly request and urge the pastors and the churches to go the second mile for the Orphanage in providing the necessary funds for the successful running of the Orphanage. May I express the hope that no pastor or church in the conference will apply any of the specials which have come in during the year on their ten per cent apportionment. By raising the ten per cent apportionment and leaving free as specials, our pastors and churches will confer a lasting favor on our 303 children.

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**FROM EDWARD DRIVER**—As I come to the close of my five and a half years at the Methodist Orphanage I can look back and see the opportunities I would have missed if it were not for this dear home.

Since the day I came to the Methodist Orphanage, Mr. Barnes has been a pal, a chum and a father to me. I will look up to him and his great work until the day I die. I wish to thank Mr. J. O. Sanderson for his help during the past four years.

I am very proud, and always will be, to say that I was reared in a wonderful home like this. Everywhere I go, and in everything I do, I shall boast of the good name of this home. It has provided a golden opportunity for me.

To all the people who support the Methodist Orphanage I wish to extend my appreciation.

### THE NEW TESTAMENT SAID ALL THIS FIRST

Select for your worries definite, limited periods when you are usually tranquil. Half an hour at a time is enough for personal problems with no data to be sifted out.

Devote the period allotted entirely to finding the logical action called for. Study your difficulty impersonally, as if it belonged to someone else—use your brain and not your emotions.

And afterward strive to keep your mind off your worry, postponing further thought on the subject until the next period.

You will find it easier to postpone with a definite period in view than just to "stop worrying" by sheer will.

The instant a worry enters the mind is the time to throw it out; it is always easy then, whereas if you allow it a place in consciousness it becomes very much harder to dispel; worry is like a snow ball, and grows with the attention it receives.

Once you have reached a decision, don't let doubts steal the energy needed for action. Even if the decision proves faulty you will be better off than if you continued to be gnawed by the canker of fear and doubt. Let the heat of your action evaporate your fears.—Jack Hancock.

What is easy to say is hard to do.—French.

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### REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF YOUTH DIVISION

The bishop's address to the Birmingham conference contained these thrilling words, "When lesser loyalties are challenging the youth of the world, we would present the greater loyalty to Jesus Christ." The Youth Crusade was the answer to this challenge. Although this special emphasis has been turned back into the regular channels of the youth division, we should pay our respects to a movement which has meant much in the life of the church. Its impetus will continue to give life and vitality to our united Methodism through the coming years.

#### 1. Planning the Year

The past year's work was carefully planned in a retreat meeting of the Conference Council held at Sunny Acres in January. This body, composed of the conference officers, district directors, and the staff, considered every phase of the work. Youth rallies, special—such as Young People's Day and Easter, summer camps, assemblies and institutes, Epworth training conferences, union activities, Youth Crusade Week, adult training, and local church work were thoroughly discussed. The value of this careful planning was borne out during the year.

#### 2. Rallies

Youth rallies were held this year in every district during February and March. More than 6000 attended 11 meetings. The outstanding feature of this emphasis was the 2000 young people who crowded Centenary church on February 7. Bishop Edwin H. Hughes spoke in his own unique way. It was an inspiring meeting. Among the speakers for the district rallies were Bishop Clare Purcell, Dr. George Stoves of Macon, Ga., and Dr. Albert Outler of Duke University.

#### 3. Training for Service

**Adult Workers:** The Crusade had not progressed far until it was discovered that it was weak in adult leadership. An attempt was made at once to remedy this situation. Six large regional conference were planned for adult workers. The meeting for this area was held in Roanoke, Va. The following people attended: James Rink, Wanamaker Hardin, Elwood Carroll, Emmett McLarty, Harold Patrick, Carl H. King, Mrs. John F. Kirk, and M. Teague Hipps. During the year adult meetings have been held in the following districts: Statesville, Gastonia, and High Point.

**Epworth Training Conferences:** An effective job has been done in the Epworth training conference, with a rather striking increase in the number enrolled. The enrollment last year was 546. This year it was 849. Credits last year were 357. This year they were 564. In giving these figures I should

like to point out that we had one less conference this year than last. The change of emphasis from local to union schools makes the difference, and, may I add, is good economy of effort and money. This does not mean that there is any less interest in local work. Rather, it has been the policy of those who lead and teach to hold up the local church and its welfare as the goal of all our co-operative efforts.

**Rural Work:** It was my privilege to take part in 12 general educational institutes in the Waynesville, Asheville, and Marion districts; and ten for church school workers in the Elkin and Marion districts. All of these were attended by workers from the rural areas.

Great progress in youth work in the rural sections marked the year's work. Union took on new life. Large numbers attended camps and assemblies, district rallies and Epworth training conferences. The enrollment at the Carlyle young people's camp and at the Pfeiffer and High Point institutes was largely from small town and rural areas.

#### 4. Summer Activities

**Institutes:** The institutes were continued at High Point and Pfeiffer Colleges. While the attendance was not large, the results were gratifying. A high standard was maintained and we feel that much good was accomplished. Statistics, including staff, are as follows: High Point, 56 enrolled, representing 15 local churches; Pfeiffer, 54 enrolled, representing 22 local churches. Both groups voted unanimously to continue these institutes.

**Camps:** Camping has come to assume a large and important place in the life of the church. The regular Christian Adventure camps were held at Carlyle, near Hendersonville. The girls' camp enrolled 88 girls with 22 adult leaders, and the boys' camp enrolled 69 boys and 21 leaders. There were 88 churches represented in the two enterprises.

There was held for the first time this year a session for young people at Camp Carlyle. Forty-five young people from 24 different churches spent four days in this delightful place. There were 14 leaders in this enterprise.

In addition to these mention, it should be said that there were several camps sponsored by local church groups. Outstanding among these was the one sponsored by Dilworth Methodist church, Charlotte, and attended by 101 young people and their adult leaders. An excellent enterprise. It can be done by any group.

**Assemblies:** Two assemblies were held at Junaluska. The senior group had an enrollment of 270 including staff, and the number in the young people's assembly was 318. It would be difficult to over emphasize the value of these gatherings. In going over the

conference I have been able to evaluate them to some extent. Young people who have had these opportunities are outstanding. They are carrying the burden of youth work in Western North Carolina.

**Youth Crusade Week:** Many young people do not attend camp or assembly. To fill this need, a special emphasis has been provided for local groups. It will be called Youth Week in the new church. Large numbers of young people observed this week during the past year. Programs ranged all the way from youth revivals to small study groups. In many instances the excellent material sent out from Nashville was used with gratifying results. Here is a phase of our work that should mean much during the coming years.

**Crusade Caravans:** Outstanding in conference events of the past year is the most excellent work of the Caravan teams. After careful preparation at Camp Cheonda, four college students with an adult counselor went out to work in our conference. They did an excellent job in the following communities: Forest City, Hickory, Mt. Airy, Mooresville, Kannapolis, Valdese, and Elkin. The Caravan idea is one of the most important achievements of the Youth Crusade.

#### Appreciation

In closing this report I wish to express my appreciation to all those volunteer workers in Western North Carolina who made the Youth Crusade a vital part of the program of the church. In local church, union, district, and conference they have sacrificed thought, time and energy. The valiant service of the district directors should be given special mention. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to work with all of these who have kept the "vision splendid" along the way.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Teague Hipps,  
Director of Youth Work.

#### VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

Reports of the following vacation church schools have been received since the last list appeared in the Advocate. This brings the total for the year to 463, again of 151 over the total for last year.

##### Asheville District

Swannanoa, W. H. Benfield.  
Hot Springs, Z. V. Arthur.

##### Elkin District

Nathan's Creek, T. A. Plyler, Jr.

##### Gastonia District

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Bessemer City, H. M. Robinson.  
Lowell, Jeannette Kendrick.

##### Greensboro District

Spray, R. T. Houts.

##### High Point District

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##### Marion District

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Shady Grove, W. H. Yokeley.

##### Salisbury District

Love's Chapel, J. R. Hamilton.  
Love's Grove, J. R. Hamilton.

##### Statesville District

Triplett, Martha Powell.



# The Origin of Surnames

It is probable that all family or surnames were originally significant, but in the passage of time their meanings are often forgotten. This was true in the case of the American Indians, among them such names as Sitting Bull, Blackhawk, Bigfoot, etc., are common. These names are plainly commemorative of some event in the life of the individual bearing the name, or indicative of some personal peculiarity or characteristic. The savage who killed a bear might be given a name to indicate that fact, as Black Bear, or if he had some peculiar physical feature he might be named accordingly.

The children of the early Hebrews were named for some peculiar circumstance relating to them. Thus the family history was commemorated. The first son of Eve was called Cain, meaning "gotten." Eve said, "I have gotten a man from the Lord." Though nearly all the names of these people constituted a single word, all were expressive of some religious sentiment.

Among the Babylonians, Egyptians, Persians, Greeks and Hebrews, surnames were not used. The Romans also used but one name in those early times, but later came to employ as many as three. These were the praenomen or personal name, the nomen or clan name, and the cognomen or family name. The praenomen was usually written with one or two letters, thus, M. Tullius Cicero. In many cases the praenomen of the father was given to the daughter; thus the daughter of Julius would be called Julia; of Octavius, Octavia. He who had conquered a city or performed some other notable feat had an additional name conferred on him, as, Publius Cornelius Scipio Africanus.

Some circumstances or the locality in which the person or family resided was usually signified by the names of the people of Western Europe. This tendency is particularly noticeable in Holland. For example, van der Bilt, compounded Vanderbilt, signifies "man of the picture," "man" being understood. Many of the names in use among Anglo-Saxons are derived from the Danish or Germans, such as Ethelred, which means "noble in speech," being compounded from the German words "edel" and "rede." Other names of a similar character are Eardwulf, "wolf of the north"; Sigfred, "peace of victory"; and Werberg, "hedge of the town."

Among the primitive Saxons one name, as Alfred, Harold, Edwin, etc., was used for each individual. Today each individual has a name which is prefixed to another which distinguishes the family to which he belongs. The custom of attaching the father's name to that of the son is probably the oldest method of distinguishing different persons. In this way many English, German and Danish names ending in "son" had their origin. Among such names may be mentioned Williamson, Anderson and Thorwaldsen. The Russian "vitch," the Norman "Fitz," the Irish "O" and the Scotch "Mac," as affixes, had a similar meaning.

New names were introduced with the system of feudalism. These were derived from the districts conferred on the nobles or from the feudal relations. Another class of names have had their origin from localities, either from generic names such as Cliff, Dale, Hill, or some specific place.

In nearly all cases the nobility had family names before the commoners. Among the latter class family names were usually derived from their occupations or trades, such as Miller, Smith, Barber, Fisher, etc. The number of names originating in this way is large and includes several occupations or trades that are now obsolete or are called by some other name. Furbisher, Fletcher, Pargetter, Taverner, Webster, Page, Reeve, etc., belong in this class. In many classes some external peculiarity or mental trait or quality was responsible for the family name. This class includes Swift, Brown, Long, White, Black, Wise, Good and others.

A woman after marriage in most countries takes the surname of her husband, though in Spain the full names of both are retained. It is optional with sons in that country to choose whichever family name they prefer, either the paternal or maternal. In some states and countries names may be changed without legal process, though it is provided in most cases that such changes cannot be made except by order of court or act of the legislature.

Among Christian names taken from the Scripture, a few, such as Adam, Moses, Samuel, David, Daniel, Solomon, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, are in such general use that we scarcely ever think of them as Bible names. Other names given children from the name of the saint on whose day they were born are also so common that we regard them as purely English. Among these are Peter, Paul, John, Stephen and Matthew.

The common use of such names from the earliest times has given rise to many of our surnames, such as Jacobson, Stevenson, Peterson, etc. Missionaries in the 12th century used to baptize whole villages at once, and in order to save time gave the males some common name, as John, or the name of some other saint. The females were usually named Mary or Martha. Friends, in order to distinguish the Johns, Marthas, etc., gave the individuals an additional name, as Strong, Short, Stout, etc.

A common custom of the Puritans after the Reformation was to give their children such names as Melchisedec, Barzillai, Abel, Levi, Jesse, Amos, Asa, Isaiah, Ephraim, Gideon, Malachi, Job, Abner, Hosea, Ezekiel, Jeremiah, Zechariah, Asher, Eli, Ebenezer and many others from the Old Testament. The use of these names has now practically died out, though they were common enough in New England a century or two ago. The passing of such names as Ebenezer, Melchisedec and others is due to their lack of euphony and their length.—The Pathfinder.

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## Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

### Motives for Abstinence

Scripture: Luke 1:13-16; 2:40; 4:4;  
6:21-25, 43-45

When the father of John the Baptist saw in a vision an angel of God that promised him a son who would be great in the sight of the Lord, he and his wife were challenged to train the young child with special care. And when they told John about the angelic prophecy he also was challenged to fulfill his destiny.

How well the powers of evil understand the compulsive force of a conviction that one is preordained to power! Hitler has instilled into the minds of the youth of Germany the conviction that German blood destines them to rule Europe. And how courageously they fight to fulfill their supposed destiny! We should not allow the powers should proclaim the words of the apostle, We are "created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God afore prepared that we should walk in them." God has constructed us for success. And the voice from the sky says, "To him that overcometh will I give to sit with me on my throne."

The tempter keeps telling us all, It is impossible for you to control your thoughts, and to live unspotted from the world. But Christ says, "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." Some men, said an old rescue missionary, exist; others live; and some reign. It is the purpose of Christ to make us all reign. As the Scripture says, We shall be kings and priests unto God.

Not only is a sense of a possible great destiny a powerful motive to clean living, but the success that comes from earnest endeavor is an added motive. We should note, however, that Jesus says that we need to do more than hunger for righteousness; we must also thirst.

Now in the process we may find ourselves terribly hungry for the material blessings of life, and many will be frantically eager for the stimulus of alcohol. If we would conquer at these crises we must know how to say, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." We must look to the angelic waiters and call for the bread of heaven and the champagne of divine inspiration. When we long for that feeling of being on the top of the world that comes from alcohol, we should take an airplane ride with God. They that wait upon the Lord shall mount up with wings as eagles.

For father and mother to learn the secret springs of spiritual joy is unspeakably important for the children. If a light comes into mother's face after prayer, if father reads the Scrip-

ture as though it was sweeter than honey, the children who are out for a good time will be eager to learn their secret. God pity the child to whose parents prayer and church attendance are disagreeable chores, like washing the dishes or milking the cow!

The best thing about this secret of the Lord is that all the time there are new secrets. We grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

More and more the man who hungrily and thirsts after righteousness will come out into the liberty of Christ. At first following Christ is like the strained effort of the small boy in his copy-book; but just as the boy, if he is persistent and well guided, will finally learn to write round letters with ease and clearness, we, if we continue in Christ's word, shall know the truth, and the truth shall make us free. When a man learns the meaning of St. Augustine's great saying, "To be a Christian is to love and do as you please," the sheer joy of the Christian life is a great motive to faithfulness.

We are helped to keep clean and pure by striving to help others. The victim of the drink habit when the fierce craving comes upon him often gains victory by seeking out a fellow victim and exhorting him to be of good courage.

One of the strongest motives to right living is the consciousness that we are loved. "Think of it!" said a college freshman to his teacher, "my mother is teaching school to send me here, and I only got a C on this notebook!" And she laid her head upon the table and wept. The teacher ceased to worry about her.

"I must make good," said a freshman boy; my father borrowed money at the bank to send me here, and he couldn't afford it—dear old dad!" The teacher also ceased to worry about this boy.

And of course the supreme motive is the love of Christ who says to us, This is my body broken for you; this is my blood of the New Testament which is shed for you and for many. That is the antitoxin against sin.

Another motive to clean living is the consciousness that we shall never succeed in keeping any guilty secrets. There is nothing covered, says Jesus, that shall not be revealed, neither anything hid that shall not be made known and come abroad. The universe is so constructed that it is impossible to keep a secret.

In Shakespeare's Othello, Cassio has been drinking too much, but he says, "Do not think, gentlemen, I am drunk . . . this is my right hand, and this is my left. . . I can stand well enough, and speak well enough." But the more Cassio insists that he is sober the surer we are that he is drunk. Men are all the time planting flowers and shrubbery around their mental pigpens, but the public when it draws nearer is not deceived.

When a lad the writer cut his finger severely. The doctor sewed it up and put some carbolic acid on the bandage as an antiseptic. It smelled very bad, so I sprinkled cologne water on the bandage. But the combination of perfumery and carbolic acid made a smell

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16 That ye submit your-

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the church that is in their house.  
20 All the brethren greet you. Greet ye one another with an holy kiss.

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# Children's



# Storyland

## A NEW GAME

"Daddy," begged Nancy, "let's play a new game." Mother was away, spending the night with grandma.

"Are you going to make up the new game?" asked daddy.

"No, you are!" declared Nancy.

"Do let's play," pleaded Martha.

"Let's play 'Guess what I am,'" suggested daddy.

"How do you play it?" asked the children happily. All of daddy's games were so much fun.

"Well," explained daddy, "I think of something in this very room but I do not tell you what it is. I just tell you where it came from. You must guess what it is."

"Oh, let's play that!" cried Martha.

"I see something," said daddy. "It came from a land far, far away. It came to this country in a big ship. In the country where it came from some busy little worms worked hard to make it."

"Did some worms make something in this room?" asked Lamar, very much surprised.

"Yes," answered daddy, "and every one of us has some of it on."

I know, I know!" cried Martha, "it's silk. Our teacher told us all about it at school one day."

"How many things do you see in the room that are made of silk?" asked daddy.

"My hair ribbon," answered Nancy.

"Our velvet dresses," said Martha.

"Daddy's tie and my tie," said Lamar.

"Let's play some more," begged Martha.

"I see something that grew in the forest where the rain and the snow fell on it. The sun and moon and stars shone on it," continued daddy.

"Wood," cried Nancy and Martha together.

"It used to be trees," Martha explained to Lamar.

"Right!" answered daddy. "You girls must wait and let Lamar try this one first. I see something that once grew on the back of something that said, 'Baa, baa!'"

"A sheep!" cried Lamar, "it gives us nice warm wool for our clothes."

Martha guessed that the bricks came from clay and the lovely vases were made from another kind of clay. Lamar guessed that the something precious which was dug up from a deep mine was the gold in daddy's watch and chain.

"You guess now what I see," said Nancy. "I see something that grew on an elephant."

"There isn't anything in our house that grew on an elephant," declared Lamar.

"There is, too!" said Nancy. "Isn't there, daddy?"

"Yes," said daddy, "and Nancy and Martha touch it every day."

## BUTTON UP YOUR LIPS

If you heard a bit of gossip,

Whether false or whether true,

Be it of a friend or stranger,

Let me tell you what to do:

Button up your lips securely,

Lest the tale you should repeat

Bring sorrow unto some one

Whose life now is none too sweet.

If you see a careless action

That would bring its author woe

If it were constructed unkindly,

Let me tell you what to do:

Button up your lips securely;

'Tis far better to keep silent

Than to cause a tear or sigh.

If you knew of one who yielded

To temptation long ago,

But whose life has since been blameless,

Let me tell you what to do:

Button up your lips securely,

His the secret, God alone

Has the right to sit in judgment.

Treat it as to you unknown.

—Marian Times Standard.

"I know, I know," cried Martha; "it's the ivory on the piano."

"Yes," said Nancy.

This guessing game was fun.

"Why, what a wonderful house we live in!" said thoughtful Martha. "I never thought before about sheep and elephants and worms and trees and midst and clay giving up these things." And spreading out her hands, she looked all around.

"God planned all these things for us," said daddy.

"He loves us, and gives us so many things," said Nancy.

"Fire is a great, beautiful, useful gift from the heavenly Father also," remarked father. For a moment they all watched the yellow, red and blue flames leaping on the hearth.

Suddenly Nancy said, "Everything is wonderful!"

Daddy reached up and took her hand, "I was grown before I learned that, dear. I'm glad you've learned it while you are still a little girl."—Ethel H. Grice in Storytime.

## THE DESERTED PET

Black Cat: "I'm skinny and hungry and thirsty and I've watched and waited, both night and day, for my two little children comrades, who used to pet me and play. . . . But now, the house is empty and they have gone away and there's a sign on the window, 'For

Rent." . . . Will they come back? Or have they forgotten what pals we used to be? . . . I'll wait patiently for them to return . . . perhaps I was not around when they called me . . . how could they be so cold and mean and heartless when they professed love in our play times? . . . I'll sleep in the shade, the sun and the rain, and perhaps then they will come back for me. . . . No one attends to me when I awaken, to feed me, or to love me. . . . If people move all their furniture, why can't they take one poor black cat along? . . . I'm hungry and thirsty and lonely. . . . I'll sit here and wait and maybe some day, they will come and take me home with them."—Rhea Sheldon, in *Our Dumb Animals*.

## GRANDMOTHER GLADNESS

By Mrs. Lydia Lion Roberts

"Yes, I had a real pleasant visit," said the bright-eyed grandmother to her friend, "and Ellen's husband was so thoughtful of me. Every morning he gave me the morning paper and kissed me goodbye, and the last thing at night he wanted to know if I was comfortable, and gave me a good-night kiss. It isn't always that young folks think to do those loving little things for us old folks."

"That's just it," assented the gray-haired visitor, "and it isn't that they mean to be careless, but they don't realize how those little attentions brighten the days for us. Now, my niece, Evelyn, writes to me once a week, and I can't begin to tell you how I appreciate it. She is a busy girl, at the office all day, and keeps house for her father, too, yet every week she sends me a bright, chatty letter. She doesn't write so much after all; some weeks she says there isn't much news, but every joke she hears, or the little happenings in the office, or trying a new recipe at home, or the people she meets, she tells me about them, and I enjoy every bit."

"Yes, it makes one feel a part of the world, and as if one knew what was going on," agreed her hostess. "Now, my married daughter has three children and is busy as a bee, but every few days she runs over and tells me the news. She never forgets to leave a little package for me, either. She'll say, 'Try these new cookies I made today,' or 'How do you like my brand of jam?' I guess she knows I like presents and surprises as well as the youngsters. Anyway, it pleases me."

"It doesn't take much to make us grandmothers glad," smiled the gentle-faced friend, "just a bit of loving to make us glad we're living, and a bit of the day's news so we can keep in touch with things, and the days are brighter and life sweeter as we knit and think and wait."—Home Department Magazine.



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Eno, 7:30 .....24

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Mt. Gilead, 7 .....27  
Hamlet, 7 .....28  
Maxton, 7 .....29  
Hay Street, 7 .....30  
Jonesboro, 7 .....31  
November  
West End, 11 .....3  
Troy Ct., 3 .....3  
Troy, 7 .....3

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FOURTH ROUND

October  
Aurora, Warren's, 11 .....24  
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Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 .....27  
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October  
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Jonkins Memorial, preaching, 11 .....27  
Loulburg Ct., Piney Grove, 3 .....27  
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 7:30 .....27  
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 7:30 .....28  
Millbrook, Millbrook, 7:30 .....30  
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 .....31

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October  
Warrenton, Warren Plains, 11 .....26  
Elm City, 11 .....27  
Stantonsburg, 3 .....27  
Kenly, 7:30 .....27  
November  
Roanoke Rapids, 11 .....3  
Rosemary, 7:30 .....3

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October  
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Clinton, night .....25  
Rowland, Purvis, 11 .....27  
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November  
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Whiteville, night .....3  
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### LESSONS FROM JONAH

By Rev. William Ward Ayer

A detour is the roughest distance be-  
tween two points. God told Jonah to  
go to Nineveh, in disobedience he went  
to Tarshish.

Nineveh is the place of God's will.  
Tarshish is the place of self-will.

Jonah's boat might have been named  
"Freedom from Restraint." Every back-  
slider takes the same boat.

It is a beautiful boat, but it has no  
rudder; the hull leaks, and it has no  
predetermined destination.

Remember, you cannot buy a round  
trip ticket to Tarshish. You will never  
get back unless God's mercy delivers  
you.

The backslider is not particular  
about his destination just so long as it  
is away from God.

Jonah wanted to be thrown over-  
board. "Davy Jones' Locker" is pref-  
erable to the backslider more than the  
scorn of the ungodly.

The fish was looking for garbage off  
the ship and got a backslider which  
was worse.

Jonah prayed till God heard his  
prayer and delivered him. Oh, back-  
slider, swallowed by the Evil One, re-  
member that the devil will give you  
up when you begin to pray!—Watch-  
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half-and-half measures, and revamps  
no lost illusion. It was a reproach in  
Apostolic times and it is a reproach  
now; but what does this matter if it  
be true? What did it matter to men of  
Paul's age what view the gospel took  
of human nature, if it gave an undis-  
puted status before God? This tremen-  
dous doctrine put the Jew and Gentile  
on the same level. All had sinned and  
come short of the glory of God, but  
nevertheless the gospel opened the way  
for a real communion with the living  
God. It was the "new and living way"  
to the throne of heavenly grace.—Har-  
ris E. Kirk, D.D.

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your report card?"

—ohnn: "I—I—th—think that's the  
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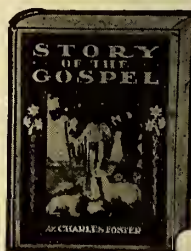
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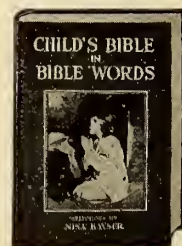


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IN MEMORIAM

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of Sue D. Swindell Society of Christian Service of Queen Street Methodist church, wish to pay tribute to the memory of our much loved member and friend, Mrs. E. B. Hargett, who died May 18, 1940. Mrs. Hargett, was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother, a true friend and a loyal member of both church and auxiliary. We are grateful for her life of quiet, unassuming faithfulness and service. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we extend our deepest sympathy to her family and pray that God may comfort and guide them.

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy be recorded in the auxiliary minutes.

Mrs. R. J. Dawson,  
Mrs. T. B. Hooker,  
Mrs. J. L. Jordan.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, in the passing from our midst our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. Irene Broome Temple, faithful member of our missionary society of Queen Street Methodist church; and whereas, the members of this society has suffered an irreparable loss in the passing of our friend, who gave so freely of her time in promoting the work of the kingdom of God on earth. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That the removal of such a lifeleaves a vacancy that will be felt by our church, missionary society and community.

Second, That we express to the members of her family our deepest love and sympathy in this time of sorrow, believing as we do that earth's loss has been heaven's gain.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy be recorded in our minutes.

Mrs. R. A. Thompson,  
Mrs. J. D. Grady,  
Mrs. J. H. Alexander.

IN MEMORIAM

In recognition of the loving and faithful services of Mary Gray Separk, who went suddenly and quietly from us on July 30, 1940, the woman's missionary society of Main Street Methodist church, Gastonia, N. C., desires to express a sense of personal loss for our church, our missionary society and our community.

Through the years she served willingly and faithfully where the need was greatest. She was especially gifted as a leader, using tact to an unusual degree. Her worth can be measured only by the loss which her passing occasioned.

We should not be overly sad as we pay tribute to one who has meant so much to our church, but rather we should rejoice in the splendor of her example and be grateful for the inspiration which her life leaves us.

We offer our sympathy to the members of her family and bid them seek comfort in the teaching of our Christian faith, remembering that love always has a reunion and larger life awaiting.

We wish a copy of this appreciation sent to her family, a copy recorded in the minutes of our society and a copy published in the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

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CHILDRDEN'S HOME  
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greted to have to inform the brother that not a single cent had been forwarded on that ten per cent apportionment from that charge, whereupon the inquirer wanted to know what should be done about it. He was informed that the pastor in question would doubtless turn the money over to the Children's Home man at conference. A very good portion of scripture to read from time to time is: "Diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord."

HOUSES AND HOMES

We are trying to make our buildings here on the Children's Home grounds more than brick walls in which are housed our children. We want them to be as much like homes as conditions will permit. We are in the process of doing a lot of painting, of refurbishing and of general homelike stabilization. We do not go out for luxuries but we are anxious to have the necessities for home-making.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON  
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that was positively nauseating. Which thing is a parable.

But—thank God!—the opposite is true. Cleanness eventually transfigures. And in the last day, says Jesus, the righteous shall shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Those who are persecuted here will there be introduced by the Master to all the mighty angels, and be in the best society for ever and ever.—Christian Advocate.

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## In Memoriam

**WHELESS**—Miss Mollie Wheless died September 8, 1940, in the Rocky Mount Sanatorium at the age of 66 after a short sickness. During the eleven o'clock hour of morning service in the Whitakers church which she loved so much word came that she had passed away. She was a life-long member of the Whitakers church, and was loyal and devoted to her church and Master to the point of sacrificial service. The entire community will miss her radiant, unassuming Christian spirit which quietly went about doing good. Her nearest relatives are several second cousins, by whom she is survived. The funeral services were conducted by her pastor in the Whitakers church, and her body was laid to rest in the Johnson family cemetery near Whitakers.

A. M. Williams, P. C.

**REVIS**—Mrs. Ida Pearson Revis was born March 28, 1878, and died October 3, 1940. Her useful life had been spared to the age of 62 years, 7 months and 5 days. July 26, 1894, she was married to Leonard M. Revis, who went to his reward five years before her going. To this union were born six children: M. B. Clark, Mrs. Walter S. Revis, Miss Blanche Revis, of Moravian Falls, Mrs. P. R. Lowe of Pores Knob, and Joe Revis of Raleigh. Ray M. Revis, her oldest son, preceded her in death.

Mrs. Revis was a consistent member of the Moravian Falls Methodist church from early life and an active member of the Society of Christian Service. The funeral services were conducted in Moravian Falls Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Green and Rev. C. C. Holland of Taylorsville.

The newly made mound was banked with lovely flowers, giving forth beauty and fragrance typical of the life that had just closed on earth.

"Mother, dear, from us is gone;  
A voice we loved is still,  
A place is vacant in our home,  
Which never can be filled."

**ALLEN**—Robert C. Allen was born near Rocky Springs church in Alexander county, August 6, 1859, and died June 1, 1939, at the age of 79 years, 9 months and 25 days.

He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Allen of Alexander county and lived near the old home. He is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Isabell Marsh of same county and community; one son, Lex Allen of same community; one daughter, Nora Allen, still with the mother. Their son James died in camp at the beginning of the other world war. I received him into the church when I was pastor there.

Brother Allen was brother of Prof. A. T. Allen, long time superintendent of public instruction of North Carolina. There are three brothers living, J. F. Allen and K. M. Allen of North Wilkesboro, and G. G. Allen of Kannapolis.

He had been a member of Rocky Springs church 63 years, had served as steward for 40 years, was honorary steward at time of his death, had been trustee, and other offices had been honored by this faithful man for many years. Brother Allen was a good substantial Christian, one we love to think of as a pillar in the church. I was his pastor for three years about 25 years ago, and had a good opportunity to know him, and the memory of those years is very precious.

The pastor at the time of his death hardly knew him, as he had been there

for only a short time; so the family has asked me to write this memoir.

We know where to find him, and I trust all the dear ones will meet him over there. Ebenezer Myers.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the missionary society of the Haw River Methodist church, wish to pay tribute to our beloved sister, Mrs. Madora Hicks Purcell, who passed to her heavenly reward in February. Mrs. Purcell was the first president of our woman's missionary society, and we believe that there has never been one who loved the work of our Master more than she. We feel that she was one of the most faithful, patient and kind members that the church has ever had. Everyone looked upon Mrs. Purcell as a friend, and every heart was saddened by her passing. Not only was that true of the members of her church, but it was also true of the people of the community where Mrs. Purcell was widely known and greatly loved. Therefore, be it resolved:

First, That even though we feel the loss keenly, we bow in submission to His will.

Second, That we thank God that he spared one so dear to us as long as he spared the life of our beloved one whose example of courage will always be an inspiration to us.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to each of her sisters and her brothers, a copy to her nephew who was so ever mindful of her welfare during her last days, a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and a copy be entered in the minutes of our missionary record.

Thelma Cates, Pres.  
Mrs. E. L. Perry,  
Mrs. W. E. McCracken.

### IN MEMORIAM

Our hearts have been made sad over the death of a very good friend and neighbor, Ruth Cranford Griffin. The span of her life was short but extremely beautiful. Almost the whole of her life had been spent in this community, where she endeared herself to everyone. Ruth was a good woman; judged by the kindness and loyalty to her home, church and community she was a great woman. She had the training of consecrated Christian parents, and as the years come and went she did not depart from it. Her influence in the home and community was that of a sweet Christian woman.

The few years of her married life were filled with a peaceful joy that springs from the fountain of contentment. Her kindness did not stop with her own home, but had a kind word and a smile for everyone.

It should be a comfort to her friends and neighbors who are left without the comfort of her presence to think of her beautiful life while here will secure for her the approval of her Master. Ruth will be missed. Her husband, father, mother and other relatives will miss her sadly; her friends and neighbors will miss her and the community will feel her loss. But this precious jewel is not lost, but is in God's treasury, where no thief can break through and steal. That is surely after all everything.

"She is a fair maiden, in her Father's mansion,  
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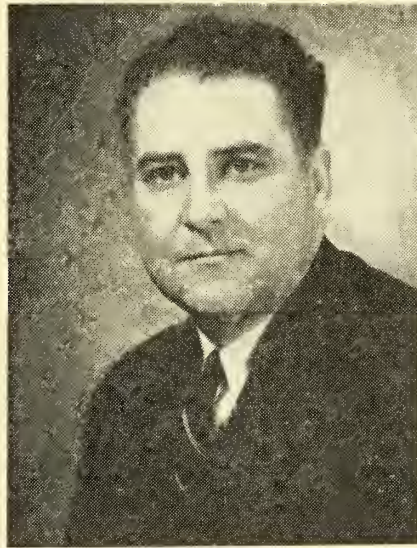
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Fifth Avenue Methodist Church, Wilmington, Seat of Second Session of the North Carolina Annual Conference, November 7-10



## PROGRAM OF THE 1940 SESSION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Fifth Avenue Methodist Church, Wilmington, Nov. 6-10

### Wednesday, November 6

7:30 p. m. Meeting of the Conference Historical Society. Address, "Some Interesting Episodes in the Life of Fifth Avenue Methodist Church," by Rev. C. D. Barclift.

### Thursday, November 7

10:00 a. m. Communion service, administered by Bishop Clare Purcell, assisted by the district superintendents.

Formal convening of the conference for organization and business.

3:00 p. m. Sermon by Rev. S. E. Mercer, Franklinton, N. C.

4:00 p. m. Meeting of the North Carolina Conference Brotherhood.

7:30 p. m. Anniversary of Board of Missions and Church Extension, Dr. J. M. Ormond presiding. Address by Rev. C. A. Richardson, superintendent of city work in the division of Home Missions and Church Extension.

### Friday, November 8

9:00 a. m. Devotional. Business session.

11:00 a. m. Anniversary of Board of Lay Activities, Dr. W. K. Greene presiding.

12:00 noon Reception of class into full connection.

3:00 p. m. Sermon by Rev. A. L. Thompson, Faison.

5:30 p. m. Duke banquet at Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Rev. K. F. Duval presiding. Address by Paul N. Garber, Durham.

7:30 p. m. Anniversary of Board of Christian Education, Dr. H. E. Spence presiding. Address by Bishop Edgar Blake, Coral Gables, Fla.

### Saturday, November 9

9:00 a. m. Devotional service by Bishop Thomas C. Darst, Wilmington, bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Business session.

7:30 p. m. Anniversary of Board of Temperance.

### Sunday, November 10

9:00 a. m. Annual Love Feast. Leaders, Rev. G. T. Adams, Rev. J. H. Shore and Rev. J. H. McCracken.

11:00 a. m. Conference sermon by Bishop Clare Purcell.

3:00 p. m. Memorial service, Rev. H. C. Smith presiding. Memorial sermon: "They Without Us Cannot Be Made Perfect," Rev. R. E. Brown, Fayetteville.

7:30 p. m. Ordination sermon, Bishop Edgar Blake, Coral Gables, Fla.

Ordination of deacons and elders.

Reading of appointments and adjournment.

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES

### CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT

The conference boards and committees will meet Wednesday afternoon, and the Historical Society Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock. The conference will formally convene Thursday at 10 a. m. Therefore the first conference meal will be served Thursday at 1 p. m. The delegates will

receive lodging (Wednesday through Sunday night), breakfasts, and Sunday meals in the homes of the hosts.

C. D. Barclift.

### BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING

All members of the classes for all four years of the conference course of study for undergraduates will come before the Board of Ministerial Training at 3 p. m. Wednesday, November 6, in room assigned in Fifth Avenue Methodist church. Let all members of the board of the classes please be present at this hour.

I. S. Richmond, Chairman.  
C. D. Barclift, Registrar.

### COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL QUALIFICATIONS

The Committee on Ministerial Qualifications will meet at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon, November 6, in the room assigned in Fifth Avenue Methodist church in Wilmington. All applicants for admission, admission on trial, and full connection should be present. R. F. Munns, Secretary.

### BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

Dr. J. M. Ormond, chairman, is calling a meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the North Carolina conference to meet in Wilmington at Fifth Avenue church in the room designated on Wednesday afternoon, November 6, at 2 o'clock. All members of the board are urged to be present at that time. S. J. Starnes, Sec.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education of the North Carolina Conference is called to meet in the room assigned in Fifth Avenue church at 4 p. m. on Wednesday, November 6. All members of the board are urged to be present at this opening session. H. E. Spence.

### COMMITTEE ON ACCEPTED SUPPLY PASTORS

The committee on accepted supply pastors will meet in the room designated on Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

J. Herbert Miller.

### CONFERENCE BOARD OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES

The Board of Hospitals and Homes will meet immediately following the evening service on Wednesday, November 6. Personnel of this board is as follows: S. A. Maxwell, A. S. Thompson, C. P. Womack, J. A. Sharpe, W. N. Boyd, Mrs. N. E. Edgerton, Mrs. D. S. Coltrane.

Carlos Womack, Sec.

### MINISTERS' WIVES' LUNCHEON

The luncheon for the Ministers' Wives' Association of the North Carolina Conference will be held in the dining room of Fifth Avenue church, Wilmington, on Saturday, November 9. Please send your card to Mrs. W. A. Cade, 519 Grace Street, Wilmington, in order that your place may be reserved. Mrs. L. C. Larkin.

### LAST REPORT OF CAMPAIGN FOR 1940

On page 19 of this issue is the final exhibit of the Advocate campaign of the North Carolina conference. Two weeks ago appeared the showing made by the Western North Carolina conference. Every pastor should give careful attention to the record made this past twelve months for the church paper in each and every charge. The fine record made this year by so many for the North Carolina Christian Advocate indicates the possibilities of the coming year.

The record was so pleasing to the Methodist Board of Publication, Inc., that the board ordered that the plan of the past year be followed in 1941. The action of the two conferences this year looks to a special effort to aid the women of the church in the work of their Societies of Christian Service. A great year is ahead.

### N. C. CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD NOTICE

On account of the death of E. N. Harrison, we are issuing call 76. Make checks payable to R. L. Jerome, Treas., 1908 Princess Street, Wilmington.



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## Conference Highlights and Sidelights

The high light of the conference was the preaching of Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf. His best was about storms.

"There are some storms which present dangers, offer opportunities, carry benefits and call for adjustments to meet situations," declared Bishop Ernest L. Waldorf of Chicago in addressing this session of the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church.

"Storms," continued Bishop Waldorf, "reveal force, become financial assets, create challenges, express beauty, give strength, bring out the best or the worst, and result in a revelation of beauty."

Some storms are symbolic, he said. "There are physical, mental, financial and spiritual storms. When faith is low, doubts are many. Paul, while on shipboard in a terrific storm, cast out four anchors. Those four anchors are the same ones on which we depend: 1. Belief in God and assurance of his presence; 2. Knowledge that we belong to God; 3. Knowing whom we serve; 4. Knowing that when we are working that others will share in the benefits.

"The thing to do is to outride the storm. No storm is so large that it cannot be outridden. After the worst storm there follows a calm."

Speaking at the ordination service on the subject, "Some Leading Questions," Bishop Waldorf posed these six questions to the young men being ordained: 1. What is my name?; 2. Where am I going?; 3. How old am I?; 4. Where do I come from?; 5. What am I here for?; Where am I going?

These six questions must be answered finally by the men themselves. They will know the answers, he said, and they must be answered carefully.

Those ordained as deacons were: Clegg Wallace Avett, Earl David Clarence Brewer, James Wiley Fowler, Jr., Herbert Durant Garmon, Elliott Wannamaker Hardin, John Julian Holmes, Everett Herman Lowman, James Edward Rink, William Cecil Sides, Jr., Pearlie Franklin Snider, Charles Davis Stokes.

Those ordained as elders were: Winans Fletcher Beadle, William Franklin Eaker, Lester Seymour Furr, Philip Lambeth Green, Enoch Marvin Hoyle, Andrew Franklin Phibbs, Edgar Conrad Price, Philip Linus Shore, Jr., Richard James Starling, Charles Davis Stokes, Marion Boyd Stokes, Jr., Paul Richard Taylor.

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One of the illuminating sidelights of the conference was a vote on the time of meeting. Bishop Purcell just before announcing the appointments asked the conference to express itself upon the time of meeting, whether on Tuesday as had been the time this year or to return to the old date of Thursday and include Sunday in the

conference. The big church was packed at the time and there were only seven votes against the present time of holding conference. So it appears that the mid-week conference will become a fixture.

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Another interesting sidelight shines upon making the appointments. The law enacted by the General Conference in Atlantic City last May which made it a part of the procedure for the pastor to confer with the appointing power in regard to his appointment was in effect for the first time and there was less moving this year among the pastors than usual. Doubtless there was a logical relation between these two facts. Anyhow this writer thinks so, because he learned from experience when in the appointment making business that when the pastor was made acquainted with the entire situation he generally was willing to remain with his charge.

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Bishop Purcell is a past master when it comes to directing the work of an annual conference with speed, but without hurry or restlessness. He makes no speeches, which is a mark of wisdom in any presiding officer, and he employs the fewest possible words in directing the business of the conference. He knows just where he is going and drives straight ahead.

Almost daily the presiding officer commended Secretary Nease for his accuracy and alertness in keeping track of every detail of business. Nease seems to have an uncanny knowledge of every detail of secretarial duties.

Bishop Purcell and Secretary Nease with their skill kept the authors of dry, meaningless speeches off the conference floor. We saw one or two of these would-be speech makers attempt to hold up the conference business with their chatter, but they sat down in a moment and let the business go ahead as it had been doing.

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The board of temperance as usual presented its anti-liquor resolutions and had secured Paul Ervin, a gifted young attorney of Charlotte, to discuss the subject, which he did very effectively. It appears from the present attitude of the conference that this great body of Methodists are determined to put an end to so-called legal liquor in North Carolina. If the North Carolina conference is willing to go to it like the Western conference appears to be, with the help of the Baptists of North Carolina we will put an end to liquor stores and all other forms of legalized sales of intoxicating drinks in the Old North State. The plan is to get a state-wide referendum on the liquor question.

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# Second Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Conference

At 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, October 22, the Western North Carolina conference assembled in Wesley Memorial church, High Point, with all available space occupied by members of the conference and visitors. The first hour was devoted to an observance of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, which was administered by Bishop Clare Purcell, the presiding bishop, assisted by the district superintendents of the conference. It was an impressive service.

At 10 o'clock the organization of the conference was effected by the election of secretaries and appointment of boards and committees. This annual conference has a larger membership than the general conference which met last April in Atlantic City and almost as large as the Uniting conference that held its historic session in Kansas City in 1939, when the union of American Methodism was consummated.

Upon nomination of Rev. W. L. Sherrill, E. H. Nease, the secretary of the last conference, was re-elected and he at once nominated his assistants as follows: C. W. Bates, W. K. Goodson, E. K. McLarty, Jr., C. P. Benton and J. G. Wilkinson. W. A. Lambeth, secretary of the bishop's cabinet, read the nominations of members of the several boards and committees of the conference, and all these were duly elected.

Dr. E. H. Blackard, host of the conference, in well chosen words extended greetings to the visitors and reminded them that all needed information could be secured from the printed instructions contained in the booklet presented each member of the conference when he registered. This is a good place for us to say that the committee on entertainment has omitted nothing that could add to the pleasure of this conference.

## Objectives and Policy for the Coming Year

The era of transition which is characterized Methodist union is coming to an end. The organisms through which the impact of united Methodism's spirit and power is to be made manifest have come into being. It now remains for our laymen and ministers to gear the machinery to the task and to move out with diligence, confidence and devotion. Perhaps in the providence of Almighty God Methodism came into the world for just such a tragic hour—a world torn by conflict and threatened with a new avalanche of paganism—and, at the threshold, a new Methodism re clothed and ready.

The new life of which all of us are aware must be harnessed for constructive tasks must be guided by definite objectives and policies. The local church—its minister, its laymen, its program—is the very heart of the problem. That is an observation which is obvious enough and one which too many of us are willing to grant and unwilling to do anything about. The local church must become aware of the urgency of this hour and its possibilities. In the local church Methodism fails or succeeds. Through the local church Methodism delivers its impact upon the world. Although your committee on objectives and policy would set forth no program for the local church, we dare

set before it some very practical objectives, all of which are within the realm of possibility when approached with zeal and faith.

## 1. Evangelism

Evangelism is the first task of the living church. In a day when we are victimized by the attitude, "Well, it will come out all right somehow," let us not be lulled into an easy complacency. In a day when individuality is being lost in a mass of regimented life, let us not lose sight of Jesus' estimate of the worth of the individual. Let us renew our faith in the power of the cross to bring men into the transforming experience of redeeming love, and in the power of transformed men to bring about a new society which embodies God's Fatherhood and man brotherhood in process of realization.

All that is general—but, break it up into practical ways for getting our evangelistic task done, and one faces among other things:

- a. Evangelistic preaching for a verdict.
- b. Organized and directed lay evangelism.
- c. Personal evangelism—seeking individuals here and there, inside and outside the church, for prayer and consultation.
- d. Set periods for meditation and prayer—so necessary to keeping one's heart and mind sensitive to God's leading.
- e. A tireless expansion of our teaching program which involves increased enrollments, better qualified teachers, modern physical equipment, and a spiritual end in all of the educational process.
- f. A recognition of the importance of youth in the church. They constitute the material out of which the church of tomorrow is built.

## 2. Woman's Society for Christian Service

Methodism owes many of its outstanding achievements to the faithful, untiring and sacrificial service rendered by its women. The new organization for women is very fittingly called the Woman's Society of Christian Service, in recognition of the scope and spirit of its activities. Sufficient time has already elapsed for every pastor to have a society formed in each church, and where such a society has not been formed, your committee insists that the pastor take the necessary steps to lead the women of such church into this larger field of usefulness. In addition, let every minister be alert to help preserve the gains already made and to help direct the society through these formative stages of growth.

## 3. Benevolences

Let no man interpret our plan of voluntary acceptance of the benevolences to mean that the support of the benevolences is optional. It is a matter of high privilege and inescapable responsibility, and we must translate our love of Christ and our brotherly affection into a more costly sharing of our material possessions.

Last year our conference accepted \$69,000 less than our proportionate share needed for the legitimate pro-



gram of our church—\$69,000 less than we were asked to accept. The gap between the askings and the acceptances must be closed. There is no significant movement possible in our church until we lift the level of our benevolent giving. Our benevolences will suffer until we make the causes represented in them so alive that churches now accepting far less than the askings will steadily increase their support. Then, too, conspicuous examples of liberality are contagious. Let us exercise great care just here. We must understand our financial set-up and our people must understand it. An informed constituency responds intelligently and generously. Let every church make a real effort to accept the askings and, where that is impossible at present, let the church make reasonable advances until the day shall come when acceptance of the askings in full will be the rule instead of the exception in our conference.

#### 4. Church Debts

During recent years church debts have been a source of embarrassment to many congregations. While the committee is not ungrateful of every effort to provide comfortable parsonage and adequate and inspiring houses of worship, it must point out that burdensome debts frequently undermine morale and make impossible an adequate and comprehensive church program.

And just this word: When churches need to undertake a building program let them do so to the glory of God. But, brethren, let them be scrupulously careful to observe the disciplinary requirements, thereby taking every precaution necessary to safeguard the vital interests of our Methodism and our people.

#### 5. Reports of Other Commissions and Committees

We approve all the reports submitted by the commissions and committees to the annual conference, and recommend to our clerical members that they make a thorough study of these reports as presented in the journal. These reports in large measure represent the aims and objectives of our church for the quadrennium, and will be of invaluable help to the pastor and the officials in formulating an intelligent and aggressive program for the local church.

#### 6. Other Interests

Alongside the tasks to which the foregoing objectives call us, we would place other interests of our church which are equally deserving. In these days when much of what we are offered to read is what one might expect from an explosion in a garbage can, it is necessary that we keep before our people the fact there is still a direct line between character and the library table. Among many magazines and periodicals that we might recommend, all of which are worthy of a place in a Christian home, we mention our N. C. Christian Advocate, the Upper Room, the new Christian Advocate, and the World Outlook. We insist that our people and ministers make their circulation a point of conscience and reserve for their presentation a scheduled date on the calendar of the church.

With a sense of justifiable pride your committee lifts up the healing ministry of our church—and too few of our churches have had a part in it. Could we not for once—even for a quadrennium—every church of us, have a part in bringing healing to sick bodies through the Golden Cross enrollment?

No institution of our Methodism is rendering a more needed ministry than our orphanage. As a whole the work

it does and the cause it represents appeals to our hearts. And yet, your committee is insistent that every church in our conference have the opportunity of mothering and fathering these boys and girls of ours.

These objectives your committee has dared to hold up aren't new. From time to time we have pointed here and there through resolutions and recommendations—and with avail. But the time is now when all of us need urgently to do something about all of them. They are brought to you for you to do something about. You will adopt them, no doubt, but that is not enough. For then you may kill them if you desire and bury them in the dry ink of the printed page. And—if you want to—yonder removed from the work of committees and the rush of conference—if you want to—yonder in distant dell or in clanging cities you may make them living realities in the minds and hearts of men and women. Courage will be needed, and hope—patience and love—prayer and faith—and with all a deal of honest work. Facing the dawn of Methodism's new day we move out undergirded by a great faith and overarched by a great purpose.

### Conference Highlights and Sidelights

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Dr. Clark in making his report for the Salisbury district noted that W. C. Dutton, pastor of Midway church in Kannapolis, had this year received 139 new members into the church on profession of faith, and thereby leads the conference. That is high praise and a worth while distinction. But this is nothing new for W. C. Dutton because he is at the top in this work every year.

Dr. H. P. Powell, pastor of Dilworth, Charlotte, in securing 54 new yearly subscribers to the Advocate leads the conference.

Centenary church, Winston-Salem, paid more money for conference benevolences than any church in the entire South and possibly more than any church in American Methodism. This last we cannot assert positively because we do not have all the figures from all the churches.

All charges in the Gastonia district this year are off the board of missions and no charge pays less salary than \$1200.

#### Conference Notes

Young ministers admitted on trial were the following: John F. Cagle, R. Odell Brown, Lee Roy Spencer, Sherrill Bost Biggers, Wade Robert Bustle, William E. Andrews, Joseph Temple Shackford, Charles D. White, and Simon B. Nifong.

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Rev. J. G. Huggins, Jr., of Waynesville reported that the board of education made several recommendations. It was proposed that the Duke endowment of approximately \$53,000 for Rutherford College be transferred to Brevard College, but the income from the fund be paid to the trustees of Rutherford College to meet some indebtedness. The same was proposed for the Higgins fund, except that one-half the net income to be paid to the trustees. The Centenary fund was transferred to Brevard College, as was \$10,000 in Rutherford College bonds. The trustees of the latter institution, however, are to have the income from the bonds till outstanding debts have been adjusted.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**N. C. Conference, Fifth Ave., Wilmington, 10 a.m. . . . Nov. 7**

The new address of Rev. C. E. Ridge is Route. 1, Thomasville, N. C.

The ministers' wives of the Raleigh district are asked to send a report of any improvements in the parsonage to Mrs. O. W. Dowd, Oxford. Mrs. Dowd wants this information for her report to the Ministers' Wives' Association when it meets in Wilmington.—Mrs. O. L. Hathaway, Sec.

The Methodist Church is launching a movement to keep liquor from the camps of draftees of the army corps. The President, the Secretary of the Navy, and Secretary of War will be asked to forbid alcohol in training camps.—United Presbyterian.

Rev. Jordan W. Carter, general evangelist, spent October in Kentucky, assisting in meeting in the First Methodist church at Prestonburg, and in the Methodist church at Seco. During the past conference year Dr. Carter has held several meetings in North Carolina—three in Greensboro. His address is 213 Burner Street, Greensboro.

The new parsonage of Hay Street church, Fayetteville, will be ready in three or four weeks. Received 130 new members to date; two new churches doing fine. Still preaching from Cape Lookout, the point between S. S. and Main auditorium. Plans have been drawn for the new church school building to occupy the old parsonage grounds.—R. E. Brown.

Mr. George L. Morelock, executive secretary of the Board of Lay Activities, Chicago, Ill., addressed the Greater Cincinnati Methodist preachers' meeting on Monday, October 21, was the leader of a questionnaire-luncheon, and spoke to a company of official board members in Walnut Hills-Avondale church the same evening. At the annual meeting of the Cincinnati Methodist Union on Tuesday evening he gave the main address.

Message was received Monday by Dr. Samuel B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College, that the residence of his sister, Mrs. Minnie Turrentine, Blackwood, a few miles north of Chapel Hill, was burned about noon last Sunday. The residence had been renovated recently and rural electricity installed. The origin of the fire was not known. The family was preparing for dinner when smoke was seen rising from the roof of the residence. Most of the furniture was reported saved, but much clothing was lost.

Be it resolved by the Victory quarterly conference of the Faison-Kenansville charge: That we express keen regret that Rev. A. L. Thompson and family are leaving us. That we pledge anew our faith in them as truly God's leaders. That the district superintendent be and is hereby earnestly requested to give Brother Thompson an appointment commensurate with his good work. That Brother Thompson be, and is hereby informed that the love and faith of the people of this charge in and for him will remain among our prized possessions.

The Home Missions Council, the Council of Women for Home Missions, and the National Council of Church Women will hold their annual meetings along with the biennial meeting of the Federal Council of Churches at Atlantic City in December. The Foreign Missions Conference of North America and the United Stewardship Council will join these organizations in joint sessions from December 10 to 12. The Federal Council will hold its separate business sessions following the joint sessions and the other organizations will hold theirs preceding the joint sessions.

Rev. and Mrs. R. N. Fitts of Dover announce the marriage of their daughter, Serena Claiborne, to Cicero L. Humphrey of Dover, Tuesday evening, October 15, at the home of the bride's parents. The ceremony was quiet and simple, with the father of the bride officiating, and only the members of the bride's immediate family present. Mr. Humphrey is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Louis Humphrey. The young couple are making their home in Dover.



**J. F. HERBERT**  
Pastor of Grace Methodist Church  
Wilmington

Approximately 450 cadets have signed for the Bible study course which is being sponsored for the twelfth year by the Y. M. C. A., J. M. Leland, director, at The Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina. The seven classes will meet each Sunday night for eleven weeks. Approximately 300 freshmen are enrolled in the introductory sections; 125 sophomores are also beginners, while 30 juniors are in the advanced section. Instructors for the classes are three Charleston ministers, three Charleston business men, and one member of the Citadel faculty.

Here at Trinity on the South Mills charge, under the leadership of our beloved pastor, Rev. L. W. Dowman, we are closing one of the best years in the history of our church. All financial obligations met in full, increased enrollment and attendance in church school, and best of all a quickened spiritual interest resulting in the admission into full church membership of a class of seven children, three fine young men and one young mother at a very impressive service this morning, at the close of which Holy Communion was observed with practically all of our people participating. Let us thank God and take courage, for he is with us.—W. S. Forehand.

Rev. Dr. Oscar L. Simpson, for the past twelve years prominent in the editorial work of the Board of Christian Education of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, with headquarters at Nashville, Tenn., has re-entered the pastorate of the Methodist Church and has been appointed by Bishop Paul B. Kern to the Emerald Avenue Methodist church at Knoxville, Tenn., in the Holston conference, being transferred from the Western North Carolina conference. On the staff of the Board of Christian Education, Dr. Simpson was responsible, editorially, for the Adult Student, the Christian Home, lessons and programs in the Epworth Highroad, and for other courses and lesson materials.



## SECRET DOCUMENTS OF THE SOUTHERN CONFEDERACY DISCOVERED

The Work Projects Administration Historical Records Survey, in Boston, in its search for original source material, has made another 10-strike, with the discovery, under a pile of sand and gravel in a Tufts College basement, of unpublished secret documents of the Southern Confederacy.

These papers, many of them extremely valuable, and the whole constituting an important contribution to the bibliography of Civil War history are reprinted in condensed form in the Survey's latest publication—a "Calendar of the Ryder Collection of Confederate Archives at Tufts College."

The discovery of the papers and documents was made by Edward Marquette of Dedham, Survey field worker, while rummaging around the basement of Miner Hall at Tufts College. The building custodian had informed him that he believed there were papers of some sort under the pile, but he did not know of what importance they were. Mr. Marquette notified college authorities of his discovery and permission was readily given to make an inventory of the collection. The present volume is the result of careful classifying and listing.

Once before in their existence these papers were lost. This was in 1865, after the fall of Appomattox, when southern leaders fled to Richmond, leaving their secret documents in disorder about the floor of their headquarters. Rev. W. H. Snyder of St. Paul's Universalist church in Chicago, on a search for valuable Civil War mementoes for the Soldiers' Home Fair, in Chicago, to aid disabled veterans, found the abandoned papers. They were put on display at the fair, and, upon his death, were turned over to Tufts College by Mrs. Ryder. How they found their way to the gravel heap in the basement, however, is not known.

Historians and students of Civil War history should welcome the latest publication of the WPA Historical Records Survey, throwing new light, as it does, on plans and activities of Southern leaders during those trying times when our country was torn by internal strife.

One of the most important of these papers is the celebrated Oldham letter, which figured in the inquiry following the death of President Lincoln, when some people suspected that a Southern conspiracy had been responsible for the killing of the war-time Chief Executive. The letter, written by W. S. Oldham of Richmond, Va., and addressed to President Jefferson Davis of the Confederacy, outlined plans for a scheme to burn all northern shipping and to devastate cities and towns. The plan provided for the carrying into northern cities of powerful explosive materials by unsuspecting parties.

The "Calendar" includes also a transcription of suggestions for the defense of New Orleans, offered by Major-General M. Lovell, commanding headquarters at New Orleans; confidential instructions for the evacuation of Morris Island, defending the entrance to Richmond, in 1863; many military reports of battles, written by Confederate officers; a copy of a pass issued by Lieutenant-General Ulysses S. Grant, on April 13, 1865, allowing a negro boy to travel through the Union lines from City Point, Va., to Richmond; and many other valuable papers and documents.

The Confederate Prisons papers form an important and instructive part of the collection. Among these are morning reports of the Confederate States Prisons at Richmond, giving the number of prisoners of war, citizen prisoners, Con-

federates, deserters from Union ranks, and negroes. There are also transcriptions of passes issued to various persons to visit Libby Prison in Richmond.

When the importance of Mr. Ryder's discovery was realized he was requested to place the papers at the disposal of the government, and he was called upon to testify at the inquiry relative to the conspiracy to assassinate President Lincoln and other government officials.

The Ryder "Calendar" has a preface by Carl J. Wennerblad, state supervisor of the WPA Historical Records Survey in Massachusetts; an introduction, outlining the various steps in the transition from the littered pile in the Confederate headquarters at Richmond to their present form; a general index, and a supplementary name index, which gives the names of persons appearing on casualty lists, muster rolls, and other records.

Co-operation in making the documents available for use has been given by President Leonard Carmichael of Tufts College, and Librarian Raymond C. Walkley; while valuable advice has been extended by Dr. Ruhl J. Bartlett, head of the Department of History at Tufts; and Prof. Paul H. Buck of the Department of History at Harvard University. —Zions Herald.

## GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Greensboro College was indeed fortunate last week in having as one of its visitors Mr. J. B. Ivey of Charlotte. While on the campus last Wednesday evening Mr. Ivey showed his interesting moving pictures at the regular vesper hour in the student activities building. The students were particularly interested in the technicolor pictures of Mr. Ivey's tulip beds and dahlia gardens as well as the scenes from Lake Junaluska where several of the college girls spend a part of the summer.

On Sunday evening at the regular vesper service the theme emphasized was loyalty and patriotism. Following the singing of America, Miss Carolyn Stansel of Maxton gave a reading on "America." Miss Margaret Humphries, Burgaw, was in charge of the service.

G. C. students celebrated Hallowe'en on Monday evening with a formal progressive dinner party in the main building. The Hallowe'en spirit was conveyed by the attractive decorations in the dining room and drawing rooms. Huge grinning Jack O' Lanterns and black crepe paper streamers added a festive air to the occasion. Miss Florence Dowdy, Evington, Va., and Miss Elizabeth Kendrick planned the affair, assisted by Miss Sarah Rickman, college dietitian.

## LOUISBURGE COLLEGE NOTES

On Friday, October 25, the Alpha Pi Epsilon, honorary secretarial fraternity of Louisburg College, presented at the chapel hour a play entitled "Boss vs. Secretary." Those taking part were: Edna Gillis, Raleigh; Edith Pittman, Wilmington; Ike Reynolds, Columbia; Joe Newsom, Littleton; and Louise Turner, Speed. This play was under the direction of the club's sponsor, Mrs. V. R. Kilby.

On Friday evening, October 25, the Alpha Pi Epsilon of Louisburg College was host to the Phi Theta Kappa, Beta Phi Gamma and the faculty of Louisburg College at a Hallowe'en party. An evening full of entertainment was enjoyed, with fortune-telling, games, stunts, folk dances, contests, and refreshments. Costumes and masks helped to carry out the Hallowe'en atmosphere.

The Home Economics Club of Louisburg College has elected the following officers: Ruth Stallings, president, Hobbsville; Irene Vaughan, vice president, Rich Square; Jane Murphy, secretary and treasurer, Louisburg; and Scott Brown, reporter, Zebulon.

## WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT STEWARDS

The district stewards, lay leaders and preachers of the Winston-Salem district will meet in Centenary church, Winston-Salem, Thursday, November 7, at 2:30 p. m.

Chas. C. Weaver, D. S.

## WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT NOTICE

All pastors in Waynesville district and all others interested in the complete program of the Methodist Church are called to meet in Waynesville Methodist church November 4, at 10 a. m.

W. L. Hutchins.



R. L. JEROME

Pastor of Trinity Methodist Church  
Wilmington



## REPORT OF THE METHODIST BOARD OF PUBLICATION TO THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

As a result of church union the past year has been a period of readjustments by North Carolina Methodists. With remarkable promptness the Methodist Episcopal people transferred their loyalty and support to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. And the Methodist Protestant people led in a movement to consolidate the Methodist Protestant Herald and the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Their plan for union of the two papers was accepted by the management of this paper, and the people at once joined gladly and heartily in the support of one paper.

Your board with pleasure announces that all North Carolina Methodists are now united upon one paper and with equal interest and enthusiasm have joined in the support of the Advocate. This union has not only enlarged the constituency of the paper but also has increased the support thereof. This last year has been one of the best in the history of the work of this Board of Publication. And the future is full of promise. What money we are able to make goes into the Advocate. If we had a larger income we could make a bigger and better paper.

This coming year we are committed to furnish special help to the women of the church in promoting the promising work of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service in both North Carolina conferences. To this end we expect to enlist the women of all our churches in a co-operative effort for extending the circulation of the Advocate. In that way we can be of larger service in the work of the churches. Two full pages, finely edited, devoted each week to the woman's work should prove of inestimable value in every church and community.

With the co-operation of the district superintendents and the district lay leaders we could render a larger service in the work of our village and country churches. Mr. W. A. McGirt, lay leader of the Wilmington district, has pointed the way to help circulate the North Carolina Christian Advocate in weak country churches. Other districts might follow the example of the Wilmington in the great and promising field of the country church.

The plan adopted last year to increase the circulation of the Advocate met with gratifying success and this board has decided to continue a similar plan for the ensuing year.

The auditor's report shows that the net profit this year from operations is \$762.07. Income from rental property \$386.11. Net profit for the year \$1,148.18. The net results are approximately the same as for last year.

Rev. M. T. Plyler and Rev. A. W. Plyler were re-elected editors and business managers of the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

The term office of the following members of the board expire with the current year:

Rev. H. C. Smith, representing the North Carolina conference, and Thomas C. Hoyle, representing the Western North Carolina conference.

These men were nominated by the board to succeed themselves. We request that this conference elect Thos. C. Hoyle as a member of the Methodist Board of Publication, Inc., for a period of five years.

It is with deep sorrow that we record the death on the morning of October 16, 1940, of Dr. William Preston Few, the chairman of this board. For many years he had

been one of the most useful and devoted members of the board. He was never too busy to give his services for the advancement of our publishing interests. We shall sorely miss him.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Hobbs, Vice Chairman.

T. C. Hoyle, Sr., Secretary.

## BEAUTY OF ACHIEVEMENT

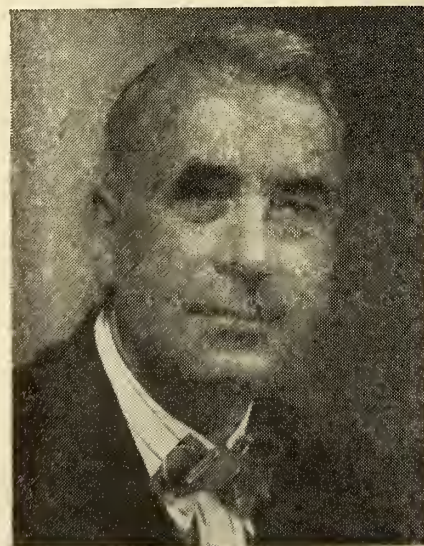
By Frances Willard

Beauty of achievement, whether in overcoming a hasty temper, a habit of exaggeration, in exploring a continent with Stanley, or guiding well the ship of state with Gladstone, is always fascinating, and whether known in a circle large as the equator, or only in the family circle at home, those who are in this fashion beautiful are never desolate, and some one always loves them. Beauty of reputation is a mantle of spotless ermine in which, if you are but enwrapped, you shall receive the homage of those about you, as real, as ready, and as spontaneous as any ever paid to personal beauty in its most powerful hour. Some sort of reputation you must have, whether you will or no. In school, in church, at home, and in society, you carry ever with you the wings of a good, or the ball and chain of a bad reputation. Resolve to make it beautiful, clean, shining, gracious. This is within your power, though the color of your eyes and hair is not. Beauty of character includes every good of which a human heart can know.—Religious Telescope.

## WHITTINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

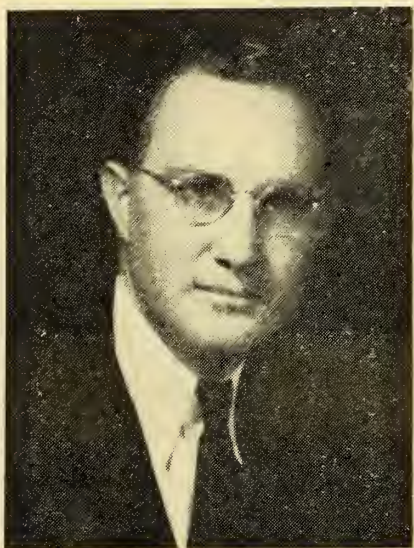
"Blue laws" make some people "see red."  
Daylight saving starts the farmer raving.  
F. D. R. is going to bring tears to war profiteers.  
When buyers put on the brake high prices always break.  
The world would be all right if so many people were not all wrong.  
Sometimes a preacher fancies himself a Gideon when he is only "giddy."  
Women have quit talking about their sphere now that that they own the globe.  
Why is it the non-producer produces so much of society's troubles?  
The high cost of everything is due to America's slogan "Regardless of Cost."  
It is a fine thing for a man to have a solid backbone provided it doesn't end in solid ivory.



REV. WALTER PAVY

Pastor of Epworth Methodist Church,  
Wilmington, N. C.





REV. W. A. TEW  
Pastor Wesley Memorial Methodist  
Church, Wilmington

## THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon

Conference is over and we are back on the job, but have not been able to come back down to the ground and get regularly to work. But we will soon be on a level stretch toward the end.

### Thanksgiving

It seems passing strange not to be preparing literature and sending out letters and appointing local church committees for a well rounded Thanksgiving offering for the Children's Home like nearly all other orphanages do. With reference to work like this I feel sure that the dear Lord would be pleased with us if we would "pay our tithes and make our offerings." I wish I might live to see all the local churches in both our annual conferences in North Carolina pay their 10 per cent, make fifth Sunday offerings and also make a liberal free will offering at Thanksgiving. One of the finest pieces of work any church is doing is that of helping to care for and train orphan children. From my own experience and from conversations with Dr. Barnes of Raleigh and Mr. Woosley of Winston-Salem, I know that these children's homes need a financial boost that they have not yet gotten. Thanksgiving would be a good time to give them that boost by sending them a good free will offering and not counting it on our obligations.

### Financing This Home

If you have any money for this home collected during October which you are willing to send here as a free will offering to help meet present obligations, then please send it along at once. But if you wish it to count on your allotment for this new conference year, then be sure to send it to Mr. O. V. Woosley, Children's Home, Winston-Salem. According to conference direction all monies are to be sent to Mr. Woosley and this home, for its eight remaining months, will be financed from that office. So after the first day of November, 1940, I shall send all money which may come here direct to Mr. Woosley, except such as may be designated for some special child or for Christmas.

We had hoped to collect a bit more during October than has come. Last year we collected a bit over \$1700 during October, but to date we have received \$1132.58. There may be just a bit more come in, but we cannot count on much. This is doubtless because conference met earlier in the month. Those former M. P. churches within the bounds of the North Carolina conference should send all their offerings after November 1 to Dr. A. S. Barnes, Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh. If by mistake you sent to me I shall forward to him. We are profoundly thankful to you, all of you, for the wonderful support you have given this home during our stay here of 12 years, and we trust that your support of this same work will be just as hearty during the years that are to come. I know you will.

### Produce

We sent our truck to two churches on Shiloh charge and to Hickory Ridge on Forsyth charge last Saturday and brought back a fine lot of canned goods and other produce. We are anxious to get all the cans and other produce in soon. You have it ready, or can get it ready in a very few days. So please write us a card soon and tell us where to

get it. We are to go to the parsonage at Efland soon and get all the produce from Orange charge, which will be assembled at the parsonage. We will come back by Concord church on Saxapahaw. Please get yours together soon, drop us a card and tell us where, and we will get it unless you can bring or send it.

Our truck must go to Fallston soon. So if Cleveland, Bess Chapel and Fallston would all collect their produce at Fallston it would help us wondrously. Let us know. Please plan it to save us time and gasoline.

Thank you, and God bless each of you. We will be looking for your card at once.

## JAMES FULLER STROWD

James Fuller Strowd, son of the late Rev. and J. C. D. Strowd and Mrs. W. B. Hobbs of Whiteville, N. C., was born December 16, 1919, and passed away September 23, 1940, after a severe brain injury received September 21 in an auto accident while riding from Raleigh to Chapel Hill with two companions. The car in which the young students were riding was struck by one being driven by a negro. Fuller was rushed to Watts hospital in Durham, where everything was done for him that hands of love and skilled doctors could do.

Fuller was a devoted son and an extremely likeable young man. He was a member of the Whiteville Methodist church, in which he had been active as a Leaguer, a junior steward, a junior usher and an all round active member. He graduated from Whiteville high school, had had two years college work at Davidson College and had just transferred to the junior class of the University of North Carolina. He was instrumental in beginning the Whiteville Museum which has attracted a great deal of attention. His was a clean and an upright life, one that youth could well follow.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. R. G. L. Edwards, minister of the Whiteville Methodist church, from the home of his step-father and mother on Wednesday, September 25. It was one of the largest attended funerals ever held in Whiteville, attested by considerably over 100 floral designs. The body was laid to rest in the Whiteville cemetery.

Fuller is survived by his mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hobbs of Whiteville; Clyde Hobbs, a step-brother, a sophomore at Davidson College; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. L. K. Fuller of Whiteville; an only surviving member of his father's family, Mrs. Josie Strowd Cate, an aunt of Chapel Hill; and the following uncles and aunts on his mother's side of the family—M. K. Fuller, Miss Ruby Fuller, S. L. Fuller and Leonidas Fuller of Whiteville, Mrs. J. M. Thrasher, Stoneville, and Mrs. Charles Porter, Grundy, Va.

"I cannot say, and I will not say,  
That he is dead. He is just away.  
With a cheery smile, and a wave of the hand,  
He has wandered into an unknown land.  
Think of him still as the same, I say.  
He is not dead—he is just away!"

## A PRAYER FOR NURSES

Our Father and Helper of mankind, we pray thee to further all measures which promote healing, and bestow thy blessing upon all nurses.

Conform their conversations with their patients to the dictates of enlightened conscience and seasoned judgment. Qualify them to cope with all phases of illness, especially crises. Imbue them with the heroism of Saint Francis, who endured severest hardships to relieve another's pain. May their presence in the sick room bring, like that of "The Lady of the Lamp," service, skill, and sympathy, brightening hours of the day and night until "timely dew of sleep falls with soft slumbrous weight." Blameless be their loyalty to the physician in charge and to the sovereign interests of their patients. May the nurses' steadfast belief in blissful immortality, we most humbly beseech thee, reinforce the apostolic broadcast: "The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

From the Judge of all the earth, Inspector of life's charts, may these nurses at last hear: "Well done! Enter the blessed realm where no inhabitant is sick, and where all live in perfect happiness forevermore." Amen.



# Western North Carolina Conference Appointments

## 1940-1941

### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, District Superintendent

|                                       |                      |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Acton                                 | J. L. Reynolds       |
| Asheville—Asbury Memorial             | R. H. Taylor         |
| Biltmore                              | E. J. Harbison       |
| Central                               | W. A. Lambeth        |
| Central, Associate Pastor             | McMurry S. Richey    |
| French Broad Avenue                   | G. E. Keeler, Supply |
| Haywood Street                        | W. G. McFarland      |
| Hillside Street                       | H. S. Williams       |
| Merrimon Avenue                       | N. G. Bethea         |
| Oakley                                | E. O. Peeler         |
| West Asheville                        | A. C. Tipett         |
| Barnardsville                         | To be supplied       |
| Black Mountain                        | J. G. Wilkinson      |
| Brevard                               | E. P. Billups        |
| Candler                               | Byron Shankle        |
| East Flat Rock                        | C. M. Smith          |
| Emma                                  | M. B. Shives         |
| Etowah                                | L. W. Hall, Supply   |
| Fairview                              | W. F. Beadle         |
| Fletcher                              | H. E. Bolick         |
| Hendersonville                        | D. E. Camak          |
| Hot Springs                           | Z. V. Arthur         |
| Ivy                                   | E. H. Spencer        |
| Leicester-Bell                        | K. G. Holt           |
| Leicester-Grace                       | A. F. Phibbs         |
| Marshall                              | H. L. LeFevers       |
| Mills River                           | R. M. Varner         |
| Pisgah                                | C. M. White          |
| Rosman                                | J. R. Bowman         |
| Saluda                                | To be supplied       |
| Sandy                                 | J. D. Pyatt, Supply  |
| Swannanoa                             | W. H. Benfield       |
| Tryon                                 | G. M. Schreyer       |
| Weaverville                           | F. O. Dryman         |
| Weaverville Circuit                   | J. Max Brandon, Jr.  |
| Dean Emory University                 | H. B. Trimble        |
| Missionary to Korea                   | M. B. Stokes         |
| Chaplain Oteen Hospital               | L. W. Colson         |
| Superintendent Bethel Home            | Homer Casto          |
| Superintendent Good Samaritan Mission | J. S. Williams       |
| District Missionary Secretary         | W. G. McFarland      |

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, District Superintendent

|                                |                  |
|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Ansonville                     | O. P. Ader       |
| Bethel-Boger                   | E. M. Graham     |
| Big Spring                     | L. R. Akers, Jr. |
| Charlotte—Belmont Park         | J. W. Fitzgerald |
| Brevard Street                 | D. V. Howell     |
| Calvary                        | S. M. Needham    |
| Central Avenue                 | C. C. Benton     |
| Chadwick                       | M. G. Ervin      |
| Dilworth                       | H. P. Powell     |
| Duncan Memorial                | C. R. Allison    |
| First Church                   | G. Ray Jordan    |
| First Church, Associate Pastor | To be supplied   |
| Hawthorne Lane                 | E. H. Nease      |
| Myers Park                     | R. L. Ownbey     |
| Spencer Memorial               | C. E. Murray     |
| Wesley Heights                 | W. B. Davis      |
| Derita                         | E. O. Cole       |
| Hickory Grove                  | J. M. Barber     |
| Homestead-Pleasant Grove       | C. F. Womble     |
| Huntersville                   | F. F. Frisbie    |
| Indian Trail-Stallings         | J. R. Warren     |
| Lilesville                     | H. R. Cornelius  |
| Marshville                     | R. C. Kirk       |
| Matthews                       | G. G. Adams      |
| Monroe—Central                 | G. R. Combs      |
| North Monroe Circuit           | E. D. Ballard    |
| Morven                         | P. T. Dixon      |
| New Hope-Bethel                | T. G. Highfill   |
| Peachland                      | J. E. Hipp       |
| Pineville                      | J. L. Rayle      |
| Polkton                        | J. L. Trollinger |
| Prospect                       | R. F. Huneycutt  |
| Thrift-Moores                  | J. H. Carper     |
| Trinity                        | J. E. Yountz     |
| Unionville Circuit             | E. W. Mills      |
| Wadesboro                      | C. P. Bowles     |
| Waxhaw                         | N. A. Huffman    |
| Weddington                     | A. B. Bruton     |

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| Zoar                          | To be supplied    |
| Y. M. C. A. Work              | F. W. Dowd Bangle |
| Missionary to Japan           | S. A. Stewart     |
| Missionary to Japan           | N. S. Ogburn      |
| District Missionary Secretary | J. W. Fitzgerald  |

### ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, District Superintendent

|                                                           |                            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Advance                                                   | P. L. Smith                |
| Ararat                                                    | W. H. Yokley               |
| Bryant Memorial                                           | T. W. Bryant, Supply       |
| Boone                                                     | J. B. McLarty              |
| Cooleemee                                                 | F. J. Stough               |
| Creston                                                   | J. R. Short                |
| Davie                                                     | G. W. Fink                 |
| Dobson                                                    | J. W. Parker               |
| East Bend                                                 | G. A. Hovis                |
| Elkin                                                     | H. F. Duncan               |
| Farmington                                                | J. W. Vestal               |
| Green Valley                                              | W. C. Eastridge, Supply    |
| Helton                                                    | R. J. Starling             |
| Jefferson                                                 | H. D. Jessup               |
| Jonesville                                                | D. B. Mullis               |
| Laurel Springs                                            | S. G. Ferree               |
| Millers Creek                                             | J. L. A. Bumgarner         |
| Mocksville                                                | E. M. Avett                |
| Mocksville Circuit                                        | W. C. Sides, Jr.           |
| Moravian Falls                                            | J. M. Green                |
| North Wilkesboro                                          | A. L. Aycock               |
| Sparta                                                    | L. F. Strader              |
| St. Paul                                                  | S. J. Brawley              |
| Todd                                                      | L. V. Stevens              |
| Trap Hill                                                 | R. M. Dellinger, Supply    |
| Warrensville                                              | J. G. Wootton, Jr., Supply |
| Watauga                                                   | M. A. Osborne              |
| West Jefferson                                            | H. H. Wood                 |
| Wilkesboro                                                | J. C. Stokes               |
| Yadkinville                                               | J. H. Green                |
| Conference Missionary Secretary and Golden Cross Director | L. B. Abernethy            |
| Student Boston University                                 | W. J. Huneycutt            |
| District Missionary Secretary                             | H. F. Duncan               |

### GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, District Superintendent

|                               |                     |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Belmont—Main Street           | P. W. Townsend      |
| Park Street                   | E. H. Brendall      |
| Belwood                       | J. M. Morgan        |
| Bessemer City                 | H. M. Robinson      |
| Boger City                    | E. L. Kirk          |
| Cleveland                     | F. R. Love          |
| Cherryville                   | D. M. Nifong        |
| Cherryville Circuit           | J. E. B. Houser     |
| Cramerton                     | L. P. Barnett       |
| Crouse                        | W. F. Eaker         |
| Dallas                        | W. C. Dutton        |
| Fallston                      | G. W. Clay          |
| Gastonia—Bradley Memorial     | P. W. Tucker        |
| East End                      | E. W. Needham       |
| Main Street                   | C. E. Rozzelle      |
| Maylo-Smyre                   | J. N. Wise          |
| Trinity                       | F. H. Shinn         |
| West End                      | J. C. Groce         |
| Kings Mountain—Central        | H. C. Sprinkle, Jr. |
| Grace                         | S. W. Johnson       |
| Lincolnton                    | L. D. Thompson      |
| Lincoln-Bess Chapel           | J. W. Combs         |
| Lincoln Circuit               | D. H. Rhinehardt    |
| Lowell                        | E. E. Snow          |
| Lowesville                    | J. A. Howell        |
| McAdenville                   | M. E. Leftwich      |
| Mount Holly                   | W. O. Goode         |
| Polkville                     | T. H. Swofford      |
| Rock Springs                  | A. W. Lynch         |
| Shelby—Central                | G. B. Clemmer       |
| Lafayette Street              | R. C. Goforth       |
| Shelby Circuit                | R. M. Hauss         |
| South Fork                    | R. G. McClamrock    |
| Stanley                       | A. L. Rayle         |
| Vale Circuit                  | E. P. Greene        |
| Student at Duke University    | A. W. Wellons       |
| Missionary to Japan           | I. L. Shaver        |
| District Missionary Secretary | R. C. Goforth       |



GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, District Superintendent

|                                                   |                        |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Brown Summit                                      | J. F. Cagle            |
| Danbury                                           | J. L. Love             |
| Draper                                            | P. R. Rayle            |
| Draper-Wayside                                    | E. P. Hamilton         |
| Flat Rock                                         | T. H. Houck            |
| Gibsonville                                       | R. G. Tuttle           |
| Greensboro—Bessemer                               | R. M. Laughlin         |
| Bethel-Battleground                               | B. W. Lefler           |
| Calvary                                           | R. C. Stubbins         |
| Carraway Memorial                                 | J. P. Hipps            |
| Centenary                                         | C. S. Kirkpatrick      |
| College Place                                     | R. M. Courtney         |
| Glenwood                                          | R. M. Hardee           |
| Grace                                             | J. Elwood Carroll      |
| Newlyn-Lee's Chapel                               | A. L. Latham           |
| Proximity                                         | G. W. Vick             |
| St. Paul                                          | A. D. Shelton          |
| West End-Midway                                   | R. M. Andrews          |
| West Greensboro                                   | G. A. Stamper          |
| West Market Street                                | J. B. Craven           |
| West Market, Associate Pastor                     | W. K. Goodson          |
| Guilford                                          | J. B. Trogdon          |
| Haw River                                         | C. W. Bates            |
| Jamestown-Oakdale                                 | C. M. McKinney         |
| Leaksville                                        | A. C. Swofford         |
| Madison                                           | O. J. Jones            |
| Midway                                            | To be supplied         |
| Moriah                                            | J. L. Pittard          |
| Mt. Pleasant                                      | P. L. Shore            |
| Mt. Pleasant Circuit                              | R. P. Gibbs            |
| Oak Ridge                                         | P. R. Taylor           |
| Pleasant Garden                                   | T. F. Higgins          |
| Reidsville—Lindsay Street                         | E. L. Ballard          |
| Main Street                                       | J. H. Armbrust         |
| Reidsville Circuit                                | T. V. Crouse           |
| Ruffin                                            | J. W. Fowler, Jr.      |
| Sandy Ridge                                       | T. G. Williams, Supply |
| Spray                                             | R. T. Houts            |
| Stokesdale                                        | W. T. Albright         |
| Stoneville-Mayodan                                | P. L. Shore, Jr.       |
| Summerfield                                       | C. W. Russell          |
| Tabernacle-Julian                                 | O. C. Loy              |
| Professor Duke University                         | P. N. Garber           |
| Professor Duke University                         | G. T. Rowe             |
| Professor Greensboro College                      | R. A. Smith            |
| Associate Professor Illinois Wesleyan University, | M. B. Stokes, Jr.      |

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| Editor N. C. Christian Advocate | A. W. Plyler |
| Missoinary to Korea             | C. D. Stokes |
| Florida-Latin Mission           | R. J. Parker |
| District Missionary Secretary   | R. G. Tuttle |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, District Superintendent

|                                          |                  |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Archdale                                 | G. E. White      |
| Asheboro—First                           | Paul Hardin, Jr. |
| Central                                  | J. W. Braxton    |
| Asheboro Circuit                         | E. A. Lamb       |
| Coleridge                                | T. J. Huggins    |
| Denton—First                             | Wade Johnson     |
| Central                                  | G. L. Curry      |
| Farmer                                   | J. O. Ervin      |
| Greer's Chapel                           | Atlas Ridge      |
| High Point—Calvary                       | O. L. Brown      |
| First                                    | J. C. Madison    |
| Highland                                 | T. G. Smith      |
| Lebanon                                  | O. L. Easter     |
| Oakview                                  | J. W. Groce      |
| South Main Street                        | N. C. Williams   |
| Rankin Memorial                          | Edward Suits     |
| Ward Street                              | J. E. McSwain    |
| Welch Memorial                           | J. D. Williams   |
| Wesley Memorial                          | E. H. Blackard   |
| Wesley Memorial, Associate Pastor        | J. A. Lindsay    |
| Hillsboro                                | To be supplied   |
| Liberty—First                            | George R. Brown  |
| Liberty Circuit                          | D. A. Bailey     |
| Linwood                                  | O. E. Croy       |
| Mount Vernon Circuit                     | T. E. Strickland |
| Pleasant Grove                           | C. E. Ridge      |
| Ramseur-Franklinville                    | J. E. Pritchard  |
| Randleman-Union                          | I. L. Roberts    |
| Randleman Circuit                        | J. R. Anderson   |
| Randolph-Gray's Chapel                   | H. L. Isley      |
| Richland                                 | C. L. Grant      |
| Seagrove-Love Joy                        | J. H. Trolinger  |
| Shiloh                                   | T. G. Madison    |
| South Davidson                           | R. H. Kennnison  |
| Trinity                                  | W. B. Shinn      |
| West Randolph                            | G. B. Ferree     |
| Why Not                                  | C. H. Hill       |
| President High Point College             | G. I. Humphreys  |
| Professor High Point Sollege             | P. E. Lindley    |
| Professor High Point College             | P. S. Kennett    |
| Promotional Secretary High Point College | N. M. Harrison   |

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|-----------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Superintendent Children's Home                | A. G. Dixon   |
| Associate Director, Department of Adult Work, |               |
| General Board of Education                    | F. L. Gibbs   |
| District Missionary Secretary                 | I. L. Roberts |

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, District Superintendent

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Avery                         | J. L. McGalliard |
| Bakersville                   | R. C. Nimon      |
| Bald Creek                    | J. N. Snow       |
| Bostic                        | W. L. Scott      |
| Broad River                   | J. B. Fitzgerald |
| Burnsville                    | J. S. Folger     |
| Cliffside-Avondale            | T. R. Wolfe      |
| Connelly Springs              | J. N. Randall    |
| Elk Park                      | J. J. Wood       |
| Forest City                   | W. H. Groce      |
| Gilkey                        | C. R. Ross       |
| Glen Alpine                   | R. L. Young      |
| Henrietta                     | M. C. Reese      |
| Linville Falls                | McRae Crawford   |
| Marion—Cross Mills            | F. R. Barber     |
| First                         | W. A. Jenkins    |
| Marion Mills                  | H. M. Wellman    |
| Marion Circuit                | W. E. Ruffy      |
| McDowell                      | G. L. Wilkinson  |
| Micaville-Tipton Hill         | M. A. Lewis      |
| Mill Spring                   | M. W. Edwards    |
| Morganton—First               | Fletcher Nelson  |
| North Forest                  | G. F. Hood       |
| Morganton Circuit             | G. R. Stafford   |
| Old Fort                      | M. F. Moores     |
| Old Fort Circuit              | R. E. Ward       |
| Pleasant Grove                | C. H. Peace      |
| Rutherfordon                  | F. C. Smathers   |
| Rutherford College            | J. R. Duncan     |
| Spindale                      | J. L. Ingram     |
| Spruce Pine                   | M. T. Hipps      |
| Sunshine                      | C. B. Way        |
| Table Rock                    | V. P. Crowder    |
| Valdese                       | O. B. Mitchell   |
| District Missionary Secretary | F. C. Smathers   |

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, District Superintendent

|                                         |                    |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Albemarle—Central                       | R. D. Ware         |
| First Street                            | H. E. Stimson      |
| Main Street                             | T. B. Hunenycutt   |
| Tabernacle                              | S. B. Biggers      |
| Albemarle Circuit                       | E. A. Bingham      |
| Badin-New London                        | E. C. Widenhouse   |
| China Grove                             | W. O. Weldon       |
| Concord—Ann Street                      | R. J. Barnwell     |
| Central                                 | E. K. McLarty      |
| Epworth                                 | R. L. Bass         |
| Forest Hill                             | C. C. Herbert, Jr. |
| Harmony                                 | A. A. Lyerly       |
| Kerr Street                             | R. B. Shumaker     |
| Roberta                                 | H. W. Bell         |
| Rocky Ridge                             | E. B. Edwards      |
| Westford                                | T. W. Hager        |
| East Spencer-Yadkin                     | F. L. Setzer       |
| Friendship                              | E. A. Cook         |
| Gold Hill                               | L. S. Furr         |
| Granite Quarry                          | C. G. Isley        |
| Kannapolis—Bethpage                     | R. W. McCulley     |
| Jackson Park                            | J. J. Holmes       |
| Midway                                  | J. F. Wyatt        |
| Mt. Mitchell                            | H. H. Robbins      |
| North Kannapolis                        | D. T. Huss         |
| Trinity                                 | W. A. Kale         |
| Landis                                  | C. W. Avett        |
| Midland                                 | C. L. Heckard      |
| Mt. Olivet                              | F. W. Kiker        |
| Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs               | H. L. Creech, Jr.  |
| Norwood                                 | C. G. Hefner       |
| Norwood Circuit                         | J. E. Rink         |
| Pfeiffer                                | A. J. Cox          |
| Salem                                   | Lee Roy Spencer    |
| Salisbury—Coburn Memorial               | A. C. Waggoner     |
| First                                   | W. B. West         |
| First, Associate Pastor                 | C. B. Ross         |
| Main Street-Rowan                       | W. R. Bustle       |
| Park Avenue                             | J. S. Gibbs        |
| Spencer—Central                         | F. B. Jordan       |
| Stanfield                               | J. R. Hamilton     |
| Woodleaf                                | G. W. Williams     |
| Executive Secretary Board of Education  | C. H. King         |
| Extension Secretary Board of Education  | E. D. C. Brewer    |
| District Secretary Missionary Secretary | C. C. Herbert, Jr. |

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, District Superintendent

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|--------------|-------------|
| Balls Creek  | B. A. Sisk  |
| Catawba      | W. Q. Grigg |
| Cool Springs | J. O. Banks |



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|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Davidson-Fairview             | C. F. Tate                |
| Elmwood                       | Y. D. Poole               |
| Grace-Rhodhiss                | J. Max Brandon            |
| Granite Falls                 | Reid Wall                 |
| Harmony                       | R. V. Martin              |
| Hickory-Bethel                | E. H. Lowman              |
| First                         | W. A. Rollins             |
| Highlands                     | J. P. Hornbuckle          |
| Westview                      | H. C. Freeman             |
| Hiddenite                     | Elzie Myers               |
| Hudson                        | R. E. Hunt                |
| Lenoir-First                  | C. H. Moser               |
| Lenoir Circuit                | W. L. Harkey              |
| Maiden                        | J. G. Winkler             |
| Mooreville-Broad Street       | V. R. Masters             |
| Central                       | J. W. Moore               |
| Jones Memorial                | T. A. Plyler, Jr., Supply |
| Mooreville Circuit            | Hubert L. Powell          |
| Mount Zion                    | W. S. Smith               |
| Newton                        | M. Q. Tuttle              |
| North Newton                  | C. A. Morrison            |
| Olin                          | P. F. Snider              |
| Shepherds                     | A. G. Lackey              |
| Statesville-Boulevard         | H. C. Byrum               |
| Broad Street                  | H. G. Allen               |
| Race Street                   | F. H. Price               |
| Statesville Circuit           | G. F. Houck               |
| Stony Point                   | H. O. Huss                |
| Taylorsville                  | O. L. Robinson            |
| Troutman                      | J. C. Reichard            |
| Union Grove-Zion              | J. O. Cox                 |
| Whitnel                       | D. A. Oakley              |
| District Missionary Secretary | J. G. Winkler             |

## WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, District Superintendent

|                               |                      |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Andrews                       | G. N. Dulin          |
| Bethel                        | J. W. Blitch         |
| Bryson City                   | H. E. Jones          |
| Canton-Central                | W. R. Kelly          |
| First                         | J. B. Tabor          |
| Rockwood                      | V. A. Morton         |
| Clyde                         | E. C. Price          |
| Cullowhee                     | W. L. Lanier         |
| Crabtree                      | W. H. Nease          |
| Dellwood                      | C. O. Newell         |
| Fines Creek                   | J. T. Shackford      |
| Franklin                      | J. L. Stokes, II     |
| Franklin Circuit              | P. L. Green          |
| Hayesville                    | A. J. Clemmer, Jr.   |
| Highlands                     | J. S. Higgins        |
| Jonathan                      | Odell Brown          |
| Junaluska                     | C. D. Brown          |
| Macon Circuit                 | J. C. Swaim          |
| Morning Star                  | G. W. Bumgarner      |
| Murphy                        | C. B. Newton         |
| Murphy Circuit                | C. L. Fisher, Supply |
| Pigeon Valley                 | E. M. Hoyle, Jr.     |
| Robbinsville                  | H. D. Garmon         |
| Shooting Creek                | D. H. Dennis         |
| Sylva                         | A. P. Ratledge       |
| Waynesville                   | J. G. Huggin, Jr.    |
| Webster                       | J. C. Gentry         |
| Whittier                      | W. E. Andrews        |
| Missionary to Brazil          | C. W. Clay           |
| District Missionary Secretary | W. R. Kelly          |

## WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, District Superintendent

|                            |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Davidson                   | W. R. Jenkins       |
| Doub's                     | A. C. Kennedy       |
| Forsyth                    | C. W. Kirby         |
| Forsyth-Maple Springs      | R. A. Hunter        |
| Hanes-Clemmons             | R. A. Taylor        |
| Kernersville               | W. A. Barber        |
| Kernersville-South Winston | C. E. Coble, Supply |
| Lewisville                 | G. C. Graham        |
| Lexington-Erlanger         | F. E. Howard        |
| First                      | John Hoyle, Jr.     |
| Trinity-Mt. Carmel         | L. E. Mabry         |
| Mt. Airy-Central           | W. J. Miller        |
| Rockford Street            | C. E. Williams      |
| Mt. Airy Circuit           | M. W. Heckard       |
| North Davidson             | O. B. Williams      |
| Pilot Mountain             | C. C. Washam        |
| Pinnacle-Mt. Zion          | J. D. Morris        |
| Reeds-Mt. Carmel           | S. B. Nifong        |
| Rural Hall                 | I. L. Sharpe        |
| Oak Grove                  | To be supplied      |
| Thomasville-Community      | J. C. Auman         |
| First-West End             | J. T. Bowman        |
| Main Street                | L. F. Tuttle        |
| Trinity-Bethel             | W. M. Rathburn      |
| Thomasville Circuit        | Van B. Harrison     |
| Walkerton-Love's           | E. K. McLarty, Jr.  |
| Morris Chapel              | C. J. Winslow       |

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|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Walnut Cove                   | W. R. Harris        |
| Welcome                       | C. O. Kennerly      |
| West Forsyth                  | A. Burgess          |
| Winston-Salem-Ardmore         | J. H. Brendall, Jr. |
| Burkhead                      | W. M. Smith         |
| Centenary                     | W. A. Stanbury      |
| Centenary, Associate Pastor   | H. G. Hardin, Jr.   |
| Central Terrace               | A. A. Kyles         |
| First                         | B. A. Culp          |
| Grace                         | R. L. Forbis        |
| Green Street                  | R. S. Truesdale     |
| Hiatt-Sedge Garden            | W. B. Thompson      |
| Oak Summit-Shiloh             | C. D. White, Supply |
| Ogburn Memorial               | R. E. Hinshaw       |
| Winston-Salem Circuit         | W. J. Plint         |
| General Evangelist            | J. R. Church        |
| District Missionary Secretary | E. K. McLarty, Jr.  |

## TRANSFERS—OUT

H. H. Cash, elder, to the North Carolina Conference.  
O. L. Simpson, elder, to the Holston Conference.  
E. W. Hardin, deacon in the class of the third year, to South Carolina Conference.

## TRANSFERS—IN

R. J. Parker, elder, from Western Mexican Conference.  
S. G. Ferree, elder, from the North Carolina Conference.  
Wade Johnson, elder, from the North Carolina Conference.

## Changes in Charge Boundaries

## Asheville District

From Pisgah charge take Reeves Chapel and attach to Acton charge.

From Candler charge take Laurel Hill and Pisgah churches and attach to Pisgah charge.

From Laurel-Barnardsville charge take Barnardsville, Democrat, Mountain Valley and Pleasant Gap and group them into a new charge to be called Barnardsville; and leave the Laurel charge to consist of Beech Glen, Bright Hope, Laurel, and Mt. Pleasant. Change the name of Laurel charge to Ivy charge.

From Mills River charge take Etowah church and Shaw's Creek, and from Rosman charge take English Chapel church and form them into a new charge to be known as Etowah charge.

From Oteen charge take Bethel church and attach to the Swannanoa charge; take Vance Street, Black Mountain, and attach to Black Mountain station; take Mt. Zion church and attach to Mills River; take Nesbitt's Chapel and attach to Fairview; discontinue Boiling Springs and transfer the membership to Fletcher; place the parsonage under the jurisdiction of Swannanoa charge, thus absorbing the Oteen charge.

From Marshall charge take Flint Hill church and attach to Weaverville circuit, discontinuing Flint Hill as a preaching appointment; discontinue Alexander station as a preaching appointment.

Change the name of Flat Rock charge to East Flat Rock.

From Sandy charge take Brick church and attach to Leicester-Grace charge.

Separate Saluda-Tryon into two charges, one to be called Saluda, the other Tryon.

## Charlotte District

Take Zoar from the Weddington charge, leaving Zoar to be supplied.

Change the name of North Monroe-Grace charge to North Monroe. Put Grace church on the Unionville charge.

Take New Hope church from the Unionville-New Hope charge and place it on the North Monroe charge.

Change the name of Unionville-New Hope charge to Unionville charge.

Take Oak Grove church from Marshville and put it on Unionville charge.

Take Mt. Carmel church from the Prospect charge and place it with the North Monroe charge.

Take Center church from Unionville-New Hope charge and place it on the Marshville charge.

Take Huntersville church from Mt. Zion charge in the Statesville district, and place it with Asbury and Oak Grove churches, thus continuing the Huntersville charge.

## Elkin District

Take Dunkirk church from the Wilkesboro circuit and place with the Moravian Falls charge.

Take Bethel church from Helton circuit and place with the Warrensville charge.

Change name of Wilkesboro circuit to Millers Creek charge.

Take Roaring River from Moravian Falls charge and place with the Jonesville circuit.



Take Ebenezer church from the Jonesville circuit and place with the Traphill charge.

Dissolve the Surry-Yadkin charge (M.E.), placing Pink Hill church with Bryant-Memorial charge.

Change the name of Ararat-Mountain View to Bryant Memorial charge.

Take New Home, Mount Olive, Sandy Grove, from the Surry-Yadkin circuit, and East Bend, Prospect, Mt. Pleasant, and Macedonia churches from the Yadkinville circuit and form a new charge to be called the East Bend circuit.

Take Level Cross and Stanford churches from the Surry-Yadkin charge and place with the Dobson circuit.

Take Cornatzer church from the Mocksville circuit and place with Advance.

#### Gastonia District

From the present Fallston charge take Hebron, Knob Creek, and Laurel Hill, and from Belwood charge take David's Chapel, Kadesh, and St. Peters, and make a charge called Belwood.

Take Fallston church on the Belwood charge and unite it with Friendship church on the present Fallston charge.

From the present Fallston charge take Friendship, and from Belwood charge take Lawndale, Palm Tree, and Double Shoals, and make a charge called Fallston.

Unite Bessemer City former M.E. and M.E.S. churches at Bessemer City; and unite Smyrna M. E. and Concord M. E. South churches, the charge to be called Bessemer City.

From Casar charge take Big Hill, Palm Tree and Reep's Grove; and from South Fork circuit take Zion; and from the present Fallston charge take Macedonia, and make a charge called Vale. Discontinue Ledford's Grove on the Casar charge.

Take New Home from Casar circuit and add to Cleveland circuit; and from Cleveland circuit take Lawndale and add to Fallston.

From Cramerton take South Point and add to Lowell circuit.

From Crouse circuit take Laboratory and add to Lincoln-Bess Chapel.

Take McAdenville from Lowell circuit, Bessemer M. P. church from Shelby-Caroleen, and Mt. Olivet from Bessemer circuit and make a charge called McAdenville.

Absorb Shelby-Caroleen charge by adding Caroleen to Marion district, Shelby church to Lafayette Street, and Bessemer to McAdenville.

To Stanley add Trinity church (new).

Take Penley's Chapel M. E. church from Bessemer circuit and add to Cherryville circuit.

#### Greensboro District

Take Mitchell's Grove from Guilford circuit and attach to Moriah.

#### High Point District

Detach Pisgah from Asheboro circuit and attach to Why Not charge.

Attach Fairview church to Denton Central charge.

Detach Mt. Zion, Mt. Shepherd, and Tabernacle churches from Randolph-Mt. Vernon charge; and Pleasant Grove, Cid, and Clarksbury churches from Denton, First, charge, and form a new charge to be known as West Randolph.

Attach Mountain View church to West Randolph charge.

Delete the word "Randolph" from Randolph-Mt. Vernon charge, and form Mt. Vernon charge from the following churches: Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Pleasant, Ebenezer.

Constitute a new charge to be known as Hillsboro, composed of Hillsboro church.

Attach John Wesley church to Richland charge.

#### Marion District

Linville Falls: Transfer membership of Johnson's Chapel to Altamont, thereby discontinuing Johnson's Chapel. Transfer North Catawba to Concord, thereby absorbing the North Catawba church.

Henrietta: Unite the former Methodist Protestant church Caroleen from the Shelby-Caroleen charge in the Gastonia district with the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Caroleen, making a charge of the Caroleen church and Henrietta, the charge to be known as Henrietta.

Pleasant Grove: Place Alexander church, formerly on the Henrietta charge, with Pleasant Grove, the charge to be called Pleasant Grove.

Discontinue Shady Grove charge, and attach the church to Rutherford College charge.

#### Salisbury District

Take Zion church from the Pfeiffer circuit and place it on the Gold Hill circuit.

Take South China Grove church from Spencer-China Grove charge, and place it on the Landis circuit.

Put Spencer former M. P. church under the direction of Spencer, Central, quarterly conference.

Take Palestine from the Albemarle circuit and place it with Tabernacle, forming the Tabernacle-Palestine charge.

#### Statesville District

From Highland charge take Mt. Bethel church and place with Taylorsville charge.

Ad interim change: Absorb McKendree-Williamson charge, placing Williamson with the Davidson-Fairview charge, and McKendree with the Shepherd charge.

#### Waynesville District

Make Bethel a station.

Take Piney Grove and Long's Chapel from Morning Star; Meadow Grove and Pisgah from the Bethel circuit, and form a circuit of these four churches to be known as the Pigeon Valley circuit.

Take Maple Springs from Bryson City and add to the Robinsonville circuit.

Take Elizabeth Chapel from Junaluska and add to the Dellwood charge.

Discontinue the Louisa circuit. Put Louisa church with the Franklin circuit, Gillespie Chapel with the Macon circuit, and Wesley's Chapel with the Webster circuit. Thomas Chapel and Worley Chapel to be put with the quarterly conference of the Whittier charge.

Discontinue Unaka, Culbertson, Snow Hill, and Davidson's Chapel, putting the property under the control of the Murphy quarterly conference. Also put the Unaka parsonage, Murphy circuit parsonage of the farmer M. E. church, under the control of the the Murphy circuit quarterly conference. Add Martin's Creek and and Maggie's Chapel to the Murphy circuit.

Add Hazelwood to the Jonathan charge.

Make Morning Star a station.

Put Maple Springs and Topton with Robbinsville.

Put Inman with Bethel station.

#### Winston-Salem District

Add to Reeds charge Mt. Carmel church, formerly attached to the Forsyth-Maple Springs charge, and Shady Grove church, formerly attached to the Kernersville charge, thus forming the Reeds-Mt. Carmel charge, composed of the three churches mentioned above and, also, Bunker Hill church.

Take Oak Grove church, near Rural Hall, from the Forsyth-Maple Springs charge and let it be known as Oak Grove, Rural Hall.

As two churches in Yadkin College, one a former M. P. on the Shiloh charge, High Point district, and the other a former M. E. S., on the Lexington, Erlanger charge, Winston-Salem district, were recently merged, let the merged church be attached to the Lexington, Erlanger charge, Winston-Salem district.

State Street church, former M. P., has been merged with First church, Lexington, former M. E. S.

Let West End church, formerly attached to State Street, Lexington, be attached to First church, Thomasville, thus forming the First-West End charge.

Liberty Street church, former M. E., has been merged with First church, former M. P., with the merged church called First church, Winston-Salem.

### TREASURER'S REPORT OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' FUND

Amounts received from districts:

|                                                    |            |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Asheville .....                                    | \$ 3856.62 |
| Charlotte .....                                    | 6108.13    |
| Elkin .....                                        | 2948.37    |
| Gastonia .....                                     | 5676.86    |
| Greensboro .....                                   | 6163.83    |
| High Point .....                                   | 4267.62    |
| Marion .....                                       | 4489.94    |
| Salisbury .....                                    | 6024.26    |
| Statesville .....                                  | 5251.49    |
| Waynesville .....                                  | 2935.59    |
| Winston-Salem .....                                | 6781.29    |
| Total received .....                               | \$54504.00 |
| Less payments to District Superintendents (\$4800) | 52800.00   |
| Balance .....                                      | 1704.00    |

#### SALISBURY DISTRICT STEWARDS

The Salisbury district stewards will meet at First church, Salisbury, Thursday, November 7, 3 p. m. All the pastors and as many church school superintendents as possible are urged to attend the same meeting.

C. N. Clark, District Supt.



## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

### EXECUTIVE MEETING IN HIGH POINT

The executive meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference was held in High Point Wednesday, October 23, with all the members of the committee present with one exception.

In response to an invitation from Mrs. W. T. Powell, district secretary of the High Point district, the meeting was held in her home at 526 Parkway, and was preceded by a delightful luncheon tendered the members of the committee by Mrs. Powell, with Mrs. E. H. Blackard, Mrs. S. W. Taylor, Mrs. H. W. McCain and Mrs. R. T. Amos as additional guests.

The meeting convened at 2 o'clock with Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, in the chair. Reports of the district secretaries relative to district set-up meetings were heard, and it was reported that a number of these meetings had already been held with others to be held within the next two or three weeks. These meetings have been most satisfactory, featured by the enthusiastic interest of the women in the several districts. Reports of the various conference officers were also heard and showed that the year's work promises a successful closing and the opening of the new year as a Society of Christian Service is greeted with hopes of a greater service as a united organization.

A special item of interest was the report of recording secretary, Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., that during September 535 chapter meetings were held with a total of 22,645 charter members enrolled. Plans were discussed for the promotion of the work in 1941 and an increase in membership urged, with all present asked to participate in the Millionth Member Movement with its goal of a million members in the Woman's Society of Christian Service in 1941.

Mrs. A. L. Thompson, newly elected conference secretary, was chosen a delegate to the Southeastern Jurisdictional conference to be held in Richmond in December, date to be announced later. The membership of the conference board and executive committee was explained by Mrs. Weaver, as follows: Conference board composed of the conference officers, district secretaries, district presidents, chairmen of the three standing committees (spiritual life, status of women and missionary personnel). Executive board includes conference officers and district secretaries. The mid-year meeting of the executive committee is scheduled to meet at Sunny Acres in January when other plans for the furtherance of the work will be discussed. The presidents of the auxiliaries are asked to send the names of the new officers to their district secretaries AT ONCE so an accurate roll of the membership of the conference may be obtained.

The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. L. O. Newell, recently elected chairman of status of women.

### MISS DAVIES IMPROVED

Friends of Miss Daisy Davies, former Council secretary of spiritual life, will be pleased to know that she has sufficiently recovered from her illness resulting from a fall from which she sustained serious injuries, to return to her home from Emory hospital, where she spent several weeks. We hope that she may soon be entirely restored.

### DISTRICT MEETING W. S. C. S.

By Miss Lillian A. Walker, Sec.

The district set-up of the Woman's Society of Christian Service was held at the Dilworth Methodist church, Tuesday morning, October 15, with Dr. G. T. Bond, district superintendent, as convener.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Bond, who announced the opening hymn, No. 256, "Faith of Our Fathers." Following the hymn, Dr. Howard P. Powell, pastor of Dilworth church, was presented. The pastor extended a cordial welcome to those present and led in the opening prayer. Dr. Bond stated the purpose of the meeting and expressed his gratitude for the splendid work done by the women of the Charlotte district. This was followed by Dr. Bond reading a portion on love, hope, and charity from the New Testament, and pointing out the great work that the women have accomplished in the modern church of today, being pioneers, and surging forward in the work of the kingdom of God.

Hymn No. 379, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord," was sung, after which Miss Lillian A. Walker was elected temporary secretary. She read the constitution of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, after which Mrs. J. F. Elliott of Trinity church, chairman of the nominating committee, was heard, and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. W. M. McLaurine; recording secretary, Mrs. Claude Deal; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Charles Wakefield; secretary of spiritual life, Mrs. Clare Purcell; secretary of missionary education and service, Miss Lillian A. Walker; secretary of Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. W. G. Graveley; secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, Miss Pearl James; secretary of supplies, Mrs. W. W. Haygood. Mrs. Wakefield, district secretary, expressed thanks for the co-operation that the former officers had given and presented the new officers to the audience.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, conducted a round table discussion. A number of questions were asked and Mrs. Weaver most ably answered each one. A rising vote of thanks was extended Mrs. Weaver for the very fine work she has accomplished as conference president. Mrs. Wea-

ver presented the "Fifty Years of Missionary Achievement," a history of 50 years of woman's work, written by Mrs. W. R. Harris, editor of the Western North Carolina conference woman's page.

Mrs. W. W. Haygood insisted that we make the week of prayer very outstanding, as it will be the last one observed under the old set-up. The love offering at this time will be used to establish a chair at Scarritt College in honor of Mrs. J. W. Perry.

Miss Margaret Yates, accompanied by Mrs. James M. Howe, organist, sang a lovely solo, "My Task." A rising vote of thanks was extended Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, district superintendent, for her outstanding work in the district. Mrs. W. M. McLaurine, newly elected president, expressed appreciation for the hospitality extended the district by the Dilworth Methodist church. Mrs. W. W. Haygood, secretary of supplies, was voted honorary member emeritus.

The installation of the officers by Dr. Bond closed the program. Mrs. J. W. Payne of Waxhaw, conference secretary of missionary education and service, was present. Twenty societies of the district were represented.

### FIRST MEETING BOARD OF MANAGEMENT CHARLOTTE BETHLEHEM HOUSE

At the first meeting of the board of management of the Charlotte Bethlehem House, a religious and recreational center for negroes being established in Charlotte, the chief item of business was the election of the board's officers, resulting as follows: President, Mrs. R. E. Evans of Hawthorne Lane Methodist church as president; Mrs. L. H. McCrorey of Johnson C. Smith, University, vice president; Mrs. Andrew Smith, First Methodist church, secretary, and Mrs. Rose Pruette of Myers Park Methodist church, treasurer. Dr. C. C. Weaver, pastor of First Methodist church, presided over the meeting, and Rev. R. L. Ownbey of Myers Park Methodist church, conducted the devotional service. Rev. E. O. Cole, pastor of Derita church, who has been most active in the supervision of the work which is now nearing completion, told of the remodeling and improvement of the frame structure selected to serve as the Bethlehem House. Acquisition of the building and its subsequent remodeling representing a cost of approximately \$12,000, which with the money needed for the operation and maintenance will be furnished in part by the W. N. C. conference of the Methodist Church, by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church. Financial aid is also being received by the woman's division of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church.

This institution will serve as a center of instructional activities, religious work, recreation and other enterprises designed to meet the needs of the negro people. It is the ninth center of the type in the Southern States and the second in the bounds of the Western North Carolina conference, the other being located in Winston-Salem, and institutions of this kind have been found most helpful in the cities in which they have been established. Dr.

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## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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### OUR HERITAGE

No church has given to its women as large an opportunity as the Methodist Church. Is the organization of the Woman's Society of Christian Service worthy of the trust that it has been given? The purpose and aspirations of any organization is the test of its worthiness. The purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service is worthy of any trust. If we are aspiring for a greater spiritual life we will find in the Woman's Society of Christian Service opportunity to grow. We shall study our heritage—it is a great heritage—and we shall all be better as we study it. Some of the heritages of Methodist women that stand out are: Faith—faith in God and faith in man; Christian fellowship which we call the church. The Methodist Church in this country has come together as one to set its face to the ills of the world and to do something about them. Christ's message is not one that can be enjoyed until we enter into the service of our church. We should draw on all the resources of our faith to become good enough for our heritage. We have taken high standards and high purposes and we believe that the Methodist Church has come to the kingdom for such a time as this. May God grant us the wisdom and courage for the facing of this hour.—Excerpts from an address by Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon at the organization meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service at Edenton Street.

### A CORRECTION—PLEASE NOTE

In the list of conference officers published on the woman's page in the October 3rd issue of the N. C. Christian Advocate the address of Mrs. S. S. Holt, recording secretary, was erroneously given as Burlington. The correct address of Mrs. Holt is Graham. Your editor is exceedingly regretful that this error was made.

### CONCERNING THE ADVOCATE

"Each president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service is asked to appoint some woman in her society who will be responsible for securing subscriptions and renewals to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and to send the name of this woman to Rev. M. T. Plyler, N. C. Christian Advocate, Greensboro, N. C. Since we are to have a full page again we are especially eager to have these names turned in at once." The above request comes from Mrs. E. L. Hillman, conference president. It is most important that it be heeded.

### WEEK OF PRAYER

Next week, November 3-9, women all over the former Southern Methodist Church will be studying, praying and sharing in observance of the Week of Prayer. The need of a Chair of Religious Life and Thought at Scarritt

College is very great. The establishment of such a chair will insure more adequate training of Christian workers at Scarritt and will, therefore, have an influence which will be world wide in its scope. Naming the Chair of Religious Life and Thought the Clara Tucker Perry Chair will deservedly honor a woman who has played a most important role in woman's work in Southern Methodism. \$100,000 is needed for this cause and we should cheerfully rally to the call. This will not be the last week of prayer, but it will be the last which will be observed by the Southern Methodist women. It should be the climax of all such observances in points of interest, diligent study, earnest prayer and sacrificial giving.

### JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE

The organization meeting of the Jurisdictional Conference of the Methodist Church will be held in Richmond, Va., during the first week in December. Delegates from the North Carolina conference are: Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount; Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern; Mrs. J. H. Cutchen, Whitakers; Mrs. S. S. Holt, Graham; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh; Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson. Alternates are: Mrs. A. M. Gates, Durham; Mrs. H. O. Lineberger, Raleigh; Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway; Mrs. W. A. Thorne, Roanoke Rapids; Mrs. J. H. Lilly, Fayetteville; Mrs. George Holton, Star.

### DEACONESS IN BRAZIL

In a letter from Miss Zula Terry, missionary to Brazil, she tells of a significant resolution passed by her district conference. Miss Terry writes from Porto Algere: "One of the interesting resolutions passed by the district conference was one to request the annual conference to initiate the move for the study of the possibility of the work of deaconess in the Methodist Church in Brazil. The people here have heard of the work of the deaconess in Mexico. Also, they see the need for such work right here in Porto Algere."—Missionary Bulletin.

### OUTSTANDING RURAL WEEK

In June, 1939, Miss Routh Brooks was appointed rural deaconess in the N. C. conference and was assigned to the Person circuit in the Durham district. More recently Miss Brooks has had the Yanceyville circuit added to her territory. Both are five point circuits and Miss Brooks' activities are for the most part in the Oak Grove community of the Person circuit. She works with committees appointed to study religious, educational and youth needs and to do something about these needs. These committees have been at work and many good results have been evident. Folk who never before attended Sunday school are now attending; Boy Scout troops have been organized; units of alcohol, poultry raising and

other subjects are studied; stereoptican lectures and community picnics are held. All these and many other activities under the direction of Miss Brooks are enriching the life of those rural folk. The interest, prayers and material help for Miss Brooks and her work are a responsibility and an opportunity for our department of supplies. Let's encourage and aid Miss Brooks and report any supplies sent her to Mrs. W. L. Knight, conference secretary of supplies, Weldon, N. C.

### GOOD NEWS IN TWO DISTRICTS

Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district secretary, writes: "Mrs. J. D. Gray, Timberlake, is the president of the new society organized at New Bethel, Mt. Tirzah circuit, in the late summer. Mrs. Harold Berry is vice president; Mrs. Patty Laws, recording secretary; Mrs. Charles Nichols, treasurer; all of Rougemont; Mrs. Vallie Robinson, Timberlake, is corresponding secretary. This society has a membership of 23. The president attended the conference in Greenville, taking the charter, thus becoming a charter organization. At a recent meeting of the society Miss Florine Robertson had Mrs. G. L. Steele, Burlington, were present and made talks on the work. The women are keenly interested in the new society and its program."

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary, writes: "Rocky Mount district is delighted since the birth of two new Woman's Societies of Christian Service—New Hope, Northampton charge, Mrs. Will Brown, president; Bethlehem, Sandy Cross charge, Mrs. Edward Hux, Castalia, Rt. 2, president. We welcome these fine groups into our large family and trust that they will find a blessing in this line of Christian service."

### SOUTHERN ZONE MEETS

On October 17 the women of the Southern zone, Raleigh district, met at the Methodist church in Princeton for a day of learning and fellowship. Mrs. H. A. Bizzell, zone leader, presided and Mrs. I. G. Weeks served as secretary. Rev. J. W. Bradley led the opening worship. Mrs. M. P. Young spoke gracious words of welcome, to which Mrs. B. B. Adams responded. Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary of missionary education and service, assisted by Mrs. J. L. Midgette, directed the study hour. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh district secretary, brought a message of interest and enlightenment concerning the new plans for woman's work. Miss Mary Gardner, conference secretary of publicity and publications, spoke on World Outlook, The Methodist Woman and The Woman's Page in the N. C. Christian Advocate. At the noon day devotional Mrs. Walter Davis, district spiritual life leader, gave some inspirational thoughts on "Shining Lights." Following the delightful luncheon and fellowship hour the meeting again convened for a brief session. Mrs. J. A. Westbrook, Mrs. R. D. Weeks and Mrs. H. I. Rayford presented a skit depicting the possibilities of Christian social relations and local church activities department. An invitation to meet in Clayton next spring was accepted. Mrs. B. F. Boone led the closing prayer.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### A GREAT CONFERENCE

The sessions of the second Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church are now a matter of history. In retrospect one is reminded of the fine way in which the High Point Methodists entertained this conference, the dispatchful way in which the presiding bishop disposed of business and the thoughtful way with which the membership passed on important matters. For the first time in the long string of North Carolina Methodist conferences this annual meeting was held between Sundays. A practically unanimous vote was cast for a similar meeting next year. Those pastors who were not moved, as well as many of those who were moved, did not lose a Sunday from their pulpits. The conference was not only a large one but a happy one. Great achievements were recorded.

### THE NEW YEAR

Already a new conference year has started. Our pastors, as well as our laymen, are making plans for another successful year's work. New goals are being set up and new organizations are beginning to function. Along with other phases of the work the Children's Home support is being planned. Apportionment envelopes are being requested. It is not long until Thanksgiving time, the orphanage emphasis time. Many of our congregations will want to raise their Children's Home apportionment on or about this time.

### THE FIRST BELL RINGING

We like to ring the bell every time a congregation pays its ten per cent apportionment. It is something to celebrate about. The first bell ringing for the new conference year is in honor of Cold Springs on the Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs charge, Salisbury district. During the sessions of the annual conference Brother O. A. Swarngen handed us a check for the new year's quota, remarking that it was larger than for the past year. Our Cold Springs friends drink cold water but they have warm hearts.

### REALLY MERGED

Western North Carolina Conference Methodists are now really merged. All matters now have one channel through which to function. Notable instances of exchange of pastorates from one former grouping to another have been recorded. All collections now chan-

nel through the same courses. All Children's Home funds are to be sent to the editor of this page, who is treasurer of the orphanage interests of the Western North Carolina conference.

### FIGURING ON FIGURES

There are over 1,000 Methodist congregations in the Western North Carolina conference. Every one of them is expected to make a contribution to the nearly 500 children being sponsored by over 200,000 Methodists in these 1,000 congregations. An average contribution of \$100 for each congregation, together with our endowment income, would provide for the needs of our entire family. According to agreement ample provision will be made for the boys and girls, as well as the staff of workers, at the High Point branch of our Children's Home. It is not expected that this group will have any financial worries. Their requisition will be met at the end of each month. Any possible accruing deficit will be charged to the Winston-Salem Children's Home. We are not expecting any deficit.

### ORPHANAGE OUTPUT

Two of the ten young men who were received into full connection at our last annual conference are products of our Western North Carolina Conference Children's Homes, these being Rev. J. E. Rink, appointed for the past two years as assistant minister and director of Christian education of Wesley Memorial, High Point, and Rev. H. D. Garmon, who had previously been appointed to the Shelby-Caroleen work by the North Carolina Methodist Protestant Conference. Rev. Mr. Rink, better known to us as "Je. E.," is a product of the Winston-Salem Children's Home and Rev. Mr. Garmon is a product of the High Point Children's Home. Both young men are not only well trained but are well married. They have been sent to challenging appointments and will doubtless give a good account of themselves.

### ANSWERING THE CALL

Something of the spirit of the crusader is connected with the call to preach. A reminder of this spirit is set forth in the answering of this call by our Children's Home product, Rev. J. E. Rink. Happily located in a comfortable apartment and satisfactorily approved by a large city congregation, with a salary amounting to about \$3,000 for work done by both the husband and wife, young Rink is electing to answer his call to preach was sent to an appointment that will provide about \$1200 and a parsonage. This young man with seven years of training at Duke University and two years of experience at Wesley Memorial, High Point, assumes the challenges of a circuit rider with the true spirit of a Methodist itinerant. We shall confidently expect that "our boy" will come forth to the annual conference at Centenary, Winston-Salem, next fall "bringing in the sheaves."

### THE QUIET HOUR

We here at the Children's Home try to have a quiet hour between 2:30 and 3:30 each Sunday afternoon. We have quite a bit of difficulty in getting much quietude on a beautiful Sunday afternoon. Visitors flock in in such numbers as to break into our plans to a marked degree, but many times we do have this time for reading, writing, studying and thinking. A child living in the congregated way has all too little time at best to be quiet. The picture this week is that of a group of girls reading from little booklets entitled "The Pocket Treasury," presented to theme by our good friend, M. D. Stockton.

### IN GOOD COMPANY

At the ordination service Thursday night of the annual conference Mrs. Woosley and I sat in mighty good company. On our right were Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Rink and on our left was Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr., pastor for the

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The steps are full of girls and the minds are filling with Thoughts



## THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**ORPHANAGE SCHOOL** — Two months of the school year have passed and, so far, we have had highly satisfactory results. The fact is the school is running more smoothly and successfully this year than it has in many previous years. We are fortunate in having an exceptionally fine staff of teachers who are doing excellent work.

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**STATE FAIR**—A large number of our boys and girls took in the State Fair. The fair officials were very generous and gave our youngsters an opportunity to go in free of charge. To say that our boys and girls enjoyed the fair is putting it very mildly. Next to Christmas our young people look forward to the State Fair with keen anticipation.

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**FOOTBALL**—Our Orphanage football team is having a very successful season so far. They have played five games, won four of them by good margins, and had one scoreless tie. Mr. Fred Smith, one of our teachers, is an exceptionally good coach. I have witnessed all the games, and I have never seen finer sportsmanship than our boys displayed. To me that is far greater than winning victories.

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**LAST HUDDLE**—Next week our annual conference will convene in Wilmington, and I am confidently expecting our preachers and churches to make a fine report for the Methodist Orphanage. There are just a few intervening days between now and the meeting of the annual conference, and I sincerely trust that all pastors and churches that are behind with their Orphanage ten per cent apportionment will redouble their efforts to report one hundred per cent in full, without asking for credit from specials. I have

seen some football teams go over the goal line in the last minute of the game, and thereby win a victory. I believe if our pastors and churches will make a few forward passes, they can reach the goal and make a touchdown for the Methodist Orphanage.

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**FALL PLANTING**—Due to the long drought, we have been very much handicapped in preparing and planting our fall crops. The land has been so dry and hard that we could not plow it, and had we been successful in breaking the ground and planting it, the seed would no have come up. We are hoping and praying that we will have plenty of rain at an early date, so that we can get our fall planting done before it is too late.

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### FROM OMERA WALTERS

As the time draws near for me to leave the home that has sheltered and loved me, I realize how fortunate I have been in being able to live in such a beautiful place. I can recall the many happy friendships I have had during the 14 years I have lived in this home.

To the friends of the North Carolina conference who have made it possible for me to live in this fine Christian home, I want to express my sincere appreciation and thanks. I wish to especially thank Rev. and Mrs. Philip Schwartz of Raleigh, who have done so many things for me during the past years. It would be impossible for me to close this letter without expressing a word about our devoted superintendent, Rev. A. S. Barnes. He is always ready to lend a helping hand in our troubles and sorrows, and he would share his joys and griefs with us.

As I leave this lovely home which I have grown to love so dearly, there will be many problems to face, but with the training I have received and the thoughts of the friends who have sacrificed so much for me, I am hoping to achieve that which will lead to a happy home in the days to come.

### VIEWS WITH GRAVEST CONCERN

These words, "The American Legion views with the gravest concern the apparently widespread belief that this country must inevitably become involved in this war," from the resolution passed at the national convention of the American Legion in Chicago last September, were incorporated in the program of the Legion's foreign relations committee for this year, writes O. K. Armstrong, who is a member of the committee. "The Foreign Relations committee, pledged to urge an adequate national defense," says Mr. Armstrong, "is giving every support to that program. But we are pledged also to strive for the restoration of good faith and non-aggression among men and nations. What are we doing in that regard? What can we do? Whatever it is, we should do it quickly, before hysteria for war brings us again into the bubbling cauldron of Old World conflicts."—Biblical Recorder.

The eye is blind if the mind is absent.—Italian.

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### **ANNUAL REPORT**

Below you will find items from the report of the conference staff to the Board of Education which will meet in Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Wilmington, November 7.

#### **General Statement**

Increased interest in practically every phase of the program of Christian education on the part of the local churches has been a source of encouragement to the conference staff during this conference year. We have had more requests for services of various kinds than ever before and it has been a joy to respond to these requests to the best of our ability. We would like to express appreciation to the district directors and other volunteer workers in our conference who have rendered such fine assistance in the carrying on of our conference program.

#### **Church School Enrollment**

After several years of decreases, for the three years 1937-1939 there was a steady increase each year in church school enrollment, with a net gain for the three years of 8492. We believe the final reports this year will show a substantial increase for 1940.

#### **The Methodist Advance**

The conference staff joined with other forces in the conference in the promotion of the Methodist Advance Movement during the year. Youth rallies were held each evening in the places in which Methodist Advance meetings were held and a total of 4500 young people were in attendance.

#### **Extension Work**

It is encouraging to report again this year that our rural churches are receiving a great deal of help in carrying on the work of the church. More rural churches were visited by members of the conference staff this year than last. The Duke Foundation students taught in a number of training schools and members of the staff also taught in a number of schools held in rural churches. Many church institutes were held where workers from one local church could discuss the work of their own church. Vacation church school institutes were held in six of the districts, and we are glad to see that many rural churches held their first vacation schools this year. The new commission on town and country work has a real challenge to work in in this great field.

#### **Church School Day**

Last year 136 churches reported the observance of Church School Day. The entire offering taken on this day is used for Christian education work in this conference. With the ending of the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise, and the loss of revenue from that source, it is even more important

that in the year 1940-1941 more of our churches contribute to the conference education program through the observance of Church School Day.

#### **Young People's Summer Assemblies**

Five summer assemblies were held for young people in our conference during 1940. One was for young people, 18-23 years of age, one for seniors, 15-17 years of age, and three for intermediates, 12-14 years of age. There were 705 registered delegates in attendance, an increase of 152 over any previous year of assembly history. We are glad to report that even with added features to our program, the assemblies were self-supporting, and there is a balance of over \$400 in our assembly fund.

#### **Youth Workers' Meetings**

A growing demand for this type of service led us this year to have a series of youth workers' meetings in the conference. Meetings were held in every district, with a good attendance on the part of the workers, and with keen interest evidenced in the youth program of our church.

#### **Methodist Student Conference**

The Methodist student conference was held in February at Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, with approximately 200 delegates from the various colleges of our state in attendance. This conference is sponsored each year by the boards of education of the two North Carolina conferences, and when the conference is held within the bounds of our territory, your executive secretary serves as dean.

#### **Youth Crusade Weeks**

In a number of local churches in the conference Youth Crusade weeks were provided to give inspiration and help to young people not privileged to attend the assemblies. A number of young people were given special instruction at the assemblies in helping with Youth Crusade programs and they rendered a fine service in many local churches. We expect to expand this work during 1941.

#### **College Work**

We find that many of our assembly young people are attending the Methodist colleges of our state, and this is giving a closer tie with the colleges. The president and treasurer and a former secretary of our conference Young People's Organization are now students at Greensboro College, and the secretary, a former president, and a former publicity chairman are at Duke. A number of students enrolled at Louisburg College became interested in the college while attending the summer assemblies. We find, too, that a number of our young people are interested in full-time Christian service, and we are glad to point them to Scar-

ritt College. In the midst of its efforts with its local church work, your staff feels a responsibility for rendering whatever service it can to our educational institutions, and rejoices in every opportunity to render this service.

#### **Training Work**

Three long course training schools were held in the Raleigh district this fall that furnished training opportunities for every church in the district. We hope to enlarge this type of training program until every district in the conference have schools to meet the needs of the churches within its bounds. Our formal training schools are far short of what they should be—both in number of schools and in attendance upon them. Increased interest in informal training, however, leads us to believe that our people are really concerned about better preparation for their work. This interest, we hope, will be a basis for a developing formal training program.

#### **Christian Workers' Assembly**

For the first time in the history of this conference a conference-wide assembly for adult workers in the church school was held at Louisburg College, July 8-10. A total of 64 persons, including eight district directors and a staff of 12, attended the assembly. Meetings were held for the adult workers with children, young people, and adults. Plans have already been made for an enlarged assembly during the summer of 1941.

#### **Adult Work**

The adult work of our conference has not progressed as rapidly this year as we had hoped. We are grateful, however, for the fine spirit of co-operation and the willingness of the district directors of adult work to assist in this work. We have had seven district directors and one associate district director. Through the efforts of these faithful worker we hope to make even more progress in this important part of our church life.

#### **Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise**

With the meeting of the annual conference the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise comes to an end. Many church schools have contributed to this enterprise for the first time this year. Two-thirds of our church schools, however, have not yet contributed to the support of this work. The fourth Sunday in November will mark the beginning of a new emphasis in our churches and church schools. Each church school and church is expected to have a program and receive an offering for the benevolences of our church EVERY fourth Sunday. The money received at that time is to be forwarded to the conference treasurer, Mr. C. A. Dillon, Raleigh, N. C. It is our earnest hope that every church will have a share in this continuous program of education and information relating to our benevolences.

A blind man leaned against a wall. "This is the boundary of the world," he said.—Greek.



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| *Graham, J. R. Edwards                  | 10  |
| *Alamance Ct., G. L. Reynolds           | 9½  |
| *Roxboro, W. C. Martin                  | 9   |
| Duke Memorial, H. C. Smith              | 8½  |
| *Bahama, M. C. Dunn                     | 8   |
| *Hillsboro, J. V. Early                 | 8   |
| Orange, C. P. Morris                    | 7   |
| Cedar Grove, S. F. Nicks                | 5   |
| Branson, John Cline                     | 5   |
| Sweptsonville, T. B. Hough              | 4½  |
| Durham Ct., F. B. Peele                 | 4½  |
| Leasburg, F. A. Lupton                  | 4   |
| Burlington, Front St., F. S. Love       | 4   |
| *Glen Raven, J. F. Coble                | 4   |
| Saxapahaw, M. C. Henderson              | 4   |
| Milton, D. I. Garner                    | 3½  |
| Webb Avenue, O. I. Hinson               | 3½  |
| Roxboro Ct., T. M. Vick, Jr.            | 3   |
| *Fountain Place, R. E. L. Moser         | 3   |
| Mebane-Central, W. T. Phipps            | 2   |
| Chapel Hill, J. M. Culbreth             | 2   |
| Calvary, D. E. Earnhardt                | 1   |
| Burlington Ct., M. C. Ellerbe           | 1½  |
| Person Ct., E. G. Overton               | 1½  |
| W. Burlington, L. L. Parrish            | 1½  |
| Mebane, C. L. Spencer                   | 1½  |
| Chatham, Chas. Sharpe                   | 1   |
| Yanceyville, A. E. Brown                | 1   |
| West Durham, W. L. Clegg                | 1   |

Elizabeth City

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| 2*Manteo, M. W. Maness            | 10½ |
| *Washington, L. B. Jones          | 9½  |
| Ahoskie, L. V. Harris             | 9   |
| 2*Windsor, H. F. Surratt          | 8   |
| Plymouth, O. L. Hardwick          | 5   |
| Kitty Hawk, Thos. Merrimon        | 3½  |
| Aulander, J. R. Poe               | 3   |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, V. A. Lewis    | 3   |
| Currituck, J. C. Harmon           | 2½  |
| Belhaven, W. B. Penny             | 2½  |
| Columbia, A. C. Thompson          | 2   |
| Mattamuskeet, C. K. Wright        | 2   |
| Perquimans, J. D. Cranford        | 1½  |
| Swan Quarter-Fairfield, E.G.Cowan | 1½  |
| Roper, M. R. Gardner              | 1   |
| Murfreesboro, C. E. Vale          | 1   |
| City Road, E. D. Weathers         | 1   |
| South Mills, E. W. Downum         | 1   |

Fayetteville

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| Siler City, C. F. Heath           | 16½ |
| 2*Person St.-Calvary, M.W.Warren  | 14½ |
| *Sanford, Allen P. Brantley       | 12½ |
| 5*Pinebluff, W. A. Parsons        | 11  |
| *Fayetteville Ct., J. C. Williams | 10½ |
| Hay Street, R. E. Brown           | 10  |
| *Red Springs, B. T. Hurley        | 8½  |
| Mt. Gilead, D. M. Sharpe          | 7½  |
| Goldston, W. J. Underwood         | 7   |
| *Laurel Hill, E. H. Measamer      | 6½  |
| Carthage, W. G. Farrar            | 6   |
| Bynum, J. C. Reichard             | 5½  |
| *Maxton, T. R. Jenkins            | 5   |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., B. F. Meacham     | 4½  |
| Hemp, J. D. Robinson              | 3½  |
| Biscoe, H. R. Ashmore             | 3   |
| West End, W. F. Keeler            | 3   |
| Broadway, J. W. Page              | 3   |
| Aberdeen-Vass, S. A. Maxwell      | 2½  |
| Rockingham Ct., J. W. Dimmette    | 2   |
| Pittsboro, R. Z. Newton           | 2   |
| *Lane, J. D. A. Autry             | 1½  |
| Hamlet, Jesse H. Lanning          | 1½  |
| Raeford, E. C. Crawford           | 1½  |
| Caledonia, M. F. Hodges           | 1½  |
| Rockingham, J. H. Barnhardt       | 1   |
| Roberdel, F. B. Brandenburg       | 1   |

New Bern

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| Newport, C. S. Boggs            | 5 |
| Mt. Olive-Calypto, R. G. Dawson | 4 |

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| Pikeville-Elm St., J. H. Overton, Jr. | 3½ |
| Goldsboro, W. C. Ball                 | 3  |
| Ayden, L. A. Tilley                   | 2  |
| New Bern, C. B. Culbreth              | 2  |
| Pink Hill, R. E. Walston              | 2  |
| Goldsboro Ct., W. R. Stevens          | 1  |
| LaGrange, C. E. Hix, Jr.              | 1  |
| Dover, R. N. Fitts                    | 1  |
| Grimesland, W. A. Crow                | 1  |
| Greenville, T. M. Grant               | 1  |
| Morehead City Ct., M.O.Stephenson     | 1  |
| Jones, W. G. Lowe                     | 1  |
| Snow Hill, G. O. Merritt              | 1  |

Raleigh

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| 5*Smithfield, J. J. Boone                 | 35  |
| 2*Fuquay, E. C. Durham                    | 20  |
| 5*Fairmont, H. M. McLamb                  | 15½ |
| *Henderson, B. C. Reavis                  | 15½ |
| Vance Ct., J. F. Starnes                  | 8   |
| 2*City Road-White Mem., J. K. Worthington | 6½  |
| *Granville, J. P. Pegg                    | 6   |
| *Princeton, J. W. Bradley                 | 5   |
| Person St., M. W. Lawrence                | 4   |
| Rougemont, J. T. Green                    | 4   |
| Zebulon-Wendell, B. F. Boone              | 4   |
| Louisburg, J. G. Phillips                 | 3½  |
| Selma, O. L. Hathaway                     | 3   |
| Franklinton, S. E. Mercer                 | 3   |
| Edenton St., J. C. Glenn                  | 2½  |
| Four Oaks, J. C. Whedbee                  | 2½  |
| Hayes Barton, Leon Russell                | 1½  |
| Tar River, J. A. Martin                   | 1½  |
| Jenkins Mem., J. A. Dailey                | 1   |
| Millbrook, M. M. Walters                  | 1   |
| Bailey, W. L. Loy                         | 1   |

Rocky Mount

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| Bethel, M. Y. Self                  | 16½ |
| 2*Garysburg, L. E. Sawyer           | 11  |
| *Weldon, B. P. Robinson             | 8½  |
| Clark St., B. H. Black              | 7   |
| *Farmville, D. A. Clarke            | 6   |
| Whitakers, A. M. Williams           | 6   |
| First, E. L. Hillman                | 6   |
| 2*McKendree, L. B. Pattishall       | 5½  |
| 2*Marvin, N. W. Grant               | 4½  |
| W. Halifax, W. M. Howard            | 3½  |
| Rosemary, C. T. Rogers              | 3½  |
| Littleton Ct., D. D. Broome         | 3½  |
| Spring Church Ct., J. E. Garlington | 3½  |
| *Kenly, E. M. Hall                  | 3   |
| Norlina, E. D. Dodd                 | 3   |
| Enfield, B. D. Critcher             | 2½  |
| Seaboard, J. Bascom Hurley          | 2½  |
| Roanoke Rapids, Daniel Lane         | 2   |
| Northampton, W. L. Maness           | 2   |
| Warrenton, J. O. Long               | 1½  |
| Elm City, N. C. Yearby              | 1½  |
| Spring Hope, G. W. Blount           | 1   |

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| Grace, J. F. Herbert                | 15  |
| *Faison-Kenansville A. L. Thompson  | 14  |
| 2*Hallsboro, C. A. Jones            | 11  |
| Burgaw, W. F. Walters               | 11  |
| Fairmont, F. B. Joyner              | 11  |
| *Chadbourn, E. C. Maness            | 10½ |
| Scott's Hill, C. O. Plyler          | 10  |
| 2*Southport, R. S. Harrison         | 7   |
| Carver's Creek, G. C. Wood          | 7   |
| Clinton, B. H. Houston              | 7   |
| Rowland, W. C. Wilson               | 6½  |
| *Epworth, Walter Pavy               | 6   |
| Garland, O. C. Melton               | 6   |
| Bladen, R. L. Vickory               | 6   |
| Jacksonville Richlands, I. T. Poole | 5   |
| Wesley Memorial, W. A. Tew          | 4½  |
| Elizabeth, C. W. Barbee             | 4   |
| Lumberton, E. B. Fisher             | 4   |
| Whiteville, R. G. L. Edwards        | 3   |
| Wallace-Rose Hill, P. H. Felds      | 3   |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, C. J. Andrews      | 1½  |
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## Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

### Jesus States His Mission

Scripture—Luke 4:5

After the great experience at his baptism, Jesus went to the wilderness and in a season of the most intense and prolonged thinking the world has ever seen he mapped out his plan of campaign. Then the power that came from definite convictions re-enforced by the Spirit of God, he came joyfully back into Galilee to begin his work.

Finally he came to Nazareth where he had been brought up, and in the synagogue which he had so often attended as a youth he stood up to read the Scripture. He turned to those words of the great prophet of the exile, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind . . . to preach the acceptable year of the Lord."

In the temptation story, we read of the plans and procedures that Jesus had repudiated; this Scripture expresses the positive plans he had adopted.

Jesus did indeed have a gospel for the poor. He came to honor the poor by being poor himself. He showed men how in their poverty they could lead an imperial life; and his influence would in due time cause the rich to share with the poor and thus banish squalor and indecent poverty from the world. He had come also to release the captives by teaching men to respect human personality in the humblest mortals, and by giving to everyone power to free himself from captivity to drink and vile passions.

As a symbol of what he would do to the mind and heart of the race, he was constantly putting his healing hand on blind eyes to show men that he had come, also, to turn this great asylum of the earth into a place where men, because they were pure in heart, could see God. And he had come to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord. When a man is spading in his garden, the robins know that it is an acceptable time to catch worms, and that was a time when God was spading in his garden. "Nothing is so powerful as an idea whose time has come." The hour had arrived, and the idea, and with it the living Saviour.

All were amazed at our Lord's eloquence but, Who is this, said they, that takes so much upon himself? Is not this the carpenter's son? Jesus read their faces and said, You will surely say to me, Put your own town on the map if you are what you profess to be. But I cannot put Nazareth on the map, said he, because of your unbelief; and

this has been true through all history. The prophet is without honor in his own country. There was a great famine in Israel in the days of Elijah, but there was no one who would take the old prophet in and share their crust save a poor widow up north in heathen Sidon. And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet and not one of them had faith to be healed; it was Naaman the Syrian, a member of the race that at that time was hated by Jews, who was healed.

These words, glorifying Gentile dogs at the expense of Jews, infuriated his fellow villagers, and doubly so because he had the effrontery to assume to be a prophet and to compare himself with Elijah and Elisha. So in a paroxysm of wrath they rushed him out of the town to lynch him by throwing him down from the precipice at the top of the hill. How deeply it must have cut Jesus to notice among the mob some of his old playmates. But his time was not yet come, so he passed through them and went his way.

Are any of us like the people of Nazareth? Do we refuse to hear some God-sent man because we know all about his parents? Are we complaining against some preacher because he does not work wonders among us when the real reason is that we have no faith, and hence it is impossible for him, or anyone, even though it were the Lord Jesus Christ himself, to help us? And are we in America being shamed this very day by the contrast between us and eager communities in China and India who receive the gospel with joy and sacrifice for Christ with willing loyalty? A good definition of a well educated man is that he is one whose appreciations are so sensitive that he allows no prophet of any race or color to be without honor, much less any prophet in his own country, his own town, or his own home.

The Scripture which Jesus read to express his mission among men might well express the mission of every true follower of his, whether he be called to preach, or serve God as physician, businessman, mechanic, or farmer. To be Christian any calling must be an essentially unselfish service to those who are in need.

When Jesus had finished the reading, he said, "Today hath this Scripture been fulfilled in your ears." Our manner of reading the Bible in our homes and in our churches ought to be such that people will feel that the Scripture is being fulfilled in their ears.

One has heard good saints repeat the Twenty-third Psalm in a way that showed that they shared the experience of the psalmist. And doubtless under the rain of bombs across the sea men are repeating the Scripture in a way that shows that the sacred words express their own living and vital experiences.

One seems to hear now some brave Christian over there say with calm courage: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will we not fear, though the earth do change, and though the mountains be shaken into the heart of the seas; though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains tremble with the swelling thereof."—Christian Advocate.

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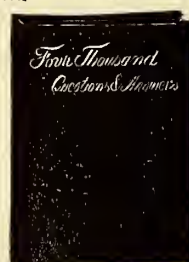
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## GRANDMOTHER'S STORY

By Sarah H. Roberts

"Please tell us a story, grandma," said little Sallie Dean; and pulling her little stool to her grandmother's feet, she sat down upon it and looked up into her grandmother's face.

Grandmother's eyes took on the distant look they always did when Sallie asked for a story, because a story, to Sallie, always meant something about when grandma was a girl.

"Dear child, I've told them to you over and over, but did I ever tell you about the time father and mother left me home with brother John to watch the turkeys?

"It was on a Sunday morning in July, and father, mother, sister Clarissa, Ruth, Calista and Mehitabel, with Adam, Samuel and Daniel were to start for church—father and mother with the girls in the big wagon and the boys on foot.

"Father drove a team of oxen, but many of the farmers drove oxen.

"Just before father picked up the lines mother called out to me, 'Be a good girl, Melissa, and help watch the turkeys; your lunch is in the cupboard—brown bread and beans, and the milk is down cellar.'

"Church in those days meant a long service, then a recess, then another long sermon with 'firstly' and 'secondly' and so on, before they would be ready to come home again.

"I sat down on the flat stone in front of the door of the log cabin that was our home; it was so quiet I could hear the rustling of the leaves in the trees and the twitter of birds in the branches. John lay on his back under the trees in the shade.

"I felt very proud because mother had allowed me to stay home and help John with the turkeys. Foxes and other small animals often came into our clearing and caught our chickens and turkeys, but a stick or a stone soon drove them away.

"John was thirteen and a big boy for his age, while I was ten.

"The road that ran by our home was called the 'Mohawk Trail,' and years before had been used by the Indians in traveling from one tribe to another.

"Sitting there in the warm sunshine I was startled by a sudden sound, and glancing down the road I saw five men coming up the slope in single file. In a horrified whisper I called, 'John! Indians!' John started to his feet, for frontier children are trained to be alert.

"He whispered to me softly, 'Don't be afraid, Melissa, I'll take care of you; and don't you dare let the Indians know you are scared.'

"By this time they were in front of the house and turning into the yard; my heart seemed to leap into my throat and as for running, my feet were glued to the ground.

## DADDY'S BOY

My hair is red as it can be,  
I've freckles on my nose;  
My legs stick out like nothing more  
Than a two-foot garden hose.

My friends at school all tease me lots,  
But I got an awful shock  
When mother said to me one day:  
"You're a chip right off the block!"

I quickly asked her what she meant.  
She smiled and said, "My lad,  
I only meant to tell you that  
You are just like your Dad."

I am so glad; for now, you see,  
My looks I can forget;  
If I can be the man Dad is,  
My hair I don't regret.

—Gospel Advance.

"The Indians, for such they were, walked up to the doorstep, and with a single word, 'How,' threw themselves on the grass.

"John had taken his seat by my side and was holding my hand tight in his own.

"Suddenly uttering some guttural sounds, one of the Indians rose to his feet, made motions of eating and drinking, and coming toward us he said in English, 'No hurt, hunger.'

"Get them something to eat,' whispered John to me.

"How my trembling limbs carried me into the house I don't know. I lifted the big bean pot and carried it to the door. John took it from me and placed it in front of them. I followed with two big loaves of mother's brown bread, and a pail of milk.

"They broke the bread in big pieces and dipping it into the milk, ate it; the beans they dipped up with their fingers. In fascinated silence I watched them. Would they tomahawk John and me, or would they, their hunger appeased, go on? My heart beat rapidly and I quivered from head to foot.

"They soon finished their meal, then, rising, the largest and—if possible—cleanest Indian came toward us. I rose to my feet; if I were to be tomahawked, I would take it standing.

"Putting his hands under my arms he lifted me until my face was level with his. I closed my eyes. But he softly rubbed his cheek on mine and said in English, 'Little Sparrow,' and put me down on the ground again. Then taking from some place on his person a beautiful beaded belt, he put it in my hands. Then, silently, without another word, they took their way down the road.

"John and I watched until they were out of sight, then John turned and grabbed my hair, made an imaginary circle around it and shouted, 'Heap big Injun,' but my strained nerves giving away, I burst into tears, and he put his arm around me and comforted me.

"Not long after that father and mother returned, and were greatly troubled with our tale of the Indians' visit, although Indians were considered peaceful then. But after I had gone to bed that night mother came and knelt by my bed, and I knew she was thanking the dear Lord her children were safe.

"The other children quite envied me my beautiful beaded belt, and I kept it carefully for years."

Sallie sighed as her grandmother ended her tale and said, wistfully, "I wish we had such exciting times now." But grandmother only smiled.—Congregationalist and Herald of Gospel Liberty.

## HELPING

The basket of books was on the ground, and three rather cross little faces looked down at it.

"It's too heavy for me," said Jimmy. "Well, you're as big as I am, 'cause we are twins," said Nellie.

"I won't carry it," said the little cousin with a pout.

Mother looked from her open window and saw the trouble. "One day I saw a picture of three little birds," she said. "They wanted a long stick carried somewhere, but it was too large for any one of them to carry. What do you think they did?"

"We don't know," said the twins. "They all took hold of it together," said mother, "and they could fly with it."

The children laughed and looked at each other, then they all took hold of the basket together and found it very easy to carry.

"The way to do all the hard things in this world," said mother, "is for everyone to help a little. No one can do them all, but everyone can help." —Selected.

All their small lives Jane and Peggy, twin daughters of a New York doctor and his wife, had been dressed identically. If one received a woolly dog, the other was presented with one like it. their portions of spinach were the same. If Jane had a cold, Peggy developed one. Even their story books came in pairs. The other day their nurse took them to the hospital to see their new baby brother. As they stood by the bedside in silence looking round-eyed at the baby, their mother asked them how they liked their little brother.

"He's funny!" the twins replied in chorus. "Where's the other one?" —Boston Transcript.



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Appointments

North Carolina Conference

| FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT                                 |          |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|----|
| W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.                |          |    |
| FOURTH ROUND                                          |          |    |
| Jonesboro, 7                                          | October  | 31 |
| West End, 11                                          | November | 3  |
| Troy Ct., 3                                           |          | 3  |
| Troy, 7                                               |          | 3  |
| NEW BERN DISTRICT                                     |          |    |
| J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.                  |          |    |
| FOURTH ROUND                                          |          |    |
| Seven Springs, Indian Springs, 11                     | November | 3  |
| Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30                           |          | 3  |
| RALEIGH DISTRICT                                      |          |    |
| H. I. Glass, D.S., 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, N. C. |          |    |
| FOURTH ROUND                                          |          |    |
| Rougmont, Rougemont, 7:30                             | October  | 31 |
| ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT                                  |          |    |
| L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.                |          |    |
| FOURTH ROUND                                          |          |    |
| Roanoke Rapids, 11                                    | November | 3  |
| Rosemary, 7:30                                        |          | 3  |
| WILMINGTON DISTRICT                                   |          |    |
| W. A. Cade, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.                   |          |    |
| FOURTH ROUND                                          |          |    |
| Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11                            | November | 3  |
| Wesley Memorial, 3                                    |          | 3  |
| Whiteville, night                                     |          | 3  |
| Wilmington, Trinity, night                            |          | 4  |

Western North Carolina Conference

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.D. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

November

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Jonesville, 11                   | 3  |
| Elkin, 7:30                      | 3  |
| Jefferson, 11                    | 10 |
| Helton, 2:30                     | 10 |
| West Jefferson, 7:30             | 10 |
| North Wilkesboro, 7:30           | 11 |
| Moravian Falls, 7:30             | 12 |
| Yadkinville Ct., Boonville, 7:30 | 13 |
| Jonesville, 7:30                 | 14 |
| Sparta, 2:30                     | 15 |
| Green Valley, Roundabout, 11     | 17 |
| Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 2:30   | 17 |

| Boone, 7:30                                                                                            | 17 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Todd, Blackburn's Chapel, 11                                                                           | 24 |
| Laurel Springs Ct., Nathan's Creek Chapt, 2:30                                                         | 24 |
| Millers Creek Ct., Arbor Grove, 7:30                                                                   | 24 |
| Wilkesboro, 7:30                                                                                       | 25 |
| Dobson, 7:30                                                                                           | 26 |
| Creston, 11                                                                                            | 27 |
| Warrensville, 2:30                                                                                     | 27 |
| Davie Ct., Center, 11                                                                                  | 30 |
| December                                                                                               |    |
| Colemeec, 11                                                                                           | 1  |
| Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 2:30                                                                           | 1  |
| Mocksville Station, 7:30                                                                               | 1  |
| Farmington, 7:30                                                                                       | 2  |
| St. Paul, St. Paul Ch., 2:30                                                                           | 3  |
| East Bend Ct., New Home, 7:30                                                                          | 3  |
| Ararat, Hacher's Ch., 2:30                                                                             | 4  |
| Bryant Memorial Ct., Ararat Ch., 2:30                                                                  | 5  |
| Advance, Advance Ch., 2:30                                                                             | 6  |
| District stewards will meet at Elkin church November 8 at 2:30 o'clock.                                |    |
| MARION DISTRICT                                                                                        |    |
| J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.                                                     |    |
| FIRST ROUND                                                                                            |    |
| November                                                                                               |    |
| Burnsville, 11                                                                                         | 10 |
| Bald Creek, Boring's Chapel, 3                                                                         | 10 |
| Spruce Pine, 7:30                                                                                      | 10 |
| Micaville, Tipton Hill, Windom, 11                                                                     | 17 |
| Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3                                                                              | 17 |
| Linsville Falls, Altamont, 7:30                                                                        | 17 |
| Elk Park, Elk Park, 11                                                                                 | 24 |
| Avery, Mt. Zion, 3                                                                                     | 24 |
| Cross Mills, Cross Mills, 7:30                                                                         | 24 |
| December                                                                                               |    |
| Botic, Salem, 11                                                                                       | 1  |
| Sunshine, Hopewell, 3                                                                                  | 1  |
| Henrietta, Caroleen, 7:30                                                                              | 1  |
| North Forest, N. Morganton, 11                                                                         | 8  |
| Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3                                                                               | 8  |
| Valdese, Valdese, 7:30                                                                                 | 8  |
| Rutherford College, 11                                                                                 | 15 |
| Connely Springs, Bollingers, 3                                                                         | 15 |
| Morgantou Ct., Zion, 7:30                                                                              | 15 |
| Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11                                                                          | 22 |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30                                                                          | 22 |
| Glen Alpine, 11                                                                                        | 29 |
| McDowell, Snow Hill, 3                                                                                 | 29 |
| Morganton, First, 7:30                                                                                 | 29 |
| January                                                                                                |    |
| Rutherfordton, 11                                                                                      | 5  |
| Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3                                                                              | 5  |
| Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30                                                                             | 5  |
| Spindale, 11                                                                                           | 12 |
| Broad River, Kistlers, 3                                                                               | 12 |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30                                                                                   | 12 |
| Forest City, 11                                                                                        | 19 |
| Gilkey, Gilboa, Gilboa, 3                                                                              | 19 |
| Marion, First, 7:30                                                                                    | 19 |
| Old Fort, 11                                                                                           | 26 |
| Old Fort Ct., Piney Grove, 3                                                                           | 26 |
| STATESVILLE DISTRICT                                                                                   |    |
| J. S. Hlatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.                                                                  |    |
| FIRST ROUND                                                                                            |    |
| November                                                                                               |    |
| Catawba, Catawba, 11                                                                                   | 10 |
| Balls Creek, Center, 3                                                                                 | 10 |
| Malden, Malden, night                                                                                  | 10 |
| Boulevard, Statesville, night                                                                          | 11 |
| Race Street, Statesville, night                                                                        | 12 |
| Stony Point, Stony Point, night                                                                        | 13 |
| Troutman, Troutman, night                                                                              | 14 |
| Shepherds, Vanderburg, night                                                                           | 15 |
| Mooreville, Broad Street, 11                                                                           | 17 |
| Jones Memorial, 3                                                                                      | 17 |
| Central, Mooreville, night                                                                             | 17 |
| Elmwood, Cleveland, night                                                                              | 18 |
| Cool Springs, Providence, night                                                                        | 19 |
| Harmony, Harmony, night                                                                                | 20 |
| Hiddenite, Hiddenite, night                                                                            | 21 |
| Taylorsville, Taylorsville, night                                                                      | 22 |
| Davidson, Davidson, 11                                                                                 | 24 |
| Mooreville Ct., Triplett, 3                                                                            | 24 |
| Mount Zion, night                                                                                      | 24 |
| Union Grove-Zion, Mt. View, night                                                                      | 25 |
| Olin, Olin, night                                                                                      | 26 |
| Statesville Ct., Bethel, night                                                                         | 27 |
| Newton, night                                                                                          | 28 |
| North Newton, night                                                                                    | 29 |
| December                                                                                               |    |
| Granite Falls, 11                                                                                      | 1  |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 3                                                                            | 1  |
| Hudson, Hudson, night                                                                                  | 1  |
| Broad Street, Statesville, night                                                                       | 2  |
| Hickory, Bethel, night                                                                                 | 3  |
| Hickory, Westview, night                                                                               | 4  |
| Highland, Highland, night                                                                              | 5  |
| Hickory, First Church, night                                                                           | 6  |
| Whitnel, Whitnel, 11                                                                                   | 8  |
| Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 3                                                                                | 8  |
| Lenoir, First Church, night                                                                            | 8  |
| District stewards' meeting is called for November 7 at 2:30 p. m. at Broad Street church, Statesville. |    |
| WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT                                                                                 |    |
| C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lyndon Ave., Winston-Salem                                                     |    |
| FIRST ROUND—IN PART                                                                                    |    |
| November                                                                                               |    |
| Winston-Salem, Burkhead, 11                                                                            | 3  |
| Kernersville, 7:30                                                                                     | 8  |
| Mt. Airy, Central, 11                                                                                  | 10 |
| Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30                                                                | 10 |
| Thomasville, Main St., 11                                                                              | 17 |
| Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30                                                                             | 17 |
| Walkertown, Love's, 11                                                                                 | 24 |
| Thomasville-Trinity-Bethel, Johnsontown, 7:30                                                          | 24 |
| December                                                                                               |    |
| Lexington-Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Mt. Carmel, 11                                                           | 1  |
| Forsyth, Mt. Tabor, 7:30                                                                               | 1  |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 11                                                                             | 8  |
| Doub's, New Hope, 7:30                                                                                 | 8  |
| Hanes-Clammous, Bethel, 11                                                                             | 15 |
| Hlatt-Sedge Garden, Sedge Garden, 7:30                                                                 | 15 |

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**W. N. C. WOMEN**  
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## In Memoriam

**WEST**—Jennie Amanda West, daughter of Mrs. Mollie Neill West and the late Rev. W. R. West of Pisgah Forest, died at her home October 10, 1940, after an illness of several weeks. She was born June 30, 1904, being 36 years, 3 months and 10 days old. She is survived by her mother; three brothers, Carter, Chester and Carmen West of Pisgah Forest; three sisters, Mrs. O. C. Taylor of Cullowhee, Mrs. Grady Miner of Portsmouth, Va., and Mrs. Furman Cansler of Pisgah Forest.

Jennie was converted at the age 14 and united with English Chapel Methodist church. She has been a loyal and faithful member through the years. She was loved and respected by all who knew her. The church militant yields to the church triumphant, and Jennie has taken her place among the saints of God in that beautiful country beyond. Heaven is richer today because of her presence, though sad and lonely hearts are left behind.

The funeral was conducted from the home Friday afternoon, October 11, by Rev. H. L. Souther, assisted by her pastor, Rev. J. R. Bowman. Interment was in Davidson River cemetery.

J. R. Bowman, Pastor.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Moneera Moore Bible Class, wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of one of our dearest members, Mrs. Harris Rich, who passed into the great beyond on September 27, 1940, age 67.

She had been confined to her bed for many months, but never did one of her friends see her when she seemed impatient. She had a cheerful smile for all who visited her, and a conversation with her encouraged and increased the faith of those who went in to encourage her. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to God's will, knowing that all things work together for good to them that love God.

Second, That we may remember and praise her beautiful and happy life in our Saviour's love.

Three, That we may express to her family our deepest love and sympathy.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to family of deceased and a copy be sent to The Tribune and N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. W. B. Lassiter,  
Mrs. W. J. Moore,  
Mrs. Lee M. Kearns.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with sad hearts that we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Mineral Springs Methodist church, record the passing of Mrs. Margaret Ella Gordon, May 27, 1940, from this life to life eternal. While we miss her presence and helpfulness in the society we must all realize that we must humbly submit to the will of our heavenly Father.

This deceased member's beautiful character and sweet smile she had for all will forever be cherished in our hearts. She was a true Christian woman, possessing the virtues of love, kindness, sympathy; always willing to lend a helping hand to those who were in sorrow or need.

Be it resolved, that we shall cherish her memory and that we extend to her loved ones our deepest sympathy. Be it further resolved, that a copy be sent

to the family, one be placed in the record of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, one to be sent to each of the Union county papers, and one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

We cannot say, and will not say,  
That she is dead; she is just away.  
With a cheery smile and wave of the hand,  
She has wandered into an unknown land,  
And left us dreaming how very fair  
It needs must be, since she lingers there.

Mrs. Mary Howie,  
Mrs. Carrie Keziah,  
Mrs. H. A. Carter,  
Mrs. Lucy Coan,  
Mrs. W. A. Howie.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Death having removed from the First Methodist church and the Hendersonville community Mrs. Martha Elizabeth Edwards, widow of William Franklin Edwards and mother of Mayor A. V. Edwards, a member of the board of stewards of this church; and

Whereas, at the age of 85 she was one of Hendersonville's oldest and most beloved citizens, and with fine devotion to Christian duty had reared a large, useful and highly esteemed family; and

Whereas, she had through the years been intensely loyal to friends in all walks of life, always extending a helping hand and word of encouragement to those in need; and

Whereas, her life in later years reflected and exemplified the philosophy of Robert Browning:

"Grow old with me!  
The best is yet to be.  
The last of life, for which the first was made:

Our times are in His hand  
Who saith, 'A whole I planned,'  
Youth shows but half; trust God: see all, nor be afraid!"

Now therefore be it resolved, that the stewards of this church extend deep sympathy to her children and other kinfolk, that a copy of these resolutions be made a part of the permanent records of the church, that a copy be mailed to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication, and a copy be sent to the family.

C. M. Ogle,  
L. R. Geiger,  
A. W. Groover.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Our heavenly Father in his divine wisdom saw fit to take unto himself our friend and co-worker, Mrs. Carrie Lea Moore on Wednesday, September 11, 1940, very early in the morning. Her going was sudden and unexpected. Circle No. 14 had met in her home only two days before and enjoyed her gracious hospitality and her own gentle presence. It was a joy to be with her. She was always calm, patient, sweet and cheerful, and faithful in her attendance at church, Sunday school and circle meetings.

Therefore we, circle No. 14 of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh, hereby express our appreciation for having known her and having served with her commend her loved ones to the faithful care of Him who knoweth best.

That a copy of this memorial be placed in our minutes, a copy sent to her family and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. W. Allen Kindel,  
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Mrs. A. B. Lloyd.

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## *The Book of Books*

. . . No fragment of an army ever survived so many battles; no citadel ever withstood so many sieges; no rock was ever battered by so many hurricanes and so swept by storms, and yet it stands. It has seen the rise and downfall of Daniel's four empires. Assyria bequeaths a few mutilated figures to the riches of our national museums. Media and Persia, like Babylon, which they conquered, have been weighed in the balances and found wanting. Greece faintly survives in its historic fame, and iron Rome of the Caesars has long since ceased to boast. And yet the Book which foretells all this still survives.

While nations, kings, philosophers, systems, institutions have died away, the Bible engages now men's deepest thoughts, is examined by the keenest intellects, stands revered before the highest tribunals, is more assailed, more defended and more denied, more industriously translated and freely given to the world, more honored and more abused, than any other book the world ever saw.

It survives all changes; itself unchanged; it moves all minds, yet is moved by none; it sees all things decay, itself incorruptible; it sees myriads of other books engulfed in the stream of time, yet it is borne along till the mystic angel shall plant his foot upon the sea and swear Him that liveth forever and ever that time shall be no longer.—H. L. Lane.

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### PROF. AND MRS. F. S. ALDRIDGE HONORED

Professor and Mrs. F. S. Aldridge were complimented on the evening of October 29 when members of the mathematics department of Duke University entertained at dinner in their honor. The affair was held in the faculty dining room of the Union on East campus. The occasion marked the retirement of Professor Aldridge from active teaching in the mathematics department at Duke.

For 42 years he has been connected with the institution, having begun his work in the Trinity Park School in 1898. When the Park school was discontinued in 1922 Professor Aldridge took his place as teacher of mathematics in Trinity College and later in Duke University.

Upon his retirement from the active teaching staff this fall, the late President W. P. Few appointed him as chaplain of Duke hospital, a position well suited to his nature and abilities. He is known and loved throughout the state through his friendships with college and church people. The home of Professor and Mrs. Aldridge on East campus has long been a mecca for the friends and alumni of the institution.

All the members of the mathematics department and their wives were present for this enjoyable occasion, attending the high esteem and popularity of the honored couple. Professor W. W. Rankin presented Professor Aldridge an attractive volume entitled "Men of Mathematics" by E. T. Bell, as a token of esteem from the math department. Mrs. Aldridge was presented with a shoulder corsage of Joonna Hill roses.

During the course of the dinner short talks were made by Dr. R. L. Flowers and Dean Alice Baldwin in appreciation of the excellent service rendered through the years by Professor Aldridge. Dr. Flowers spoke in affectionate terms of Professor Aldridge and stated that he was one of the best friends he ever had. He added that his long service, his loyalty and his upright character were one of the bulwarks upon which the University was founded. Dean Baldwin spoke in highest terms of the unselfish and devoted service of the retiring professor both in and out of the class room.

### GREATNESS AND HUMILITY

Orville Wright, Dayton resident who is known the world around as co-inventor of the airplane, remains a strict follower of the way of democracy. Though one who has literally, as well as figuratively, stood before kings, he remains a humble, unassuming man of the common people. He cares little or nothing for the pomp and glory that so often attend those who have won distinction. His achievement has been celebrated again and again, but in those celebrations, if he is present at all, he invariably remains a silent spectator. Though he has listened to the greatest orators as they have lauded him for his contribution to the progress of the world, he makes no speech in return, acknowledging the honors in respectful silence or in courtesies that require no public conventionalities. Whether his rather extreme reticence is to be approved or not, it is by no means strained, and is ingrained in his personality. When President Roosevelt visited Dayton recently on his ostensible inspection tour, of which the Wright Airplane Field was the major objective, Mr. Wright was given all the recognition that those in charge of arrangements could bestow upon him. He rode in the car with the President through the streets of the city, be-

ing constrained to share the limelight of the occasion. As the tour was concluded, the procession turned toward the residence of Hon. James M. Cox where the President was to be a dinner guest of the former governor and one-time candidate for President—Mr. Roosevelt then his running mate. Passing within a few blocks of Mr. Wright's Dayton home, the airplane inventor ordered the chauffeur to stop, and bidding a courteous goodbye to his distinguished companion, Mr. Wright walked the rest of the way to his home unattended. It was a striking contrast to the ways that usually are associated with the great. Even the social highbrow whose name may not be known outside his little circle would feel humiliated to be seen walking home from a formal social affair. Not so with the man whose name until the end of time will be associated with aviation, one of the greatest phenomena of all history. His greatness is of the genuine sort, that needs no ostentation or artificial supports. And we may well believe that he enjoyed the walk after those hours of grilling display and formality as a prize exhibit for the galleries. The quiet homeward walk was more to his taste than being on exhibition. True greatness is marked by humility.—Religious Telescope.

### BREVARD COLLEGE NEWS

Parents' Day at Brevard was observed last Sunday with several fathers and mothers visiting their children during the day. During the afternoon the faculty of the college received the parents and students at a tea held in the main girls' dormitory.

Mrs. Mildred Inskeep Morgan, teacher and lecturer in the field of human relationships, University of Iowa, gave a series of talks and led a number of discussion groups at the college last week. With an educational approach, Mrs. Morgan assisted the students in making some decisions as to the beginnings of an adjustment program in college. In addition to her scheduled forums, she also spoke at the Brevard Methodist church on Sunday night, and met with individual students for private conferences at various times during her four day program at the institution.

Beginning the series of the Collins Entertainment Festival which is to be given at the college during the first four Saturday nights in November, Hugo Brandt, learned composer, presented a musical program based on the life of Franz Schubert. Mr. Brandt, with the assistance of two vocalists, presented a high type musicale which was well received by a large audience of students, faculty and townspeople.

### TO THE MEMBERS OF THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Brethren, by consistent work your secretary was able to deliver to the printer the materials for the Journal of 1940 on last Thursday. Only two reports remain out. You will be patient with the printer and your secretary and we will get the Journal to you at the earliest possible date. Remember that only the ministers, the lay delegate from the charge and widows of ministers get a copy without cost. All other Journals must be sold and the money sent to E. O. Cole, Treasurer, 1225 The Plaza, Charlotte, N. C.

E. H. Nease, Conf. Sec.

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT NOTICE

The Charlotte district stewards will meet in First church, Charlotte, on Tuesday, November 12, at 10:30 a. m. All pastors, district stewards, charge lay leaders and church school superintendents are urgently requested to attend. The work of the district will be reviewed at this time and the financial set-up for the new conference year will be perfected.

G. T. Bond, D. S.



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For me to live is for Christ to live, insisted the great apostle to the Gentiles. With equal emphasis we can say for the church to live is for "Jesus Christ to live in the world today." The church is ever effective when it becomes the living Christ.

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With this war system of the world getting an ever tightening grip on America, the Christian church must face anew the whole question of peace and war. In it all we must remember that the spirit of Christ is the only durable basis for peace among men. No change of outward circumstance can rid the world of war. Only the Prince of Peace can win. Who of us will take our stand with him?

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"There is no short-cut, no tram-road to wisdom," says George Eliot. "After all the centuries of inventions, the soul's path lies through the thorny wilderness which must still be trodden in solitude, with bleeding feet, with sobs for help, as it was trodden by them of old." This is the doctrine of all the great of earth and has been practiced by those who become conquerors. It is the hard way which is distasteful to the majority of Americans of the present day, but not all. For there are many men and women who are willing to pay the price for a great life.

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Half a century ago Josiah Strong in his book "Our Country" set down the perils that threaten America. Among these he named the big cities of the future with their multitudes from many lands with little concern for the spirit and traditions of these United States and the institutions we hold dear. The present election returns make evident the place of the cities in determining the vote of the dominant states in this Republic. Notable are New York City, Philadelphia and Chicago in the commonwealths of New York, Pennsylvania and Illinois. One must view with serious apprehension the situation fifty years from now.

Mark Twain was a courageous humorist as shown by his daring to speak lightly of the ways of a woman. Listen to the mixture of wisdom and fun in the following: "Even the cleverest and most perfect circumstantial evidence is likely to be at fault after all, and therefore ought to be received with great caution. Take the case of any pencil sharpened by any woman; if you have witnesses, you will find that she did it with a knife, but if you take simply the aspect of the pencil, you will say that she did it with her teeth."

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The Bible continues in ever increasing numbers to reach the nations of earth. Let us hope that the truth contained therein and that has been as good seed broadcasted over the earth may bring forth a bountiful harvest. Here are some heartening figures: During 1939, 7,370,908 copies of the Scriptures were circulated, a five per cent increase over 1938. In the United States the circulation was 3,781,129; in foreign countries the distribution was 3,485,000. Twice as many copies of the Bible were circulated in China as in 1937. In 1939 the Bible, in whole or part, was published in 1,039 languages or dialects. Eighteen new languages were added during the year.

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A long time ago in the campaign when Grover Cleveland was elected President, the opponents of Cleveland succeeded in creating alarm among the negroes of the South, many of whom could well remember their old slave life before "freedom" by declaring that they would be enslaved again if Cleveland should be elected. Charity and Children says that there was a big crowd at the station in Maxton, N. C., the next morning after the election, when the train came in, to hear the news. A drummer got off the train with a piece of chalk in his hand and yelled, "Cleveland is elected, slavery is back again, and every nigger I mark is mine." The trick worked perfectly if tradition is to be trusted.



## Dire Need of the Unseen Presence

THIS world is full of lonely folks. There are so many broken homes and scattered families and isolated lives that the agony is more than we know. More people than the forgotten man and the neglected woman feels it. Men in the eternal struggle for knowledge and place, and women taken up with the conventions are lost to all the highest and best and they know not whither to turn. The lost college man in his search after knowledge and never coming to the truth and the woman lost in the empty conventions of life are both to be pitied. They are so lonely and so hungry. Some who are running themselves to death to save the nation are almost ready to cast away their confidence and quit. They are awfully alone. Their deepest longings are for help.

The loneliest man that ever trod the weary ways of life was the Man of Sorrows who went about doing good. He was desperately misunderstood and neglected and left alone. Yet truly he was not alone. "He that sent me is with me; he hath not left me alone," said he.

There is as we all know the isolation of space and also the sorrowful isolation of soul. One does not have to be under a wide, empty desert sky to be alone; some of the loneliest souls of earth are in the crowded city. Here are enacted the world-tragedies. Jesus knew both the isolation of space and the isolation of soul; and he also knew where to find the needed consolation.

Many in the crowd and in the hub-bub of the world cherish a smiling face, unwilling to be separated and set apart among the sad and lonely. They keep up a brave front. Some are running themselves to death that they may get to a place where they may rest and find peace. They are so alone and so heart-hungry! Why not turn to Him?

In the world ye shall have tribulations. This is the lot of life. But there is One who abides at the heart of the storm. He has come to give peace and consolation and companionship. He sounds a new note of hope. Victory is in the air when Jesus is around. Companionship is the lot of all those who have learned the reality of the unseen. Peace comes to the troubled soul. I am alone and yet I am not alone, since earth has never so dear a spot as where I meet with him.

Our lives are too much in the external. We see victory only in the noise and tumult where the shouting dies. We look for God in lines of

fire across the sky and make religion an external show. But the soul of man cannot feed on chaff and wind. God meets us in the secret place and holds fellowship with the isolated spirits of earth. Sometimes even we lie down in the desert with nought but a stone for a pillow, but ere we are aware of it the angels are on the ladders of the sky. This is the consolation for the man of the street, the woman of the shop, the soldier in the trench, yea, for all, though they be lonely as the pelican of the wilderness.

We are doomed and damned in the midst of our materialism and our outward show unless we hold fast to the spiritual realities and are able to find God alone in the secret recesses of the soul which enables us to rise superior to all the isolation of life. Then we can walk with unsaddled feet and find God a sweet consolation to our lonely souls.

## The Continued Presence

JESUS as a living presence and a conquering power is the distinguishing mark of the first century. His many appearances in varied forms among men after his sojourn in the flesh is the guarantee of the Christian conquest. His appearance to Peter, to the women, to the ten, and then in another form to the men on the lonely road outside of Jerusalem are but a few. He manifested himself to Saul on the Syrian Way and later in numerous experiences to this man as he journeyed across the Roman world. So does Jesus remain a living, abiding presence all across the victorious years. The Christian conquest lags whenever the church becomes static and the Christ is obscured by the creeds, rituals and mechanics of its institutional set-up. Jesus Christ is our all and in all in winning the world.

Just now in our American Methodism we are insisting on evangelism, Christian education, missions, training of youth, and Christian service, especially on a national defense sufficient to save the nation. What does all this mean? At the very heart and core of it all must be the Christ. A personal acquaintance and abiding fellowship with Jesus are fundamental to evangelism; Jesus in the home, in the school, in the college makes possible Christian education; victorious missionary conquests gather about the Son of God, the son of man; youth crusades find their inspiration in the young man of Nazareth; and the security of true and effective defense calls for Christ in the camp. These days with millions of boys



going to the training camps of America, the Christ should be made known as a living presence sufficient to make the Prince of Peace such a factor in the lives of the young men that the nation will learn war no more.

With the adjournment of our conferences in this state hundreds of ministers and laymen should go into every nook and corner of North Carolina set for unusual conquest. Men and women given to the one work of making the Christ to appear anew in every home and school and church and community of the state. Then evangelism, Christian education, missionary conquests, social betterment and youth crusades will flourish as never before. The continued presence of the Christ realized in personal experience furnishes the dynamics for an effective conquest in all the land. So, the objectives sought at this hour call for the Christ and the cross to be exalted in all and over all.

### "Places I Shall Never See"

QUINTUS QUIZ writes an occasional column in *The Christian Century* which seldom fails to be of unusual interest and sometimes of remarkable beauty. In this week's *Century* appears a column with the foregoing caption from which we cannot refrain from clipping a paragraph or two which follow:

"Sir: I read two days ago a novel translated from the Russian. The scene was laid in the Caucasus. There were mountains on all sides, blue and hazy, fringed by the silvery chain of the snows; a river thundered from a black gorge 'to become a silver thread which glittered like the scales of a snake's skin.' I shall never see that river; it will take its place with Alph, the sacred river, which

ran  
Through caverns measureless to man  
Down to a sunless sea.

In the book of travels never made, I enter: 'Item: see the Caucasus.' There are many other entries.

Do you feel tempted to think that this earth considered as the abode of man has too much beauty in it? Man does not seem to equal it, and he knows too much about it. There is so much to be seen and so little time; and time is not the only thing needful. Have you any book in which you note down the scenes upon which you still hope to look? Does the list lengthen? And does the time come when you say with regret: 'Many of these mountains I shall never see. Many of these ancient cities I shall never know.'"

### "Bud Ain't Man Enough to Handle No Sech Text"

THESE preachers, and would-be preachers, who find Adolph Hitler and other dictators in biblical prophecies, especially in Daniel and Ezekiel and the Apocalypse of John, has led the editor of *Charity and Children* to write the following:

"Some preachers are going to Daniel and Ezekiel and taking those prophecies out and are telling us just how they point to today. With these certain passages in Revelation are also used to describe certain present day events. Some years ago 'Bud,' a gangling 20-year-old Negro boy, taught a class in a Sunday afternoon Sunday school. The more he taught the more he exhorted. It was not long before some of his admirers said he ought to preach. He decided that they were right and he proclaimed the fact that he was going to preach, and that after Sunday school on the next Sunday he would preach his first sermon. He was greeted by the faithful and the curious. He took as his text Daniel's beast and for two rabid hours he expostulated. The next day at dinner time a group of Negroes discussed the sermon. Some of them said that they did not believe that there was any such text as that in the Bible. They promptly admitted that they had never read anything like that in their Bibles. One of the more conservative members of the group said, 'I don't know whether it is in the Bible or not, but if it is in there Bud ought to know he ain't man enough to handle no sech text.' When we hear these modern expositors we think of Bud."

### A Minister's Opportunities

IT is well for the gospel minister to appreciate the opportunities of his holy calling in the great and trying hours that overtake the members of his congregation.

Dr. J. S. Ploughe of Sterling, Kansas, has emphasized these opportunities in the following impressive sentences:

"As priest and pastor the minister has great opportunities and responsibilities. To share the loneliness of some aged saint for an hour: to wait with loved ones while death steals into the room; to counsel with those who are facing defeat and who live in daily fear; to stand side by side with one in dire temptation or perhaps after temptation has gone over into tragedy—these are not easy tasks. But they are of the utmost importance."



# ❖ People and Things ❖

Andrews raises their pastor's salary \$300, making a salary of \$2000. Other items have been raised accordingly.

Please announce that my address is now Matthews, N. C., Rt. 3. There is no postoffice at Stallings.—J. R. Warren.

Rev. J. M. Varner writes: "Please announce in the Advocate that my present address is 25 Kerr Street, Concord, N. C."

The Virginia conference this year reported a total membership of 236,860; received on profession of faith 7822, which are included in the above total.

Friends of the Goodwill Industries in Pasadena, California, maintain a milk fund which supplies milk to undernourished men, women and children. A class in lip-reading for the hard of hearing is also conducted at this Goodwill Industries during the winter months.

We're back at Andrews for third year and have received a most cordial welcome. We had a good day on the first Sunday of the new conference year. The people here love us and we love them. We are confidently looking forward to the greatest year of the three. The challenge is great, the opportunity great and it is a great thrill to be here and on the job.—G. N. Dulin.

The last two Sundays have been particularly happy ones with us here at Centenary, New Bern. The occasion of our joy was the reception of 23 persons into the fellowship of the church. Of these 17 were received on profession of faith. Each of them was won for Christ and the church by personal interview. Every pastor knows that there is no experience so satisfying as the feeling that he has helped men and women, boys and girls to commit themselves to Christ.—C. B. Culbreth.

The word "Eden" simply means "plain" in the original Sumerian language. It was the name applied to the great Babylonian plain. A clay tablet has been unearthed, dated about 2500 B.C., containing a record of various granaries built in that country. One of them is called "Granary of the Smiting of the Serpent That Spake in Eden." Another tablet read, "Granary of the Field of the Serpent That Spake in Eden."—Sunday School Times.

On Saturday, November 2, at 5 o'clock students at Louisburg College observed Sadie Hawkins Day. Those participating were dressed to represent characters in the "Lil' Abner" comic strip and talked in "Dog Patch" style. Prizes were awarded to "Daisy May," La Rue Wilder, Zebulon, and "Hairless Joe," Wilbur Payne, Stumpy Point. The college social committee was in charge of the program and the races were under the supervision of Mrs. L. R. Taft. Judges were Miss Alice Kramer, Miss Frances Deviney and Mrs. T. C. Amick.—Virginia Peyatt.

Baltimore Church, West Forsyth Charge: We have received a new pastor, Rev. J. A. Burgess, and we welcome him and his family into our homes and churches. We are hoping through the help of our pastor and the co-operation of the people our churches may become stronger. Mr. Burgess filled the regular appointment Sunday morning. He delivered a very wonderful and helpful message to a very large and attentive congregation. A conference was held at Pleasant Hill church Sunday afternoon for all church officers to attend, for the purpose of working out a new plan for the different churches. It was arranged that we might have preaching twice a month—the first Sunday morning and the third Sunday night. Our next Woman's Society of Christian Service meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. W. Long. We hope all members will be present. It will be held the third Sunday afternoon.—Josephine Phillips.

The famous Alexander twins—Grace and Dorothy—who have appeared in a nation-wide cigarette advertisement, were guests of High Point College last Friday night at the High Point-Elon football game. These twin drum major-ettes, who recently appeared at the World's Fair, marched at the half time in a colorful program with crack High Point College band and High Point College twin twirlers, Emma and Lilly Whitaker.

A movement has been launched in Philadelphia for the placing of altars for worship in the homes of the people. It is planned to organize a non-profit concern for the manufacture of such altars and for the employing of retired ministers to sell them to the people. There will be altars for adults, for youth and for children. Bishop Taft of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania is leader of the movement. Dr. Polin, Dr. Nichols and President Corson are among those supporting the movement.

The Division of Education and Cultivation of the Board of Missions and Church Extension has prepared literature and other materials to be used in district institutes throughout the church. All of this literature is for free distribution except the mission study book, which is to be sold on consignment to pastors at 25 cents per copy. In view of the fact that this is the beginning of a new quadrennium and that new mission boards are being set up at each annual conference, we urge that the names of the new conference board members, with those of the district secretaries and conference secretaries, also the proposed dates for missionary institutes be sent in just as soon as they are named. This information should be mailed promptly to the Division of Education and Cultivation, Dr. W. G. Cram, Executive Secretary, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Bishop Herbert Welch, chairman of Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, says: "Every dollar of the funds entrusted to the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief is thoroughly safeguarded so that it will reach its destination. This is particularly true for relief of every form in continental Europe, so that no part of it will be seized or made helpful, in any way, to any aggressor nation. In the first place, our own Methodist bishops, missionaries and pastors lead and direct in the use of this fund in many places. In certain areas of Europe food for starving populations, and medical help, are administered through the American Friends Service Committee. Their experience in this field is wide, and their friendly contacts with governments dates back over many years. To avoid duplication, it has seemed better to the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief not to set up new organizations in the fields served by the Friends, but rather to co-operate with them."

Our people at Shiloh have just seen a parting of long time friends in the leaving of Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Ridge, who have served well and faithfully for seven years on Shiloh charge. In their places we are welcoming our new pastor and family, Rev. and Mrs. T. G. Madison and children, to live and work among us. We feel that Pleasant Grove people are fortunate and at the same time feel that we too are fortunate, and are going to co-operate and carry right along in accomplishments for our Master. Mr. Madison filled his first appointment Sunday and brought a deep message from Mark 1, stressing verse 17 when Jesus said, "Come ye after me and I will make you to become fishers of men." We can become what we are not and could not be without following Jesus. We have bought some new furniture for our parsonage and will probably place some other articles there later. We are hoping that all of our people shall continue to co-operate in all our undertakings. Pray for us in our work.—Mrs. Homer Sink, Reporter.



### THE CLOSE OF A LONG, HONORED LIFE

Rev. John Bolivar Hurley, 82, closed his long life as a Methodist minister November 2, 1940, in a Greensboro hospital. For fifty-seven years—ten in the retired relationship—he had been an honored member of the North Carolina conference. As pastor in churches of eastern North Carolina and as presiding elder of the New Bern, Fayetteville and Durham districts, he had won friends by the hundreds all over the conference. Since his retirement he had made his home in Lexington, N. C.

For fifty years a trustee of Trinity College and of Duke University, he never failed to attend commencement and have a part in the fellowship of these festive times. So long as his old friend, Rev. J. H. Hall, who passed away fifteen years ago, was able to attend the sessions of the North Carolina conference, these two boon companions added much to the joy of these occasions. Their good cheer and keen sense of humor made them the center of all who cared to enjoy the glad hours of a holiday. "Hurley and Hall" will be sorely missed. With their passing it will be difficult to have again as in other days a conference in its "lighter vein." We leave it for others to tell of this delightful friend and brother, and to tell of the labors of this good minister of Jesus Christ.

Rev. J. B. Hurley, a native of Montgomery county, a graduate of Trinity College, whose ministerial life was spent in North Carolina, was a North Carolinian in every fiber of his being. Mrs. Hurley, who passed away recently, was of the well known Leonard family of Lexington, N. C. Three children remain: Dr. Leonard B. Hurley of Woman's College faculty, Greensboro, Mrs. T. S. Newbold of Rocky Mount, and Mrs. W. C. Chadwick of New Bern.

The funeral services were held Monday afternoon, November 4, in the First Methodist church, Lexington. These services were conducted by Rev. John W. Hoyle, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. R. Dwight Ware, pastor of Central Methodist church, Albemarle, and Rev. Jacob C. Leonard, retired pastor of the First German Reformed church of Lexington. A timely appreciation of the deceased was delivered by Dr. Leonard and the services throughout were impressive and beautiful. Interment was in the Lexington cemetery.

### MEETING OF THE MINISTERS' WIVES' ASSOCIATION

A delightful social occasion was enjoyed by the Ministers' Wives' Association of the Western North Carolina conference when, on October 24, they assembled in the dining room of the First Presbyterian church in High Point for their seventh annual conference luncheon with 186 present. Honor guests were Mrs. Ernest Lynn Waldorf, Mrs. Edwin D. Mouzon and Mrs. Clare Purcell.

The invocation was given by Mrs. Purcell. The president, Mrs. W. B. West, in her usual happy manner spoke words of welcome, assuring us that this was a joyful occasion and stated that for the seventh link in our friendship chain the word joy had been chosen (John 15:11). At intervals during the luncheon Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., led the group in singing old favorite songs, much to the delight of all.

An amusing skit, Introducing the Speaker, was given by Mrs. Ray Jordan, Mrs. A. A. Kyles, Mrs. H. L. Creech, Mrs. E. C. Peeler and Mrs. Emmett McLarty. The audience is still wondering who the speaker was, where he came from and the subject of his address. A humorous reading was given by Miss Lena Davis of High Point. Mrs. E. H.

Blackard, the gracious conference hostess, explained what the packages contained that were found at each place, causing much merriment when she told that while the souls of the ministers were being taken care of at the conference, the soles of their wives were being looked after in the gift of beautiful silk hose, made possible by the generosity of two of High Point's manufacturers.

Much credit is due the vice president, Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., who arranged the clever program.

Mrs. D. M. Litaker, Rec. Sec.

### LOUISBURG COLLEGE TAKES PART AT CONFERENCE

The a Capella choir of Louisburg College, under the direction of Prof. James E. Byerly, will sing at the North Carolina conference Saturday night at 8 o'clock in Wilmington.

Members of the choir are: S. J. Starnes, president, Williamston; Dorothy Edge, secretary and treasurer, Fayetteville; Hillery Spain, business manager, Durham; Jennie Alston, librarian, Louisburg; Jessie Johnston, Siler City; Bill King, Wilmington; Nina Kirkpatrick, Pembroke; Pauline Litchfield, Aurora; Mildred Lewis, Elizabethtown; Mary Lib Loftis, Mebane; Rena Lentz, Raeford; Willis Marshall, Raleigh; Dan McFarland, Asheville; Ruby Grey Massenburg, Louisburg; Brooksie Meekins, Avon; Jane Murphy, Louisburg; Joseph Newsom, Littleton; Bobby Richardson, Jacksonville; Blanche Rooks, Wallace; Jean Strickland, Fayetteville; Gene Sassar, Smithfield; Carl Sellars, Mebane; Mary Ellen Shaw, Mebane; Jessie Mary Wilson, Roxboro; Jimmy Wooters, Goldsboro; Viola Alston, Louisburg; Roy Bailey, Fayetteville; James Bass, Goldsboro; Morris Bell, Clinton; Margaret White Byrum, Edenton; Mildred Carter, University, Virginia; Theodore Collins, Franklinton; Wilbur Conley, Goldsboro; Arthur Craig, Wilmington; Sarah Davis and May Davis, Louisburg; Emma D. Dark, Pittsboro; James Featherston, Roxboro; Joyce Hubbard, Elizabethtown; Betty Harris, Louisburg; Genevieve Hodgins, Goldsboro; Norwood Jones, Clayton; and Dorothy Williams, Monroe.

The fourth annual North Carolina State Student Legislative Assembly convened in Raleigh on October 25 and 26. The assembly began its session with a caucus at one o'clock. During the caucus the officers of each house, the Senate and the House of Representatives, were nominated and voted upon. At 2:30 o'clock the two bodies convened to install officers in their respective houses.

There were 17 colleges represented, composing a group of approximately 200 student delegates.

Delegates from Louisburg College were: Warren Aldridge, Vanceboro; Troy Barrett, Fayetteville; Riley Rowe, Aberdeen; Wallace Chandler, Mt. Gilead; Gerald Downey, Durham; Doris Rhodes, Fayetteville; Myrtle Harris, Farmville; Martha Werenburg, Wooddale; Norma Spruill, Oriental; and Hillery Spain, chairman of the group, Durham.

Mr. V. R. Kilby was the faculty advisor, and Miss Virginia Peyatt coached the bill presentation.

### POUNDS THAT INCREASED TO BUSHELS

On Friday morning, November 1, midst a downpour of rain and some fear and trembling, we took our departure of friends and former home at Nebo. The rain continued throughout the day, but the fear and trembling vanished like the dew at sunrise when we arrived at the parsonage at West View, Hickory. For there we found more friends and a gracious welcome. On Sunday morning and evening a large congregation met us and listened attentively while we tried to break to them the bread of life. On Monday night a large number of people stormed the parsonage and brought with them pounds that increased to bushels and left it on the dining table and thereabout. This more than anything that has happened made this humble preacher and his wife feel that we were indeed among friends, for our pantry soon took on the appearance of a small sized grocery store. Many thanks to our friends.

Everything looks favorable for a good year in the work of the kingdom.

H. C. Freeman.



# "The Tumult and the Shouting Dies"

By JACOB SIMPSON PAYTON

Editor The National Methodist Press

When this is read the campaign will be over. The Biblical expression, "the land had rest," will be better understood. The newspaper polls no longer irritate. Of them O. Henry said, "A straw vote only shows which way the hot air blows." By now everyone knows who is at the top of the political ladder. The losers in both parties will have their fields of disaster for memory to mourn over. But politicians take their defeats with commendable aplomb. Their ambitions seldom atrophy. They will be back.

Those who hailed the sounding of the all clear signal with most delight on the night of November 5 were the victors who drove off the enemy bombers. Of all those who come to Capitol Hill none is quite so jubilant as a veteran congressman just back from the political wars, unless he is a fresh recruit. When the Seventy-seventh Congress convenes in January the hierophants will induct these novices into the mysteries of the order of law-makers. There is always the chance that among them there may be a Calhoun, a Clay, a Webster, a Borah or a Glass.

Of course it always takes some time for members of parties that have given umbrage to each other to resume their old cordiality. Reconciliation comes slowly after a campaign devoted to turning searchlights on political skulduggery. One of the most commendable utterances is that of Alf M. Landon. He vowed weeks ago that whichever candidate was elected would be his President. That is better than to sit back and await the locusts, if one chances to be on the losing side. Every Presidential campaign has witnessed the crepe-hangers abroad with thumb-tacks and ample bolts of funeral black ready to drape the White House, if their candidate lost. That historic home of Presidents, it is true, does face the ancient graveyard of David Burnes, the crusty Scotch proprietor of long ago. The White House grounds, however, also include a part of the race track of old Colonel John Tayloe. The latter is a more fitting symbol. Life goes on here regardless of the political complexion of the man in the White House. Old letters still exist written from here in 1995 prophesying that the Federal City would be abandoned just as soon as George Washington died, and in that same year Fisher Ames trembling with age moved the House to tears with this warning: "Even I, slender and almost broken as my hold on life is, may outlive the government and the constitution of my country." From the south portico of the White House 30 Presidents have watched the Potomac flow silently away like the rivers of their own lives. But the government at Washington still remains.

## Hull Pulls Aside the Curtain

In Washington the climb to greatness is long and laborious. It requires something besides brains, training, industry, ambition and an occasional stretch of luck along the road. A man who reaches the heights and stays there must possess character. When Cordell Hull arrived in Washington as a member of Congress 33 years ago he had what it takes. Rafting logs on the Tennessee rivers had

given him physical stamina. A youth spent among the mountain folks of Pickett county had led him to shun every appearance of sham. He had grubbed for learning as miners do for gold. Admitted to the bar in 1891 he moved onward and upward through the state legislature, a captaincy in the Spanish-American War, and finally to the bench.

When in 1907 the Tennessean at the age of 36 arrived in Congress he still held to the way that is straight, unostentatious and beset with hard work. In 1933 President Roosevelt transferred him from the Senate to the Department of State, where he has never once zigzagged although constantly confronted with bewildering problems and lured by false international beacons.

Such was the man who on the evening of October 26 appeared before the National Press Club to deliver his historic address. His is a face of finely chiseled features, brooding eyes, and a head that is white rather than gray. As usual he strove for no oratorical effort and his remarks which were framed as a report rather than as an address, elicited no applause during their delivery. When he had finished, however, the audience arose and gave him an ovation so prolonged and spontaneous as would have pleased the ears of the most gifted orator.

There were few new facts in the Secretary's review. It was the interpretation of familiar ones given by a man who knows, and in whom his audience has absolute confidence, that commanded attention and evoked the concluding demonstration of appreciation. He did not mince words as he rehearsed the nefarious deeds of those who are responsible for "one of the saddest and most crucial decades in the history of mankind." This dispassionate statesman who never sounds false alarms declared: "We are in the presence not of regional or local wars but of an organized and determined movement for steadily expanding conquest. . . . By deed and by utterance, the would-be conquerors have made it abundantly clear that they are engaged upon a relentless attempt to transform the civilized world as we have known it into a world in which mankind will be reduced again to the degradation of master-and-slave relationship among nations and among individuals, maintained by brute force." Even here in Washington one is constantly subjected to the deception of viewing international affairs through a haze of propaganda, and of expecting to find water where the mirage beckons. Secretary Hull dispelled the mists.

Our civilization is apparently not concerned in giving service, but in demanding and getting "rights." Today, man wants what he hasn't earned, reaps what he hasn't sowed. All too common is the philosophy that a man is entitled to anything he can put his hand on. It is the gospel of irresponsibility. It is freedom gone mad. Life needs to be measured in terms of a higher loyalty. The fundamental principle of human society should not be self-will but self-surrender. Without a higher law of service and good will neither democracy nor civilization can survive.—Dr. J. R. Sizoo.



CONDENSED MINUTES OF THE WESTERN  
NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

STATISTICS

What is the number of districts, of pastoral charges, and of societies in this conference? Districts 11; pastoral charges 392; societies 1152.

What is the number of members, how many have been received this year on profession of faith, how many have been licensed to preach, and what is the number of local preachers? Members 194,448; received on profession of faith 6769; licensed 16; local preachers 158.

How many infants and how many others have been baptized during the year? Infants 1453; others 4543.

What is the number of officers and teachers? Officers and teachers 12,665.

What is the enrollment of church school pupils? In the Children's Division 40,129; in the Young People's Division 51,244; in the Adult Division 58,751.

What is the total enrollment, including officers and teachers, children, young people, adults, and home members? 150,124.

What was the total enrollment reported last year? 141,458.

How many church school pupils were received into the church? 5,775.

What amount was raised in the church school: a. on Church School Day? b. for missions? c. for all other purposes? d. total amount raised in church school? Church School Day \$2,465; missions \$12,857; all other purposes \$123,385; total \$138,707.

What is the number of Woman's Christian Service Societies, and what is the number of members of the same? Societies 667; numbers 27,333; Woman's Society for local work \$102,772; sent to conference treasurer \$56,837.

What are the educational statistics? Institutions 4; teachers 554; students 7850; value of property \$31,553,248.95; endowment \$35,668,609.63; indebtedness \$216,252.65.

What are the orphanage statistics? Orphanages 2; officers and teachers 58; children in orphanages 486; money expended \$161,355; value of property \$1,642,776; indebtedness

What are the hospital statistics? Hospitals 1; officers and nurses 28; beds 78; patients 1635; money expended \$71,797.75; value of property \$200,000; endowment none; indebtedness none.

FINANCES

Raised for hospitals: The Golden Cross Enrollment, \$8885.

What has been contributed for the support of the ministry Presiding elders \$52,800; preachers in charge \$631,153; conference claimants \$27,327.10; Superannuate Endowment Fund \$6650.67.

What is the grand total contributed for all purposes from all sources in this conference this year? \$2,102,941.

CHURCH PROPERTY

What is the number of houses of worship, their value, and the amount of indebtedness? Houses of worship 1107; value \$15,828,428.; indebtedness \$1,157,725.

What is the number of parsonages, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? District parsonages 9; value \$102,000; indebtedness \$6,355; parsonages belonging to pastoral charges \$341; value \$1,663,512; indebtedness \$92,950.

What amount of insurance is carried on church property, and what amount has been paid out in premiums? Insurance carried \$6,240,373; premiums paid \$23,923.

How many churches and parsonages have been damaged or destroyed during the year, what is the amount of damage, and what has been collected thereon? Churches damaged 12; parsonages damaged 5; amount of damage \$26,545; collected \$5,202.

What is the number of superannuate homes, and what is their value? Homes 1; value \$4,000.

What amounts are approved as being the apportionments to each district of the conference for the General Conference budget?

| District            | General Benevolence | General Administration Fund |
|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Asheville .....     | \$ 9,878.06         | \$ 313.73                   |
| Charlotte .....     | 14,876.23           | 476.66                      |
| Elkin .....         | 8,167.59            | 259.51                      |
| Gastonia .....      | 13,169.76           | 418.44                      |
| Greensboro .....    | 14,758.99           | 468.94                      |
| High Point .....    | 11,320.00           | 359.67                      |
| Marion .....        | 9,651.43            | 303.79                      |
| Salisbury .....     | 13,026.47           | 413.89                      |
| Statesville .....   | 12,765.94           | 405.61                      |
| Waynesville .....   | 6,265.73            | 199.08                      |
| Winston-Salem ..... | 16,478.47           | 523.57                      |
| Total .....         | \$130,264.67        | \$4138.89                   |

What are the annual conference interests as participating in the conference budget, and what amounts are allotted to each district and approved?

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Asheville .....     | \$ 8,986.62  |
| Charlotte .....     | 13,539.21    |
| Elkin .....         | 7,433.53     |
| Gastonia .....      | 11,986.11    |
| Greensboro .....    | 13,432.51    |
| High Point .....    | 10,302.60    |
| Marion .....        | 8,702.08     |
| Salisbury .....     | 11,855.70    |
| Statesville .....   | 11,618.58    |
| Waynesville .....   | 14,997.47    |
| Winston-Salem ..... | 14,997.47    |
| Total .....         | \$118,557.00 |

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

The recently built "Y" hut at Greensboro College became a banquet hall for friends of G. C. last week on several occasions. On Tuesday evening at 6:30 approximately 85 members of the Greensboro chapter of the college alumnae association and their guests were entertained at a dinner in the hut. Guests from High Point, Thomasville, Winston-Salem, Spray and Oak Ridge were included in the group. Mrs. Wallace Taylor, president of the Greensboro chapter, presided. Special guests for the dinner were Dr. and Mrs. Luther Gobbel, Dr. and Mrs. Turrentine, Miss Elba Henninger, head of the department of speech and dramatic art; Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, dean of students; Miss Helen Owenby and Miss Mary Noble Angel, Winston-Salem. Miss Owenby sang several selections, accompanied by Miss Angel.

Again on Thursday evening the hut was the scene of a dinner when the Guilford county branch of the Duke University Alumnae Association met, with about 83 members and guests attending. Miss Sarah Rickman, dietitian at the college, was in charge of arrangements for both affairs.

The religious education teachers of North Carolina enjoyed our hospitality when on Friday afternoon at three o'clock they gathered in the hut for their second annual meeting, with Prof. Mason Crum, Duke University, presiding. Dinner was served at 6:45 p. m. 25 guests and teachers. Following the dinner Dean W. C. Jackson of Woman's College addressed the group. The meeting adjourned on Saturday morning at 11:30 following a devotional period and talks by various leaders in the field.

The Greensboro College Players, under the direction of Miss Elba Henninger, open the fifteenth season with the presentation of The Merry Wives of Windsor, by William Shakespeare. The date for the production is November 15 at 8:15 p. m. in Odell auditorium.

On Friday evening, February 28, a play to be selected later will be presented as the second number on the season's program.

In closing the season "The Players" will present that classical favorite of both old and young, Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll, on Friday evening, March 28, at 8:15 p. m., and a special matinee performance on Saturday afternoon, March 29, at 2:30 p. m.

In addition to the three plays scheduled on the season ticket there will be a presentation of a Christmas Nativity play on Sunday, December 15, at 4 p. m., free of admission charges. The play selected is one of the miracle plays dealing with the birth of the Christ and its production will follow classical presentations of the wondrous story depicting the main prophecies and events after the manner of classical paintings.

Information concerning season tickets may be secured by writing or calling Velda Mecum, business manager of Greensboro College Players.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT STEWARDS' MEETING

The Greensboro district stewards meeting has been called to meet on Tuesday, November 12, at West Market Street church at 10:30. This date has been chosen to coincide with a district woman's meeting at College Place church which has been called by district secretary, Mrs. Rieves, to convene at 10 o'clock. The pastors can drive their wives or delegates to College Place and come back to West Market. The district stewards and the Sunday school superintendents are urged to attend this important meeting. L. B. Hayes, D.S.



# A Mother's Opportunity

By ARTHUR HEDLEY

God places on none a graver responsibility than that placed on motherhood. This is revealed in a striking utterance of the prophet Ezekiel—"As is the mother, so is her daughter." He saw that Israel's finer life had been defiled through the fall of its motherhood.

The moral and spiritual character of the rising generation depends largely on the influence of the mother in the home. The child from its birth spends its formative years in the company of its mother. No other life is so blended with babyhood and youth as is the mother's life. To her is entrusted the nourishing and development of its physical life; the unfolding of its moral and spiritual life. It is not what the mother says so much as what she is that determines her influence for good or ill over her children. Moral and spiritual authority resides in character, words are weak and vain unless backed by example.

A mother's personality shapes the personality of her child. Novalis, a beautiful character and noble writer of the eighteenth century, asks, "To whom do all men who have ever striven to work for mankind owe their zeal? To their mothers." Writing to his own mother, he said, "You did more to develop my mind than anyone, and all that I may accomplish is your doing, and will prove my gratitude to you."

That rugged Scotch philosopher of the nineteenth century, Thomas Carlyle, said, "My mother did me one altogether invaluable service; she taught me less indeed by word than by daily reverent look and habitude her own simple version of the Christian faith." Her letters to her son are always earnest and anxious over his spiritual welfare, as in such sentences: "Oh, Tom, mind the golden season of youth, and remember your Creator in the days of your youth." Again, "Have you got through the Bible yet? If you have, read it again; I hope you will not weary, and may the Lord open your understanding." Her love for her absent boy took concrete shape in well-filled boxes, containing cheese, butter and other farm produce.

Most of us can think back to the early days of life's beginning, and our earliest memories have to do with our mother and with her presence and personality constantly playing on our lives. It is the soft hand of a mother that makes the deepest etching on the character. In the most plastic years she impresses her character most constantly upon her children. Her love consciously and unconsciously plays like a light upon the life of her child and in time there is a striking resemblance between mother and child. Her virtues are seen again in the life of her offspring, for we grow like the people we love.

It is equally and tragically true that a mother's moral weaknesses are reflected in her children. Working as a pastor in a London slum for ten years, I saw this truth illustrated again and again. The saying of the prophet was confirmed, "As is the mother, so is the daughter."

Because of the great power a mother possesses to make or mar her child, how essential it is that she should live in close touch with God and daily seek to grow in the likeness of Christ. If you are true, unselfish, pure, spiritually devoted to Christ and all that is noble and good, your child will catch your spirit and will grow up to love the things that you love. In the early days of the World War

when billeted in a small English village, I was brought into close touch with a Methodist home. The mother was a beautiful character and religion was a reality to her. How delightful to hear the children sing their evening prayer! Today they have all grown up into manhood and womanhood and every one has become a devoted servant of Christ.

Different indeed is the case when a mother is worldly, careless, indifferent to her own spiritual welfare.

A boy in Scotland in whom I was interested began to attend my church and was a faithful young worshipper. Then gradually he began to stay away. Seeking him out, I asked why he rarely came now. "Oh!" he replied, "I can't be bothered." It was little surprise to me, for his mother couldn't be bothered to attend God's house; he received no encouragement from either of his parents.

How different was the case of another boy I knew whose mother was a sincere follower of Christ. Coming home from Sunday school one day, he said, "Mother! Teacher says she has two birthdays; what did she mean?" The mother replied that one birthday was the anniversary of her birth into the world and the other the anniversary of the day when she gave her heart to Christ. Looking into his mother's eyes, he said, "But, mother, I shall never have two birthdays." "Why?" "Because I've always loved Jesus."

Mothers, take heed to your own inner spiritual life and let your chief concern be, not your children's success in life, but that they shall love the best and the highest. Let them see Christ in you and they will fall in love with him. The mother whose primary concern is that her own life may be such that there will be nothing in her to mar her influence for Christ over her boy or girl will have her reward in years to come. Her dreams for her boy may not seem to be realized, but he would be infinitely poorer without them.

In a past day, godly mothers in the highlands of Scotland prayed and dreamed that one boy at least would be a minister or a missionary, and in many cases that dream came true. But even when it was not the case, the boy grew up to serve Christ in some other capacity. A mother's fervent prayer for her son or daughter may not be answered in her own day, but it will not be in vain.

Let your child see that you count its growth in the knowledge and grace of Christ more than anything else in the world, and you will have little need to be concerned about its material future.

In the state records of Mississippi is this noble testimony of a godly mother: "Whereas we have read with great pleasure the following remark of the devoted mother of our esteemed governor, Hon. Earl Brewer, who, when asked if the day her son was inaugurated governor of the state of Mississippi was not the happiest day of her life, replied, 'I was just as happy when my boy joined the church,' and therefore be it resolved, that the above expression be inscribed on our journal as an example to the mothers of our state and to show our appreciation of this splendid sentiment."

To bring up children upon whose character is impressed the likeness of Christ here indeed is a mother's noblest



task and glorious privilege. Long after she has passed beyond the vale, the influence of a Christian mother will tell in her children and through them in innumerable other lives in many lands. A Christian mother is God's right hand, his supreme gift to any generation. To her is entrusted heaven's highest task, and for her awaits heaven's richest reward.—Zions Herald.

### CONSECRATED HANDS!

By Orville L. Davis

What would you think if you were to visit Leonard Theological College at 7:15 a. m. and see what I saw the other day? A class in book-binding, consisting of teachers and students, going in full swing!

Here sat the professor of church history re-sewing the sections of a "Comprehensive Dictionary" which had come to pieces from hard use. His fingers were not too accustomed to needle and thread, but his deliberate, efficient movements were greatly facilitated by the use of a contraption recently invented by the ingenious professor of Greek New Testament! Other teachers and students were busy trimming, pasting, or making decorative covers by means of "marble work." Two or three others, including the bright-eyed "theological co-ed," were cutting out unique patterns for paper file folders. I thought it was a wonderful sign of good health!

Jesus was not a book-binder but he was a carpenter, and, I believe, the best carpenter in Nazareth! Paul was not a maker of paper files, but I believe he was a first-class tent maker. Carpenter work and tent making contributed, no doubt, to their philosophy of life and helped them to see the relationship between religion and life. In fact, for them to be truly religious was really to live!

There is a contagion about this demonstration of the Spirit which not only helps one better to appreciate the liberty in which he studies and the fellowship of a democratic class room, but also helps to preserve the precious volumes which enthusiastic usage and the passing of seasons tend to destroy. Now when I go into the library and class room I expect to see the same Spirit at work helping the teacher and student to know the truth which not only passes examinations but the joy which enriches life.

I was not surprised that this early morning class at Leonard Theological College under Mrs. E. L. King failed to hear the breakfast bell. Nor shall I be surprised to see a new joy written over the faces of those whose skilled hands have learned to make a beautiful book in which to record their deepest satisfaction!

The atmosphere of Leonard Theological College is charged with this spirit. Along with the woman's school for wives of married students and the newly-developed co-educational school of religious education will be a "practice" or "demonstration" center. This will include a nursery, kindergarten, primary school, adult literacy school, dispensary or health center, industrial arts-handicrafts, cooking, etc., co-operative store. This is not because we think less of theology or that we are relaxing our academic standards, but because we see more and more the necessity of practicing our religion. No doubt this is what Mahatma Gandhi meant recently when he advised some of us "to get beyond theology." India abounds in philosophy and theology, but needs a convincing demonstration of the Christian spirit—consecrated hands!

### PASTORAL PRAYER BY DR. A. D. BEITTEL

"Lord, what a change within us one short hour  
Spent in thy presence will avail to make!  
What heavy burdens from our bosoms take!  
What parched grounds refresh as with a shower."

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, gather us close to thee now in the hour of morning prayer.

Out of the turmoil of the week, out of the dust and smoke of daily life, out of all our troubles, out of all the cheap and trivial things of the passing hour, we come, O Lord, into this scared place and this holy hour that we may listen for thy voice and hear that only.

O Lord, our God, we come to thee in a spirit of penitence this morning.

We have offered thee gifts of silver and gold and the fragrance of incense, and denied thee in the daily walk of life.

We have praised thee with our lips, and dishonored thee in our hearts.

We have thought to please thee with solemn assemblies and formal confessions, and outside our sanctuaries we have not done thy will.

We have affirmed one common Fatherhood of all men, and have practiced or allowed injustice and oppression to crush the masses.

We have sung hymns of brotherhood; but we have crossed the boundaries of nations to do violence upon our fellows.

We have talked peace, and prepared for war.

We have clasped hands in fine gesture to people of another color than ourselves, and have denied the symbols by deeds or racial arrogance and discriminatory practices.

We have preached and prayed with the language of stewards, and we have allowed wealth to be cornered by the few while the hungry filled our breadlines and the needy went down disheartened to their death.

We have received the word of Jesus that childhood is the hope of the coming kingdom, and we have imprisoned children in factories and slums, defrauding them of sunlight and education and hope and aspiration.

We have professed the commitment of our souls to thee, and have shared in the ecstasy of religious beauty and emotion, and in our very souls we have continued in selfishness and pride and petty purposing, we have participated directly in the wrongs of life or by our frail silence permitted them to be. There is none righteous, no, not one.

In the desperation of our own remorse-stricken souls and of a world crumbling into ruin, we come to thee for moral power and spiritual insight, that out of the shattered fragments of our lives and the present collapse of civilization, thou mayest raise us up new creatures, and make our world a sanctuary where men may live in peace and plenty and freedom, and, liberated from their bondage, cast their eyes up toward the stars.

Beyond these spoken prayers, each one of us brings to thee in the quiet of this holy hour his own personal, intimate, inarticulate longings and aspirations—all we could never be, all we aspired to be and were not, thoughts hardly to be packed into a narrow act, fancies that broke through language and escaped—O Lord, hear these unspoken yearnings or our as yet unrealized and nobler selves as we lift them to thee in the peace and quiet of this hour, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



# On Being Sixty: Reflections on the Passing Years

By F. W. BOREHAM

The outstanding and extraordinary thing about being sixty is that no man of sixty knows that he is sixty. He may think that he does; but that, of course, is quite another matter. As our wives so frequently and so truthfully remind us, we men think that we know lots and lots of things which, in reality, we know absolutely nothing. Every man of sixty vainly imagines that he knows that he is sixty. In that patronizing and self-confident way that men of sixty so easily assume, he takes himself aside and has a confidential talk with himself on the subject.

"Sixty," he says to himself, "just think of it! I reached my sixtieth birthday yesterday! It is really a great age! I am actually becoming venerable! Before I know where I am, I shall be in my dotage! Infirmary and decrepitude will be creeping upon me. Sixty! It seems ridiculous! Fancy being sixty!" He sits back in his chair and chuckles over the very absurdity of it. Then, after the fashion of men of his years, he quickly resumes the thread of his soliloquy.

"Sixty!" he repeats, incredulously. "Why, dear me, very few of the men whose names are household words with us—the men who knocked the world into shape—lived to be sixty! None of the prophets and only one of the apostles lived to be sixty. Alexander was never sixty, nor Julius Caesar nor William the Conqueror nor Alfred the Great. Virgil was never sixty, nor Shakespeare nor Dante nor Tasso; Francis Xavier was never sixty, nor Bishop Hannington nor James Chalmers nor John Williams; Mozart was never sixty, nor Beethoven nor Mendelssohn nor Chopin; Dickens was never sixty, nor Thackeray nor Macaulay nor Gibbon; Napoleon was never sixty, nor William of Orange nor General Gordon nor General Wolfe; Tyndale was never sixty, nor Francis of Assisi nor Whitefield nor Spurgeon. Pascal was never sixty—but why go on? The list would be interminable."

To hear him prattling on like this, you would suppose that he knows perfectly well that he is sixty. But, bless your soul, he has no inkling of it! Let me tell you a thing that happens to him, and that happens frequently. He goes out, perhaps for a walk, perhaps to watch a cricket match, perhaps to attend a political meeting. In the course of his outing, whatever its character, he meets an eminently respectable elderly gentleman, and, chumming up with him, treats his new acquaintance with the respect and deference to which an eminently respectable elderly gentleman is justly entitled. The two meet often, and, the more that our sexagenarian sees of the eminently respectable elderly gentleman, the more he venerates him. His ripe experience and mature judgment strike our sexagenarian as very impressive and very valuable. Then, one morning, in scanning the obituary notices in the paper, our sexagenarian reads of the death of his friend. And the death notice gives the good man's age. He was fifty-eight! "Why, dear me!" exclaims our sexagenarian, falling once more into his characteristic habit of soliloquy. "He was two years younger than I am! And I felt a mere youth in his society, and looked up to him as a son looks

up to his father. And all the while he was thinking of me as an old man, and of himself as a youngster! Dear, dear, dear, this is very extraordinary!"

Now, I know that this sort of thing happens, and happens frequently, in the experience of every man of sixty. His study of the calendar and his mathematical computations compel him to give a certain intellectual assent to the general proposition, just as he gives a certain intellectual assent to some of the clauses of his creed. But just as a vague intellectual assent to a creed falls very far short of restful certainty and joyous faith, so a vague intellectual assent to the proposition that he is sixty does not amount to real conviction. Your sexagenarian goes on regarding men of fifty-eight and fifty-nine as his grave and reverend seniors. Dear good man, he does not know that he is sixty, he only thinks that he knows: and between knowing and thinking that we know there is all the difference in the world.

Dr. Chalmers used to say that God intended the seventy years of man's allotted span to be divided into seven decades, as the week is divided into seven days. The seventh decade, he maintained, is designed to be a Sabbath one. In it a man should endeavor to cultivate the frame of mind that we associate with Sunday duties and Sunday delights. He should endeavor, as far as possible, to shake himself free from the toil and moil of life's fret and strain; he should possess his soul in quietness and peace. That being so, a man of sixty has arrived at Sunday morning.

Sunday morning first thing! Is there a lovelier time in all the week than the opening hush of Sunday? Later on, perhaps, there may be a certain amount of bustle in getting ready for church and in preparing for the special tasks and exercises of the sacred day. But that is later on. In the early morning we know nothing of all that. It is the most restful, the most satisfying, the most delicious hour of the whole week. The very street is silent and deserted. Nobody is scurrying off to business. The scream of motor hooters and the throbbing of motor engines is, for a few hours, stilled. The very atmosphere seems more rare, more pure, more fresh on Sunday mornings than at any other time. The sunshine seems more sparkling, the fragrance of the flowers more delicate, and the song of the birds more blithe on Sunday mornings than on any other day. And it is at Sunday morning—the first idyllic hush on Sunday morning—that the man of sixty has arrived. It is a beautiful experience for him, and he will be the most happy of all happy men if he contrives to impart the peace and benediction of the Sabbath dawn to all those whose spirits come in touch with his.

A man of sixty has entered into the autumn of life. Of all the seasons, autumn is the most beautiful. Of all the seasons, autumn has most often been misunderstood and misinterpreted. The minstrels who have undertaken to sing the songs of autumn have almost invariably set their music in a minor key. Autumn, they have told us, is the twilight of the year; autumn is sunset, autumn is decline



and decrepitude. I am sorry, very sorry. I have spent most of my autumns in Australia; and if, in the whole world, there is anything more exhilarating and delectable than an Australian autumn, I should dearly love to sample it. And shall I ever forget an autumn that I spent in Canada? When the maples round the lakes don their rich scarlet, bronze, and wine-colored attire, it really seems as if Nature has flung all restraint to the winds and is bent upon a few weeks of hectic gaiety!

Autumn means golden harvest fields and the garnering of luscious fruit. The year comes to its own in the autumn. Similarly, a man of sixty is, in many respects, at his very best. A softening of life's asperities, a mellowing of life's more turbulent passions, a quickness to see the best in others, may be expected to mark his intellectual development.

In youth and earlier manhood, he watched with suspicion, and with something akin to hatred, the rise and progress of his rivals. He was jealous—naturally jealous—of every young upstart who threatened to do a little better than he himself was doing. He was fighting for his own hand and could not afford to give quarter or show mercy. But at sixty he feels differently. He has won his place—or lost it. Life has taken shape and is unlikely to be greatly modified either for weal or for woe.

Instead of feeling resentfully the aspirations and audacities of younger men, he views their activities with lively interest and genial admiration. Instead of deriding and belittling their efforts, he rather cheers them on and even offers them a hand. A man's judgments become kindlier; his temperament becomes sweeter; his character takes on a winsomeness that it has never before revealed. Every day of his sexagenarian life he will yield to his growing tendency to soliloquy. In those self-communings he will say things to himself that are well worth saying and well worth hearing; and he will be the better man, and the world a better world, for his having said and heard them.

In one of his books, Dr. Stalker traces the sublime development of Jesus during the three years of his public ministry. He shows very effectively that the second was much richer than the first, whilst the third was the golden climax of the whole. As I reflect on these remarks of Dr. Stalker, a strange thought comes to me. If Jesus had lived to be sixty! And if the same wonderful process of divine development had continued through all those years! What a radiant Sunday morning his sixtieth birthday would have been! What an exquisitely beautiful autumn-time his life in the sixties would have exhibited!

Let every man of sixty test the survival of his imagination by conjuring up to himself the vision of Jesus in the sixties and he will have before his eyes a matchless model on which to shape his own spirit and behavior during those autumnal years—those years of harvest—those years of fruitage—the best years of all—the years that are yet to be.—Zions Herald.

REV. E. N. HARRISON ENDS THE JOURNEY

In a hospital in Washington, N. C., the last week of October, Rev. E. Normon Harrison, pastor at Bath, closed his journey as an itinerant Methodist preacher. He joined the North Carolina conference at Wilson in 1905. So, for 34 years he had gone his itinerant rounds. Being a son of Rev. Z. T. Harrison, who for 35 years had given

himself to the hard circuits, Normon Harrison came to know the lot of a Methodist preacher as lived by his father and by himself. Following a stay at Trinity College, Brother Harrison gave 34 years to the work in many of the difficult fields of the conference. He knew trials and sufferings in his work and in his home, but he kept pressing on. He felt that it was his lot as a pastor to keep the peace among his people by coaxing them to live in good fellowship one with another. Our brother rests from his labors.

We have no facts as to his last days and the funeral service. Some one will furnish the Advocate the needed information.

STATEMENT FROM THE EDITORIAL DIVISION

The action of the 1940 General Conference provides that: "There shall be one complete co-ordinated system of literature published by the Methodist Publishing House for the the entire Methodist Church. This literature is to be of such type and variety as to meet the needs of all groups of our people."—Par. 899, Discipline, 1940.

The Editorial Division of the Board of Education is now at work developing this unified program of literature for the church. It expects to have it ready for use by October 1, 1941. It would be unwise and difficult to attempt to hurry this process of amalgamation. It cannot be done satisfactorily without careful study and planning.

During the interval between now and October 1, 1941, the present periodicals and lesson materials as used by the unitng groups will be available. If this is kept clearly in mind there need be no confusion in ordering supplies. Order as usual until further notice. You will be able to make complete plans for the new literature when you order material for the fall quarter of 1941. By that time the editors and publishers will have announced details of the new program.

Meanwhile, the present literature will carry whatever program items or information is necessary for the on-going program of the Board of Education and other agencies of the church.

The literature and program of the church school are growing out of the life of the church. They emerge together as we work at the task of realizing the fascinating ideal of vital Christian unity within Methodism. As curriculum needs appear we shall seek to meet them. As the church school program grows we shall undergird it with the printed page. As the work expands we shall seek to hold it together with those connectional ties formed by the continuous contacts of church with church through our periodicals.

We are looking forward with confidence to a new body of material that will be both attractive in appearance and helpful in content and will contribute, we believe, to cementing the union which is already in effect.

Lucius H. Bugbee,  
C. A. Bowen.

DR. AND MRS. G. RAY JORDAN AND MR. WANNAMAKER HARDIN HONORED AT LUNCHEON

The staff of Centenary Methodist church entertained October 29 at a luncheon at the Winkler Tea Room honoring Dr. and Mrs. G. Ray Jordan and Rev. E. Wannamaker Hardin. Dr. and Mrs. Jordan left Thursday for the First church at Charlotte and Mr. Hardin goes to Cheraw, S. C., until the South Carolina conference.

The table, covered with a lace cloth was decorated with white and yellow chrysanthemums and ivy. Place cards were miniature replicas of Centenary church. On either side of the table were pasteboard pictures of the bronze statue of Bishop Asbury's horse at Washington, significant of the circuit riders. On one horse had been mounted a picture of Dr. Jordan and on the other a picture of Mr. Hardin, typifying the itinerant system of the Methodist Church.

A three-course luncheon was served. To the honor guests the staff presented favors of carved wooden coffee pots and Moravian Christmas candles.

Those present were: Dr. and Mrs. Jordan, Mr. Hardin, E. R. Clapp, Mrs. J. I. Singletary, Mrs. Dan Reynolds, H. Grady Miller, Paul Robinson, Mrs. C. A. Houck, Fred Rhoads.



## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### CHANGE IN ADDRESS

The address of Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Western North Carolina Conference, has been changed to 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C. At the recent conference Dr. C. C. Weaver was appointed district superintendent of the Winston-Salem district, and he and Mrs. Weaver went to their new place of residence on Thursday, October 31. Make a note of this change of address, please.

### IMPORTANT REQUEST

Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., recording secretary of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, W. N. C. Conference, asks all the societies to see if their charter certificates have been sent to her, and if not, to mail at once to her at Lexington. Some have secured the certificate blanks from Mrs. Hoyle, but have not yet returned them to her; so if there is a society in the conference who has not attended to this, please do so at once and mail to Mrs. Hoyle, as the final report must be filed with Mrs. Bourne before November 15. If there is a society who does not have a certificate and desires to secure one, order from Mrs. Hoyle right away at Lexington, her new place of residence.

### MISS LORENA KELLY ON FURLOUGH

The many friends of Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa, is at home for a several weeks' furlough from Africa, where she has served so efficiently and acceptably as a missionary since 1935, being a teacher in the normal school in Wembo-Nyama. We wish her a most delightful visit to the homeland.

### SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT AT HICKORY

The spiritual life retreat for the Statesville district was held at First church, Hickory, October 18, in an all-day meeting with 70 or more in attendance, with Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle in charge. The theme of the meeting was Christ and Service, and opened with hymn "A Charge to Keep I Have," followed by responsive reading and quiet meditation. A vocal solo by Miss Golden, "Satisfied with Jesus," preceded the district meditation on "Nearness to God" by Mrs. A. D. Abernethy. Rev. W. A. Rollins, pastor of First church, gave an inspirational message, urging his hearers to serve God as a spiritual life guide, assuring them of his leadership as a personal companion in service. During the lunch hour the young people had a message in song for the representatives brought by Miss Brown of Lenoir Rhyne College, and Miss Lyttle brought a message of the spiritual side of life from the young people's viewpoint, showing that the youth of today are think-

ing on spiritual things, and looking to their elders for leadership and guidance in these things.

The topic for the afternoon service was "Christ and I" and "Amazing Grace" was the hymn chosen for the opening, followed by responsive reading and a poem, "I Will Follow the Upward Road."

Rev. J. A. Peeler, a superannuate living in Hickory, conducted an old-time love feast as a closing for the program, and was assisted by Revs. J. P. Hornbuckle, W. A. Rollins and P. H. Britain, giving each one present an opportunity to express in words what Christ had meant to them during their lives. The day was one of uplift and inspiration and those present felt "it was good to have been there."

### MISSION STUDY COURSE IN LEXINGTON

We are indebted to Mrs. J. W. Holman for the following account of recent interesting mission study held in First church, Lexington:

"The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist church of Lexington has just completed its fall study course, the subject being 'Uprooted Americans.' The classes were held at night in the church and were in charge of Mrs. H. G. Allen, who had made a special study of migrants at Duke University during the summer.

At the first class Mrs. A. E. Brannock, Sr., conducted the devotional. As a prelude to the subject to be studied Mrs. Robert Philpott gave a splendid review of Stainback's book, "The Grapes of Wrath." Mrs. Curtis Koontz gave a review of the life of one migrant girl and Mrs. Allen continued the discussion. Rev. H. G. Allen led the devotional for the second class, stressing the importance of living the "abundant life." The study for the evening opened with Mrs. Allen giving information concerning various centers which have been opened by the church and the government for the benefit of the migrants, and then introduced 12 children who represented migrant children in America, and who gave very true pictures of the lives led by these children. The third class was opened by Mrs. Herbert Sink, who led the devotional which was followed by a solo by Miss Frances Fitzgerald. Mrs. Frank Terrell was introduced and discussed in an interesting manner "The Life of the Old People." Mrs. W. Foil Brinkley, superintendent of the N. Y. A. in Davidson county, gave a most enlightening and interesting review of the work done by this agency in helping the young people and thereby keeping them off the highways. The final meeting was led by Rev. H. G. Allen with Mrs. J. Grady Williamson as soloist for the evening. A short skit given by three characters, portrayed the life of a family in a migrant camp,

and was most impressive. Following was a panel discussion and summary of the work done in the four classes. The consensus of opinion was that it had been a most interesting study course, and all were grateful to Mrs. Allen for the excellent manner in which she represented it. The total enrollment was 63 with 32 having attended as many as three of the classes."

### STANLY COUNTY ZONE MEETING

By Mrs. J. D. Bivins

The Societies of Christian Service in the Stanly county zone held their fall meeting in the Methodist church of Norwood Friday afternoon, October 18, with 52 women present and with Mrs. Raymond Skidmore, chairman, presiding. A piano prelude, "Berceuse" by Faulkes, played by Mrs. J. P. Lowder, opened the meeting. Rev. C. G. Hefner of Norwood conducted the devotional service, using as his theme "The Light Is Going Out," and may not be lighted again in our lifetime, illustrating it with Scripture from 2 Corinthians 13, 12-31 verses, concluding his remarks with prayer.

A cordial welcome was extended by Mrs. Earl Lefler of Norwood, to which Mrs. R. A. Elder of Albemarle responded in a most gracious manner.

Reports from individual societies showed progress along all lines. A beautiful violin duet, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," was rendered by Miss Doris Butler and Mr. Thomas Barringer, accompanied by Mrs. J. P. Lowder.

Mrs. George Moore gave the requirements for mission and Bible study, and spiritual life was presented by Mrs. R. D. Ware, who suggested that the spiritual life of the church is the sum total of the spiritual life of the individuals and that our aim is to deepen, especially, the spiritual life of the womanhood of the church. She urged the keeping in touch with the spiritual movements of the time, and suggested that it would prove beneficial to precede each meeting with prayerful study. She concluded her presentation with prayer. Mrs. Wallace Ivey of New London discussed the two outstanding publications of our woman's work, The World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. A splendid detailed report of the organization meeting of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, held in Statesville October 1, was given by Mrs. M. F. Moores. Mrs. J. B. Harris presented "Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities," stressing the advisability of finding the needs of individual communities and selecting one line of work and concentrating on that.

The new set-up of the Salisbury district was given by Mrs. Z. V. Moss, who also presented the new district officers. She stated an increase in membership under the new organization, from 41 societies and 1770 members to 61 societies with 2852 members. An invitation from the New London group to meet with them in the spring was accepted with thanks. The meeting closed with hymn, followed by prayer by Mrs. Skidmore."

The sky is not less blue because the blind man does not see it.—Dutch.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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### ALL MISSIONARIES WE

"In a true and vital sense we are all missionaries. The basis of missionary appeal is the authority of Christ. We are apt to look upon our Lord as one who assists us in our enterprises for God, but he is God. Before we can go and before our going will be worth while there must be another going—a going alone with God. Would that we may go in apart with God that we may go out with radiance. We need to be fitted for worship, for service, for right living."—Rev. O. W. Dowd. Northern zone meeting, Oxford, October 16, 1940.

### BE PATIENT—AND THANKS

Reports of zone meetings are coming to your editor in such numbers that she is impelled to ask that no one shall become impatient before they are all published. Every item which is sent for publication on the woman's page will be used. However, in the case of zone meetings it will be necessary to carry them over a period of several weeks and they will be published in the order in which they are received. Another reminder: Send all items to the editor of the woman's page and NOT to the Advocate office. Doing the latter causes inconvenience at the office in re-addressing them to the editor of the page at Raleigh.

Hearty and sincere thanks to those who are co-operating in propagating missionary news on our woman's page.

M. E. G.

### TWO REMINDERS—PLEASE NOTE

Mrs. R. H. Broome, Ayden, conference secretary of literature, has received notice from Literature Headquarters at Nashville, Tenn., that record and report books for the Woman's Society of Christian Service will not be ready for distribution before January, 1941, and, therefore, she will be unable to mail them to the women of our conference before that time. Mrs. Broome is also requesting that NO World Outlook and publicity reports be sent her. Until 1941 these reports should be sent to Mrs. B. C. Thompson, Mount Gilead. Beginning with the new year they are to be sent to Miss Mary Gardner, 206 W. Edenton St., Raleigh.

### C. S. R. AND L. C. A.

The department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities of the Woman's Society of Christian Service is indeed a vital force in the work of the society and in the life of those to whom aid is directed. The committees of this department are: Local Church and Community Co-operation; International Relations and World Peace; Economic Relations; Minority Groups and Interracial Co-operation; Christian Citizenship; Alcohol and Other Narcotics; The Christian Family. Each of these committees has a definite place. However, it is better to not attempt work in all of them, but rather

to study the needs of your community and other areas and promote one or two projects which seem most practical and worth while. Excellent articles on the department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities are in the September and October issues of The Methodist Woman. Every member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service should read them. Mrs. J. H. Cutchen, Whitakers, is conference secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities.

### ADDITIONAL SOCIETIES

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh district secretary, announces that a Woman's Society of Christian Service has been organized at Elevation church, Benson charge, with Mrs. Braxton Medlin, Benson, president. Also at Lillington, where the missionary society has been disbanded for several months the women have envisioned the wonders of the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and have reorganized under that name and plan. Mrs. J. B. Moss, Lillington, is president. Our sincere good wishes and earnest prayers for the women at Elevation and Lillington as they go about the Master's business.

### CHARGE STUDY CLASS

The Woman's Societies of Christian Service of the Middleburg charge, Rocky Mount district, held a joint fall mission study class on October 23 at Middleburg. This class was in the form of an all day program with ladies from the different societies discussing the five pamphlets of the book, "Up-rooted Americans." The entire program was very helpful and interesting. Mrs. Turner Stainback of Cokesbury church, led the devotional.—Mrs. T. W. Lee.

### CASWELL ZONE MEETS

Caswell zone, Durham district, met at New Hope on October 23 with Mrs. W. Taylor Long presiding. The morning worship was led by Rev. A. E. Brown. Greetings were extended by Mrs. C. Chandler, to which Mrs. S. C. Wilkinson responded. Each president gave splendid reports. Reports were given on the Greenville conference. "How the Conference was Entertained" was given by Mrs. Leonard Chandler; "The Business of the Conference," Mrs. A. E. Brown; "The Spiritual Atmosphere," Mrs. Taylor Long and Mrs. J. H. Gunn. After a delicious dinner spread under the oak trees the afternoon session was held. The devotional was conducted by Rev. D. I. Garner. Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary, reviewed briefly specials, week of prayer, duties of officers and gave encouragement and inspiration to the women. Rev. A. E. Brown pronounced the benediction.—Mrs. W. H. Williamson.

### WILMINGTON DISTRICT

The Wilmington district meeting was held in Roseboro on October 17. Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, spoke on "Finances in the Woman's Society of Christian Service." Miss Elizabeth Lamb called attention to the influence of a spiritual life group. Mrs. W. A. Cade talked on the week of prayer. Following the devotional led by Rev. C. S. Hubbard, Mrs. J. M. Sloo brought greetings from the hostess society. Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Faison, responded. Mrs. W. B. Lamb, Garland, was made a life member by Union zone and Mrs. Carrie Davis, Southport, by New Hanover zone. The district presented life memberships to Martha Ann Hubbard, Elizabeth McLamb and Norman Leon Andrews. Rocky Point, Cerro Gordo, Fifth Avenue, Fairmont, Richlands and Swansboro were recognized as efficiency aim societies. Special music by Mrs. C. S. Hubbard and Mrs. Troy Herring added to the program. Reports were submitted by the following zone leaders: Mrs. N. P. Edens, Columbus zone; Mrs. W. W. Davis, Lumberton zone; Mrs. W. F. Murphy, Duplin zone; Mrs. G. H. Cannon, New Hanover zone; Mrs. B. Whitesides, Union zone. Following a picnic lunch served by the Roseboro society, the group reassembled for committee reports and information hour. Mrs. Floyd Johnson, district secretary, reported on the work in the district. Mrs. Hobson Sanderlin, Council, reported for the resolutions committee. Mrs. Irwin McLamb invited the district to Centenary church, Garland, for the next meeting. The Ida Hankins trophy was awarded the New Hanover and Onslow-Jones zones. The New Hanover zone won the attendance banner.—Mrs. Floyd Johnson.

### REPORTED CHARTER SOCIETIES

Doubtless many women throughout our conference are interested in ascertaining the number of charter Woman's Societies of Christian Service in the conference and total membership of same. Mrs. Walter Patten, Louisville, by whom these charters are being recorded, announces that each day brings additional charter certificates, thereby causing her delay in giving publicity to the matter, for which delay she is exceedingly regretful. To date Mrs. Patten has received 398 charter certificates. When all certificates have been sent her she will announce the total number of societies and membership in the conference. Those societies which have not reported to Mrs. Patten should do so without further postponement.

### A HUMAN INTEREST STORY

Miss Emilie Lovelace, missionary who is in charge of Gamble Memorial Home, Constantine, Algeria, reports a recent interesting happening: An officer in the French army asked that his young daughter be taken into the home until he was relieved from military duty. Her mother was dead and he thought she would be safe and happy there. When he brought her, Miss Lovelace asked what had influenced him, a Moslem, to place his child in a Christian home. He replied that as a young man he had been touched by the teaching of a devoted missionary.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### SEEKING THE TRUTH

Most of this day has been spent with one of our little girls, one who has not been a member of our family very long. We have been trying to get at the true situation involved in the taking of \$30 from its stored away place. It did not take a great while to locate \$25 of the money. Five dollars are still missing and, worse than that, a little bit of the truth, we are persuaded, is still missing. One gathers that this girl has become adept at taking things and then trying to cover up the misdeeds by falsifying the facts. One would further judge that the little girl has in the run of time been dealt with harshly because of her misdemeanors. Our challenge was not only to get the money but to save the girl. So, much of this day has been spent on one child while 399 other children were pursuing the even tenor of their way. Other days will have to be given to this girl, for there is much to correct.

### THE JOY BELLS RING

The money bells are ringing again. Last week they rang for Cold Springs congregation. This week they are ringing in commemoration of the fact that Bethlehem on the Pleasant Garden circuit and Marvin Chapel on the Forsyth circuit have paid their ten per cent apportionments in full for the new conference year. These two up-and-going congregations have formed the habit of paying their Children's Home quota early in the conference year. For another instance of this good habit let the joy bells ring.

### MONEY MEANS MUCH

Readers of this page are familiar with the fact that money means much in the promotion of the work the Children's Home has to do. Our financial needs are recounted from time to time, probably too often for those who read, but not nearly as often as the one who writes would like to recount them. While we would not presume too much on the patience of our friends, we also would not fail to remind our friends of what we need and when such needs should be supplied. This year we are confronted with the financial obligations of two Children's Homes, the one at Winston-Salem and the one at High Point. We have promised to meet all the financial needs of our High Point Children's Home children. We shall also want to assure the other children that their needs will be met.

### GENEROUS ATTITUDE

From a letter just received from Dr. N. E. Davis, executive secretary of the General Board of Hospitals and Homes,

the following is quoted: "You have assumed a very heavy burden in the care of the children from the Methodist Protestant Children's Home. I think your corporation has certainly done one of the most generous things that I have known any home in Methodism to do in the past twenty years. It is only because of your very generous nature and excellent leadership that this has been done. We all appreciate the way in which you have managed this very serious problem."

### MARVIN'S MEASURE

While we are trying to sell ourselves to our friends we might as well go ahead and quote from another letter. This one is from our good friend, Ira G. Shamel, treasurer of Marvin Methodist church, on the Forsyth circuit. "We are proud of the way your graduates go out each year and find a place for themselves in the world and fill that place with dignity and usefulness, and then each year new ones come in to take their place and ask for a chance to develop into fine boys and girls. All of this proves to us that you have a systematic way of doing things. It gives us a great thrill to have an interest in this work. We know that the boys and girls at the Home are in good hands and that our money is being spent wisely. We enclose check for \$73 covering the entire ten per cent apportionment for our church this conference year."

Shamel is a great booster. He boosts his pastor, his church and his Children's Home. His boosting is of the constructive type. He does more than blow the whistle.

### MOVING DAYS

This scribe's mind during the past several days has lingered about the moving of the ministers and their families. Having been brought up in the home of a circuit rider, he has visualized many of the reactions that have come to those who have had to tear themselves away from friends and go find new ones, to leave a fairly well furnished parsonage and go live in another. The ministers' moving days moves one's mind to quote from a letter just received from a young minister: "This is our first night in a Methodist parsonage! I can't say that the elements gave us a very cordial welcome

for it was raining when we drove up. But in fifteen minutes I had a fire going in the grate that brightened things up a bit. We got the house in a livable condition in a short time and then a young couple invited us over for supper. All our things have not arrived, but we brought with us the things necessary to get along. We found the parsonage in good condition. We are sitting by the fire while the rain pours down on all around."

### MENTAL MEASUREMENT

We are again presenting the picture of the group of girls living in the Julia Higgins building. The reason for doing this thing all over again is that these girls have made the best school record during the past reporting time of any group on the campus. This group of young adolescents are doing more than climbing fool's hill. They are giving themselves to mental measurement. Mrs. Sarah Scott is their home mother.

### THE HONEY MAN

The Children's Home has a honey man. His name is Rev. E. W. Fox of Statesville. Although having the official title of a superannuate, he and his good wife continue very active in the Methodist ministry. With one exception, every Sunday during the past conference year was used in some ministerial contribution. This happy couple has just presented 200 pounds of choice honey to our children.

### FOOTBALL

Our football teams have had a big time playing their games this fall. They have won some of their games and lost some. That was to be expected. More important than the winning or the losing of the games has been the value coming from good training, earnest effort and gentlemanly conduct. I don't think our teams have been perfect in any of these respects, but they are learning valuable lessons through the trial and error process. The will to win is still with them. The varsity team has so far won five games and lost two. The reserves, the 125 pounders and the 100 pounders are yet to lose a game. The 85 pounders have lost a majority of their games by close scores.



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## THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**CHILDREN'S CLOTHES**—Most of our children have received their fall and winter clothes, for which I am thankful. Others are needing theirs very badly since cool weather has come. I know those who are sponsoring the clothing of our children will not fail us. Since the children are so badly in need of their fall and winter clothing I trust that our friends will respond to their needs as promptly as possible.

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**LOUISBURG**—Last Sunday I took a group of small children to the Methodist church in Louisburg, where they gave a short program at the 11 o'clock church service. I had the privilege of making a brief orphanage address also at the 11 o'clock hour. Brother J. G. Phillips and congregation received us very graciously. Brother Phillips is closing his four years of successful service on this charge. He is one of our best qualified men, and is in great demand by the conference.

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**DR. FEW**—The passing of Dr. Few is a distinct loss to Duke University, North Carolina and the entire nation. He was an outstanding educator and university executive. It was fortunate for the university that he was at the helm when Trinity College became Duke University. During this transition period from a small college to one of the greatest universities of the nation, Dr. Few guided the institution in a masterful way. His place will be difficult to fill, but it is confidently believed that the board of trustees will measure up to their responsibility in the selection of Dr. Few's successor.

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**THANKSGIVING**—This is Thanksgiving month. As usual, I am appealing to the churches and Sunday schools

in the conference to take a free will offering as specials to supplement our ten per cent apportionment. It has been a long established custom in North Carolina to remember the Orphanage at this particular season of the year. The ten per cent Orphanage apportionment lacks more than \$25,000 of giving the Methodist Orphanage a balanced budget. I sometimes fear that some of our preachers and churches think that the ten per cent Orphanage apportionment gives us a balanced budget and that specials are not necessary. In order to have a balanced budget we would have to increase our ten per cent apportionment to seventeen and a half per cent. In view of this fact it is readily seen that specials are a necessity and not a luxury.

### TWO OF R. H. BENNETT'S STORIES

Here's another one on "Old Hickory," or about him. It sounds authentic. It has his punch and his vocabulary. General Ogle, a member of the Pennsylvania Assembly, had been chosen to compose an address to the newly elected President Andrew Jackson. When the bluff old warrior submitted his document to the House, a dapper little fellow from Philadelphia observed: "Pardon me, General, I hesitate about making any suggestion to so distinguished an individual, but I cannot refrain from saying that it is customary with cultured letter writers to write the first personal pronoun with a capital "I" instead of a small "i." With a look of scorn, General Ogle replied, "Sir, when I write to so great a man as General Andrew Jackson, Democratic President of the United States, I abase myself; I abase myself, sir; I use as small an "i" as I can put on paper. But, sir, if ever I should have to write to a little snip like you, I would use an "I," sir, that would fill two pages of foolscap."

### Twisting a Bishop's Tongue

The newly elected English Bishop of the Welsh See of St. David's upon taking up his abode began his struggles with a Welsh tongue. He engaged a native Welsh scholar to instruct him in that consonantal speech. The pronunciation, especially the "ll" bothered the bishop much, and the Welshman was at his wit's end to explain the lingual process by which the formidable sound was to be uttered. At last a bright thought struck him, and being very obsequious in manner, he said, "Your Lordship must please put your episcopal tongue to the roof of your apostolic mouth, and then hiss like a goose."

He had the appearance of being a man of some wealth. When asked for a donation toward a local charity, he wrote a check for five hundred dollars.

"But you haven't signed it," said the collector.

"That's quite all right," was the reply. "I prefer to remain anonymous."

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|                                       | 1935   | 1936   | 1937    | 1938    | 1939    | 1940    |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Vacation Schools .....                | 60     | 120    | 198     | 232     | 305     | 463     |
| H. & F. Missionary Enterprise .....   | \$8945 | \$9528 | \$11163 | \$12315 | \$12874 | \$13622 |
| Church School Day .....               | \$1407 | \$1899 | \$ 1846 | \$ 1722 | \$ 1927 | \$ 2195 |
| Long Course Schools .....             | 14     | 21     | 16      | 24      | 14      | 22      |
| Long Course Credits .....             | 1107   | 1622   | 1261    | 1697    | 1492    | 2092    |
| Short Course Schools .....            | 75     | 65     | 66      | 70      | 72      | 109     |
| Short Course Credits .....            | 1062   | 1104   | 952     | 931     | 1291    | 1668    |
| Epworth Training Conferences .....    | —      | —      | 1       | 11      | 16      | 15      |
| Epworth Training Credits .....        | —      | —      | 77      | 243     | 357     | 565     |
| E. T. Camps and Institutes .....      | —      | —      | —       | —       | —       | 3       |
| E. T. Camps and Institute Credits ... | —      | —      | —       | —       | —       | 125     |
| Senior and Y. P. Assemblies .....     | 1      | 1      | 1       | 2       | 2       | 2       |
| Assembly Credits .....                | —      | 330    | 424     | 501     | 534     | 537     |
| Christian Adventure Camps .....       | —      | 2      | 2       | 2       | 2       | 2       |
| Registered Campers .....              | —      | 81     | 96      | 101     | 167     | 157     |
| Miscellaneous Credits (Short) .....   | 34     | 20     | 20      | 9       | 9       | 3       |
| Miscellaneous Credits (Long) .....    | 597    | 495    | 614     | 474     | 875     | 932     |
| Total Short Credits (General) .....   | 1096   | 1124   | 972     | 940     | 1300    | 1671    |
| Total Short Credits (Y. P.) .....     | —      | 330    | 501     | 744     | 891     | 1227    |
| Total Long Credits .....              | 1704   | 2120   | 1875    | 2171    | 2367    | 3024    |
| Grand Total Credits .....             | 2800   | 3574   | 3348    | 3855    | 4558    | 5922    |

The vacation church school gives our best opportunity to provide extra time for Christian education of children. The following statistics show growth in the number of schools held and in the number of children enrolled.

| Year .....     | 1931 | 1932 | 1933 | 1934 | 1935 | 1936 | 1937  | 1938  | 1939  | 1940  |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Schools .....  | 27   | 57   | 86   | 92   | 62   | 120  | 198   | 231   | 312   | 463   |
| Enrolled ..... | 3535 | 4655 | 5724 | 7065 | 4911 | 7875 | 10617 | 13651 | 17282 | 24517 |

There has been a steady growth in contributions to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise over a period of years. This fourth Sunday offering will be continued next year as World Service Sunday.

The entire offering on Church School Day is used for the support of Christian education within our own conference.

There were 151 training schools held during the conference year—an average of almost three each week.

One hundred and nine of these schools were held as a part of our extension program in rural churches. 2,497 were enrolled in these schools, and 1,668 received credit.

Approximately seven thousand people enrolled in the training opportunities provided by our Conference Board this year, and 5,922 completed work for credit, including those earned in college courses.

The total church school enrollment of the three former branches of Methodism at the annual conference in 1939 was 174,934.



# Animals and Man Origin

By J. R. McCrary

According to the Jewish account of Creation the beasts and fowls and fish were fashioned a few thousand years ago by direct act of Jehovah, each of its kind, and man afterwards in His own image. According to one theory of evolution, bodily life on earth began with some tiny organism, probably an offshoot from plant life, and from this protoplasm, fish and fowl and beasts and at last man developed through millions of years of gradual change and struggle. Some theory of evolution is now believed in and taught by scientists and teachers in all of our colleges and universities.

However that may be, there is a close kinship between man and all other creatures that live and move and have their being whether on land or sea or sky.

## Physical Resemblance

They are all propogated, conceived and born in much the same manner. Their bodies all begin life small and weak and grow larger by food, sleep and exercise.

All animals whether fish or fowl or beasts or man have much the same features. Man has legs and arms, eyes and ears, nose and mouth, stomach and intestines, digestive organs and organs to evacuate waste matters. So do all these other creatures. Fish have eyes, mouths, throat and nose and organs of hearing in the shape of openings near the top of the head. Their fins, used to propel them through the water, correspond with man's legs and arms. Birds have the same features as man with wings in lieu of arms. The beasts of the field have four legs instead of two legs and two arms, but use them for the same purpose. Scholars have all agreed that the oldest specimens of the skeletons of the first ancestors of the human race indicate that they traveled on all fours and had heads shaped like those of the present types of monkeys and gorillas and not much more intelligence. Living in the open air and with no homes, except caves or brush arbors in the trees, their bodies were covered with long hair, like the animals, for protection from the weather. If men and women did not wear clothes on their bodies in a few generations perhaps nature would again in cold climates cover us with a coating of hair. This happens now to the bare arms and legs of school children and of men who work with naked arms outdoors. Nature furnishes its creatures whatever they need in the climate and environment where they live.

## Appetites and Desires

Man and animals have the same bodily appetites, desires and passions.

All suffer from heat and cold, from pain and thirst, from hunger, sickness, fatigue and death.

## Instinct

The parents of all living creatures, by instinct, feed, protect and love their young. They will fight and die for

them, whether it be the mother for her baby or the hen for her brood or the dog for her puppies or the cat for her kittens or the bird for her little ones in the top of a tree or the mare for her colt or the cow for its calf or the lion for its cub.

All animals, including man, have the instinct of fear, fear of thunder and lightning, of wind and water, of fire and of the unknown and of the stranger. All have the instinct of self preservation.

## Mind

All living creatures, whether fish or fowl or beasts or man have intellect. They all have memory. They respond to kindness and resent a wrong. They know how to plan a home and to become attached to it and to return to it. They know how to find food and to carry it to their offspring.

They have their own language, and know how to call and to express their thoughts to each other. They can manifest their love by various sounds or motions of the body and can express their hate by barks or growls or roars or by attack with tooth and claw. They know how to love a friend and hate an enemy. Man's dog is often said to be his best friend. The family cat is a favorite inmate of the home.

As the human race has moved to higher things and cultivated more and more the finer side of life a greater appreciation of their brothers of the woods and fields has gotten into the minds and hearts of men. Of late years drastic laws, both federal and state, have been passed and enforced against wanton destruction and cruelty to all kinds of animals and bird life.

Needless beatings, failure to provide food and shelter, and overwork, are punished severely.

As one grows older our fondness for these so-called inferior creatures increases more and more. The lust to kill them for sport gradually dies away and in its place there grows a greater notice of and love for them and a greater desire to keep them from hurt and harm of every kind and to protect them from the heedless hunter and ravages of cold and starvation.

The old Indian Chief, when death came, wanted his favorite dog and pony buried in the same grave with him so they could accompany him to the Happy Hunting Grounds above.

In some of the countries of Asia millions of people regard the dog and cow as sacred animals and reverence them and allow none to be killed.

Among some of the old world religions there is a belief that our souls on the death of the body enter into the body of some humble animals and eventually works its way back through the animal kingdom into the human race again.

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## Sunday School Lesson

NOVEMBER 10

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By Rollin H. Walker

### The Golden Rule

Scripture—Luke 6

Our Lord's command to make peace with our enemies is combined with his exhortation to generosity in the use of our means. Unlike many today, he seemed to understand that economic greed and a warless world cannot exist together.

A nation cannot go out to monopolize the markets and exploit the resources of the earth, and long be free from attack from jealous neighbors. The same is true in our personal dealings. We cannot push a neighbor to the wall in business and have him for a friend.

This insight into the close relation between economic co-operation and peace is another illustration of our Lord's profound understanding of human life. He knew that the Golden Rule in business is the best battleship.

The next thing we ought to note about such words as "Give to every one that asketh thee" and "Turn the other cheek," is the manifest fact that they are not always to be taken literally. If we are always to give to every beggar who asks for money, he will never become anything else but a beggar (2 Thess. 3:10), and we will soon be beggars our selves. What havoc is wrought by parents who give to little children everything for which they tease, and to their sons in college all the money they demand!

And while love toward our enemies is always required, an element of violence is sometimes necessary for the expression of that love. Jesus did not honey the traders out of the Temple. In the rescue missions one must occasionally take a drunken fool by the coat collar and put him out. If the writer of these words were suddenly to go insane, and to appear in the infant class announcing that God had commanded him to offer up the lives of the children as a sacrifice, it would be the duty of his best friend, and an act of great kindness, to shoot him down and thus keep his memory from being stained by a horrible crime.

But while the words of Jesus are not always to be taken literally they are always to be taken seriously. We should never try to turn the lightning flashes of Jesus into safety matches.

Jesus by these intense commands, which were not intended as rules but as powerful mental stimuli, means that when we face our enemies we should attack them with a love so fierce and determined that it would be like the desperation of a group of soldiers attacking a strongly entrenched enemy. There is no danger of fanaticism in loving too much; there is great danger of fanaticism in carrying out with luke-

warm love all the commands of Jesus as though they were meant to be literal rules (1 Cor. 13:3).

When a man loves with the intensity of a torrent his love begets insight, and he overrides the letter in order to fulfill the spirit. It is noticeable that missionaries in the slums who give their whole lives a sacrifice for the poor are less easily worked by beggars than amateurs who do not love them as unselfishly and who have not yet learned that there is great moral hazard in pauperizing people.

This overflowing love is what Jesus emphasized by such commands as "If a man compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain." He was thinking of the way Roman soldiers impressed peasants to carry their baggage.

Said Jesus, "If they do that to you, at the end of the mile smile and say, I have found this load very heavy, you will be very tired by the end of the day; allow me to carry it another mile for you." That would make the soldier understand that he was not dealing with a weakling, but facing a type of character that puzzled and shamed him. He would discuss the incident with his comrades around the campfire that night.

Jesus stood for pacifism raised to the point of audacity. He said that to use a lawn sprinkler of benevolence on your enemy is not enough; you must turn the fire hose of love upon him, and fairly drown him out with your kindness. And you must re-enforce your kindness by a blitzkrieg of prayer. Prayer is the Christian's air force. Such an attitude is the only thing that avails with so serious a thing as hate. It is never enough to say, "I wish him no harm."

As to whether violence is justifiable cannot be decided in the abstract, but only when all the facts of a given case are before us. The fact that in war the innocent suffer with the guilty does not prove that war is never justifiable. For the good God himself makes the innocent suffer with the guilty (Exodus 20:5-6). The children of drinking parents have to suffer from epilepsy, and typhoid patients all over a town suffer for the criminal carelessness of the health department.

History proves, however, that most wars have such dire results both for the vanquished and for the victor that to wage them is a form of national insanity. Witness the results of the last World War. It made the world safe not for democracy, but for Hitler, Staline, and Mussolini. Suppose the Japanees win the present war, what is apt to be the result? The hatred of 400,000,000 of their next-door neighbors for generations!

Our main problem is how to get a dynamic powerful enough to enable us passionately to love our enemies. And it is plain that here the Lord Jesus Christ, who died praying for his executioners, is our one unfailing Source of help. Through him we get in connection with heaven's power plant, and the voltage is sufficient to enable us to astonish and fairly daze wicked men by the energy of our kindness. What marvelous results would come if our nation were to sacrifice as much in breaking down irritating trade bar-

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# Storyland

## A HALLOWE'EN SURPRISE

By Ina E. Lindsley

Bob and Dick and I had been trying to think of something new to do on Hallowe'en. Of course it's easy to think of putting soap on people's windows. But my mother says that makes extra work. And anyway, it isn't a very good joke, because people aren't surprised when they find soap-marks on their windows the morning after Hallowe'en.

"I wish we could think of something that would be a real surprise," Dick said, as he walked toward the river the day before.

"Let's surprise Mrs. Tanner," suggested Bob when we were in front of her house.

Mrs. Tanner lives in a little white house. In the summer there are pretty flowers along the walk that leads up to the house. And her garden looks like—well, there isn't a single weed in it. Everything is clean at her place, and we didn't think she would care to have us boys stop there to play. So we boys didn't stop in, even to talk, when we went by Mrs. Tanner's house.

"Do you remember that day Mrs. Tanner did call us in?" Dick asked suddenly.

"Oh, yes," grinned Bob; "that was the time the toad got in her house and she wanted us to take it away."

"She didn't like toads," Dick went on, remembering what Mrs. Tanner had said that time.

"Couldn't we send her a toad for a Hallowe'en surprise?" I wondered.

"That's a good idea," agreed the other boys.

But we couldn't think of any way to send a toad, until Dick suggested that we put one into something and set it on her porch. "We could knock and run then," he said.

We had to laugh when we thought how surprised Mrs. Tanner would be when she found a toad at the door. We decided to start right away to look for one. Well, we found a can to carry the toad home in, but we couldn't find a toad, although we looked and looked all the way to the river. It was warm for October, but we finally concluded it was too late for toads to be out.

Down at the river a few frogs were still hopping along the banks. "Let's use a frog instead of a toad," suggested Dick. So we decided to do that.

We carried the frog home in the can, but when we got there, we concluded the can was too small for such a big frog. We found a brown jar, put some water and a little grass in it, and then the frog. Over the top of the jar we put an old plate, pushing it to one side enough to give the frog some air.

Before supper on Hallowe'en we peeped into the jar to see if the frog were still there. And he was. While we were eating supper it got dark enough to start. Bob and Dick came

## SOMEBODY CARES

By Anna Norman Oates

Do you sometimes think "nobody cares" When your days are dark and the way is rough?

Yet somebody cares, and they care enough

To pray for you tenderly as for their own;

And ask that His care 'round your pathway be thrown.

Yes, somebody cares, and if you could know

The prayers that ascend from hearts tried and true,

For a friend so discouraged, so heart-sick as you,

You'd think how our Friend, your Saviour and mine,

Gives grace all sufficient, gives power most divine.

No power on earth can conquer or snare

When we call on our Father, our Saviour—they care.

over and waited a minute while I finished eating. They live just across the street from me.

It was dark on the back porch and I had to feel around a little while before I found the jar that held the frog. Dick wanted to carry it, so I handed the jar to him.

Because our mothers wanted us to get home by eight o'clock, we hurried as we walked toward Mrs. Tanner's house. We wanted to have time enough to wait and watch Mrs. Tanner when she took off the old plate and found the frog in the jar.

When we got to Mrs. Tanner's yard we were glad to see that the door was shut. The window shades were pulled down, but we could see a crack of light at the bottom, so we knew Mrs. Tanner was at home.

"Have you got the card, Bob?" Dick suddenly whispered as he stepped on to the porch. I forgot to say that we had decided to write "A Hallowe'en Surprise" and put it on top of the plate.

Bob pulled out his notebook and tore out the first sheet. Quietly he stepped onto the porch where he could see enough to tell he had torn out the right sheet. Then he laid it on top of the jar, and Dick rapped loudly on the door.

We clattered off the porch as fast as we could and got behind the lilac bush in the yard before the door opened. Well, Mrs. Tanner picked up the jar and took it inside without taking off the plate. Because the window shades

were pulled down we couldn't see how surprised Mrs. Tanner was, and we didn't find out until the next day.

Bob and Dick and I were wondering about the Hallowe'en joke when we walked home from school the next noon. And I was just washing my hands when both boys came running back from their house with a box of something.

"What do you think!" cried Dick, "Mrs. Tanner brought this box of candy over for us boys this morning. It's that creamy, yellow kind with black walnuts in it. See! M-m-m, it's good," he added.

"Candy!" I exclaimed. "How did she happen to give us candy? If she'd known we were the ones that took the frog for a surprise, she wouldn't—"

"That's the queer part of it," broke in Bob. "She told my mother she was so surprised and pleased to get what we boys brought her that she made the candy for us."

"And she said she wished we would come over to see her often," put in Dick.

"Well, anyway," I demanded, "how did she find out we took a surprise there?"

"Oh, I forgot to say," Bob answered quickly, "that she found my notebook on her porch. My name was on it. I must have dropped it."

It was the strangest thing! We couldn't see how Mrs. Tanner could think that having a frog jump out of a jar was a nice surprise. And we couldn't help wishing now that we had planned a really nice surprise for her.

My mother was busy getting dinner, but she stopped long enough to look at the candy and to wonder why Mrs. Tanner sent it. If she had only known about it, she said, when we were planning a nice surprise for Mrs. Tanner she would have been glad to help.

Mother asked Bob and Dick to eat with us. When it was time for dessert, she went out onto the back porch. In a minute she came back with the strangest look on her face. "I guess someone has been playing a Hallowe'en prank on us," she said. "The jar of jello is gone, and there's another jar there with a big frog in it."

Bob and Dick looked at me. "I must have taken the wrong jar," I grinned. "It was dark on the porch and I had to feel around before I found any jar at all. Of course I didn't know mother had jello out there."

"So I carried the jar of jello to Mrs. Tanner," smiled Dick.

How we all laughed. But we couldn't help thinking Bob was right when he stopped laughing to say: "After all, nice surprises are the most fun."—Junior Life.

His Mother—"Jimmie, this pill has a sugar coat."

Jimmie—"I know, mother, but the vest is awfully bitter."



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ASHEVILLE DISTRICT  
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

November

Acton, Oak Hill .....17  
Ashbury, 7 .....17  
Harnardsville, Democrat, 11 .....24  
Blittmore, 7 .....24  
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 .....30

December

Candler, 11 .....1  
Central, 7 .....1  
East Flat Rock, Moore's Grove, 11 .....8  
French Broad Avenue, 7 .....8  
Emma, Emma, 11 .....15  
Haywood Street, 7 .....15  
Etawah, Etawah, 11 .....22  
Hendersville, 7 .....22  
Irevard, 11 .....29  
Rosman, Oak Grove, 3 .....29

January

Fairview, Bethany, 11 .....5  
Hillside Street, 7 .....5  
Fletcher, Fletcher, 11 .....12  
Merrimon Avenue, 7 .....12  
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 11 .....19  
Oakley, 7 .....19  
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, 11 .....26  
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 .....26

February

Marshall, Marshall, 11 .....2  
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 3 .....2  
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 .....9  
Black Mountain, 7 .....9  
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 .....16  
Weaverville, 7 .....16  
Ivy, Laurel, 11 .....23  
West Asheville, 7 .....23

March

Mills River, Mills River, 11 .....2  
Pisgah, 3 .....2  
Tryon, 11 .....9  
Saluda, 3 .....9

ELKIN DISTRICT  
A. C. Gibbs, O.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

November

Jefferson, 11 .....10  
Holton, 2:30 .....10  
West Jefferson, 7:30 .....10  
North Wilkesboro, 7:30 .....11  
Moravian Falls, 7:30 .....12  
Yadkinville Ct., Booneville, 7:30 .....13  
Jonesville, 7:30 .....14  
Sparta, 2:30 .....15  
Green Valley, Roundabout, 11 .....17  
Watauga, Hinson's Chapel, 2:30 .....17  
Boone, 7:30 .....17  
Todd, Blackburn's Chapel, 11 .....24  
Laurel Springs Ct., Nathan's Creek Chapl, 2:30, .....24

Millers Creek Ct., Arbor Grove, 7:30 .....24  
Wilkesboro, 7:30 .....25  
Dobson, 7:30 .....26  
Creston, 11 .....27  
Warrensville, 2:30 .....27  
Davie Ct., Center, 11 .....30

December

Coleeemee, 11 .....1  
Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 2:30 .....1  
Mocksville Station, 7:30 .....1  
Farmington, 7:30 .....2  
St. Paul, St. Paul Ch., 2:30 .....3  
East Bend Ct., New Home, 7:30 .....3  
Ararat, Hacher's Ch., 2:30 .....4  
Bryant Memorial Ct., Ararat Ch., 2:30 .....5  
Advance, Advance Ch., 2:30 .....6

District stewards will meet at Elkin church November  
8 at 2:30 o'clock.

GASTONIA DISTRICT  
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

November

Vale, Palm Tree, 11 .....17  
South Fork, Plateau, 3 .....17  
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 .....17  
Belwood, 11 .....24  
Cleveland, 3 .....24  
East End, Gastonia, 7:30 .....24  
West End, Gastonia, 7:30 .....25

December

Lowesville, 11 .....1  
Rock Springs, Denver, 3 .....1  
Belmont, Park Street, 7:30 .....1  
Mount Holly, 7:30 .....2  
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 .....3  
Belmont, Main Street, 7:30 .....4  
Lowell, Bethesda, 11 .....8  
McAdenville, 7:30 .....8  
Cramerton, 7:30 .....9  
Kings Mountain, 7:30 .....10  
Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30 .....11  
Lincolnton Ct., 11 .....15  
Crouse, 3 .....15  
Lincolnton, Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, 7:30 .....15  
Cherryville, First Church, 7:30 .....18  
Polkville, 11 .....22  
Shelby Ct., Sharon, 3 .....22  
Shelby, Lafayette St., 7:30 .....22  
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 .....29  
Dallas, High Shoals, 7:30 .....29

January

Bessemer City, Concord, 11 .....5  
Cherryville Ct., Bethlehem, 3 .....5  
Boger City, 7:30 .....5  
Shelby, Central, 7:30 .....6  
Bradley Memorial, Myrtle Chapel, 11 .....12  
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 .....12  
Fallston, 11 .....19  
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 7:30 .....19

County meetings: Gaston county, Main Street, Gastonia,  
10 a. m. November 19. Lincoln county, Lincolnton,  
First church, 10 a. m. November 20. Cleveland county,  
Shelby Central, 10 a. m. November 21.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT  
L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

November

Midway, 11 .....10  
Moriah, Mitchell Grove, 2:30 .....10  
Jamestown-Oakdale, 7:30 .....10  
Bessemer, 7:30 .....13  
Calvary, 7:30 .....14  
Danbury, 11 .....17  
Sandy Ridge, 3 .....17  
Lee's Chapel, Nowlin Street, 7:30 .....17  
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 .....20  
St. Paul, 7:30 .....21  
Gulford Ct., 2:30 .....23  
Stokesdale, 11 .....24  
Flat Rock, 3 .....24  
Summerfield, 7:30 .....24  
Gibsonville, 7:30 .....27  
Oak Ridge, 7:30 .....28  
Reidsville Ct., 11 .....30  
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 .....30

December

Haw River, 11 .....1  
Brown Summit, 3 .....1  
Mt. Pleasant, 7:30 .....1  
College Place, 7 .....4  
Glenwood, 8 .....4  
West Greensboro, 7:30 .....5  
Tabernacle-Julian, 3 .....7  
Lindsey St., Reidsville, 11 .....8  
Madison, 3 .....8  
Reidsville, Main Street, 5 .....8  
Centenary, 7:30 .....8  
Proximity, 7:30 .....11  
West End, 7:30 .....12  
Pleasant Garden, 3 .....14  
Draper-Wayside, 11 .....15  
Ruffin, 3 .....15  
West Market, 7:30 .....15  
Grace, 11 .....22  
Bethel-St. Andrews, 3 .....22  
Stoneville-Mayodan, 7:30 .....22  
Draper, 11 .....29  
Spray, 5 .....29  
Leaksville, 7:30 .....29

HIGH POINT DISTRICT  
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

November

Archdale, 7 .....13  
Asheboro Central, 7 .....14  
Highland, 10 .....16  
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2:45 .....17  
Asheboro Ct., Cedar Falls, 7 .....17  
Calvary, 7 .....18  
Denton First, Denton, 2:30 .....19  
Farmer, New Hope, 7 .....19  
First Church, High Point, 7 .....20  
Lebanon, 7 .....21  
Why Not, Why Not, 2 .....22

Randolph-G. C., Bethel, 2 .....24  
Coleridge, Maple Springs, 6:30 .....24  
Rankin Memorial, 7 .....26  
Ward Street, 7 .....27  
South Davidson-Lineberry, 2 .....28  
Trinity, Hopewell, 7 .....29

December

Liberty Ct., Bethany, 2:30 .....1  
Ramsel-Franklinville, 7 .....1  
Denton-Central, Denton, 7 .....2  
Oak View, 7 .....3  
Asheboro First, 7 .....4  
Richland- W. B., 7 .....5  
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 11 .....8  
Pleasant Grove, 7 .....8  
Main Street, 7 .....11  
Seagrove-L. J.-P. H., 2 .....12  
Shiloh, Shiloh, 2 .....14  
Linwood-Tyro, 11 .....15  
Randleman-Union, Naomi, 7 .....15  
Wesley Memorial, 7 .....16  
Welch Memorial, 7 .....17  
Liberty First, 7 .....18  
Randleman Ct., Worthville, 7 .....19

The set-up meetings for the High Point district will be  
held in First church, Asheboro, Thursday, November 14,  
at 2 o'clock.

MARION DISTRICT  
J. C. Cornett, O.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

November

Burnsville, 11 .....10  
Bald Creek, Boring's Chapel, 3 .....10  
Spruce Pine, 7:30 .....10  
Micaville, Tipton Hill, Windom, 11 .....17  
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3 .....17  
Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30 .....17  
Elk Park, Elk Park, 11 .....24  
Avery, Mt. Zion, 3 .....24  
Cross Mills, Cross Mills, 7:30 .....24

December

Bostic, Salem, 11 .....1  
Sunshine, Hopewell, 3 .....1  
Henrietta, Caroleen, 7:30 .....1  
North Forest, N. Morganton, 11 .....8  
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 .....8  
Valdese, Valdese, 7:30 .....8  
Rutherford College, 11 .....12  
Connely Springs, Bollingers, 3 .....15  
Morganton Ct., Zion, 7:30 .....15  
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 .....22  
Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30 .....22  
Glen Alpine, 11 .....29  
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3 .....29  
Morganton, First, 7:30 .....29

January

Rutherfordton, 11 .....5  
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 .....5  
Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30 .....5  
Spindale, 11 .....12  
Broad River, Kistlers, 3a .....12  
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 .....12  
Forest City, 11 .....19  
Gilkey, Gilboa, Gilboa, 3 .....19  
Marion, First, 7:30 .....19  
Old Fort, 11 .....26  
Old Fort Ct., Piney Grove, 3 .....26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT  
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

November

Catawba, Catawba, 11 .....10  
Balls Creek, Center, 3 .....10  
Maiden, Maiden, night .....10  
Boulevard, Statesville, night .....11  
Race Street, Statesville, night .....12  
Stony Point, Stony Point, night .....13  
Troutman, Troutman, night .....14  
Shepherds, Vanderburg, night .....15  
Mooreville, Broad Street, 11 .....17  
Jones Memorial, 3 .....17  
Central, Mooreville, night .....17  
Elmwood, Cleveland, night .....18  
Cool Springs, Providence, night .....19  
Harmony, Harmony, night .....20  
Hiddenite, Hiddenite, night .....21  
Taylorsville, Taylorsville, night .....22  
Davidson, Davidson, 11 .....24  
Mooreville Ct., Triplett, 3 .....24  
Mount Zion, night .....24  
Union Grove-Zion, Mt. View, night .....25  
Olin, Olin, night .....26  
Statesville Ct., Bethel, night .....27  
Newton, night .....28  
North Newton, night .....29

December

Granite Falls, 11 .....1  
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 3 .....1  
Ifudson, Ifudson, night .....1  
Broad Street, Statesville, night .....2  
Hickory, Bethel, night .....3  
Hickory, Westview, night .....4  
Highland, Highland, night .....5  
Hickory, First Church, night .....6  
Whitnel, Whitnel, 11 .....8  
Lenoir Ct., Camewell, 3 .....8  
Lenoir, First Church, night .....8

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT  
C. C. Weaver, O.S., 898 Lyndon Ave., Winston-Salem  
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

Mt. Airy, Central, 11 .....10  
Walkertown-Morris Chapel, Antioch, 7:30 .....10  
Thomasville, Main St., 11 .....17  
Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30 .....17  
Walkertown, Love's, 11 .....24  
Thomasville-Trinity-Bethel, Johnstontown, 7:30 .....24

December

Lexington-Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Mt. Carmel, 11 .....1  
Forsyth, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 .....1  
Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 11 .....8  
Doub's, New Hope, 7:30 .....8  
Hanos-Clemmons, Bethel, 11 .....15  
Hatt-Sedge Garden, Sedge Garden, 7:30 .....15



## ANIMALS AND MAN ORIGIN

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every hand in our short earthly pilgrimage; to tear open their tender bodies with shot and shell; to disturb their lives with harshness and with fear; to harass and neglect and abuse them is unworthy of man, who is said to be the noblest work of God.

If we are fortunate enough to pass into another life after we are laid away, and if that other life is in another material world as beautiful as this, how lonesome it would be to never see the outspread wings of birds in flight, or the varied colors of their graceful bodies, or hear the music of their lovely songs from the swinging limb of some graceful tree blooming in a sunlight world above.

There is an idea prevalent among so-called intellectuals and theologians (sometimes even announced from the pulpit) that man's future life will be of a nebulous, abstract, disembodied mental existence in which advanced ideas like Einstein's theory of Relativity and scientific problems which now disturb or may hereafter arise to disturb the intellectual world, will all be discussed and solved by the minds of scholars once living on the present earth.

This idea of disembodied minds in future life discussing abstruse problems does not appeal to me.

I want a material world with physical bodies that can see and hear and touch things. I want a world where gentle breezes blow through swinging trees, and flowers bloom, and colored clouds bend in the sky and rivers run through smiling valleys, and mountains raise their lordly heads, and birds sing their songs and their little babies play on white sandy beaches, and where air and sea and earth will be peopled by creatures which we are now familiar.

It may not be that way but that is what I want. I want a material heaven and a glorified body. Don't you?

Lexington, N. C.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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riers and in a propaganda of peace and mutual understanding with all the world, as we are now spending on battleships and munitions!

It would be an interesting class exercise for each member to state what we as individuals and as a nation could do, if we were willing to make as much sacrifice for world peace as the fighting nations are now making for victory in war.—Christian Advocate.

## MISTAKEN IDENTITY

Sam was hired on a railway construction gang. At the close of the first day he was all tired out and sought the boss.

"Mister, are you sure you got my right name down on the payroll?"

"Sure," said the boss, "here's your name—Sam Simpson. That right?"

"Yes, sir," replied Sam. "I just thought you might have put me down as Samson."

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## THERE IS JOY IN HEAVEN

By Sara M. Perry

In our Sunday school class we were reading the 15th chapter of Luke, and we got caught upon a snag of argument. One woman, the superintendent of the Sunday school, started the argument, and carried it on. The verse, that there is more joy in heaven over one sinner that repents than over the 99 just ones who need no repentance, was the point of argument. She wanted to convince both the class and the teacher that Christ himself made the statement, and that it was full proof that we could get into the kingdom of heaven by works alone, and that it was a proof also of the unfairness of the way that was given to man "that a fuss was made over out and out sinners and not over the ones that have been just and good all their lives."

She talked of works being the only way the world may know the worldling from the Christian, and that only by works could the world see Christ.

"But Christ said," we replied, "I, if I be lifted up will draw all men unto me." What are you going to do with that?

And went on to say that Christ must be shown to the world, not so much by what we do as by how we do it, it is good only as it points the way to Christ.

"But what good," she argued, "will it do to preach Christ to a hungry man, Christ has no attraction to him."

"Ah," we argued back, "that is the argument of those who look upon works as the means of salvation, and they are legion. Jesus tells that whatsoever we do in his name we do unto him. When one has the witness of the Holy Spirit, when he knows God and believes being hungry and cold or naked loses the great weight which it carries when one has not God as a real vital spirit, and the heart is changed. One who walks in the light as Christ brought light, causing us to be cleansed from all unrighteousness, when we walk in that light we lose sight of what is so vital to the ungodly, the world and its illusions. Mr. Moody often said that the farthest a man could get from heaven was in the world.

Sin, we argued is merely unbelief. All of the things that we think of as sin are only the outcome of unbelief. And unbelief is not taking Christ at his word, that and nothing more. "He that believeth on the Son hath life and he that believeth not is condemned already. To believe on the son is to believe. If I believe not the divinity of Christ I am a rank unbeliever, though I say I believe the Bible; if I believe not that his death on the cross was the blood shed for the remission of sin I am also as great an unbeliever, and if I believe that he did not rise from the dead on the third day, then again am I just as great unbeliever. We will not bring souls to God by giving, by works, but by lifting up the Son of God, making men to see Christ as the Saviour of men.

Paul continually preached Christ and him crucified. Paul told that he was the last one to see Christ, "as one born out of time," and that he was by the grace of God what he was. Sermons that are a sort of diluted socialism

have no Christ in them as Paul preached Christ. For Paul is very plain in telling how he preached. How he warned that not one word must be changed, not one thing left out but the whole Gospel preached. We hear well-worded orations on Christ as a man who set an example to follow, and we told about working and being good.

Old Buddha gave one fine such oration with his eight-fold discipline—right resolve, right speech, right attitude, right action, right living, right effort, right mindfulness and right contemplation. No modernist could put the work idea more neatly.

Brahmans have about the same set of rules, only they have to work to get the right to work up to the place where they can be Brahmans. Thus the Hindu caste was established. The outcasts are the ones who have to work themselves up through transmigrations to the place where they may become clean, or Brahmans.

Christ never once told us what works to do as a step toward being a child of God; he told us how to become children of God, by accepting of his sacrifice, the shed blood, and the works would then take care of themselves. He spoke of the first fruits of the spirit.

"But how to prepare that which is good I know not," Paul said. Only Christ told how. Only Christ could tell how, for he is the way, he made that way, and with the acceptance of him our mediator, we are no longer of this world, but are made new, made clean, and our hearts changed to do the will of God.

To do the works of God, pleasing unto him will not be for our own gratification or glory. Faith without works is dead, but God alone is the judge of what value our works will be—"let him show out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom," that work was the matter of taming the tongue.

"Let your light so shine that men may see your good works and glorify your father . . ." The shining light shows the works to the world and those works are naught save as lighted by the Holy Spirit shining through us, pointing ever to Christ—his divine birth, his death on the cross to bring redemption and his resurrection, proving for all time that he is "the way, the truth and the life."—Religious Telescope.

## THE PILGRIM WAY

But once I pass this way,  
And then—no more,  
But once—and then, the silent door  
Swings on its hinges—  
Opens . . . closes—  
And no more—  
I pass this way.  
So while I may  
With all my might  
I will essay  
Sweet comfort and delight,  
To all I met upon this pilgrim way—  
For no man travels twice  
The great highway  
That climbs through Darkness up to  
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## "Baffling the Almighty"

By WINSHIP STOREY

**S**AID the clear-sighted Percy Ainsworth on one occasion: "It is not our ignorance and clumsiness that baffle the Almighty—it is our despair." That is a striking thought. A striking thought that it is not something wrong in us so much as something lacking in us which thwarts his purpose.

The writer to the Hebrews tells us that without faith it is impossible for us to be well-pleasing to God. He might have gone further than that—for without faith it is impossible to be any use at all to God. Further even than that—without faith on our part it is impossible in many things for God to be any use to us.

That was a pathetic experience of Jesus when, on one occasion, he went back to his own part of the country. There, naturally, he was well known. But he was merely the carpenter's son to those folk, and perhaps it is not very surprising that they should have been skeptical about the divinity of somebody they last saw repairing a back door. I doubt whether any of us would have been any more discerning in the circumstances. All the same Jesus was baffled. He could there do no mighty work save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk and healed them. And he marveled at their unbelief.

That sort of unbelief is first cousin to despair. It is an attitude of mind which insists that the loveliest dreams of mankind are too good to be true; that things like that just don't happen in a world like this; that idealism is folly—high-toned folly if you like, but still foolishness; that human nature is rotten at the core; that civilization is but a polish and one has only to scratch it to find beneath the old ape and tiger nature which is the real man in each of us; that since the time of Christ there have never been fifty years without a war going on somewhere or other; that, therefore, it is no use pursuing the hopeless quest for better things, no use toiling and moiling and striving and fighting to cast out the monstrous iniquities of our time.

Now that sort of thing is sheer defeatism in the realm of the spirit. The only antidote is a daring faith. Indeed, living as we are in such testing days, a dare-devil faith—

"Single yet undismayed I am; I dare believe in Jesus' name," sang Wesley, and such an heroic confidence in God is the keynote for this hour.

—The Methodist Recorder (London).—



## OBJECTIVES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE FOR 1941

Union for conquest demands the full correlation and the finest co-operation of every agency of Methodism—joined in the one common task to make the kingdom of God come and the will of God prevail among men. Only the personal and continued presence of the living Christ can furnish the dynamics sufficient to render potent and give power to the personal and institutional life of our Methodism. Souls aflame for the union of all the agencies of our united Methodist Church give assurance of victory. Unfortunately, we are too much concerned about our personal affairs here in North Carolina to deliver the full force of our church for the needed conquest. Every pastor, every church, every society of Christian service, every young people's crusade, every laymen's association should subordinate individual pride and glorified success to the welfare of the whole church in the one task of bringing men to God. Then the salary paid, the record made in the local church, the work of the woman's society, the church school, or what not, will become simply agencies in the work of the entire church. To this end much of self must go on the altar.

More than this. Many radical adjustments should be made in our procedure. District superintendents, secretaries, laymen and laywomen must get away from much of our burdensome routine. We are paying too much for supervision in our church. Failure to meet the needs in city and town and country mission fields, in enlarging our contributions, in the better support of our orphanages and in saving the lost calls for abnegation of self and more heroic endeavor. Instead of the district superintendent's holding three services and the rushing through of three quarterly conferences a Sunday, certain needed adjustments should be made so that much of their time can be given to marshalling the forces for a real conquest in the neglected and unproductive fields so much in need of leadership. To get out of the ruts and break with the present routine calls for wisdom and enterprise on the part of the leaders. This is an essential to make our supervision count for most.

### **Evangelism**

Let it never be forgotten that all the educational, benevolent and missionary enterprises of the church are not ends in themselves but means to the accomplishment of the fundamental aim of the church.

In the first place, the church should seek to re-enlist the interest and support of a vast company of nominal church members who have lost their devotion to God and their interest in the causes of his church. They must be reclaimed for active service.

We urge every local church to organize a committee on evangelism whose purpose should be to give each agency of the church's life a clear understanding for which it exists and works—the bringing of boys and girls, of men and women to God—and to create in that agency a sense of its primary responsibility for the accomplishment of that task.

The local church must extend its labors to the vast, unchurched areas of city and rural life. Fields are white unto the harvest in rural settlements and in the city slums. The rural populations, particularly, must become a foremost concern of the church. Just as Christ came to seek and to save that which is lost, so the church must go wherever a needy soul can be found.

## **Missions**

The church that lives for itself dies. Christ put the church where he did—in the center of its own orbit—to give light unto all, and a church cannot find its reason for being in anything short of the channel through which the redeeming power of Jesus Christ can flow out to the ends of the earth.

The message of Christ is not a piece of private property or personal luxury and men cannot serve God and neglect men. They must share in the great task of bringing lost men to Christ.

To meet the imperative demands for a complete missionary program let there be organized in all our cities city missionary societies. These should survey the field and, where possible, meet the needs.

Let the pastors co-operate with the committee on town and country work and the district superintendents in organizing such societies that can and will meet more adequately the needs of our rural areas. Our conference in conformity to General Conference legislation has directed the forming of this commission. It offers an opportunity we should most certainly use.

## **Christian Education**

The church school is the great teaching agency of the church, and every member of the church, together with every child whom it is meant to serve, should be a member of the church school, receiving guidance and adequate information in all the causes and areas of service for which the church school is responsible.

Let there be a recognition of the importance of youth in the church. They constitute the material out of which the church of tomorrow is built. We must carry forward the magnificent beginning registered in the Youth Crusade in enlisting youth in the total church program.

The church of the future will be vitally influenced by the theological training of the students of today. We need a better trained and more effective ministry—a ministry of deep spiritual insight, equipped with a message of divine power and truth. It must be a ministry taught by men who love God with all their hearts, who have experienced in their lives the redeeming power of Jesus Christ, who are as much at home in the spiritual universe as in the world of the intellect, and who believe in the fundamentals of our faith.

## **Other Agencies of Education**

The crying need of our church is that our people be informed as to the urgent causes in our program for the redemption of mankind. We urge the active co-operation of every minister and lay leader in the circulation of our conference organ—the North Carolina Christian Advocate—of the Christian Advocate of the Methodist Church, of the Upper Room, and of the World Outlook. The education of our people, through the influence of Christian literature, will result in the deepening of their spiritual life. They will then render a larger service in the local church and make a more generous response to the appeal of all the benevolent and other causes.

## **Lay Activities**

The important problem we face is how to carry this program to the local church and make it function in the life and service of its members. These objectives must be carried to the local church if we are to accomplish the

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## Some Observations at Conference

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An official quartette has now been named for the conference sessions. It came thus: Rev. J. F. Herbert, pastor of Grace Methodist church in Wilmington, recommended that a quartette of ministers heard during conference be voted the official conference quartette. The motion was carried unanimously.

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The special efforts being made in the interest of the Conference Brotherhood are worthy of the highest commendation. The Brotherhood held special meetings and they made a plea in open conference urging all to become members. Rev. R. L. Jerome of Wilmington looks after this as secretary-treasurer. Rev. R. G. Dawson of Mount Olive is president. Surely every preacher will want to have a part in rendering help in the most needy ordeal of life that comes to a preacher's family when he is called away.

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Sunday night in the closing session of the conference, a devoted layman eager for larger and larger conquests of our Methodism, observing that vast concourse of people with its many ministers and Methodist laymen, remarked, "What could this crowd do were each man to go out eager and fully consecrated in the work of the Lord!"

We are fully agreed with this good brother. Our preachers and laymen have not begun to realize the immense possibilities that are ours. Seven hundred ministers scattered over North Carolina should be mighty for the pulling down of strongholds and in leading crusades for temperance, for righteousness and for godliness.

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The Historical Society of the North Carolina Conference met Wednesday evening before the conference. This was most appropriate, for it had its origin in Wilmington in this land teeming with Methodist tradition. Rev. C. D. Barelift, pastor host, gave the address. Perhaps nothing he said attracted more general interest than what he had to tell of Charles Jones Soong, a man who lives on in a great China. It was at Fifth Avenue church that this Chinese boy got his start in America and in the Christian life before he returned to the Orient. No other influence commensurate with his has gone out of Wilmington to bless the world. The conference got a good start this year with the session of the Historical Society, which brought to mind many of the events of moment in the Methodism of other days.

"God is drafting no one, but it is a wonderful day for volunteers." We would that these striking words uttered by Bishop Thomas C. Darst of Wilmington, of the Diocese of Eastern Carolina, at his morning devotions conducted for the conference might stir to the depths every preacher of our state. Said this Episcopal brother, "The slogan for America must not be 'Peace at Any Price,' but 'Righteousness at Any Cost.'"

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More than 500 gathered for the Duke banquet. The hall at Fifth Avenue was crowded to its utmost capacity. Rev. J. R. Edwards of Graham was elected to succeed Rev. K. F. Duval, retiring president, who presided during the evening. The program included invocation by Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte; group singing of the alma mater; a moment of silent prayer in tribute to the late Dr. W. P. Few; an address of welcome by Rev. C. D. Barelift, host pastor. Dr. Paul F. Garber of Duke gave the chief address.

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At one morning session Bishop Clare Purcell delivered an address on the outstanding impressions of Jesus Christ as reflected in the arts, in theology, in history, and by moralists and intellectuals. The old painters, he said, have left lasting impressions of the stages of Christ's life and ministry in the famous pictures that have come down in the original and many reproductions. They have enriched the world with their portrayal of Jesus surrounded by children, of the transfiguration, of Golgotha, of the crucifixion, of Christ and the empty tomb, the resurrection and ascension. What a theme for a whole series of lectures!

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Rev. C. D. Barelift and his people of Fifth Avenue, along with the pastors and their people of other churches of Wilmington, took care of the conference in a fine way. All details as to homes and meals had been cared for. Such concern for details makes heavy demands upon many people. Brother Barelift was ever ready to answer any call that might be made. Many helpers were ready to come to his aid and, so far as we could see, few were unduly exacting during the week.

The weather man did his finest for us and all the oyster stands on Wrightsville Sound were ready to furnish the delicious bivalves for all who came. So, the "City by the Sea" still lives up to its ancient reputation.



## Will Real Estate of Churches, Church Schools and Charitable Institutions Be Taxed in North Carolina?

THIS is a question well to the front just now in North Carolina and it is one of far-reaching consequences. In brief the situation is as follows: The endowment funds of church schools, orphanages and other charitable agencies had been loaned on North Carolina real estate, the value of which was greatly inflated during the post war boom. When the depression came, this real estate was thrown back upon those who held these mortgages, and the trustees of such funds have been holding on to this real estate in the hope that they may be able with an advance in real estate values to suffer no further loss on these endowment holdings. They have already suffered very heavily. Recently this real estate has all been placed upon the tax books of the county and of the municipalities in Guilford county. According to our best information this has not occurred in any other county of North Carolina, which in itself is a rather surprising situation.

Three "test cases" were carried to the superior court of Guilford county. The cases concerned property owned by Piedmont Memorial Hospital, Inc., and valued at \$106,530, property owned by First Baptist church and rental property owned by Guilford College.

On Thursday of last week these cases were heard in superior court by Judge Zeb V. Nettles and the judge ordered the return of 1940 taxes on property owned by civic, religious and educational agencies. This judgment was signed in court Thursday morning, November 7.

In rendering his opinion Judge Nettles, among other things, said: "North Carolina always has encouraged these agencies," and added, "it would be a bad day" when the state failed to do so.

These words of Judge Nettles should be published in every section of North Carolina. It will certainly be a bad day when the state of North Carolina taxes the holdings of churches, church schools, orphanages and fraternal orders. It will be one more step toward totalitarianism and at the same time tend to throttle all charitable and religious institutions. Some of the trustees of Wake Forest College say that it will be disastrous to that college. But more than Wake Forest will suffer. There is Guilford College, Greensboro, Brevard, Davidson, and every other church college that has endowment so invested. The effect of such taxation would keep orphan children out of the

Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, Children's Home at Winston-Salem, Barium Springs orphanage of the Presbyterian Church, Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh and other child caring institutions that might be mentioned. It will truly be a "sad day" when orphan children are made to suffer on account of the greed of tax collectors.

There is another serious consideration. It likely would start strife between the church and state colleges of North Carolina. We had a taste of that some thirty years ago, and let us hope that it will never return. But if the state lays its strong hand upon the little resources of our church schools and thereby take away the means whereby they live they may strike back by declaring that the state schools should also retrench. War between the church schools and the state schools of North Carolina is too bad to even talk about.

Let us hope that the judgment of Judge Nettles will put an end to this unfortunate affair and that those concerned will withdraw their appeal to the supreme court.

## Four Immediate Needs

OUR Methodist people in North Carolina would do well to give attention to four urgent needs essential to our finest success just now.

1. A deep sense of devotion to our Lord Christ so as to make the dream of Christian conquest a soul-possessing goal. This inner urge has been characteristic of all men who have led in worth while achievements in the coming of the kingdom. Call the roll of Christian worthies and see how true this is.

2. There must be rigorous discipline of soul for anyone able to take up the cross and follow where he leads. Here too often the modern man falters and fails. Disciplined manhood is an essential of the day. The church certainly requires as much for our spiritual conquests as does America in men and money for a defense program.

3. A sense of partnership—of brotherhood—is essential if we are to win in this world conquest. Think of the conquest that would come in the next few weeks in our North Carolina Methodism were each pastor and each leader in every church to give himself to the work as one of a great brotherhood—each one acting as though it all depended on him and all acting as though success depended upon all. Then conquest would follow in every church community.



4. Finally, there should be the most meticulous care to employ all our agencies and every resource we have in doing our work. In war, all the agencies on land and water and in the air are employed to deal out destruction and death to the world. Should we not employ each and every agency, by day and by night, to carry the message of life and of salvation to men in our constructive efforts? Remember the words of Jesus how he said, "I came not to destroy men's lives but to save them."

### A Layman's Editorial—We Must Stay Out of War!

AND we can, if, as a nation, we follow the proposals of the Foreign Relations Committee. They are:

1. To maintain an adequate national defense, including the principle of universal service, to equalize the burdens of war. Since the beginning of its history the American Legion has advocated a defense adequate to maintain our sovereignty and to prevent the destruction of our liberties. Many of us now feel that an immediate need, in the program of expanding defense, is for a clear definition of exactly what it is that we are to defend.

2. To uphold the principles of nonintervention and noninterference, as embodied in the Monroe Doctrine. This means that we will not allow any nation in the Eastern Hemisphere to transgress upon the rights and territory of any nations in the Western Hemisphere. It means also that we of the United States will not interfere in the quarrels, conflicts, governments and affairs of the Eastern Hemisphere. We will not allow the representatives of our government, nor private individuals and groups, to involve us in the wars of the Old World.

3. We are resolved to urge continually upon the President and Congress that they make every effort to prevent our involvement in the present wars, and to co-operate with them to that end.

We believe it is possible for our leaders, including the President and our duly elected representatives in Senate and House, to follow a course that will keep us out of war unless or until we are attacked. While building our military defense, they should seek to create international friendships rather than stir strife. A strong man, well armed, does not need to hurl angry words at his neighbor.

4. We propose to demonstrate that our involvement in war is not inevitable and must not occur.

This does not mean that we should surrender one bit of our sovereignty or our rights. It does mean that we can and should use our favorable position to demonstrate that a democracy may remain strong enough to protect its citizens and keep them at peace with the nations of the world.

5. Our program calls upon us vigorously to combat propaganda (of whatever kind and from whatever source) designed to break down our neutrality.

Some men in positions of great responsibility are urging that we enter the war. Such persons do not do our country nor the cause of democracy any service by such propaganda. If we go to war, it must be to protect our own territory, our own American institutions. A war would cost us the priceless lives of our youth and countless billions of money and resources. If we plunged into war, we must surrender many of our civil liberties, many of the privileges we enjoy as peaceful citizens. The cost is too great, except to preserve those things which we may best preserve by remaining—so long as we can—at peace.

6. We hold, as our ideal, to strive for the restoration of good faith and non-aggression among men and nations, without which there can be lasting peace.

(By O. K. Armstrong, Member Foreign Relations Committee, the American Legion)

### The Deacon's Prayer

THE good deacon was wiser than he knew when he invariably prayed for his pastor that he might "be always learning and never come to a knowledge of the truth." For the man who concludes that he knows it all and that there is no further need to learn, is intellectually dead as a door nail.

The peril of the closed mind is the deadliest of all perils whether it overtakes a man in middle life or in old age. To be ever learning is the one gateway to the fountain of youth. Across that path there is no deadline. When laziness stops a man from thinking and fear prevents him from exploring new realms of truth, that man is on the way to the museum. His contentment, if he has attained such, is the contentment of the fossil.

The goal as well as the speed should be taken into account. What advantage if we move at a rate of sixty miles an hour if we have gotten nowhere at the end of the race? And even as deplorable is it to arrive somewhere, but come up empty handed and empty headed.



# North Carolina Annual Conference Assembled in Wilmington

In Fifth Avenue church, Wilmington, November 7-10, the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church held its second session. This was the one hundred and fourth session as an organized conference. Ninety-five of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and nine of the Methodist Episcopal Church before the separation in 1845. But inasmuch as the North Carolina conference was constituted organically of the South Carolina and the Virginia conferences, its Methodist life dates back to the Christmas conference in 1785—155 years ago. Although the organic life of the Methodists date back 155 years in the state, the North Carolina conference really came into being in 1836, 104 years ago. So to be historically accurate the session in Wilmington this year was the 104th, and the second session of the Methodist Church.

It is more and more evident that these two years have made fine progress in securing Methodist union. The glorious reality of this long looked for day is welcomed by all. The needed adjustments are being made in the local churches all over North Carolina and the spirit of union is contributing to new and finer conquests.

To follow in detail the recent week of the three full days and nights under the fine guidance of Bishop Clare Purcell would be tedious and devoid of general interest. Only certain outstanding features such as education, missions, layman's work, temperance world peace and ministerial assignments can be noted.

## Bishop Blake Guest Speaker

The presence of Bishop Edgar Blake of Coral Gables, Florida, was much appreciated. His sermon at Grace church Sunday morning and his ordination discourse at the closing session will long be remembered. So was his address dealing with youth.

"One of the richest chapters in the history of Methodism is the chapter the church has written in the field of education," declared Bishop Blake, who reviewed the beginning of educational movements among Methodists in the United States.

Bishop Blake recited the fact that the Methodist Church now has in its care 137 schools, colleges, and universities, or one for every 13 months of its 150-year history.

"Methodists in the United States have contributed three million a year, on the average, for education during the past 150 years. One of the great assets of Methodism today is to be found in our church schools, where about six million are enrolled in all age groups."

"The church's greatest opportunity to go forward today may be found in its youth, whose impulses and urges in childhood, the impressionable period, shapes the lives of tomorrow," the speaker said.

Bishop Blake told a capacity audience that "you can not abolish war by force, or having a large army and navy. The hope of abolishing war must begin in the hearts of young people, who must be taught the horrors of war."

## Ormond Presides

Dr. J. M. Ormond presided at the missionary anniversary. Rev. F. S. Love and Mrs. E. L. Hillman made

reports, and Dr. A. J. Walton of New York was chief speaker of the evening.

Dr. Walton, superintendent of town and rural work, division of home missions and church extension, called for a rededication of Christians to the spirit of the missionary movement, which he considered most challenging in the world of today.

Dr. Walton declared that the church was faced with the threat of becoming too self-satisfied and contented while society burns with sin that destroys.

"Does the church you belong to love the world as God loves it?" asked Dr. Walton, "or has it lost its enthusiasm for the teaching of the spirit of love of the Son of God." The need for stalwart Christian men and women in the promotion of world-wide missionary programs was cited by the speaker.

Dr. Walton said we must see ourselves as God sees us and get a better insight into our human worth in the sight of God. The speaker urged a greater enthusiasm for the kingdom of God and understanding of the truth of God's word.

## Standing by Posts

"If the mission spirit dies at home, there will no longer be missions on the foreign fields. Around the world missionaries are standing by their posts with renewed enthusiasm for the kingdom of God and an understanding that others still need to know the spirit of God. Live a vital Christian faith in your own church.

"We must have Christian love enough to carry forward our missionary programs. There is a need for more friendly and enthusiastic Christian church workers who will preach the gospel of redemptive power to all classes, wise or ignorant, poor or rich," he said.

In his closing remarks, the speaker urged the promotion of a common Christian brotherhood and friendship, and declared that it is our mission to capture more enthusiasm for world-wide Christian programs. "We must overcome sin and spread the redemptive powers of God," he said.

## Laymen's Hour One of the Best

Shortly after 11 o'clock Friday the conference proceeded with its lay activities program. Secretary F. S. Aldridge of the lay organization preceded his regular reports with an impressive tribute to the late Dr. William P. Few and offered a resolution that it be spread on the journal of the conference which was unanimously adopted.

W. K. Green, head of the lay activities, spoke on the points raised in the Aldridge report, dwelling principally on the value of Christian stewardship and Christian fellowship. On the latter he said that civic clubs have an advantage over the conference in that the members know each other by the first name and always use it in salutation. He urged his hearers to drop the handles to names and wanted to make one exception, but Bishop Purcell insisted there could be no exception with his consent. Other points touched on by Mr. Green were Christian benevolences and ministers' salaries, which he declared should be increased.



### Tribute to Dr. Few

"We live in deeds, not words—nor figures on the dial of time."

William Preston Few was one of the most outstanding and influential laymen in the Methodist Church. Possessed of rare wisdom and courageous leadership, he inspired other laymen with zeal to serve the great causes of the church. Independent in thought, he revealed in his life a happy balance of highly developed mental faculties with great moral perception and spiritual insight. He was a man of deep and uncompromising moral convictions, quick and firm in his comprehension and decisions, yet generously tolerant of the sincere opinions of others.

Dr. Few was gentle, unassuming, and modest in manner, easily winning confidence and esteem of all with whom he was associated. He was great because he was good. He was a man of clear vision and had a deep and abiding faith, based upon the eternal principles of justice and right.

Among the many and varied services which Dr. Few rendered his church was the creation of a greater interest in the place and work of its laymen. He was largely instrumental in the reorganization and development of the board of lay activities and served most effectively as chairman of the general board and as lay leader of the North Carolina conference continuously since the reorganization of the lay work in this conference. Under his wise leadership and great influence the work of the laymen and generally all the causes of the church have greatly prospered.

In recognition of these services he deservedly received the highest honors the church can confer upon its laymen, and he generously shared them with local co-laborers and the conference.

Having fought a good fight and having kept the faith, he finished his course on October 16, 1940, when a Providence kind and unerring, called him hence from works well done to the rewards provided by an atoning Christ, whom he loved and served. Rest to his ashes and peace and joy to his eternal spirit.

Therefore be it submitted by the Conference Board of Lay Activities and resolved by the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church in sessions held in Wilmington, North Carolina, November 7-11, 1940:

First, That in reverence and pride we commemorate the life and in sorrow note the passing of this friend, comrade, and great Christian leader, recording our gratitude for his fruitful life, effective works, and surviving influence.

Second, That we humbly bow in submission to this dispensation, and in faith that our earthly loss is our brother's eternal and glorious gain.

### Associate Justice Clarkson Heard

Justice Clarkson urged the capacity audience to join wholeheartedly in putting the liquor question in North Carolina to the vote of the people. "We still have people with determination that the evils of liquor shall not permeate the length and breadth of our great state," he said.

You have the right to be heard on the question of liquor in North Carolina, he said, and every effort should be made to wipe out entirely the evils of liquor that are in our very midst.

When a community prefers money to morals, Clarkson said, it is reaping a whirlwind. "Since 1935 we have

had not only the ABC stores and worst conditions prevailing than ever before in our road houses, but a spread of indecency among both adults and our young people," he said.

The speaker appealed to Christian churches throughout the state to rise up and thunder out from the pulpits against situations in the state resulting from the evils of liquor. Clarkson pointed to the fact that we have voted under the present law 25 times on the question of liquor. He remarked, "we have won 17 of these elections, and lost only eight."

The enactment of legislation by the 1941 General Assembly providing for a state-wide referendum on the liquor issue urged by Judge Clarkson in his address before the North Carolina conference, followed action taken by the conference Friday in a business session in approving a report submitted by the board of temperance and calling for the state legislature to provide for a referendum on the liquor question.

Unless we are much mistaken this is the beginning of a crusade against liquor in North Carolina. Are we going to heed the call of Judge Clarkson to organize and crusade against drink? This is to be a live issue this year

### Closing Day

Sunday at conference has become notable in Methodist traditions. Such was last Sunday at Wilmington with Bishop Blake at Grace and Bishop Purcell at Fifth Avenue. Other ministers were in some twenty more churches, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Christian, Baptist and Methodist. Then that memorial service in the afternoon and later Bishop Blake's ordination sermon in the evening. An unusually large number of young ministers took the sacred vows as deacons and elders in the church of God.

Last of all came the reading of the appointments at 10:30 assigning the men to their labors for the next twelve months. How different all this from the days of Francis Asbury! The radio and the automobile are the agencies for easy communication and rapid transportation in this last day.

The memorial service at an annual conference is usually similar to the many which have gone before. This year the mortality had been unusually heavy, the following having died: Rev. R. A. Bruton, Rev. H. T. Coley, Rev. F. E. Dixon, Rev. E. N. Harrison, Rev. J. M. Lowder, Rev. W. C. Merritt, Rev. J. M. Wright, Rev. J. B. Hurley, Mrs. J. W. Harrell, Mrs. F. B. McCall, Mrs. W. C. Robinson, and Dr. W. P. Few.

President Few was not a minister, but he was more than a preacher in his relations to the conference, being always present and taking an interest in all the work of the church. For eight ministers and such a layman to pass did much to deplete the ranks of the conference and to reduce its personnel.

The conference goes to Trinity church, Durham, next year. This next session—by vote of the body—will convene on Tuesday and close its work Friday. This is the first time in its life of a century the conference will not be in session on Sunday. It goes without saying that Trinity church and Durham will give the conference a big welcome. Everyone is much at home in the "Friendly City" where most of the preachers have gone to college. But why mention this to the North Carolina conference, since this city is to every member a longed for Mecca!



### IT CAN HAPPEN HERE

By Jacob S. Payton, Editor National Methodist Press

Capitol Hill visitors have observed workmen during these mellow autumn days erecting the inaugural stand and wooden benches before the east steps of the historic halls of our legislators. They have been puzzled to understand why it is necessary so far in advance to clutter up the place with acres of lumber which will provide seats for but an hour in January. Most curious they have been about the man who should command the nation's gaze during the coming outdoor spectacle. Then came November 5. Now everybody knows that President Roosevelt will stand before sable-robed, snowy, whiskered Chief Justice Hughes, and for the third time make his presidential vows. For him the bands will play, the cheers resound and even the muse of history will jot down a line to note the passing of the two-term tradition.

What America wants on election day it gets. That's democracy. Of course the great day of decision inflicts upon some disappointment, loss of power and defeat, but upon others it visits the spirit of jubilation, expanded influence, and a telling boost up the ladder of fame. Just what changes November 5 has brought to the House with its 258 Democrats and 167 Republicans, and to the Senate's membership of 69 to 24 in the same order, returns do not warrant predicting as this is being written. Of course already Republicans deny that it was a Democratic landslide, but it is about as unpleasant for an incumbent to be struck by a boulder running wild as to be suffocated under an avalanche.

Certain it is that boyish appearing Henry A. Wallace after January will be found in the big chair from which wintry-looking Vice President Garner for eight years when there wielded the gavel. There is a rule of the North that a traveler before leaving should lay a fire for the next man who comes down the trail. It is a beautiful custom, but is not altogether adopted here in Washington by ousted and disgruntled politicians.

Mr. Wendell L. Willkie came to his defeat at the end of about as hard fought and exhausting a campaign battle as a candidate ever waged. He never pussyfooted, straddled or detoured once as he moved towards his objective. That he has not reached the White House has not destroyed the confidence of millions of Americans in his integrity and the issues he championed.

### OLD SAWS IN RHYME

Actions speak louder than words ever do;  
You can't eat your cake and hold on to it, too.  
When the cat is away, then the mice play;  
Where there is a will there is always a way.  
There's no use crying o'er milk that is spilt;  
No accuser is needed by conscience of guilt.  
There must be some fire wherever is smoke;  
The pitcher goes off to the well till it's broke.  
By rogues falling out honest men get their due;  
Whoever it fits, he must put on the shoe.  
All work and no play will make Jack a dull boy;  
There ne'er was a pleasure without its alloy.  
A half-loaf is better than no bread at all;  
And pride always goeth before a sad fall.  
Fast bind and fast find, have two strings to your bow;  
Contentment is better than riches, we know.  
The devil finds work for hands idle to do;

A miss is as good as a mile is to you.

A man by his company always is known;

Who lives in a glass house should not throw a stone.

Speech may be silver, but silence is gold;

There's never a fool like the fool who is old.

—Author unknown.

### MY PASTOR AND I

By Edward W. Allinger

My Pastor:

My pastor should keep himself physically fit for the service which often demands great stamina; and for the sake of appearance so that he may attract the best in other men.

He should dress neatly and comfortably at all times, and in a manner befitting his calling.

He should be friendly and courteous to all alike with a genuineness of heart and manner that reflects before all a true Christian soul.

He should so regulate his personal and household affairs and his family life that together they will be an example of Christian living to those in his community.

He should improve his mental equipment constantly and keep himself properly informed on life in his community, state, and nation so that he may better know the struggles of those whom he serves.

He should not intrude himself too much into the civic activities of his community, but should strive to be a guiding spirit in developing the proper thought-trend to the end that Christian ideals will make themselves felt through those under his influence.

He should develop a practical plan of religious training among the children and young people of his church that will bear fruit for the kingdom of God in his community.

He should be a man of prayer. He should be able to lead in prayer so that others can feel the depth of his spiritual experience, and may come away from his presence feeling they have gained spiritually.

I, a Layman:

I should be prepared physically and mentally to assist my pastor in whatever capacity I may be of assistance to him whenever he asks me.

I should support my pastor and church financially to the best of my ability.

I should not criticize my pastor unjustly or in any way be a hindrance to him.

I should feel free to talk with him of any difference of opinion at a time and in a manner compatible with Christian duty and conduct.

I should invite him to my home so that he may learn to know me and my family and be known by us.

I should support him by my presence and my prayers at all worship services.

I should invite others to join in Christian fellowship and help make them feel at home in the church.

I should develop in my family a desire for the highest ideals of Christian living and a deep sense of obligation to God and his kingdom through service in the church.

I should so develop spiritually, through private and public prayer, that my pastor may feel in me a help and support, inspiring him to greater achievement in spiritual leadership.

Note: Mr. Allinger is a Methodist layman of Lakewood, O.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

Bishop Purcell has consented to the following appointments in the Asheville district: Barnardsville, Rev. A. B. Dennis, supply; Saluda, Rev. D. L. Earnhardt, supply.—M. T. Smathers, D.S.

The parsonage of the Pleasant Garden charge, south of Greensboro, was burned last Tuesday night. A store near by took fire and from this the parsonage caught. Fortunately there was insurance on the parsonage. Most of the furnishings were saved. The plan is to rebuild as soon as possible.

**Please announce that pursuant to a resolution of the annual conference the cabinet has appointed Hon. J. A. Bell of Charlotte, Hon. J. Frank Spruell of Lexington, Hon. Zeb F. Curtis of Asheville, Rev. R. M. Andrews, D.D., of Greensboro, and Rev. John Hoyle, Jr., of Lexington as the annual conference committee on appeals.—M. T. Smathers, Secretary to the Cabinet.**

A cablegram from Delhi, India, announces the arrival in that city on October 22 of the Rev. and Mrs. Wood Knight Whetstone, new missionaries assigned by the Board of Missions and Church Extension for educational and evangelistic work in India. The Whetstones are both natives of Alabama. Mr. Whetstone is a graduate of Birmingham Southern College, Duke University School of Religion, and Boston University School of Theology. Mrs. Whetstone prepared at Birmingham Southern College and at Scarritt College.

"I cannot get away from the fact that human suffering abroad, at this very moment, is literally beyond description," said Bishop Herbert Welch, chairman of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief in a recent address in New York City. Millions of innocent war victims are stretching out appealing hands to us. Through no fault of theirs, their homes and harvests and businesses are destroyed, their families are scattered. Disease and despair will stalk almost unopposed during these coming winter months. Men, women and children will starve."

The ministers' wives of the Gastonia district met on the morning of November 4 in the Cherryville Methodist church. The following officers were elected for the year: President, Mrs. C. E. Rozzelle; vice president, Mrs. E. M. Jones; recording secretary, Mrs. Fred H. Shinn; corresponding secretary and treasurer, Mrs. E. W. Needham; social relations, Mrs. G. B. Clemmer. Mrs. C. E. Rozzelle presided at the meeting. Interesting reports on last year's work were given and aims for this year were discussed.—Mrs. E. W. Needham.

The people of Farmer charge have witnessed the parting of good friends in the leaving of Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Howard and children, who have served this charge for the past two years with record breaking results. Rev. Mr. Howard served nine churches and never left anything undone. In their places the charge is welcoming the new pastor, Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Ervin and son. We feel that the Erlanger people are very fortunate and at the same time feel that we too are fortunate, and we are going to co-operate and carry on for the good of all.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Waynesville district had its first meeting of the new year at Waynesville Methodist church November 4, and officers were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Odell Brown, Jonathan charge; vice president, Mrs. A. J. Clemmer, Hayesville; recording secretary, Mrs. H. D. Garmon, Robbinsville; corresponding secretary and treasurer, Mrs. J. S. Higgins, Highlands. We regret very much the absence of some of the faces we saw last year, but we are glad to welcome new ones to take their places.—Mrs. J. S. Higgins, Cor. Sec.

Rev. C. M. Dunaway, general evangelist of Atlanta, Ga., is conducting a two weeks' revival at Oakview Methodist church near High Point. He is bringing great messages daily at 10 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Services will continue through November 24. Pray for us. All who can, come and be with us.—J. W. Groce, Pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Hall were guests of honor at a three-course luncheon Tuesday at 12 o'clock, when Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Simmons were hosts to Rev. and Mrs. Hall and 12 members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service as additional guests. Immediately following the luncheon a week of prayer service was held, and running true to custom the Kenly society came across with a good collection for Scarritt College.

Rev. Frank Q. Echols, pastor of the church at Royston for the last two years and member of the North Georgia conference for the last 12 years, has been appointed by Bishop Arthur J. Moore to the general managership of the Wesleyan Christian Advocate, succeeding Charles A. Britton, Jr., manager of the paper since December 1, 1936. The appointment was made by Bishop Moore at the unanimous request of the board of trustees of the paper.

Enoch Stamey Elliott, 34, died early Sunday morning at Guilford County Sanatorium. He had been a patient sufferer from the great white plague for nearly two years. Everything possible was done to combat the malady, but all in vain. Besides his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Elliott, 715 Broad Avenue, Greensboro, he leaves his widow, who was Miss Pauline Hunter of Turkey, Sampson county; two brothers, V. S. Elliott, Charleston, S. C., Geo. H. Elliott, Greensboro; a sister, Mrs. J. W. Smith, Greensboro, and many other relatives and friends. He had been a member of Centenary Methodist church, this city, from his youth. His pastor conducted the funeral Monday afternoon at Hanes Funeral Home. He was buried at Green Hill cemetery.

A series of Bible lectures to be given November 11-15 by Rev. C. E. Rozzelle, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, Gastonia, began Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock in Central Methodist church, Kings Mountain. Mr. Rozzelle's first lecture was entitled "The Romance of a Book." On Tuesday evening at the same hour he spoke on "The Old Testament and Its Meaning for Today." The Wednesday evening lecture was on "The Message of the New Testament." "An Old Book and a New Age" is the topic for Thursday evening, and on Friday evening the series of lectures will close with "Why Study Your Bible." The Daughters of Wesley class of Central Methodist church, Kings Mountain, is sponsoring these lectures, which are open to the public, in behalf of the community.

On November 3 our first quarterly conference for the new year was held. Our district superintendent preached a fine sermon and held one of the best and best attended quarterly conferences we have had. The pastor's salary was increased to \$2000 for this year—\$300 over last year and \$500 over the year before. This made all feel mighty good, especially this scribe and his family and the D. S. We have received one of the warmest welcomes ever back to Andrews for our third year. The people have greatly endeared themselves to us, and in this fine friendship, fellowship and co-operation we confidently expect a great and good year. The opportunity and challenge are thrilling. We launched into our third year here with as much thrill as any pastor going to a new charge or any D. S. going to his new task. No one is more rejoiced as he faces the new year than pastor and people at Andrews. We are not afraid to venture; we move out and onward optimistically toward greater things ahead.—G. N. Dulin.



# North Carolina Conference Appointments

## DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, District Superintendent

|                                          |                                                          |
|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Alamance Circuit                         | G. L. Reynolds                                           |
| Bahama                                   | M. C. Dunn                                               |
| Brooksdale                               | D. A. Petty                                              |
| Burlington—Davis Street                  | F. W. Paschall                                           |
| Front Street                             | F. S. Love                                               |
| Webb Avenue-Fountain Place               | C. J. Andrews                                            |
| West Burlington                          | L. L. Parrish                                            |
| Burlington Circuit                       | N. C. Ellerbee                                           |
| Bynum                                    | K. F. Duval                                              |
| Carrboro                                 | V. E. Queen                                              |
| Cedar Grove                              | J. C. Williams                                           |
| Chapel Hill                              | J. M. Culbreth                                           |
| Duke Circuit                             | H. R. Simpson                                            |
| Durham—Branson                           | John Cline                                               |
| Calvary                                  | D. E. Earnhardt                                          |
| Carr                                     | C. P. Womack                                             |
| Duke Memorial                            | H. C. Smith                                              |
| Lake wood                                | W. K. Barrs                                              |
| Trinity                                  | G. W. Perry                                              |
| West Durham                              | W. L. Clegg                                              |
| Durham Circuit                           | S. J. Starnes                                            |
| Eno                                      | W. J. Neese                                              |
| Glen Raven-Haw River                     | J. F. Coble                                              |
| Graham                                   | J. R. Edwards                                            |
| Hillsboro                                | S. F. Nicks                                              |
| Leasburg                                 | F. A. Lupton                                             |
| Mebane—Central                           | W. T. Phipps                                             |
| First Church                             | C. L. Spencer                                            |
| Milton                                   | F. M. Patterson                                          |
| Mt. Hermon Circuit                       | R. L. Hethcox                                            |
| Mt. Tirzah                               | E. L. Hill                                               |
| Orange Circuit                           | C. P. Morris                                             |
| Person Circuit                           | F. B. Peele                                              |
| Pittsboro Circuit                        | R. Z. Newton                                             |
| Rougemont                                | Kermit Wheeler                                           |
| Roxboro—Long Memorial                    | W. C. Martin                                             |
| Roxboro Circuit                          | T. M. Vick, Jr.                                          |
| Saxapahaw                                | M. C. Henderson                                          |
| Sweptonsville                            | T. B. Hough                                              |
| Yanceyville                              | J. V. Early                                              |
| Professors in Duke University:           | H. E. Spence, J. M. Ormond,                              |
|                                          | H. E. Myers, F. S. Hickman.                              |
| Professor in Emory University            | John D. Lee, Jr.                                         |
| Editor North Carolina Christian Advocate | M. T. Plyler                                             |
| Conference Secretary of Education        | R. W. Bradshaw                                           |
| Missionary to India                      | J. F. Minnis                                             |
| Conference Missionary Secretary          | F. S. Love                                               |
| Bible Teacher Burlington Public Schools  | W. G. McLeod                                             |
| District Missionary Secretary            | M. C. Dunn                                               |
| Superannuates:                           | L. S. Massey, N. H. D. Wilson, T. S. Coble,              |
|                                          | W. F. Craven, J. H. McCracken, H. E. Lance, J. W. Hoyle, |
|                                          | Sr., J. H. Shore, C. L. Reed, H. C. Ewing, J. A. Thorpe, |
|                                          | W. C. Jones.                                             |
| Supernumerary                            | W. M. Loy                                                |

## ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, District Superintendent

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|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Ahoskie                  | A. L. Thompson       |
| Aulander                 | John R. Poe          |
| Bath                     | E. R. Bromley        |
| Belhaven                 | D. I. Garner         |
| Chowan                   | J. T. Stanford       |
| Columbia                 | A. L. Chaplin        |
| Creswell                 | R. N. Fitts          |
| Currituck                | M. E. Cotton, Supply |
| Edenton                  | W. C. Benson         |
| Elizabeth City—City Road | L. B. Jones          |
| First Church             | H. L. Hendricks      |
| Gatesville               | J. M. Jolliff        |
| Hatteras                 | A. J. McClland       |
| Hertford                 | R. F. Munns          |
| Kinnakeet                | J. D. A. Autry       |
| Kitty Hawk               | J. C. Harmon         |
| Manteo                   | N. W. Maness         |
| Mattamuskeet             | J. R. Regan, Supply  |
| Moyock-Pilmoor Memorial  | L. T. Singleton      |
| Murfreesboro             | C. E. Vale           |
| North Gates              | T. J. Whitehead      |
| Pasquotank               | W. J. Watson         |
| Perquimans               | J. D. Cranford       |
| Plymouth                 | O. L. Hardwick       |
| Roper                    | M. R. Gardner        |
| South Camden             | C. K. Wright         |
| South Mills              | W. N. Vaughn         |
| Stumpy Point-Dare        | V. A. Lewis          |
| Swan Quarter-Fairfield   | E. G. Cowan          |

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| Wanchese                         | J. W. Sneed               |
| Washington                       | D. A. Clarke              |
| Williamston                      | B. T. Hurley              |
| Windsor                          | H. F. Surratt             |
| President Scarritt College       | J. L. Cuninggim           |
| Business Manager Tayloe Hospital | M. O. Fletcher            |
| Missionary to Korea              | R. H. Lewis               |
| District Missionary Secretary    | J. R. Poe                 |
| Superannuates:                   | E. L. Stack, R. R. Grant. |

## FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, District Superintendent

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Aberdeen-Vass                 | S. A. Maxwell                                               |
| Biscoe                        | H. R. Ashmore                                               |
| Broadway                      | J. W. Page                                                  |
| Caledonia                     | M. F. Hodges                                                |
| Carthage                      | W. G. Farrar                                                |
| Ellerbe                       | J. D. Young                                                 |
| Fayetteville—Hay Street       | R. E. Brown                                                 |
| Johnson Memorial              | W. E. Smith, Supply                                         |
| Person Street-Calvary         | M. W. Warren                                                |
| Fayetteville Circuit          | E. G. Overton                                               |
| Glendon                       | R. W. Barfield, Supply                                      |
| Goldston                      | W. J. Underwood                                             |
| Hamlet                        | J. H. Lanning                                               |
| Hemp                          | J. D. Robinson                                              |
| Jonesboro                     | D. L. Fouts                                                 |
| Laurel Hill                   | E. H. Measamer                                              |
| Laurinburg                    | H. K. King                                                  |
| Maxton                        | T. R. Jenkins                                               |
| Mt. Gilead                    | M. W. Lawrence                                              |
| Mt. Gilead Circuit            | N. B. Strickland                                            |
| Parkton                       | A. E. Brown                                                 |
| Pinebluff                     | W. A. Parsons                                               |
| Raeford                       | E. C. Crawford                                              |
| Red Springs                   | H. G. Ruark                                                 |
| Roberdel                      | F. B. Brandenberg                                           |
| Rockingham                    | J. H. Barnhardt                                             |
| Rockingham Circuit            | J. W. Dimmette                                              |
| Rowland                       | W. C. Wilson                                                |
| St. John-Gibson               | W. F. Keeler                                                |
| Sanford                       | A. P. Brantley                                              |
| Siler City                    | C. B. Culbreth                                              |
| Siler City Circuit            | B. F. Meacham                                               |
| Stedman                       | I. J. Strawbridge                                           |
| Troy                          | O. P. Fitzgerald                                            |
| Troy Circuit                  | Lee D. Rustin, Supply                                       |
| West End                      | A. C. Thompson                                              |
| Chaplain in U. S. Army        | Harry C. Fraser                                             |
| District Missionary Secretary | T. R. Jenkins                                               |
| Superannuates:                | L. H. Joyner, G. T. Adams, A. J. Groves, W.                 |
|                               | H. Townsend, J. G. Johnson, C. H. Caviness, J. D. Bundy,    |
|                               | F. B. Noblitt, J. W. Autry, R. E. Atkinson, G. H. Biggs, W. |
|                               | H. Brown, W. F. Trawick, W. R. Royall, J. P. Bross, J. H.   |
|                               | Buffaloe, Frank Culbreth, W. L. Dawson, J. C. Humble.       |

## NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, District Superintendent

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|----------------------------|------------------|
| Atlantic                   | L. D. Hayman     |
| Aurora                     | G. S. Eubank     |
| Ayden                      | L. A. Tilley     |
| Beaufort                   | W. S. Potter     |
| Dover                      | H. L. Harrell    |
| Fremont                    | C. W. Robbins    |
| Goldsboro—St. Paul         | W. A. Cade       |
| Goldsboro Circuit          | W. R. Stevens    |
| Greenville—Jarvis Memorial | T. M. Grant      |
| Grifton                    | E. N. Hall       |
| Grimesland                 | W. A. Crow       |
| Hookerton                  | J. H. Miller     |
| Jones                      | W. G. Lowe       |
| Kinston—Queen Street       | W. C. Ball       |
| LaGrange                   | C. E. Hicks, Jr. |
| Marshallburg               | L. E. Sawyer     |
| Morehead City              | T. G. Vickers    |
| Morehead Circuit           | M. O. Stephenson |
| Mt. Olive-Calypso          | R. G. Dawson     |
| Mt. Olive Circuit          | J. L. Joyce      |
| New Bern—Centenary         | Leon Russell     |
| Newport                    | C. S. Boggs      |
| Ocracoke-Portsmouth        | W. H. Brady      |
| Oriental                   | J. K. Ormond     |
| Pamlico                    | H. H. Cash       |
| Pikeville-Elm Street       | C. W. Guthrie    |
| Pink Hill                  | R. E. Walston    |
| Riverside-Bridgeton        | E. W. Downum     |
| Seven Eprings              | W. E. Howard     |



Snow Hill ..... B. O. Merritt  
Straits-Harker's Island ..... C. B. Harris  
Vanceboro ..... H. B. Lewis  
District Missionary Secretary ..... Leon Russell  
Superannuates: Guy Hamilton, T. E. Davis, T. A. Sikes, N. M. McDonald.

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, District Superintendent

Bailey ..... W. L. Loy  
Benson ..... H. A. Chester  
Cary-Apex ..... H. B. Baum  
Clayton ..... P. O. Lee  
Creedmoor ..... E. B. Craven  
Dunn-Divine Street ..... O. W. Dowd  
Edwin ..... I. S. Richmond  
Four Oaks ..... J. T. Greene  
Franklinton ..... S. E. Mercer  
Fuquay ..... R. G. L. Edwards  
Garner ..... D. D. Traynham  
Granville ..... J. P. Pegg  
Henderson—First Church ..... B. C. Reavis  
Director of Education ..... To be supplied  
City Road-White Memorial ..... J. K. Worthington, Supply  
Lillington ..... R. L. Crossno  
Louisburg ..... F. D. Hedden  
Louisburg Circuit ..... R. H. Nicholson, Supply  
Mamers ..... F. R. Davis  
Millbrook ..... M. M. Walters  
Moncure ..... O. W. Mathison  
Newton Grove ..... W. B. Cotton  
Oxford ..... C. F. Heath  
Oxford Circuit ..... L. C. Brothers  
Princeton ..... J. W. Bradley  
Raleigh—Edenton Street ..... John C. Glenn  
Director of Education ..... J. H. Overton, Jr.  
Fairmont ..... H. M. McLamb  
Hayes-Barton ..... E. D. Weathers  
Jenkins Memorial ..... W. B. Penny  
Person Street ..... D. M. Sharpe  
Selma ..... O. L. Hathaway  
Smithfield ..... J. J. Boone  
Stem ..... H. L. Rogers  
Tar River ..... J. A. Martin  
Vance Circuit ..... J. F. Starnes  
Zebulon-Wendell ..... B. F. Boone  
President Louisburg College ..... Walter Patten  
Louisburg College Public Relations Secretary—W. R. Dixon  
Superintendent Methodist Orphanage ..... A. S. Barnes  
Superintendent Oxford Orphanage ..... C. K. Proctor  
Religious Director State Prison System ..... L. A. Watts  
Chaplain in U. S. Army ..... L. M. Hall  
District Missionary Secretary ..... E. D. Weathers  
Missionary to Japan ..... J. D. Stott  
Superannuates: E. H. Davis, H. N. Jackson, C. P. Jerome, E. H. McWhorter, J. W. Potter, F. M. Shamberger, P. H. Woodall, N. B. Johnson, J. A. Dailey.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, District Superintendent

Bethel ..... J. G. Phillips  
Conway ..... J. L. Smith  
Elm City ..... W. N. Howard, Jr.  
Enfield ..... B. D. Critcher  
Farmville ..... Marvin Y. Self  
Halifax ..... O. I. Hinson  
West Halifax ..... W. F. Elliott  
Kenley ..... G. B. Starling  
Littleton ..... H. L. Davis  
Littleton Circuit ..... D. D. Broome  
McKendree ..... L. B. Pattichall  
Middleburg ..... T. W. Lee  
Nashville ..... E. B. Clegg  
Norlina ..... E. D. Dodd  
Northampton ..... W. L. Maness  
Rich Square ..... P. F. Newton  
Roanoke Rapids ..... Daniel Lane  
Robersonville ..... Daniel Boone, Supply  
Rocky Mount—Clark Street ..... R. E. L. Moser  
First Church ..... E. L. Hillman  
Marvin ..... N. W. Grant  
St. Paul ..... C. P. Parker  
Rosemary ..... P. H. Fields  
Sandy Cross ..... C. B. Peacock, Supply  
Scotland Neck ..... A. C. Lee  
Seaboard ..... J. B. Hurley  
Spring Church-Garysburg ..... J. E. Garlington  
Spring Hope ..... G. W. Blount  
Stantonsburg ..... C. W. Goldston  
Tarboro ..... E. C. Durham  
Walstonburg ..... Key W. Taylor  
Warren ..... E. R. Shuller  
Warrenton ..... J. O. Long  
Weldon ..... B. P. Robinson  
Whitakers ..... A. N. Williams

Wilson ..... H. B. Porter  
Missionary to Japan ..... J. W. Frank  
Secretary Y. M. C. A. Work ..... C. D. Nelson  
District Missionary Secretary ..... C. W. Goldston  
Superannuates: E. C. Glenn, J. T. Gibbs, William Towe, J. M. Rhodes, J. T. Draper, B. H. Black.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, District Superintendent

Bladen ..... R. L. Vickery  
Burgaw ..... W. F. Walters  
Carver's Creek ..... A. M. Smith  
Chadbourn ..... E. C. Maness  
Clinton ..... B. H. Houston  
Elizabeth ..... C. W. Barbee  
Fairmont ..... F. B. Joyner  
Faison-Kenansville ..... J. W. Lineberger  
Garland ..... O. C. Melton  
Hallsboro ..... C. B. Long  
Jacksonville-Richlands ..... I. T. Poole  
Lumberton-Chestnut Street ..... E. B. Fisher  
Lumberton Circuit ..... McD. McLamb  
Maysville ..... H. L. Harris  
Pembroke-Parish (Indian Work) ..... D. F. Lowry  
Associate ..... J. W. Smith, Supply  
Roseboro ..... C. S. Hubbard  
Scott's Hill ..... C. O. Plyler  
Shallotte ..... J. C. Whedbee  
Southport ..... R. S. Harrison  
St. Pauls ..... C. A. Jones  
Swansboro ..... G. C. Woods, Supply  
Tabor City ..... N. P. Edens  
Town Creek ..... Walter Pavy  
Wallace-Rosehill ..... C. T. Rogers  
Warsaw-Magnolia ..... C. T. Thrift  
Whiteville ..... L. V. Harris  
Wilmington—Epworth ..... C. N. Phillips  
Fifth Avenue ..... C. D. Barclift  
Grace ..... J. F. Herbert  
Trinity ..... R. L. Jerome  
Wesley Memorial ..... W. A. Tew  
Assistant Director of Leadership Education, General Board of Education ..... M. E. Cunningham  
District Missionary Secretary ..... C. W. Barbee  
Superannuates: J. F. Usry, J. W. Harrell, F. R. Lowery,

Transfers to other conferences:  
Thomas M. Merrimon, a Deacon, class of third year, to the South Carolina conference.  
Wade Johnson, an Elder; and Sulon G. Ferree, an Elder, to the Western North Carolina conference.  
M. H. Bloodworth, class of the first year, to the Virginia conference.  
Transfers from other conferences:  
H. H. Cash, an Elder, from the Western North Carolina conference.

CHANGES IN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

Fayetteville District

Take Bynum and Pittsboro charges and place them in the Durham district.

Raleigh District

Take Mt. Tirzah and Rougemont charges and place them in the Durham district.

Wilmington District

Take the Rowland charge from the Wilmington district and place them in the Fayetteville district.

CHANGES IN CHARGE BOUNDARIES

Durham District

Take Glencoe church from the Burlington circuit and add it to the Cedar Grove charge.  
Take Fairview church from the Glen Raven charge and add it to the Burlington circuit.  
From the Webb-Holt's charge take Holt's Chapel and place it with the Glen Raven charge, changing the name to Glen Raven-Haw River charge.  
Take Fountain Place church and add it to Webb Avenue to form the Webb Avenue-Fountain Place charge.  
Dissolve the Chatham circuit. Add Flint church to the Alamance circuit. Place Hickory Grove and Zion churches with the Siler City circuit in the Fayetteville district.

Elizabeth City District

Take Jamesville and Siloam churches from the Plymouth charge and place them with the Roper charge. Make the Plymouth charge a station.  
Take the former Creswell Methodist Church, South, from the Roper charge and merge it with the former Creswell Methodist Protestant church to form the Creswell



Methodist church. (This merger has been effected according to disciplinary requirements).

Reopen the former Methodist Episcopal church of Hatteras and add it to the Hatteras charge.

#### Fayetteville District

Unite the membership and property of the former Methodist Protestant church of Rockingham with the Pee Dee Methodist church of the Rockingham circuit.

Take Beaver Dam church from the Roberdel charge and place it with the Pinebluff charge.

Take Ophir and Zoar churches from Mt. Gilead circuit and place them with the Troy circuit.

Combine Zoar and New Bethany churches of the Troy circuit and form the Uwharrie charge.

Take Parson's Grove church from the Troy circuit and place it with the Mt. Gilead circuit.

#### New Bern District

Take Bethel church from the Snow Hill charge and place with the LaGrange charge.

Discontinue Lee's church on the Pink Hill charge and place the property in the hands of the Pink Hill quarterly conference.

Discontinue services at Smith's Chapel on the Pink Hill charge.

#### Raleigh District

Take Calvary church from Clayton church and place it with the Millbrook circuit.

#### Rocky Mount District

Combine Spring Church circuit and Garysburg charge to form the Spring Church-Garysburg charge.

Take New Hope church from the Rosemary charge and place it with the Littleton charge.

Take Smith church from the Rosemary charge and place it with the Halifax charge.

Take Tabor church from the Halifax charge and place it with the Littleton circuit.

Discontinue Caledonia church on the Halifax charge and transfer the membership to the Halifax church.

#### Wilmington District

Discontinue Union church on the Shallotte charge and place the property under the quarterly conference of that charge.

Discontinue the Delco church on the Town Creek charge and place the property under the quarterly conference of the Carver's Creek charge.

### REPORT OF COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE OF N. C. CONFERENCE

We recommend:

1. The distribution of the General Administrative Fund of \$2,878 to the several districts as follows:

|                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Durham .....         | \$ 479.00 |
| Elizabeth City ..... | 316.00    |
| Fayetteville .....   | 434.00    |
| New Bern .....       | 386.00    |
| Raleigh .....        | 453.00    |
| Rocky Mount .....    | 444.00    |
| Wilmington .....     | 366.00    |

Total ..... 2878.00

Approximating .68 of one per cent of total pastors' salaries.

2. That the appropriation for General Conference Work total ..... \$169,862

3. That the following net amount be deducted from above total before division: For conference expense ..... 4,200

4. That the apportionment on the balance .... 165,662 be divided as follows:

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| For World Service Fund 55.7% ..... | \$ 92,284 |
| For Conference Work 44.3% .....    | 73,378    |

5. That the following apportionments be made:

|                                              |        |
|----------------------------------------------|--------|
| (1) For Education .....                      | 35,388 |
| (2) For Missions and Church Extension .....  | 33,306 |
| (3) For Board of Lay Activities .....        | 1,250  |
| (4) For Council of Churches .....            | 208    |
| (5) For Wesley Foundation .....              | 2,186  |
| (6) For Student Work—Eastern Car. T. C. .... | 1,040  |

be paid to Mrs. J. C. Wooten, chairman Student Fund Commission.

6. That the askings from the districts for World Service and Conference Work be:

|                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Durham .....         | \$ 28,230 |
| Elizabeth City ..... | 18,630    |
| Fayetteville .....   | 25,584    |

|                   |        |
|-------------------|--------|
| New Bern .....    | 22,753 |
| Raleigh .....     | 26,700 |
| Rocky Mount ..... | 26,350 |
| Wilmington .....  | 21,615 |

Total ..... 169,862

Approximating 40.02% of total pastors' salaries.

7. That the percentage for distribution of the funds for the various causes be:

|                                          |        |
|------------------------------------------|--------|
| For Education .....                      | 48.23% |
| For Missions and Church Extension .....  | 45.39% |
| For Board of Lay Activities .....        | 1.7 %  |
| For Wesley Foundation .....              | 2.98%  |
| For Council of Churches .....            | .28%   |
| For Student Work Eastern Car. T. C. .... | 1.42%  |

Total ..... 100.00%

8. That Mr. C. A. Dillon be re-elected conference treasurer for the quadrennium subject to the limitations set forth in Methodist Discipline, paragraph 838, 1940 edition.

9. That the bond for the conference treasurer to the amount of \$50,000 and the bond for the treasurer of each board be renewed in blanket form as has been required in previous years, the treasurer of each board to pay their pro rata share of the cost.

10. That the blanket bond be kept by the secretary of the commission.

Mention is made that the General Conference apportioned to each charge for the Episcopal Fund an amount equal to 2¼% of the pastor's salary paid. This sum to be remitted regularly to the conference treasurer.

As to the askings in behalf of College Place church, it being a church debt, we believe it a matter that should be handled by the Board of Missions and Church Extension.

M. J. Cowell was elected secretary for the quadrennium.

John F. Bruton, President.

F. S. Aldridge, Secretary.

### THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

By A. G. Dixon

There is no need for me to write much this year. So I'll try to be like the good people of the Friends Church and write when the spirit moves me. But this time I am writing from my bed and have just two points of business.

First: Both conferences are over now and pastors are appointed to their new charges. And this Children's Home is working under entirely new plans. So former Methodist Protestants in the North Carolina conference will please send all money raised for the support of dependent children to Dr. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh. And those in the Western North Carolina conference will please send to Mr. O. V. Woosley, superintendent of the Children's Home, Winston-Salem. This will save them and us extra work. This home will be supported through the office of the home in Winston-Salem.

Second: Last spring and summer we sent out into both conferences about 2000 empty half-gallon glass jars with the promise that they would be filled with fruits and vegetables. We sent to Fallston last Saturday and brought home 180 full cans from Cleveland charge and 60 cans from Fallston. Orange charge will be ready for us in a few days, and one church on Saxapahaw charge is ready now. Other charges will please let me know at once.

### GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Greensboro College was well represented at the bi-annual North Carolina Collegiate Press Association conference which was held in Durham at the Washington Duke Hotel last Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with Duke University as host. Among those girls attending the conference were Misses Carolyn Stansel, Maxton; Evelyn Webb, Pine- tops; Anne Worth, Jefferson; Mary Lily Watlington, Ruffin; Sallye Wilson, Yanceyville; Etta Farrar Taylor, Greensboro; Velda Mecum, Walkertown; and Shirley Bailey, Asheville.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religious education, and Miss Kitty Wilson, president of the young people's organization in the North Carolina conference, attended its session in Wilmington last week.

Dr. Gobbel and Miss Letha Brock, registrar at the college, attended the North Carolina Educational conference at the Washington Duke Hotel in Durham last Wednesday afternoon. Miss Brock also attended the North Carolina Association of Collegiate Registrars at the hotel during the morning.

### DURHAM DISTRICT NOTICE

The district stewards and pastors will meet at Duke Memorial church at 10 o'clock in the morning, Friday, November 21.

A. J. Hobbs, D.S.



### TRIBUTE TO REV. E. N. HARRISON

"Angels of glory, angels of light,  
Singing to welcome the pilgrim of the night."

The North Carolina conference will convene in a few days. Rev. E. N. Harrison will not answer the roll call there, for he has answered the roll call in heaven. He passed away in Tayloe Hospital in Washington, N. C., where he had been only a few days, on October 22, 1940, almost at the beginning of a new day.

With his devoted companion, his only sister, and other loved ones, his many friends and acquaintances in eastern North Carolina, many of whom he has so faithfully served and loved so well, with tear-dimmed eyes are bowed in grief because his sweet and gentle spirit is with us no more.

A man of stalwart frame and of fine physique—not old, not young—we would have thought to have him with us for many years of useful service. But not so. We neither question nor murmur, we only bow in submission and wait in trust.

Measured in terms of eloquence, Norman Harrison would not be classed as one of our greatest preachers. But all who knew him were impressed with his unusual piety. His pure life was his greatest sermon. During his entire ministry there can be no shadow of suspicion resting on his record. Catching in his spirit the beauty of his Lord and his kingdom, it was reflected in countenance and in his life as he walked among men from day to day. In his presence people felt uplifted because in his conversation there were no harsh criticism, no unkind remarks, no discordant notes.

Upon his heart he carried his people; they had his every care and consideration, and every pastorate was a successful one. By his magnetism he drew people to him and he was loved by his people as a pastor is rarely loved even after his services among them had ended. By the writer his prayers will long be remembered, for in his petitions he seemed to be very near to the heart of God and to draw his listeners to the very threshold of heaven and there let them linger for a while.

Many of us who have known and loved Norman Harrison through the years now have our faces turned toward the western horizon. Soon we, too, will cross the mystic river and there we know we shall find him in the mansion he so beautifully builded while here on earth.

Sallie Benson Petway.

### ARTHUR F. STROUD DIED NOVEMBER 7 IN DUKE HOSPITAL, DURHAM

Arthur F. Stroud, 71, of the White Cross section, about nine miles west of Chapel Hill, died at Watts Hospital, Durham, Friday, November 7.

Mr. Stroud, a well known farmer, had taken a colored man, farm laborer, to a Durham hospital, and was reported to have fallen in the hospital, fracturing his skull.

Mr. Stroud was a son of the late Johnston and Adeline Quackenbush Stroud, of Orange county, and a nephew of the late William G. Quackenbush, a noted educator of the Bingham School and later of the William G. Quackenbush School of Laurinburg.

He was highly esteemed as a citizen of Christian integrity and of benevolent spirit, having aided several young men in securing an education, including two youths from the Oxford Masonic Orphanage.

Mr. Stroud was unmarried, his survivors including a number of cousins. The funeral was held Friday afternoon, November 8, at Clover Garden Methodist church, of which he was a member, located in the vicinity of the home of the

deceased. The service was conducted by Rev. Samuel B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College, assisted by Rev. Charles M. Roberson, pastor of the Baptist church, Thaxton, Virginia, and Rev. Edgar P. Roberson, pastor of the Baptist church, Goshen, Virginia, all cousins of the deceased. Interment was in the church cemetery.

### OBJECTIVES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

(Continued from page 2)

task committed to our hands. To this end we urge the enthusiastic support, and ready co-operation of every district superintendent, minister, and lay leader in helping the Conference Board of Lay Activities to create an active working force in each local church. These plans are definitely set out in report of the Board of Lay Activities.

#### Benevolences

Let no man interpret our plan of voluntary acceptance of the benevolences to mean that the support of the benevolences is optional. It is really a matter of fine privilege and high responsibility. We must translate our love of Christ and our brotherly affection into a more costly sharing of our material possessions. The gap between the askings and the acceptances must be closed. Our peril is right here. There is no significant forward movement possible in our church until we lift the level of our benevolent giving. Our benevolences will suffer until we make the causes represented therein so alive that churches now accepting far less than the askings will steadily increase their needed support.

#### Recommendation

We recommend that during the first year or two years of the quadrennium the cabinet, in co-operation with proper boards and committees, undertake studies of selected churches with a view to strengthening these churches so as to provide more pastoral appointments and to make possible more intensive cultivation of the people in these areas. On this basis of this study, we suggest that definite experiments in this direction be undertaken during the quadrennium.

In this connection we recommend further that during the coming quadrennium the conference work definitely toward the objective of lessening the differential between support of preachers and services to churches in the rural areas. This committee and others may from time to time recommend specific steps in this direction.

The foregoing objectives fixed for our Methodism in this conference are presented for your approval. They call for prayer, faith, patience, loyalty and honest work. Devotion to our Christ and heroic courage will mean a better day for evangelism, education, missions, benevolences, debt-paying and spiritual conquests in all our efforts to bring men to God by this co-ordination of every agency of our Methodism. Only men and women who have been with Christ in the dark; have felt their hearts burn as they have trudged the dusty roads; have held high fellowship with Him in the third heavens and are able to show the marks and scars suffered in high and heroic struggle are of real value in winning glorious conquests in this evil world with its war, death and hell. Only the cross-bearers with their scars and nail prints count for much in this present crusade right here in the North Carolina conference. A passionate devotion to our Christ is the first and last demand of us to make an impact upon this present world.



## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

How should we know the beauty  
Of the night,  
If there were only darkness  
Void of light?  
How should we know the glory  
Of the light,  
Without the deepening shadows  
God called night?

—Edith Kent Battle in Christian Home.

### NEW ORGANIZATION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

From Randolph-Gray's Chapel in the High Point district comes the announcement of a new Society of Christian Service, organized recently with the following officers: President, Mrs. Bruce Pugh; vice president, Mrs. Carl Brower; treasurer, Mrs. L. K. Routh; secretary literature and publications, Mrs. Shelton Lineberry; secretary missionary education and cultivation, Mrs. Hobart Lineberry; secretary publicity, Mrs. Brower York; secretary supplies, Mrs. Paul Redman; recording secretary, Mrs. R. H. Underwood. (Address of officers not given).

### SALISBURY DISTRICT SET-UP MEETING

On Tuesday, October 15, about 80 women of the Salisbury district met at Central church, Spencer, to organize the District Woman's Society of Christian Service. The meeting was called to order promptly at 10 o'clock by Rev. C. N. Clark, district superintendent, who led the devotional.

After the purpose and importance of the meeting was stated by Dr. Clark, Mrs. Gaskell Grubb of the Mt. Tabor society was elected temporary secretary, and Mrs. Z. V. Moss, former district secretary, was named temporary chairman.

A nominating committee for the selection of the officers was appointed, and while they were meeting a forum was conducted by the chairman. Finances were discussed by Mrs. P. N. Peacock, treasurer Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, and spiritual life groups by Mrs. C. N. Clark, conference vice president. The following officers for the new organization were elected: President, Mrs. G. S. Moore, Albemarle; vice president, Mrs. W. B. Ward, Jr., Concord; Rec. Sec., Mrs. J. L. Sides, Concord; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Z. V. Moss, Albemarle; Sec. Miss. education and cultivation, Mrs. A. C. Waggoner, Salisbury; Sec. C. S. R. and social activities, Mrs. O. C. Godfrey, Millford Hills, Salisbury; Sec. literature and publications, Mrs. J. W. Ivey, New London; Sec. Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Concord; Sec. supplies, Mrs. F. H. Shinn, Norwood; Sec. student life, Mrs. W. O. Weldon, China Grove; Sec. publicity and printing, Mrs. Arthur Kale, Kanapolis; chairman spiritual life, Mrs. M. P. Moore, Salisbury.

The meeting closed with an impressive installation of officers conducted by Dr. Clark, and immediately afterwards the Rowan county zone held its fall meeting and was presided over by Mrs. O. C. Godfrey, chairman.

### ORGANIZATION MEETING, MARION DISTRICT

Another district organization meeting held recently was that of the Marion district which met in First church, Morganton, with Rev. J. C. Cornett, D. S., presiding. Meeting opened with an appropriate hymn, after which the devotional was led by Mr. Cornett. Mrs. A. T. Abernethy was chosen temporary secretary and the report of nominating committee was given as follows: President, Mrs. A. T. Abernethy, Rutherford College; Rec. Sec., Mrs. C. O. Hamilton, Morganton; Cr. Sec., Miss Claudia Harbison, Morganton; Sec. Wesleyan Service Guild, Miss Joyce Decker, Marion; spiritual life leader, Miss Sallie Lowder, Rutherford College; Sec. C. S. Relations, Mrs. Grover McDaniel, Forest City. An open forum was held and a number of certificates for mission study Council credits were presented. After the enjoyment of a social hour with the ladies of the church as hostesses the meeting adjourned.

### ELKIN DISTRICT HOLDS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

From Miss Mamie Sockwell we have the following:

"The organizational meeting of the W. S. Christian Service for the Elkin district was held at the N. Wilkesboro church October 30 with a large attendance of district representatives. Dr. J. S. Hiatt, former district superintendent, called the meeting to order, and after a few remarks relative to the meeting he introduced Rev. A. C. Gibbs, the new district superintendent, who led the worship service with prayer offered by Rev. J. W. Parker of Dobson. Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" was used as the opening hymn. Mrs. Hiatt was named temporary chairman with Mrs. Harry Pearson temporary secretary.

The following are the officers chosen for the new organization: President, Mrs. Harry Pearson, N. Wilkesboro; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Mason Lillard, Elkin; Rec. Sec., Mrs. B. S. Call, Wilkesboro; treasurer, Mrs. J. T. Inskeep, Sparta; spiritual life, Mrs. J. L. Hall, Elkin; C. S. Relations, Mrs. P. W. Eshelman, N. Wilkesboro; missionary education and service, Mrs. Arnold Kirk, Cooleemee; supplies, Mrs. T. H. Redmon, Farmington; literature and publications, Mrs. J. Frank Clement, Mocksville; children's work, Mrs. J. B. Henderson, Wilkesboro; Sec. W. S. Guild, Miss Iva Faw, N. Wilkesboro; Y. W. and girls' work, Miss Mamie Sockwell, N. Wilkesboro.

Following the election of officers Mrs. Hiatt spoke briefly of the work of the district for the past year, reporting 15 new societies organized. It was decided to have only one zone meeting during the year to be held in the fall. Preceding the benediction pronounced by Rev. A. C. Gibbs, he installed the newly elected officers in a most impressive ceremony. At the close of the meeting lunch was served in the church hut by the women of the hostess church.

### INTERESTING ITEMS ABOUT SCARRITT COLLEGE

(From Scarritt College Voice)

The walls of the new Gibson Memorial dormitory, named in honor of Miss Maria Gibson, former president of the institution, are climbing "higher and higher." The architect promises to have it ready for the winter quarter with room for 50 students.

Seventeen of the 50 missionaries commissioned at the first meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the united church have studied at Scarritt College.

During the past year Scarritt registered 174 students representing 31 states and 15 foreign countries. In addition 384 students of Peabody and Vanderbilt colleges took one or more courses at Scarritt.

Scarritt trained workers are serving at present in the home and foreign fields as follows: 1558 home and 308 foreign missionaries.

Scarritt College is a Methodist institution owned and controlled by the General Conference, but serving the need of many denominations to provide trained leaders for the growing responsibilities of the church of Christ in a world that does not know him. Thirteen denominations were represented in the student body in 1939.

### OFFICERS TRAINING DAY AT BREVARD

By Miss Alma Trowbridge

Officers training day was observed by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Brevard Methodist church Thursday, October 31, in an all-day gathering at the parsonage, with Mrs. E. P. Billups as hostess.

Following a covered dish luncheon provided by the members and served by Mrs. Billups and other ladies present, business of the meeting was transacted. Opening devotionals were led by Mrs. J. B. Pickelsimer. Mrs. J. S. Nicholson, president, presided and led the discussion on the duties of the different officers and other matters pertaining to the operation of the society. A round table discussion was entered into by those present, which proved interesting and informative.

Around 75 ladies of the church enrolled as charter members in the society at the time of the charter meeting held in September.

The book had to a high degree excited us to self-activity, which is the best effect of any book.—Carlyle.

Great talkers are not great doers.—French



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### ACCEPTING THE CHALLENGE

That Methodist women are seriously accepting the challenge of the Christian way is evidenced by the spirit of women in every local church as they are rededicating themselves to great kingdom advances in the new Woman's Society of Christian Service. Read your charter card again and again, especially note the purpose on the back of the card—From an editorial in the November Methodist Woman.

### SYMPATHY TO MRS. CHADWICK

On November 2, following an illness of eight weeks caused by a paralytic stroke, Rev. John B. Hurley, retired Methodist minister and father of Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference secretary, passed away at St. Leo's Hospital, Greensboro. To Mrs. Chadwick is extended our heartfelt and sincere sympathy. May she have the supreme assurance of the wisdom and lovingkindness of the heavenly Father and the peace and comfort which only the source of comfort can give.

### WEEK OF PRAYER OBSERVED

Observance of the Week of Prayer at Edenton Street church was held on November 8 with two enriching services, the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the afternoon and the Wesleyan Service Guild in the evening. Mrs. E. Y. Floyd presided at the afternoon meeting, using appropriate responses, litanies and hymns, with Mrs. Earl Brian assisting with meaningful poems and prayers. The chief feature of the service was a most interesting and enlightening talk on Scarritt College given by Mrs. Forrest D. Hedden.

At the evening service Mrs. A. W. Hoffman, president of the Wesleyan Service Guild, presided. Mrs. Ruby Storey led the devotional. Talks on Scarritt College were given by Mrs. C. L. Davenport and Mrs. Hubert Pickering. As the offering was taken Miss Margaret Waddell rendered a lovely solo.

### MISSIONARY PUBLICATIONS

The World Outlook, formerly a missionary publication for Methodist women, has been judged of such value that it has been adopted as the missionary magazine for the entire Methodist Church. A wide circulation and reading of the World Outlook must needs make the members of our Methodist Church a more missionary minded body of folk. It should be in every home and read by every member of the family.

The Methodist Woman is the official organ of the Woman's Division of Christian Service with a rich heritage of the several women's publications of the former branches of Methodism and will, therefore, represent the unified work of Methodist women. No member of the Woman's Society of Chris-

tian Service can be well informed about woman's work unless she reads The Methodist Woman. The subscription price of The World Outlook is \$1; The Methodist Woman 50 cents—together they are \$1.25. Let's subscribe to and read these two missionary publications and influence many others to do likewise.

### ADDRESS CHANGED

A card from the editors of The World Outlook brings the information that now all subscriptions and correspondence to World Outlook should be sent to the new headquarters at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

### MERGER AND CHECK UP

Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Wilmington district secretary, writes: "At the recent meeting of the Wilmington district in Roseboro, Duplin and Union zones voted to merge, elected Mrs. B. Whiteside, Clinton, leader, and accepted an invitation to Warsaw for the spring meeting.

A check up at the district meeting showed that the former missionary societies of the district are practically 100 per cent charter societies in the new organization. Four of the six zones reported 100 per cent. We have three new charter societies on the Scott's Hill circuit, reported by the pastor, Rev. C. O. Plyler; Hamstead church, 10 members, president, Mrs. Myrtle Costin, Hamstead; Union church, 16 members, president, Mrs. J. H. Garrison, Rocky Point, Rt. 1; Scott's Hill church, 12 members, president, Mrs. Mattie Redfern, Scott's Hill.

Seventy-eight members, including every zone leader, represented 39 charter societies at the organization meeting in Greenville."

### THE STUDENT CENTER

At East Carolina Teachers' College, Greenville, there are 350 Methodist boys and girls preparing for their life work. Near the college campus is a Methodist Student Center where Miss Elizabeth Titsworth is the ever gracious hostess, counselor and friend of these young people. Every Methodist student at E. C. T. C. has been contacted and given an invitation to the Center. Early in October the Methodist freshmen were taken to the Center in groups for informal parties, extending over a period of days until all had been there. Under the guidance and counsel of Miss Titsworth committees are formed among the Methodist students. These committees work on various problems and projects, having their meetings at the Center. Prayer meetings are held each week at the Center and Miss Titsworth acts as personal counselor to individual students. The Methodist Student Center is truly a home away from home for the Methodist youth at E. C. T. C., the Christian influence of which will guide them

during their college years and in later life. The Center is another opportunity for the supply department of our Woman's Society of Christian Service and is most worthy of our support. Cash donations for this cause should be sent to Mrs. J. C. Wooten, Greenville, and reports of such donations to Mrs. W. L. Knight, conference secretary of supplies, Weldon.

### CAMP GROUND SOCIETY

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Camp Ground church, Fayetteville district, met on October 25 at the home of Mrs. W. C. Parsons, with 11 members and two visitors present. The president, Mrs. J. C. Williams, presided. Mrs. Jay Barefoot explained on a world map the topic, "Sharing Our Possessions." After the meeting Mrs. Parsons invited the women into the dining room, where the Hallowe'en theme was carried out on a table laden with delicious refreshments. Mrs. Jay Barefoot was welcomed into the society as a new member.—Fannie Clark.

### TRI-COUNTY ZONE

Approximately 75 were in attendance at the fall meeting of the Tri-County zone of the Woman's Society of Christian Service which was held at Oriental recently. Mrs. Marvin Aldridge, zone leader, presided. Rev. J. K. Ormond, pastor, led the morning worship. Greetings were extended by Mrs. Hugh Harris with response by Mrs. B. L. Witherington. During the roll call each society gave its report, after which discussions were held on what constitutes a good member, a good officer and a good meeting. Mrs. Gertie Mathers, New Bern district secretary, brought a message, and Mrs. J. B. Kittrell, Greenville, gave a talk on the fall mission study. John K. Ormond, Jr., was made a life member. Mrs. T. H. Lawler, daughter of a Methodist missionary to Korea, gave a talk on life in that country, where she spent most of her childhood. Members of the Oriental society served a delicious luncheon.

### NEAR AND YET FAR AWAY

A thirty-six-year-old Korean mother of eight children applied to the social center of Seoul for assistance:

"I have had to have wet nurses for all my children," she stated, "and I vowed that even though this baby died I would not have another wet nurse in the house. The doctor sent me here to your center to get milk, and already the baby is improving. All these years I have been living near by, but because I couldn't read I didn't know that there was such a thing as a milk station where babies who had to have supplementary feedings could get them. Won't you teach me to read?"

Of course, in the fall, when literacy classes were opened, this mother, along with others, was invited to join.

Some months earlier another mother applied to the center to learn how to answer the questions of her twelve-year-old son. Since that time she has learned how to read and write and has acquired much other needed information helpful in the rearing of her child. More important, she has become an earnest Christian.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### FACTS TO REMEMBER

1. We have 486 children to sponsor.
2. These children were accepted at the urgent requests of Methodist leaders.
3. Until July, 1941, we will have two Children's Homes to sustain.
4. Added children have overbalanced our added financial strength.
5. Complete ten per cent apportionment payments will provide less than half of the family's sustenance cost.
6. Liberal fifth Sunday offerings will greatly help provide for our family.
7. Liberal congregations can over pay their apportionment and thus help to banish financial insecurity.
8. Individuals and groups can greatly help by supplementing congregational giving.
9. Our daily per capita cost is lower than it ought to be.
10. Now is the time to do something about the matter.

### THOUGHTFUL THINKING

We have before us a number of pressing applications for the admittance of children. Those ministers and friends who are pressing these applications upon us seem not to fully understand the extent of the load our Methodist people are now called upon to carry in providing for the children we already have with us. The needs of the case in which they are most interested so envelop their minds as to not leave much room for viewing the entire situation. They argue that if others have gotten children into the Children's Home why can't they succeed in getting some affirmative answer to their petitions? Somebody has to determine how many children can be provided for by the financial returns of our Methodist constituency. Conditions are not now very favorable for the admittance of additional children. Somebody has got to do some thoughtful thinking.

### EARLY PAYMENTS

Our congregations will confer a great favor upon us in paying their ten per cent apportionments early in the conference year. Such payments as come along in advance of our current maintenance needs can be used in making payments on our building funds, thus not necessitating the immediate cashing in of certain securities whose market value is now low. We do have authority to lend temporarily maintenance funds to our building account. We never take any building funds for maintenance purposes. Early maintenance payments are always desirable but this year they are more than ever desirable.



These thirty dependable little girls are learning to do well

### NEW BUILDINGS

The two new buildings now being constructed on our campus are taking tangible shape. The Brooks building is enclosed and only the inside work is yet to be completed. The Stockton building has its walls well up through the second story. It now appears that this building can be enclosed before the bad weather sets in. Plans for an additional building are being investigated. It is expected that all buildings will be completed by July 1, 1941, when a complete transference of all children from the High Point Children's Home will be made.

### A GOOD LICKING

Our varsity football team received a good licking at the hands of the strong Lexington high school team last week. Maybe it would be better to say it sustained a bad licking. Anyway, our boys were badly beaten by a team that is rated by sports writers as being the best high school team in North Carolina. It seemed a pity that our boys had to go against the best when they were riddled with injuries. However, a team has to get a good licking every once in awhile in order to know how it feels to give such to other teams. The score was 41 to 0.

### GOOD LEADERS

The picture this week is that of a group of primary girls who live in the Smith building. These little girls are in the first, second and third grades and are making quite a good record in school. They are a bit too young to have regular work assignments but they are learning to keep their rooms clean, their beds well made, their clothing cared for and their bodies well kept. They are a healthy and happy group of little children. Mrs. Pheobe Emmons is their home mother.

### PROUD OF THEM

Among the many of our alumni about whom we like to think are Mr. and Mrs. John M. Meroney, enthusiastic members of Ardmore Methodist church, Winston-Salem. John is an active steward and Nell, his wife, is busy in various capacities of church work,

among them being president of the Virginia Wilson Bible class. This class recently voted to sponsor Alice Fine, one of our high school girls, fine in more ways than name. This group of young married women in Ardmore congregation will add very materially to the other contributions from that congregation.

### READY TO GO

Winston-Salem district stewards, ministers and other interested parties met under the direction of Dr. C. C. Weaver, district superintendent, at Centenary, Winston-Salem, last Thursday and set up goals and machinery for another year's work. After the new plan finances equitably distributed to the various charges, district stewards met in one group for further functioning and the ministers in another group to give attention to matters that they are particularly interested in. The Winston-Salem district is well manned and unless all signs are wrong, a happy and fruitful year is forthcoming.

### ORAL HYGIENE

In co-operation with the Department of Oral Hygiene of the State Board of Health we have with us for several weeks Dr. W. I. Farrell, who is carefully treating our children's teeth. This is a part of our usual health program. The teeth of those children who have been here over a period of time are in reasonably good condition, but the teeth of children who have come in recently in some instances offer serious problems. The lack of care and the lack of proper diet bring heavy penalties on children's teeth as well as otherwise. We are now in the midst of giving the best corrective treatment that can be secured.

### NOVEMBER EXHIBIT

A complete exhibit by districts and charges of all ten per cent apportionment payments and fifth Sunday offerings will appear in our little paper, The Home Chronicle, next week. If there are any deferred payments from the past conference year yet to be reported they should be sent to us immediately.



## THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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### FORM OF REQUEST

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..... (here designate the bequest) .....

**CRITICISM**—It is one of the easiest things in the world to get a wrong slant on things. There are those who delight in impugning ulterior motives to the conduct of others. The Methodist Orphanage comes in sometimes for unjust and unchristian criticism. During the last several years, friends have given the Methodist Orphanage three expensive automobiles for the use of the singing class. Occasionally I hear people criticising the Orphanage for spending so much money on expensive cars, not knowing the cars did not cost the Methodist Orphanage a penny. People ought to know facts before they sit in judgment on other people.

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**COUPONS**—The Methodist Orphanage is not sponsoring an active campaign for coupons. I want all our friends to know that we shall be glad to receive coupons from time to time. Our large central dining room is badly in need of painting, and we have no available funds for that purpose. If our friends will send us a great many coupons we can paint the dining room without it costing the Orphanage anything. Our good women and other friends made it possible for us to paint the large central kitchen, and to install a large electric stove and oven. I am very anxious to get the dining room

worked over, so it will be in keeping with our attractive kitchen.

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**NEEDED PREPARATION**—In order to go over the top during the Thanksgiving season much preparation must be made before hand. If the Sunday schools would raise \$10,000 in SPECIALS, and the churches \$10,000 in SPECIALS, during the Thanksgiving through the year from the Sunday schools, we could balance our budget, provided the churches would pay all of their regular 10 per cent apportionment. We must either increase our receipts for operating expenses, or we shall be under the necessity of returning a large number of our children to the communities from which they came. I do not believe the North Carolina conference wants to beat a retreat, and shut the only door of hope in the faces of the many fatherless children who are looking to us for a home and a chance in life.

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Dear Friends:

As the time draws near for me to leave the Methodist Orphanage which for the past 11 years has been home for me, I feel that anything I might say will not express my deepest appreciation and gratitude to you for making the home possible. I realize that I have been given every advantage that a home could give, and I feel that I owe the Methodist Orphanage everything.

With the realization that I can not adequately express my love and appreciation to Mr. Barnes, may I say that he has been a kind, loving and understanding father to each boy and girl in the home. He is a real inspiration to each of us as we go out to take our place in the world.

To the cottage mothers and teachers I wish to say "thank you" for your teaching and training. I do appreciate the interest you have taken in me.

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Group of children who came to the Methodist Orphanage from the former Methodist Protestant Orphanage in High Point

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FOURTH QUARTER

Durham District

|                       | 4th Sun. | Y.P.M.S.     |
|-----------------------|----------|--------------|
| Burlington, Front St. | \$ 34.71 | Int. \$14.56 |
| Webb Ave.-Holt's      | 33.09    | Y.P. 22.00   |
| Carrboro              | 6.50     |              |
| Cedar Grove           | 7.00     | 10.00        |
| Chapel Hill           | 37.02    |              |
| Duke Ct.              | 7.00     |              |
| Durham, Branson       | 10.40    |              |
| Carr                  | 60.00    |              |
| Duke Memorial         | 59.01    |              |
| W. Durham             | 12.48    |              |
| Lakewood              | 4.42     |              |
| Hillsboro             | 5.00     |              |
| Lebanon               | 3.00     |              |
| Leasburg              | 6.50     |              |
| Union                 | 5.00     |              |
| Hebron                | 3.00     |              |
| Mebane, Central       | 11.71    |              |
| Mt. Hermon Ct.—       |          |              |
| Belmont               | 9.56     |              |
| Person, Concord       | 14.63    |              |
| Oak Grove             | 3.52     |              |
| Warren's Grove        | 13.92    |              |
| Woodsdale             | .78      |              |
| Roxboro               | 24.49    |              |
| Roxboro Ct., Ca-Vel   | .80      |              |
| Grace                 | 3.71     | 10.00        |
| Longhurst             | 6.19     |              |
| Saxapahaw             | 5.00     |              |
| Yanceyville, Bethel   | 7.35     | 5.00         |
| Prospect              | 15.99    |              |
| Total                 | 394.28   | 79.06        |

Elizabeth City District

|                      |       |      |
|----------------------|-------|------|
| Ahoskie              | 1.00  |      |
| Aulander, Colerain   | 2.00  |      |
| Belhaven, Hebron     | 1.53  |      |
| Chowan, Anderson     | 7.31  | 1.20 |
| Bethany              | 4.00  |      |
| Center Hill          | .60   |      |
| Evans                | 7.73  |      |
| Columbus, Cedar Gr.  | 1.50  |      |
| Columbia             | 6.00  |      |
| Currituck, Ebenezer  | 6.19  |      |
| Mt. Zion             | 11.06 |      |
| Eliz. City, City Rd. | 11.17 |      |
| First Church         | 54.00 |      |
| Gates, Zion          | 7.18  | 5.00 |
| Hertford             | 15.58 |      |
| Kitty Hawk, Boaz     | 11.18 |      |
| Colington            | 5.00  |      |
| Duck                 | 2.00  |      |
| Manteo               | 5.64  |      |
| Mattamuskeet—        |       |      |
| Bethany              | .76   |      |
| Watson's             | 6.44  | 3.00 |
| Moyock-Memorial—     |       |      |
| Memorial             | 13.10 |      |
| N. Gates, Kittrell's | 5.75  |      |
| Plymouth             | 3.00  |      |
| Perquimans, Epw.     | 16.01 |      |
| Oak Grove            | 6.63  |      |
| Woodland             | 3.26  |      |
| South Camden—        |       |      |
| Sign Pine            | 3.00  |      |
| Wesley's             | 1.70  |      |
| S. Mills, Newland    | 6.00  |      |
| McBride's            | 5.88  |      |
| Perkins              | 5.00  |      |
| Trinity              | 12.62 |      |
| Stumpy Point-Dare—   |       |      |
| East Lake            | 1.28  |      |

Swanquarter-Fairfield—

|                 |        |       |
|-----------------|--------|-------|
| Fairfield       | 2.00   |       |
| Providence      | 9.46   |       |
| Wanchese        | 24.00  |       |
| Washington      | 45.51  |       |
| Windsor, Cashie | 1.00   |       |
| Total           | 327.07 | 15.20 |

Fayetteville District

|                       |        |             |
|-----------------------|--------|-------------|
| Aberdeen-Vass—        |        |             |
| Aberdeen              | 5.00   |             |
| Biscoe                | 5.00   |             |
| Broadway              | 21.13  |             |
| Caledonia             | 8.76   |             |
| Carthage              | 14.00  |             |
| Fayetteville, Hay St. | 61.22  | (Sns.) 3.00 |
| Fayetteville Ct.      | 15.87  |             |
| Hamlet                | 8.60   |             |
| Jonesboro, Lemon Spg. | 8.47   |             |
| Mt. Gilead            | 60.00  |             |
| Rae ford              | 4.30   |             |
| Rockingham            | 35.83  |             |
| Rockingham Ct.—       |        |             |
| E. Rockingham         | 5.00   |             |
| Zion                  | 19.50  | 6.00        |
| Sanford               | 36.30  | 12.81       |
| Siler City—           |        |             |
| Sapling Ridge         | 2.00   |             |
| Hickory Grove         | 1.00   |             |
| West End              | 5.00   |             |
| Total                 | 301.98 | 36.81       |

New Bern District

|                       |        |             |
|-----------------------|--------|-------------|
| Aurora                | 7.75   |             |
| Ayden                 | 8.00   |             |
| Beaufort              | 14.50  |             |
| Dover, Asbury         | 2.13   |             |
| Fremont, Fremont      | 7.50   |             |
| Yelverton             | 1.00   |             |
| Goldsboro, St. Paul   | 76.40  | 6.80        |
| Goldsboro Ct.—        |        |             |
| Daniels Chapel        | 8.00   |             |
| Pine Forest           | 2.52   |             |
| Salem                 | 2.00   |             |
| Greenville            | 176.40 |             |
| Grimesland, Prov.     | 1.14   |             |
| Salem                 | 1.94   |             |
| Hookerton             | 7.71   | 5.00        |
| Maury                 | 3.95   |             |
| Rainbow               | 9.10   |             |
| Kinston, Queen St.    | 79.42  | (Int.) 6.72 |
| (Sns.)                | 10.00  |             |
| Marshallburg-Straits— |        |             |
| Summerfield           | 1.63   |             |
| Mt. Olive Ct.—        |        |             |
| Smith's               | 4.10   |             |
| New Bern, Cent.       | 15.00  |             |
| Newport, Riverdale    | 3.00   |             |
| Oriental              | 1.60   |             |
| Pikeville             | 10.00  | 3.00        |
| Mt. Carmel            | 3.00   |             |
| Pink Hill             | 4.58   | 1.63        |
| Riverside-Bridgeton—  |        |             |
| Beech Grove           | 2.73   |             |
| Seven Spgs., Beston   | 2.58   |             |
| Snow Hill, Calvary    | 14.10  |             |
| Tabernacle            | 4.00   |             |
| Vanceboro             | 6.27   |             |
| Total                 | 471.55 | 43.65       |

Raleigh District

|                  |       |      |
|------------------|-------|------|
| Bailey, Sims     | 1.00  |      |
| Cary-Apex, Apex  | 6.53  |      |
| Creedmoor, Banks | 12.00 | 5.00 |
| Bullocks         | 4.15  |      |
| Creedmoor        | 6.00  |      |

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|-------------------------|--------|-------|
| Erwin                   | 5.00   |       |
| Four Oaks, Elizabeth    | 6.00   |       |
| Franklington            | 19.39  |       |
| Fuquay Springs          | 22.31  |       |
| Garner                  | 2.00   |       |
| Henderson, First        | 12.00  |       |
| Lillington, Parkers Gr. | 6.50   |       |
| Louisburg               | 6.91   | 15.00 |
| Monclure, Mt. Zion      | 2.26   |       |
| Mt. Tirzah              | 2.76   |       |
| Oxford                  | 14.20  |       |
| Raleigh, Edenton St.    | 100.50 | 27.00 |
| Fairmont                | 58.82  |       |
| Hayes-Barton            | 15.25  |       |
| Jenkins Memorial        | 2.00   |       |
| Person St.              | 9.00   |       |
| Selma                   | 11.32  |       |
| Smithfield              | 41.55  |       |
| Tar River, Plank Chp.   | 8.80   |       |
| Trinity                 | 1.00   |       |
| Total                   | 369.25 | 55.00 |

Rocky Mount District

|                      |       |       |
|----------------------|-------|-------|
| Bethel               | 12.00 | 2.50  |
| Conway, Bethany      | 19.94 | 10.55 |
| Conway               | 19.19 |       |
| Severn               | 7.63  | 2.10  |
| Zion                 | 2.00  |       |
| Elm City, Mt. Zion   | 5.60  |       |
| Farmville            | 60.00 |       |
| Garysburg            | 6.00  |       |
| Halifax              | 5.50  | 5.00  |
| Kenly, Lucama        | .50   |       |
| Littleton, Calvary   | 5.00  |       |
| McKendree, Pine Tops | 10.00 |       |
| Middleburg, Shocco   | 5.23  |       |
| Norlina              | 18.00 |       |
| Zion                 | 2.00  |       |
| Northampton, Jackson | 20.86 | 5.00  |

Rocky Mount District

|                    |        |       |
|--------------------|--------|-------|
| Rich Square        | 10.00  |       |
| Rocky Mt., First   | 66.77  |       |
| Clark St. (Int.)   | 5.00   |       |
| Rosemary, Smith's  | 5.00   |       |
| Seaboard, Sharon   | .60    | 5.00  |
| Pleasant Grove     | 1.18   | 30.00 |
| Seaboard           | 1.80   |       |
| Scotland Neck—     |        |       |
| Hobgood            | 5.00   |       |
| Spring Hope        | 3.00   |       |
| Stantonsburg       | 12.40  |       |
| Walstonburg        | 4.22   |       |
| Warren, Providence | 1.75   |       |
| Warrenton, Hebron  | 9.24   |       |
| Macon              | 11.29  | 7.00  |
| Warren Plains      | 5.33   | 2.00  |
| Warrenton          | 6.25   |       |
| Weldon             | 100.58 |       |
| Wilson             | 48.14  |       |
| (Int.)             | 3.59   |       |
| (Sns.)             | 4.68   |       |
| Total              | 482.00 | 92.42 |

Wilmington District

|                       |       |      |
|-----------------------|-------|------|
| Bladen, White Oak     | 1.00  |      |
| Burgaw                | 1.00  |      |
| Rocky Point           | 1.00  |      |
| Chadburn, Evergreen   | 1.00  |      |
| Cerro Gordo           | 1.00  |      |
| Chadbourne            | 1.00  |      |
| (Int.)                | 2.00  |      |
| Elizabeth, Singletary | 9.42  | 3.00 |
| Trinity               | 37.88 |      |
| Fairmont, Trinity     | 24.00 |      |
| Faison-Kenansville—   |       |      |
| Faison                | 11.34 |      |
| Goshen                | 3.21  |      |
| Garland, Antioch      | 1.40  |      |
| Centenary             | 11.35 |      |
| Ingold                | 4.23  |      |
| Hallsboro             | 6.00  |      |
| Lumberton—            |       |      |
| Chestnut St.          | 45.00 |      |

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## THE HOUSE OF MANY LAMPS

When the last rays of the setting sun have faded, and the mountains have flung their shadows down into the valley, the lamps are lighted in the quaint little white houses of a village in southern Europe. There is darkness only in the gray stone church that stands on the summit of a hill overlooking the little hamlet.

A legend is told about "the House of Many Lamps," as the church is called. It was built long ago in the sixteenth century by an old duke who had ten beautiful daughters whom he loved devotedly. When they were children he took great pleasure in watching them play, and even when they were grown up he would sit in the garden for hours listening to them singing over their needlework or watching as they picked flowers from the garden.

Unlike most royal fathers, he was not anxious for them to marry, and it was with great reluctance that he let them go one by one. People used to smile at the fuss he made over each one leaving home, but he would shake his head sadly and say that each one had her place, and that the house was lonely in some spot without her.

Each year the daughters gathered around their father's table to eat the Christmas feast together. The circle had never been broken at this time until one year a daughter who had married a prince in a far country, thought the journey too far and decided not to go home. Knowing how much her father counted on this family gathering, she sent a band of musicians from her court to play for him, thinking to lighten his disappointment. But the duke was greatly disappointed nevertheless. The songs of the musicians sounded artificial in comparison with his daughter's sweet singing. Nothing could take her place.

As he grew old, the duke began to wonder what he would leave behind him to perpetuate his memory. Finally, he decided to build a church so beautiful that men would worship as soon as they entered, because it would draw them to God. He drew up the plans and watched the building with delight.

At last came the great day when all was finished, and the duke took one of his daughters to see it. The simple lines, the graceful beams, the carving and stained glass windows were exclaimed over and admired.

"But, father," said the daughter, "where are the lamps to hang?"

"That, my dear," said the duke, a whimsical smile lighting up his tired face, "is a pet scheme of your old father's. There will be no hanging lamps. Each one will carry his own. I have provided small bronze lamps, one for every person in the village up to the number the church will hold."

Then he added slowly, "Some corner of God's house will be dark and lonely if all his sons and daughters do not come to worship him at the appointed time." And these words were carved in the stone over the doorway.

Four hundred years have elapsed since that time. The bronze lamps have been handed down from father to son and carefully treasured. When the sweet-toned bells of the old church ring, the village people wend their way

up the hill, each carrying his own lamp. The church is nearly always filled, for no family wishes its corner to be dark and gloomy.—Canadian Churchman.

## AS TIME GOES ON

Large is the number of those who following every election go on a new diet for a while. False election forecasters are now eating humble pie, defeated candidates are swallowing some bitter pills, and campaigners who in the heat of conflict made overstatements are eating their own words. For some the portions are rather large.

For 140 years the defeated have been going down from Capitol Hill. On November 5 members of the latest contingent were given orders to pack up and vamoose at the end of their terms. The ordeal of a member of Congress walking into his office in the Senate or House office building after a disastrous campaign partakes somewhat of the nature of returning from a funeral before the neighbors have gotten the house in order. Only the Justices of the Supreme Court remain permanently in Washington, although Republicans have expressed suspicion about President Roosevelt.

The years carry away the servants of the state but as Garfield said following Lincoln's death, "God reigns and the government at Washington still lives." That fame is ephemeral was shown in the scant space given by Washington papers announcing George B. Cortelyou's death recently. His name was on all lips when President McKinley struck by an assassin's bullet fell into his arms, exclaiming, "Cortelyou . . . Cortelyou. My wife—be careful about my wife. She's sleeping. Break the news gently to her." Yet private life and the silences of retirement had cast into comparative oblivion this gentleman who gained national renown as secretary to three Presidents, holder of as many Cabinet portfolios, aspirant for the Presidency and manager of Theodore Roosevelt's campaign in 1904. In fact Vice President Garner has been so long absent on his 48,000-acre Texas domain that his colleagues among whom he stands in such high favor predict that unless he soon lays aside the rifle and the rod for the gavel over in the Senate, his own name may fade from view like a yearling in the mesquite.—J. S. Payton.

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"Friend"—

Titles almost without end;  
To all a willing ear I lend,  
But how the man my heart doth rend  
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## Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

For Life and Health

Scripture: Luke 7

The centurion seems to have been a large-hearted man. He dearly loved his servant. It was not customary in those days, any more than it is today, for army officers to be close friends with their servants. And although he was quartered among a subject people he did not look down on them.

The centurion was accustomed to go to the Jewish synagogue and listen to the reading of the law and the prophets. They were so majestic and wonderful that he concluded that the dingy place where they were being read was not fit for the expounding of such exalted oracles. So he built them a synagogue.

This attitude toward the Jews and their religion was all the more wonderful because the Jews "high-hatted" him and all other Gentiles. They would not eat with them, nor allow them to sit in the main body of the synagogue. Nothing takes more grace than to learn from people who look down upon you. But the centurion was great enough to overlook their condescending ways, to appreciate their virtues, and, above all, to reverence their Scriptures. However, he was no "yes man," for he did not become a proselyte.

Of course, such a sensitive soul would be doubly impressed by Jesus. And so when his servant fell ill he sent the elders of the Jews, beseeching him to come and heal him. But when he heard that Jesus was actually coming he was filled with misgivings. Who was he that he should ask such a holy man to come under his roof? The Jews had said, "He is worthy that thou shouldst do this for him"; but he said, "I am not worthy."

Here we see symbolized the two types of prayer: one that pleads the merits of the petitioner, and the other type that says, "I have no merit, but I trust in God's mercy." Strangely enough the people who say, "I am not worthy," are apt to have far more faith than those who feel that they can make out a good case for themselves. The man who goes to God on the basis of his own deserts always has misgivings, whereas the man who bases his plea on the goodness of God is sustained by the everlasting promises. "For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great his mercy toward them that fear him." Humility and faith are twins.

Notice the centurion's reasoning: I also am a man under authority and, obeying as I do the authority of the Roman empire, I am re-enforced by its power. Hence I say to this one, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh. You are a man under

the authority of the Most High, and hence God works through you mightily. But say the word, and my servant shall be healed.

The centurion had hit upon a line of reasoning similar to that which our Lord used in such sayings as, "If ye, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him."

The centurion had the supreme honor of surprising Jesus. Our Lord marveled at him, and turned to those that stood by, saying, "I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel."

This illustrates how Jesus had an alert eye for goodness in unlikely quarters. When he told the ten lepers to go to the priests and get their health certificates, and as they went they were cleansed, he noted that the only one of the ten who had enough of the spirit of a gentleman to turn back and thank him, and give glory to God, was a member of the despised Samaritan race. It would greatly enrich our lives if with the eye of a detective we continually sought for evidences of the working of the Spirit of God in quarters where men in general least expect to find it. The good God has no sense of propriety.

The late General Smedley Butler said in 1934, "Unless the nations that have monopolized most of the earth's surface have the decency to share with those seething populations that are panting for an outlet, we are liable to lose all we have in a terrible war." "but," said his friend, if we make one concession they will demand another." He answered, "Between the reasonable concession and the demand for more there will be the opportunity for an aggressive Christian propaganda, and our propaganda will be listened to because we have just illustrated it in a practical way."

This story is very hard for the modern mind to believe. None of our naturalistic explanations of the miracle stories as the result of suggestion or hypnosis will work on a dead man. And yet nothing is more necessary than to believe that Christ himself rose from the dead and has power to give us a like victory over the tomb. And when we accept the witness to the divine power of Christ, the re-enforcement of life which comes to us seems to say, "Your faith is in harmony with the eternal realities."

As they bore her son out to the tomb, the poor widow was having the saddest hour of her life. But just then the Saviour drew near. How often that happens! In our deep darkness, we suddenly become aware of a Presence; and the burden is lifted.

Jesus said, "Young man, I say unto thee, arise." The same word is being broadcast from heaven to every young man and woman in the world. It comes to those who are victims of drink and drugs. It comes to those who are becoming hardened in selfishness and ingratitude toward those who have sacrificed for them. It comes to those who are dead in any part of their natures. Jesus is the resurrection and the life. He would stop every funeral procession toward failure in this life and in that which is to come.—Christian Advocate.

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# Children's



# Storyland

## THE STORY THE SNOW TOLD

By R. H. Evans

He was a foolish young rabbit. And here is what happened to him one dark winter night where the ice-locked lake lay like a white blanket between the feet of the mountain.

It all happened in the dark with only the throbbing stars to see. "Oho!" some one says, "how do you know it happened at all if no one saw it?"

He thinks he has caught you trying to fool him until you say that you read the story in the snow. For when one learns to read the signs of the snow, one finds many strange stories written on its white surface. They are all true stories, for they are written by the feet of the animals they tell about. Every one should know how to read the snow stories. Tragic and amusing stories are written there, stories of strange things that happen in the woods, or in the dark when no person can see them. Yet in daylight a true account of all that happened is found written on the white page. There it stays until more snow falls and another clean page is spread. But let us return to our rabbit.

Truly he was a foolish young fellow, or he would never have ventured out so far onto the frozen lake. If he had stayed in the woods and run along the tunnels under the snow-draped branches he would have been safe. At least as safe as a Snowshoe Rabbit ever is with so many animals looking for a meal.

But no, he simply must hop out on the lake. You can tell by his tracks that he has no definite goal in mind. See, here he made a dozen hops in a straight line. Leisurely hops they were, for his little front feet have just tickled the snow ahead of the broad furry pads of his hind ones. These pads are so broad and so furry that they carry him on top of the snow as well as snow-shoes would.

Then when he has made those 12 hops he sits up and has a look around. You tell that by the way the long hind feet have shifted.

Away he goes again, in a slightly different direction. This time he hops easily until he is over a hundred yards from the line of evergreens that rise like a dark wall there at the shore. Once again he sits and views the night. It is really a fine night, and he feels very daring. None of the other rabbits come out on the lake like this. Foolish fellow! Every hop from the shore puts him more at the mercy of his enemies.

But look! What has happened? Here he was sitting up, and then he makes one wild leap and starts for shore. A rabbit bounds like that only when he is fleeing for his life.

But what could be after him? There are no marks on the snow behind him. How he is racing! Just pace off this

leap. Six paces, or eighteen feet, you make it, between where he left the snow and where he landed again. Now he is dodging his invisible pursuer. Each leap takes him at an angle to the last one. Those jumps tell the terror that is making him strain every muscle to gain the forest he so foolishly left. Still the snow shows no tracks behind him. No wolf, coyote, or fox is racing to seize him.

## LIFE'S KNITTING

By M. Willingham



Couting stitches as they go  
Swiftly, slowly, row on row;  
A stitch for morn, a stitch for eve,  
A stitch for pain which sorrows leave;  
A stitch for night, a stitch for day,  
A stitch for work and one for play.

A stitch for prayer, for song, for praise  
For those who live on borrowed days;  
A stitch for faith, a stitch for sight  
Which turns to day our darkest night.

A stitch for God, expressed in beauty,  
For strength He gives to cope with duty;

A stitch for age, another for youth  
Who fortify themselves with truth.

A stitch for every lovely thing  
Of summer, autumn, winter, spring;  
A stitch for Love, for Joy and Peace  
For God's kingdom's sure increase.  
A stitch for heaven on earth begun,  
His kingdom come, His will be done.

Then you come to marks on the snow that explain his fear. He may well be afraid when the western horned owl swoops for him. Often at night you have heard the deep "Who—oo—whoo" that hunter sends through the dark woods in the hope of startling a crouching rabbit or grouse into betraying his hiding place by a slight move. You see here where the owl's wing tips brushed the snow as he tried to drive his talons into the rabbit's white fur. He missed his prey by an inch. Owls do not often miss like that. Before he could swoop again the rabbit has bounded twice and is under the sheltering branches of the shore-line trees.

You follow his trail a little way through the woods to where at last he crouched in the shelter of an upturned stump. And you know that Snowshoe Rabbit has learned one of the reasons why it is unwise to wander onto the inviting smoothness of the frozen lake. —Forest Friends.

## THOSE FUNNY JUMPING BEANS

By Herbert Wendell Austin

Jimmy's father handed him three beans one cold morning and said, "Lay these in a warm place and watch them closely."

Jimmy took the beans and placed them on the floor near the stove while his father sat near by, waiting for something to happen.

Jimmy watched closely. Then, as the beans warmed up a strange thing happened—they began to move and toss about in a queer manner.

"What makes them jump, dad?" Jimmy asked, his eyes blinking as though they did not quite believe what they saw. "Are they alive?"

Father laughed. "It does look as if the beans have come to life, but really they are no more alive than any other bean."

"Those beans came from Mexico, son," father explained. "When the tree was a flower, a moth, which you might call a butterfly, visited the flowers and laid eggs in them. By and by when each flower had turned to a bean the tiny egg inside it hatched out into a little worm. He lived in his small room inside the bean. When cool weather came, he went to sleep, expecting next spring to wake up and eat his way out into the sunshine.

"When I handed you those beans each little worm inside was asleep because he was cold, but when you laid his little house on the warm floor by the stove he warmed up and woke up. Then, he began to curl up and jump about in his little room, hating it hard enough to move the bean. So you see, Jimmy, it is not the bean that's doing the moving; it is the little worm inside of it. We call the worm a larva. By and by if it lives, it will eat its way out of the bean and later be a grown moth to fly about like its mother."

Jimmy laughed merrily. "Thank you dad," he said. "I'm glad I've learned something this morning. Now I know what makes the jumping bean jump." —Story Time.

## CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Little Ann—Mumsy, horseshoes are for horses, aren't they?

Mother—Of course, darling. Why do you ask?

Little Ann—Because I was just wondering about some snowshoes down at the store!—Selected.

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"Oh, mamma, look!" cried the little girl on her visit to the country. "There's a duck! And it walks like it had just got out of the rumble-seat!"

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Teacher: "A fool can ask questions that a wise man can't answer."

Johnnie: "No wonder we failed in our examination."



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FIRST ROUND

November

Acton, Oak Hill .....17  
Asbury, 7 .....17  
Barnardsville, Democrat, 11 .....24  
Biltmore, 7 .....24  
Candler, Montmorend, 11 .....30  

December

Candler, 11 .....1  
Central, 7 .....1  
East Flat Rock, Moore's Grove, 11 .....8  
French Broad Avenue, 7 .....8  
Emma, Emma, 11 .....15  
Haywood Street, 7 .....15  
Etawah, Etawah, 11 .....22  
Hender-onville, 7 .....22  
Brevard,, 11 .....29  
Rosman, Oak Grove, 3 .....29  

January

Fairview, Bethany, 11 .....5  
Hillside Street, 7 .....5  
Fletcher, Fletcher, 11 .....12  
Merrimon Avenue, 7 .....12  
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 11 .....19  
Oakley, 7 .....19  
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, 11 .....26  
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 .....26  

February

Marshall, Marshall, 11 .....2  
Ho' Springs, Hot Springs, 3 .....2  
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 .....9  
Black Mountain, 7 .....9  
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 .....16  
Weaverville, 7 .....16  
Ivy, Laurel, 11 .....23  
West Asheville, 7 .....23  

March

Mills River, Mills River, 11 .....2  
Pisgah, 3 .....2  
Tryon, 11 .....9  
Saluda, 3 .....9

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FIRST ROUND

November

Lilleville, 11 .....17  
Fultonville, Grace, 3 .....17  
Big Springs, 7:30 .....17  
Duncan Memorial, 7:30 .....18  
Belmont Park, 7:30 .....20  
Indian Trail-Stallings, Indian Trail, 7:30 .....22  
Pearcland, Pearcland, 11 .....24  
Morven, Sandy Plains, 3 .....24  
Trinity, 7:30 .....24  
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 .....25  
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 .....27  
Matthews, 7:30 .....29  

December

Prospect, Prospect, 11 .....1

Polkton, Wightman, 2:30 ..... 1  
New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 7:30 ..... 1  
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 ..... 2  
Myers Park, 8:30 ..... 2  
Brevard Street, 7:30 ..... 4  
Wesley Heights, 7:30 ..... 6  
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 ..... 8  
Zoar, 3 ..... 8  
Marshville, Marshville, 7:30 ..... 8  
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 7:30 ..... 9  
Calvary, 7:30 ..... 11  
Dilworth, 7:30 ..... 13  
Weddington, Weddington, 11 ..... 15  
Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 3 ..... 15  
North Monroe, North Monroe, 7:30 ..... 15  
Central Avenue, 7:30 ..... 16  
Chadwick, 7:30 ..... 18  
Hickory Grove, 11 ..... 22  
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 ..... 22  
Derita, 7:30 ..... 23  
Thrift-Moore's, Moore's, 11 ..... 29  
Ansonville, Ansonville, 7:30 ..... 29  
Wadesboro, 7:30 ..... 20  

January

Monroe, Central, 11 ..... 5  
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 ..... 8

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

November

Jonesville, 7:30 .....14  
Sparta, 2:30 .....15  
Green Valley, Roundabout, 11 .....17  
Watauga, Henson's Chapel, 2:30 .....17  
Boone, 7:30 .....17  
Todd, Blackburn's Chapel, 11 .....24  
Laurel Springs Ct., Nathan's Creek Chapl, 2:30.....24  
Millers Creek Ct., Arbor Grove, 7:30 .....24  
Wilkesboro, 7:30 .....25  
Dobson, 7:30 .....26  
Creston, 11 .....27  
Warrensville, 2:30 .....27  
Davie Ct., Center, 11 .....30  

December

Coleeemee, 11 .....1  
Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 2:30 .....1  
Mocksville Station, 7:30 .....1  
Farmington, 7:30 .....2  
St. Paul, St. Paul Ch., 2:30 .....3  
East Bend Ct., New Home, 7:30 .....3  
Ararat, Hacher's Ch., 2:30 .....4  
Bryant Memorial Ct., Ararat Ch., 2:30 .....5  
Advance, Advance Ch., 2:30 .....6

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

November

Vale, l'alm Tree, 11 .....17  
South Fork, Plateau, 3 .....17  
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 .....17  
Belwood, 11 .....24  
Cleveland, 3 .....24  
East End, Gastonia, 7:30 .....24  
West End, Gastonia, 7:30 .....25  

December

Lowesville, 11 .....1  
Rock Springs, Denver, 3 .....1  
Belmont, Park Street, 7:30 .....1  
Mount Holly, 7:30 .....2  
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 .....3  
Belmont, Main Street, 7:30 .....4  
Lowell, Bethesda, 11 .....8  
McAdenville, 7:30 .....8  
Cramerton, 7:30 .....9  
Kings Mountain, 7:30 .....10  
Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30 .....11  
Lincolnton Ct., 11 .....15  
Crouse, 3 .....15  
Lincolnton, Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, 7:30 .....15  
Cherryville, First Church, 7:30 .....18  
Polkville, 11 .....22  
Shelby Ct., Sharon, 3 .....22  
Shelby, Lafayette St., 7:30 .....22  
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 .....29  
Dallas, High Shoals, 7:30 .....29  

January

Bessemer City, Concord, 11 .....5  
Cherryville Ct., Bethlehem, 3 .....5  
Boger City, 7:30 .....5  
Shelby, Central, 7:30 .....6  
Bradley Memorial, Myrtle Chapel, 11 .....12  
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 .....12  
Fallston, 11 .....19  
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 7:30 .....19  

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GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

November

Calvary, 7:30 .....14  
Danbury, 11 .....17  
Sandy Ridge, 3 .....17  
Lee's Chapel, Nowlin Street, 7:30 .....17  
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 .....20  
St. Paul, 7:30 .....21  
Guilford Ct., 2:30 .....23  
Stokesdale, 11 .....24  
Flat Rock, 3 .....24  
Summerfield, 7:30 .....24  
Gibsonville, 7:30 .....27  
Oak Ridge, 7:30 .....28  
Reldsville Ct., 11 .....30  
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3 .....30  

December

Haw River, 11 .....1  
Brown Summit, 3 .....1  
Mt. Pleasant, 7:30 .....1  
College Place, 7 .....4  
Glenwood, 8 .....4  
West Greensboro, 7:30 .....5  
Tabernacle-Julian, 3 .....7  
Lindsey St., Reldsville, 11 .....8

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| Madison, 3                 | 8  |
| Reidsville, Main Street, 5 | 8  |
| Centenary, 7:30            | 8  |
| Proximity, 7:30            | 11 |
| West End, 7:30             | 12 |
| Pleasant Garden, 3         | 14 |
| Draper-Wayside, 11         | 15 |
| Ruffin, 3                  | 15 |
| West Market, 7:30          | 15 |
| Grace, 11                  | 22 |
| Bethel-St. Andrews, 3      | 22 |
| Stoneville-Mayodan, 7:30   | 22 |
| Draper, 11                 | 29 |
| Spray, 5                   | 29 |
| Leaksville, 7:30           | 29 |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                |          |    |
|--------------------------------|----------|----|
| Asheboro Central, 7            | November | 14 |
| Highland, 10                   |          | 16 |
| Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2:45   |          | 17 |
| Asheboro Ct., Cedar Falls, 7   |          | 17 |
| Calvary, 7                     |          | 18 |
| Denton First, Denton, 2:30     |          | 19 |
| Farmer, New Hope, 7            |          | 19 |
| First Church, High Point, 7    |          | 20 |
| Lehanon, 7                     |          | 21 |
| Why Not, Why Not, 2            |          | 22 |
| Randolph-G. C., Bethel, 2      |          | 24 |
| Coleridge, Maple Springs, 6:30 |          | 24 |
| Rankin Memorial, 7             |          | 26 |
| Ward Street, 7                 |          | 27 |
| South Davidson-Lineberry, 2    |          | 28 |
| Trinity, Hopewell, 7           |          | 29 |

|                               |          |    |
|-------------------------------|----------|----|
| Liberty Ct., Bethany, 2:30    | December | 1  |
| Ramsel-Franklinville, 7       |          | 1  |
| Denton-Central, Denton, 7     |          | 2  |
| Oak View, 7                   |          | 3  |
| Asheboro First, 7             |          | 4  |
| Richland- W. B., 7            |          | 5  |
| West Randolph, Tabernacle, 11 |          | 8  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7             |          | 8  |
| Main Street, 7                |          | 11 |
| Seagrave-L. J.-P. H., 2       |          | 12 |
| Shiloh, Shiloh, 2             |          | 14 |
| Linwood-Tyro, 11              |          | 15 |
| Randleman-Union, Naomi, 7     |          | 15 |
| Wesley Memorial, 7            |          | 16 |
| Welch Memorial, 7             |          | 17 |
| Liberty First, 7              |          | 18 |
| Randleman Ct., Worthville, 7  |          | 19 |

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                    |          |    |
|------------------------------------|----------|----|
| Micaville, Tipton Hill, Windom, 11 | November | 17 |
| Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3          |          | 17 |
| Linville Falls, Altamont, 7:30     |          | 17 |
| Elk Park, Elk Park, 11             |          | 24 |
| Avery, Mt. Zion, 3                 |          | 24 |
| Cross Mills, Cross Mills, 7:30     |          | 24 |

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|--------------------------------|----------|----|
| Bostic, Salem, 11              | December | 1  |
| Sunshine, Hopewell, 3          |          | 1  |
| Henrietta, Caroleen, 7:30      |          | 1  |
| North Forest, N. Morganton, 11 |          | 8  |
| Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3       |          | 8  |
| Valdese, Valdese, 7:30         |          | 8  |
| Rutherford College, 11         |          | 15 |
| Connely Springs, Bollingers, 3 |          | 15 |
| Morganton Ct., Zion, 7:30      |          | 15 |
| Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11  |          | 22 |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30  |          | 22 |
| Glen Alpine, 11                |          | 29 |
| McDowell, Snow Hill, 3         |          | 29 |
| Morganton, First, 7:30         |          | 29 |

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|------------------------------|---------|----|
| Rutherfordton, 11            | January | 5  |
| Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3    |         | 5  |
| Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30   |         | 5  |
| Spindale, 11                 |         | 12 |
| Broad River, Kistlers, 3     |         | 12 |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30         |         | 12 |
| Forest City, 11              |         | 19 |
| Gilkey, Gilboa, Gilboa, 3    |         | 19 |
| Marion, First, 7:30          |         | 19 |
| Old Fort, 11                 |         | 26 |
| Old Fort Ct., Piney Grove, 3 |         | 26 |

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                   |          |    |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----|
| Troutman, Troutman, night         | November | 14 |
| Shepherds, Vanderburg, night      |          | 15 |
| Mooreville, Broad Street, 11      |          | 17 |
| Jones Memorial, 3                 |          | 17 |
| Central, Mooreville, night        |          | 17 |
| Elmwood, Cleveland, night         |          | 18 |
| Cool Springs, Providence, night   |          | 19 |
| Harmony, Harmony, night           |          | 20 |
| Hiddenite, Hiddenite, night       |          | 21 |
| Taylorsville, Taylorsville, night |          | 22 |
| Davidson, Davidson, 11            |          | 24 |
| Mooreville Ct., Triplett, 3       |          | 24 |
| Mount Zion, night                 |          | 24 |
| Union Grove-Zion, Mt. View, night |          | 25 |
| Olin, Olin, night                 |          | 26 |
| Statesville Ct., Bethel, night    |          | 27 |
| Newton, night                     |          | 28 |
| North Newton, night               |          | 29 |

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|----------------------------------|----------|---|
| Granite Falls, 11                | December | 1 |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 3      |          | 1 |
| Hudson, Hudson, night            |          | 1 |
| Broad Street, Statesville, night |          | 2 |
| Hickory, Bethel, night           |          | 3 |
| Hickory, Westview, night         |          | 4 |
| Highland, Highland, night        |          | 5 |
| Hickory, First Church, night     |          | 6 |
| Whitnel, Whitnel, 11             |          | 8 |
| Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 3          |          | 8 |
| Lenoir, First Church, night      |          | 8 |

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WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

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|---------------------------------|---------|----|
| Indian Reservation, 11, 3, 3:30 | October | 27 |
|---------------------------------|---------|----|

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|---------------------------------------------|----------|----|
| Andrews, 11                                 | November | 3  |
| Bryson City, 7:30                           |          | 3  |
| District Stewards' meeting, Waynesville, 10 |          | 4  |
| Junaluska, 7:30                             |          | 7  |
| Morning Star, 7:30                          |          | 8  |
| Pigeon Valley, 11                           |          | 10 |
| Whittier, Whittier, 3                       |          | 10 |
| Robbinsville, 7:30                          |          | 10 |
| Murphy, Cherokee Y. P. meeting, 7:30        |          | 11 |
| Hayesville, Hayesville, 6:30 (banquet)      |          | 12 |
| Cullowhee, 7                                |          | 13 |
| Clyde, 6 (banquet)                          |          | 14 |
| Bethel, 7:30                                |          | 15 |
| Pines Creek, at regular appointment, 11     |          | 17 |
| Crabtree, 3                                 |          | 17 |
| Canton, First, 7                            |          | 17 |
| Jonathan, 7                                 |          | 18 |
| Haywood Co. Young People's banquet, 6       |          | 19 |
| Waynesville, 7:30                           |          | 20 |
| Canton, Central, 7:30                       |          | 21 |
| Silva, 7:30                                 |          | 22 |
| Morning Star (Dedication), 11               |          | 24 |
| Canton, Rockwood, 7                         |          | 24 |
| Dellwood, Mrs. Ketter's home, 6             |          | 25 |
| Franklin, 7                                 |          | 27 |

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|--------------------------|----------|----|
| Murphy, 11               | December | 1  |
| Murphy Ct., 3            |          | 1  |
| Shooting Creek, 7        |          | 1  |
| Highlands, Highlands, 11 |          | 8  |
| Wehster, 3               |          | 8  |
| Franklin, Ct., 11        |          | 15 |
| Macon Ct., 3             |          | 15 |

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lyndon Ave., Winston-Salem

FIRST ROUND—IN PART

|                                                |  |    |
|------------------------------------------------|--|----|
| Thomasville, Main St., 11                      |  | 17 |
| Winston-Salem, Grace, 7:30                     |  | 17 |
| Walkertown, Love's, 11                         |  | 24 |
| Thomasville-Trinity-Bethel, Johnstontown, 7:30 |  | 24 |

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|----------------------------------------------|----------|----|
| Lexington-Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Mt. Carmel, 11 | December | 1  |
| Forsyth, Mt. Tabor, 7:30                     |          | 1  |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 11                   |          | 8  |
| Doub's, New Hope, 7:30                       |          | 8  |
| Hanes-Clemmons, Bethel, 11                   |          | 15 |
| Hiatt-Sedge Garden, Sedge Garden, 7:30       |          | 15 |
| North Davidson, Mount Pleasant, 11           |          | 22 |
| West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 3               |          | 22 |
| Rural Hall, 7:30                             |          | 22 |
| Winston-Salem Ct., Pisgah, 11                |          | 29 |
| Reeds, 3                                     |          | 29 |
| Kernersville, South Winston, 7:30            |          | 29 |

METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Continued from page 17

I want to take this opportunity to thank the young ladies missionary society of Red Springs, who for the past 11 years has sent me clothes twice a year. I shall always remember their kindness to me.

Soon after I came to the home I learned to love it and its leaders. I am so thankful that I have been reared in such a Christian home, and I do hope that I may live up to the expectations

of the people of the North Carolina conference, for I feel indebted to them.

Virginia Saunders.

N. C. BOARD OF EDUCATION

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| (Y. P.)               | 15.00   |
| Lumberton Ct.—        |         |
| Pembroke              | 7.00    |
| Roseboro, Bethel      | 1.29    |
| Southport             | 12.00   |
| St. Pauls, Regans     | 2.15    |
| Tabor City, St. Pauls | 14.20   |
| Town Creek, Zion      | 4.54    |
| Warsaw-Magnolia—      |         |
| Trinity               | 2.25    |
| Whiteville            | 6.00    |
| Wilmington, Epworth   | 6.00    |
| Fifth Avenue          | 19.00   |
| Grace                 | 28.00   |
| Wesley Memorial       | 9.21    |
| Total                 | 250.47  |
| Robeson Co. Union     | 5.00    |
| Total                 | 250.47  |
| Grand total           | 2596.60 |

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Beulah Methodist church, desire to express our deep sense of loss in the passing of one of our most esteemed members, Mrs. Ida Revis, our friend and co-worker.

She was quiet, unassuming and gentle in disposition. She was devoted to her church, her loved ones and friends. Her strong Christian character and her life of splendid loving service inspires us to follow in her footsteps and to live a better and nobler life devoted to Jesus Christ.

Our love and sympathy go out to her family and friends.

In appreciation of her consecrated life of devoted service, we desire that that this tribute of love and respect be entered in the record of our society, that a copy be sent to the family and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and The Journal-Patriot.

Mrs. J. M. Green, Pres.  
Mrs. B. B. Pearson, Vice Pres.  
Mrs. W. C. Scroggs, Sec.



## In Memoriam

**KIRKMAN**—William L. Kirkman passed away on October 29, 1940, being 53 years of age. For almost a year he was a constant sufferer, being confined to his bed most of the time, but he bore all his sufferings with Christian fortitude and patience. He was a member of Gray's Chapel Methodist church and served on the Gray's Chapel school board for 14 years. Brother Kirkman was a sincere Christian and expressed himself as being ready to meet his heavenly Father in peace. His wife and five children survive—two sons and three daughters; also his mother, four sisters and three brothers. The funeral was conducted at Gray's Chapel Methodist church and burial took place in the church cemetery.

H. L. Isley, Pastor.

**FLEIG**—Grover C. Fleig, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fleig, was born in Person county near Roxboro, August 5, 1893. He was married to Miss Cora Solomon, and to this union were born two boys, Raymond and G. C. Fleig, Jr.

In early life he was converted and joined the Warren's Grove Methodist church and remained true to his church and his God until he joined the triumphant church above September 23, 1940.

He was a quiet, unassuming man, a devoted husband and a loving father. He was always ready to help his fellowman in any way possible. All who came in contact with him felt the influence of a genuine Christian spirit and had the profoundest respect and esteem for him.

In the Warren's Grove Methodist church, amid a most beautiful floral offering manifesting the love of a host of friends, Rev. E. G. Overton conducted the funeral services. Many more than the church could accommodate gathered to pay the last tribute of respect. Interment was in the Birchwood cemetery.

**McCALL**—Mrs. Ella McCall, widow of the late Rev. F. B. McCall, widely known Methodist minister and member of the North Carolina conference, died at her home at Laurel Hill late Tuesday afternoon, October 22, 1940, following an illness of two weeks. Mrs. McCall was 80 years of age.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 10 o'clock from the home with Rev. E. H. Measamer, her pastor, officiating, assisted by Rev. H. L. Hendricks, Methodist minister of Laurinburg, and Rev. W. J. Huneycutt, pastor of the Presbyterian church in the Pines of Laurel Hill.

Mrs. McCall is survived by five daughters and a son, Mrs. R. B. Mullen of Durham, Mrs. B. F. McColman of Faison, Mrs. Lula Usher of Laurel Hill, Mrs. C. E. Ruffner of Washington, D. C., Mrs. F. E. Tomlin of Griggsville, and E. C. McCall, step-son, of Laurinburg. She leaves one sister, Mrs. Mollie Hollowell of Conway, S. C., 18 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

E. H. Measamer.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The women of the missionary society of Brookstown Methodist church wish to pay tribute to a beloved member who has been called from our midst. Mrs. Stella Alspaugh Shields was a devoted and faithful member of this society, whose passing has brought sorrow and left a place that cannot be

filled. In her quiet, unassuming way she lived a life of love and service which was an inspiration to all who came in contact with her.

First, we, the members of this society wish to express our deepest sympathy to all those who suffered such a great loss and bereavement.

Second, that we wish to thank God for her life of such devout faith and loyalty that her influence has been felt by all who knew and loved her.

Third, that a copy of this memorial be sent to the family, a copy placed in our minutes, and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. P. E. Hauser,  
Mrs. W. A. Mickle,  
Mrs. J. A. Horne.

### IN MEMORIAM

We, the members of circle No. 3 of the woman's missionary society of Central church, Mooresville, N. C., are deeply grieved at the sudden passing of one of our most loved members, Mrs. Phi Alexander, October 1, 1940. We miss her in our circle, in church and community. She was ready and willing to do her part in anything concerning Christ's kingdom. While our hearts are sad by her going, we know that He doeth all things well, and some day we will understand. We extend our most sincere sympathy to the husband and children and pray that her life may be an inspiration to them and also to us.

Mrs. Roy Denny,  
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## Thanksgiving in the Presbyterian and the Methodist Church

**G**RATITUDE is a blessed grace. It should characterize every Christian. The earliest Thanksgiving of which we read was observed by Israel of old. The first Christians constantly expressed their joyful thanks to God. Our American Thanksgiving is unique as a national institution. This religious service dates back to our Colonial days. The observance of the fourth Thursday of November as Thanksgiving Day dates from 1863, when President Abraham Lincoln appointed that day. From that year to the present, our Presidents have called upon the people of this land to render thanks to Almighty God for his goodness.

This year the Lord has continued his mercies to America. Our harvests have been bountiful. Pestilence has been withheld. We have been spared the horrors of war. We should be thankful "for the peace upon the valleys and the mountains capped with snow, for the strength of men and mothers who would keep it so."

As churches, we rejoice in Jesus Christ, God's Son and our Saviour, and thank him for his grace and goodness in giving us a part in his kingdom.

Therefore, let the members of our beloved churches assemble in God's house in a joyous Thanksgiving service on the day observed in their respective states. Let us confess our unworthiness. Let us thank and praise God for his goodness. Let us pray for his continued blessing upon our homes, our churches, our schools, and our land.

*Adapted from The United Presbyterian for use in our  
Methodist Churches*



## METHODIST CONFERENCE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Methodist workers in local churches, districts and conferences will come from every jurisdiction to share in the first Methodist Conference of Christian Education, Nashville, Tenn., December 4-9, 1940. Workers with children, youth and adults, executive and extension secretaries and conference board presidents, directors of Christian education in the local churches and college teachers of religion together will seek to develop emphases and program plans for Christian education in the local church. In each of the six commissions members will seek to understand the needs of persons in the widely differing communities of the country, and to build a program which will help these persons to grow as Christians in their local and world-wide relationships.

### General Sessions

The conference opens at 9:30 Wednesday, December 4. Dr. George A. Warner, chairman of the Board of Education of the Southern California-Arizona conference, will preside. Dr. Ernest M. Ligon, associate professor of psychology, Union College, Schenectady, New York, will give a series of three addresses on "The Personal Equation in Christian Character Education." He will speak from his experience in his recent research on the development of Christian personality. Dr. John K. Benton, dean of the school of religion of Vanderbilt University, will lead the conference in a series of worship services.

Dr. Harry Wright McPherson, executive secretary of the Division of Educational Institutions, will speak to the group on Saturday afternoon. Following the address open house will be held at the Methodist Building, 810 Broadway. Persons will be conducted through the building and acquainted with those who serve their fellow-workers in conference, district and local church situations.

On Sunday morning out-of-town visitors may observe in the several church schools of Nashville and share with other worshippers in the morning services. An opportunity to become acquainted with recent visual and auditory aids will be provided in the discussion led by Dr. N. F. Forsyth Sunday afternoon. Posters, stereopticons, recording movies and other resources will be exhibited and discussed. In the evening the group will share with persons of other races in an "All Nations" program at Scarritt College.

### Fellowship Dinners

Opportunities to get acquainted are offered at the three fellowship dinners for workers with children, youth and adults. Children's workers will enjoy a dinner in the beautiful dining room of Scarritt College. Youth workers will share with their fellowmen abroad in a Refugee Supper and Blackout Service. A dinner and program on adult work has been arranged.

The "Annual Extravaganza" presented by the "Methodist Broadcasting Company" in the studios of MCCE will be witnessed by all who attend the conference banquet at the Hermitage Hotel, Sunday evening. A growing interest in visual and auditory aids as a resource in Christian education has prompted the banquet committee to plan this extravaganza.

### Commission Programs

Significant programs for workers of a united church are planned in the several commissions. Children's workers will consider how best to make use of field personnel and resources before they separate into study groups to deal with specific areas of needs in the field of children's work. Youth workers will consider with Dr. Charles F. Boss of the Methodist Peace Commission what Methodist youth may do in a war situation. Emphases for a total program of youth work for the quadrennium will be planned. Needs of adults and basic principles in young adult work will receive specific study in the commission on adult work. Executives secretaries, extension secretaries and board presidents will consider the basic philosophy of a conference board of Christian education, and how to develop and finance the conference program. The person and his place in the community

will be the central study for the directors of Christian education. Harrison Elliott, professor of religious education, Union Theological Seminary; Rollo May, pastor First Congregational church, Verona, New Jersey, and Leonard A. Stidley, Oberlin Graduate School of Theology, will serve as resource leaders. College teachers of religion will be guided in their commission studies by Dr. D. M. Maynard of Scarritt College.

### Closing Sessions

Following the business sessions and election of officers on Monday, a joint report of all commissions will be presented. The report will lift up "emphases and plans for Christian education in the local church," and will give direction to members of the conference and the church in the work for the quadrennium.

Dr. John Q. Schisler, executive secretary of the Division of the Local Church, will summarize the conference in a closing address which will look to the future of Christian education in the church.

All paid and volunteer workers of the Methodist Church engaged in activities directly related to the Division of the Local Church are invited to share in the Methodist Conference of Christian Education.

### PRAYER FOR A FRESHMAN

May I take you to college with me, Father? Will you hold my hand from day to day? May I know that I won't be lonely because you will be near?

Dear Father, I do not pray for an easy way. I do not ask that there be only sunny skies, nor do I want a flower-strewn pathway. But I ask you to please give me courage ambitions; to devote the proper amount of time to studying; and to have strength of character to keep myself pure and clean.

I realize that I am beginning the greater preparation for my life, my Father, and I pray that you will help me to make the most of my opportunities. I am grateful for the privileges that I have and I hope I may be able, through them, to find a way of service to others and to you.

I would be cheerful and willing to forgive. I would be strong to resist temptation. Kind Father, be with me and strengthen me. I need you, for I am weak. Give me a faith that will sustain me always. Amen.

(Written by Marian Florine Morris, age 15 years, Atlantic, N. C.)

She is now a freshman at Duke. May her prayer be answered from day to day.—Editor.

### ADDITIONAL BOUNDARY CHANGES

The following charge boundary changes have been made since conference and possibly it will be well to print them:

Mt. Carmel remains with Prospect circuit as last year.

Take Oak Grove from Marshville charge and place with North Monroe.

Take Huntersville, former M. E. Church, South, from Huntersville charge in the Charlotte district and place with Mt. Zion charge in the Statesville district, leaving this church as last conference year. E. H. Nease.

### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT LEADERS AT FAYETTEVILLE

The pastors, district stewards, church school superintendents, charge lay leaders and church and charge treasurers will please meet at Page Memorial Methodist church, Aberdeen, at 10 o'clock Tuesday, November 26, for a three hour session. W. V. McRae, D.S.

### RALEIGH DISTRICT MEETING

The preachers, district stewards, charge lay leaders and church school superintendents are called to meet in Raleigh, Edenton Street church, on Tuesday, November 26, at 10 a. m. It is hoped that we shall have a full attendance.

H. I. Glass, D. S.

### DISTRICT STEWARDS MEET AT NEW BERN

The pastors and district stewards of the New Bern district will meet in Centenary church, New Bern, November 25, at 10 a. m. J. A. Russell, D. S.

### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT NOTICE

The pastors and district stewards of the Rocky Mount district will meet at First church, Rocky Mount, Monday morning at 10 o'clock, November 25. L. C. Larkin, D. S.



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Practically every mail brings us lists of new subscribers from pastors for the Advocate. Why not every one get in on this at the first of the year?

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The interest shown by the women in making larger use of the North Carolina Christian Advocate in their work is most encouraging. This paper is soul and body with them in their noble Christian service.

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Numerous meetings are being held by Methodists these days in beginning the work of the new year. Above all else the one effort of every one involved should be to make each of these count—to make it more than “just another meeting.” Such a result is little short of tragic!

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What a preacher was Phillips Brooks, the great pole star of the Christian ministry of America. Here is the goal that he set for himself and commended to all: “The ideal life is in our blood and never will be still. Sad will be the day for any man when he becomes contented with the thoughts he is thinking and the deeds that he is doing—where there is not forever beating at the doors of his soul some great desire to do something larger, which he knows that he was meant and made to do.”

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Saturday of last week was a great day at Chapel Hill, when 41,000 fans saw Carolina win over Duke by a score of 6-3. It was a great game. Carolina was exceedingly happy and had reason to be. Duke took the defeat philosophically and without an alibi. One Duke coed wrote to her mother: “It was not so bad. Carolina had lost three and Duke only one game and could better afford to loose.” We suspect this girl has a “steady” in the Carolina student body. The high quality of this game should bring at least 60,000 to the Duke stadium next year, when Steve Lach, Moffat Storer, Bill Wartman and other “speed merchants” will romp over the green turf at Duke.

Shortly after President Few's death the Dayton Herald in an editorial said: “He left it to others to embrace educational fads and sociological fancies while he stressed the ideals of Christianity and the practices of civilization.” We have not seen a more accurate estimate than this of Duke's great president and educational leader.

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Few men have come into responsible position with more friends and well wishers than has Dr. Robert Lee Flowers, acting president of Duke University. All students who have passed through Trinity College and Duke University during the past half century count him a friend and appreciate his long years of service. Fortunate man is he.

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The Duke school of medicine and the Duke hospital will celebrate their tenth anniversary November 29-30, 1940. What a decade of achievement this has been for these two great departments of Duke University! In April, 1938, the hospital registered its 100,000th patient for treatment. That was more than two and a half years ago and the total on July 21, 1940, had reached 144,142.

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Shot in the back! It is said that a faithful and courageous minister who had been in many battles for his Lord and Master finally fell and all heaven turned out to greet the battle worn warrior. But there was great amazement when that valiant spirit stood before those who came to welcome him as they observed that he carried many scars in his back. “Hast thou so often turned thy back upon the enemies of Christ that thou hast been wounded thus?” asked his questioner at the gate. “Nay,” replied the spirit of many scars, “all these scars in my back were made by the wounds I received from the troops I tried to lead.” The application of this story is plain and there arises the personal question, “Am I among those who are shooting God's most valiant soldiers in the back?”



## National Thanksgiving

**A**FTER the first harvest in the Plymouth Colony in 1621 Governor Bradford appointed a day of thanksgiving for the harvest. This was the first thanksgiving day. And from documentary evidence it appears that such a day was annually observed in New England with little interruption from 1632.

This was the beginning of the national thanksgiving that has become a great tradition as well as a present day institution of the United States of America.

The first thanksgiving day was an expression of gratitude to Almighty God for the harvest that grew out of the soil and that provided food for those pioneer colonists. But it is no longer limited to the products of the soil, and very properly so, because there are a multitude of things in the experience of every individual for which we should be thankful.

Yet those Pilgrim fathers in their first day of thanksgiving went to the heart of the matter. Suppose old mother earth should for twelve months fail to produce any sort of food for man and beast and fowl, most of all animal life would die of starvation. And if a part should be able to survive, a few months more would put an end to animal life upon the earth.

This is a fact that the world at large is unmindful of, but those early settlers in a rigid New England climate could not forget how dependent they were upon the harvests for their daily bread.

It seems to us to be a fine custom for the President of the United States and the governors of the states to appoint a day of annual thanksgiving, and for the people to meet in their accustomed places of worship for a thanksgiving service. Many churches make it a day to remember dependent orphan children with gifts for their support. We Methodists in North Carolina make it a day to devote our contributions to the orphanages of the church. Let us hope that no church will overlook this privilege as well as duty.

## Why the Slaughter on Our Highways?

**T**HE Highway Safety Division reported the revocation of 221 drivers' licenses for the week from November 1, 1940, through November 8. Think of such a record! Practically all of these lost their license for driving while drunk. The grand total of revocations for the

state amounts to 30,709. We all know that not one-half of the drivers under the influence of liquor are apprehended.

We certainly need not hope to stop the fearful slaughter on our highways so as to secure reasonable safety on our roads until drinking liquor is restrained and the drinking driver is taken in hand. Most assuredly we should wage a crusade against the selling and drinking of beverage alcohol in all its forms. Every effort must be made to stop the legal and illegal sale. The liquor stores with their sales mounting into millions has dismally failed to limit its use or to put the bootlegger out of business.

Death rides our highways and wreckage caused by liquor litters the land with the thousands of drivers who jeopardize the life and limb of every citizen that ventures abroad. Remember casualties mount with the increase of liquor consumed. So does the revocation of drivers' licenses. Note these facts: Liquor sales in Durham last month totaled \$119,037.75, and \$106,313.55 in Wake county, which was second in the volume of sales.

For the state as a whole, liquor sales in October totaled \$752,738.80, an increase of \$58,325.65 over sales for the same month last year. The county showing the most increase was Cumberland, in which Fort Bragg is located, where liquor sales jumped from \$33,255.10 in October, 1939, to \$61,295.05 in October, 1940.

## Armistice Day Fades

**F**EW who came through it can ever forget Armistice Day November 11, 1918. This eleventh day of the eleventh month of 1918 marked the cessation of hostilities in the World War—the war to end war. A headline in the New York Herald-Tribune of November 12 reads: "Armistice Day Overseas Goes Almost Ignored." This was a report of the twenty-second anniversary of Armistice Day in France and England. The French omitted an official observance and England did almost the same. For them November 11 had ceased to be a day of victory. They are now in the midst of the desolation of the second World War. The boys on Flanders field had died in vain. Such are ever the conquests of war.

Here in America Armistice Day had lost much of its interest. The men who spoke, so far as we have heard, failed to thrill. How could we glorify that day of which we expected so much twenty-two years ago? The draft sends our boys to camp in training for war



and many feel that we are now on the verge of war. Instead of glorifying peace and leading the nation in the paths of peace we are spending billions making ready for military action in the name of national defense—this of course to protect our own shores.

Our special plea in this hour of war and preparation for war is that the church bend all its energies to the cause of peace. In the World War ministers and churches were drawn into the war and entered in the varied activities of war with the plea that this was a war to end war. We know better now. War is not a cure for anything. The business of the followers of the Prince of Peace is to promote peace. To this end ministers and churches should labor and pray that we may have an Armistice Day that ushers in permanent peace when the nations shall learn war no more.

Just now the nation is a unit for preparedness. Some are in a state of feverish anxiety to hurry the output of arms, airplanes and ships so that we may be so strong that every nation will fear us. Does this mean that we are to trample upon all who do not meet our demands? What is to be the armistice to which we look? It certainly should be one far different from the armistice of 1918.

### Helpless in Face of Difficulties

THE sores peril to which we as a church is exposed in these last times is the feeling dominating many Methodist preachers and laymen that renders them despairingly helpless in the face of difficulties. They are looking anxiously for the easy places and are eager for the promising fields; they see nothing but hard work and poor prospects in the obscure ways. Such men ought to know that the thing to do is to surrender, especially Methodist preachers.

That was not the spirit of early Methodism and, thank God, it is not the spirit of many heroic souls this present day. Those who win and are willing to spend and be spent are still numbered with this devoted band. The place-seekers, unable to win because of the exacting demands of lowly people and the unthankful tasks found in the midst of hard conditions, are sure of victory and fine remuneration in the high places to which belong the abundance of the resources of this world. These are the selfish souls hastening to the dust. Most refreshing are the young men out of college and seminary who are sure of victory in any and

every field. They are wise enough to know that their successes are not to be measured by statistical tables—that is the standard of measurement for the man who estimates life by the position he holds and the amount of salary he gets. The devoted and unselfish workers who are one with Him who magnified lowly service among lowly people ultimately win lasting victories and they have a place among the immortals. In death they sing a song of victory.

### Make Thanksgiving Count for the Orphanages

NO one debates the need of help for hungry and ill clothed children. All normal men and women respond to the cry of a child and the languid body and dull eyes of neglected childhood. This appeal is as urgent and widespread as mankind. Most blessed are the merciful.

Once more the call comes to every Methodist church in this state to make a liberal offering on Thanksgiving for the children in our orphanages. Surely every leader in a church school will make the offering this year bigger than ever before. Superintendents Barnes at Raleigh and Woosley at Winston-Salem must have liberal help to provide for the enlarged family of children at both homes. Surely everyone will make reply—let it be liberal and full of gladness. The need is urgent.

### The Little Church in a Big City

WE hear quite a bit about the little country church and the fruits of that unpretentious vine in the vineyard of the Lord are such as to call forth words of praise and even to stir the spirit of the poet, but it is rare to hear one sing the praises of the little church in the city.

For that reason if no other, the following poem by Winifred Ayres Hope in *The New York Times* is of unusual interest:

Like a sea gull wearied in its flight,  
Who finds a narrow ledge beneath the rock  
Which towering guards the shore, so to the sight  
The little church, crouched by the business block.

Massive skyscrapers, boasting as they tower,  
Acclaim from metal throats the Calf of God;  
Dazed by their insolence, their din, their power,  
The heart grows leaden and the spirit cold.

Within the little church a hush prevails—  
The brazen boasts without fall back unheard;  
The spell of man's achievement dims and fails  
As mightier forces deep within are stirred.  
Up from the church which lay so still and low,  
Man's aspirations to high heaven go.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

Madame Chiang Kai-shek is said to have flown to Hong-kong for rest and medical care. Few women could have withstood the terrible strain she has so courageously shared with her husband for the past three years. Her China and American friends will eagerly await word from her physicians and earnestly pray for her speedy recovery.

Mr. Myers is in Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital. He had a ruptured appendix removed the 8th of November. He has been seriously sick but is doing as well as we can expect. His daughter, Mrs. Mary Myers May, is nursing him. We enjoy the paper. I have read the church paper ever since I was a child. I wish you great success in every way.—Mrs. E. Meyers.

Rev. M. C. Ellerbe was in the Advocate office Monday checking his list of subscribers. The North Carolina conference reveals the fact that the Burlington circuit leads the conference for steady progress in circuit work. The Burlington circuit makes plans to entertain the Durham district conference in April. Unification brings its blessings to this circuit in welcoming Fairview church this conference year.

We have received a real warm welcome from our good people here on the Grace-Rhodhiss charge. Poundings from both churches to keep us going for some days—the pantry looks like a grocery store. We appreciate our new work and hope we will be able to serve the good people to the advancement of God's kingdom. We plan to put on an Advocate campaign at an early date. Rhodhiss expects to start on their new church building soon.—J. Max Brandon.

The ministers' wives of the Charlotte district met in the First Methodist church Tuesday morning, November 12, for the purpose of reorganization. Mrs. J. E. Yountz reported for the nominating committee and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. H. P. Powell; secretary, Mrs. M. G. Ervin; treasurer, Mrs. C. F. Womble; chairman of entertainment committee, Mrs. E. H. Nease. New members were welcomed and some plans outlined for the year.—Mrs. M. G. Ervin, Sec.

Rev. and Mrs. Joyce V. Early were honored by the ministers and wives of Hillsboro at a three course dinner given at The Palms restaurant in Durham November 11. Those present were Rev. and Mrs. Joyce V. Early, Rev. and Mrs. A. K. Cheek of the Baptist church, Rev. and Mrs. S. W. DuBose of the Presbyterian church, Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Beckwith of St. Matthews Episcopal church. Tuesday evening, November 12, the Christine Early's class gave Mrs. Early a farewell party. She was remembered with a lovely bedspread. Wednesday evening she was given a surprise shower by Rena B. Tupton circle of the society of Christian service of Hillsboro. She and the parsonage family were presented with many lovely and useful gifts.—Reporter.

A survey of Negro cultural achievements discloses more than the occasional scintillation of the genius, the G. W. Carver and the Marian Anderson. Out of a total of 13,000,000 American Negroes, 35,000 are enrolled in colleges, universities, and other higher educational institutions. Annually degrees go to 3500. In 1936 Phi Beta Kappa inducted 17 Negro students. The Who's Who in America of 1936-37 lists 100 Negroes. In the six years, 1931 to 1936, 79 Negroes received the Ph.D. degree. Runner up last year in the classy annual Negro tennis tournament at Hampton Institute, Virginia, was Reginald Weir, one time captain of the College of the City of New York tennis team. In 1936 there were in the United States 69 licensed Negro aviators and students. In journalism, the Negro turns out such metropolitan newspapers as the Baltimore Afro-American and the Atlanta Daily World.—Biblical Recorder.

The German commander in the Netherlands is upset because the Dutch army and people have not shown the proper "loyalty" toward the German occupation. He complains that Dutch soldiers do not click heels with the proper spirit when German officers go by. He finds that the Dutch people do not understand "German measures to give safety and peace to the Netherlands," and he threatens them with death for "treason." But is it any wonder that the Dutch do not understand?

The ministers' wives of the Marion district met at the home of Mrs. W. A. Jenkins in Marion the afternoon of November 8. Mrs. J. C. Cornett led the devotional. Mrs. M. F. Moores gave an account of the conference luncheon. Officers were elected as follows: Mrs. M. F. Moores, president; Mrs. T. R. Wolfe, vice president; Mrs. Frank Smathers, secretary-treasurer. Reports of last year's work were given and plans for the year were discussed, especially concerning the county "get-togethers." Delicious refreshments were served.

Please allow me through your paper to thank the lovely people of Muir's Chapel and surrounding country for the surprise of my life on November 13, 1940. It was my 73rd birthday. My how it rained outside, but the ladies of the Woman's Society of Christian Service brought sunshine and joy to the inmates of our home. They sang "Happy Birthday" and "Bless Be the Tie That Binds." Mrs. Walter Baxter prayed a wonderful prayer that brought tears to our eyes. But the best is yet to come. It was an old fashioned pounding. They left money and many good things to eat that "hit the spot" in an old superannuated minister's home. I'm wishing all the superannuates happy birthdays.—Mrs. J. H. Brendall.

Bethany church, Randolph charge, is glad to have as our new pastor our former pastor, Rev. H. L. Isley. His sermons and the associations with him and his wife are most inspiring. He served well in the past and things look bright for the future. We were glad when the quarterly conference voted to give him a boost in salary, although not a great amount. Our church is getting a new coat of paint inside. Bethany community was deeply saddened by the passing of our former Sunday school superintendent, Mr. D. T. Gastor. He truly let the light of the Master shine through his life, and it has been through his influence that Bethany Sunday school has grown spiritually as well as greatly increased in number. He served in that capacity for about 30 years. Mrs. Percy Julian has the sympathy of the community in the passing of her mother, Mrs. Ferree of Worthville. May the rich blessings of God be upon her and others of the family.—Reporter.

Lord Halifax, the British foreign secretary, recently defined the attitude of the British government towards the continuation of the missionary enterprise in times of war in these words: "It is said that some who regularly support the work of foreign missions are in doubt whether it is right in time of war to send money out of the country, and also whether war charities and war work ought not to take precedence over everything else. Action already taken by several government departments has shown the desire of the British government that the services rendered by Christian missions should continue. I am myself quite clear that the support of foreign missionary work in time of war is an essential part of the church's witness. I should much regret if the responsibility which Christian people rightly feel toward the special needs and charities that press upon us in war time should lead them to desert this permanent and universal Christian obligation."



**DR. N. H. D. WILSON ENDS THE JOURNEY**

Dr. Nathan Hunt Daniel Wilson, 74, reached the end of his journey as an itinerant Methodist preacher at Chapel Hill, November 19, 1940. Eight years he had been retired from active duties and had lived in Chapel Hill, much of the time unable to leave his home. His widow, the former Miss Mary Elizabeth Mangum of Chapel Hill, is quite feeble and shut in.

Few members of the North Carolina conference were better known than was our brother, N. H. D. Wilson. His father, Dr. N. H. D. Wilson, was for 45 years an outstanding member of the conference. The son, bearing his father's name, enjoyed the best educational advantages and entered into all the traditions of the Wilson family—both father and son having been born in Greensboro, N. C.

The younger Wilson, taking up the labors of his father in the Methodist church, served pastorates in East Carolina 41 years, during seven of which he was presiding elder in Wilmington and Washington. He was pastor at the following places in order: Franklinton, Greenville, Chapel Hill, Maxton, Hertford, Laurinburg, Goldsboro, Louisburg, Washington, Elizabeth City, New Bern, Wilmington and Fayetteville.

This son of Carolina was graduated from the University of North Carolina, did graduate work in theology at Vanderbilt University, and was given a D.D. degree by the University at Chapel Hill in 1923. He was a member of the Di Senate, Zeta Psi fraternity, and the Masonic Order, and was a trustee of Louisburg College.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. J. Marvin Culbreth, the pastor, at the University Methodist church on Wednesday at 3 o'clock. Assisting were Dr. J. H. McCracken and Dr. H. C. Smith, both of Durham. Interment was in the village cemetery.

**DAY OF REAL UNION IN HENDERSON**

The former Methodist Protestant and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, effected complete consolidation of the two groups last Sunday, making a church of 1228 members with a board of stewards numbering 42. Rev. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent of High Point, preached the sermon. Rev. B. C. Reavis was in charge of the service. It was truly a notable and happy occasion.

The fact that only two letters were given to members who did not come into the union made it practically unanimous—these two being persons who lived in the country and went to nearby country churches. Surely this church of more than 1200 members will be a wonderful force in Henderson.

Dr. S. W. Taylor had been a popular pastor of the Methodist Protestant church years ago, so it was most fitting that he should bring the message on this occasion.

**REAL UNION BEGUN IN RALEIGH**

Rev. D. M. Sharpe last Sunday began his new pastorate at Person Street in Raleigh. This involves the union of Epworth and Central churches of the city. These two congregations will hold their church school and preaching services at present in the hall of Murphy school. The first of these services were held last Sunday with the coming of the new preacher.

Unless we are much mistaken, Brother D. M. Sharpe will fit this situation perfectly, and a great new day

awaits this needed venture of consolidation in that section of Raleigh. Of course much work—hard work—is always needed to build in a great way; and, also, full co-operation on the part of all must be had. Brother Sharpe is energetic, practical and endowed with good sense—elements essential in a constructive enterprise. We wish for all concerned the finest success.

**GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS**

Sixty-five high school seniors enjoyed the hospitality of Greensboro College Friday, Saturday and Sunday of last week. A program consisting of a student recital, faculty concert, a reception given by the two societies on the campus, and an open house sponsored by the "Y" at the "Y" hut, was planned for the visitors. We sincerely hope that these young visitors will return in the fall for a longer stay at the college.

The Greensboro College Players presented "The Merry Wives of Windsor," 'popular Shakespearean comedy, to a large and appreciative audience on Friday evening at 8:15 in Odell auditorum. The production was directed by Miss Elba Henninger, head of the department of speech and dramatic art, assisted by Miss Charlotte Searles, instructor in the department.

The leading feminine roles in the play were played by majors in the department, including Misses Weleska Pegram, Winston-Salem; Virginia Hobbs, Hampton, Va.; Mary Elizabeth Kearney, Durham; and Vivian Rathburn, Thomasville.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel spoke to the Rotary Club at Asheboro on last Friday, November 15, at noon. Dr. Gobbel's subject was "Preparing the High School for College."

**MINISTERS' WIVES IN ASHEVILLE**

The ministers' wives of the Asheville district held their organization meeting on November 12 at Central Methodist church. Mrs. M. T. Smathers, wife of the district superintendent, presided.

The following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: Mrs. George Schreyer, president; Mrs. Moody Smith, vice president; Mrs. Harry S. Williams, secretary-treasurer. The president appointed a program committee composed of Mrs. A. C. Tippet, Mrs. W. F. Beadle and Mrs. J. S. Williams.

The next meeting will be held in January and will be in the form of a luncheon meeting.

**MANAGERS OF PASTORS' SCHOOL MEET  
DECEMBER 3**

The Board of Managers of the North Carolina Pastors' School will meet in the directors' room of Duke University at 11 o'clock Tuesday, December 3, 1940. All members will please make a note of this.

M. T. Plyler, Chairman.

W. A. Kale, Secretary.

**WESLEY FOUNDATION COMMISSION MEETS AT  
DUKE DECEMBER 3**

Members of the Wesley Foundation are called to meet at Duke Tuesday, December 3, at 2:30 p. m. All members and others interested will please take notice and be present.

M. T. Plyler, Chairman.

J. G. Phillips, Secretary.

**N. C. CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD NOTICE**

On account of the death of Rev. J. B. Hurley we are issuing call number 77. Make checks payable to R. L. Jerome, Treas., 1908 Princess Street, Wilmington, N. C.



## "HITCH YOUR WAGON TO A STAR"

By R. C. Lawrence

It was sage advice given by the philosopher and quoted in the caption—advice which should be followed by every youth of Carolina.

I suppose we all have our ideals, and I too have mine. My ideal philosopher is Plato; my ideal scientist is Darwin; my ideal poet is Tennyson; my ideal author is Sir Walter Scott; my ideal statesman is the Great Commoner Gladstone; my ideal soldier is General Robert E. Lee; my ideal President is the martyred Lincoln; my ideal lawyer is former President and Chief Justice Taft; my ideal surgeon is either of the two Mayo brothers; my ideal American citizen is the foreign born Edward W. Bok, whose life exemplifies all that is best in the ideals of American life.

Today is the day of youth. Instead of being a handicap, it is youth that is an asset, while age is a liability. In every profession, in every calling, young men of promise are eagerly sought. The great physician, Sir William Osler, once humorously said that every man over forty should be chloroformed. Today this humorous saying of the world renowned physician is almost translated into actuality, for it is not easy for a man over forty to secure a position or recognition in the event he loses his position and seeks another. On the other hand, the educated young man of promise and character is everywhere eagerly sought, his services are in demand and command an adequate reward. But there are two—just two—prime requisites and conditions: the youth must be a youth of promise; and he must be a youth of high character.

Today we see our North Carolina educational institutions crowded—the University, Duke, Wake Forest, Davidson, the women's colleges, and our leading educational institutions—are crowded to the doors with youth who are being educated, often as the result of sacrificial self-denial on the part of their parents. These youth have stern duties to perform, and foremost among these duties is the duty to maintain their high character, and to have lofty aspirations:

"To thine own self be true,  
And it must follow as the night the day  
Thou can'st not then be false to any man."

Today I survey the youth of Carolina for my ideal young man of promise. I have found him, and here recite briefly some of the qualities which make him stand out in my estimation.

First and foremost, he is diligent. He earnestly seeks to make the most of the talents with which he has been endowed, and he possesses the quite worthy ambition to excel and to be, as Longfellow says, a hero in the strife."

He has a splendid physique, and he is a goodly youth to look upon. He is no pale and pallid occupant of a monkish cell, but is an athlete. He is an expert swimmer, boatman and waterman; he loves hunting and fishing, and all the outdoor sports; he is an ace with a tennis racket in his hands; he is by no means a novice on the putting greens of the golf course; and he is a leader among the athletes of the institution which he attends—and when the institution itself is considered, this is by no means a mean tribute to the athletic prowess of my hero.

He does not practice the vices which are too often the boast of our Carolina youth. He does not drink, smoke, gamble or indulge in other vices of less magnitude. Moreover, he does not think it a shame that a young man should be of good morals and keep his honor clean.

He values character above all things. His word is his bond; his integrity is unquestioned. Moreover, he is a genial and social soul, not vaunting his own talents at the expense of his inferiors, but meeting his less gifted fellows on their own plane and upon their own level. Therefore he is a popular figure in the life of the college on whose campus he is to be found.

Moreover, he is "diligent in business." He is an honor student in his chosen profession, and instead of spending his vacations in idleness or in sports, he spends them interning in Carolina hospitals, thus equipping himself for the higher service yet to come to his profession.

I do not mind in the least disclosing the identity of my hero who does not know that this little article is being written. He is Dr. Donald W. Hirsh, now a senior in the medical school of Duke University. Probably Dr. Hirsh takes his gifts from a talented father, under the Mendelian laws of heredity, for he was born in Seoul, in far off Korea, where his father was serving the cause of world-humanity as a medical missionary.

I commend the example of the younger Dr. Hirsh to all the youth of Carolina. It was Benjamin Franklin who quoted: "Sees't thou a man diligent in business? He shall stand before kings."

## MINISTERS' WIVES MEET

The Association of Ministers' Wives held its regular fall meeting on Saturday, November 9, during the session of the North Carolina conference in Wilmington. Eighty-eight members, with two visitors, enjoyed a delicious luncheon, served in the Fifth Avenue Methodist church.

The meeting, with the president, Mrs. L. C. Larkin, presiding, was opened with the singing of a hymn, followed by the collect repeated in unison. Greetings were spoken by Mrs. J. F. Herbert, with Mrs. H. K. King responding. Miss Betsy Cade, Mr. Cleve McGowan and Mrs. Vernon G. Avery sang solos in a lovely musical program. Mr. McGowan directed the association in the singing of patriotic songs.

Mrs. Larkin then introduced Mrs. Clare Purcell, who spoke briefly of the position of the minister's wife in the church.

During the business meeting, due to the resignation of Mrs. J. K. Ormand, Mrs. C. S. Hubbard was elected secretary-treasurer. After the minutes of the June meeting in Durham were read and approved, the treasurer's report was given and a collection taken.

The reports of the district chairman were heard, noting improvements and additions to parsonages. There were found to be four brides, with five members present for the first time at ministers' wives' meeting. Ten new babies of the year were counted. The districts were represented by Mrs. C. P. Womack, Mrs. J. R. Poe, Mrs. J. W. Page, Mrs. J. A. Russell, Mrs. E. B. Craven, Mrs. P. F. Newton, and Mrs. W. A. Cade.

Announcement was made by Mrs. C. D. Barclift of the opening of the Orton plantation to the conference.

The nominating committee, composed of Mrs. Barclift, chairman, with Mrs. T. M. Grant and Mrs. Womack, was asked to meet and make their recommendations at the spring meeting.

A humorous yet constructive message entitled, "Would You Answer 'Yes' Again," was delivered by Mrs. B. B. Slaughter.

The benediction was spoken by Mrs. Purcell.

Mrs. C. S. Hubbard, Secretary.



## CONDENSED MINUTES OF N. C. CONFERENCE

## Statistics

What is the number of districts, of pastoral charges, and of societies in this conference? Districts 7; pastoral charges 245; societies 787.

What is the number of members, how many have been received this year on profession of faith, how many have been licensed to preach, and what is the number of local preachers? Members, 143,432; received on profession of faith 3947; licensed 11; local preachers 74.

How many infants and how many others have been baptized during the year? Infants 532; others 2785.

How many churches have organized local church boards of Christian education? 550.

What is the number of church schools, officers and teachers? Church schools 751; officers and teachers 8163.

What is the enrollment of church school pupils? In the Children's Division 26,704; in the Young People's Division 27,067; in the Adult Division 33,672.

What is the total enrollment, including officers and teachers, children, young people, adults, and home members? 96,710.

What was the total enrollment reported last year? 89,254.

How many church school pupils were received into the church? 3194.

What amount was raised in the church school: a. on Church School Day? b. for mission? c. for all other purposes? d. total raised in church school? Church School Day \$1452; missions \$8415; all other purposes \$112,442; total \$124,941.

How many churches have week-day meetings with the children, and how many have vacation schools? Churches having week-day meetings with children 109; churches having vacation schools 353.

What is the number of woman's missionary societies, and what is the number of members of the same? Societies 501; members 19,445.

What is the number of Wesley Brotherhoods, and of Wesley Brotherhood members? Brotherhoods 6; members 95.

What is the number of members enrolled in the Fellowship of Stewardship? 93.

What are the educational statistics? Institutions 4; teachers 534; students 4884; value of property \$31,656,686; endowment \$35,466,223; indebtedness \$249,342.

What are the orphanage statistics? Orphanages 1; officers and teachers 28; children in orphanage 303; money expended \$89,199; value of property \$919,432; indebtedness \$8000.

## Finances

What has been contributed for the following causes? American Bible Society \$110; Assemblies \$68; Christian Education \$13,648; Church Extension \$3891; Federal Council \$32; Board of Finance \$437; General Administrative Fund \$1178; Lay Activities \$668; Missions \$15,579; Negro Work \$323; Scarritt College \$27; Theological Schools \$614; Youth Crusade \$146; by the Woman's Missionary Society for local work \$66,994; sent to conference treasurer \$43,153; from the Golden Cross Enrollment \$3416.

What has been contributed for the support of the ministry? District superintendents \$32,857; preachers in charge \$448,948; conference claimants \$13,043; Superannuate Endowment Fund \$12,331.

What is the grand total contributed for all purposes from all sources this conference year \$1,567,039.

## Church Property

What is the number of houses of worship, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? Houses of worship 793; value \$8,478,904; indebtedness \$233,451.

What is the number of parsonages, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? District parsonages 7; value \$7500; indebtedness \$2000; parsonages belonging to pastoral charges 246; value \$1,109,150; indebtedness \$44,272.

What amount of insurance is carried on church property, and what amount has been paid out in premiums? Insurance carried \$4,298,390; premiums paid \$17,770.

How many churches and parsonages have been damaged or destroyed during the year, what is the amount of damage, and what has been collected thereon? Churches damaged 7; parsonages damaged 3; amount of damage \$6604; collected \$2884.

## CHILDHOOD AND YOUTH OBSERVED NOV. 10-17

Childhood and Youth Week observance in the Rutherfordton Methodist church was scheduled to coincide with National Education Week. We chose the theme "The Home, the Church and the School Working Together." Features of the week's program were: Sunday worship services built about the theme, a fellowship meeting on a week night to which all teachers of the church school and the teachers of the public schools of the city were invited. Teachers were received by parents who are not holding office in the church

school. Fruit, popcorn and lemonade were served and games were played. Opportunity was given for parents and teachers to talk over any matter pertaining to their common task—that of co-operation in the training of children and youth. Twenty public school teachers were present. Nearly all of the church school workers and a splendid group of parents attended. The Christian Home Magazine was thoroughly presented to the membership of the church, and the secretary of literature in the church worked a number of families where there are children for the purpose of getting subscriptions to this periodical. Several new subscriptions have been reported.

Under the direction of the general church school superintendent home visitation by teachers was carried out.

The emphasis climaxed with the presentation of the play "The Broken Circle." Characters in the play were: The superintendent of our public school system, the principal of the high school, the superintendent of public health of the county, and members of the church school.

We attribute the success of the week to careful planning and to hard work on the part of those to whom responsibility was assigned.

## THANKSGIVING AND THE CHILDREN'S HOMES

By A. G. Dixon

What shall we do about a free will Thanksgiving offering for that Children's Home which is our special responsibility?

Nearly all the homes for dependent children in North Carolina stress the Thanksgiving offering as a special which is not counted on the budget. God's chosen people all through the ages have "paid their tithes and made their offerings." It has become a beautiful, happy custom for North Carolinians to make their gifts for the support of orphan children on or about that day which is set apart on which to render thanks to God for his blessings upon us for a whole year. "One day's wages for the orphan child" should continue to be the slogan. Through the past year the High Point Children's Home has received nearly one-fourth of its annual support as Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings. In this way our people formed a good habit which I trust they will not break now that we are fully merged into Methodist union. Keep up the good work and send in some good offerings to Dr. A. S. Barnes, The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, and to Mr. O. V. Woosley, The Children's Home, Winston-Salem.

I shall steer clear of butting in on their plans to finance their respective homes, but it just seems natural to urge the people up with a good Thanksgiving offering. Dr. Barnes is pleading for a special, and Mr. Woosley is pleading for many gifts in the early part of the conference year. So you can cheer both their hearts by doing what they ask to do.

Here's hoping that all our people will respond heartily to the needs of these two great Methodist homes during the Thanksgiving and Christmas season. You will contribute to some humanitarian cause during these holidays. Why not share your gifts with these homes for the little ones?

## OPPORTUNITY

By Robert B. Pattison

"And the door was shut—Lord open to us!"—Matt. 25:10-11

We never miss the sunshine till there comes the day of rain,  
We seldom praise the hour of health till comes the hour of pain.

When darkness thickens round our steps, we learn how sweet was light,  
When eyes grow dim, 'tis then we learn how good the gift of sight.

We find how much we long for bread when hungering for more,  
When friends depart we feel a love we had not felt before.

Be wise then in the present day and in each passing hour,  
And glory fully in life's gifts while yet we have the power.

The foolish who neglect their chance will uselessly implore,  
For Time's relentless hand is firm upon the closing door!

—The Watchman-Examiner.



# The Fool Hath Said . . .

By MABEL INGOLD PIERCE

"The fool hath said in his heart, That there is no God."  
Psalms XIV, 1; LIII, 1.

Is there a God? Through the ages men have denied him. They have been of every race, creed, station and age; and yet the Psalmist has said that they were fools—fools all of them because they could not see in everything about them untold testimony of a million witnesses to a superior Divinity. Why has man, either by words or deeds, denied the existence of God? The vast masses have repudiated a Being who frowns upon their cherished sins, a Power which stands counter to their evil intents and wills. A few of each age there have been of great intellectual power who have sought to unravel riddles of the universe, who have delved into scientific knowledge and have shook distrustful heads because they could not prove by chemical or physical analysis the presence of a soul. That which they can neither prove nor disprove, that they stubbornly avow does not exist—impatient fools that will not wait. Of them the Psalmist said, "The fool hath said . . . ." Above the cries of doubters of all times has sounded the hollow bellowing of thunder the loud denials of the egoists, that group of mortal beings who refuse to accede a place to any higher being than themselves, who hold the human mind supreme and acknowledge nothing that is beyond their own inflated egotism to comprehend. But surely of all this concourse of mortal fools there may be some who are groping blindly but sincerely to a firmer faith.

Groping, honest doubter, pause and let many witnesses give up their testimony; then you may judge, may satisfy your soul if there be God. We pause upon a crowded thoroughfare and lift our eyes to follow the lines of a mighty skyscraper which towers in perfect symmetry above our heads. We marvel at the structure of steel and stone and glass. We pay a secret tribute to the architect through whose vision and knowledge it rose, for back of it all we recognize the necessity of a plan, a mind to design. A few more steps and we stand upon a bridge, a vast arc of steel which stretches across miles of turbulent river. The passing stream of traffic melts into a Lilliputian thread moving in the distance. The great bridge stands—again mute testimonial of a master mind.

Above our heads a soft hum comes rhythmically from the clouds. A great gray bird with shining wings outstretched skims through our ken, and disappears into the blue, bearing its cargo of human passengers. What will not the mind of man invent we wonder with admiration before this modern spectacle of man's mastery of the air.

But let us go. Behind grey walls of a famous laboratory scientists bend over test tubes and microscopes. They discover the behavior of human organisms; they combat deadly disease germs, and invent (alas that it should be necessary) potent gases or deadly explosives—weapons on a large scale death and destruction. Or we may turn down silent corridors of the city's hospitals and enter operating rooms where skilled surgeons lay bare the human brain or probe into the beating heart to snatch back ebbing life. We ery in wonder at the miracle of surgery.

We linger in the ivy covered halls where walls are lined with treasures from the past, the knowledge of the

ages bound in books. We pay homage to Homer or Milton. Perhaps in the majestic cathedral it is the soul stirring strains of beautiful music, or in the art galleries some masterpiece of color and line that prompts us to exclaim at the greatness of human genius. On Wall Street perchance we are caught up in that mad whirl of the man-made thing the stock exchange.

The day is done; we seek our homes. At the door we press a button and the room is flooded with light. Wise man was Edison we say, and even wiser, we reflect, when we turn the dial of our radio to summons a voice from beyond the seas, borne in unto us over thousands of miles of tossing billows, to speak out clearly in the quiet of our own living room. Did they all just happen—those miracles we have been beholding—or did the mind of man envision and create? From the skyscraper to the radio we acknowledge the wisdom of a mind at work behind the masterpiece. Back of each creation, the Creator. That much we know.

Now let us look into another realm—a realm where only the creation in its majesty is visible, but whose creator we cannot with human eyes discern. Go with me into the dewy hush of morning in the garden. Everywhere about us is panorama of color and beauty. A few weeks ago you held some tiny grey seeds in your hand; today, green stalks and leaves, a flame of blue and red and yellow greets your eyes. A month ago a withered bulb was thrust into this very soil; today, a slender shaft of green bears delicate pink blossoms or a sturdy stalk upholds the rich velvet of a flower. From those tightly pressed green buds of yesterday a pink fragrant thing is unfolding—a rose bursts with the dew. Did these things so perfect, so beautiful in design, just come about by chance? Where is the force of beauty that transformed the little brown seed into that flame of color? Or let us walk beneath that king of trees, the oak. And when you watch the rustling of the leaves, look down at the tiny acorn you are standing on and at the dark grey soil beneath your feet and explain if you can how tiny acorn, soil, sunlight and rain can produce a thing so towering and majestic as the oak. The scientist cannot for all his wisdom nor the architect nor the inventor.

We ponder the mysteries of life and birth. We look into the innocent eyes of the infant or uncurl the tiny fingers of the tightly clenched little fist and stand reverent before the miracle of human life. But can we explain the workings of the millions of cells in our own bodies? What mind devised that each cell from head to foot should hold encased in exact replica each chromosome of the physical heritage passed on to us from our parents? What force gave light to the eye and hearing to the ear? Whence does that something we call Life escape when the body composes in Death? For it is separate and apart just as the music of the violin or the flame of the match or the thoughts of the mind of a great man.

We gaze into the starry heavens above us. Our number only a few of the millions of shining bodies that blaze forth millions of lightyears away from us and are in reality many times larger than our own little world. Then we turn the mighty telescope of the astronomer in



an enlarged vastness and multiplied millions of other stars flame into sight invisible to the naked eyes, for beyond our own universe of billions of heavenly bodies there are countless other island universes each with its own suns, stars, planets, moons and satellites swimming about in the vastness of illimitable space. Yet these millions of worlds move with a mathematical precision and adherence to universal law that never varies, and their courses can be predicted with unerring accuracy hundreds of years in advance. This immensity of space, this mathematical certainty of motion—it seems beyond the scope of finite mind. In contrast to it the airplane melts into insignificance. And yet the airplane was a product of intricate design. How surely then did this vast concourse of heavenly bodies not just spring into being and how inconceivable that they should follow by chance immutable laws which, in turn, just somehow started working. Go again to the laboratory of the chemist and the physicist and ask them to explain the source and origin of these unvarying universal laws. Though man may know them, may have tested their workings and applied them to discovery and advancement, man did not create them nor can he explain their creation.

Yet there is one step farther we must go to comprehend the nature of God. God is Goodness and Love. Let us behold a godly Christian life. Let us look into the eyes of a consecrated mother who has found a faith and has built her life upon a hope in eternal things which sorrows, misfortunes and sufferings can not shake. There is in those dear, unwavering eyes a light which gives us a glimpse of heavenly radiance. We cannot explain it. We do not understand it. And yet we see it. We are overcome by the power of its testimony. Here again is God. The same God of beauty and majesty, of power and vastness, but a God of something inestimably greater. A God of Goodness and a God of Love.

Only the blind, the deaf or the shapeless monster insensible to the marvelous forces with which we are encompassed on all sides, can fail to see and hear and believe in a supreme force mightier than any known to man, in wisdom than the sum total of human intelligence, and in love and goodness transcending all human concept. Only the fool would dare to say in his heart, That there is no God.

### THE LIMIT OF TRIBULATION

Notwithstanding St. Peter's warning and the clear and frequent teaching of Scripture, most men, and even Christian people, are prone to think, when trial and tribulation befall them, that some strange thing has happened to them. Why should I suffer this? is the almost universal reaction to the advent of misfortune. Yet surely the strange thing would be if one entirely escaped what is the common lot of man. The literature of all nations confirms Job's sentiment that "Man is born to trouble." It is as inevitable as the upward movement of sparks wherever there is fire. Some inherit trouble; more make it or bring it on themselves; none altogether avoid it. Some seem to experience more than others. Actually, when the varied nature of the trouble is taken into account—that which is heavy trouble to one, being no trouble at all to another—probably lots are more evenly distributed than appears on the surface. When it comes, it rarely, says the proverb, comes alone. The Psalmist felt as though all God's waves and billows had gone over him. Paul had sorrow

upon sorrow. Yet it is recognized that adversity is not altogether evil. It has its sweet uses. Pain is a prophylactic. Affliction may come from ignorance of nature's law, and lead to an increase of knowledge and a better regulated life. It may, herefore, be regarded as discipline which the writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews thinks should be referred, not to chance or caprice, to bad luck or ill-will, but to fatherly love. Of all men in the world, therefore, Christian people ought not to expect exemption from trial. On the contrary, they are exposed by their very profession to trials which the man of the world escapes. So much of their life runs counter to the world's currents. Citizens of the heavenly city, confessing themselves sojourners in the order of this world, they should not be surprised if the world, which naturally loves its own, does not love them. Taught by their great Leader, they reckon that they will suffer tribulation and should prepare their soul for it. St. Paul looks at the matter from the standpoint of the individual and defines this limit as "what a man can bear." God does not permit his people to be tried "above that ye are able." If, therefore, one faints in the day of adversity, it is not, as the Proverb quaintly argues, that the limit of endurance has been passed, but that "thy strength is small." But the New Testament way is not that of the poet who glories in his unbowed though bloody head because of his unconquerable soul. The soul's strength is not secured by calling up the reserves from the deep of man's will, nor even by a mere gracious reinforcement of natural powers. It lies rather in what seems the strange course of acknowledgment of weakness and insufficiency; and so is available, not merely for the naturally hardy and courageous, but for the timid and the frail. Out of weakness men by faith are made strong. It was his very weakness, the one quality which seemed against his effective service of the kingdom, which, when acknowledged and surrendered, afforded the Spirit of God the opportunity of pouring in the all-sufficient divine grace. So Paul gloried in his weakness because then the power of Christ enveloped him.

Here is the source of the believers' endurance and the true secret of the unconquerable soul. While under the trial, they are never hemmed in. The way out, the line of communication, is never cut. They maybe buffeted but are never knocked out. As their day, however trying and long, so is their strength. Sometimes He who knows what is in man brings the trail to an end, and removes the cause of the suffering. But always there is the strength to withstand in the evil day, and, having done all, to stand.—Methodist Recorder.

### MOVED TO FRUITFUL FIELDS

On October 29 we left Troutman with sad hearts. But this sadness was mingled with pleasant memories of deeds of kindness done by the people of Troutman and St. John's churches during our three years as their pastor. These memories abide.

We are now very comfortably located at 25 Kerr Street, Concord. Ever since we came here the people have shown us every consideration and kindness. Tuesday night, October 12, the people of Epworth church gave us a generous pounding. We had thought that for us the day of poundings were over. But it gives us pleasure to know that such is not the case.

It was our pleasure to serve this church as pastor five years and it does us good to see the church making progress under the wise leadership of their pastor, Rev. R. L. Bass. Brother Bass is highly favored by his people and is doing a great work.

May the blessings of heaven be upon all who are making life more pleasant and more abundant for us.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Varner.



### THE OPEN REWARD OF SECRET PRAYER

But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thine inner chamber, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret, and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.—Matthew vi. 6.

If ever one was tempted to doubt or grow slack, to think for a moment of my father and see that bent head in adoration before his God, is enough to revive the flickering flame in any of the souls he has dealt with.—Baron von Hugel's daughter.

Cleansed from sin's offensive stain,  
Fellowship with Him they gain;  
Nearness, likeness to their Lord,  
Their exceeding great reward.

—William Maclardie Bunting.

"Thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." In the Revised Version the word "openly" is omitted, for it appears not really to belong to this saying of the Lord Jesus. In one sense it would be out of harmony with his mind. It is not an open and public vindication that his disciples will desire. The true reward of secret prayer is just the sense that it brings of God's presence, the hidden peace that a man takes with him when he returns to the world of busy life. God is surely a Rewarder of them that seek after him, but the reward he gives is just the increasing knowledge of himself. And yet in another sense it is true that God does "openly reward" those who set themselves to tread the secret path of prayer, reward them in a way that others can scarcely fail to see and to understand.

Is it not true that God sets upon such souls a stamp and a seal that marks them out from others? There is an inward quietness about them, as of those who have trained themselves to listen for a Voice easily overborne by the world's noise. They seem to have their own distinctive scale of values, as of those who carry with them all the time the vision of certain high, august things by which all else must be measured. There is in them a secure possession of self, a poise and a balance not to be upset by all the swift changes of life or by any of its unexpected emergencies. Such men are seen to face difficulty, when it comes, with courage, and to bear disaster without dismay. There is something different and outstanding about them, a distinctive beauty God sets upon them as his open reward for their life of secret prayer.

Yet it is more than that which God does for those who are much in the secret place. There is something about them that speaks even to the undiscerning of the high company in which these souls have been. Is there not an old Eastern proverb to the effect that those who have talked with the seller of spices are known by their own sweet savor? So about those who have come from the secret place there is the abiding fragrance of a Presence. There is the lingering radiance of that Light in which they have been standing. Is it not said of Moses that when he came down from his fellowship with God upon the mountain the skin of his face shone? Moses himself wist not that it was so; nor are these others conscious of the radiance that men see in them. But men do see it, and dimly understand from whence it comes. It is told that once when Alexander Whyte had been preaching someone came to thank him, saying, "It went to my heart as if you had come straight from the Audience-chamber." To which Whyte made quiet answer, "And perhaps I did." Those who, straight from the presence of their Lord, come forth to speak in his name to their fellows,

will unconsciously speak in living echoes of his tone. And at least one here and there will recognize the tone, and, it may be, answer the call of God.—The Methodist Recorder (London).

### PROHIBITION IS COMING BACK

By Ethel Hubler

With a clean-cut issue before them the people of Oklahoma at the general election proved that they were not asleep. They called upon God for help. Then they organized their forces. They worked individually as if the whole burden of the state-wide campaign was upon their shoulders. And the result is the retention of their state prohibition law. The result is a victory by a majority of over 84,000 votes. God bless these leaders and the Christian patriots of the great state of Oklahoma.

This victory will add unmeasured impetus to the nation wide battle ahead. As we think of the battle put forth by the Oklahomans these past weeks we feel like singing "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

This is more evidence of the fact that prohibition is coming back. Not only are we rejoicing over Oklahoma's turning her back on the repealists, and by such a large majority, but we are also remembering that South Carolina primaries did the same thing. This Southern state, by a majority of nearly 52,000, gave a mandate to the legislature of 1941 to do something with the traffic in South Carolina. The legislature, elected by "the folks back home" cannot brush aside this majority against the liquor traffic. They must act.

Happy we were a week ago to record that Kentucky had listed another county in the dry column. This makes fifty counties now, out of 120 counties in this Southern state, the greatest whiskey producing state in the nation, that have voted to ban booze.

Person county, North Carolina, has voted against state liquor stores.

The United States Treasury in a report tells us that beer sales decreased in July 533,000 barrels. This is 16,523,000 gallons of "suds" that the American people did not drink during the month of July, 1940. Another thing, eight breweries closed their doors in July.

Calhoun county, W. Va., voted out liquor stores recently by a two to one majority.

A proposal by the wets of Juneau, Alaska, that the territory take over the control of liquor stores was defeated by a large majority. There were 2282 votes cast in favor and 5839 against the proposal.

Brooks county, Ga., which went wet two years ago is now in the dry column by a three to one vote.

The tide is turning, and there is much for encouragement at this time. Awake, oh thou that sleepest, for prohibition is coming back.

Tuscaloosa and Monroe counties in Alabama are two of the latest to turn down the repealists, and this now makes 44 dry counties in Alabama with only 23 wet ones.

It was Congressman Edward Rees of Kansas who said, "Let me suggest again that it is a scar upon the character of our country that we resort to the collection of taxes upon this product. We ought to outlaw it."

We are outlawing it.

He who has no ill fortune is troubled with good.—Proverb.



# Early Methodism in and Around Clemmons-ville

By R. A. TAYLOR

On Monday, March 28, 1938, following the reconditioning and opening of the Clemmons-ville Methodist church, on the Hanes-Clemmons charge in the Winston-Salem district, there was handed to me a clipping written in 1904 by W. A. Cooper, grandson of the Rev. Thomas Cooper, giving many facts of the early Methodist history in and around Clemmons-ville. As I carefully read this paper, my spirit burned within me as I came to a consciousness that I was pastor of one of the oldest Methodist churches in American Methodism. Then I thought of our great church and what it means to the world today, and how closely identified are its beginnings with Clemmons-ville Methodist church. I set about to learn more of its history. I have gathered the following from the clipping and Grissom's History of Methodism in North Carolina.

The beginning of the Clemmons Methodist church was at George McKnight's, between the two branches toward the river, about one mile. McKnight's meeting house was on the Yadkin circuit which was formed in 1780 with 21 members. This circuit extended up the Yadkin river to the Blue Ridge, up the Catawba to its source and across the Blue Ridge into Buncombe county, and as far south as the South Carolina line. Andrew Yeargan was the first appointed pastor. He preached in the neighborhood of John Doub's house, who later joined the Methodist and opened his house for preaching and the entertainment of the Methodist preachers. Yeargan also preached at George McKnight's near Clemmons-ville. Reuben Ellis and John Cooper were reared in the Yadkin valley neighborhood. Cooper joined the itinerant ranks in 1775 and Ellis in 1776. Reuben and Ethelred Ellis preached in the woods in this vicinity for some time prior to this date. When John Cooper's father learned that he was joining the Methodist church and going to preach he was very angry. He possessed considerable property, and told his son if he would abandon the Methodists he would bestow his property upon him and make him a gentleman. The son replied that he would be a Methodist and a gentleman, which he succeeded in doing.

Some of the first preachers lived at Clemmons-ville. This section was blessed with the presence and service of such men as Bishops Coke and Asbury, the Ellises, Yeargan, Lorenzo Dow, Allen, Long, Ivey, Baldwin, Sugg, Burton, Sproul, Moore, Jesse Lee, Easter, Pedicord, Elrod, and others of the early pioneers of Methodism. The early history of Methodism around Clemmons-ville is the history of the beginning of Methodism, in part, in America.

The first annual conference was held at Green Hill's home, near Louisburg in Franklin county, April 20, 1785, with 21 preachers present. They were entertained in this home, some of them sleeping on pallets on the floor. The conference covered the states of Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina. The second annual conference

was held at Salisbury, and the third was supposed to have been. The fourth annual conference was held in Holston. The fifth, sixth and seventh annual conferences were held at McKnight's meeting house, about one mile from Clemmons-ville between the two branches, on the right of the highway leading to Mocksville. The fifth annual conference was held at McKnight's meeting house April 10, 1789. History says that this conference deserves special mention; mighty matters were considered. Preachers came from Kentucky, coming hundreds of miles over mountains, through forests with no roads, through rough weather. The brethren had come from the far west looking to the establishment of a school in Kentucky. The discussion resulted in the establishment of a school just across the Yadkin river, which was the first conference school in America, and was named Cokesbury in honor of Bishops Coke and Asbury, who held this conference.

Another important matter was considered at this time—the subject of religious literature. Here Bishops Coke and Asbury wrote the preface of the Armenian Magazine, which was published in Philadelphia, and which was the first Methodist periodical published in America.

The sixth annual conference was held at McKnight's in 1790. Bishop Asbury did not reach the place until June 2, when the conference had been waiting for him for two weeks; he had been sick. The seventh annual conference convened at McKnight's with both Bishops Coke and Asbury present. History says, "Perhaps this was one of the most spiritual conference in the history of North Carolina Methodism."

About 1890 Peter Clemmons settled at what is now Clemmons-ville. He ran a large store in which he sold the very best and finest goods to be had. He erected a bridge across the Yadkin river to accommodate his customers on the other side. Soon Burton Douthit and others went into the mercantile business. In these flourishing days this place afforded five hatter shops (where men's felt hats were made) and also tailoring shops. This became the shopping center of all the surrounding country; even Salem, now known as Winston-Salem, came to Clemmons-ville to buy its finery. This was a very aristocratic town.

After the settlement of Clemmons-ville and its rapid development, the congregation at McKnight's meeting house moved up to the town for worship, and worshipped in what is now the Sprinkle home, then a stage tavern. Some time prior to 1860 they began to worship in the academy, and later in the free school building.

On May 4, 1874, they purchased the present lot from S. H. Ferabee for the sum of \$50 and erected a nice large church building. Here the congregation continued to grow and was the leading church in the community. It produced such staunch Methodist families as the Whortons, Johnsons, Douthits,

Joneses, Feips, McIvers, Haneses, Mocks, Walkers, Clemmonses—the ancestors of whom were identified with Methodism from its organization.

On March 19, 1901, the first building on this lot was blown down. While in the process of erecting another building it was blown down. By this time many of the young people had moved away to other sections, and many of the older ones dying out had left the congregation much weakened. After the destruction of their church twice they almost gave up in despair. Some joined other churches, and only a few held on. Finally in 1920 the few remaining Methodists under the leadership of Miller Hinshaw the present building was erected. About the time they got it paid for, by the help of the mission board, Brother Hinshaw died, April 2, 1931. At this time the membership was very small and without much financial strength. Some of them suggested disbanding and placing their membership elsewhere; others contended to hold on awhile longer. Under the leadership of Brothers Heckard and Tate they rallied and began to make some progress.

On coming to this charge on November 2, 1937, I found this church without heating facilities or pews. Even though they thought it impossible, I challenged the membership to put in a heating plant, telling them if they would make that sacrifice I would see if I could not secure the pews. We have put in the new air-conditioned heating plant, repainted and put weights in the windows, painted the church inside and out, put in beautiful light fixtures, reconditioned and waxed the floors, put in number one pews, a new piano—and singing Halleluiah! praise the Lord, and the generous friends.

## A NEW PATRIOT

(A Meditation of the Present Troubled Hour)

Who is the patriot? He who lights  
The torch of war from hill to hill?  
Or he who kindles on the heights  
The beacon of a world's good will?

Who is the patriot? He who sends  
A boastful challenge o'er the sea?  
Or he who sows the earth with friends,  
And reaps world-wide fraternity?

Who is the patriot? It is he  
Who knows no boundary, race or creed,  
Whose nation is humanity,  
Whose countrymen all souls that need;

Whose first allegiance is vowed  
To the fair land that gave him birth,  
Yet serves among the doubting crowd  
The broader interest of the earth.

The soil that bred the pioneers  
He loves and guards, yet loves the  
more

That larger land without frontiers,  
Those wider seas without a shore.

Who is the patriot? Only he  
Whose business is the general good.  
Whose keenest sword is sympathy,  
Whose dearest flag is brotherhood.

—Frederick Lawrence Knowles.



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### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mrs. E. A. Lamb, secretary of young women and girls' groups of our Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, is now Box 2, Cedar Falls, N. C. All those desiring to get in touch with Mrs. Lamb address her at this new address.

### MRS. MASON LILLARD, DISTRICT SECRETARY

We are pleased to announce that at the organizational meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the Elkin district, which met in North Wilkesboro October 30, Mrs. Mason Lillard of Elkin was chosen secretary for the district, as successor to Mrs. J. S. Hiatt, who has moved to Statesville, where her husband, Rev. J. S. Hiatt, is now district superintendent. We welcome Mrs. Lillard into the official family of her conference, and congratulate the district on securing the services of one so fully qualified to carry on the splendid work that has been started in our new district. Mrs. Hiatt, who was in charge of the district for the greater part of this year, was most efficient in her service and we shall miss her, but we are glad that her mantle has fallen on the shoulders of one so worthy as is Mrs. Lillard, whom we are sure will maintain the fine record of the woman's work in the district.

### THE CLIFFSIDE SOCIETY HAS ENJOYABLE SERVICE

Miss Annabelle Logan of Cliffside church, Marion district, tells us that the Week of Prayer observance during the week of November 3 was a most interesting occasion. Two services were held, Sunday and Monday evenings, with a most encouraging attendance and with helpful and interesting programs on Scarritt College given—Sunday's program being in charge of Miss Letha Bame, and that of Monday was led by Mrs. Leon Padgett. The offering for the endowment of the Chair of Christian Life and Thought at Scarritt College honoring our former Council president, Mrs. J. W. Perry, was most gratifying.

### ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

A hundred or more women of the Waynesville district met at Bryson City Methodist church, Wednesday afternoon, October 16, for the organizational meeting of the District Woman's Society of Christian Service. The opening worship service was conducted by Mrs. C. O. Newell of Dellwood, conference chairman of the committee on the status of women, who gave a most impressive talk on "Woman's Opportunity in This Hour."

Mrs. F. E. Branson was made temporary chairman and Mrs. L. E. Cates recording secretary. After the presentation of the district work to be com-

pleted during the remainder of this year, a most interesting presentation of the Week of Prayer was given by Mrs. Walter Lanier of Cullowhee, conference secretary of student work. An open forum on the new set-up was held, after which the report of nominating committee was heard, resulting in the following elections: President, Mrs. J. Dale Stentz, Waynesville; corresponding secretary Mrs. F. E. Branson, Canton; recording secretary, Mrs. John Ashe, Bryson City; spiritual life leader, Mrs. G. L. Hampton, Canton; secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. R. C. Long, Lake Junaluska; secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. Dan Tompkins, Sylva; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. T. A. Case, Murphy. The concluding feature of the day was the installation of the officers by Rev. W. E. Kelly, pastor of Central church, Canton.

### WEEK OF PRAYER RETREAT: SUNNY ACRES

The Society of Christian Service, Wesley Memorial church, High Point, held a retreat at Sunny Acres, 10:30 a. m. to 3 p. m. November 8, as a fitting close of the Week of Prayer program. More than 50 women motored to Sunny Acres for the day, and a most helpful and inspirational day was spent.

Mrs. H. W. McCain, local spiritual life chairman, conducted the retreat, and was assisted by Mrs. J. A. Eshelman, Mrs. W. A. Bivins, Mrs. W. R. Morrow and Mrs. Hank Payne of Roanoke, Va., all of whom had attended the meeting of Dr. E. Stanley Jones at Blue Ridge the past summer.

The theme of the day's program was "Christ and I" and the morning session was featured by appropriate hymns, directed prayers led by Mrs. W. R. Morrow, inspirational talks by Mrs. W. T. Powell, Mrs. Eshelman and Mrs. Payne, concluding with a poem, "Jesus and I."

Sandwiches and coffee were served for lunch, which was followed by the afternoon program which opened with quiet music and an "Open Heart Session" in charge of Mrs. W. A. Bivens. The meeting closed with hymn "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

### HIGH POINT DISTRICT MEETING

The High Point district meeting of the Society of Christian Service was held in the First Presbyterian church of High Point, October 6, with 100 women in attendance. The meeting opened with a hymn after which Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, took the chair and presided over the meeting. Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., of Asheville, conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, conducted a most helpful devotional which was followed by prayer. The chairman of the nominating committee, Mrs. E. A. Lamb, read the following report, which was unanimously adopted: President, Mrs. W. C. Hammer, Asheville; vice president,

Mrs. Harris Coffin, Asheville; recording secretary, Mrs. W. L. Albright, Coleridge; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. T. Powell, High Point; secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. H. W. McCain, High Point; missionary education and cultivation, Mrs. C. R. Brown, Liberty; secretary spiritual life, Mrs. J. R. Cox, Ramseur; secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. Coy Kearns, Denton.

Mrs. Hammer took the chair and made some interesting remarks followed by an open forum, during which questions were asked relative to the new work of the conference officers present: Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president; Mrs. R. M. Andrews, secretary C. S. R.; Mrs. W. F. Redding, secretary W. S. Guild; Mrs. E. A. Lamb, secretary Y. W. circles. Mrs. W. T. Powell called attention to the recently published history of the conference, "Fifty Years of Missionary Achievement," which is now on sale by the district secretaries. After several announcements the meeting adjourned.

### ZONE MEETING, WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

By Mrs. Stuart W. Burton

Mrs. Lee McCarn of Lexington was elected chairman of zone 2 of the Winston-Salem district at a meeting held at Fairgrove church recently, succeeding Mrs. Robert Williams of Thomasville, who was the presiding officer at the recent meeting, closing her two years of service as chairman. Mrs. Stuart Burton of Thomasville was re-elected as secretary.

The meeting opened at 2 p. m. with a piano prelude followed by a hymn, after which prayer was offered by Mrs. E. T. Kearns of Fairgrove. Greeting was given by Mrs. I. J. Crouse, president of the Fairgrove society, with response by Mrs. J. T. Bowman of Thomasville. The afternoon devotional was led by Mrs. Clyde Auman, who had for her theme prayer, and her talk was followed by a vocal solo, "Strength for Today" by Mrs. E. C. Brandon, Jr.

In the absence of Mrs. J. G. Sterling the question box was in charge of Mrs. J. W. Mann. Announcements of week of prayer and of district organizational meeting to be held in Burkhead church November 12 were made and attendance stressed.

Paul Henry Blair sang "Out of the Deep" and Mrs. Fred Cox spoke on the missionary publications, The World Outlook and Methodist Woman, urging the women to learn from these publications their duties as missionary workers. Mrs. Doak Finch, chairman of publications of Main Street church, Thomasville, also spoke on The World Outlook and introduced Rev. Lee Tuttle, who from a copy of the periodical called attention to the great variety of its features—the colored frontispiece, foreign and home missions, up-to-date articles on the world today and others. Mrs. Robert Williams displayed numbers of The World Outlook from 1929 to 1940, and Mrs. Fred Cox stated she had the issues of the Missionary Record (M. P. publication) for the years 1920-1940.

Mrs. George Finch sang "How He Loves Me," with Mrs. R. B. Elcazer as accompanist.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### FULFILLING THE PURPOSE

We must keep in mind the purpose of the church is to make Christ known and to cause his teachings to be practiced everywhere, and as we women help to realize this purpose we fulfill our destiny as members of the Society of Christian Service. We should test our activity by the way it helps to fulfill the purpose of the church.—The Methodist Woman.

#### M. M. M.

Alphabetical combinations are popular these days and have many uses, chiefly because of their brevity and as a medium for getting an idea or plan publicized. In the terms of the Woman's Society of Christian Service M. M. M. stands for Million Member Movement. The purpose of the M. M. M. plan is to enlist our charter members for personal work during the remainder of this year in behalf of increasing the membership of the society to one million. Attractive membership cards upon which both the names of the new member and the personal worker may be written have been prepared. The card may be used as a book mark if desired and no doubt the new member will cherish it just as the charter cards will be preserved by those charter members who have received them. Local presidents should order cards at once, present the plan at the next meeting and urge every charter member to take at least one card, secure her new member and report results at the December meeting. Cards may be secured from Literature Headquarters, Nashville, Tenn. Begin today to pray for the success of this plan and for the new member you want to win for the Woman's Society of Christian Service. "One in a million to make Christ known to millions."

### CLARIFICATION IN GUIDE

In early issues of The Guide, page 24, item d, under Special Memberships, is listed as Honorary Adult Life Memberships—\$25. This item should be corrected to read Adult Life Membership \$25. There seems to be some confusion under the Treasurer, on page 16 of The Guide. The phrase "The books of all treasurers of the Woman's Society of Christian Service should be audited annually," has been construed by some to imply that there should be more than one treasurer of a society. The first paragraph under the Treasurer clearly indicates that there is to be only one treasurer. This item is to be rewritten for the next printing of The Guide.—The Methodist Woman.

### HARVEST DAY

By this time plans for the observance of Harvest Day should be in the process of formulation in every Woman's Society of Christian Service. Harvest Day should be a time of re-

joicing and thanksgiving for the accomplishments which we as co-workers with God have been able to effect. It should also be a time of rededication for the tasks of the new year which is so near.

### INDUSTRIAL WORK

When the organization meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service was held in Greenville on September 23-24, Miss Priscilla Stegar, new industrial deaconess, assigned to East Laurinburg, was present and made an address. Although Miss Stegar had been engaged in this new field of service for only a brief time, she told of activities already in progress and earnestly expressed hopes and aspirations for future plans. East Laurinburg is a mill village of approximately one and one-half miles with mills employing 1600 people. Three churches with an approximate membership of 500 are in the village, but no resident minister is there. Before Miss Stegar's arrival no type of community work had been done, with the exception of that done through the churches and W. P. A. Last summer an attempt was made to promote a recreational program. There was no equipment, but that project brought together a group of children while their mothers were working in the mills. A small library has been started. Leading these mill folk in East Laurinburg into a more abundant life is a worthy endeavor and aiding Miss Stegar in her work is another opportunity for our department of supplies. Cash donations should be sent to Miss Priscilla Stegar, Box 644, Laurinburg, N. C. Reports of such donations should be sent to Mrs. W. L. Knight, Conference Secretary of Supplies, Weldon.

### EVANGELISTIC WORK IN INDIA

Miss Mildred Simonds has been so successful in evangelistic work in South India that, at the request of Bishop Pickett, she has been given leave of absence and sent to Burma, where it is hoped that she and Miss Grace Stockwell may "light the fires of a mass movement" among the Telugus who have emigrated there.

### STUDY CLASSES AT DUNN

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Divine Street Methodist church, Dunn, began the fall mission study classes on Monday, October 28, and continued through Thursday. The classes were under the leadership of Mrs. E. B. Culbreth. On Monday a talk was given by Mrs. Culbreth on "The Cause of Migration." Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Leon M. Hall talked on "Youth on the Highway" and directed an unusual type of radio broadcast by a group of young people. Wednesday afternoon Mrs. B. Johnson talked on "The Problems of Old People" and Thursday afternoon Mrs. H. C. Tur-

lington discussed "Ministering to the Migrant," giving a summary of what the government and churches are doing for the migrant. An interesting program was carried out each day and classes were well attended.—Mrs. B. Johnson.

### MRS. STEELE AT ROCKINGHAM

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Rockingham Methodist church was privileged to have Mrs. Hume R. Steel as teacher for their fall mission study class, the subject of which was "Uprooted Americans." The Richmond and Scotland zones were invited to join in this study. Rockingham, Hamlet, Elerbee, Zion, Roberdel, East Rockingham, West Rockingham and Pee Dee were associated with us. The average attendance was 110. We became more interested in the needs of humanity since "we have seen their faces."—Florence Ledbetter.

### ALAMANCE ZONE MEETS

Alamance zone, Durham district, met recently in Webb Avenue Methodist church, Burlington. In the absence of Mrs. T. B. Hough, zone leader, Miss Florine Robertson presided. The devotional was given by Rev. O. I. Hinson, welcome by Mrs. D. N. Webster, and response by Miss Thelma Cates. Other speakers and their subjects were: Miss Florine Robertson, district specials and report from Greenville conference; Mrs. Earnest Thompson, week of prayer; Mrs. Joe Mason, study. Special music was rendered by the men's chorus of Webb Avenue church. The roll was called and reports given from the various churches represented, with an addition of nine societies of the former M. P. churches. A spiritual address was given by Rev. F. W. Paschal, stressing the thought that Christ depends upon us. Following Mr. Paschal's talk the benediction was pronounced.—Mrs. D. N. Webster.

### GRADUATES IN CHINA

Miss Ellen M. Studley, principal of the North China Union Bible Training School, Peiping, China, writes of the recent graduating class: "Twelve graduated from the junior department, but do not think of them as inexperienced in living. Eight have been married. The most recent was a bride last summer—after having been a widow several years—and this is unusual in China. The happiest is a preacher's wife whose husband has transformed in appearance and spirit the village church where he was assigned a year ago. One is divorced. She was married as an illiterate girl of fourteen. When an infection took deep root in one arm she was sent to a mission hospital, where amputation was found necessary. A daughter-in-law without a right arm and with a hospital bill of \$500 was not desired even by a prosperous, up-to-date but non-Christian family. She learned for the first time how some people live, 'doing it unto the least of these,' and counts her blessings as beginning with the loss of her arm but gain of Christ."

God hears the heart without words, but he never hears the words without the heart.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### OUR FINANCIAL AGENTS

When we are asked as to whether the Children's Home has a financial agent we usually reply by saying that we have several hundred of them. Every minister in the Western North Carolina conference who serves a charge is a Children's Home financial agent. He has it upon his heart and mind to encourage his people to contribute an amount equal to at least ten per cent of his salary for the current year. Every church school superintendent in the Western North Carolina conference is supposed to be a financial agent of the Children's Home. To be sure, not half of them carry out this supposition but nevertheless the challenge is before them. Those who accept the challenge serve mighty well in encouraging their school membership to give a free will offering to the Children's Home family on every fifth Sunday. So the Children's Home has a large number of financial agents. Continually there lives within us a spirit of grateful thanks for the good work done by these our friends.

### SWITCHING ACCOUNTS

We recently forwarded a letter to each pastor listing the total ten per cent apportionment payments and fifth Sunday offerings contributed by his charge and by his church schools during the past conference year, suggesting that any errors be corrected before the given amounts were published in the Home Chronicle. We have a number of replies calling attention to the fact that fifth Sunday offerings were used by the pastor to balance his ten per cent apportionment account. In such an instance one financial agent has borrowed from the account of another financial agent to make his account look better. This switching of accounts does not add to the Children's Home income.

### CHECKED AND UNCHECKED

More and better business methods are being used relative to the financial affairs of our church enterprises. All regular contributions of a conference-wide nature are not only checked but double-checked. In addition to the checking there follows a careful auditing. Such is not the case with reference to special conference offerings, those offerings collected by various congregational agencies and forwarded to special treasurers, such as the Children's Home, the Golden Cross and Sunday school day offerings. The amounts received by the treasurers of these funds are checked, double-checked and audited, but the reports made by the pastors in charge relative to them are sometimes made on misinformation. No pastor intends to be mis-

taken. He is honestly trying to make a report in keeping with the supposed facts presented to him. It is easy to understand the difficulty the pastor has in securing definite information relative to every contribution on a charge in which there are several congregations and several contributing agencies. It always happens that more money is reported by the pastors as having been raised for the Children's Home than is actually received by us.

### AN INTERESTED FRIEND

Right now we are much more interested in funds we are receiving than in the reports that will appear in the next Conference Journal. Now is the giving time. The reporting time will follow. Recently a loyal and liberal friend of the Children's Home suggested that emphasis be given to the fact that the ten per cent apportionment is the minimum quota listed to be raised by each pastoral charge. He thought that the maximum quota should be as high as the congregation's love and devotion to orphan children would warrant. Our friend reminded us that gifts are not based so much on calculation but rather on admiration.

### METHODIST MEASURE

When any contribution overflows we like to call it "Methodist measure," usually interpreted as "heaped full, pressed down, and running over." There will be a number of instances of such measurement of contributions coming to the Children's Home this year. Read the following note from A. W. Drum, superintendent of Mount Pleasant, on the Rock Spring circuit: "Find enclosed check for \$35.60 to pay our apportionment to the Children's Home. This is some over but we are sending all we raised."

### NOTHING AGAINST HIM

At every annual conference the character of every Methodist minister is passed upon. First the district superintendent's character is passed upon when any member of the conference has a right to approve or disapprove of his personal administration. His positive character is passed in a negative way when somebody says, "There's nothing against him," and the statement is accepted to be the entire conference. The various district super-

intendents in turn speak similarly for each one of their ministers, subject to the approval of the annual conference. When there is nothing against a fellow there is bound to be a lot for him. Such an explanation was given to Miss Sara E. Martin, secretary of the intermediate department of the Dilworth, Charlotte, church school, when she wrote as follows: "This is to advise you that the intermediate department of Dilworth Methodist church would like to pledge \$30 for the care of Bobby Paton for this coming year. Please advise us if there is any reason why we cannot have Bobby for 1941."

### INSIDE AND OUT

The picture this week is that of our larger boys who live in the John Neal building. They are an interesting and challenging lot of youngsters. They give us much more to celebrate over than they do to be anxious about, though they give us both. While we are more interested in boys than in buildings, the big reason for presenting this group again this week is to call attention to the fact that we have recently painted the building in which they live within, and without with a lot of beautiful white paint. The building is all dressed up. In addition we have installed a substantial new bed with a new mattress for each boy. New dressers are also being installed. The boys say they have moved out of a shack into a home without having to move at all. Former make-believe beds and furniture were disreputable. Their present accommodations bring out the best in them in taking care of the good that has been provided for them.

### ANOTHER BELL-RINGING

The ten per cent apportionment bell is ringing again in celebration of the following receipts. Join us in celebrating over the good tidings from the following congregations and pastors:

Center, Pisgah, St. Paul, Friendship and Shiloh, Balls Creek circuit, Rev. B. A. Sisk.

Ebenezer, Lowell circuit, Rev. E. E. Snow.

Rehobeth and Mount Pleasant, Rock Springs circuit, Rev. A. W. Lynch.

Concord, Catawba circuit, Rev. W. Q. Grigg.

Grace, Winston-Salem, Rev. R. L. Forbis.



Since the boys dressed up for this occasion the building has been dressed up and down





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### BUNCOMBE COUNTY SCHOOL

Beginning on Sunday afternoon, November 3, the Buncombe county training school was held at Central church, Asheville. Four courses were taught by Mrs. E. H. Ould, Dr. Kenneth Clark, Mrs. Alice A. Bays, and Mrs. Paul Berger. The attendance was good, the fellowship fine, and the total results were the best for a number of years in the Asheville school. Ministers and laymen alike are due much credit for the success of this school which came so soon following the annual conference.

It was a real joy to worship with the people of Central at their night service. Dr. W. A. Lambeth and McMurry Richey have been warmly received and all indications are that there is a fine year ahead at Central.

### MARVIN CHAPEL

Marvin Chapel and C. W. Kirby are fortunate in having a layman like Ira G. Shamel. Mr. Shamel was active in making the Forsyth county school one of the best in a decade in Winston last fall. Immediately following this school he began planning for a class at Marvin Chapel to be taught by Mrs. E. H. Ould. For the past week more than a hundred people have been meeting each night for this class. Mr. Shamel and Brother Kirby are leading in a fine way. The charge record for the past four years shows excellent progress in every department of the church program.

### CHARLOTTE EPWORTH TRAINING CONFERENCE

An Epworth training conference sponsored by the Mecklenburg County Methodist Young People's Union was held at First church, Charlotte, November 17-20. Courses were taught by John H. Carper, Mrs. G. G. Adams and M. Teague Hipps. Mary Margaret Johnson, district director, reports good attendance and fine results from this conference.

### CAMP CARLYLE

A recent visit to Camp Carlyle and a conference with Mrs. Inez Carlyle resulted in arrangements for using the camp again in June for our camping programs. All persons who know Camp Carlyle will welcome this news and will look forward to these activities with keen anticipation.

### ROWAN COUNTY YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION

Any person who is doubtful or pessimistic about the value of young people's unions should attend meetings such as was held at Coburn Memorial church by the Rowan county union last Tuesday evening. More than 125 people were in attendance. The worship was well planned, the business was efficiently transacted, and the rec-

reation period was fine. The entire meeting showed evidence of interest and participation by young people and guidance on the part of the adult counselors. Our youth program will continue to move forward wherever there is proper balance between participation by young people and guidance by adults. The Rowan County Young People's Union is functioning in a fine way. So are many other unions in the conference.

### WORLD SERVICE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 24

The Church School Mission Special known as the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise in the former Southern Church for the past ten years is continued in the united church as World Service Sunday. The entire church school offering on each fourth Sunday is to be remitted promptly to E. O. Cole, conference treasurer. Brother Cole will give each church credit on the acceptance for general and conference benevolences for the amount sent every month.

### The October Offering

Church school treasurers and superintendents were instructed to send the offering on October 27 to Mr. Cole. Brother Cole's report on November 11 showed that a total of \$640.07 had been received from 75 church schools. The possibilities for increasing the number of participating schools and the amount contributed are unlimited. The November remittances should and probably will be twice as much. A report on the October offering has recently gone to all pastors and superintendents.

### Asheville District

Nine churches from this district contributed \$29.29 on October 27. The largest contribution was \$10.01 from Haywood Street. W. G. McFarland, pastor at Haywood Street and district missionary secretary, has set a good example. Many others should follow during November.

### Charlotte District

This district usually leads the conference on this item. Eight schools sent \$65.80 to Mr. Cole. Dilworth church with \$26.51 had the second largest remittance in the conference for the month of October.

### Elkin District

Nine schools sent \$27.64. Elkin led the district with \$11.40. Herman Duncan, pastor and district missionary secretary, has also led the way. This district record should be doubled in November.

### Gastonia District

Sixteen schools had a total of \$78.33. Central, Shelby, which has led the district for the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise, continues to lead for World Service. We are grateful to Brother Clemmer and his fine church school for setting the pace here.

### Greensboro District

An amount of \$81.26 was received from 12 schools. College Place, Greensboro, seems to be in first place with Main Street, Reidsville, running a close second.

### High Point District

First church, Asheboro, sent the largest offering, with the Randleman charge running a close second. Nine schools reported on the October offering. Many more should be in this group for November.

### Marion District

Spindale sent the largest offering. Seven churches reported a total of \$23.94. The number of churches and the amount of money will likely be increased considerably in November.

### Salisbury District

This district leads the conference in the number of schools reporting in October and in the amount reported. Fifteen sent a total of \$131.16. This district might well be in the forefront again in November.

### Statesville District

Twelve schools gave a total of \$35.01. This district has always given a fine response to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise and will surely make a good record for World Service.

### Waynesville District

With Central, Canton, giving \$10.65, five churches reported \$20.98 to World Service from the fourth Sunday in October. W. R. Kelly, pastor and district missionary secretary, is leading here also.

### Winston-Salem District

With a contribution of \$41.32, Centenary sent the largest offering in the conference for October. Nine schools reported a total of \$88.53. The Winston-Salem district has led the conference with this offering. Wonder where it will stand when the November report appears?

### Remitting the World Service Offering From the Church School

Regular monthly reports will be made on this offering for each district and for the conference. In order to be included in this monthly tabulation the offering must reach Mr. Cole by Saturday preceding each second Sunday of the month. The best way to be sure to be included is to have the offering sent promptly after each fourth Sunday.

### FINANCING THE CHURCH

Financing the Church, with particular reference to the small church, is a recent leaflet which deals with the place of the church school in the new financial plans of the church. It deals with the responsibility of the official board for the every-member canvass, the church school and World Service, and the responsibility of certain other agencies of the local church for the financial program. This booklet, which is No. 590-H, may be secured from the Publishing House at ten cents each. Copies have recently been sent free to 200 pastors in the conference. A careful study of this pamphlet will be helpful in arranging the financial program for the year.



## The Lord's Prayer

By DeLon Kearney, High School Editor

**Our Father, who art in heaven.** Thou art not our Father in America only; thou art every person's Father—in Europe, in Asia, in Africa, and everywhere.

**Hallowed be Thy name.** It is held sacred to us here, Lord. But there are people in Europe who are not allowed to worship thee; some do not even know there is a God; there are others who have forgotten their God; and still others who have forgotten their God; and still others braver than those, who in spite of the law to the contrary still practice—with human moderation—all thy laws.

**Thy kingdom come** in spite of the totalitarian state. Here in America where thy wish is nearer fruition, we heartily believe in it and work for it. In Germany and Russia they believe that the state's kingdom will come and they work frenziedly for that hour.

**Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.** On the other continent thy wishes are secondary to the acts of the war that oppresses the people and weights them down with its burden. Lord, help us to ignore the petty military officials Hitler, Stalin, Goering, and the rest, and soon perhaps the warfare will be over.

**Give us this day our daily bread.** Lord, we pray for food for our bodies but don't forget food for our minds. The English and French are fed with the crust of propaganda, obscuring and distorting the truth inside. Our radios and newspapers keep us well-filled in our digestion of current happenings.

**And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.** Lord, we err. Help us to overcome our faults when we stray. For it was our fault at the end of the last war that such impossible terms were forced on the Germans. For those nations and peoples who are floundering in the entangling clutches of a vile war, have mercy on them and help us Americans to pacify the war leaders who thrust the vampire on their trusting civilians, and to right the wrong we committed.

**And lead us not into the temptation** of taking the easiest way and going into war. It takes a strong race of people, Lord, who can afford to give up some of their man-made rights and take the harder way of non-resistance. It takes inhuman effort on the part of a united people to withstand the wrongs done to the mind.

**But deliver us from the evil** of thinking and acting against the best interests of our neighbors. Lord, help us remember that the Germans are people just as we are. They are swayed by the same emotions that the English and French feel. Help us to be just in our condemnation of the bad but help us to search out the good, hidden though it may be.

**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory.** We realize that thine is the power to cease this war. But we have to profit by our mistakes. When the war is ended, may the victors impose light terms on the conquered and

on either side may there be amity and sincere liking and respect for the good that each nation has.

**Forever and ever,** Lord, may America stay out of war and be such an influence for the good that war will be termed ancient and impractical. Forever, Lord, may we live up to the divine laws, ignoring those human laws which are for our destruction. Forever, Lord, may we incline our hearts to help our fellow man. **Amen.**

### "I DON'T OWN THE ROAD"

I read the story of a man who was in a bad humor. On the railway on which he was traveling, his baggage had been mishandled, he had missed a connection and he had been overcharged on the diner for his breakfast.

He hailed a redcap to take his bag, and began at once to rebuke the youth. "A fine old railroad you've got. You smash the baggage. You can't keep to the schedule. Your dining cars hold up the customers. How do you expect to hold your business, and get more when everybody must hate to travel on your line?"

"Well, boss," said the redcap, "all you say may be so. I ain't sayin' it ain't; but you all natcherly can't hang all that trouble on me. I don't own this road. I'm only just a redcap in one deepo, and the big boss wouldn't care if I was alive even if he knew it, which he don't."

The gruffled one saw that the joke was on him, and said so, with the first laugh he had had that morning. He didn't seem to notice that the redcap had not only cleared himself, but had really done a nice bit of work for the road by putting a complaining patron into a better mood.

Isn't it funny how many of us blame the redcap or the church janitor, or the postman or the taxi driver for the faults of the system in which he is so humble a cog? Ticket agents catch it, and so do motormen, and clerks in the stores, and telephone operators, and bank tellers, and policemen and filling station attendants.

Before we vent our spleen on the humble workman let us first inquire if he owns the road.—The Intelligencer-Leader.

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## Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Gospel Message

Scripture, Luke 8

The seed of which Jesus speaks in the parable of the sower is the gospel of the kingdom. That gospel proclaimed a new order in which all men would recognize that they were children of God, and rejoice in their sonship, and in which all men would treat one another as brothers and live according to the Golden Rule.

Imagine a modern business men's club hearing this doctrine that he that has two coats should give to him that has none, that no factory hand should be regarded merely as a factory hand but as a brother for whom Christ died, and that there should be an element of democracy in the management of industry. What reception would this gospel of the kingdom have in such a club?

There would be at least one among them who would at once say, This man is a red! such Communistic talk ought not to be allowed here. He would say this in spite of the fact that the speaker was at the opposite pole from a Communist, for he believed in God, he abhorred violence, he had no faith in bloody revolutions, and he was opposed to the class spirit. But to the man opposed to any change in the present economic order, such talk is always deemed dangerous radicalism. This man illustrates what Jesus meant by the wayside hearer. The gospel truth can no more germinate in his closed mind than seed on an asphalt pavement.

But a younger member of the club, tired of the vulgar grab game of much competitive business, might receive these words with enthusiasm. He might say, I will try the Golden Rule in my store. But his competitor across the street has a different motto—Every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost. We will say that they are both in the clothing business. The competitor buys attractive garments that look as though they would wear forever, but the material is shoddy. Hence he can undersell the young champion of the Golden Rule, and the people flock to his store. Of course in the long run they will come back to the honest dealer, but the young enthusiast is not of the type that can wait for the slow returns of fair dealing, and he finally concludes that in the present competitive system the Golden Rule simply does not work. (Let the class instance older types of the shallow ground hearer).

There is another member of the club who has more depth of character and more brains than the shallow ground hearer. He recognizes that so radical a measure as loving your neighbor as

yourself in business entails at first a loss until people come to realize the benefits of trading with a man whose labels can be trusted.

But this man, while he intelligently and resolutely determines to carry out the Golden Rule, determines also to get rich and move in the higher social circles and enjoy their pleasure. In the process of conscientiously carrying out his high resolution, and at the same time fulfilling his determination to get rich, he involves himself in constant mental friction. The strain of business becomes so great that he feels compelled to curtail the time he gives to the church. Soon he has little or no time for his Bible or family prayers. Hence his courses of inspiration are cut off. He is too strong and determined to give up his purpose of putting religion into his business, but he is too worried and distracted to carry out that purpose successfully.

He is one type of the thorny ground bearer. The religious "society woman" is another. Still another is that much-to-be-pitied high school student, so distracted by the conflicting claims upon his time that he constantly runs a mental temperature, and utterly misses the riches which might be his if he did not have a divided mind.

It is a relief to turn from these failures to the hearers who, as Jesus said, receive the word in an honest and good heart. They embrace the principles of Jesus, and the great message of divine love, with grateful, whole-hearted sincerity. They hold it fast; which means not merely that they hear the sermon and read the chapter in the Bible, but that at odd hours during the day, and as they walk to and from their tasks, they meditate on it.

It often happens that people who, in general, are good ground for the seeds of truth are in respect to some truths the hardened wayside, in respect to other truths the stony ground, and to still other aspects of reality they are soil that is choked with thorns.

In our great railroad stations there is now a contraption which says, "Take your own photograph already framed, ten cents." We can all take our own photographs framed in the imagery of this parable, and we do not need even ten cents; but we may need to recognize and confess unwelcome truth. "What is easy?" said Thales, the wise man of Greece: "To give advice to others. What is hard? To know thyself."

Note that Jesus calls the word a seed. It is intended to germinate in two ways. First it is to inspire us to original thinking. The gospel is not a rule, it is a vital principle that is supposed to see us going. What radical conclusions Paul drew from the words of Jesus that were merely suggestions pointing in the direction which Paul took! He even dared to say that circumcision and all Levitical rules might be disregarded by Gentile Christians.

And then the seed is to germinate in a great many practical experiments. How wonderfully it has germinated in these modern times along lines not definitely laid out in the Bible—the Boy Scouts, the Hi-Y, the co-operatives, the social settlements, and a thousand other gracious sproutings out of the spirit of love.—Christian Advocate.



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# Children's



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## PLAYING SCHOOL

"Hurry up, Sam, it's your turn to be teacher this afternoon!" called Selma.

"Everybody take seats," answered Sam rather breathlessly as he ran up. "Sorry the teacher's late, but it couldn't be helped. Is everybody here?" he continued.

"Oh, teacher, please let me call the roll," begged Allen, and proceeded, without waiting for the teacher's reply, to name rapidly: "Martha, Marion, Bobby, Selma, Helen, Jane, Kent, Shirley, Jimmy, Luther, Patsy, Nancy, Marvin. Everybody's here, teacher, and on time."

"All right then," said Sam solemnly facing his eager scholars, "on account of your very bad spelling we'll start with our spelling lesson. I hope you children have put proper time on your lessons and haven't wasted it skating and scampering around. Martha, stand up and spell 'frozen water,' but use only three letters."

"I can't do that, 'water' by itself has five letters."

"That's a zero for Martha for not knowing an easy little word. Marion, let's hear from you."

"Perfectly simple, i—c—e, frozen water," Marion answered quickly.

"Bobby, spell 'black fluid' with three letters," requested the teacher.

"I—n—k," said Bobby with a deep bow.

"Now, each, let me ask you a question," requested Marvin. "What is the longest word in the dictionary?"

"I'll tell him that," Shirley offered, anxious to display her knowledge. "The longest word in the dictionary is 'smiles' because there's a mile between the first and last letter."

"Our spelling lesson time is up. I'll try you on 'rithmetic. Listen closely and do as I say and I'll tell you your answers without knowing what number you started with. Your teacher is really a bit of a magician," announced Sam, the teacher, proudly. "Here's the problem. Think of a number."

"It's thought of," giggled Patsy, "mine is 6."

"Mine is 10"; mine is 3"; mine is 8." The children all took different numbers.

"Don't tell me your numbers, do as I say," commanded Sam. "Multiply your number by 3; then add 1 to what you have; again multiply by 3! Now add the first number you thought of. Has everyone finished? All of the answers end with three and begin with the number you thought of first. Is that clear?"

"Now I'll tell one. Take a number; double it; add 4; divide by 2; take away the number you thought of first; your number is 2."

"Your answer will always be half of what you add," explained Jane.

"You got me too dizzy with your numbers," said Sam, "we'll do some-

## LITTLE THINGS

By Charles Mish



A stamp is just a little thing

Of very little worth,

And yet 'twill take a letter all

The way across the earth!

A smile is just a little thing,

But you will find this true:

To give it brings much happiness

To others, and to you!

—The Water Lily.

thing less tiring. We'll have an English poetry lesson. Nancy, you're shy and ever ready, arise and recite."

Nancy stood up and bowing slightly, said:

"Willie tied the baby's ear

Firmly to the chandelier.

Baby chuckled, full of glee,

'Twas his ear of corn, you see!"

The children clapped heartily. Then Helen added another verse:

"Willie took the baby's tongue,

'Round and 'round the room he swung. Baby seemed to like it though—

'Twas his wagon-tongue, you know."

"Good, very good," commended the teacher. I'll now declare a recess to last until tomorrow afternoon, when Miss Marion will be the beloved teacher. Study the following questions for tomorrow's geography: 'If it turns cold, what will Dela-ware?' 'In case of a flood where will Mary-land?' Go quietly, children, and be good."

"We will not," the children answered in chorus, "let's ride our bikes."—Sue Craig in The Christian Evangelist.

## DON'T FORGET YOUR LANTERN

"It will be quite dark before you return, Charley; don't forget your lantern," said a mother to her son, who was going to spend his half-holiday at a farm about two miles distant.

"I'm not afraid in the dark and I know the way well enough," he muttered. "No, I shan't take the stupid old lantern; it will be in the way."

On he went and spent a merry afternoon with his companions, never thinking of his mother's words, or troubling about the journey home. It was quite dark when he said good-bye to his friends at the farm, and as there was no moon the night was very dark, so they kindly offered to lend him a lantern. But he was too proud to accept it after boasting to his mother that he knew his way so well, and de-

clared more loudly than ever that he knew his way blindfolded and would be half way home before the lantern was lighted.

He ran down the path, along the road and across the field. In the corner of the field was a broken stile which had to be crossed in order to enter the wood. Part of the stile had rotted away, but the long nail which had fastened it still remained, and, catching Charley's jacket as he climbed, it tripped him and threw him suddenly into a bed of sting nettles in the dry ditch beyond. Bruised and smarting and mortified he began to make his way through the wood. There were several paths, but the widest and most frequented was his nearest way.

Perhaps it was the pain he was suffering or the annoyance he felt which caused him to forget to take the turning on the right, for after walking a short distance he found the bushes were close to him on either side, and he felt sure that he had strayed into one of the narrow pathways which crossed the wood in every direction. How he longed for his lantern! He had no idea which way to go, but wandered on and on until he grew footsore.

At last he came to a more open space and, thinking he had reached the road, he pressed boldly on, but found the ground gave way beneath him, and in another moment he was struggling in the water. There was a large pool in the midst of the wood, and in this he had fallen. Happily, it was not very deep, and, after groping about for something to which he could cling, he seized hold of a tough bough, and by its aid managed to scramble out of the water into the pathway.

Some time later, bruised and bleeding, with clothes torn and stained with mud and weeds, and soaked with water, he reached the gate of his own home where all the family were assembled, wondering what had become of him.

"Mother," said the miserable but penitent boy, "I've been very foolish; but I will never go without the lantern again."

Four years passed and Charley, a fine, tall lad, stood again by the gate saying farewell to his mother, not for a few hours but for months—perhaps years.

"Don't forget your lantern, my boy," she said, as she placed in his hand a small Bible. "Let God's Word be a lamp to your feet and a light to your path." Whenever you are in doubt as to the way you should take, let the light of this Book shine upon your path and the way will be plain.—Sparkling Waters.

Mother: "I don't believe you are trying very hard in school."

Johnnie: "Yes, I am. Teacher says I am the most trying boy in the class."



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## North Carolina Conference

### DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.

#### FIRST ROUND

West Burlington, 11 .....24  
Front Street, 7:30 .....24  
West Durham, 7:30 .....25  
Carr, 7:30 .....27

November

Burlington Ct., Shiloh, 11 .....1  
Glen Raven-Haw River, Glen Raven, 7:30 .....1  
Duke Memorial, 7:30 .....3

December

Calvary, 7:30 .....4  
Carrboro, Merritt's, 2:30 .....5  
Chapel Hill, 7:30 .....5

Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 10 .....6  
Orange Ct., Enlon Grove, 2:30 .....6  
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Avenue, 11 .....8

Mebane, First Church, 7:30 .....8  
Mt. Hermon, Friendship, 10 .....10  
Alamance Ct., Center, 2:30 .....10

Brookdale, Brookdale, 10 .....11  
Long Memorial, 7:30 .....11  
Lakeswood, 7:30 .....12

Person Ct., Oak Grove, 10 .....14  
Durham Ct., Bethany, 11 .....15  
Rno, 7:30 .....19

Swensonville, Swensonville, 11 .....22  
Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3 .....22  
Graham, 11 .....29

January

Milton, Milton, 10 .....3  
Leasburg, Leasburg, 2:30 .....3  
Yanceyville, Prospect, 10 .....4

Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 .....5  
Mebane, Central, 7:30 .....5

District Missionary Institute, Duke Memorial Church,  
Durham, at 10 .....7

Thrifty, 7:30 .....7  
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 10 .....9

Bynum, Bynum, 2:30 .....9  
Babam, Mt. Sylvan, 11 .....12

Roxboro Ct., Ca-Vel, 3 .....12  
Mt. Thyzah, Helena, 10 .....14

Rougemont, Union Grove, 2:30 .....14  
Davis Street, 7:30 .....15  
Duke Ct., Duke Chapel, 11 .....19

Branson, 11 .....26

### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

#### FIRST ROUND

Stedman, Cokesbury, 11 .....24  
Fayetteville Ct., St. Andrews, 3 .....24  
Person Street, 7:30 .....24

November

Hemp, Mt. Carmel, 11 .....1  
Glendon, Cool Springs, 3 .....1

Pineluff, 7:30 .....1  
Red Springs, 11 .....8  
Rowland, 3 .....8

December

Maxton, 7:30 .....8  
Sanford, 11 .....15  
Aberdeen, 2:30, meeting of District League of Stew-  
ards .....15  
Aberdeen, 7:30 .....15  
Hay Street, 11 .....22  
Parkton, Marvin, 3 .....22  
Raeform, 7:30 .....22

January

Laurel Hill, Snead's Grove, 11 .....5  
St. John's, 3 .....5  
Hamlet, 7 .....5

Rockingham, 11 .....12  
Rockingham Ct., Zion, 3 .....12  
Ellerbe, Norman, 7 .....12

Siler City, 11 .....19  
Siler City Ct., 3 .....19  
Goldston, 7 .....19

Laurinburg, 11 .....26  
Roberdel, St. Paul, 3 .....26  
Caledonia, Central, 7 .....26

Troy, 11 .....2  
Troy Ct., 3 .....2  
West End, 7 .....2

Jone-boro, Lemon Springs, 11 .....9  
Broadway, Morris Chapel, 3 .....9  
Carthage, 7 .....9

Mt. Gilead, 11 .....16  
Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3 .....16  
Bisce, Candor, 7 .....16

### ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

#### FIRST ROUND

December

Athoskie, 11 .....1  
North Gates, Savages, 3 .....1  
Murfreesboro, night .....1

Chowan, Anderson, 11 and 1 .....4  
City Road, night .....4  
Pasquotank, Newbegin, 2 .....6

Perquimans, Cedar Grove, 11 and 1 .....7  
Windsor, 11 .....8  
Williamston, night .....8

First Church, Elizabeth City, night .....11  
South Mills, Newland, 11 and 1 .....14  
Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11 .....15

Currituck, Mt. Zion, night .....15  
Wanchese, night .....20  
Kinnakeet, Avon, 11 .....22

Hatteras, night .....22  
January

Stumpy Point-Dare, Stumpy Point, 11 .....5  
Manteo, night .....5  
Kitty Hawk, 11 .....12

Hertford, night .....12  
Aulauder, 11 .....19  
Edenton, night .....19

Columbia, 11 .....26  
Creswell, 3 .....26  
Plymouth, night .....26

February

Belhaven, Trinity, 11 .....2  
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 .....2  
Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night .....2

Washington, 11 .....9  
Bath, night .....9  
Gatesville, 11 .....16

South Camden, Perkins, night .....16  
Reper, 11 .....23

### NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

#### FIRST ROUND

December

District meeting at Centenary Church, New Bern, 10:25 .....25  
Oriental, Oriental, 7:30 .....25

Aurora, Aurora, 10:30 .....26  
Grimesland, Grimesland, 3 .....26  
Vanceboro, Vanceboro, 7:30 .....26

Paullico, Bayboro, 7:30 .....27  
January

Marchallberg, 11 .....1  
Straits-Markers Island, 3 .....1

Atlantic, Atlantic, 7:30 .....1  
Ocracoke, 7:30 .....2  
Morehead Ct., Franklin Memorial, 3 .....3

Beaufort, 7:30 .....3  
Newport, Newport, 10:30 .....4  
Morehead City, 7:30 .....4

Grifton, Grifton, 10:30 .....5  
Dover, Dover, 3 .....5  
Riverside-Bridgton, 7:30 .....5

Jones Ct., Trenton, 10:30 .....6  
Pink Hill, Pink Hill, 3 .....6  
Mt. Olive-Calyss, Mt. Olive, 7:30 .....6

Mt. Olive Ct., Brownings, 11 .....7  
Goldboro Ct., Daniels, 10:30 .....9  
Pikeville-Elm Street, 3 .....9

Fremont, Eureka, 7:30 .....9  
Snow Hill, Snow Hill, 10:30 .....10  
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 .....10

Ayden, Ayden, 7:30 .....10  
LaGrange, Lagrange, 10:30 .....11  
Seven Springs, Seven Springs, 3 .....11

Goldboro, St. Paul, 7:30 .....11  
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 .....12  
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 .....13

Aurora, preaching, 11 .....13  
Grimesland, preaching, 3 .....15  
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 .....15

### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

#### FIRST ROUND

November

Wilson, 11 .....24  
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 .....24  
Set-up meeting, Rocky Mount, 10: .....25

Tarboro, 7:30 .....25  
Elm City, 7:30 .....26  
December

West Halifax, Eden, 11 .....1  
Spring Church-Garysburg, 3 .....1  
Littleton, 7:30 .....1

St. Paul, 7:30 .....2

Wilson, 7:30 .....3  
Clark Street, 7:30 .....4  
Scotland Neck, 7:30 .....5  
Spring Hope, 11 .....8  
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 3 .....8

January

Marvin, 7:30 .....8  
Bethel, 7:30 .....9  
Robersonville, 7:30 .....10

Stantonsburg, 7:30 .....11  
Kenly, 7:30 .....12  
Littleton Ct., 7:30 .....12

Seaboard, 11 .....15  
Halifax, 3 .....15  
Enfield, 7:30 .....15

Rosemary, 7:30 .....16  
Rocky Mount, First, 7:30 .....17  
Whitakers, 7:30 .....18

### WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.

#### FIRST ROUND

December

Wilmington, Grace, 11 .....1  
Wilmington, Trinity, night .....1  
Bladen, Bethlehem, 11 .....8

Garland, Epworth, 3 .....8  
Wallace-Rosehill, Wallace, night .....8  
Scotts Hill, Scotts Hill, 11 .....15

Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 3 .....15  
Burgaw, Burgaw, night .....15  
Town Creek, Bethel, 11 .....24

Shallotte, Village, 3 .....24  
Southport, night .....24  
Whiteville, 11 .....29

Wilmington, Epworth, night .....29  
January

Hallsboro, Wananish, 11 .....5  
Carvers Creek, Council, night .....5  
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 .....12

Lumberton Ct., Buies, night .....12  
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 11 .....19  
Elizabeth, Clarkton, night .....19

Roseboro, Bethel, 11 .....26  
Clinton, night .....26  
February

Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, 11 .....2  
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, night .....2

Maysville, Maysville, 11 .....9  
Swansboro, Queens Creek, 3 .....9  
Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night .....9

Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11 .....16  
Chadborn, Chadborn, night .....16  
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 .....23

Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 .....23  
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night .....23

## Western North Carolina Conference

### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.

#### FIRST ROUND

November

Barnardsville, Democrat, 11 .....24  
Biltmore, 7 .....24  
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 .....30

December

Candler, 11 .....1  
Contra, 7 .....1  
East Flat Rock, Moore's Grove, 11 .....8

French Broad Avenue, 7 .....8  
Emma, Emma, 11 .....15  
Haywood Street, 7 .....15

Etawah, Etawah, 11 .....22  
Hendersonville, 7 .....22  
Brevard, 11 .....29

Rosman, Oak Grove, 3 .....29  
January

Fairview, Bothany, 11 .....5  
Hillside Street, 7 .....5  
Fletcher, Fletcher, 11 .....12

Merrimon Avenue, 7 .....12  
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 11 .....19  
Oakley, 7 .....19

Leicester-Grace, Leicester, 11 .....26  
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 .....26

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

#### FIRST ROUND

November

Indian Trail-Stallings, Indian Trail, 7:30 .....22  
Peachland, Peachland, 11 .....24  
Morven, Sandy Plains, 3 .....24

Trinity, 7:30 .....24  
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 .....27  
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 .....27

Matthews, 7:30 .....29  
December

Prospect, Prospect, 11 .....1  
Polkton, Wightman, 2:30 .....1  
New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 7:30 .....1

Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 .....2  
Myers Park, 8:30 .....2  
Brovar Street, 7:30 .....4

Wesley Heights, 7:30 .....6  
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 .....8  
Zoar, 3 .....8

Marshville, Marshville, 7:30 .....8  
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 7:30 .....9  
Calvary, 7:30 .....11

Dillworth, 7:30 .....13  
Weddington, Weddington, 11 .....15  
Bethel-Roger, Bethel, 3 .....15

North Monroe, North Monroe, 7:30 .....15  
Central Avenue, 7:30 .....16  
Chadwick, 7:30 .....18

Hickory Grove, 11 .....22  
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 .....22  
Devila, 7:30 .....22

Thrift-Moore, Moores, 11 .....29  
Ansonville, Ansonville, 7:30 .....29  
Wadesboro, 7:30 .....29

January

Monroe, Central, 11 .....5  
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 .....8



ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| November                                       |    |
|------------------------------------------------|----|
| Todd, Blackburn's Chapel, 11                   | 24 |
| Laurel Springs Ct., Nathan's Creek Chapl, 2:30 | 24 |
| Millers Creek Ct., Arbor Grove, 7:30           | 24 |
| Wilkesboro, 7:30                               | 25 |
| Dobson, 7:30                                   | 26 |
| Creston, 11                                    | 27 |
| Warrensville, 2:30                             | 27 |
| Davle Ct., Center, 11                          | 30 |
| December                                       |    |
| Coleemee, 11                                   | 1  |
| Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 2:30                   | 1  |
| Mocksville Station, 7:30                       | 1  |
| Farmington, 7:30                               | 2  |
| St. Paul, St. Paul Ch., 2:30                   | 3  |
| East Bend Ct., New Home, 7:30                  | 3  |
| Ararat, Hacher's Ch., 2:30                     | 4  |
| Bryant Memorial Ct., Ararat Ch., 2:30          | 5  |
| Advance, Advance Ch., 2:30                     | 6  |

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| November                                  |    |
|-------------------------------------------|----|
| Belwood, 11                               | 24 |
| Cleveland, 3                              | 24 |
| East End, Gastonia, 7:30                  | 24 |
| West End, Gastonia, 7:30                  | 25 |
| December                                  |    |
| Lowesville, 11                            | 1  |
| Rock Springs, Denver, 3                   | 1  |
| Belmont, Park Street, 7:30                | 1  |
| Mount Holly, 7:30                         | 2  |
| Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30               | 3  |
| Belmont, Main Street, 7:30                | 4  |
| Lowell, Bethesda, 11                      | 8  |
| McAdenville, 7:30                         | 8  |
| Cramerton, 7:30                           | 9  |
| Kings Mountain, 7:30                      | 10 |
| Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30            | 11 |
| Lincolnton Ct., 11                        | 15 |
| Crouse, 3                                 | 15 |
| Lincolnton, Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, 7:30 | 15 |
| Cherryville, First Church, 7:30           | 18 |
| Polkville, 11                             | 22 |
| Shelby Ct., Sharon, 3                     | 22 |
| Shelby, Lafayette St., 7:30               | 22 |
| Stanley, Iron Station, 11                 | 29 |
| Dallas, High Shoals, 7:30                 | 29 |
| January                                   |    |
| Bessemer City, Concord, 11                | 5  |
| Cherryville Ct., Bethlehem, 3             | 5  |
| Roger City, 7:30                          | 5  |
| Shelby, Central, 7:30                     | 6  |
| Bradley Memorial, Myrtle Chapel, 11       | 12 |
| Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30               | 12 |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| November                    |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| St. Paul, 7:30              | 21 |
| Gulford Ct., 2:30           | 23 |
| Stokesdale, 11              | 24 |
| Flat Rock, 3                | 24 |
| Summerfield, 7:30           | 24 |
| Gibsonville, 7:30           | 27 |
| Oak Ridge, 7:30             | 28 |
| Reidsville Ct., 11          | 30 |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3         | 30 |
| December                    |    |
| Haw River, 11               | 1  |
| Brown Summit, 3             | 1  |
| Mt. Pleasant, 7:30          | 1  |
| College Place, 7            | 4  |
| Glenwood, 8                 | 4  |
| West Greensboro, 7:30       | 5  |
| Tabernacle-Julian, 3        | 7  |
| Lindsey St., Reidsville, 11 | 7  |
| Madison, 3                  | 8  |
| Reidsville, Main Street, 5  | 8  |
| Centenary, 7:30             | 8  |
| Proximity, 7:30             | 11 |
| West End, 7:30              | 12 |
| Pleasant Garden, 3          | 14 |
| Draper-Wayside, 11          | 15 |
| Ruffin, 3                   | 15 |
| West Market, 7:30           | 15 |
| Grace, 11                   | 22 |
| Bethel-St. Andrews, 3       | 22 |
| Stoneville-Mayodan, 7:30    | 22 |
| Draper, 11                  | 29 |
| Spray, 5                    | 29 |
| Leaksville, 7:30            | 29 |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| November                       |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Lehannon, 7                    | 21 |
| Why Not, Why Not, 2            | 22 |
| Randolph-G. C., Bethel, 2      | 24 |
| Cokeridge, Maple Springs, 6:30 | 24 |
| Randkin Memorial, 7            | 26 |
| Ward Street, 7                 | 27 |
| South Davidson-Lineberry, 2    | 28 |
| Trinity, Hopewell, 7           | 29 |
| December                       |    |
| Liberty Ct., Bethany, 2:30     | 1  |
| Ramsel-Franklinville, 7        | 1  |
| Denton-Central, Denton, 7      | 2  |
| Oak View, 7                    | 3  |
| Ashboro First, 7               | 4  |
| Richland-W. B., 7              | 5  |
| West Randolph, Tabernacle, 11  | 8  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7              | 8  |
| Main Street, 7                 | 11 |
| Seagrove-L. J.-P. H., 2        | 12 |
| Shiloh, Shiloh, 2              | 14 |
| Linwood-Tyro, 11               | 15 |
| Randleman-Union, Naomi, 7      | 15 |
| Wesley Memorial, 7             | 16 |
| Welch Memorial, 7              | 17 |
| Liberty First, 7               | 18 |
| Randleman Ct., Worthville, 7   | 19 |

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MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| November                        |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Elk Park, Elk Park, 11          | 24 |
| Avery, Mt. Zion, 3              | 24 |
| Cross Mills, Cross Mills, 7:30  | 24 |
| December                        |    |
| Bostic, Salem, 11               | 1  |
| Sunshine, Hopewell, 3           | 1  |
| Henrietta, Caroleen, 7:30       | 1  |
| North Forest, N. Morganton, 11  | 8  |
| Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3        | 8  |
| Valdese, Valdese, 7:30          | 8  |
| Rutherford College, 11          | 15 |
| Connolly Springs, Bollingers, 3 | 15 |
| Morganton Ct., Zion, 7:30       | 15 |
| Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11   | 22 |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30   | 22 |
| Glen Alpine, 11                 | 29 |
| McDowell, Snow Hill, 3          | 29 |
| Morganton, First, 7:30          | 29 |
| January                         |    |
| Rutherfordton, 11               | 5  |
| Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3       | 5  |
| Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30      | 5  |

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| November                          |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Stanfield, Love's Grove, 11       | 24 |
| Tabernacle, 3:30                  | 24 |
| Pfeiffer, 7:30                    | 24 |
| Albemarle, Central, 6:15          | 25 |
| New London, 7:30                  | 26 |
| Midway, 7:30                      | 27 |
| Landis, 7:30                      | 28 |
| December                          |    |
| Norwood, 11                       | 1  |
| Albemarle Ct., Union Chapel, 2:30 | 1  |
| First St., Albemarle, 7:30        | 1  |
| Bethpage, 7:30                    | 2  |
| East Spencer, 7:30                | 3  |
| Columb Memorial, 7:30             | 4  |
| Main Street-Rowan, 7:30           | 5  |
| Midland, St. Pauls, 11            | 8  |
| Rocky Ridge, 2                    | 8  |
| Roberta, 3:30                     | 8  |
| Concord, Central, 7:30            | 9  |
| Jackson Park, 7:30                | 10 |
| Trinity, Kannapolis, 7:30         | 11 |
| Mt. Mitchell, 7:30                | 12 |
| Mt. Pleasant, 11                  | 15 |
| Friendship, Oak Grove, 2:30       | 15 |
| Gold Hill, 7                      | 15 |
| Spencer, Central, 7:30            | 18 |
| Salisbury, First, 11              | 22 |
| Mt. Olivet, 11                    | 29 |
| January                           |    |
| China Grove, 11                   | 4  |
| Woodleaf, Gay's Chapel, 7:30      | 4  |

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| November                                 |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| Hiddenite, Hiddenite, night              | 21 |
| Taylorsville, Taylorsville, night        | 22 |
| Davidson, Davidson, 11                   | 24 |
| Mooreville Ct., Triplett, 3              | 24 |
| Mount Zion, night                        | 24 |
| Union Grove-Zion, Mt. View, night        | 25 |
| Olin, Olin, night                        | 26 |
| Statesville Ct., Bethel, night           | 27 |
| Newton, night                            | 28 |
| North Newton, night                      | 29 |
| December                                 |    |
| Granite Falls, 11                        | 1  |
| Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 3              | 1  |
| Hudson, Hudson, night                    | 1  |
| Broad Street, Statesville, night         | 2  |
| Hickory, Bethel, night                   | 3  |
| Hickory, Westview, night                 | 4  |
| Highland, Highland, night                | 5  |
| Hickory, First Church, night             | 6  |
| Whitnel, Whitnel, 11                     | 8  |
| Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 3                  | 8  |
| Lenoir, First Church, night              | 8  |
| Waynesville District                     |    |
| W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C. |    |
| November                                 |    |
| Canton, Central, 7:30                    | 21 |
| Sylva, 7:30                              | 22 |
| Morning Star (Dedication), 11            | 24 |
| Canton, Rockwood, 7                      | 24 |
| Dellwood, Mrs. Ketner's home, 6          | 25 |
| Franklin, 7                              | 27 |
| December                                 |    |
| Murphy, 11                               | 1  |
| Murphy Ct., 3                            | 1  |

|                          |    |
|--------------------------|----|
| Shooting Creek, 7        | 1  |
| Highlands, Highlands, 11 | 8  |
| Webster, 3               | 8  |
| Franklin, Ct., 11        | 15 |
| Macon Ct., 3             | 15 |

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lyndon Ave., Winston-Salem

FIRST ROUND—IN PART

| Walkertown, Love's, 11                        | 24 |
|-----------------------------------------------|----|
| Thomasville-Trinity-Bethel, Joinsontown, 7:30 | 24 |
| December                                      |    |
| Lexington-Trinity-Mt. Carmel, Mt. Carmel, 11  | 1  |
| Forsyth, Mt. Tabor, 7:30                      | 1  |
| Winston-Clemmons, Ardmore, 11                 | 8  |
| Doub's, New Hope, 7:30                        | 8  |
| Hanes-Clemmons, Bethel, 11                    | 15 |
| Hiatt-Sedge Garden, Sedge Garden, 7:30        | 15 |
| North Davidson, Mount Pleasant, 11            | 22 |
| West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 3                | 22 |
| Rural Hall, 7:30                              | 22 |
| Winston-Salem Ct., Pisgah, 11                 | 29 |
| Reeds, 3                                      | 29 |
| Kernersville, South Winston, 7:30             | 29 |

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## In Memoriam

**HUNT**—Elagar Hunt departed this life at the age of 82 years. He was married to Emma Varner. To this union were born three children; also survived by 11 grandchildren, one brother and two sisters. Mr. Hunt had been a member of Union (new) church for a great many years. He had been in poor health for eight years. Before his passing he said that the way was clear—he was going home to be with his Lord. Funeral services were conducted at New Union Methodist church by the writer, assisted by Rev. J. B. Trogdon. C. L. Grant.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to call our loyal member, Mrs. T. E. Griffin; and

Whereas, all member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Mackeys Methodist church deeply regret her loss. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we record with sincere sorrow her absence from among us.

Second, That we express to her bereaved children our deepest sympathy and commend them to the unfailing love and comfort of the heavenly Father.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be spread upon the minutes, and a copy be sent the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. O. A. Chesson, Pres.  
Jamie Riddick, Sec.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Oriental Methodist church, wish to pay tribute to the member of our beloved member, Mrs. Carl Bell, who passed away on September 22, 1940. Therefore we submit the following resolutions:

First, That though we feel our loss, we thank God for her beautiful character whose example of courage was an inspiration to us. Although she was a sufferer for years she always had a smile and a word of encouragement for others. She is missed by the entire community, as her thoughtfulness for others was an outstanding mark of her beautiful character.

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one recorded on the minutes of the society and one sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. Jennie Aldridge,  
Mrs. Kate Midyette,  
Mrs. Willie Smith.

**GASTER**—The Bethany church community was saddened on November 1, when it was learned that Brother D. T. Gaster had slipped away to be with his Lord, whom he loved and delighted to serve. He had reached the ripe age of 77 years. For 30 years he was the efficient superintendent of Bethany Sunday school and resigned just a few years ago when his health began to fail. He and Mrs. Gaster were staunch supporters of the High Point Children's Home. They gave all their Sunday eggs for a long period of years to the Home. Brother Gaster set in motion influences in the community that will not end, encouraging young people in the Christian life, helping some in a financial way to go to college, and living a consistent Christian example. His knowledge of the Bible was re-

markable. Surely a good man has been called to his reward. The church and community are poorer because of his home going. His companion and a brother and sister survive. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Redman, who lived in the Gaster home, are to be commended for the splendid service they rendered

during the last illness of Brother Gaster. The pastor conducted the funeral at Bethany on Sunday afternoon, November 8, the large auditorium not being able to accommodate the large crowd present. Burial took place in the church cemetery.

H. I. Isley, Pastor.

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## “Thanksgiving” Without Thanks

**Q**UR annual festival of “thanksgiving,” which was born of, and has been largely sustained by, a religious impulse, is today little more than a secular holiday. Unlike most of our national holidays, Thanksgiving Day is determined not by any fixed date or event in history, but by a noble tradition. By long established custom it is properly observed on the last Thursday of November. But long established customs, no matter how noble or sacred, must reckon with the established facts of modern life, especially with the fact of a precedent-smashing administration established at Washington.

What matters it if Thanksgiving Day becomes a football of politics and the country becomes utterly confused about its proper observance? What difference does it make if one community observes one day and another community another day? The festival may thus lose all national significance and gradually fade from the national calendar—but what of that? The only thing that really matters is that the autumn holiday be retained, and that every community be given a day off, whether earlier or later, for recreation, amusements, social intercourse and self-indulgence.

Thanksgiving Day is, of course, a holiday, but if it is not also a holy day we had better give it another name, one more in keeping with its character. Obviously the word “thanksgiving” has religious implications. It presupposes three things—a thankful person, something to be thankful for and a Person to be thanked. As a people we have much to be thankful for, and we are not ungrateful. We live in America, a land of free men and free institutions, we are not crowded for room, we are not wanting in adequate resources, we are not hopelessly impoverished, we are not trampled under the heels of invaders, we are not regimented by a dictator, and we are not the victims of endless wars and constant rumors of wars. If there are amongst us any native-born Americans or naturalized citizens or unnaturalized newcomers who do not feel grateful for this American heritage, they should be shown the shortest road to some land more congenial to their alien souls.

We are grateful—but grateful to whom? If there is no God to be thanked, or if we have so far lost our awareness of God as to be incapable of thanksgiving, why observe a thanksgiving, why observe a thanksgiving day at all? Unless it prompts us humbly to recognize the ultimate source of our blessings, why not drop the word “thanksgiving”? To join with others in a grateful song of praise to Almighty God on Thanksgiving Day is just about the last thing that millions of happy Americans ever think of doing. Fortunately there are other millions who feel that the day has been lost if, in one way or another, they have not humbly acknowledged Him “from whom all blessings flow.” For such, Thanksgiving Day is not meaningless. Their religion prompts them to acknowledge before God what the simple facts of life imply, that

“Back of the loaf is the snowy flour,  
And back of the flour is the mill,  
And back of the mill is the wheat and the shower,  
And the sun, and the Father’s will.”

—The United Presbyterian.



## TAKING THE CHURCH TO THE AIR-RAID SHELTERS IN LONDON

"Where is Willoughby Road Methodist church?" I asked a policeman who loomed up on one of the blackest of black-out nights in Wood Green, North London.

"I know that place well enough," he said. "Take my arm." He piloted me down curbs and down curbs, and just clear of lamp posts. "It's so dark I can't even see where my truncheon holder is," he chuckled. "Well, here we are. Is it Mr. Griffiths you want?"

I might have known that every policeman in the neighborhood knows the Rev. Douglas A. Griffiths—and so does every warden, every A.F.S. man, and I might almost say every shelterer.

Mr. Griffiths' steel helmet aroused my curiosity. Incidentally, he reminded me that I should have had one, too, for he proposed to take me out with him on an "ordinary night's work"—which involved walking the streets under falling shrapnel, and dodging bombs as best we could, in order to visit one air raid shelter after another, and perhaps some "incidents" on the way. The minister's steel helmet, however, had something different about it—it was a helmet such as a warden would wear, but painted over the letters "A.R.P." was the sign of the cross—the symbol of "an ordinary night's work" and what it stands for!

Unlike the conditions of Mr. Sangster's fine work at Westminster, there is no air raid shelter on the church premises at Willoughby Road. Mr. Griffiths goes out into the highways and byways to do his work in about ten public air raid shelters every night in the Tottenham and Hornsey area immediately surrounding his church. Frankly, I had paid this surprise visit to see if such work was really worth while—whether the people in public air raid shelters like a parson "poking his nose in," inviting them to sing hymns and take part in a new form of family prayers; whether the folk in the churches thought that a minister's vacation should consist in meeting society classes for tickets, visiting his church members and officials, preparing sermons in his study and preaching them from the pulpit. Indeed, I heard a whisper the other day—and from a Methodist: "We don't pay our minister to do air raid shelter work!" How I wish that brother could have come out with us. It would have done him good.

A Tottenham shelter was our first objective—the cleanest, driest, best-lit shelter we visited during the night. In common with the others in the neighborhood, it consisted of underground trenches lined with concrete, leading into one another from squares. A direct hit from a bomb would at most seriously affect only one side of a square.

Such greetings as "Hello, Padre, glad to see you! There's quite a crowd waiting for the service," came from many a warden. Mr. Griffiths asked what hymn they would like, and the favorite choice in this, as in some other shelters was "Onward, Christian Soldiers"—which they sang lustily. Each night, Mr. Griffiths told me, there are four prayer services, with hymn sheets, so that each of the ten shelters visited has two or three services a week, or the proverbial "flea-bag." Some had brought their own camp beds; some preferred to recline on deck chairs; others slept on the floor—but all were happy to greet the Padre. As we made our way through subterranean passages he had a cheery word for everyone. "Well, Granuy,

looking forward to the time when you'll have a proper bunk fixed here? You'll sleep better then!" "My word, you are looking well on it—this is the cheeriest corner of the whole shelter!"

"I'm very sorry I'm going to leave here," said one woman, "but a billet has been found for me and my little girl at——." (She named a country district).

"Well," Mr. Griffiths replied, "I'm sure you will be happy there. I keep hearing of people wishing to get out into the country after being bombed out of their homes here—and I have written to thirty country ministers asking them for beds."—The Methodist Recorder (London).

## WHY HAVEN'T OUR PEACE PRAYERS BEEN ANSWERED?

This question is well answered by Rev. Richard Pyke in the book, "Things Which Can Not Be" in these words:

"It is not possible in a brief space to examine all that is implied in such a theory of prayer. If there is one thing that is certain it is that prayer can never be an instrument placed in our hands with which we may control the destiny of the universe, or the government of the world. If by prayer it were possible for us to determine great issues, affecting the future of the world, we might well tremble at the awful responsibility. We know so little of all that is involved: we see only a little section of an amazing whole. Any one indeed, who reflects on all the implications of the present tragedy, must be driven to say, as Jesus said, "Not my will but thine be done."

"We have cried earnestly to be delivered from what we know to be evil and have too often been indifferent to the corrosive sin which has been eating into the vitals of a nation, and to the suffering which has been inflicted by our pride and selfishness upon the thousands of poor little shun children. Who can say that more sin is not committed every day in every capital of Europe than on the largest battlefield?" Such words must at least have the effect of bringing home to us the short-sightedness and selfishness of many of our prayers.

## REV. J. E. McSWAIN OF HIGH POINT LEADS THE PROCESSION

Rev. J. E. McSwain of Ward Street church, High Point, sets the pace for the Advocate campaign for new subscribers. Last Monday he brought in from his board of stewards a list of twenty-six new subscribers.

The names of these new readers of the North Carolina Christian Advocate are as follows:

Paul Hinkle, Horace Stephens, W. H. Lackey, Tom Sain, R. L. Hicks, J. R. Shelton, Miss Mattie Mac Albertson, W. B. Collins, W. F. Easter, C. P. Evans, Fred Lawrence, S. M. Barr, W. S. Hasty, A. E. Sain, L. C. Armentrout, T. B. Wrenn, B. H. Cook, D. H. Cole, E. K. Hedrick, W. G. Freeman, Glenn Doby, E. H. Newsom, A. H. Towery, Austin Lassiter, J. C. Dillard, C. B. Kearns.

Good for McSwain and the stewards of this growing church.

## EXCHANGE IN APPOINTMENTS

Bishop Clare Purcell has authorized the following exchange in appointments: J. F. Starnes is appointed to the Carver's Creek, and A. M. Smith appointed to Vance circuit.  
H. I. Glass, D. S.



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We should ever keep before us the fact that the church is the sole repository of the Christian traditions and that from this must come the leadership of all phases of culture—the spiritual power which can undertake the redemption of both individuals and communities.

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The alert energy displayed by many leaders in our North Carolina Methodism augurs well for the future. It also is full of warning for the dull and easy-going who are too much wanting in the needed spark. The alert are sure to win; the dull, heavy clods will fail. Oh, for the spark divine.

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Our good friend, Tom Bost, as readers of the Greensboro Daily News are aware, has undertaken to name a new president for Duke University. And his labors so far have been supremely amusing. We hope he will improve as the months and perhaps years pass. For Duke will not likely be in a hurry about a new president.

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The country has much reason to rejoice that Senator George of Georgia becomes head of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate. In this hour when our relations to other countries are so intricate and of such moment, a man of the temper and standing of Senator George is much needed. Few members of the Senate can mean more for our national welfare than can he.

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"Adversity," said Carlyle, "is hard upon a man; but for one man who can stand prosperity there are a hundred who will stand adversity." Evidences of the accuracy of the above observation appear on every hand where a little material prosperity has led people to part with the grace of humility, to spurn high moral principles and to give reins to the lusts of the flesh. Moral and spiritual disaster all too frequently encamps on the trail of prosperity.

The Southern Railway with the beginning of the new year is to put Diesel-electric streamlined passenger locomotives upon its main line from Washington to New Orleans. They are 4000-horsepower and has a speed of 100 miles per hour. Trains 37 and 38 will be equipped with these. This is an evidence of progress that the public will welcome and show its approval by increased patronage. It is presumed that the time between Washington and New Orleans will be materially reduced. This also will be welcomed.

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"It is one of the good things that come out of evil that we are learning, as perhaps never before—and, pray God, the lesson may not be forgotten—what it means to belong to a community, that it is a fellowship of high and low, rich and poor, one with another in common cares and sufferings and sacrifices and hopes, and in one united purpose for the common good. Are we not also learning the worth of the ordinary man or woman, which is the basic principle of that system of free democracy which we are now defending?"—Archbishop of Canterbury.

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If God in his material universe does not make a difference in his treatment of good people and bad people, there is a long established notion that he ought. Jesus ran counter to this notion enthroned as it was in the minds of the Jew when he declared that God "maketh his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sendeth rain on the just and the unjust." Would it not be an impressive lesson if God should shut off the sunlight for a week or a month as a warning to the wicked, or banish the rain clouds till the earth should become a desert? It may appear to us that God overlooks a great opportunity to impress folks with how bad wrong doing really is and at the same time to teach some really valuable moral lessons. But Jesus says that such is not God's method.



## Stopping Short of the Goal

**D**R. OSLER'S statement that men ought to be chloroformed at about the age of forty has been much discussed. He afterwards made something of an explanation which did not wholly explain. This remark of Dr. Osler's did not mean that men should be literally put to death. It was only a graphic way of calling attention to the fact that a great many men are putting themselves to death by ceasing at an early age to be creative and productive.

One of the chief afflictions and drawbacks of the church is the class of men who have in comparatively early life lost step. They have ceased to grow. It is on this account that there is such a clamor of young men in places of responsibility. A growing preacher is necessary to a growing church, and laymen who sincerely desire the welfare of the church ought not to be blamed for demanding such men.

Why do so many men become dead and ineffective at so early an age? If the reader will look over the field, he will discover at the outset that a good proportion of these are the men who, in their earlier days, were accounted more than ordinary. Why this arrest? Why has the gifted young men of twenty years ago become an old dry-as-dust, so that he is now unacceptable even in the smaller places where he was once so popular? The answer is not altogether simple, because so many things operate to bring about this result. But I may confidently say that the chief cause of this change is that these men reached the conclusion that they had already attained. Any man who at any age reaches this conclusion begins to die in that very hour. Men have triumphed and can triumph over all kinds of adverse conditions in the development of their intellectual and spiritual life; but no man can survive the conclusion that he has attained, that he is a finished man. In the day that he sinneth thus he shall surely die.

We know that at this point the laymen and, even more, the lay women are to be blamed. Indiscreet praise of commonplace performances is no uncommon thing, and, taken in connection with an unintelligent satisfaction on the part of the congregation at large, is almost sure to lead the preacher into a complacency and self-satisfaction which cannot but ruin him if he yields. One of the striking signs of the approach of this state is that the preacher becomes a parson, a mere clergyman. His tones,

his attitudes, and the unctuous orotundity with which he emits platitudes are the death marks of his ministry. The laymen are perhaps blameworthy at another point. They clamor always for a hustler who can meet the practical demands of this growing time. When they get such a man, they are content to watch him hustle to utter destruction of his hopes of becoming a really edifying and commanding preacher of the gospel. At any rate, it is true that very many of our preachers above forty years of age are not playing the part of full-grown, vigorous men in the world's work. They are rapidly becoming fossils of their former selves. It is needless to say that fossilized men cannot run a modern church or in other ways lead a live civilization. If the church is to do the work that is thrust upon it in this wide-open day, it must have the leadership of alert and growing preachers as well as of soundly pious and aggressive laymen.

There is no need for the state of things of which we have spoken. This early agedness and consequent failure of the life in its most valuable season are not necessitated by the scheme of nature or the will of Providence. Men in advanced life are fitter for all truly great work than the young. Leg work and other bodily work may be excepted. The assumption that the simple passage of years brings mental decay is erroneous, as the annals of the world's greatest workers prove beyond contradiction.

## A Church With the Old Faith and the New Outlook

**F**IRST church, Bloomington, Ind., is using this well-directed slogan, "A Church with the Old Faith and the New Outlook."

There is no new faith. There is nothing in which to have new faith. New faith can have only one possible sensible meaning, namely, that of new comprehension of and adherence to the old faith. Any other new faith is old error and disbelief. As long as there are newcomers, new students, new understandings, there will be new faith, but this is simply the old faith developed in new, more competent, or better-used minds.

A new outlook? Certainly. Every day, by aid of the same orb of light whose rays have illumined the earth for millions of years, new objects are seen, new visions appear, new paths are found, new tasks and opportunities presented. It is possible to walk in darkness beneath a clear sky, with the sun at zenith, but



whosoever keeps his eyes open to the old sun and to the old faith constantly discovers some deeper and truer meaning in thought, in experience, and in service.

Superheated and arrogant minds can tolerate nothing old. Radicalism wants a new sun, a new religion, a new theory, a new God. It is in earnest. Much vaunted modernism is so serious minded that it is unable to realize its absurdity. It is egotism, which is really a joke, as egotism always is. But egotistic rationalism is a sad and dangerous joke when it unsettles the confidence of the people in Christian verities.

### Are Angels Greater Than Men?

**B**ACK in the days that followed Charles A. Lindberg's solo flight across the Atlantic we referred to him as out flying the angels; in fact, amid the extravagancies of the times we referred to him as an archangel of the nineteenth century. One reader took us to task, not for a hyperbole of speech, but because we had dared to call a human being an archangel. His reason therefor was that it was an irreverent remark toward a human being.

We have frequently thought of that reader's criticism. Are angels superior to men? Let's see. Is an angel a being to be revered or worshipped?

In this matter it will be well to stick close to the Book. Paul says in Col. 11:18, "Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels."

In the second chapter of Hebrews we are told that Christians are superior to angels. We quote verse 16: "For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he on him the seed of Abraham."

Then in Cor. VI:3, "Know ye not that we shall judge angels?"

And in accord with the Bible were those old preachers, those old orthodox Methodist preachers whom this writer years ago was accustomed to hear preach and say that not to the angels, no even the tallest archangels, was it given to preach the gospel of Christ, but to men and women who had been redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ. In Old Testament times the angels were messengers to men but not in the economy of the gospel dispensation. "To man," said these old preachers of the gospel, "were given the position and a work to do that is not granted to angels."

### A Voice from London

**O**NE of our most appreciated exchanges is the Methodist Recorder of London, England. It is published down on Fleet Street in the very heart of Britain's capital. For more than 12 years it has each week reached our desk. It is a great paper and we frequently carry clippings therefrom in this Advocate.

Two things have been of special interest amid these terrible days of battle on land and sea. One of these is the regularity with which The Recorder reaches our office, and the other is the surprisingly few references in its pages to the war that has been raging with such fury during the past summer and fall. This paper sticks to its great task of serving the spiritual life of the people and of helping to promote the work of the church in these trying times. In these things it becomes an admirable example to religious papers and religious teachers in our own country.

In these days when all the news agencies of the country are seeking to outdo each other in furnishing news, near news, and no news at all, except in name, it is well if people do not take too seriously the glaring headlines of the newspapers, or the endless jargon of the radio most of which is linked up with various advertising schemes.

### Get Your Lesson Over

**W**ITH the new financial set-up of united Methodism the young preachers will have to become acquainted with the new system and the older men will have to learn anew this present set-up. In the district meetings we find the district superintendents busy in trying to make clear the situation so little understood by some. Careful study is needed on the part of both preachers and laymen.

The quarterly conferences will be slow and tedious until all hands become better acquainted with the new order; but with a little care and attention soon all will be going well. Careful preparation for any kind of a conference is usually more than half the battle. So far it is plainly evident that most of us have much to learn before all our Methodist machinery gets to running smoothly. Let all patience have full sway these coming months as we set about getting our lessons over again. And let pastors and district men co-operate in every way in all the intricacies of our financial affairs. We are now getting adjusted to the new order.



# ✦ People and Things ✦

Rev. and Mrs. William C. Sides, Jr., announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Cecilia, on November 19, at Long's Hospital, Mocksville. Both mother and baby are doing fine.

Rev. and Mrs. W. Herman Yokeley announce the birth of a daughter, Sharon Kay, on November 20, at the Burris Memorial Hospital, High Point. Rev. Mr. Yokeley is the pastor at the Ararat charge.

Rev. John W. Moore, pastor of Central church, Mooresville, continues his good work for the Advocate, which he makes a part of his pastoral duties. He begins the new year by sending in five new subscribers, which is only a start.

High Point College is believed to have one of the tallest basketball centers in the South in six feet, eight inch Bill Keene. His room mate last year—Captain Hugh Hampton—was six feet six, but Hampton has graduated and Bill is lonely up there by himself now.

I need a copy of "A Guide to the Study of the English Bible" by Spence and Cannon in connection with a voluntary Bible course I am helping to teach in the Franklinton high school. I would appreciate it if some Advocate reader would sell or loan me one as the book is out of print and would be of much help to me.—S. E. Mercer, Franklinton, N. C.

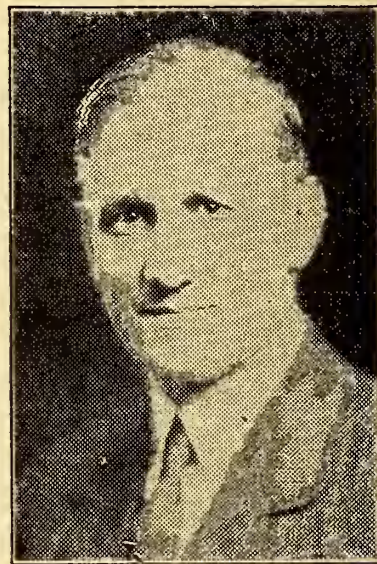
We have been royally received for our fifth year at Franklinton. Besides the intangible manifestations of welcome we have received tangible evidence in the form of a most bountiful pounding, a present of 25 gallons of gasoline and an increase in salary. Our stewards are busy raising money with which to pay for our new Holland heating plant. We are all very happy together.—S. E. Mercer.

A cable from Hongkong announces the marriage last Tuesday of Miss Eleanor Frances Heckelman, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Heckelman of Aoyama Gakium, Tokyo, to Mr. James Lanus Stewart, only son of Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Stewart of Nakatsu, Kyushu. Miss Heckelman was for some years on the staff of St. Luke's International Medical Center here. Mr. Stewart is correspondent of the Associated Press of America in Hongkong.—From Japan Advertiser of October 25.

The following are members of the Louisburg College newspaper staff: Catherine Gillis, Raleigh, editor; Henry Murden, Suffolk, Va., associate editor; Hazel Smith, Wilmington, make-up editor; Roy Bailey, Fayetteville, school editor; Robert Bartholomew, Goldsboro, exchange editor; Ella Lewis, Faison, art editor; Jimmy Wooters, Kinston, circulation manager; Edward Smith, Fayetteville, news editor; Edna Gillis, Raleigh, society editor; James Durham, Durham, sports editor; Joe Newsom, Littleton, alumni editor; Gene Ham, Goldsboro, humor and feature editor; Della Mae Lewis, Spring Hope, business manager; Troy Barrett, Fayetteville, assistant business manager; James Featherston, Roxboro, assistant circulation manager.

Dr. H. C. Sprinkle reports that the Gastonia district program was launched in three county-wide leaders' conferences, which were held in Main Street church, Gastonia, November 19; in First church, Lincolnton, November 20; and in Lafayette Street, Shelby, November 21. The theme of the county-wide conferences in which the district program was launched is the district motto for the year: "The Whole Church Behind the Whole Program." The emphasis on evangelism this year follows a year of emphasis upon Christian education. Mimeographed copies of the outline of the program were distributed, and a district staff of pastors and leaders who assisted in planning the program assisted the district superintendent in presenting it to officers and leaders from each local church.

E. Stanley Jones, in "The Choice Before Us," has a significant word for an hour like this: "Study history and learn one thing: he who thinks he can cheat a moral God in a moral universe is a moral imbecile. It simply cannot be done. Evil carries the seeds of its own destruction within it. The universe is not built for the success of lies. They break themselves on the moral facts of the universe. The Lord God reigneth—whether that reign is acknowledged or not. Every wrong breaks itself upon the fact of God."



E. Stanley Jones

Rev. P. O. Lee, pastor of Horne Memorial Methodist church for the past year, was returned to the Clayton church by the Methodist conference, to the gratification of his membership and the town people as well. It has been a long time since the church has had a more popular man. His popularity extends to every walk and class of life in Clayton. He is a good preacher, a better pastor, and an all round good man.

The following are members of the Louisburg College Annual staff: Henry Murden, Suffolk, Va., editor; Roy Bailey, Fayetteville, junior editor; Pete Page, Wilmington, business manager; Morris Bell, Clinton, junior business manager; Catherine Gillis, Raleigh, feature editor; Caroline Davis, Wilmington, assistant feature editor; Don Harvey, Cleveland, Ohio, photographic editor; Ralph Roe, Richmond, Va., sports editor; James Durham, Durham, advertising manager; Ruby Grey Massenburg, Louisburg, assistant advertising manager, and May Davis, Louisburg, literary editor.

Ministers' week will be observed at the Candler School of Theology, Emory University, January 20 through 24. Principal speakers will be Bishop Paul B. Kern of Nashville, Tenn., and Dr. Edwin Lewis, professor of theology at Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J. Object of the week is to serve ministers in the field by providing intellectual and spiritual stimulus during a week of concentrated study and fellowship. Disciplined thinking and corporate worship form the program. Short courses for ministers will be presented by faculty members of the school of theology, and daily forums on pertinent topics will be held. Bishop Kern will deliver the Quillian Lecturship, which began in 1897, at Emory College, Oxford, Ga. Rev. W. F. Quillian gave an endowment as the nucleus for a lectureship "within the range of apologetical, doctrinal, exegetical, pastoral, or historical theology." Bishop C. B. Galloway gave the first lecture in March, 1898.



## THE COMMUNITY TASK OF THE RURAL CHURCH IS THEME OF RURAL INSTITUTES

The first of a series of regional rural institutes dealing with the place of the Christian church in the rural community, with particular reference to its relationship to the other community agencies, have been scheduled for December 2-6 in five sections of the state.

Figuring prominently in these institutes will be Rev. Ralph L. Woodward, director of religious field work, Yale University Divinity School, New Haven, Conn., and Mr. L. R. Harrill, director of 4-H Club work, North Carolina State College, Raleigh. Rev. Mr. Woodward, whose experience as superintendent of the Congregational-Christian churches in Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas from 1936-1939 and his early ministry in the Ozark Mountains and later on Methodist circuits in central Missouri, will qualify him for his task of presenting "The Place of the Rural Church in Our American Life."

Mr. Harrill, known throughout the state for his achievements in 4-H Club work, will direct the phase of the program of the institutes dealing with "Other Community Agencies." Among the many leaders being invited to participate and present the work of their respective agencies are representatives of the State Board of Health, the Board of Welfare, the Board of Education, the Library Commission, Home Demonstration Agencies, 4-H Clubs and others working directly with rural people.

An attempt will be made to visualize the work of all the agencies now operating in our rural communities.

The latter part of each day will be devoted to discussion of the problems facing the rural church and possible solutions will be considered. In the case of each institute, only one address is being scheduled. There will be ample time, therefore, for a full discussion of the problems involved.

These institutes are open to all persons interested in the rural church, its plan and program.

All meetings begin promptly at 10:30 a. m. and close at 4:30 p. m. Delegates will be expected to obtain their own lunch at recommended conveniently located places. There will be no registration fee.

The schedule of these institutes follow:

Monday, December 2, Wilson. Howard Memorial Chapel, Atlantic Christian College.

Tuesday, December 3, Elon College. The Little Chapel of the Christian Education building, Elon College.

Wednesday, December 4, Salisbury. Recital Hall, Music building, Catawba College.

Thursday, December 5, Drexel. Drexel high school.

Friday, December 6, Carthage. Carthage Presbyterian church.

## BREVARD COLLEGE NOTES

Dr. H. P. Powell of Dilworth Methodist church, Charlotte, will on December 4, 5 and 6 deliver a series of lectures pertaining to religion and the college student. He will also speak with individual students and collectively to the leaders of the Christian Student Movement.

The presentation of "The Big Pond" by the Wells Players in the college auditorium last Saturday night brought to a close a series of four programs presented at the school during November. The productions were under the auspices of the Collins Entertainment Festival. Other programs in the group included a presentation of the life of Franz Schubert by the Hugo Brandt Company, a lecture on the second Byrd Expedition by Bud White, and a musical program by the Doris Peterson Company. Miss Peterson is internationally known as a miramba player.

The following young people will guide the freshman class activities during the year: President, Ray Swink, Lexington; vice president, Joe Havener, Rutherford College; secretary, Alice Amon, Charlotte; treasurer, Russell Lawson, Greenville, S. C.; student council representatives, Bernard Johnson, Durham and John Garren, Greenville, S. C.

The Brevard College choir, directed by John M. Hawkins, made its first appearance before the student body in a

joint concert with the college band and orchestra. The program, which was held in the Brevard high school auditorium, was supplemented with piano, violin and vocal solos by members of the college faculty.

## OBJECTIVES OF CONFERENCE COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

At a meeting in Wilmington, November 9, the North Carolina Conference Commission on Evangelism adopted the following objectives for the year:

1. That the commission encourage the churches in the conference to put special emphasis upon reaching the unreached. The commission recognizes the worth of evangelism as carried on through the church schools, but it insists that large numbers of our people, untouched by the church schools, must be won to Christ by more aggressive, out-reaching methods. The call of Christ is to go out into the highways and hedges and constrain men to enter into the fellowship of faith.

2. That the commission encourage the formation of a Fellowship of Evangelism in every church in the conference. We recommend the use of Tidings, a quarterly publication by the General Commission on Evangelism.

3. That the commission promote the production and distribution of appropriate leaflets and pamphlets on evangelism and spiritual life.

4. That the commission seek to increase the distribution and practical use of The Upper Room.

C. W. Goldston, Acting Secretary.

## MINISTERS' WIVES OF HIGH POINT ACTIVE

The first meeting for the year of the High Point district wives was held November 14 at the home of the president, Mrs. Paul Hardin, of Asheboro. The meeting was called to order by the president, and Mrs. J. W. Braxton of Asheboro conducted a most helpful devotional. Mrs. N. M. Harrison then rendered a beautiful piano solo.

Mrs. S. W. Taylor, chairman of the nominating committee, presented the following slate of officers to serve for the year: Mrs. Paul Hardin, president; Mrs. T. G. Smith, vice president; Mrs. J. Clay Madison, secretary; Mrs. O. E. Croy, treasurer.

Upon the insistence of Mrs. Hardin her name was withdrawn and Mrs. J. E. Pritchard was put in her place. The rest of the officers were elected as nominated.

After the election of officers Mrs. Pritchard took the chair and plans for the coming year were briefly discussed.

Tea and sandwiches were served by the hostess, after which the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. J. Clay Madison, Secretary.

## NEW PASTOR ARRIVES IN GOLDSBORO

Rev. W. A. Cade, new pastor of St. Paul Methodist church, Goldsboro, Mrs. Cade and daughter, Betsy, arrived Wednesday of last week from Wilmington, where Mr. Cade has been district superintendent of the Wilmington district for the past five years.

The pastor and his splendid family were greeted at the parsonage by a committee of ladies from the church. During the day a number called to meet and welcome their new pastor and family, many of whom left their card in the form of substantial contributions of the necessities of life that have much to do in making a preacher's home happy and have cast their lot among friends.

Mr. Cade preached his first sermon at St. Paul Sunday morning to a large, attentive and appreciative congregation. His subject was "The Light and Strength on Which We Go to Meet Our Task." After the sermon a large number of the congregation went forward to meet Mr. Cade and to welcome him to Goldsboro.

We are hoping and praying for a great year at St. Paul under the wise and progressive leadership of Brother Cade.

T. C. Ethridge.

## N. C. CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD NOTICE

On account of the death of Dr. N. H. D. Wilson we are issuing call number 78. Make check payable to R. L. Jerome, Treasurer, 1700 Princess St., Wilmington, N. C.



# The Narrowness of Life

By RICHARD BRAUNSTEIN

There are moods when we feel the spaciousness of human life, and we are possessed with a passion for living and believe in its boundless possibilities. Then we would fain mingle in the crowded ways, move in the swift currents, and feel the swell of humanity's great tide. But there is another mood. It is a mood in which we are deeply conscious of the narrowness of life. It is a sentiment which we have all felt in some degree, and it is created in us by a variety of circumstances. Even the most happy people, in their utmost joy of living, are rarely satisfied with life; and as they advance in years, the dissatisfaction of many is, it is feared, apt to increase. What occasions this sense of the narrowness of life? One fact that forces upon the most thoughtless the feeling of narrowness is the brevity of life. We are here for such a little while. Our years pass as a dream. They are as a tale that is told.

The years which seem so long to the children seem short and even shorter to the man. We scarcely grow accustomed to life, scarcely master the art of living before we are called away to the land of silence and forgetfulness. Before we dream of such a thing the curtain closes down on the scene, the mystic signal is given, and darkness covers all. But observe how little length of days has to do with man's achievement. There is another measure of time than that which is furnished by the tick of the clock or measured by the swing of the pendulum. Life is not to be reckoned alone by length of days, but also by the amount of thought and energy we infuse into them. It is no mere poetical hyperbole which finds expression in such lines as these:

"We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths;  
In feelings, not in figures on a dial.

We should count time by heart throbs. He most lives  
Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best."

A cedar lives for centuries, generation after generation of men meanwhile passing away. But who would exchange for the life of a tree, though protracted for ages, a single day of the life of a conscious, thinking, living man? The briefest life of rationality, again, is worth more, has more real life in it, than the longest of a mere animal. And among rational beings that life is longest, whether brief or protracted its outward term, into which the largest amount of mental and moral activity is condensed. The glory of our life is not in living as long as we can, but in the use we make of that life. A few years, crowded with deeds of glorious, purposeful service for God and man, are far better than a century of sluggish, meandering existence, losing itself at last in the sands of futility. Over a short life, lived with such fullness of energy, there need be no bitter lament. Its valediction may be the noble valediction of the Apocrypha: "He, being made perfect in a few years, fulfilled the work of many years."

But when we speak of the narrowness of life it is not only its brevity that is in our thoughts, but also the limitations of circumstances. What is more common than for men to plead the disqualification of narrow powers and opportunities; to complain of life because they feel its absence of leisure, its scanty opportunities for culture, its weary round of dull and deadening toil? But the purposes

of life are self-development and service, and these ends may be reached, whatever the environment may be. One of the things most difficult for us to learn and therefore most slowly learned is that mere narrowness of circumstances can set no bounds to our power of doing good and that men of humble powers can serve the world not less efficiently than men of magnificent endowments. To the man of one talent the rate of interest is just the same as to the man of five. He can make his life as noble as the lives of those who began with the larger capital of opportunity. There is no sort of employment that does not afford margins of time which may be utilized for self-culture. No lowliness of circumstances need limit the energies of the mind or curb the intensity of the soul. The obscurest life has room enough for noble thoughts and exalted feelings. It may be the expression of lofty ideals and glow with eternal light.

Those who have intellectual desires feel the narrowness of life in the restrictions of its knowledge. This feeling is common among thoughtful men and women. How little we know! How little we can know! What adamant barriers lie around the human mind, frontiers beyond which we cannot go! And yet we are dimly conscious of a vast world beyond them which it would be a delight to enter. Every one who lives a real and passionate intellectual life feels something of that when he thinks of the difficulty with which a little knowledge is acquired and the ease with which it seems to be lost; when he reflects on the vast hoards of knowledge which he can never reach and the many doors he cannot open and the innumerable gates he cannot enter; when he is conscious of the enormous masses of thought which again and again have perished in the downfall of empires never to be recovered; and when he sees how the carnal passions and material ambitions of human life war against the pursuit of truth and how difficult they make its quest, he may well long for fuller and stronger and clearer light.

This sense of the narrowness of life is far more than dissatisfaction with any of its circumstances. It is a much nobler and deeper feeling. It is a feeling of the inadequacy of the earthly life, even at its best, to satisfy the soul. Beyond the highest intellectual life of man there is a realm of spiritual life into which he may be born, the evolution of the soul; and the token of this awakening is a sense of the narrowness of life, of merely material aims, hopes, and pleasures, and a desire for wider life. The bread of this life does not satisfy; there is a hunger for a heavenly food. The earthly streams are unrefreshing. There is a thirst for God; there is a lure from the heights above the foothills; there are voices ever calling: "Come up higher."—Christian Advocate.

The more one grows in grace the less is one's opinion of one's self. When the Apostle Paul was first converted he was humbled; but the extent of his humility was this, "I am not worthy to be called an Apostle"; but after he had grown in grace he said: "I am least of the saints." of grace to the sunny tableland of glory, he said: "I am the chief of sinners."—John Cumming, D.D.



## EUGENE E. GRAY TAKEN BY DEATH AT HIS HOME IN WINSTON-SALEM

Forty years ago when a youth in Winston-Salem and, as youngsters are ever alert to what the people are saying and doing, this writer heard on every hand that Eugene Gray was the finest and best man in town. And through all the years he has sustained his good reputation. This Winston-Salem lawyer, educator and Christian citizen, at the age of 85, died in his home November 22 after twelve months of declining health.

For more than half a century he was a leader in the religious, civic and professional life of Winston-Salem.

He was born in Winston-Salem September 13, 1855, the son of the late Robert and Mary Millis Gray. He was prepared for college in the Winston city schools and the Salem Boys' School. He was graduated at Emory and Henry College with the degree of bachelor of arts when not yet 18 years of age.

After leaving college Mr. Gray became assistant principal and later principal of Boys' School, Raleigh, remaining there about a year. Afterward he was in business for a time in Raleigh and during that time he was a law student at the law school of the late Judge George V. Strong. Upon the completion of his course there, Mr. Gray was admitted to the bar and entered immediately upon his practice in Winston-Salem.

Mr. Gray was married to Miss Elizabeth Anderson Huske of Hillsboro, November 25, 1884. She survives him. Other survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Don E. Scott, Graham; two sons, W. Greer Gray, Winston-Salem, and Ben H. Gray, Morehead City, and seven grandchildren.

## ACTIVITIES AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

Dr. A. C. Howell, professor of English and teacher of Biblical literature at the University of North Carolina, spoke on Wednesday evening, November 20, at Louisburg College on "The Bible in the Stream of Life," and he particularly stressed the literary and historical aspects of the Bible.

Following the lecture, the social committee and the English department entertained at a reception honoring Dr. and Mrs. Howell.

On Friday evening, November 22, in the Louisburg Armory, the men's athletic association of the college stole the hearts of an appreciative audience when they presented their annual minstrel. Acting honors went to Henry Murden of Suffolk, Va., who played the role of Rickrack. Others of the cast were Billy Spence, Suffolk, Va.; Jimmy Hall, Sanford; Ralph Roe, Richmond, Va.; and Earl Williams, Coats. Music was furnished by Mr. J. E. Byerly and his orchestra with vocals by Katherine Foster, Louisburg, and Betsy B. Pearson, Louisburg.

At the end of the program Coach J. L. Cameron expressed his appreciation for the co-operation of the audience, and reviewed the recent work of the association.

## GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Greensboro College students will have from Wednesday, November 28, after classes until Thursday night at 10 as Thanksgiving holiday. Beginning December 19, the Christmas holidays will come to a close on Friday, January 3, at 8 a. m., when recitations will be resumed.

Dr. and Mrs. Gobbel have been entertaining members of the freshman class in groups this past week. At their new home near Friendly road Dr. and Mrs. Gobbel entertained the newcomers to G. C. on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings with informal parties. Dr. Gobbel delighted the girls with fortune telling while they popped corn and roasted marshmallows.

The following eight girls at Greensboro College have been selected to represent the college in this year's edition

of Who's Who in American universities and colleges: Anne Exum, Fremont, president of the students' association; Cameron Taylor, Fairmont, president of the Y. W. C. A.; Rachel Archer, Greensboro, president of the athletic association; Shirley Bailey, Asheville, editor of the Echo, college yearbook; Anne Worth, Jefferson, editor of the Collegian, college newspaper; Ruth Slocumb, Goldsboro, president of the Emerson society; Majelle Morris, Salisbury, president of the senior class; and Weleska Pegram, vice president of the students' association.

Mr. Kemp Jones of Duke University spoke on "What Religion Means to Me" at the regular Sunday evening vesper service at the Y hut on November 24. Increasing interest is being shown in the Sunday evening services, as more and more girls are enjoying the hospitality of the Y hut.

Founders' and Benefactors' Day will be observed at the college on December 7, when Bishop Clare Purcell will be the speaker of the occasion. Other activities planned for the day will be announced later. All ministers and their wives, district superintendents of the Greensboro district and members of the board of education of the two conferences are urged to join the alumnae of G. C. in celebrating Founders' and Benefactors' Day in Odell auditorium.

## CONFERENCE BOOK EXCHANGE

I was sorry to have to leave conference so soon, but I enjoyed what I saw and heard of it and enjoyed my stay in a mighty fine home.

I have been trying to check up and I believe that the conference of 1918 was my first experience with the Book Exchange. I helped Brother Falls that year and afterward I ran it myself, so that would make 21 years that I ran it. During those years I enjoyed the work and am sure that I was a real help to many people.

The work will be carried on by Rev. J. L. Trollinger, and any questions about the exchange ought to be addressed to him. I hope that he will have the same co-operation that I have had and I feel sure he will. May I say that during 21 years the only trouble we have experienced has all been by people who wanted to make new rules for the exchange. Please help Brother Trollinger. Don't try to make your own rules, the exchange has very few, but it needs those few and must stand by them. Put your name in your book, every one; mark the price in each book. Do not ask the manager to sell from a list. We lost books only one year, and there were a lot of overcoats lost the same year. I thank every one who patronized the exchange and wish for every one happiness and success.

A. R. Bell.

## A WORD FROM GOLDSTON CIRCUIT

The seventh year on the Goldston circuit is starting off in a fine spirit. The services are largely attended and the people most kind and thoughtful. They want us to feel welcome and to be happy. So they say to us, "We are glad that the conference sent you back to us." They not only say nice things to us and about us, to show their appreciation, but they do things for us. Monday evening the members of the Goldston church and of the other churches came to the parsonage to see us and really pounded us. They entered the house with bundles, boxes, packages, bags and baskets, leaving them on and around the dining table.

The Goldston people do things in a big way. They gave the preacher and his wife enough to last into next year. We wish to thank each one for his and her gift, and for the spirit in which each gift was made.

These good people believe the Master's statement, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

W. J. Underwood, Pastor.

## CHARLES P. BOWLES CAPTURES WADESBORO

Rev. Charles P. Bowles is the new pastor at Wadesboro. In a letter to the Advocate when he sent in some new subscribers and asked for a mailing list with the assurance that other subscribers not a few are to follow, Mr. Bowles is emphatic in his praise of Wadesboro and the reception that has been accorded the new pastor and his family. Mrs. T. C. Coxe has been a visitor in Greensboro this week and she reports that the new pastor has already captured the whole town. Keep your eye on Wadesboro is our advice.



# The Bastians of the Soul—A Sermon

By F. W. BOREHAM

I know. . . .—2 Timothy 1:12.

"I know . . .!" That is the word for the hour. W. E. Henley said of Lord Lister, after the great surgeon had operated upon him, that "his rare, wise smile was sweet with certainties." Sweet with certainties! It is a noble phrase. I want you each to face the world tomorrow morning with that brave smile. The man who has become very sure of God, very sure of his faith, very sure of what our fathers would have called "his interest in Christ," very sure of all things unseen and eternal, is panoplied against all conceivable and inconceivable eventualities.

It is a great thing to leave the misty lowlands of doubt and to stand upon the sunlit heights of a serene confidence. Those who have followed the adventures of George Fielding in "It's Never Too Late to Mend" will remember how Charles Reade describes the search for the lost cattle. George took Jacky, the black fellow, and they set out on their quest under a broiling Australian sun. Presently Jacky made an abrupt announcement.

"Jacky thinks!" he says, and stands stock-still surveying the horizon. A few minutes later he again breaks the silence.

"Jacky know!" he cries. He afterwards explained that, before his first ejaculation, he had seen a crow swoop down suddenly behind a distant hill. It aroused a suspicion. He watched and saw other crows coming from all points of the compass to the selfsame spot. Suspicion crystalized into certainty. He knew. The two men tramped the six miles to the hillside, and there, surely enough, they found the cattle.

Life holds few greater transitions than the notable transition from the realm of "I think!" to the realm of "I know!" Carlyle never forgot the hour of that transition. It was, he says, on a sultry dog-day in Paris. His soul was heavy with inexplicable dread. He stopped, faced his doubts, and took hold on God. "It is from that hour," he says, "that I date my new birth; perhaps I directly thereupon began to be a man!" "What was it," asks Dr. Fitchett, in his "Wesley and His Century," "what was it that happened in that little room in Aldersgate Street on the night of May 24, 1738? Something did happen; something memorable; something enduring. It changed Wesley's life. It transferred weakness into power. Nay, it did something more; it changed the course of history." And what was it? It was, Dr. Fitchett says, the passage of Wesley's soul from the realm of doubt to the realm of certainty.

A very similar experience visited the soul of John Bunyan. He tells of the ecstasy with which he left his doubts behind him. He was sitting by the fire in his little cottage at Elstow, reading his Bible to his young wife. Suddenly the words filled him with a sublime surprise. "Wife," he exclaimed, "now I know, I know!" He writes of that night as the most wonderful in his life. "Christ was a precious Christ to my soul that night: I could scarce lie in bed for the joy of it!" Bunyan had found his way from the chilly lowlands of "I think!" to the sunlit summits of "I know!"

Now in order to reach those shining table-lands of spiritual certainty, three things must he frankly recognized. We must recognize, first of all, that faith very seldom reaches her goal by way of argument, proof, and demonstration. The things that really matter, the vital things of life, are rarely capable of proof. You can never prove the big things of life—the things on which our very existence and happiness depend. No man can prove that the sun will rise tomorrow morning; no man can prove that his mother loved him; no man can prove that his wife is true to him. Yet no man would wish to linger on after his faith in these things had deserted him. On the other hand, a man can prove that the three angles of a triangle are equal to two right angles, and that two and two make four. But, in all probability, he would still be able to eat heartily and sleep soundly even if his confidence in these things should, in some strange way, be rudely disturbed. It is only the small things of life that are demonstrable; the big things scorn to submit themselves to that process. Men are fond of proving things; but Faith seldom makes her way to her golden destiny along that road.

The second of the truths that we must recognize is that the soul can live and flourish on a very frugal store of certainties. No man needs to be sure of everything. It is enough to be certain of something. A little while back I found myself one morning on the deck of a big steamer, quite near to the coast, but entirely enveloped in a dense, obscuring fog. We could scarcely see the vessel's length in any direction. Clouds of gray, misty vapor drifted to and fro; and nothing was visible to us but a narrow circle of sea. The bells in the engine room rang out sharply, communicating to the powerful turbines below the will of the officer high up on the bridge. The ship perceptibly slackened her pace. The bells rang out again, and the ship moved still more slowly. She simply crawled. Every few minutes great, ghostly ships, lying at anchor, sprang out of the mist. We were almost up to them before we saw their rail and shadowy masts looming spectrally above us, apparitions that came suddenly upon us, and that as suddenly vanished again. From not one of them could we glean any exact knowledge as to the exact position.

Then, all at once, came a startling change. The clamorous bells in the engine room became busy again. The powerful turbines at the stern were once more churning the water into foam, and, very soon, a broad wake lay out behind the steamer. She was moving forward, not timorously, but with obvious confidence. What had happened to effect so striking a change? Ah! away to the right we could make out, through the haze, the rude ungainly timbers of the Pile Light. It is not much to look at; but it is at least a fixture. It is something to argue from. A few minutes later, the land broke suddenly upon us. We were out in the sunshine again.

It is wonderful how little we need to see. The captain on the bridge could not see the land, or the houses, or the trees, or any of the thousand and one things that he could generally see from that spot. But he could see one fixed object, and that sufficed him. I used to think that, before my soul could move forward with confidence, she must



see everything. I thought that, before I could venture with any assurance upon the religious life, I must understand the story of creation, must grasp the wonder of the miracles, must have some theory of the atonement, must understand the inspiration of the Scriptures and the immortality of the soul. I have since discovered my mistake. I do not need to see the houses and the trees and the things along the shore. If, through the haze, I can make out one, or perhaps two, fixed quantities, I can forge forward with perfect confidence. The charm of Paul's epistles lies in the fact that, whilst he confesses to doubt and uncertainty on many minor matters, there are a few stately verities on which he speaks with the most unwavering confidence. I know whom I have believed; I know that nothing can separate me from the love of Christ; I know that all things work together for good; I know that if my earthly house be dissolved, I have a house eternal in the heavens; and so on. I may not be quite clear as to the way in which the worlds came to be: I may be very hazy as to the way in which they shall pass into eternity; but if I have two or three great certainties like these in my soul's spiritual store, I can manage to live out a very comfortable existence as long as time shall last.

The third principle that must be clearly realized is the fact that certainty can only be attained by actual spiritual experience. And, once a man has enjoyed some such experience, however primitive, he will need no other argument. We often attach undue importance to the purely intellectual side of the religious life. Dr. Dale used to illustrate this by a reference to the pillars beside his pulpit. "It appears to you," he would say to the congregation at Carr's Lane, "that these pillars support this arch above my head. They do nothing of the kind. If you could stand where I stand, you would see that they have been cut through to make room for this rostrum, and they actually hang upon the arch which they seem to support." In like fashion, our faith seems, at times, to depend upon the theories and evidences concerning which we ask our questions. In point of fact, it does nothing of the kind. If all our theories and evidences were cut through like the pillars, our faith, like the arch, would still stand securely. Our certainties infinitely outnumber and outweigh our speculations. We know!

The experience of a crossing-sweeper whose life has been gladdened and transformed by the love of Christ is of greater value than the abstract philosophy of the most eminent scholar in the world who, possessing no experience of such things, argues academically that they are non-existent. Augustine St. Clare, the young slave-owner in "Uncle Tom's Cabin," realized that.

"But how, Tom," he asked in the day of his distress, "how do you know that there is any Christ? You never saw him!"

"Feel him in my soul, massa; feel him now!"

To proceed, in his plain, blunt way, to comfort the man from whose arms death had wrenched his choicest treasure. He told him that there still lived those who loved him; told him that God loved him.

"How do you know that, Tom?"

"Feels it in my soul, massa; feels it in my very soul—the love of Christ that passeth knowledge."

That was Uncle Tom's one argument; and it is an unanswerable one.

Beside Uncle Tom—an ignorant slave drawn from the pages of fiction—let me set Michael Faraday, an eminent

scientist drawn from real life. When Faraday lay dying some of his confreres were eager to gather from him a brief statement of his final conclusions.

"What," they asked, "are your speculations?"

"Speculations!" he exclaimed in wondering surprise. "Speculations! I have none! I am resting on certainties. For I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." And when he turned his face to the wall at last, his smile—as W. E. Henley would have said—"his rare, wise smile was sweet with certainties." To such a man, whether he be as simple as Uncle Tom or as scholarly as Michael Faraday, faith is one unbroken song and life a ceaseless luxury.—Zions Herald.

### PRAYER IN WARTIME

'O God, who dost understand the dreadful path which now our feet must tread, have mercy on all who serve and suffer, that the reign of cruelty and terror and persecution may be ended. Grant that soon men may see the ghastly folly of war and learn a new way; that soon may dawn a new day when the people of all lands shall be free and happy and share as brothers the good things of this lovely earth. Forgive our enemies and grant that those who sway their counsels may learn thy truth. Forgive us our share in the sin of all the world which has brought to so many the fruit of these terrible days. Keep us from the bitterness of hatred, the temptation to revenge, the pessimism of despair. Make us sensitive to any possibility of ending conflict and building a just and righteous peace if victory is vouchsafed to us. Give us generosity and mind quickly to restore the broken fellowship of nations, and to think not only of what we see to be wrong and unjust, but to look with sympathy and a readiness to make concessions on the injustice of which our enemies complain. If victory cannot be or must not be, then in the secret place of all our hearts make us calm and trustful knowing that thou still dost reign, and that at last thy kingdom of love and brotherhood, must have dominion and every dark problem be illuminated by the rays of thine eternal light.

"Through Jesus Chrsit Our Lord, Amen."

—Leslie Weatherhead, City Temple, London.

### A DANGEROUS HABIT

Dr. Charles E. Jefferson has said: "The fault-finding habit is a bad one. It is easily acquired and not readily broken. We live in an imperfect world. Everything is flawed and defective. Institutions all blunder and fall short of the ideal. Persons are all erring creatures and their faults give us offense, but one should not pay too much attention to the faults of others, or to the defects of the world in which he lives. He may become a chronic fault-finder, and in that case he will become a grumbler. If he is not careful, he will degenerate into a growler. If he growls long enough he will become a cynic. When a man has become a cynic he has reached the bottom. There is nothing lower than cynicism. A cynic is of no account, either to himself or to any one else. He is a nuisance and a stumbling block. He did not intend at the start to become a cynic. He began by finding fault, and the habit grew on him until his mind became twisted and his heart sour."



### THE MIGRATORY INSTINCT

The young son gathered all together and took his journey into a far country and there wasted his substance in riotous living.

The migratory instinct belongs to youth. There is nothing wrong in the desire to strike out for one's self. The younger son in Jesus' parable has been misunderstood and maligned. He is often regarded as leaving home with the purpose of leading a wild life. He did nothing of the kind. His father would not have so willingly given him his portion if he had suspected such a purpose. By the law of the land the older son inherited the home place and the younger received a smaller share in money or other collateral. This young man, like many others, thought that he could do better in a great city, and went there to realize his hope.

The most solemn time that ever comes to young men or women is when leaving the sheltered home of childhood they go away to fight life's battles alone. Much of the appalling waste of young life dates from that period. The danger is increased if they move into an environment different from that in which they were reared.

The first peril grows out of their natural desire for companionship. This opens a wide door for the entrance of helpful or hurtful influences. There is no loneliness like that of a great city. At home, these young people know every one, but in the city no one. If proper friendship offers itself there is safety and help. If improper companions offer themselves, peril and ruin hover near. Our companions are a tremendous factor in our lives. These young strangers in the city should choose their companions as they wish to choose their destiny. This new companionship will be stronger and more far-reaching in its influence because the restraining influences of home and parents and godly neighbors have been removed, and the young stranger is open to every influence which gathers about him. The young man in Jesus' story made his first mistake here. He chose evil companions. He had no thought of becoming like them, but he was lonely and they were near.

The next mistake that the young man of the story and multitudes of young people now make came through the curiosity which is natural to every young person. This may be a door to unmeasured good or unmeasured evil. Accustomed to the quiet country or village life, the young who come to a great city are dazed and enchanted by the glitter of the places of amusement. These young people do not intend to do evil, but they are anxious to see the sights and there are plenty of evil companions willing to show these if the newcomers will pay expenses. Plain blunt sin does not tempt, but sin clothed in bewitching garments does. Young people look into these places through curiosity, never suspecting the peril that lurks within. A young man was out in a forest with his camera. He saw the opening of a cave and wondered what kind of a picture it would take. Kneeling before the cave he gave a time exposure for it was dark within. When later he developed the picture he was amazed to see in the center of the cave and within a few feet of where he had stood, a huge lynx with arched back, bristling fur and gleaming teeth ready to spring upon him. Many a young person looks into the "night attractions" of the great city, never suspecting the perils that lurk within. The waste of young life in the city is appalling and much of it comes from the

two causes we have mentioned, evil companionship and unguarded curiosity.—United Presbyterian.

### GASTONIA DISTRICT PROGRAM FOR 1940-41

- I. EVANGELISM. Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, superintendent.
  1. Church School Evangelism. January, February, March, April.
  2. Simultaneous District-Wide Pro-Easter Revivals.
  3. Make Evening Hour of Worship Definitely Evangelistic.
  4. Teach Evangelism in Training Schools and Local Churches.
  5. Summer and Fall Revivals.
  6. Youth Revivals. Caravans to be held during summer.
- II. LAY ACTIVITIES. F. C. Todd, A. J. Kirby, lay leaders.
  1. Enlist Tithers.
  2. League of Stewards.
  3. Every Member Canvass in Every Church.
  4. Half or All Benevolences by District Conference.
- III. WOMAN'S WORK. Mrs. C. R. McAdams, Mrs. Wilbur Baber, Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, district leaders.
  1. Every Church to Have a Society—Every Woman a member.
- IV. GOLDEN CROSS. Rev. E. H. Brendall, director.
  1. Observe Golden Cross Enrollment Week in Every Church.
- V. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.
  - (a) Children's Division. Mrs. F. H. Cunningham, Supt.
  - (b) Youth Division. Rev. L. P. Barnette, Supt; R. H. Hipps, Director; Rev. H. M. Robinson, Int. Counselor.
    1. An Adequate Church, County, and District Organization for Youth.
  - (c) Adult Division. Rev. J. C. Grose, director.
    1. Reaching the Unreached.
    2. Setting Up the Board of Christian Education in Every Church.
    3. Wesley Fellowship Classes.
    4. Adult Home Departments.
    5. Learning for Life Schools.
- VI. MISSIONS. Rev. R. C. Goforth and Rev. P. W. Tucker, secretaries.
  1. Missionary Institutes the Fifth Sunday in March.
  2. Fourth Sunday Offering for World Service.
  3. Organization of Board of Missions in the Local Church.
- VII. CHRISTIAN LITERATURE. Rev. P. W. Townsend, Superintendent.
  1. February Advocate Month.
  3. Tracts and Other Available Literature.

### CONFERENCE-WIDE MEETING IN JANUARY.

### APPRECIATION BY A YOUNG PREACHER

For many days I have intended to write a word of appreciation for the noble service rendered me in my ministerial training by the women of Central and North Monroe Methodist churches of Monroe. After my freshman year in college the financial end of things looked dark indeed. It was thought I would be forced to discontinue my education. Many went to God in prayer, trusting in Phil. 4:19. One week before the opening of school the woman's missionary society of Central Methodist church came to my rescue with a check that sent me happy on my way to Brevard College. After finishing Brevard I ventured to go to Emory University. I found this society eager to help me there. Quarter after quarter checks came. During this time the women of North Monroe Methodist church by noble sacrifice contributed helpfully. Along with actual cash gifts both societies gave many articles of clothes and other essential things. These gifts did not pay all the bills, but they did an indispensable part. Finally the day of graduation came. We all rejoiced in the victory. May God ever bless the women of the church. May the tribe of those increase who prove by example that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." As long as such a spirit is evident in our churches the kingdom of Jesus Christ will make progress on this earth.

Ralph Reed,  
Student in Duke School of Religion.



**LETTER FROM DR. S. A. STEWART OF JAPAN**

It has been quite a while since I wrote anything about conditions in Japan. The reason is that things are changing so fast and the atmosphere is so tense that one hesitates to write. What one says may be out of date before the letter reaches the other side. However, there are a few things that seem definite enough to write about.

One of these is the decision of the churches to have a genuine Japanese Christianity free from foreign influence. There may have been pressure from the government, but the decision was made by the different denominations. To achieve this, it has been decided that all financial help from abroad will henceforth be refused. In some cases, such as kindergartens, social plants, etc., the subsidies will be allowed to continue for two more years, but after that time ways of achieving self-support must be found.

In line with the above, all missionaries who are still in places of authority must give them up and Japanese must be put in their places. Such instances are rare, and already these few missionaries have resigned their offices. There is no demand that missionaries shall be driven out, as some reports have stated, except in a few cities where there are peculiar conditions, such as that all missionaries should remain at their posts and carry on as usual. However, there is a tendency, especially in schools, to give the work to Japanese and leave the missionary with very little to do. In an English newspaper in the summer there was a sentence something like this: "Compel the missionaries to retire voluntarily." We smile as we read this, but it is barely possible that the person who wrote that knew exactly what he wanted to say, and said it. There are various ways of accomplishing one's purpose.

Another thing I may write about is the new organization of the Japan Methodist Church. The Prime Minister, Prince Konoe, has worked out a new structure (Shin Taisei) for the national government. It is greatly centralized, and has doubtless been considerably influenced by certain European models, as well as by ancient Japanese forms of government. In line with this business, education and religion are being reorganized. At a called meeting of the General Conference held at Aoyama Gakuin in Tokyo, October 14-16, the organization of the Methodist Church was revised according to a plan worked out by Bishop Abe and some of the church leaders, after consultation with officials of the department of education (Mombusho), which according to the new religions law, has supervision over all religions.

In the new organization the Apostles' Creed, almost intact, is made the basis of faith. The organization is much more centralized and much simplified. The General Conference is to meet annually, instead of every four years. The bishop (Torisha) and vice-bishop (Zaimusha) are the only two officials elected by the General Conference. All others are appointed by the bishop. The bishop and vice-bishop are elected for a period of four years and may be re-elected. The two former annual conferences as well as the district and quarterly conferences are abolished. Instead we have eleven annual conferences (Kyoku Nenkaï). Preachers and Bible women belong to these, but ordination is by the bishop at the General Conference. There is a head, or district superintendent, who presides at the annual conference, unless the bishop is able to be present. All eleven of these annual conferences are to

meet in March, but no appointments are to be made then. The itinerancy is done away with. The bishop can change appointments at any time; however, the idea is that changes will seldom be made. Preachers will remain in the same church a long time. This seems to be the desire of government officials.

There are three bureaus of work:

1. Evangelism, which includes missions, social service and woman's work.
2. Education, which includes Christian schools, Sunday schools, and young people's societies.
3. Finances. In this the laymen's movement is included.

Under this new set-up the Methodist Protestant Church has already come into the Japan Methodist Church, and also a small branch of the Holiness group. The government authorities have agreed to recognize the Methodist Church, provided a larger church union is not achieved by April 1, 1941.

This leads me to the next point—church union. All the larger denominations, except the Episcopal, have tentatively agreed to come into a united church, if and when it is formally set up. A joint committee has been working on this plan for a long time, and now an authoritative committee has held its first meeting (October 18) and has mapped out plans. Several sub-committees were appointed which were to report to the full committee in Tokyo. Whether or not they will be able to get a definite plan of organization acceptable to all the seven groups worked out by April 1 is a question. After its approval by the committee the plan must be formally approved by all the denominations. This is the status of church union at this writing.

The international situation has caused a tense situation here. A few wives and children in our mission have decided to heed the warning sent out from Washington and are going home. Most of the rest of us have decided to sit tight and keep on "sawing wood," until another and more urgent call comes, and we are praying and hoping that such a call may not come at all. Personally we are having no trouble at all in Nakatsu. The people are especially kind to us, and we are going on with our work as usual. So our friends need have no anxiety about our safety or comfort. May the good Lord lead us speedily into a new and happier day—"a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness."

S. A. Stewart.

**AN EFFICIENT BATTLE FLEET**

The United States Battle Fleet is comparable in its efficiency to the German army. Its commissioned personnel is the most highly trained in the world. Its enlisted personnel is incomparable. For seven years, the same length of time required to create the German army, it has been carefully prepared for the present emergency. Not least of the elements of its efficiency is the fact that it is a dry navy in every sense of the word. Since Josephus Daniels, as Secretary of the Navy, banished the wine mess, the efficiency of the fleet has increased month after month and year after year. The dry policy of the navy is not based upon moral "prejudices"; it is a cold-blooded concession to the necessity for clear-headed, effective administration of a great trust.—Clip Sheet, Board of Temperance of The Methodist Church, Washington, D. C.



## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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### THANKSGIVING DAY PRAYER

By Grace Noll Crowell

Millions of thy children, Lord,  
Have no harvest laid away,  
No bright colored fruits to hoard  
For a lean and hungry day.  
Give the world a vision now,  
Make men wise to understand  
That the grain in bin and mow  
And earth's fruit are from thy hand.  
May some wise plan be evolved  
Whereby none need suffer want,  
May earth's problems all be solved  
That no heart may know the haunt  
Of fear and hunger—only then  
Can our praise lift clear and high;  
Can the gratitude of men  
Rise like incense to the sky;  
Can our thanks, by deed and word,  
Meet thy full approval, Lord.

—The Church School Magazine.

### MISS HACKNEY IN CHINA

It will be gratifying news to the friends of Miss Kate Hackney, missionary to China, who spent a month recently in the States, to know that she has returned safely to China, reaching there October 24 after a trying trip in which the vessel on which she sailed was struck by a typhoon which did considerable damage.

We wish for Miss Hackney a continued service of great usefulness.

### DEATH OF MRS. M. D. COWAN

It is with deepest sorrow we hear of the passing of Mrs. M. D. Cowan, at her home in Sylva early Monday morning, November 19, from a heart attack. Mrs. Cowan has been prominently identified with the woman's work of our conference for a number of years, serving as district secretary of the Waynesville district from 1915-1923, discharging her duties in a most acceptable manner. She was a charter member of the woman's society of the Sylva Methodist church, and served many years as its president. Besides being active in her church life she was also greatly interested in the civic life of her community.

Her funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon at her church with her pastor, Rev. A. P. Ratledge, assisted by Rev. H. M. Hocutt, pastor of the Sylva Baptist church, officiating, and her body was laid to rest in the Keener cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, secretary of the Jackson county chamber of commerce, one son, one daughter, five sisters, two brothers and two grandchildren, to whom we extend our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

M. M. M.

"In the nomenclature of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, M. M. M. stands for Million Member Movement. The purpose of the M. M. M. plan is to enlist our charter members for personal work during the next

three months, in behalf of increasing the membership of the society to one million.

A simple device has been prepared to help the personal worker make her approach to the prospective member. The device is an attractive membership card, upon which the name of the new member and the personal worker may be written.

A million members by 1942 is our objective and only by personal effort of each charter member can the success of this plan be assured. Begin today to pray for the success of the plan and for the new member you want to win for the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Enroll one in a million to help make Christ known to millions. These cards may be secured from any of the publication headquarters and are free for postage."—From The Methodist Woman.

### ORGANIZATION MEETING OF GREENSBORO DISTRICT

Organization of Greensboro District Woman's Society of Christian Service was perfected November 12 at a morning meeting at College Place Methodist church with the election of Mrs. Dwight M. Davidson of Gibsonville as president. Approximately 150 women from 50 of the 63 churches in the district were present, and after the morning business period had lunch together at the church.

Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent, presided over the meeting, which opened with hymn 279, "God of Grace and God of Glory," followed by a fervent prayer by Rev. R. M. Courtney, pastor of the local church. The opening worship service was led by Mr. Hayes. The first item of business was the election of temporary chairman, Mrs. Robert G. Rives being chosen. The Constitution and By-Laws of District Woman's Society of Christian Service were read, after which the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Dwight M. Davidson of Gibsonville; vice president, Mrs. J. R. Dodson, Greensboro; recording secretary, Mrs. Roscoe Causey, Climax; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Robert G. Rives, Greensboro; treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Cummings, Guilford College; secretary Christian social relations, Mrs. Grady Kirkman, Greensboro; secretary missionary education, Mrs. Hal C. Fields, Greensboro; secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. Guy Simpson, Madison; secretary spiritual life, Mrs. J. H. Armbrust, Reidsville.

A message of song by Mrs. J. R. Morris contributed to the interest of the program. Two of the newly elected conference officers, Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference secretary, and Mrs. R. M. Andrews, secretary of Christian social relations, were introduced and spoke on the phases of the work of the new organization. After singing hymn 256, "Faith of Our Fathers," a discussion period was led by the district sec-

retary, Mrs. Rives, at which time items of interest and importance were discussed. After hymn 288, "Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling," the closing prayer was offered by Mrs. J. H. Armbrust of Reidsville.

### CHARTER MEETING OF SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION

The charter committee for the Jurisdictional Meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the Southeastern Jurisdiction announces that the meeting will be held in Richmond, Va., December 5 and 6, in Centenary church. The opening session will be at 10 Thursday, the 5th, and the morning session will be given over to worship and meditation, followed by a period of study given exclusively to the consideration of the constitution and by-laws of the jurisdiction.

At 1:30 Bishop W. W. Peele will formally convene the conference and preside during the afternoon session while the election of officers proceeds. Special features are also being arranged for the afternoon session. In the evening there will be a fellowship dinner at the Jefferson Hotel featured by a program of special music and an address by Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

Friday morning other guest speakers from the Woman's Division of Christian Service will be heard. The deaconesses of the jurisdiction will organize the Deaconess Association.

The conference will close Friday afternoon with a consecration service and the holy communion.

Delegates from the Western North Carolina conference to the Jurisdictional conference are Mrs. R. M. Andrews of Greensboro, Mrs. George Hoyle of Shelby, Mrs. C. N. Clark of Salisbury, Mrs. W. C. Hammer of Asheville, Mrs. A. L. Thompson of Greensboro, and Mrs. W. R. Harris of Asheville. Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president of W. N. C. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, will attend as a conference representative.

### AGENT FOR N. C. CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE IN EVERY SOCIETY

A request has gone from the editors of the North Carolina Christian Advocate to the district secretaries of our conference, asking their co-operation with the Advocate in extending its circulation by "seeing to it that an agent is elected in each society of Christian service to secure new subscriptions to the Advocate and look after the renewals." Realizing how helpful our women can be in this work, as editor of the woman's page, we are asking that this request be carried out, and the name of the new agent be sent to the Advocate so that every subscription sent in by her may be credited to her society. We all are anxious for the Advocate to be in the Methodist homes in our conference and we feel that live, wide-awake agents can be of wonderful help in securing the goal—The North Carolina Christian Advocate in Every Methodist Home.

Let us be interested in this matter, and may the presidents of each of our societies appoint an agent at once—and may that agent leave no stone unturned to secure splendid results.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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### GRATITUDE FOR ADVANCEMENT

In expressing her gratitude for evidences of advancement in woman's work, Mrs. Nettie deFord, Four Oaks, writes: "That our church is advancing along all lines of Christian service is seen from every angle. Our women are becoming more interested, are rededicating their lives to God and are doing more for the advancement of Christian service at home and abroad. We are proud to be a charter member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and having the membership card is a reminder of our duty to the needs of all human races throughout the world."

### CHARTER W.S.C.S.—A CHALLENGE

A list of charter Woman's Societies of Christian Service and number of members by districts in the N. C. conference, shared with us by Mrs. Walter Patten, reveals: Durham, 69 societies, 2988 members; Elizabeth City, 50 societies, 1534 members; Fayetteville, 57 societies, 2297 members; New Bern, 56 societies, 2033 members; Raleigh, 53 societies, 2427 members; Rocky Mount, 62 societies, 2285 members; Wilmington, 58 societies, 1825 members. Total number of charter societies, 405; total membership, 15,389. In the N. C. conference in 1939 there were 431 woman's missionary societies with a total membership of 15,431. Shall we be content to have a smaller number of Woman's Societies of Christian Service with a total membership less than that of the former woman's missionary societies? The scope of work of the W. S. C. S. is broad enough and varied enough and thrilling enough to attract every Methodist woman. Each of us should be self-appointed ambassadors to "go out into the highways and hedges" and bring into fellowship with us every woman who is not a member.

### JURISDICTIONAL MEETING

The first meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Southeastern Jurisdiction, will convene in Richmond, Va., on December 5-6. Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service will be present. This is an excellent opportunity to know Mrs. Bragg and to witness the set-up of the jurisdictional organization. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, conference president, is urging that delegates to the meeting from our conference and other Methodist women in the conference, form parties and take advantage of the wonderful, enjoyable and enriching opportunities offered by attendance at the conference. Delegates from our conference are: Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount; Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern; Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Whitakers; Mrs. S. S. Holt, Burlington; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh; Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson. Alternates are: Mrs. A. M. Gates, Durham; Mrs. H. O. Lineberger, Raleigh; Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway; Mrs.

W. A. Thorne, Roanoke Rapids; Mrs. J. H. Lilly, Fayetteville; Mrs. George Haltam, Star.

### ROWLAND CHARTER MEETING

The women of the Rowland Methodist church held the charter meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service at the home of Mrs. B. A. Edens. Forty-five women have registered in the new society. Following the pledge service the charter program was presented: Hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers"; reading, The New Day, Miss Josie Pate; the Doxology; unison prayer; statement of purpose and plan of the new organization, Mrs. W. C. Wilson; charge to the new society, Mrs. B. A. Edens; union prayer; prayer hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have"; worship, "They Gave Their Own Selves," Mrs. L. R. Edens; talk, "Investing Our Heritage," Mrs. J. C. Ward; solo, "My Task," Mrs. J. M. Johnson.

The meeting of the circles of the Rowland Methodist church was held on October 13. After a separate business meeting the circles and the societies of Centenary and Purvis churches came together for a study of "Uprooted Americans." Mrs. Lindsey Norment led the devotionals. "The Genesis of the Exodus" was discussed by Mrs. J. Worth Burns; "Youth on the Highway," Mrs. T. W. Carmichael; "The Family Pulls Up Stakes," Mrs. G. L. Pate; "The Church Serving Shifting Populations," Miss Harriet Bullard; "Ministering to Shifting Populations," Miss May Stuart. Delicious punch and wafers were served by the following hostesses: Mrs. E. J. Barker, Mrs. J. C. Ward, Mrs. Angus Pate and Mrs. Blue Pate.

### TWO STUDY CLASSES

Under the direction of Mrs. Forrest D. Hedden the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Edenton Street church held a mission study class on November 8. Mrs. James Allison, Jr., presided. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood led the devotional. Others taking part in the discussions of the migrant folk were: Mrs. Hedden, Mrs. A. C. Jones, Mrs. James Glenn, Mrs. George Pickett, Mrs. O. F. McCrary. Each of the discussions were interesting and challenging.

On November 1, 5, 11 and 15 the Wesleyan Guild of Edenton Street church held mission study classes, with Miss Daisy Waitte as teacher. Leading the discussion of the five booklets of "Uprooted Americans" and some supplementary material were: Miss Waitte, Miss Helen Yates, Mrs. Myrtle Banks, Miss Mary Lee Vaughn, Mrs. Avis Knight, Miss Fannie Chesson and Miss Lallah Betts. Leading the devotionals at the four sessions were: Miss Inez Glover, Mrs. Emily Miller, Miss Rosa Smith and Miss Mary Gardner. At the last session Miss Vara Herring read a letter sent her from the Child Labor Commission in which an appeal for

funds for the education of a migrant child was made. The women enthusiastically responded with a free will offering for this purpose. Following the closing session refreshments consisting of food picked by migrants was served.

### WARREN ZONE MEETS

Warren zone, Rocky Mount district, met at the Warrenton Methodist church on October 26 with from 115-120 present from 16 of the 19 societies. Visiting speakers were: Mrs. E. L. Hillman, conference president; Mrs. J. L. Midgette, district mission study leader, and Mrs. Fred Johnson, district secretary. Mrs. Hillman led the devotional and gave an inspirational talk on the new organization. Mrs. Midgette presented the fall mission study; Mrs. Johnson gave some information on the district work and held the election of officers. Mrs. J. C. Burwell was re-elected zone leader, Miss Josephine Dameron, vice chairman, and Mrs. James Mustain was re-elected secretary-treasurer. During the social hour which followed the meeting several ladies remarked that it was the best meeting ever.—Mrs. James Mustain.

### DR. N. H. D. WILSON

The illness of Dr. and Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson have broken the custom of their attendance at the annual N. C. conferences, both the ministers' and the woman's conferences. They were absent last year and this year. Since their retirement from active service in the ministry Dr. and Mrs. Wilson have resided in Chapel Hill. Mrs. Wilson will be remembered as long time efficient conference superintendent of children's work. On November 19 Dr. Wilson slipped out to be with Jesus and loved ones who had gone before him on the other shore. Mrs. Wilson continues ill at her home. From the hearts of their numerous friends in the N. C. conference and elsewhere flow sincere love, sympathy and prayers for her strength and comfort in her hours of sorrow.

### CORNERSTONE LAID

The cornerstone of Gibson Memorial dormitory of Scarritt College was laid with impressive ceremonies Saturday, October 5, 1940. The program was carried out on the campus at the side of the building. Bishop Paul B. Kern, chairman of the board of trustees, presided. Deaconess Mary Ora Durham presented the building as a representative of the alumnae association, whose donations are largely responsible for the erection of the \$85,000 building now under construction. Dr. J. L. Cunningham, president, received the building on behalf of the college. John Lewis, baritone, led the audience in singing a hymn written by Mrs. Cunningham. Miss Mabel Howell of the Scarritt faculty offered the prayer of consecration. The building honors the late Miss Maria Layng Gibson, first president of Scarritt.—The Methodist Woman.

In three dealings aim at getting the best: in buying a field, in obtaining a friend, and in acquiring a book.—Talmud.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

### TO OUR FRIENDS

Continually there runs through our minds a spirit of Thanksgiving for our friends. But for their interest and their help for our undertaking little could be done here. Many of our friends are continually mindful of our children. At this season most of them are particularly anxious for some material help to be rendered our family. In many areas of our conference our friends are busy at the business of raising us a real Thanksgiving offering. For our friends and to our friends we want to say that our grateful thanks extend far beyond our ability to express them.

### A BIG JOB

Ours is a big job. There was lots to do before more came along to be done. Our added children, the added demands of an added constituency and the evaluation of added financial outlay, including the construction of new buildings and a number of other items, give us plenty to be busy about. As yet we have no additions to our staff. We are going along with the same force. With this situation prevailing, it is absolutely necessary for us to have a well defined plan of procedure. We must take things in order. Some must be done by a given time, others can wait awhile. We would like to say to our friends that their requests are on file and we will reach them as soon as possible. About the only feature of our work that is being definitely turned down is the requests for making speeches. We are just too busy to talk much.

### METHODIST MEASURE

Mr. J. W. Almond, treasurer of Central Methodist church, Albemarle, writes as follows: "We have today received our usual collection for the Children's Home at Central church, Albemarle. Our quota for this year was \$360, but as we had an unusual collection we are sending you our check for \$375 which, added to the \$25 previously paid you by our pastor, Rev. R. D. Ware, makes a total contribution of \$400. We hope you will have a fine year at the Children's Home."

### THE BELL IS RINGING

Our ten per cent apportionment bell rings about every day, for nearly every day there comes news from some congregation that its membership has raised its Children's Home quota for the present conference year. Of course the bell ringing is in our minds and not out in the air, a better place for a bell to ring. Join us in grateful thanks to the following congregations and pastors for having caused a bell ringing:

Groome's, West Greensboro, Rev. G. A. Stamper.

Hopewell, Bethlehem and Catawba, Catawba circuit, Rev. W. Q. Grigg.

Central, Mount Airy, Rev. W. J. Miller.

Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden circuit, Rev. T. F. Higgins.

Wade, Lilesville circuit, Rev. H. R. Cornelius.

Mountain View, Balls Creek circuit, Rev. B. A. Sisk.

Wesley Memorial, High Point, Dr. E. H. Blackard.

Central, Albemarle, Rev. R. D. Ware.

### THE WALKERTOWN WAY

Our good friends at Love's church, Walkertown, stick with us. Among other evidences of their sticking qualities is their payment of their ten per cent apportionment early each year. Yesterday we took our singing class out for



Mischievous but honorable

the 11 o'clock hour and rendered a good will program to a large congregation. Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., looked after all details in a very fine way, his usual way. On returning to the bus the children were delighted to find a big basket of choice apples for distribution among them. The Walkertown way is a good way.

### THREE BOYS

The mother deserted some three years ago and has not since been heard from. The father, an unusually good man, as reports indicate, took his three boys to live with two of his maiden sisters in the old family home, covered with a mortgage. This fall while cutting in the woods the father was killed by a falling tree. The three boys are left with two elderly aunts, the only means of income being what one of them can earn in a WPA sewing room. The Methodist minister is asking that they may have the security of a home in our Children's Home.

### WILL TO WIN

Some days ago it was this scribe's privilege to hobnob with Rev. L. B. Hayes, superintendent of the Greensboro district and his choice lot of pastors and laymen as they assembled for their district set-up meeting. Abounding in good will and freedom from restraint, the district superintendent and his brethren were busy at major objectives. The new financial set-up was carefully explained, the financial apportionments allocated and the brethren adjourned with a will-to-win spirit.

### CLEANLINESS AND GODLINESS

The High Point district set-up meeting, held at First church, Asheboro, under the direction of Rev. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent, was not only well attended but well directed. While the finishing touches were being made on the financial allocations Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., directed a speaking program. There were a number who listened to the speakers in front of them but with a sort of listening ear to the rear as the group was thinking of what the district superintendent and others were figuring about. Finally the apportionment were made to the satisfaction of all concerned and then a ten-point set of district goals was agreed upon. One of these aims lingers in my mind as rather unusual, but at the same time very important, on this wise, "That every church be carefully swept and dusted before each Sunday's services."

### A HANDY BOY

The picture herewith presented is that of Cornelius Blair, eleven years old and in the sixth grade, and sponsored by the men's Bible class of First church, Lenoir. The kodak snapshot was made several months ago. Since then "Corky" has grown quite a bit. He has also grown in dependability. He is our handy boy each morning here at the administration building, the only boy who can be spared for the important work, all others being in school or having other assignments. What is better than a dependable boy?

### TO GO OR NOT TO GO

One of the continual questions connected with our family's desires is that of passing upon requests for leaves of absence. In a group as large as ours, with 140 of the youngsters attending high school off our campus, there are many requests for going somewhere to visit somebody. It seems that the football team never goes anywhere without some boy's desire to prolong the trip with a visit. The following note, written by Don Welborn and Buck Adams, is a case in point: "Dear Pop, Since we have been unable to see you around lately, we are leaving this little note on your desk. We have been given a chance to spend the week end in Concord, that is, if you will permit it. We promise to represent the Home to the best of our ability and assure you that nothing but good will come of it. We will be the guests of my sister and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Blackwelder who have made contact with us through the mail. We leave this note with you hoping for the best, whatever the best may be."



## THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**HATS OFF** — Bishop Blake, who preached the ordination sermon Sunday night to the deacons and elders, delivered a great message. In the course of his sermon he said to the young men "hats off to the past." I think it is fine to cherish all the splendid achievements of the past, but there is danger of being satisfied with the status quo, and he warned the young men of that peril.

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**ALL SET**—Much preparation has been made for a successful Thanksgiving for our 303 children. The Methodist Orphanage is counting on every church and church school to take a free will offering during the Thanksgiving season to assist us in meeting our heavy operating expenses. On circuits it will require four Sundays to give every church the privilege of remembering our children in a concrete way. A more worthy or challenging appeal cannot be made to our Methodist constituency than this one that comes from the very heart of our children.

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**COATS OFF**—The good bishop also told the deacons and elders that as they face present and future problems they would need "coats off." Reverence for the past is not sufficient to cope with present conditions. To meet the demands of this new day hard, continuous work is the price that all must pay. We have entered upon a new conference year and, if we are to achieve success, we must be about our Father's business every day in the year. Preachers who are thus working in kingdom building will come to the close of this conference year rejoicing, bringing their sheaves with them.

**CONFERENCE ORPHANAGE COMMITTEE**—The conference Orphanage committee in its report urged all churches and church schools to take free will offerings during the Thanksgiving season. The conference unanimously adopted the report of the conference Orphanage committee, and Bishop Purcell urged that the recommendation of the conference Orphanage committee be carried out in all the churches and church schools. The importance of this resolution can readily be seen when it is known that the Orphanage lacks approximately \$35,000 of having a balanced budget. In other words, the present 10 per cent apportionment would have to be increased to 17½ per cent to give us a balanced budget. Specials are a necessity if we are to keep out of the red—and not a luxury. I am confidently expecting every church and church school in the conference to remember the Orphanage during the next three or four Sundays. On circuits it will require four Sundays to give every church an opportunity to make a free will offering for the benefit of our 303 children.

### CURIOSITIES OF THE BIBLE

By Mary H. Byer

The study of Bible curiosities is a profitable recreation. It gives us a greater knowledge of Bible facts, and is a means of increasing our love for the Word of God.

The Bible contains 3,566,480 letters; 733,693 words; 31,102 verses; 1,189 chapters; and 66 Books.

The word "and" occurs 46,277 times and the word "reverend" occurs only once.

Ezra 7:21 contains all the letters of the alphabet except J.

The middle verse in the Bible is Psalm 118:8.

The longest verse is Esther 8:9 and the shortest is John 11:35.

Four verses in Psalm 107 are alike.

In Genesis 2:15 we read about the first gardener.

Cain was the first person recorded in the Scriptures who told a lie.

The founder of the first city was Cain. He built the city of Enoch.

The first bridal veil was worn by Rebekah.

The first ship was built by Noah.

In Genesis 35:20 we read about the first monument erected to the memory of the dead.

In Second Samuel 19:18 we can read about the first ferry boat.

The first mention of printing is found in Job 19:23 as follows: "Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book!"

A library is first mentioned in Ezra 6:1.

The first temperance societies were founded 607 B.C. See Jeremiah 35.

Proud women and girls painted their faces 2700 years ago as recorded in Second Kings 9:30—Christian Monitor.

### WITHOUT FAIL

As soon as day begins to dawn

The meadow lark starts singing.

As soon as evening comes, a star—

The angel's lamp—starts swinging.

As soon as I am in the tub

The telephone starts ringing.

## Pull the Trigger on Lazy Bowels

with herb laxative, combined with syrup pepsin to make it agreeable and easy to take

When constipation brings on acid indigestion, bloating, dizzy spells, gas, coated tongue, sour taste and bad breath, your stomach is probably "crying the blues" because your bowels don't move. It calls for Laxative Senna to pull the trigger on those lazy bowels, combined with good old Syrup Pepsin to make your laxative more agreeable and easier to take. For years many Doctors have used pepsin compounds, as agreeable carriers to make other medicines more palatable when your "taster" feels easily upset. So be sure your laxative contains Syrup Pepsin. Insist on Dr. Caldwell's Laxative Senna, combined with Syrup Pepsin. See how wonderfully its herb Laxative Senna wakes up lazy nerves and muscles in your intestines, to bring welcome relief from constipation. And see how its Syrup Pepsin makes Dr. Caldwell's medicine so smooth and agreeable to a touchy gullet. Even finicky children love the taste of this pleasant family laxative. Buy Dr. Caldwell's Laxative Senna at your druggist's today. Try one laxative that won't bring on violent distaste, even when you take it after a full meal.

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### WORLD SERVICE SUNDAY

Beginning with Sunday, November 23, each fourth Sunday in the year is now designated by our church as World Service Sunday. On this Sunday in each month information is to be given to our people concerning the world-wide program of Methodism with a view of enlisting the support of our people in such a program. Too many of our people for too long a time have been paying their "benevolences" in the manner of bearing a burden that has been placed upon them. It is to be hoped that with an increased understanding of what is involved in the World Service program of our church there will be an intelligent and happy giving to this great program.

During the past conference year our church schools and young people's groups contributed a total of \$8850 in fourth Sunday offerings and young people's payments on their mission special. This was \$865 more than has ever before been contributed to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise in any year. We trust that the 300 churches who contributed this amount to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise will contribute a like amount or an even larger amount to World Service. And we hope, too, that the 400 church schools that have sent in no fourth Sunday offerings in the past will now join in this World Service emphasis and will make their contributions to this great program of our church.

World Service offerings in the church school, like other World Service offerings, will be sent to Mr. C. A. Dillon, Conference Treasurer, Raleigh. They may be sent by the Sunday school treasurer to Mr. Dillon, or may be turned over by the Sunday school treasurer to the local church treasurer for remittance. In any case, however, the Sunday school treasurer will keep a record of the amount thus contributed by the school for World Service.

### VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

It is with a feeling of real appreciation to pastors, parents, church school teachers, district directors and all others who have helped in promoting and working in vacation schools during this past year that we look over the work done by them as we compile the vacation school reports. The fact that there is a growing realization of the need for more time for children in the church school is most gratifying. We look forward to continued growth in interest and participation in the vacation school.

The children's director in the Rocky Mount district and the conference director met with ten groups of workers in the district early in the spring and discussed with them plans for vacation schools. The extension secretary met with groups in the Durham, Fayetteville, Washington, New Bern and Elizabeth City districts to discuss this emphasis.

The following figures show a total of three hundred fifty-three schools held during 1940, 16 of which are due to the increase in the number of church schools since last year:

|               | Schools | Workers | Pupils |
|---------------|---------|---------|--------|
| 1940 .....    | 353     | 2073    | 15,105 |
| 1939 .....    | 276     | 1603    | 11,329 |
| Increase .... | 77      | 470     | 3,776  |

### CHILDHOOD AND YOUTH WEEK

Home, Church and School Working Together was the emphasis for the Childhood and Youth Week observance for the month of October. Miss Mary Gardner of Raleigh planned programs for three radio broadcasts presented over station WPTF, Raleigh, during the week of October 6-12. Observance of this week throughout the conference was done in various ways including a sermon by the pastor, visitation in the homes, meetings of parents and teachers, circulation of good reading material, newspaper articles, posters, etc. It is felt that this week is used to a very real advantage to parents and workers with children and youth.

### FELLOWSHIP OF STUDY

Parents and teachers who pledged to read at least four books during the year; to study more carefully the lesson material suggested by the church; to carry out some ideas suggested by the study and reading; to report to the Department of Children's Work in Nashville, Tenn., were enrolled in the Fellowship of Study. A number of workers with children in this conference enthusiastically entered into this program of directed study this year. Many books were borrowed from the conference library where a group of good books are kept in readiness for those who wish to read them.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

We make the following recommendations for the work of the staff during the coming year 1940-41:

#### Children's Work

1. That we emphasize vacation church schools with more churches having well planned schools, and reaching more unreached children.
2. That we provide adequate vacation school promotion in training leaders for working in the schools during the summer of 1941.
3. That we assist in the training of Duke Foundation men for work in vacation schools.
4. That we place a greater emphasis on the observance of Childhood and Youth Week during October, 1941.
5. That we interest and enlist more workers in the Fellowship of Study.

6. That we plan a conference-wide school in which children's workers will be brought together for training, planning and fellowship.

7. That we work with the secretary of children's work in the Woman's Society of Christian Service in promoting the missionary education of children.

### Youth Work

1. That a series of sub-district institutes or rallies be held in the spring of 1941 for the purpose of enlisting our young people and their leaders in and unifying them about the total youth program of our church.

2. That special cultivation be given during the year to those churches that have not sent representatives to the young people's summer assemblies.

3. That the emphasis on Youth Crusade Week in the local church be continued, as well as the training of young people in summer assemblies to help in this work.

### Adult Work

1. That we make every effort possible to reach more adults in leadership training.

2. That the conference director and district directors assist in setting up Bible conferences in both rural and urban areas of our conference.

3. That an effort be made to have at least one Learning for Life school in each district.

4. That a conference-wide Christian Workers' school be held in the summer of 1941.

### Extension Work

1. That efforts be continued to interest the conference in the problems and needs of the rural church.

2. That the conference staff co-operate with pastors in meeting with groups of workers in local churches.

3. That an enlarged program of leadership education be carried on with the rural churches.

4. That the extension work be coordinated with the work of the Commission on Town and Country Work.

### General

1. That special emphasis be given during the coming year to a formal training program with more of our pastors becoming accredited and teaching in the training schools of our conference.

2. That the staff assist in every possible way with the promotion of World Service Sunday in the church school.

3. That we make an intensive effort to enlist more of our church schools in the support of our Christian education program through church school rally day offerings.

4. That we co-operate with the General Board of Education in the enlarged program of Christian education of the Methodist Church.

True to the order of God's own plan, With wisdom beyond the ken of man, The mighty force of Justice and Right Will surely triumph in glory bright.

Though the night of grim, relentless wrong

May be densely dark and ages long, Error's reign must crumble and give place

To the dayspring of God's ruling grace.

—Contributed.



THE COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE OF THE N. C. CONFERENCE OFFERS

Memorandum on Local Church Budget

Special items: Administrative Fund, District Apportionment, World Service, Orphanage, and Ministerial Support.

For the first three items the district stewards will determine the apportionments for the local churches. The orphanage apportionment for each church is an amount equal to ten per cent of this year's salary for the preacher.

There are four items in the fund for ministerial support, which is to be collected by the stewards. They are pastor's salary, bishop's fund, district superintendent's fund, and conference claimants' fund. Of course the pastor's salary is fixed by the local church. The bishop's fund for each church was fixed by the General Conference as an amount equal to 2½ per cent of the pastor's salary. By acts of the 1940 session of our conference, and in accord with the laws of the church, the district superintendents' fund was fixed as an amount equal to 8 per cent of the pastor's salary, and the claimants' fund was fixed for each church as an amount equal to 4 per cent of the pastor's salary.

In a church paying a \$2,000 salary to the preacher the four items would be as follows:

|                          |        |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Pastor's salary .....    | \$2000 |
| District Supt. fund..... | 160    |
| Claimants' fund .....    | 80     |
| Bishop's fund .....      | 45     |

Total .....\$2285

Any money collected for ministerial support should be divided among these four funds and should be pro-rated according to what per cent each item is of the total amount.

The per cents are:

|                         |       |
|-------------------------|-------|
| \$2000 is .875 of ..... | \$285 |
| 160 is .070 of .....    | 2285  |
| 80 is .035 of .....     | 2285  |
| 45 is .020 of .....     | 2285  |

For example, should \$100 be reported at a quarterly conference as collected for ministerial support, it should be divided as follows:

|                           |          |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Pastor's salary .....     | \$ 87.50 |
| District Supt. fund ..... | 7.00     |
| Claimants' fund .....     | 3.50     |
| Bishop's fund .....       | 2.00     |

Total .....\$100.00

Money for district superintendents' fund and conference claimants' fund should be sent to C. A. Dillon, conference treasurer.

John F. Bruton, Chm.  
F. S. Aldridge, Sec.

THINGS THAT DON'T HAPPEN

Bill Jones—or was it another man of the same name?—did not refuse to go to church when he became a man because he had been required to go to church when he was a boy.

Nor did his neighbor, John Smith, become a teetotaler when he grew up because he had plenty of liquor in easy reach in the days of his youth.

Samuel Swallow did not get his name on the front page of the Daily

Journal because he went home sober, kissed his wife, romped with the children and then took the family for a little auto ride.

Sylvester Silvers was not suspected of being an accomplice in the bank robbery in his city because he went to church regularly on Sunday and attended prayer meeting on Wednesday evenings.

The bank at Toonerville did not go to the wall for the reason that the majority of the directors were deacons and elders and stewards in the churches.

Charley Chadwick did not turn out to be an atheist because he had a praying mother and father who believed the old Book from "cover to cover."

Rev. Elijah Brown did not get his salary raised because he told his people that their benevolence quota was too high.

And Hiram Black did not refuse to contribute to the benevolence budget because he was a reader of the Religious Telescope.

No, things don't happen that way.—Religious Telescope.

LINCOLN SPEAKS  
By Harlan L. Feeman

What a master of simple, chaste and cogent English he was, both spoken and written! I am thinking of Abraham Lincoln whose national memorial at Hodgenville, Kentucky, I have just visited for my second time, October 23. Among the memorable things he said in his soul-stirring days are two so very pertinent for our day:

"Stand with anybody that stands right. Stand with him while he is right and part with him when he goes wrong."

He said that just 86 years ago. Ten years later he said at Cooper Institute:

"Let us have faith that right makes might (so difficult to accept at present), and in that faith let us do and dare to do our duty as we understand it."

Magnificent words are these for men and women now.

This Lincoln Shrine is set in rural environs among Kentucky's hills and on the day of this visitation glorious with autumnal colors. Its atmosphere is rife with quiet power, steady growth, stalwart integrity, the love of freedom, and the higher wisdom in the way of life. As I walked away from this great national shrine it occurred to me that Mount Vernon and Hodgenville, both were set in rural environs, and I was reminded how typical are their virtues and ideals for all Americanism.

TRUE TO GOD'S OWN PLAN  
By Florence R. Bryant

True to the order of God's own plan, With wisdom beyond the ken of man, The mighty force of justice and right Will surely triumph in glory bright. Though the night of grim, relentless wrong May be densely dark and ages long, Error's reign must crumble and give place To the day spring of God's sovereign grace.

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## Sunday School Lesson

DECEMBER 1

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By Rollin H. Walker

### The Exacting Discipleship

Scripture—Luke 9

The apparently unrelated incidents in our lesson organize themselves perfectly under the heading, "The Exacting Requirements of Discipleship." The disciples were disputing with one another as to who should be greatest. But Jesus called a little child, and said to them, If you want to get into the throne room among the great ones in the kingdom of God, give attention to those who, like this little child, are weak and helpless.

Christian discipleship requires the spirit of lowly service. Overalls are good form for men at God's reception, rather than dress suits; and for women, a nurse's garb is in better style than a long formal dress with diamonds.

Then John, a trifle ashamed of his pushing ambition (Mark 10:35-37), sought to re-establish his reputation by saying, Master, we saw one casting out demons in thy name; and we forbade him, because he followed not with us. But Jesus answered, Forbid him not: for he that is not against you is for you.

Christian discipleship demands broad-minded toleration. It takes a great deal of grace for us when in a position of leadership not to be irritated when someone who is not on the committee proceeds to do in his own way what we had planned to have done in ours. Let authorities in church and school please take notice.

Think of the wonders that could be wrought if all the sects of Protestantism would co-operate, and if Catholics and Protestants would work hand in hand against every social evil. If a rival group is casting out devils, we are to let them alone. If at their word the devil goes out, their heresy is not fatal. The way to convert them to our better methods is to cast out more devils than they do.

Jesus sent his disciples ahead to secure lodgings in a Samaritan village, for which of course they were prepared to pay (John 4:8), but the Samaritans would not receive them because they were Jews and were on their way to Jerusalem. James and John were so very tired and hungry that this hard-heartedness of the Samaritans, which doubtless had been accomplished by curses, made them furiously angry, and they said to Jesus, "Wilt thou that we bid fire to come down from heaven, and consume them?" (1 Kings 1:10). Just now many agree with James and John, and would call for bombing planes to rain destruction on other nations.

But Jesus rebuked his disciples, and they went to another village. Christian discipleship demands not only freedom

from bigotry, but forbearance with the bigotry of others.

In one of the pauses of his journey a young scribe was so thrilled with his words that he said to Jesus, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest. But Jesus answered, I have no hotel reservation for tonight, the foxes have holes, and the birds of the heaven have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.

The young man being a scribe belonged to the silk-stockings class, and Jesus realized that he was not prepared for the hardships and deprivations that the immediate followers were called upon to face. And he did not wish anyone to come after him with false hopes, for that always means ere long a wreckage of faith. We say, then, that Christian discipleship demands a willingness to endure all sorts of hardships for the sake of the kingdom.

After this, Jesus found another young man who impressed him as having great possibilities. So he offered to train him for a big task. But the young man answered, Suffer me first to go and bury my father. How shockingly picturesque is Jesus' disappointed rejoinder, Leave the dead to bury their own dead; but go thou and publish abroad the kingdom of God.

We must not imagine that the young man's father was lying dead in the house, or was on the point of death. He simply meant, Let me go home and stay with my father as long as he lives, and after that I will come and join you and your great enterprise.

It is not improbable that the father and all the rest of the family were opposed to the young man's enthusiasm for Jesus. They were dead to the appeal of the gospel. It was no favor to them for him to give up the divine call. Through what he learned from Jesus he might perhaps have been able to win them to discipleship. Certainly he would have learned to be far tenderer to the old man.

For him to go back was as though Carver, the famous Negro chemist, when on the track of those discoveries of the uses of the peanut that would save Negro farmers from semi-starvation, should have given up his research and gone back to paint the house and barn to please the old folks, and to plant the usual unprofitable crops. Or as though a medical researcher who had found a sure cure for cancer, instead of proclaiming it to the world, should go home to help his old father run his little business in the village.

When James and John left their father with the hired servants in the boat, his name was immortalized. The world knows that James and John were the sons of Zebedee. Perhaps if this man had obeyed Christ, his father also would have been known in history.

Plainly then Christian discipleship demands that at times we are to override sentimental impulses in the interest of the larger good of all concerned.

Another youth said, I will follow thee, Lord; but first suffer me to bid farewell to them that are in my house. When Elijah called Elisha to follow him, the young disciple made the same request, and Elijah readily granted it, because he saw that the youth was determined at all costs to follow

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# Children's



# Storyland

## PRIDE GOES BEFORE A FALL (A True Story)

By Carrie Belle Boyden

Anyone who did not care for pets would not care for the neighborhood where Oliver Barton lived. Oliver owned a little black Scotch terrier called Scotty. And he was a terror to all the cats in the neighborhood. He lorded it over them all, from little black Midget, owned by Betty, next door, to the big Persian, called Peter the Great, who was owned by Marian, who lived on the other side of Oliver. Then two doors up was a yellow cat called Sunflower, owned by Ruth, and across the street was a small pup named Spud. And Scotty ruled them all like a Big Chief.

Whenever he came out in the morning and started his blood-curdling, hair-raising yip, yip, yapping, all the cats in the neighborhood immediately sought the refuge of the nearest trees.

So Oliver, proud owner of Scotty, took on the lordly ways of a Big Chief also whenever he appeared before the girls of the neighborhood.

"Cats are born cowards," he said one day. "All they know how to do is to pick up their tails and skin up a tree. Look at Scotty here! He has every cat in the neighborhood up a tree this very minute."

And it was true. When Betty called Midget, a plaintive mew came from the shade tree in front of the house. Marian found proud Peter the Great in a big oak tree in the parkway. Sunflower could be seen in a peach tree in Ruth's back yard. And even the little pup Spud dared not leave his own front porch.

So, one Saturday morning, the girls in the neighborhood held an indignation meeting. They discussed ways and means of humiliating this lordly little dog named Scotty owned by Big Chief Oliver. While they were discussing the matter, a beautiful white Angora cat appeared in the window of a new house across the street.

"Isn't she a beauty!" exclaimed Marian. "I heard her mistress call her Snowball the other day, but they never let her out. If they did, probably she would run for a tree too, like all the rest of the pets."

But the girls parted that morning without solving the problem of how to punish the objectionable Scotty and his boastful master. Little did they suspect that help was close at hand.

Just about noon there was a great commotion in the neighborhood. Scotty was barking wildly "yap, yap, yap, yappity, yappity, ap!" And he kept it up, and kept it up, higher and shriller than anyone had ever heard him yap before.

Marian ran out of doors, so did Betty. Then out came Ruth, and across the street appeared Spud and his master; then came the mothers on to the

## COLLECTIN' STAMPS

By Silas Wetherby

A feller isn't thinkin' mean,  
Collectin' stamps;  
His tho'ts are mostly good and clean  
Collectin' stamps.  
He doesn't knock his fellowmen  
Or harbor any grudges then;  
A feller's at his best when  
He's collectin' stamps.

The rich are comrades to the poor,  
Collectin' stamps;  
All brothers of a common lure,  
Collectin' stamps;  
The boy—the joy the reprints bring,  
Can chum with millionaire and king;  
Vain pride is a forgotten thing  
Collectin' stamps.

A feller isn't plottin' schemes  
Collectin' stamps;  
He's only busy with his dreams,  
Collectin' stamps;  
His livery is a benzine pan,  
His creed to do the best he can,  
A feller's always mostly man,  
Collectin' stamps.

scene; the mothers were followed by the grandmothers; the fathers who were coming home for noon luncheons stopped on the walk to see what was happening. And all the people passing along the street stopped and watched with keen interest the outcome of all this excitement. Every newcomer who appeared thought there must be a fire, but of course there wasn't. All this excitement was caused by a little black dog and a beautiful white cat. Scotty was running round and round like a crazy dog. And right there, close to him, was the big white Angora, named Snowball, striking at him with one sharp claw and then another. And slowly, but surely, the valiant Scotty was being driven back, back, back, out of the street and into his own doorway, farther and farther back until he was close to his own porch; then with one final yelp, Scotty turned tail and and around his house to his back yard. Snowball followed a little way, then turned in a dignified manner, made her way slowly through the applauding men, women and children (not to mention grandmothers), and sat on her own front porch.

For the rest of the day Scotty did not appear; neither did Oliver. But we hear from some one who was there that Scotty and Oliver never did strut around the neighborhood in quite that lordly manner again.

But there was one secret that Scotty never found out, and that was that the

big Angora cat was stone deaf and could not hear his hair-raising, blood-curdling bark. Perhaps that was one reason why she was so brave. At any rate, Scotty's pride had suffered a fall; for Scotty had found out that he was not better than other folks.—Zion's Herald.

## PETER'S LITTLE FEET

Peter is a little boy about six years old. His mother and he are great chums; they read stories and play games together. It does not seem as if this can be true. One day not long ago Peter stamped his feet at his mother. It was the first time he had ever done such a thing, and his mother was so surprised and grieved that she could hardly keep the tears back.

Peter ran off in the garden to play, but he could not be happy. He thought for some time what he should do, then he went back to mother and told her how sorry he was to have been so naughty.

His mother took him in her lap, took off his sandals and socks. She wished to look at those little feet that had stamped so angrily. It did not seem possible to her they could have been so unkind. She told Peter that the first time she ever saw them they were wee, wee feet, so tiny and weak that they were wrapped in a blanket to keep them warm. For almost six years she had taken care of those little feet. She had washed them and kissed them. She had bought shoes and stockings for them. She had warmed and cuddled them when they were cold; she had dried them when they were wet. She had watched those little feet grow bigger and bigger. She had helped them to take the first steps. She had taught them to walk in the right way, the safe path, that when he disobeyed mother he was a disobedient child, even though she did not find it out.

Peter sat very still as mother talked and held on to the little feet, about which she was talking.

At last he reached up and threw his arms around her neck and promised her the little feet should ever be good.—Unknown.

Small Boy—Mummy, we are going to play elephants at the zoo, and we want you to come.

Mother—What on earth can I do?

Small Boy—You can be the lady who gives them peanuts and candy—Passing Show.

Teacher( looking over Teddy's home work)—"I don't see how it's possible for a single person to make so many mistakes."

Teddy (proudly)—"It isn't any single person, teacher. Father helped me."—Selected.



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Clare Purcell, Charlotte, N. C.

SLATE OF JOHN R. CHURCH  
General Evangelist, Rt. 4, Winston-Salem, N. C.  
Nov. 4-17—First Methodist Church, Marion, Ill.  
Nov. 24-Dec. 10—First Methodist Ch., Riverside, N. J.

District Superintendent  
Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT  
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.

| FIRST ROUND                                                                 |    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| December                                                                    |    |
| Burlington Ct., Shiloh, 11 .....                                            | 1  |
| Glen Raven-Haw River, Glen Raven, 7:30 .....                                | 1  |
| Duke Memorial, 7:30 .....                                                   | 3  |
| Calvary, 7:30 .....                                                         | 4  |
| Carboro, Morrill's, 2:30 .....                                              | 5  |
| Chapel Hill, 7:30 .....                                                     | 5  |
| Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 10 .....                                          | 6  |
| Orange Ct., Union Grove, 2:30 .....                                         | 6  |
| Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Avenue, 11 .....                           | 8  |
| Mebane, First Church, 7:30 .....                                            | 8  |
| Mt. Hermon, Friendship, 10 .....                                            | 10 |
| Alamance Ct., Center, 2:30 .....                                            | 10 |
| Brookdale, Brookdale, 10 .....                                              | 11 |
| Long Memorial, 7:30 .....                                                   | 11 |
| Lakewood, 7:30 .....                                                        | 12 |
| Person Ct., Oak Grove, 10 .....                                             | 14 |
| Durham Ct., Bethany, 11 .....                                               | 15 |
| Eno, 7:30 .....                                                             | 19 |
| Sweepsonville, Sweepsonville, 11 .....                                      | 22 |
| Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3 .....                                          | 22 |
| Graham, 11 .....                                                            | 29 |
| January                                                                     |    |
| Milton, Milton, 10 .....                                                    | 3  |
| Leasburg, Leasburg, 2:30 .....                                              | 3  |
| Yanceyville, Prospect, 10 .....                                             | 4  |
| Saxapahaw, Concord, 11 .....                                                | 5  |
| Mebane, Central, 7:30 .....                                                 | 5  |
| District Missionary Institute, Duke Memorial Church,<br>Durham, at 10 ..... | 7  |
| Trinity, 7:30 .....                                                         | 7  |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT  
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

| FIRST ROUND                                                       |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| December                                                          |    |
| Hemp, Mt. Carmel, 11 .....                                        | 1  |
| Glendon, Cool Springs, 3 .....                                    | 1  |
| Pinebluff, 7:30 .....                                             | 1  |
| Red Springs, 11 .....                                             | 8  |
| Rowland, 3 .....                                                  | 8  |
| Maxton, 7:30 .....                                                | 8  |
| Sanford, 11 .....                                                 | 15 |
| Aberdeen, 2:30, meeting of District League of Stew-<br>ards ..... | 15 |
| Aberdeen, 7:30 .....                                              | 15 |
| Hay Street, 11 .....                                              | 22 |
| Parkton, Marvin, 2 .....                                          | 22 |
| Raeford, 7:30 .....                                               | 22 |
| January                                                           |    |
| Laurel Hill, Sneed's Grove, 11 .....                              | 5  |
| St. John's, 3 .....                                               | 5  |
| Hamlet, 7 .....                                                   | 5  |
| Rockingham, 11 .....                                              | 12 |
| Rockingham Ct., Zion, 3 .....                                     | 12 |
| Elkhorbe, Norman, 7 .....                                         | 12 |
| Siler City, 11 .....                                              | 19 |
| Siler City Ct., 3 .....                                           | 19 |
| Goldston, 7 .....                                                 | 19 |
| Laurinburg, 11 .....                                              | 26 |

| Roberdel, St. Paul, 3 .....        | 26 |
|------------------------------------|----|
| Caledonia, Central, 7 .....        | 26 |
| February                           |    |
| Troy, 11 .....                     | 2  |
| Troy Ct., 3 .....                  | 2  |
| West End, 7 .....                  | 2  |
| Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11 ..... | 9  |
| Broadway, Morris Chapel, 3 .....   | 3  |
| Carthage, 7 .....                  | 9  |
| Mt. Gilead, 11 .....               | 16 |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3 ..... | 16 |
| Biscee, Candor, 7 .....            | 16 |

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT  
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

| FIRST ROUND                               |    |
|-------------------------------------------|----|
| December                                  |    |
| Ahoskie, 11 .....                         | 1  |
| North Gates, Savages, 3 .....             | 1  |
| Murfreesboro, night .....                 | 1  |
| Chowan, Anderson, 11 and 1 .....          | 4  |
| City Road, night .....                    | 4  |
| Pasquotank, Newbegun, 2 .....             | 6  |
| Perquimans, Cedar Grove, 11 and 1 .....   | 7  |
| Windsor, 11 .....                         | 8  |
| Williamston, night .....                  | 8  |
| First Church, Elizabeth City, night ..... | 11 |
| South Mills, Newland, 11 and 1 .....      | 14 |
| Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11 .....        | 15 |
| Currituck, Mt. Zion, night .....          | 15 |
| Wanchese, night .....                     | 29 |
| Kinnakeet, Avon, 11 .....                 | 22 |
| Hatteras, night .....                     | 22 |
| January                                   |    |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, Stumpy Point, 11 ..... | 5  |
| Manteo, night .....                       | 5  |
| Kitty Hawk, 11 .....                      | 12 |
| Hertford, night .....                     | 12 |
| Aulander, 11 .....                        | 19 |
| Edenton, night .....                      | 19 |
| Columbia, 11 .....                        | 26 |
| Creswell, 3 .....                         | 26 |
| Plymouth, night .....                     | 26 |

NEW BERN DISTRICT  
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

| FIRST ROUND                              |     |
|------------------------------------------|-----|
| December                                 |     |
| Marshallberg, 11 .....                   | 1   |
| Stratals-Harkers Island, 3 .....         | 1   |
| Atlantic, Atlantic, 7:30 .....           | 1   |
| Ocracoke, 7:30 .....                     | 2   |
| Morehead Ct., Franklin Memorial, 3 ..... | 3   |
| Beaufort, 7:30 .....                     | 3   |
| Newport, Newport, 10:30 .....            | 4   |
| Morehead City, 7:30 .....                | 4   |
| Grifton, Grifton, 10:30 .....            | 5   |
| Dover, Dover, 3 .....                    | 5   |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, 7:30 .....          | 5   |
| Jones Ct., Trenton, 10:30 .....          | 6   |
| Pink Hill, Pink Hill, 3 .....            | 6   |
| Mt. Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive, 7:30 ..... | 6-8 |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Brownings, 11 .....       | 7-8 |
| Goldsboro Ct., Daniels, 10:30 .....      | 9   |
| Pikerville-Elm Street, 3 .....           | 9   |
| Fremont, Eureka, 7:30 .....              | 9   |
| Snow Hill, Snow Hill, 10:30 .....        | 10  |
| Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 .....              | 10  |
| Ayden, Ayden, 7:30 .....                 | 10  |
| LaGrange, Lagrange, 10:30 .....          | 11  |
| Seven Springs, Seven Springs, 3 .....    | 11  |
| Goldshoro, St. Paul, 7:30 .....          | 11  |
| Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 .....        | 12  |
| New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 .....          | 13  |
| Aurora, preaching, 11 .....              | 15  |
| Greensland, preaching, 3 .....           | 15  |
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 .....  | 15  |

RALEIGH DISTRICT  
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.

| FIRST ROUND                                                          |    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| December                                                             |    |
| Oxford, 11 .....                                                     | 1  |
| Raleigh, Person Street, 7:30 .....                                   | 1  |
| Raleigh, Edenton Street, 7:30 .....                                  | 4  |
| Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 7:30 .....                                    | 6  |
| Henderson, First Church, 11 .....                                    | 8  |
| Henderson, City Road-White Memorial, White Memo-<br>rial, 7:30 ..... | 8  |
| Clayton, Horne Memorial, 7:30 .....                                  | 11 |
| Granville, Bethesda, 11 .....                                        | 15 |
| Vance, Spring Valley, 7:30 .....                                     | 15 |
| Cary-Apex, 7:30 .....                                                | 18 |
| Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 11 .....                                  | 22 |
| Creedmoor, Banks, 3 .....                                            | 22 |
| Louisburg, 7:30 .....                                                | 22 |
| Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 .....                                      | 29 |
| January                                                              |    |
| Raleigh, Fairmont .....                                              | 1  |
| District Missionary Institute, Edenton St., 10 .....                 | 2  |
| Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 .....                                    | 5  |
| Stem, Stem, 7:30 .....                                               | 5  |
| Franklinton, 7:30 .....                                              | 8  |
| Newton Grove, Newton Grove, 11 .....                                 | 11 |

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT  
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

| FIRST ROUND                      |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| December                         |    |
| West Halifax, Eden, 11 .....     | 1  |
| Spring Church-Garysburg, 3 ..... | 1  |
| Littleton, 7:30 .....            | 1  |
| St. Paul, 7:30 .....             | 2  |
| Wilson, 7:30 .....               | 3  |
| Clark Street, 7:30 .....         | 4  |
| Scotland Neck, 7:30 .....        | 5  |
| Spring Hope, 11 .....            | 8  |
| Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 3 .....  | 8  |
| Marvin, 7:30 .....               | 8  |
| Bethel, 7:30 .....               | 9  |
| Robersonville, 7:30 .....        | 10 |
| Stantonsburg, 7:30 .....         | 11 |
| Kenly, 7:30 .....                | 12 |
| Littleton Ct., 7:30 .....        | 13 |
| Seaboard, 11 .....               | 15 |
| Halifax, 3 .....                 | 15 |
| Enfield, 7:30 .....              | 15 |
| Rosemary, 7:30 .....             | 16 |

| Rocky Mount, First, 7:30 ..... | 17 |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Whitakers, 7:30 .....          | 18 |
| January                        |    |
| Warrenton, 11 .....            | 4  |
| Warren, Providence, 11 .....   | 5  |
| Norlina, 3 .....               | 5  |
| Middleburg, 7:30 .....         | 5  |
| Weldon, 7:30 .....             | 8  |
| Farmville, 11 .....            | 12 |
| Walstonburg, 3 .....           | 12 |
| Nashville, 7:30 .....          | 12 |
| Roanoke Rapids, 11 .....       | 19 |
| Conway, Bethany, 3 .....       | 19 |
| Jackson, 7:30 .....            | 19 |
| Rich Square, 11 .....          | 26 |
| McKendree, Pinetops, 3 .....   | 26 |
| Tarboro, 7:30 .....            | 26 |

WILMINGTON DISTRICT  
A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.

| FIRST ROUND                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------------------|----|
| December                                          |    |
| Wilmington, Grace, 11 .....                       | 1  |
| Wilmington, Trinity, night .....                  | 1  |
| Bladen, Bethlehem, 11 .....                       | 8  |
| Garland, Epworth, 3 .....                         | 8  |
| Wallace-Rosehill, Wallace, night .....            | 8  |
| Scotts Hill, Scotts Hill, 11 .....                | 15 |
| Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 3 .....              | 15 |
| Burgaw, Burgaw, night .....                       | 15 |
| Whiteville, 11 .....                              | 29 |
| Wilmington, Epworth, night .....                  | 29 |
| January                                           |    |
| Hallsboro, Wananish, 11 .....                     | 5  |
| Carvers Creek, Council, night .....               | 5  |
| Fairmont, Trinity, 11 .....                       | 12 |
| Lumberton Ct., Bules, night .....                 | 12 |
| St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 11 .....                    | 19 |
| Elizabeth, Clarkton, night .....                  | 19 |
| Roseboro, Bethel, 11 .....                        | 26 |
| Clinton, night .....                              | 26 |
| February                                          |    |
| Falson-Kenansville, Kenansville, 11 .....         | 2  |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, night .....              | 2  |
| Maysville, Maysville, 11 .....                    | 9  |
| Swansboro, Queens Creek, 3 .....                  | 9  |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night ..... | 9  |
| Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11 .....                   | 16 |

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT  
M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.

| FIRST ROUND                             |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| November                                |    |
| Candler, Montmorenci, 11 .....          | 30 |
| December                                |    |
| Candler, 11 .....                       | 1  |
| Central, 7 .....                        | 1  |
| East Flat Rock, Moore's Grove, 11 ..... | 8  |
| French Broad Avenue, 7 .....            | 8  |
| Emma, Emma, 11 .....                    | 15 |
| Haywood Street, 7 .....                 | 15 |
| Etawah, Etawah, 11 .....                | 22 |
| Hendersonville, 7 .....                 | 22 |
| Brevard, 11 .....                       | 29 |
| Rosman, Oak Grove, 3 .....              | 29 |
| January                                 |    |
| Fairview, Bethany, 11 .....             | 5  |
| Hillside Street, 7 .....                | 5  |
| Fletcher, Fletcher, 11 .....            | 12 |
| Merrimon Avenue, 7 .....                | 12 |
| Lecester-Bell, Bell, 11 .....           | 19 |
| Oakley, 7 .....                         | 19 |
| Lecester-Grace, Leicester, 11 .....     | 26 |
| Sandy, Payno's Chapel, 3 .....          | 26 |

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT  
G. T. Bend, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

| FIRST ROUND                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------------------|----|
| November                                        |    |
| Matthews, 7:30 ..                               | 29 |
| December                                        |    |
| Prospect, Prospect, 11 .....                    | 1  |
| Polkton, Wightman, 2:30 .....                   | 1  |
| New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 7:30 .....           | 1  |
| Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 .....                      | 2  |
| Ayers Park, 8:30 .....                          | 2  |
| Brevard Street, 7:30 .....                      | 4  |
| Wesley Heights, 7:30 .....                      | 6  |
| Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 .....                        | 8  |
| Zoar, 3 .....                                   | 8  |
| Marshville, Marshville, 7:30 .....              | 8  |
| Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 7:30 ..... | 9  |
| Calvary, 7:30 .....                             | 11 |
| Dilworth, 7:30 .....                            | 13 |
| Weddington, Weddington, 11 .....                | 15 |
| Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 3 .....                   | 15 |
| North Monroe, North Monroe, 7:30 .....          | 15 |
| Central Avenue, 7:30 .....                      | 16 |
| Chadwick, 7:30 .....                            | 18 |
| Hickory Grove, 11 .....                         | 22 |
| Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 .....                | 23 |
| Derita, 7:30 .....                              | 22 |
| Thrift-Moores, Moores, 11 .....                 | 29 |
| Ansonville, Ansonville, 7:30 .....              | 29 |
| Wadesboro, 7:30 .....                           | 30 |
| January                                         |    |
| Monroe, Central, 11 .....                       | 5  |
| First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 .....             | 8  |

ELKIN DISTRICT  
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

| FIRST ROUND                                 |    |
|---------------------------------------------|----|
| November                                    |    |
| Davie Ct., Center, 11 .....                 | 30 |
| December                                    |    |
| Coolcooce, 11 .....                         | 1  |
| Mocksville Ct., Bethel, 2:30 .....          | 1  |
| Mocksville Station, 7:30 .....              | 1  |
| Farmington, 7:30 .....                      | 2  |
| St. Paul, St. Paul Ch., 2:30 .....          | 8  |
| East Bend Ct., New Home, 7:30 .....         | 3  |
| Ararat, Ilacher's Ch., 2:30 .....           | 4  |
| Bryant Memorial Ct., Ararat Ch., 2:30 ..... | 5  |
| Advance, Advance Ch., 2:30 .....            | 6  |



GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| December                                  |    |
|-------------------------------------------|----|
| Lovesville, 11                            | 1  |
| Rock Springs, Denver, 3                   | 1  |
| Belmont, Park Street, 7:30                | 1  |
| Mount Holly, 7:30                         | 2  |
| Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30               | 3  |
| Belmont, Main Street, 7:30                | 4  |
| Lowell, Bethesda, 11                      | 8  |
| McAdenville, 7:30                         | 8  |
| Cramerton, 7:30                           | 9  |
| Kings Mountain, 7:30                      | 10 |
| Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30            | 11 |
| Lincolnton Ct., 11                        | 15 |
| Crouse, 3                                 | 15 |
| Lincolnton, Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, 7:30 | 15 |
| Cherryville, First Church, 7:30           | 18 |
| Polkville, 11                             | 22 |
| Shelby Ct., Sharon, 3                     | 22 |
| Shelby, Lafayette St., 7:30               | 22 |
| Stanley, Iron Station, 11                 | 29 |
| Dallas, High Shoals, 7:30                 | 29 |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| November                    |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Oak Ridge, 7:30             | 28 |
| Reidsville Ct., 11          | 30 |
| Mt. Pleasant Ct., 3         | 30 |
| December                    |    |
| Haw River, 11               | 1  |
| Brown Summit, 3             | 1  |
| Mt. Pleasant, 7:30          | 1  |
| College Place, 7            | 4  |
| Glenwood, 8                 | 4  |
| West Greensboro, 7:30       | 5  |
| Tabernacle-Julian, 3        | 7  |
| Lindsey St., Reidsville, 11 | 8  |
| Madison, 3                  | 8  |
| Reidsville, Main Street, 5  | 8  |
| Centenary, 7:30             | 8  |
| Proximity, 7:30             | 11 |
| West End, 7:30              | 12 |
| Pleasant Garden, 3          | 14 |
| Draper-Wayside, 11          | 15 |
| Ruffin, 3                   | 15 |
| West Market, 7:30           | 15 |
| Grace, 11                   | 22 |
| Bethel-St. Andrews, 3       | 22 |
| Stoneville-Mayodan, 7:30    | 22 |
| Draper, 11                  | 29 |
| Spray, 5                    | 29 |
| Leaksville, 7:30            | 29 |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| November                      |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| South Davidson-Lineberry, 2   | 28 |
| Trinity, Hopewell, 7          | 29 |
| December                      |    |
| Liberty Ct., Bethany, 2:30    | 1  |
| Ramseal-Franklinville, 7      | 1  |
| Denton-Central, Denton, 7     | 2  |
| Oak View, 7                   | 3  |
| Asheboro First, 7             | 4  |
| Richland- W. B., 7            | 5  |
| West Randolph, Tabernacle, 11 | 8  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7             | 8  |
| Main Street, 7                | 11 |
| Soagrove-L. J.-P. H., 2       | 12 |
| Shiloh, Shiloh, 2             | 14 |
| Linwood-Tyro, 11              | 15 |
| Randleman-Union, Naomi, 7     | 15 |
| Wesley Memorial, 7            | 16 |
| Welch Memorial, 7             | 17 |
| Liberty First, 7              | 18 |
| Randleman Ct., Worthville, 7  | 19 |

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| December                         |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Bostic, Salem, 11                | 1  |
| Sunshine, Hopewell, 3            | 1  |
| Henrietta, Caroleen, 7:30        | 1  |
| North Forest, N. Morganton, 11   | 8  |
| Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3         | 8  |
| Valdese, Valdese, 7:30           | 8  |
| Rutherford College, 11           | 15 |
| Connuelly Springs, Bollingers, 3 | 15 |
| Morganton Ct., Zion, 7:30        | 15 |
| Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11    | 22 |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30    | 22 |
| Glen Alpine, 11                  | 29 |
| McDowell, Snow Hill, 3           | 29 |
| Morganton, First, 7:30           | 29 |
| January                          |    |
| Rutherfordton, 11                | 5  |
| Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3        | 5  |
| Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30       | 5  |

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

| November                          |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Landis, 7:30                      | 28 |
| December                          |    |
| Norwood, 11                       | 1  |
| Albamarle Ct., Union Chapel, 2:30 | 1  |
| First St., Albamarle, 7:30        | 1  |
| Bethpage, 7:30                    | 2  |
| East Spencer, 7:30                | 3  |
| Coburn Memorial, 7:30             | 4  |
| Main Street-Rowan, 7:30           | 5  |
| Midland, St. Pauls, 11            | 8  |
| Rocky Ridge, 2                    | 8  |
| Roberta, 3:30                     | 8  |
| Concord, Central, 7:30            | 9  |
| Jackson Park, 7:30                | 10 |
| Trinity, Kannapolis, 7:30         | 11 |
| Mt. Mitchell, 7:30                | 12 |
| Mt. Pleasant, 11                  | 15 |
| Friendship, Oak Grove, 2:30       | 15 |
| Gold Hill, 7                      | 15 |

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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him (1 Kings 19:20). But this young man made the request to be allowed to go home, to cover up his indecision, and Jesus was referring not to his words but to his hesitating attitude, when he said, No man, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God. So we say, Christian discipleship demands an irrevocable fixedness of purpose to serve Christ to the end.—Christian Advocate.



## IN MEMORIAM

Death to the elderly is natural and to be expected, but many hearts were saddened on Friday, May 31, 1940, when they learned that Mrs. Mollie McRae Howard had ended her earthly life and passed on to the beautiful life above where suffering is never known but rest and joy are supreme.

Mary Alice McRae was born June 26, 1857, in Wadesboro, where her young life expanded and she grew to be a woman of fine characteristics. On November 30, 1881, she became the wife of George Michael Howard. There were four children—Jessie McRae, Nannie Frontis, and twins, Lola and Cecil Ashe, all of whom preceded her in death. Surviving are her daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. M. Howard of Concord, five grandsons, three granddaughters and five great-grandchildren.

She united with the Methodist church early in life and continued faithful in its communion until death. For many years she was the efficient librarian of our church school.

There are two tests of Christian life. One is found in the Epistle of James: "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world." And the other is found in the lofty theme of Micah: "What doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God?" Mrs. Howard measured up to both of these standards and it pleased her heavenly Father to use her abundantly through a long life, more than four score years.

And so we count it a privilege to have worked with her and trust that the memory of her beautiful Christian life will inspire us to higher endeavors in the Master's work; for then we, too, shall find light at evening tide.

Mrs. P. J. Kiker, Sr., Pres.  
Mrs. W. N. Jeans.

**LINDLEY**—Orlando Sherman Lindley, son of the late Jesse Meacham Lindley and Frances Louisa Glenn Lindley, was born in Chatham county February 24, 1865. He was very sincere and felt his responsibilities even in early boyhood. He became a Christian in early boyhood and was an active Christian worker at the early age of 13 helping to lead others to Christ. He has filled practically all offices in the church and Sunday school.

His was a happy home, being a good neighbor, a loving father and husband. He was married to Miss Mary E. Perry March 18, 1888. To this union were born four children, three of whom survive—Jesse Webb Lindley, Charles V. Lindley and J. Parks Lindley. Mr. Lindley's good wife preceded him in death about five years ago. Mr. Lindley departed this life August 24 at the age of 75 years and six months.

He was a patient sufferer in his afflictions. His neighbors and friends can testify concerning his pleasant disposition and his happy home life, loving and respecting everybody. It can be truly said that he has gone to his reward.  
G. L. Reynolds, Pastor.

**PATTON**—Rev. William Alexander Patton was born March 22, 1856; died November 11, 1940, aged 84 years, 7 months and 19 days. He spent his early life in Marion, Va. Through his skill as a finishing carpenter he made contacts which brought him into Ashe county and into the home of Calvin Graybeal. It was while finishing the Graybeal home he fell in love with and married Rose Ellen Graybeal, January 9, 1884. Into this home came four daughters and three sons—Mrs. J. L. A. Bumgarner of Miller's Creek, W. M. Patton of Lansing, W. H. Patton of Ep-

worth, Ga., Mrs. C. S. Bumgarner of Miller's Creek, Miss Ollie Patton of Lansing, J. C. Patton of Lansing, and Mrs. R. E. Farmer of Lansing.

Mr. Patton joined the Blue Ridge conference of the former M. E. Church October 1898. For 31 years he served the church, 19 as pastor, 12 as district

superintendent. He was a member of the General Conference at Baltimore in 1908. He was known and loved by the young people wherever he went as Granddaddy Patton. His talent for creating beauty in all kinds of wood work was carried over into his passion for creating beauty in character and life.

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## 100,000TH PATIENT OF THE DUKE HOSPITAL



Three-year-old Shirley Hair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hair, of Route Two, Roseboro, N. C., on April 9, 1938, was the 100,000th patient to be registered for treatment at Duke Hospital. She received treatment in the orthopaedic department.

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### "A MERE MAN"

By Nora C. Chaffin

Shortly after the death of William Preston Few, late president of Duke University, I was one of a group of people who were discussing some of his pleasing characteristics and amusing ways. We ended by recounting his unusual accomplishments in the field of education. As we disbanded, someone remarked cynically: "There they go, trying to make a hero out of a mere man."

He was indeed "a mere man," with the potentiality for heroic achievement available to mankind.

In the days before Trinity College became a part of Duke University, Dr. Few was the faculty adviser of the senior classes. If all the members of these classes were like mine, they did not all fully appreciate him and his work. Some did not understand his carefully chosen words of advice. He spoke great truths in simple language. A few pseudo-intellectuals among the students said that he was trite; others complained that they could not figure out his observations and quotations. The majority of us thought that we understood what he was trying to do. All admired him; most of us loved him.

He would wander into the classroom; glance at this one, then at that one; seat himself at a table in front of the room; slip down loosely into the chair; twist around to see what was behind him; scratch his whiskered cheek with the index finger of his farther hand; then vigorously apply a thumb to the back of his head. Finally he would speak in a low quiet voice which often was difficult to hear. As he spoke, the fingers of both hands would rise and all noiselessly upon the table.

I sat in one of the seats on the front row; occasionally I jotted down what he said. Sometimes I wondered if I understood the full meaning of his words. More than once he urged us tensely, "Get the magots out of your brains!" This unusual figure of speech referred to grudges, prejudices, and evil thoughts that might sap the vitality of our mental processes. We accepted passively another favorite admonition: "Be something; then you can do something." Some looked doubtful when he quoted: "You can get a great deal done in the world if you don't care who gets the credit for it."

After I left college I frequently heard him speak; and I tried to read everything that was published above his name. For fifteen years I recognized as old friends quotations that he had adapted to his own requirements and had repeated to us in college. They appeared as a continuous refrain throughout his writings and public utterances. His most often quoted favorites were as follows:

"He lived in the beautiful hope to do some permanent good upon this earth."

"Be afraid of nothing except the face of wrong; but know danger when you see it and do not trust to the blind luck of fools."

"You need not be solicitous about power or strive for it. If you be wise and good, it will follow you, though you should not wish it."

"He lived his life and did his work and held his peace and had no fear to die."

"This I can now truly say, that I have willed to live worthily the while I have lived, and after my life to leave to the men that come after me a remembering of me in good works."

Two years ago I went to Dr. Few's office to discuss with him these quotations. He was surprised that anyone should remember specifically what he said. When I arose to go, he remarked that in the future he would try to avoid his repetitious habits. At first I was disturbed, but my concern proved unnecessary; he continued to use his favorites as long as he lived. They had become a part of his permanent intellectual equipment, and he could not conceal the fact that they expressed the guiding principles of his own life. They were for him a spiritual dynamo that generated energy for a "mere man" to live simply and achieve heroically.

### THE BOMB PROOF CROSS: A LONDON MISSIONER'S FAITH

The storm has broken over London; nay, it has descended over D— with increasing severity. Our noble pile of premises has had no less than three direct hits—one on the new Cripple's Hall recently built and opened, another on our air raid shelter and the third on the main hall itself. The Cripple's Hall burst into flames and is now razed to the ground. Several of our people have been killed, others have succumbed to severe injuries and a few are not expected to live.

Our main hall, beautiful in design, sacred in memory and hallowed in association, received a bomb right through the roof, making a huge crater, with falling debris on every hand. The rostrum where I have stood each Sunday to declare the unsearchable riches of Christ is now despoiled with dust and dirt. Can you wonder that I write this with a wounded heart—a heart that is torn and sad? Many of our brave, poor people are now homeless and destitute. They have lost every earthly possession, and yet I find them calm and confident in the knowledge they have not lost their Saviour. He remains the one great hope of their salvation.

If we have no hall in which to preach him, we can preach him in those homes full of sadness and sorrow. I watch people who were our constant worshippers come and gaze upon the ruins, then just as quietly they turn away and weep. This hall was their spiritual home, their haven of refuge.

Between the heavy raids this staff continue to run on their errands of mercy. We go many times, at the risk of our own lives, to comfort the dying, to succor the wounded, and to cheer the sad and lonely.

The cross on our hall tower still remains. It has weathered the onslaught, and stands as the symbol of undying love and peace, always the theme of our message and ministry. If my heart is heavy, may I add that my faith in my Lord remains unshaken and firm. I know, and know of a certainty, that in some not distant day, when the awful carnage is past, the walls will again be built and the hall will raise its head once more. It will cost in money 50,000 pounds to rebuild, and I feel confident God will supply all our needs.

Will you pray for us in this sore trial? We need His grace now to sustain us. These storm-tossed poor people need friendship and love. Will you share our sorrow and then share in our Master's joy? This is Crucifixion Day; just beyond is our Easter Day!

Just one part of our premises still stands, and that is where we intend carrying on His work and witness.—J. E. S. in Methodist Recorder (London).



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A new district superintendent announced that he expected to spend much time in the field. This filled some of the laymen with rejoicing.

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The North Carolina Pastors' School holds its coming session at Duke University June 2-7. This twenty-third session as in other years follows the commencement. The management is eager to have a program this year equal to the many which have gone before. These sessions cost some money and much thought and planning. All who would profit by these occasions should plan to take full advantage of all the opportunities offered under such favorable conditions and at such small cost.

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The announcement that Joseph P. Kennedy who has resigned as our ambassador to England will actively enlist in an effort to keep America out of war is good news for all who long for such a consummation. The folly of our entrance into the world war twenty-five years ago is now apparent to all. Yet there is always an element who are eager to get a nation into war. Today they can be found at every turn. It becomes the duty of every good citizen who wishes well for his country to do all possible to keep us out of war.

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The Wesley Foundation, a creature of our two conferences, has for the past five years been doing something for the students at Chapel Hill and College Place church, Greensboro. Other places in the state desire aid to minister to their student population. Much more needs to be done. But to get the most specific results the local churches involved must enter fully in the undertaking and the Wesley Foundation must also receive larger support. Along with this must go the fullest co-operation and the desire to render a service to these young people. There must be dominant a desire to serve—and certain readjustments must be made.

Most of our Methodists are not mindful of the many group meetings in circuits, districts and the larger groups to get a good start for the year. Pastors, leaders among the women and the laymen are anxious to get the many organizations set for the months ahead. Finances, missions and education in the local church make heavy demands upon all who are called to lead. Only those who get a good start can hope to win. In every church we should be all set ready to go before the holiday season is upon us. It is bad policy to wait until after Christmas to begin serious work.

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Two men were chatting together, one of them a fervent Protestant who was pouring scorn on the claims the Popes make to infallibility. "Well, there's nothing to get heated about," said the other. "It's natural for them to have that delusion. Most men circumstanced like them think like them, and if you only understood you wouldn't be so bitter against them." "What do you mean?" asked the other. "How is it natural for them to have the delusion that they're infallible?" "Well," said his friend, with a meaning smile, "aren't they all bachelors?"

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Make Christmas this year count for more than the usual celebration to gladden the heart of childhood. Of course the child must be kept in the midst. There cannot be the Christmas glee and youthful joy without the children. Old folks always make a bungle whenever they try to celebrate the coming of the Christ child with no children present. This is really and truly the childhood festival. But it is much more. The angels sang of peace and good will. This holiday season from every pulpit should ring out a message of peace and good will, and at every celebration should be heard above all else the song the angels sang. Christmas in 1940 should do much to keep this nation out of war. Make the war mongers ashamed of themselves as we exalt the Babe of Bethlehem.



## The Divine Urgency in the Face of Opposition

THE sorest opposition met by Jesus was a want of vision and undue stress on externals. They were not able to see the day of their opportunity. White harvest fields were thought to be months ahead. Some could see no good save in the days and the ways of old. They made much of Abraham, forgetful that the ancient worthies found God in the way ahead. Would it not be well for us to keep this in mind? The glory of our Methodism is yet to be. We are going to find God in the track ahead. The light shines out there.

Stress on the externals is not Methodism. This makes Pharisees, complacent and exacting. Jesus had wrought a wonderful work on a poor fellow, but they would none of this because he crossed some of their regulations of the Sabbath. The latter was more than the spirit. Would it not be well for us to have a care lest we fall into the same error? An eager enthusiasm bursting out of a rich experience will win more victories than the strictest adherence to the static forms of religious achievement. The spirit is more than the letter.

In the midst of this opposition, Jesus was constrained by an awful sense of divine responsibility. This gains expression from him at twelve years and continues to the cross. His meat and drink was to do his Father's will and to complete the work.

How significant his words to those caviling Jews, "My Father worketh until now, and I work!" Nothing static here! Religion is not something fixed for all. The kingdom is a becoming. The child is the best subject of the kingdom and the mustard seed best typifies its growth.

This is not Materialism, this is not Pantheism, this is not Deism. This is a Theism made known in the Son of God, the son of man.

God works and is continuing to work in him who is one with the Father. So thoroughly are they one that the Father can do nothing without the Son and the Son can do nothing without the Father. Jesus continues the work of quickening and renewing both the spirits and the bodies of men. He is making complete the purposes of the Father. The greater works are to be accomplished through him. The consummation is yet to be. He is Lord of life and of death. He and the Father are one. And we are to be one with him, as the vine and the branches. The Father works; Jesus works; we work. All are one in building the kingdom.

Jesus worked and taught and suffered. His church may expect to enter into fellowship with him. Are we really co-laborers with him and the Father in doing the work? Have we the vision? Are we willing that non-essentials should go? Are we bearing a burden? Or have we the burden-bearing power? Do we look on the missionary pledge as simply a debt to be paid, or is it a high privilege to be enjoyed?

Loyalty to the plans of the Father revealed in Jesus Christ is most urgent to make union a glorious realization. This money ought to be related to the larger efforts of the coming of the kingdom. It is a glorious privilege. Even though it could be done after the fashion a sheriff collects taxes, it ought not to be done. The church must become one with Him in doing those greater works through the power of Him who continues to work in his world for the consummation of his purposes. We have had many wonderful years in the work of our Methodism. Would that we might get a vision of the years yet to be. The fields are white! Why say ye, there are yet four months until harvest?

The prophet-passion will give the needed impulse to the undertakings of these days. We are always in danger of the dead weight that comes from the mass of inert nobodies. They are really more to be dreaded than active opposition. They crush with their inertia rather than excite to active effort. The prophetic passion and the apostolic spirit always bring some readjustments and the breaking up of the old fixed forms, but this is not bad. The Pharisees will plot and hound to the death, but the future is always with the resurrection power. The Calvaries always have the promise of the Easter morn. How cheering this for all who go forth with the divine urgency saying, "I must work the work of Him that sent me!"

The joy of the finished task is a fine incentive for all who give themselves to the work. There is so much indifference, so much caviling, so much want of vision that the best of us need the encouragement that follows for all who come to know the joy of work well done. The Master himself emphasized this.

## Live Well and Avoid Decay

IF a man will follow the schedule which Confucius, the great master of Oriental thinking, gives as his own, he will in all normal cases never know decay or arrest of his power of acquisition or production till the machinery it-



self shall have been broken by extreme old age. Confucius says: "When I attained the age of fifteen, I became bent upon study. At thirty I was a confirmed student. At forty naught could swerve me from my course. At fifty I comprehended the wills and decrees of heaven. At sixty my ears were attuned to them. At seventy I could follow my heart's desire without overstepping the paths of rectitude."

A very encouraging exhibit was made a few years ago in the Century Magazine by Dr. Dorland as to the ages at which the world's great men have wrought their greatest works. With a view of accuracy he pursued a strictly scientific method. He made a list of four hundred men who, in his judgment, were the leaders of his race in all the fields of endeavor, such as "statesmen, painters, warriors, poets, writers of history, fiction, and other prose productions." He submitted this list to a number of leading scholars, and it was revised once and again until the list agreed with the consensus of scholars as to what four hundred men constituted the world's foremost workers. This done to the satisfaction of the majority, Dr. Dorland placed opposite these names the foremost achievement of each and the age at which each man had performed his greatest work. The list was arranged according to decades of age, and it was found that thirty-five per cent of the world's greatest achievements were wrought between sixty and seventy, twenty-three per cent between seventy and eighty, and six per cent above eighty. This means that sixty-four per cent of the world's greatest achievements have been made by men above sixty years of age. The most fertile period was between fifty and sixty, wherein twenty-five per cent fell, and only ten per cent came between forty and fifty. This leaves but one per cent to fall below the forty years' line, and this was made up of those classes of work which call for physical force and what may be called natural nerve.

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I do go to church. I prefer to go, and I love to go, and to my glad surprise I find that without realizing it the shadow of my life has influenced others. Young people have been won, older people have been comforted, some who were stumbling have been strengthened. I went to church in order to give, and gave more than I knew, and in giving to God and to others I found that my own heart and life had received a hundredfold more than I gave.—W. W. Hamilton, in Biblical Recorder.

### Dedicated to Help and Serve Mankind

DR. FREDERICK M. HANES, presiding at the dedication exercises of the new 200-room addition to the Duke University Hospital housing the recently projected psychiatry department, insisted that "the splendid surroundings in which we work will become only a reproach unless the quality of the work we do reflects credit upon the work we do."

This distinguished member of the Duke medical staff concluded his brief words with this apt observation: "Seventy-six years ago a group of men met at Gettysburg to dedicate a memorial to the soldier dead. Lincoln said, very simply, that they were not gathered to dedicate a monument, but to dedicate themselves to the cause in which they believed. And so today, it would seem fitting that we not only dedicate these buildings, but that we also dedicate ourselves anew to that profession which ever seeks to serve and help mankind."

Most informing indeed were the statements of Dr. Hanes prior to this closing paragraph. They are:

"With the inauguration of our new department of psychiatry, and the completion of the private diagnostic building, Duke medical school has completed its ten year plan. We now have a school well rounded and well balanced, containing under one roof the laboratories needed for scientific investigation and the wards which serve as clinical laboratories.

The trustees of the Duke endowments have dealt with us in a fine spirit of generosity and with a wise foresight which makes us humbly thankful. I say humbly because so much, generously bestowed, places upon us a great obligation—an obligation that may well exceed our powers to perform. Let us not delude ourselves. The splendid surroundings in which we work will become only a reproach unless the quality of the work we do reflects credit upon these surroundings. 'Noblesse oblige.'

Today we live in a grim and brutal world. Nations which we had hoped were leading us to a higher culture, and a kindlier civilization, are now dominated by ruthless men who are turning back for their inspiration to those bleak centuries justly termed the dark ages. It is a time to shake man's faith in man, but it is also a very fitting time to dedicate to the service of sick mankind one more small evidence that medicine holds fast to sanity in a world that seems violently insane."



# ❖ People and Things ❖

**Our bishop authorizes the appointment of Rev. Gilbert Miller of Duke University to Burnett's Chapel and Liberty Grove churches.—L. B. Hayes, D. S.**

Rev. F. F. Frisbie, pastor of Huntersville charge, is seriously ill at Mercy Hospital, Charlotte. He underwent an operation Monday, December 2.—C. C. Benton.

Rev. Walter Pavy, formerly of Wilmington but now of Leland, continues his broadcasts over WFMD each Friday 5 p. m. Those interested will make note.

I returned December 2 from Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital much improved after 26 days' stay there. Great place to be when one is sick.—Ebenezer Myers.

It is becoming a common occurrence to ride through Gaston county and see farmer after farmer improving his pasture land, reports Maury Gaston, farm agent of the State College Extension Service.

Dr. J. E. Pritchard, pastor of the Ramseur-Franklinville Methodist charge, was elected president of the Randolph County Ministerial Association here Monday. He is known here as former pastor of the Asheboro Central Methodist church.—Courier-Tribune.

William Everett Hocutt, 37, passed away at his home in Rocky Mount Friday, November 15. He was the son of the late Rev. W. E. Hocutt. He is survived by his wife, a son, William Everett, Jr., and a daughter, Mary Lucile, and his mother, Mrs. W. E. Hocutt, Sr.—E. L. Hillman.

Dr. Albert W. Beaven, president Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, Rochester, N. Y., was guest speaker for the Duke University service of worship last Sunday morning. The theme of his sermon was "God and Tomorrow." The many visitors present in connection with the observance of Dad's Day gave the appearance of a commencement occasion. The chapel was filled to the doors.

Hawthorne Lane church, Charlotte, was organized on December 5, 1915. On Sunday, December 8, the 25th anniversary service will be held. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach the sermon at 11 a. m. All members, former and present, and former pastors and district superintendents are invited. Pews are reserved for charter members.—E. A. Cole, Chairman.

Dr. L. R. Akers, former president of Asbury College, now pastor of the Bedford Methodist church in suburban Cleveland, Ohio, was the guest speaker for his son, Rev. L. R. Akers, Jr., at the Big Spring church near Charlotte, November 17. While en route Dr. and Mrs. Akers visited also their youngest son, R. L. Akers, designing engineer at Toccoa, Ga., and their eldest son, Dr. Wm. G. Akers, professor of modern languages in the college of William and Mary in Norfolk, Va.

Rev. A. J. Clemmer, Jr., pastor of the Hayesville Methodist church, and Mrs. Clemmer held open house at the parsonage Sunday afternoon, December 1, from 3 to 6 o'clock. Over 50 members of the churches of the Hayesville charge and other friends visited them. Mr. and Mrs. Clemmer welcomed the guests at the door and Mrs. Ed L. Curtis, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, assisted at the registration book, which was made in loose leaf fashion with hand carved wooden backs. A group of young ladies from the Epworth Leagues of the Hayesville and Oak Forest churches assisted in the spacious dining room, where cookies and punch were served. Their friendly attitude, their easy manner of getting acquainted in their new home and their youthful strength of endeavor bid well for a good year in church work here.—J. Guy Padgett, Chm. Board of Stewards.

We have been graciously received on the Pigeon Valley charge. Everyone has been interested in our welfare and are doing all they can to make us comfortable. We live in a rented house four miles from Canton. We plan to begin very soon the building of a parsonage.—E. Marvin Holye, Route 2, Canton, N. C.

High lights of the regular biennial meeting of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, to be held in Atlantic City, N. J., December 10-13, will be covered for NBC listeners by Dr. Walter Van Kirk, religious news commentator, during a special broadcast Thursday, December 12. Dr. Van Kirk, speaking from Philadelphia, will be heard from 6 to 6:15 p. m. E.S.T., over the NBC Red Network. Features of the meeting are expected to include a biennial report on the state of the church and discussions revolving around the church and international crisis and church co-operation and unity; and the election of officers for the biennial 1941-42.

We, the members of Union Chapel church and Sunday school, with deep regret report the death of one of our oldest and most faithful members, Mr. R. L. Baker, 71. Until sickness prevented he attended services regularly, being superintendent of our Sunday school a number of years. Seems that it was a pleasure for him to be working for the Lord, and his works will long be remembered by his many friends. Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. William C. Sides, Jr., assisted by Rev. Mr. Turner, at the church November 19 at 3 o'clock. A large crowd of friends and relatives joined with the family in mutual love and sympathy in their hour of bereavement.—Vada Gray Boger.

On Tuesday evening an army of true friends and loyal Christians launched a drive on our parsonage through a downpour of rain. No damage was done but much good. An old time pounding! A complete surprise to the parsonage dwellers. This was to prepare the pastor and his family for a real Thanksgiving, and the purpose was highly successful. We greatly appreciate this expression of love, confidence, friendship and devotion on the part of these good people. "Our lines have fallen to us in pleasant places." Truly we have a goodly heritage. We thank our friends and praise God. "Blest be the tie that binds." One month of our conference year has passed with budget balanced on all items and a goodly amount in treasure to apply toward second month. We are off to a good start, with good people, for a good year.—G. N. Dulin.

In accordance with our orders, we have moved from the Yanceyville charge, where we left some of the finest, truest Christian friends that anyone ever had. The people were loyal and co-operative, for which we honestly and truly love them individually and collectively. However, it is a joy to be here at Parkton, for we are in the midst of a congenial people and we rejoice in the fine fellowship of the minister of the Fayetteville district. Permit us to pay a loving and deserved tribute to Brother L. J. King of Bethel church. Although he has been extremely ill, flat of his back and under the constant care of a trained nurse for several years, yet he continues as an active steward. People gladly bring him their church money; but with the help of his good wife, Mrs. Ethel, and his nurse he actually goes out in his rolling chair after some of this money. His collections are marvelous and put his able-bodied co-laborers to shame. His interest in the church and his Advocate is very keen, and his Christian life is an inspiration to his pastor and friends everywhere. Would that we had more stewards and laymen like Brother King. May God continue to bless him.—A. E. Brown.



## GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Bishop Clare Purcell, Charlotte, of the Southeastern jurisdiction of the Methodist Church will be the principal speaker for Greensboro College's annual Founders' and Benefactors' Day, and home coming day, Saturday, December 7.

The program begins at 11:15 a. m. with the Greensboro College faculty academic procession into Odell auditorium, where Bishop Purcell addresses the student body, faculty, alumnae and friends of the college. The glee club, under the direction of Walter E. Vassar, will provide special music. Important announcements will be made.



Bishop Clare Purcell

Luncheon for alumnae and guests will be served at one o'clock in the students activities building. There will be an alumnae forum in the alumnae room at two o'clock, presided over by Mrs. L. E. Blanchard, Raleigh, chairman of the Alumnae Council. After Dr. Luther L. Gobbel's message, pertinent questions to which alumnae seek answers will be discussed by Mrs. Lynn Hunt Ross, Pleasant Garden; Mrs. H. T. Prosser, Greensboro; Mrs. G. G. Adams, Matthews; Miss Mary Dixon Hines, Washington, D. C., and Mrs. H. G. McEntire, Greensboro.

A tea at 3:30 in the student activities building ends the program for the day. Receiving at the tea will be Dr. and Mrs. Luther L. Gobbel, Bishop Purcell, Dr. and Mrs. S. B. Turrentine, Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, Miss Nannie Lee Smith, Mrs. W. R. Odell of Durham, Mrs. P. W. Flagge, Miss Vera Idol of High Point, Mrs. F. C. Boyles, Mrs. Everett Marsh, Mrs. E. L. Sides, Mrs. James T. Hamlin, Jr., Mrs. W. M. Curtis, Mrs. W. T. Lynch, Miss Gertrude Davis, Miss Annie Laurie Lowrance, Mrs. G. G. Adams, Mrs. Karl Bishopric, Mrs. W. D. Alley, Mrs. Charles Ruffin, Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Craven, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hayes, and Dr. Reuben G. Alley.

All alumnae of Greensboro College and Davenport College, which was merged with G. C. about two years ago, are invited to return to the college on this day. Other special guests invited by the college to attend the morning meeting in Odell Memorial, the home coming luncheon, and the college tea are the trustees, the ministers, district superintendents, members of the boards of education of the two North Carolina Methodist conferences and their wives.

This is the first time that Founders' and Benefactors' Day and home coming day has been observed in the fall; heretofore it has always been in the spring. Besides eliminating the rush that always comes with the college spring program, it is also more appropriate that Greensboro College celebrate this day in December, because on December 28, 1838, the college was founded and originally chartered as Greensboro Female College, and on December 28, 1938, the college was re-chartered following the merger with Davenport College.

All persons expecting to attend the luncheon at one o'clock December 7 are requested to notify Miss Mary Brock, alumnae secretary, Greensboro College, not later than Friday, December 6.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel spoke at West End Methodist church at 11 o'clock last Sunday. As district lay leader of the Greensboro district, he spoke on the work of laymen in the local church. On Tuesday, December 3, at 12 o'clock Dr. Gobbel spoke to the Greensboro Ministerial Association in the Y. M. C. A. on "Church and Higher Education."

The school of music presented Miss Mary Lee Oliphant in her senior piano recital on Friday evening at 8 in Odell

auditorium. Miss Oliphant is a music major and a pupil of Miss Blanche Burrus.

Greensboro College will present Mark Hoffman, director of the school of music, in piano recital in Odell auditorium Sunday, December 8, at 4 p. m. Mr. Hoffman's program will include "Toccata and Fugue in D minor," (Bach-Tausig); "Sonata Op. 53 (Waldstein," (Beethoven); "Ballade in G minor" (Chopin); "Berceuse" (Chopin); "Scherzo in B minor" (Chopin); "Barcarole" (Liadoff); "Scherzo" (Griffes); "Bera Dance" (Bela, Bartok); "Perpetual Motion" (Alkan Macdowell).

Widely known in music circles throughout North Carolina, Mr. Hoffman is professor of piano and theoretical music as well as being director of the school of music at Greensboro College. He is a member of the Euterpe Club of Greensboro and is director of the choir of the Church of the Covenant.

## BREVARD COLLEGE FORWARD MOVEMENT

Brevard College has initiated a Forward Movement program. The first step will be the raising of \$100,000 for a new science building, and \$100,000 in endowment resources. Mr. L. H. Martin, a Methodist layman of Greensboro, has been employed as assistant to the president in raising money. At the present time plans are being made for a thorough canvass of the Waynesville, Asheville, and Marion districts. The necessary preliminary work will be completed by February 1, with the expectation that general solicitation will occupy the month of February. The outline of the plan provides for raising \$10,000 in Brevard and Transylvania county. After completion of the solicitation in the three districts indicated, a similar effort will be made in other districts in the Western North Carolina conference. It is hoped that the necessary funds for the new science building can be raised so that construction can begin by June 1, 1941, at the latest.

Brevard College is now applying to the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges for membership in that organization. In order to be admitted it will be necessary to construct the new science building and increase the endowment resources by at least \$100,000. The application for enrollment in the Southern Association will be presented at the annual meeting of that body in Memphis, Monday, December 9.

There is general agreement that the forward steps are entirely reasonable and that members of the Methodist Church in the western half of North Carolina are ready to support the institution. Since the opening of the college in September, 1934, the average enrollment has been above 400 students. These students have come from all over the territory embraced by the Western North Carolina conference. The ideals on which the institution was projected have been followed closely and the record made is sufficient to warrant both the moral and financial support of the entire church constituency.

## NEW YEAR STARTS WELL AT SHILOH

Our new conference year is starting off fine with our new pastor, Rev. C. G. Isley, who came from Main Street church, Albemarle. He is a very enthusiastic worker and the congregation welcomes him and his mother, Mrs. Hattie Isley. We are looking forward for a great year.

We regret very much giving up Rev. T. B. Huneycutt and his family, who did splendid work during his five years. Under his pastorate the beautiful stone church was built, costing approximately \$20,000.

We are proud of our Sunday school. It is well organized. Mr. R. L. Williams is general superintendent; L. C. Kluttz is superintendent of adult division; J. Norman Aley is superintendent of young people's division; Mrs. C. M. Hall, superintendent of children's department. We are planning a Christmas program for the adult and young people's divisions on December 22; and on Christmas night the children will have a program, at which time a Christmas bag will be given to every member of the Sunday school.

We have a very active board of religious education which meets monthly. Mrs. J. M. Lyerly is president.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service was organized with 37 charter members. Mrs. C. C. Staton is the efficient president.

The first quarterly conference was held November 12 with a large number of officials present. The salary was set for \$1900 and the work was planned for the year.

There have been some improvements made on the parsonage which amounts to \$150. Mrs. J. M. Lyerly.



## THE TENTH BIRTHDAY PARTY OF DUKE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND DUKE HOSPITAL

Formally observing the completion of their first ten years of existence, Duke University School of Medicine and Duke Hospital noted the occasion by dedicating the new 200-room addition to the hospital and the recently projected psychiatry department on the first of the two-day celebration.

Students of the first year who are now living in other sections of the country expressed surprise and satisfaction at the wonderful progress made since they entered the school a decade ago. Then no one had any idea of the demands that would come in ten or even in twenty years for an enlargement of the plant. Now they found this present new building contributing to the ever enlarging service the Duke hospital is rendering to this section of the nation.

### Dedication Exercises

The dedication exercises were held in the hospital amphitheatre during the afternoon. Dr. Robert L. Flowers, acting president of the university, paid a tribute to the late President W. P. Few who had long been interested in the hospital's and school's growth and had anticipated attending the program, and also to James B. Duke who made the founding of the medical center possible.

Dr. Flowers also expressed the university's appreciation of a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation and the gift to the university of Highland Hospital at Asheville by Dr. Robert S. Carroll. Dr. Carroll was present for the exercises and was introduced to the audience. The Rockefeller and Carroll gifts make possible the development on a sound basis of a complete department of psychiatry, Dr. Flowers declared.

Speaking for the medical school, Dean W. C. Davison said that the new Duke Hospital wing, containing 80 offices and examining rooms and 118 beds, should do much to provide adequate hospitalization for the patient of average means. Dean Davison also expressed the hope that the new psychiatry department would render valuable co-operative service to the state and the southeastern region.

The reference of Dr. Flowers to the ever abiding interest of Dr. Few in all that concerned the medical school, and his personal reference to the desire of Mr. Duke expressed fifteen years ago that he might live to see the future development of the university, made most vivid the realization on the part of many present acquainted with other years of the recent passing of two men who have meant so much in all that pertains to Duke University.

### Dr. Meyer Speaks

The presence of Dr. Adolf Meyer, Henry Phipp professor of psychiatry at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, was an outstanding feature of the anniversary program. Speaking at the opening event on the two-day program in the amphitheatre, Dr. Meyer's prepared address outlined the development of psychiatry during the past 50 years. As the dean of this science in this country and formulator of psycho-biology, Dr. Meyer has done much to establish his field on the firm basis it now occupies.

Dr. Meyer declared that psychiatry must be a basic and practical part of training in medicine, pointing out that medical science must consider the history, back-

ground and personality of the patient, and study his whole nature to adequately comprehend him.

The Duke psychiatric wards have been named Meyer in honor of the distinguished Johns Hopkins psychiatrist.

### Alumni Association Organized

Dr. Jay M. Arena of the staff of Duke Hospital and the Duke University School of Medicine, was named president of the new alumni association of the School of Medicine at a dinner meeting of the tenth anniversary observance of the joint institutions.

Dr. Arena was in the first group of students when the hospital and School of Medicine was opened in 1930, as were the other officers: Dr. R. W. Graves, vice president; Dr. Lennox D. Baker, corresponding secretary, and Dr. J. Lamar Calloway, secretary-treasurer. All are now on the Duke staff.

### HALIFAX

"Go to Halifax," they said, and I have been here two weeks—long enough to learn that there is a present history as well as a past. Though it bristles with history. Willie P. Jones, a great patriot and outstanding exponent of democracy, lived in a large grove on the outskirts of the city. John Paul Jones spent some time in the home of that great American statesman. Lord Cornwallis vanquished the local militia on his way from Wilmington to Yorktown. George Washington spent two days here in May 1791, while visiting in the South. The Constitution House marks the signing of one of the declarations of independence in America. But all the history is not in the past. Hon E. L. Travis, one of the leading legal lights in the state, lives here and teaches the Bible class in the Methodist church. His wife is a noted musician and artist. Besides, the Dickens, the Millikins, the Applewhites, the Shaws, the Reads and many others are here to hold aloft the torch of civilization.

Dr. C. T. Thrift, my predecessor, made a profound impression on this community by his masterful preaching and boundless activity.

And the people gave expression to the Thanksgiving spirit by pouring a bountiful pounding on the pastor. The future beckons to greater achievements. It now looks as if there might be an increase in salary of \$300 or \$400. There needs to be a "resurgence" of Methodism, and here is hoping that some modern writer may be able to write the epic.

### ONCE TO EVERY MAN AND NATION

Once to every man and nation Comes the moment to decide,  
In the strife of truth with falsehood, For the good or evil  
side;  
Some great cause, God's new Messiah, Offering each the  
bloom or blight.  
And the choice goes by forever 'Twixt that darkness and that  
light.

Then to side with truth is noble, When we share her wretched  
crust,  
Ere her cause bring fame and profit, And 'tis prosperous to  
be just;  
Then it is the brave man chooses While the coward stands  
aside,  
Till the multitude make virtue Of the faith they had denied.

By the light of burning martyrs, Christ, Thy bleeding feet  
we track,  
Toiling up new Calvaries ever With the cross that turns not  
back;  
New occasions teach new duties, Time makes ancient good  
uncouth;  
They must upward still and onward, Who would keep  
abreast of truth.

Though the cause of evil prosper, Yet 'tis truth alone is  
strong;  
Though her portion be the scaffold, And upon the throne be  
wrong;  
Yet that scaffold sways the future, And behind the dim  
unknown,  
Standeth God within the shadow Keeping watch above his  
own. Amen.

—James Russell Lowell, 1819-1891.



## MORNING STAR METHODIST CHURCH, CANTON, DEDICATED DECEMBER 1

Professor Ormond of Duke University preached the sermon of the hour. Rev. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent of the Waynesville district, served as leader of the program and introduced Professor Ormond. Rev. W. H. Pless, now retired, the former pastor and builder of the new church, led the opening prayer.

Morning Star is now for the first time in its history a station church. The people are proud of their new temple, which is among the most beautiful in western North Carolina. They are also grateful to the Duke Endowment and its skillful ecclesiastic architect, Mr. H. N. Haines, and to all the friends far and wide who made the building possible.

### Historical Statement

Early in the nineteenth century the Lutherans built the first church house to be erected on the Morning Star church site. A number of people now living remember this structure of logs with its pulpit, high, and to one side. The Lutherans did not build at a strategic time and so eventually ceased operating this pioneer outpost.

Over 100 years ago the people called Methodists had gained a foothold at Clyde, N. C., four miles distant. The original Shook of Clyde, the father of Mills Shook, supposedly received the first Methodist preacher ever to come to this vicinity. It is quite possible that Frances Asbury was this preacher, as his death did not occur until 1816. Bishop Asbury is reputed to have preached in the third story room of the Smathers home near Clyde.

One may be sure that Methodism was held in high esteem in these parts. This is revealed in the action of Rev. Nehemiah Bonham, a Presbyterian minister who was buried in the Morning Star cemetery in 1846. Rev. Mr. Bonham advised the people to turn to the Methodists be-

cause of their efficient itinerancy and because of the fine appeal which Methodism was making.

The division of the Methodist Church in America came about the time of the organization of Morning Star. The organization of the church was carried on under the leadership of the original Smathers' and Rhodarmers', and the occasional preacher.



REV. G. W. BUMGARNER  
Pastor Morning Star Church

In 1866, or thereabout, a Rev. Mr. Fanning reorganized the church as Morning Star Methodist Episcopal church. Through the Holston, the Blue Ridge, and later the Blue Ridge-Atlantic conferences of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, Morning Star received its pastors. Through the leadership of these pastors and the splendid leadership of the local people through the years Morning Star has continually worked toward greater and finer goals.

After using a frame building many years, Rev. Carter Matney planted seed which was to grow into a more adequate church pulpit. To Rev. W. H. Pless credit is due for the splendid way in which the plant was watered to maturity. With the ashes of that plant the fertile ground grew an even more beautiful and more excellent plant which matured in eleven months to the day.

### THE PASTOR AT KENNAKEET MADE HAPPY

The new pastor of the Kennaakeet charge and his wife have received a very cordial welcome to their new work. This welcome has been expressed in actions as well as in words. On Thursday night, November 21, members of Clarks-Bethel and Fair Haven churches surprised us with a bounteous "pounding." On the following Monday we were surprised when the women of St. John's church gave Mrs. Autry a liner shower in which she received many beautiful and useful gifts. The members of the charge are showing their thoughtfulness also in the new items with which they are furnishing the parsonage.

We are anticipating a very happy and we pray a fruitful year with these good people.

J. D. A. Autry, Pastor.



New Morning Star Methodist Church, Canton, N. C.



## AFTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS IN THE MINISTRY

By Rev. W. L. Maness, Jackson, N. C.

On the morning of December 6, 1915, in Grace church, Wilmington, N. C., I had the high and holy privilege of receiving my first appointment. To me it was a glorious hour. I shall never cease to appreciate and thank God for the spirit of resignation and peace of mind which he gave me. Down in my heart I was willing to go anywhere. But not knowing where I was to go, I listened almost breathlessly as Bishop John C. Kilgo arose and began reading the appointments. When he came to the Fayetteville district I discovered that Dr. J. T. Gibbs, district superintendent, had assumed responsibility for my appointment and I was read out for Erwin.

Now, after twenty-five years of joyous service in this glorious ministry of the gospel of Christ, I feel constrained to say something about my work, hoping that it will not be misunderstood, and that what I shall say will be helpful to many. It has been my privilege to serve the following charges an average of three and a half years each: Erwin, Parkton, Fayetteville circuit, Siler City, Person circuit, Snow Hill and Yanceyville. I am now in my second year on Northampton circuit. These have been average charges in the North Carolina conference, paying the average salary of the conference. With this average of opportunities in mind, and out of the experience that I have had as a rural pastor, I am writing to make a few suggestions and to set forth some of the results that might normally be expected of a minister of the gospel under normal conditions.

On this happy anniversary of my entrance into the ministry I have summarized some of the material and spiritual results of my work. The record is as follows:

Received on profession of faith 842; an average annually of 33.

Received by certificate 409; an average annually of 16.

Infants baptized 98; an average annually of 4.

Adults baptized 652; an average annually of 26.

Funerals conducted 293; an average annually of 11.

Marriages 218; an average annually of 8.

Raised for conference collections \$16,563; an average annually of \$662.

Raised for orphanage \$5610; an average annually of \$224.

Raised for all purposes \$126,960; average annually of \$5040.

These results do not represent the best that this preacher and his charges could have done, but the thought of labors expended and personalities involved in making this record possible rejoices our hearts and makes our faith in God stronger. The memory of sweet fellowships and hallowed experiences inspire us onward to greater service for our Lord.

I have always believed in and loved the Methodist Church. I am so happy that I was nurtured at her bosom and cradled in her sanctuaries. The church has meant all to me, and I rejoice that I have had this opportunity of giving these years of service in her behalf.

For her my tears shall fall,  
For her my prayers ascend,  
To her my cares and toils be given,  
Till toils and cares shall end.

But this does not mean that I believe that the church is infallible. It is not. The spirit of restlessness and discontent that exists among so many of our preachers and laymen is an evidence of the fact that all is not well with the church, and that we are not yet made perfect in love.

One of the chief causes of dissatisfaction among our ministers is that of finances. So many of our charges do not pay enough for a preacher and his family to live on. No preacher wants to live continuously in economic martyrdom while others have plenty and to spare. When the salaries of our preachers are adjusted so that each man knows that, wherever he goes, he will receive a just and equitable salary, our difficulties in the making of appointments will have largely been solved. I am not saying that all preachers should receive the same salary. We are not all worth an equal amount. But I am saying that a preacher who is faithful and efficient in his work should be paid a living wage. During my entire ministry I have served small towns and rural communities. I did not make these appointments. I was afraid to, and I do not know that I could have done any better. I accepted them uncomplainingly and am glad that I had the opportunity to serve each of them. The people were good to me, results were gratifying, and I received a salary equal to the average in our conference.

This is not a day for restlessness, bickerings and discontent. We must seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and lay less stress on things of minor importance. The church is not to be, primarily, an agency for raising money. It is an agency, commissioned by Christ, for the redemption of lost humanity. Our people were never more hungry for this gospel message of love in Christ. And if we fail in the winning of souls, God pity us. Therefore, on this anniversary of mine, I am willing to say, "Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Let us all be thus minded.

## A CHRISTIAN CRUSADE

By Walt N. Johnson

Yes, a crusade wider and deeper than the movement in Europe to seize an empty grave in Asia. There comes on a crusade to convince all the continents that the One who came out of that void tomb at Jerusalem is now alive everywhere in our world confusion. Even greater than the planting of the Christian churches of the first century must be the renaissance of our Christian churches of the twentieth century. This is to be the greatest crusade of all time.

And some of us are trying to get ready for it. But we are going to be saying less about it even in the columns of this little bulletin (The Next Step) than we have said in recent months. We have been innocently thinking that this sheet was nothing more than a semi-private letter sent out to a few hundred people. But we are shocked to find that it is getting too much publicity and stirring up premature opposition.

The crusade when it breaks on us will get its own publicity. But the preparation for it now going on in a few groups does not need much public attention. In fact, notoriety would chill it and block it.

God's beginnings are usually invisible and noiseless. We shall be glad for this immense adventure to be kept so in its early stages. So, if we say less about launching a crusade in the next year or two, those interested in it with us may be assured that we are trying to do more about it.—Biblical Recorder.



## EXPERIMENT WITH THE GOSPEL!

By E. Stanley Jones

The provinces of science and religion are being clarified. Science has reference to that which can be weighed and measured, religion has reference to that which can be evaluated. Science has reference to the quantitative aspects of life and religion to the qualitative. Science would define the poetry of Milton in terms of the physical structure of the sentences, the constituent elements of the ink and paper upon which it was written. But there is something else there using the physical structure of the sentences—ideas, emotions, purposes, values.

Religion would interpret these purposes and values and set them to work in behalf of better human living; it would therefore take the answer of both science and religion to give an adequate answer to the meaning of the poetry of Milton.

Science defines a violin solo as the scraping of a horse's tail across the guts of a dead cat—a perfectly true definition as far as it goes. The violinist would probably object, for there are ideas, emotions, longings, using the physical structure of the violin. Religion would take hold of these ideas and emotions, interpret them and thus complete the definition of science.

Science and religion need each other. For the powers of science are morally neutral, they can be used in purposes of collective remaking or of collective ruin. It all depends on what is behind the powers of science. Give me two things; the technique of science and the spirit of religion behind that technique and let me direct those powers of science to the purpose of the kingdom of God and we can remake the world. But science alone can't do it, nor can religion alone. They must come together. If religion has something to give to science, then science, in turn, has something to give to religion: namely, the method of experimentation, verified knowledge.

Can we take this method and apply it to the realm of values as science applies it to the realm of that which can be weighed and measured? Yes, that fits in with the method of the Christian gospel, for Jesus did not ask men to believe blindly. He asked them to experiment by an act of experimental faith in the realm of value. And when they did it, they found that it worked. Jesus verified himself as a Saviour because he saved men here and now from gloom and despair and meaninglessness, and from the tyranny of self and its passions. He is a Saviour because he saves. It works.

We ask this modern generation to experiment with the Christian gospel and they find it works.

## THE DEBT OF THE SCHOOL OF RELIGION TO WILLIAM PRESTON FEW

The debt of the School of Religion to President Few was fundamental and many-sided. He brought a religious heritage from Quaker and Methodist ancestry that was enriched by his personal religious experience and wide acquaintance with religious leaders.

Though a busy university president, Dr. Few gave time and thought unstintingly to the religious and educational work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, now The Methodist Church. He was a delegate to the General Conferences since 1914, a member of the Educational Commission since 1898, a member of the General Sunday School Board since 1914, and one of the most ac-

tive officers of Duke Memorial Methodist church and Sunday school in Durham. He was a member of the commission that prepared the legislation for the Uniting Conference of the three branches of Methodism. He was probably the leading laymen in the Southern churches. He shared James B. Duke's desire that Duke University should be distinctly a religious university and that its faculty should be men and women of religious character. He took special pride in the University Chapel, and the preachers and services in it had his careful supervision. He insisted on the importance of biblical and religious courses in the undergraduate curriculum.

President Few was particularly interested in the School of Religion. The plan to use part of the income of the Duke Endowment for aiding rural Methodist churches in the form of scholarships was his conception. It provided a trained ministry with thirty weeks actual experience in country churches under close supervision.

He gave especial attention to the faculty, students and curriculum of the school. He often said he knew nothing of law and medicine and had to leave those schools to others, but that he did think he knew something about religion. His knowledge of the character and activities of both faculty and students was uncanny. He desired that the school should train both scholars and preachers and often supervised modifications of the curriculum and changes in the staff to secure these.

President Few was interested in many applications of Christianity, especially in temperance and the welfare of the Negroes. He was a trustee of the Jeanes Fund and the General Education Board and a member of the Federal Council of Churches. His attitude was always that of an educator rather than that of a propagandist. He always rejected the temptation to set up a paper university or school. He would listen to a concrete program for education or human betterment; but he required evidence of a specific need of the efficacy of a plan.

His death removes a supporter and counselor on whom we had depended even more than we knew. If the school is able to go on without him, it is because he has established its policies and worked out its organization so that they can endure his removal from our midst.

Elbert Russell.

## BOMBARDMENT WITHOUT WARNING AT MOCKSVILLE

It was the night before Thanksgiving,  
And all about the house  
Not a thing was stirring—  
Well, maybe a mouse.

Without an air warning, coming in heavy formation,  
They let loose on the parsonage.  
Flying low and with good aim, they made a direct hit  
On the dining room and kitchen with the heaviest pounding  
we have seen.  
Even a turkey hit the pot,  
And started a fire of appreciation that could be seen for miles.  
It was all over before we could think to say Jack Robinson;  
But we do say "Thank you!" to the fine Mocksville congregation.

E. M. Avett.

The ultimate test of a church is not the extent and working of its manifold organization, nor even its effectiveness in rallying its own members to its services; the real test is in the effect upon the community and in the extent and quality of the church's ministry to those outside as well as inside its own fellowship.—Advance.



# Dreams Come True

By CHARLES R. BROWN

"After he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavored to go."—Acts 16:10.

The man who saw the vision had never seen Europe. He was Asiatic, born and bred in that continent which gave birth to all the great religions, Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, Judaism, Christianity. Here in this land we are the products of foreign missionary effort. Our own religion came to us from Asia.

This man was a traveling evangelist, who had been working successfully as an apostle of the new faith in Asia. He had preached in such cities as Jerusalem and Damascus, Antioch and Ephesus. He had aided in the development of Christian communities in many parts of Syria and Asia Minor. He purposed to go north into Bithynia, a lovely province on the shores of the Black Sea. But when Paul and his friends moved out in that direction, something happened. We are not told exactly what—he does not go into details. He believed that it was providential. "The Spirit suffered us not to go into Bithynia." They found obstacles in the way—"And passing by Mysia, we came to Troas." There at Troas came the vessel of the man in Macedonia, which carried them across the Aegean Sea into Europe. Paul gave up his plan to enter a province, and God gave him a continent.

He had never been in Europe, but he was well-read and had traveled. He saw that the larger part of the civilized world was ruled by the Roman Empire, and Rome was in Europe. He knew that the two leading literatures of his day were the Greek and the Latin, both of them European. He saw the wealth of the world flowing rapidly to those cities on the other side of the Mediterranean. Europe, the smallest of the five continents, destined to impress itself more widely and profoundly upon the life of the world than any other one of the five!

He walked along the beach that day looking out upon the Aegean Sea. Just across the water was Europe. He may have said to himself, "How much it would mean to have the people of that eager, restless continent brought under the power of the gospel of Christ." He knew that the people had outgrown the mythologies of Greece and Rome. He longed to replace Zeus and Athena, Apollo, and Venus with the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. He was eager to share with those people in Europe the best he had in his own Christian faith.

When night came, he dreamed about those people across the water. He saw the moral need of Europe, standing up definite and concrete like the figure of a beseeching man. He heard the man calling to him, "Come over into Macedonia and help us."

When morning came he told his companions what he had seen the night before. They did not hesitate an hour. Before noon, they were on the water, sailing for Europe. The next day they landed on the coast of Macedonia and went straight to Philippi, the chief city in that part of the world. Before the sun went down, they were actually preaching the gospel to the people of Europe, for Paul "could speak Greek." "After he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavored to go." His dream came true in three days.

It was a day-dream. Does anyone suppose that he was asleep, when he saw the moral need of a continent standing up and calling out to him? He was awake and alert, standing on his tiptoes that he might see farther. How much a truer conception of God and a worthier philosophy of life would mean for that enterprising continent to the west! How it would contribute to human progress to have Europe awakened, instructed, transformed, by the renewing of its mind! The very day that he saw all that, he and his friends moved out to translate that vision into terms of life.

What stupendous results have followed upon that introduction of Christianity into Europe! How much it has meant through all these nineteen centuries, that the culture and aspiration of Europe has been, not Hindu, nor Buddhist, nor Moslem, but Christian! Look at the results of it in art and architecture, music and literature, in the formation and expression of spiritual impulse! The great Gothic cathedrals, Canterbury, Cologne, and Chartres, were all reared by Christian aspiration in Europe. The great religious paintings of Raphael, Leonardo, and Murillo were all spread upon canvas in Europe. The music in the leading oratorios, "The Messiah," "Stabat Mater," "The Mount of Olives," and the Bach chorals were all composed in Europe. The outstanding religious poetry of Dante and Milton, of Wordsworth, Tennyson, and Browning was all written in Europe. The seed-corn of a mighty Christian civilization was carried that day in that small ship which brought those men across the Aegean from Asia into Europe. "After he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavored to go." Thank God that they went!

Day-dreams may seem vague and shadowy. They may be as real as granite. They often move in a realm of forces and values which granite knows not of. Faith, Hope, and Love, Courage, Aspiration, and High Resolve, are as "real" as brass tacks. The definite has value, so has the indefinite.

The man who knows exactly where he is going may not go very far. The man who goes out, with missionary purpose it may be, "not knowing whither he goeth," often arrives at some glorious destination. "Alas for him who never sees the stars shine through his cypress trees!" Trees are useful. They furnish wood to build houses, material to make furniture, fuel to bake bread. But the stars! There is something in every one of us which calls for that which does not grow on trees.

One of the perils of youth in these days lies in the fact that so many young people seem to lack spiritual imagination. They like to be cynical, critical, offside. They are so afraid of being called "sentimental" that they lean over opinion nor vague sentiment. It is a definite act of self-commitment by a person to the Supreme Person, and to that vaster something which we call his kingdom.

One of the happiest memories of my own college days is the fact that we were all reading Ruskin and Carlyle, Emerson and Tennyson. Seeing visions and dreaming dreams! We were rather wild at times in our endless talk



about that fairer world which we were to bring about. Had anyone called us "hard-boiled," we would have resented it as much as if he had accused us of having smallpox. Therein lay our best bid for a useful, joyous future. Our day-dreams did not all come true, but, thank God, we had them.

Here is a modern translation of a familiar sentence: "Now, faith means being confident of what we hope for, feeling sure of what we do not see as yet." It is a form of personal energy which subdues kingdoms and works righteousness, turns back the forces of evil and bring nearer the kingdom of God on earth. Faith is not theological backwards in their effort to seem "hard-boiled." What a phrase! The hard-boiled egg is rather indigestible, and it never hatched out anything. It is dull and lifeless.

This is the way all the really fine things get themselves done. The public school teacher has a vision of what that roomful of restless urehins might mean for the life of the world, if they can be taught and trained, developed and matured, by sound educational methods. Immediately, all her finer powers of mind and heart move toward that goal. The physician has a vision of what those lives racked with pain and wasted by disease might mean for the happiness of those homes and for the increase of usefulness. At once, by long days of skilful service and nights of study and research, he moves toward that achievement. By that road, medical science has made its superb advance in the last fifty years. The business man has a vision of what that mill or mine, factory or store, might be made to mean as a social utility, an instrument for bringing together the resources of earth and the needs of human society, a place for the cultivation of integrity, friendly co-operation, and the spirit of brotherhood. Immediately, his sound judgment, economic experience, and desire for the welfare of others gird themselves for that high task. These glorious day-dreams fire the heart with those commanding impulses which put the race ahead.

The man of missionary impulse looks out with thoughtful eyes upon those less privileged lands, thinking of what it would mean for the civilization of the future if all those countries could be brought under the power of right principles, high ideals, aspirations that reach all the way up to the throne of God. He covets for them all the moral dynamic which comes only through the gospel which is "the power of God unto salvation," to all those who receive it and live by it. Then he too stands ready to "go."

While I was a theological student and during the earlier years of my ministry, I had the high privilege of hearing James M. Thoburn, later the missionary bishop of India, speak repeatedly about that country which he knew best and loved the most. I can still hear him say, "India is not a country—it is a continent of opportunity." And when he spoke about the needs and the possibilities of that historic land, "he wist not that his face shone." It did shine, and we saw there a light that never was on sea or land.

The man I roomed with for three years when we were students in the School of Theology, Boston University, sat beside me once when we were hearing Thoburn make his plea for India. The man at my side saw the vision and immediately he began to prepare to go. When we graduated, he went to India as a missionary of the Methodist board. And for forty full years, Lewis A. Core rendered

there a noble, sacrificial, and efficient service as a minister of Christ.

May the people in all of our churches these days catch afresh the vision of what it would mean to have those less favored lands brought to see the glory of God and the true meaning of life in the face of Jesus Christ. Then by their gifts, their prayers, and their sustaining interest in this great cause, may those newly awakened impulses "go" to those lands, where millions of people still walk in darkness, waiting for the coming of One who said, "I am the light of the world."—Zions Herald.

## NEWS ITEMS FROM BREVARD COLLEGE

Five Brevard College students attended the seventh annual institute on socio-religious affairs which was held this week-end at Paine College, Augusta, Ga. Student representatives from several colleges in the two Carolinas and Georgia discussed problems concerning the need for the Christian church in gaining social and economic ideals of the world today.

The delegates from Brevard were: William Dunnagan, Yadkinville; Wayne Kernodle, Greensboro; Charlotte Whisnant, Maiden; Marvin Lowder, Rutherford College; Mary Shacklette, Louisville, Ky. The Rev. Luther A. Bennett of the college faculty also attended the conference.

Brevard students last Saturday night attended group socials through the invitation of their particular faculty counselor. More than a score of such groups are a part of the perpetual guidance program at the institution. The socials last Saturday were a part of the work which is being carried on through faculty-student co-operation.

Several members of the forensic club will attend the annual Strawberry Leaf Festival Debating Tourney to be held this week at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C. The students will represent Brevard in all the forensic activities at the festival. Comprising the Brevard representation will be: Hazel Bradley, Franklin; Alice Amon, Charlotte; Ruby Leftwich, Winston-Salem; Charlotte Whisnant, Maiden; Gaines Kimbro, Ansonville; Marvin Wing, Lincoln, Ala.; James Crisp, Waynesville; Donald Funderburk, Matthews. Prior to the tourney at Rock Hill the debaters will engage a team from Mars Hill in a practice debate.

## HER 92ND BIRTHDAY

On November 29 Miss Mattie Elliott reached her 92nd milestone of her life. A number of friends and relatives called at her home at 515 E. Bragg Street, Greensboro. Others sent cards or gifts. She had for dinner her nephew, W. H. Elliott, and Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Stamey Elliott, A. C. Sherrill and wife, a niece of Miss Mattie. Members of her former Bible class at Centenary church sent her a fine birthday cake.

She is a daughter of Spencer Elliott and was reared in the Vandalia section of Guilford county. After the death of her father in 1891, she and her mother and three sisters moved to Greensboro. When she was seven years old she was converted and joined Pleasant Garden Methodist church. Later she placed her membership at Centenary. She taught classes in Centenary Sunday school until about five years ago, when she had to give up the Bible class because of her impaired hearing and declining health. Her general health is good for one of her age. The only confining illness she has had was in 1926 when she had an operation for appendicitis.

Since the death of her sister, Mrs. Sam Browne, in 1930, she has lived with a younger sister, Miss Ada Elliott. Aunt Matt baked the light bread and an angel's food cake for the above occasion.

Her long life and good health may be attributed to her devoted Christian character and her hopeful outlook on life. Her defective hearing is her greatest handicap. She enjoys her daily Bible reading, the Advocate and other religious reading, and sermons over the radio. A. C. Sherrill.



## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

### STUDY CLASS, FIRST CHURCH, SALISBURY

By Mrs. P. N. Peacock

"Uprooted Americans" was the text used in the very interesting and profitable study class recently held for First Methodist church, Salisbury. The entire study was under the guidance and direction of Mrs. W. W. Weant, secretary of mission education and service for the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Four evening meetings were held in homes of members. In addition to assignments given to class members, outside speakers, all specialists in their several fields, brought information and suggestions. Rev. E. D. C. Brewer of the conference board of Christian education, spoke on the work the churches are doing for migrants, and complimented highly the inter-denominational service of the Woman's Council for Home Missions. Another interesting speaker was Mr. W. N. Wood, farm demonstration agent for Rowan county. He traced the causes and growth of farm tenancy in the nation, bringing facts and statistics to prove his points. He dwelt particularly upon the situation in Rowan county.

"What Old Age Does to People" was effectively discussed by Miss Mamie Rose McGinnis, case worker for the public welfare department of Rowan county. She gave an informative presentation of the various lines of governmental assistance for old people, and told the background for the laws now in effect. Miss Virginia Jenkins, director of the young people's department at First church, presented in a sympathetic way the effect of poverty, unemployment and broken homes upon lives of countless young people living in insecurity. A playlet, "Where Can We Go?" portrayed the innate desire in the hearts of the young of all classes to "belong" and to feel security.

A findings committee brought recommendations for special lines of service which could grow out of the study. Numerous pamphlets, books and posters were used throughout the course. Miss Edith Clark of the public library was most helpful in securing and placing at the disposal of the class books bearing upon the topics. About 60 women attended the sessions.

### MESSAGE OF CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

My Dear President:

I want to send this letter of greeting to you and each member of your society. It has been remarkable how the women in every church have become interested in our new Woman's Society of Christian Service, which has for its real purpose to make Jesus Christ known to all the world and help bring about his kingdom.

There are several special items to which I want to call your attention:

1. Our objectives for January, 1941, are 25,000 Woman's Societies of Christian Service and 1,000,000 members. Each charter member is asked to secure a new member by that time. This is called the Million Member Movement, and a card has been provided to use in enlisting new members. These M. M. M. cards are to be ordered from Literature Headquarters, Nashville.

2. The editors of the North Carolina Christian Advocate have agreed to give us a full page in the Advocate for our work, the only requirement being that we help secure subscribers for the Advocate. This is as little as we can do, so I am asking that you have your secretary of literature and publications add this paper along with The World Outlook and The Methodist Woman, or appoint another woman to this work.

3. There has been some confusion in regard to finances in our former Protestant and Southern churches. To those of the former Protestant church, Mrs. R. M. Andrews would like for me to say: In former M. P. churches in which there were auxiliaries, the new woman's society should pay into the conference treasury for the period ending December 31 at least one quarter of the World Service apportionment given them by branch finance committee as adopted by the branch for the year beginning April 1, 1940, and ending March 31, 1941. It would be a fine thing if each society would add to this amount one quarter of the apportionment for North Carolina, interests and H. P. C., since these are taken care of outside the new society. If you are willing to do this, simply add your N. C. College and World Service and send, in one quarterly payment, or in three equal monthly payments, one quarter of the total.

Former M.P. churches in which there were no auxiliaries will make a voluntary pledge and send the part collected during October, November and December. If any M.P. auxiliary failed to observe the thank offering in August as requested, please do so in November or December and send the amount to the conference treasurer, designated Thank Offering.

And to the former Southern church let me say, we are to go right on with our finances and see that every pledge for this year is paid in full and sent to the conference treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Salisbury, by December 31, 1940. Also be sure and observe the Week of Prayer and send in your offering with your last quarter's report.

5. We begin our new work, in every phase of it, together in January, 1941. The January meeting which is to be a pledge service should be one of the most sacred and best meetings of the entire year. Please order the number of pledge cards you will need. They are free at Literature Headquarters, Nashville, Tenn.

We cannot rest on past achievement, we must keep faith with those leaders

who have stood back of this work throughout the years. We must not allow their work to be lost because we fail to do our part.

I shall deem it a privilege to serve you in any way that I can.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

### ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

We are indebted to Mrs. K. M. Yokeley for the account of the organizational meeting of Winston-Salem district, which follows:

"The District Woman's Society of Christian Service auxiliary to the Conference Woman's Society was organized recently at Burkhead Methodist church, with Dr. C. C. Weaver, district superintendent, presiding.

The purpose of the newly organized district society is to unite all the societies of the district in an earnest effort for the promotion of the work of the conference. Mrs. K. M. Yokeley was made temporary secretary and read several articles of the district constitution.

The following report was submitted by Mrs. R. H. Hunter, chairman of nominating committee, and accepted:

President, Mrs. J. W. Mann, Lexington; vice president, Mrs. T. L. Spease, Winston-Salem; recording secretary, Mrs. K. M. Yokeley, Winston-Salem; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. G. Sterling, Winston-Salem; treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Morris, Walkertown; secretary missionary education and service, Mrs. P. T. Wilson, Winston-Salem; secretary Christian social relations and local activities; Mrs. L. V. Scott, Winston-Salem; secretary literature and publications, Mrs. H. C. Nicholson, Thomasville; secretary supplies, Mrs. J. L. Woltz, Mt. Airy; secretary student work, Miss Carolyn Westmoreland, Walkertown; secretary young women's and girls' work, Mrs. A. C. Payne, Rural Hall; secretary children's work, Mrs. John Hunter, Tobaccoville; secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Miss Sallie Blackwood, Winston-Salem; chairman spiritual life, Mrs. James T. Bowman, Thomasville; chairman status of women, Mrs. E. K. McLarty, Jr., Walkertown; chairman missionary personnel, Mrs. R. A. Hunter, Winston-Salem.

Following the election of officers, Mrs. T. L. Spease presided in the absence of the president. An open forum was conducted with Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president in charge. This proved a source of information for the district officers, relative to the new setup, in an effort to promote and advance all interests of the work. Mrs. Weaver announced the campaign for new members to be known as the Million Member Movement, each charter member securing a new member between now and January. Two announcements of interest were made: That the fiscal year in our woman's work corresponds with the calendar year in the future, and the jurisdictional meeting to be held in Richmond, Va., December 5 and 6. The remainder of the meeting was presided over by Mrs. J. W. Mann, who was introduced by Dr. Weaver. At the conclusion of the business session an impressive installation service was conducted with Dr. Weaver in charge. Benediction by Rev. W. M. Smith of Burkhead church."



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### THERE IS A MAN ON THE CROSS

Whenever there is silence around me  
By day or by night—  
I am startled by a cry.  
It came down from the cross—  
The first time I heard it.  
I went out and searched—  
And found a man in the throes of crucifixion,  
And I said: "I will take you down."  
And I tried to take the nails out of his feet.  
But He said: "Let them be,  
For I cannot be taken down  
Until every man, every woman, every child  
Come together to take me down."  
And I said: "But I cannot hear you cry,  
What can I do?"  
And He said: "Go about the world—  
Tell every one you meet—  
There is a man on the cross."

—Elizabeth Cheney.

### NEW OPPORTUNITIES

In no denomination have women of the church been given such generous representation on a national board as in our new Methodist Church. This recognition is due largely to the outstanding work that the women of the three uniting churches have accomplished through their missionary organizations and the ladies' aid groups. Now the women of the new Methodist Church are facing a new day. Just as truly as our honored founders of 70 and more years ago were pioneers in new fields of church work for women, so we today are the pioneers seeking to establish a program that will enlist the interest of every church woman. Our aim is to have every woman interested in the total program of work in her local church. The program is world wide in its scope and vision and in this program every woman can share and at the same time find a special interest. The new plan for Methodist women is being watched by many denominations with great interest. Its success depends upon each woman in the local church, for she must contribute her share of prayer, time and talent. No plans at the top can succeed unless each local group does its part. The first great field of service is the local church.—Mrs. C. N. Thomas, in *The Methodist Woman*.

### SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE

The spiritual life committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service can and should be a powerful force for good in the life of the church and community. The members of the committee should be women with faith, whose lives are spirit filled and who may, with confidence, take a definite stand in promoting the deepening of the spiritual life of the church—especially in the womanhood of the church. The committee should accept the responsibility for the promotion of Christian stewardship and devotional Bible

study, following plans suggested by the standing committee on spiritual life of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. The committee should also plan for and promote spiritual life groups in the local church, these groups going apart at regular intervals for prayer and meditation, claiming God's promises in a definite way and for definite purposes. No local society can afford to not have a spiritual life committee and active spiritual life groups. Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Box 1199, Fayetteville, is conference secretary of spiritual life groups. She will be happy to aid in getting such groups started and to hear from active groups.

### A NEW TYPE OF SOCIETY

A new type of missionary society is reported from Tunda Station, Congo Belge: "The missionary society among the leper women has proved so successful that the men requested that a similar organization be formed among the men. The interest and attendance are very encouraging. The men meet every Monday afternoon and the women every Friday afternoon. They are divided into two circles and each has a band to wear on the arm. Those who have 'palavers' have to surrender the band. It has been quite hard always to maintain discipline in some matters. This is proving quite a help. One man decided he wanted several wives. We had talked to him to not avail, but in our missionary society of the men we prayed for him each meeting and one day he dismissed all but one wife and asked to be allowed to join our society. Now he is a very active member."—*The Methodist Woman*.

### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT NOTICE

Mrs. R. E. Brown and Mrs. J. M. Lilly of Hay Street Methodist church, Fayetteville, have organized a Woman's Society of Christian Service at Johnson Memorial church with an initial membership of 18. Mrs. B. J. Hubbard is president.

Approximately 30 women of the Fayetteville district gathered at Hay Street church on November 1 for a spiritual life retreat led by Miss Elizabeth Lamb. It was a time of marvelous refreshment on the highest spiritual plane.

The Fayetteville district is grateful to conference and Council for Miss Priscilla Stegar, new industrial worker at Laurinburg.

### MACDONNELL SCHOOL

Deaconess Pearl Kelly, rural worker in the French section of Louisiana, says: "What a vision of missions our friends would get if they could go with us out to all the rural churches and more needy untouched areas of this section. The little groups of Protestants gathered together into a church are most interesting and are an inspiration to us all. The greatest asset to the rural French mission is the Mac-

Donnell School. Here boys and girls from all the rural communities become finer, stronger, more able and more Christian, and they in turn go back to the rural communities to lead and inspire their own kindred and friends to nobler living and higher ideals. The poise, efficiency and sweetness of these boys and girls will convince the most dubious that the MacDonnell School is making an invaluable contribution, not only to the individual but to the whole rural field."

### NORTHAMPTON ZONE

The fall meeting of Northampton zone, Rocky Mount district, was held on October 24 at Rehobeth Methodist church. Each of the 16 societies in the zone was represented. Mrs. W. P. Stephenson, zone leader, presided. The address of welcome was given by Mrs. W. A. Boone and the response by Mrs. E. J. Gay. Mrs. J. B. Hurley led the devotionals. Life memberships were given to the following babies: Marilyn Boone by Mrs. J. E. Boone, the Rehobeth society, and Patricia Ann Bryant by Mrs. Nannie Shoulars, the Rich Square society. Mrs. Lewis Braswell and Miss Nannie Lee Spivey rendered special music. Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary of Christian social relations and local church activities, was the principal speaker of the morning session. Lunch was served in the Sunday school rooms. Miss Bernice Coker led the afternoon devotionals. Mrs. Philip Hughes, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson and Mrs. R. M. Robinson made brief talks. Mrs. J. L. Midgette, district study leader, was introduced. Spring church, Pleasant Hill charge, was awarded the attendance banner.

### WEEK OF PRAYER AT JACKSON

The members of the Jackson Woman's Society of Christian Service observed the week of prayer November 3-9. Two very interesting programs were given. Mrs. D. L. Boone and Mrs. W. L. Maness were leaders. Bringing these services to a close on Sunday morning, November 10, Mr. T. G. Britt, principal of Jackson high school, gave an impressive talk on home missions. While the offering was being taken Mrs. E. S. Bowers gave a reading, "Scarritt College." The offering amounted to \$40.—Mrs. Lloyd Warwick.

### FIRST WOMAN MISSIONARY

The first woman missionary from the Methodist Church was Harriett Stubbs who, from a life of social prominence and the refinements of a comfortable home in Ohio, went out to work among the Wyandotte Indians, over whom she exerted a marvelous influence. They called her "Pretty Red Bird," speaking of her as an angel who had been sent by The Great Spirit to guide them to a better land.

History is not a mere succession of events connected only by chronology. It is a chain of causes and effects.—Lecky.

It is idle to try to teach what you do not know, and it is worse still to be ignorant of your ignorance.—Jerome.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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### KEEP ON KEEPING ON

Receipts from the financial endeavors of our friends indicate successful action. It is believed that there is a more wide-spread and intensive effort at securing the Children's Home quotas from the various charges early in this conference year than ever before recorded. To be sure, our receipts are yet small in comparison with the year's expected total annual quota, but it is safe to say that our friends are on their way towards doing the whole job. Our friends will be mindful that in our Methodist circles Thanksgiving is a convenient time for beginning financial expression. It certainly is not the end of our earnest campaign. If the past is a good criterion to go by, we will receive more money during the next 30 days than during any other similar time of the year. To those friends who are always at work and those who are just making up their minds to get to work in behalf of our children, we urge that they keep on keeping on.

### THAT EXTRA EFFORT

We have had a lot of football here this fall. Five teams have played through their schedules. Games have been lost and games have been won. A few were lost because the team did not put forth all it had to give. Other games were won because of the extra effort. At Galax, Va., last Friday our 125 pounders were playing Galax's next year's varsity with the score 13 to 6 against them. A Galax back received a kick-off and dashed around our entire squad with the exception of Herman Bryson, the safety man, who with one extra fine flying tackle grabbed the runner's last leg for a fall. Our team then held on the 20 yard line and later went forth to win by a score of 20 to 13. The boys say that it was that extra effort that won the game. The boys can make all the rest of us a good talk on that extra effort.

### RINGING THE BELL

A number of our friends have pulled the old bell cord during the past week and the ten per cent apportionment bell has rung. The tones from this bell are melodious. We like to hear them ring. They tend to give us financial security. Join with us in grateful thanks to the following congregations and pastors for having pulled that old bell cord:

Salem, Morganton circuit, Rev. G. R. Stafford.

Muir's Chapel and Friendship, West Greensboro circuit, Rev. G. A. Stamper.

First church, Wadesboro, Rev. C. P. Bowles.

Sharon, Shelby circuit, Rev. R. M. Hauss.

South Point, Lowell circuit, Rev. E. E. Snow.

Clover Hill, Casar, Lee's Chapel, Mt. Harmony, Rehobeth and Polkville, Polkville circuit, Rev. T. H. Swofford.

Shady Grove, Reed's-Mt. Carmel circuit, Rev. Byron Nifong.

Asbury, Boger City, Rev. E. L. Kirk. Center, Midway and Mt. Vernon, Welcome circuit, Rev. C. O. Kennerly.

Love's Walkertown, Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr.

Homestead, Homestead - Pleasant Grove, Rev. C. F. Womble.

Bethel, Rock Springs circuit, Rev. A. W. Lynch.

Connelly Springs and Mt. Harmony, Connelly Springs circuit, Rev. J. N. Randall.

Union, Lewisville circuit, Rev. G. C. Graham.

Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, Rev. E. H. Nease.

Crews, Hiatt-Sedge Garden circuit, Rev. W. B. Thompson.

Ebenezer, South Fork circuit, Rev. R. G. McClamrock.

### CHRISTMAS IS COMING

Many of our children used Thanksgiving afternoon for window shopping. They were very much interested in seeing what Christmas goods were on display and then to return home to write to Santa Claus. When they got to writing they found they needed more information, and so next day a large number of boys and girls went over town and viewed the display on the counters. Now the Santa Claus letters are all written and our home

mothers are very busy editing them for Santa Claus' use in securing as much of what they want as his finances will buy. Yes, good friends, our children believe that Christmas is coming and they are making some headway at getting us to believe that same thing.

### CANNON CHRISTMAS FUND

We are just in receipt of a check for \$218.88 from A. F. Goodman, trust officer of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Concord, representing the Children's Home part of the Joseph F. Cannon Christmas Trust Fund, this coming at the direction of a will left by the late Joseph F. Cannon of Concord, who arranged a perpetual Christmas consideration for a number of orphanages in North Carolina. Mr. Cannon had a lovely idea and we shall certainly keep faith with his wish as we spend his money for the joy and happiness of our lovely children.

### THE OLD, OLD STORY

The picture this week is that of Miss Eva Harbour, home mother at the baby cottage, who, with Bible in hand, is telling a group of her children the story of the birth of Jesus. All of the 27 children were in the room but only a few of them could be caught by the Winston-Salem Journal photographer as he prepared this picture for presentation in our morning paper. Miss Harbour is the daughter of a Methodist minister who as a supply has been in charge of the North Patrick circuit in the Virginia conference for 14 years. It is no wonder that she uses the Bible in teaching her children.



These little youngsters are hearing the sweetest story ever told



THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**FREE WILL BAPTIST ORPHANAGE**—By special invitation, I visited the Free Will Baptist Orphanage on Thanksgiving Day. A very large number of people gathered at the Orphanage on that occasion and brought their offerings for support of the institution. The Free Will Baptists have about 32,000 members in the state, and they are caring for 81 children. It was my privilege to speak to the children, workers and visitors, and I enjoyed my visit very much.

**BASKET BALL**—Since the football season is closed, our boys and girls will devote most of their leisure time for the next three months, to basket ball practice. With the beautiful Graham Woodard gymnasium, I am expecting our boys and girls to win many basket ball games during the basket ball season. Up till this season we have not had anywhere to practice except outdoors, and often weather conditions were so unfavorable they got but little practice. Mr. Woodard has certainly conferred a lasting favor on our boys and girls by providing such an up-to-date gymnasium for their recreation.

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE**—Rev. C. D. Barclift and Fifth Avenue Methodist church entertained the recent session of the annual conference in a fine way. Also the other churches in Wilmington co-operated in entertaining the conference in a splendid way. Bishop Purcell presided over the conference in a most brotherly and efficient manner. It was my happy lot to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wiloughby, members of Trinity Methodist church. Rev. R. E. Brown, pastor of Hay Street church, Fayetteville, was also guest in the home with me, and I enjoyed fellowship with him.

**THANKSGIVING**—I want to thank all the churches and church schools that have remembered the Methodist Orphanage by taking special offerings during the Thanksgiving season. At this writing we have only heard from a few churches, and possibly as many as 200 church schools. So far, most of the offerings have been small, while some of the church schools have been very generous. I sincerely trust that all church schools and church congregations, which have not taken offerings will do so during the next two or three Sundays. If all will respond to our urgent appeals, we can meet our financial obligations. We cannot afford to beat a retreat when the need is so imperative. I want to thank all who have responded, and to urge all others to remember us during the next few weeks.

**FOOTBALL** — Our light football team has experienced a most successful season. The team did not lose a single game this year. The boys had two scoreless ties and won eight games. During the season only 19 points were scored against our squad, while our team scored 160 points against their opponents. We won the Wake county championship, and our boys will receive a county championship trophy the last of this week. Our last game was played on Thanksgiving Day at State College with the Catholic Orphanage, and our boys won 14.0. This victory over the Catholics gave our boys the beautiful trophy which friends present each year to the winning team. Marvin Tilley, captain of the Methodist Orphanage team, was awarded a beautiful gold football charm, in recognition of his being the best player in the Wake county conference. Much credit for this wonderful showing is due to Prof. Fred Smith, one of our teachers, who coached the team. It is needless for me to say that all of us are proud of the splendid record that our team made this season.

**WHITTLINGS**  
By Dr. L. A. Akers

Most people are too sympathetic—toward themselves.  
Some people think they are well poised when they are only well petrified.  
Birth control may be an important issue, but the greater need today is breath control.  
Many people are pious without piety, sanctimonious but not holy, exalt raptures but ignore ethics.  
The philosopher says “Be not dogmatic.” On essentials God expects his prophets to be bulldogmatic.  
The chap who insists his pastor should stick to the “pure gospel” usually doesn’t know the difference between the gospel of Christ and the teaching of Buddha.  
We have known more than one chap to appear to be a Solomon at 18, sell out like Balaam at 25, become a Jonah at 30, and a weeping Jeremiah at 35.  
We would have a 20th century “Book of Martyrs” as large as Webster’s Unabridged if Americans were compelled to attend church as often as they attend the movies.

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### STUDENT RECOGNITION DAY, DECEMBER 29

The purpose of this observance is to give recognition to students who are at home during the Christmas holidays. The time suggested is the evening service on the Sunday between Christmas and the New Year. The Christian Education Magazine for November-December contains suggestions for this occasion. You will also want to read articles by Dr. Arlo Ayers Brown, Dr. L. L. Gobbel, Sterling F. Wheeler, and suggestions on page 63 in the Adult Student for December. The article by Dr. Gobbel is especially helpful in preparing for Student Recognition Day. There is no special offering involved.

The Church and Its College Youth is an elective course for adults, appearing in the Adult Student, pages 48-66, for December. Many churches will want to make some use of this study.

### SCHEDULING TRAINING SCHOOLS

During recent weeks training schools have been scheduled for Salisbury, February 9-14; Charlotte, February 23-28; Thomasville, February 23-28; Concord, March 2-7; Hendersonville, March 2-7; Lincolnton, March 2-7; Monroe, March 9-14, and Greensboro, March 16-21. Other schools are in the offing at Leaksville and Elkin. Other groups desiring schools between Christmas and Easter should select a date and file the application at an early date.

#### Tryon School

During the past week George Schreyer has given The Meaning of the Christian Religion at the Tryon church. Brother Schreyer is happy in his new work and is sure to have a good year in this little resort city.

#### Mount Pleasant

There are several Mount Pleasant churches in the conference, but Rollin Gibbs is the preacher in charge of the Mount Pleasant church where he has taught The Educational Work of the Small Church during the past week. Brother Gibbs has a record for fine constructive work wherever he has been and he has begun his ministry in this new charge with his usual thorough approach.

### MISSIONARY UNITS FOR PRIMARIES AND JUNIORS

#### For the Smaller Church Or the Church Using Group Graded Lessons

Two units on China will be found in the group lessons for January, 1941. The primary unit will be found in the January issues of Our Little People, with the teacher's helps in the Elementary Teacher for that month. The junior unit on China will be found in Junior Lessons, with teacher's helps in the Elementary Teacher for January. Read carefully the article entitled

"Enrichment Materials for China Units" and make plans with primary and junior church school teachers in regard to securing any of this material desired.

#### For the Larger Church, Or the Church Using Closely Graded Courses

No units in separate booklet form will be provided at this time for churches using closely graded courses. It is expected, however, that at some time during the church school year the children's workers of every church school using closely graded courses will plan to have a special emphasis on China. For this reason it is urged that the materials listed above under the section on group graded lessons, including both pupil's materials and January Elementary Teacher, be purchased by each school using closely graded courses, and saved until such time as the children's workers may decide to make use of them. They may wish to use the units on China in January, or to re-arrange their closely graded courses so as to be able to begin the units immediately following Easter; or each teacher in a department may wish to substitute the China unit for one of the other missionary units appearing in the regular closely graded courses. For example, the teacher of third-year juniors may wish to substitute the unit on China, as found in the group lessons, for the unit on "Friends in Many Lands" found in Course VI, Part 4, of her regular materials.

Instead of using the group graded lessons on China, the church school workers may prefer the units provided by the Missionary Education Movement. These units together with additional enrichment material are listed below in the article entitled "Enrichment Material for China Units."

In addition to the use of these China units, every teacher in the junior departments of churches using closely graded courses is urged to secure a copy of Around the World Source Book, which may be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House for 25 cents. This provides source materials about other lands and will be helpful for use with any missionary units appearing in the regular closely graded courses.

#### Enrichment Materials for China Units —Prices of Regular Materials

The prices of group literature, which contain units on China which will be used by both large and small churches in accordance with suggestions given above are:

Our Little People. Price, 10 cents, for second quarter's material.

Junior Lessons. Price, 6 cents, for second quarter's material.

Elementary Teacher. Price, 10 cents, for January issue, or \$1 a year.

Missionary Education Movement Units

Bright Sky Tomorrow, by Mary Brewster Hollister. A reading book for juniors; price, 50 cents.

Junior Teacher's Guide on China. (To be used with Bright Sky Tomorrow). Price, 25 cents.

The Yellow Friendly Book, by Mary Entwistle. Source book for primary children. Price, 40 cents.

A Primary Teacher's Guide on China. (To be used with The Yellow Friendly Book). Price, 25 cents.

#### Additional Enrichment Material

Boys and Girls for January. Price, 75 cents a year; 15 cents a quarter; 5 cents a month if ordered in clubs of five or more to one address.

Five Stories About China. (A pamphlet especially suitable for use with juniors). Price, 10 cents.

Chinese Children of Woodcutters' Lane, by Priscilla Holton. Published in 1929. Especially suitable for primaries. Price, 25 cents.

Lan Ying's Birthday. An excellent picture book for use with primaries. Published in 1940. Price, 25 cents.

#### Background for Teachers

The Amazing Chinese, by Willis Lamott. Excellent background material for teachers. Interesting photographs. Price 25 cents.

With Kindness in His Hands. (A Chinalog) by Richard T. Baker. Excellent information about Methodist work in China. Price 10 cents.

China Rediscovered Her West, by Yifang Wu and others; 1940. On the approved mission study list of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. An excellent source of information and inspiration concerning what is happening in free China today. Price 60 cents.

Dangerous Opportunity, by Eale H. Ballou; 1940. On approved mission study list. Price 60 cents.

Children's Religion. September issue, 1940. (This is the children's workers' magazine for the Congregational Church. The entire September issue is devoted to China and has many helpful suggestions and materials). Order from Pilgrim Press, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass. Price 10 cents.

#### Where to Order

With the exception of Children's Religion listed above, all materials referred to in this article may be secured from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.

#### Former Units

Although copies of the former China units are no longer available from the publishers, any church school workers who have copies on file will find both primary and junior units valuable sources of help.

### THE CHILDREN'S DIVISION YEARBOOK

Volume IV, The Children's Division Yearbook, is ready for use. All children's division superintendents will find this combination guide book and record book unusually valuable as they plan the work of the church with children. Copies may be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va., or from Box 828, Salisbury, N. C. Price, 10 cents.



## In Memoriam

**REAGAN**—A. L. Reagan, who recently on October 24 celebrated his 65th birthday, suffered a stroke of paralysis November 6, 1940, which resulted in his death a week later. He was a lifetime resident of this area, having watched Andrews from the first land sale grow to a prosperous town. He was in the mercantile business with his brother, P. M. Reagan, former mayor of Andrews. He was a charter member of the local Masonic lodge. He joined the Methodist church in boyhood in the year 1897 and remained a faithful member to the end. He is survived by one brother, his wife and two daughters and one son. Funeral services were conducted in the Methodist church by the pastor November 14 and interment was in the Andrews cemetery. G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Brookstown Woman's Society of Christian Service, wish to record the passing of Mrs. Sallie Mock Mickle, October 3, 1940, from our midst.

She was a charter member of the ladies' aid society, which was organized later into the missionary society, and was a faithful and devoted member at the time of her passing. Therefore be it resolved:

That we bow in humble submission to God's will, that we cherish her memory, and that we extend to her loved ones and host of friends our deep sympathy.

And be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one be placed in the record of Woman's Society of Christian Service, and one to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

**ROBERTS** — Central Methodist church, Shelby, sustained a great loss in the recent death of Mrs. Eliza Hall Roberts. Mrs. Roberts was the wife of the late Charles P. Roberts, to whom she was married January 20, 1886, and the sister of Revs. J. H. Hall and B. R. Hall, long time honored members of the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Mrs. Roberts was born near Fayetteville, N. C., August 16, 1860, the daughter of Henry G. and Emily B. Hall, a fine old Methodist family of the Cape Fear river section of the state, and died in Norburne hospital in Asheville September 10, 1940.

Mrs. Roberts was a woman of rare personal charm, deep spiritual insight, and splendid executive ability. To the graces of the Christian womanhood she added the attainments of an ideal mother and a successful administrator of business affairs. Bereft of husband October 8, 1901, and left with six children, she succeeded in rearing them all to follow in her footsteps in Christ-like life and service. They are as follows: Mrs. J. T. Gardner, Mrs. C. H. Eskridge, Charles P. Roberts of Shelby, Mrs. R. G. Liner of Canton, B. R. Roberts of Durham, and Rufus G. Roberts of Culpepper, Va. Surviving also are ten grandchildren.

Outstanding among the many beautiful traits of Mrs. Roberts' life was her loyalty to the church and her devotion to her Lord. Few people exemplified loyalty and sacrifice more than she. She was always ready to respond to any call, and to show her love to Christ in every possible way. She was a highly valued member of the woman's missionary society in her

church and served at one time as its president. She was very happy to have been privileged to be a charter member of the newly organized Woman's Society of Christian Service. All who knew this unselfish, Christ-like woman who constantly gave herself in untiring devotion to her children, church and community will join with her children in calling her blessed.

George B. Clemmer, Pastor.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with sad hearts that we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Front Street Methodist church of Burlington, record the passing of Mrs. Nannie Wrenn McAdams on October 16, 1940, from this life to life eternal.

The deceased member's beautiful character and sweet, friendly spirit will ever be cherished in our hearts.

She was always calm, patient, cheerful, and even though handicapped by partial blindness in her later years, her spiritual eyes were wonderfully open, her heart warm to comfort, her hands ever ready and eager to assist any and all in sorrow or need.

Whereas at the age of 81 she reflected and exemplified the beautiful poem of Robert Browning:

"Grow old with me!  
The best is yet to be.  
The last of life, for which the first was made:  
Our times are in His hand,  
Who saith, 'A whole I planned,'  
Youth shows but half; trust God: see all, nor be afraid!"

Therefore be it resolved, that we, her loyal friends and co-workers, extend deep sympathy to her children, that a copy of these resolutions be made a part of the permanent records of our society, a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication, and a copy be sent to each of her children.

Mrs. W. T. Williams,  
Mrs. Jessie S. Cook,  
Mrs. W. E. Hay.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Mineral Springs church, wish to pay tribute to our beloved sister, Mrs. Hugh A. Helms, who passed to her heavenly reward September 25. Mrs. Helms was secretary of our woman's society for a number of years, and we believe that there has never been one who loved the work of our Master more than she. We feel that she was one of the most faithful, patient, and kind members that the church has ever had. Every one looked upon Mrs. Helms as a friend, and every heart was saddened by her passing. Not only was that true of the members of her church but it was also true of the people of the community where Mrs. Helms was widely known and greatly loved. Therefore, be it resolved:

First, That even though we feel the loss keenly, we bow in submission to His will.

Second, That we thank God that he spared one so dear to us as long as he spared the life of our beloved one whose example of courage will always be an inspiration to us.


Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to each of the county papers, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy be recorded in our minutes.

Mrs. Mary Howie,  
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## Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

A Good Neighbor

Scripture: Luke 10

The lawyer who stood up and tried to entrap Jesus must have been a brazen and conceited fellow. But his question was a good one. It struck at the very heart of all religion. What shall I do to inherit eternal life? Hungry eyes are asking that question all the way from the African jungles to the polar night of Greenland.

Jesus knew that the man would rather talk than be talked to, as is the case with most highbrows. So he asked him to answer his own question, and out of the law of Moses he replied that the way to enter into life was to love God with all that is within us, and our neighbors as ourselves.

This law is not merely Jewish, it is universal, as universal as the law of gravitation. The march of time does not reverse it, or change it. It can dismount from its Palestinian donkey and board a modern airliner without needing to vary its expression in the slightest degree. When Jesus added, "This is my commandment that ye love one another even as I have loved you," he was not changing it; he was simply illustrating it and revealing new depths in its meaning.

Some moderns to whom God has become unreal have been disposed to stress the duty of love to our neighbor and to ignore our duty to God. But we need to love God in order to gain momentum to love our neighbor, and certainly we need to love God to keep on loving our neighbor after he spits in our face.

We also need to love God in order to learn how best to express our love for our neighbor, just as an ignorant little child needs to love father and mother in order to know how wisely to express his love to his small playmate. To ignore loyalty to God in the interest of kindness to our fellow men is as though a sympathetic nurse should say, I do not owe loyalty to the physician, I need only to be kind to my patient. So, against the doctor's orders, she gives a typhoid convalescent the hearty meal he demands, and is thus the means of his death.

One is struck by the repeated alls in this command. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, all thy soul, all thy strength, all thy mind. Psychologists tell us that few if any of us ever tap the whole of our resources. One is struck also by its demand on every part of a man's nature. True religion cannot be compartmentalized.

This perfect law of love is also a law of liberty (James 1:25). It gives us no specific rule relating either to our love of God or of man. We are free to in-

terpret the command according to the changing conditions of life, and God has put a guiding compass within us. It says that we are to determine how to love our neighbor by asking what we desire our neighbor to do for us. I desire not merely to be fed when I am hungry but to be treated with deference. So I must treat my neighbor with deference. I want to be made to feel that I count; so I must treat my neighbor as though he counted.

The lawyer, willing to justify himself, said, "Who is my neighbor?" And ever since men, willing to justify themselves, have been asking the same question.

Aristotle thought that slaves were an economic necessity; hence he did not trouble himself about the fate of these oppressed human beings any more than we trouble ourselves about the fate of cattle that are being raised for the market. And many a man today who feels that modern civilization requires millions of men to be treated on the assembly line as though they were machines, is equally hard hearted. Indeed who is not tempted in some measure at least to limit the number of those whom he is to love?

According to Jesus, neighbor is a synonym for opportunity to help. I cannot help those who are out of my reach, nor ought I to minister to those whom I cannot help without definitely neglecting my primary obligations in life. My neighbor is anyone whom by any means I can reach and help while I go about the performance of my providentially assigned tasks.

The Samaritan was not under obligation to search all Jewry for men who had fallen among thieves, and thus to neglect the care of his family. But Providence brought him into contact with suffering that he could relieve, and he responded to the providential opportunity, even though it was to help a Jew who probably would not have helped him under similar circumstances. He bound up his wounds, put him on his own beast and took care of him, and he paid for his keep in a Jewish inn and put himself at the mercy of the cupidity of the landlord by promising to pay anything extra that was required when he returned. One almost feels that this last was his supreme act.

The world is full today of men whom robber nations have beaten and stripped and left half dead. Modern means of communication, and the ease with which a bank check is signed and a letter stamped and directed, make the starving refugees in far-off lands our next-door neighbors.

Jews, of course, excluded Samaritans from the list of those who were to be regarded as neighbors, but the Samaritan by his kindness had proven himself a neighbor to the Jew. And under the circumstances the Jew was very glad to have him for a neighbor, just as we, if we had gone into the ditch and our automobile had rolled over on us, would be glad to have anyone lift it off from us, no matter what his race or social station.

Perhaps the best answer to the question, To whom ought I to prove myself a neighbor? is this: Anyone whom I would gladly allow to rescue me from calamity.—Christian Advocate.

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# Children's



# Storyland

## WHEN POOR JIM FOUND A HOME

Jim was the boy that left Miss Fisher's Evening Journal at the front door every night at six o'clock. As regular as clock-work was Jim, nothing delaying him but a late mail train. Miss Fisher was a young woman, nearly 30, who lived alone in the big brick house out on the end of Garfield street. Without parents or near kindred, she still was cheerful and busy alone in the old family home. Why she had not married no one knew; for she was far from plain, and had as sweet and lovable a disposition as one could wish for.

Miss Fisher sat down to her supper, after bountifully supplying Tabby with a saucer of milk and Tige with a plate of meat. The clock struck six and she went to the door for the paper; she always read the "personal" column while eating. But no paper was there. The wind was blowing and it was bitter cold, and she hurried in and shut the door.

"Jim is late tonight," she remarked to Tabby, who sat by the fire washing her face.

When she had finished her supper, Miss Fisher went to the door again, but still there was no paper. Scarcely was she seated in the sitting room, however, when she heard a slow, shuffling step outside, and returned to get the Journal and bid Jim good evening. As she opened the door she stumbled over a dark object crouching on the step. It was Jim, and he was crying.

"Why, Jimmy, what's the matter?" said Miss Fisher, stooping down and touching his shoulder.

"O Miss Fisher," he sobbed, "I'm s-so c-c-cold."

"You poor boy; come right in by the fire; it is a bad night," and she helped the lad into the warm room and placed a chair by the fire. As Jim's fingers began to grow warm he cried with pain, but Miss Fisher took his hands in her own and rubbed the warmth into them.

"You're so good," he said. "That makes 'em feel a lot better," and his cheery smile came out in spite of the tears which still lingered on the long black lashes.

"Now you sit right here and get good and warm, and I'll come back in a few minutes," and she slipped out into the kitchen where Jim could hear the dishes rattle. In a very short time she appeared again, and, setting a tray down on the table, turned Jim's chair around, and asked him if he would not like a bowl of chicken broth. There it sat, steamed hot, and crackers and sandwiches with it.

Miss Fisher left the room, and in a moment returned with a plate of delicious looking cookies and gingerbread. Gingerbread! Jim didn't even know what it was, but decided immediately that it was something "dredfully good."

## THE FALLING LEAF

By Elisabeth F. Whisner



The old leaf falls at autumn-tide,  
But not until,  
In living green, its cooling shadow  
Brings calm and rest  
To those upon the weary road;  
And not until  
A flame of gold and crimson glory  
Against the setting sun,  
It thrills some gentle soul  
Hungering for beauty.

My life is but a leaf still clinging  
Upon Time's ancient tree.  
O may it give to some o'er-burdened  
one  
A bit of comfort  
In midst of heat and strain and toil.  
And, touched perhaps  
By chill of pain or sorrow,  
O may my life  
Be as a flame of red and gold  
Against a lonely hill—  
Ere it fall and be no more.  
This is my prayer at autumn-time.

"Were you hungry?" she said. "How fortunate that I happened to have some of this broth left! It was just the thing to warm you up this cold night, wasn't it?"

"Oh, it was so good!" said Jim, between the bites of gingerbread.

"Now that you have finished eating, tell me about yourself and where you live," said Miss Fisher, when he finally said that he had "surely had enough of everything."

I don't live nowhere's in particular," said Jim. "Just now I'm sleeping over in Joe Skinner's shed; he said I might while 'twas so cold."

"But haven't you any home?" asked Miss Fisher in surprise.

"No, ma'am. I ain't got no folks like most boys; I don't remember as I ever had any; I've always just lived around."

"But what did you do before you slept in the shed?"

"Oh, I slept some in Dolan's shop—he don't ever lock it up; and I've stayed some nights in the big barn up there on the hill; but they've got an awful fierce dog, and I don't go up there if I can find any other place to stay."

"Poor Jimmy!" she thought, as she noted the thin coat and mittenless hands. At last Jim rose to go, but held his hand out toward the fire as though loath to leave it. Going to the clothespress, Miss Fisher brought out a coat and a pair of mittens.

"O Miss Fisher!" he exclaimed, and for a moment his face was buried in the folds of the coat which she held, while her hand rested lightly on the silken black hair. In a moment he was gone, wearing "Brother Freddy's" coat and mittens.

Long into the night Miss Fisher lay thinking. "Poor Jim! What a life to lead—no 'folks,' no friends, no home," and tears came into her eyes as she thought of Freddy, now a man grown up, but gone, no one knew where—perhaps wandering somewhere in want, like the prodigal son!

"Oh," she almost shuddered. "If Freddie were out on a night like this! If Freddie were without a home and friends I would want someone to be good to him—my little brother; and I'll be good to Jim."

When she awoke the next morning it was storming, and it continued and increased all day. At night, just as she was about to sit down to supper, she heard Jim's step on the porch. Immediately she arose and opened the door.

"Good evennig, Jim. Won't you come in and get warm?"

Jim came in and sat by the fire till he was warm, then Miss Fisher asked him to stay for tea. There were creamed potatoes and tea, and what seemed to Jim a mountain of beautiful white bread.

"How'd you come to have so much of everything just for you alone?" asked Jim, as he took another slice of bread. "Did you plan for me to stay for supper?"

"Yes," replied Miss Fisher, "I am getting tired of always eating supper alone, and I want you to always take tea with me."

At this Jim's big eyes opened wide. "Always? Every night?"

"Yes, every night. And Jim, there's a little room upstairs with a bed all ready for some one to sleep in, but there's no one to sleep in it; suppose you stay and occupy it, will you?"

"Really, Miss Fisher?"

"Yes, really; stay and be my boy—my little brother," and Miss Fisher's eyes suddenly grew moist.

Two little arms stole around her neck, while a trembling voice said, close to her ear, "Sure, I'll stay, if you really want me, Miss Fisher; and O, I'll try to be so good—for y-you've been s-so good to m-me!" and he caught his breath and swallowed hard. "I don't know what makes me cry now—only I'm so happy. I've got some folks now that I belong to."—The Junior World.

Aunt—Well, children, did you find anything you liked in that catalogue of toys I left you?

Small Harold—Yes, auntie, we liked everything so we just put it in the fire and sent it to Santa Claus.—Titbits.



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| Graham, 11                                                            | 29       |
|                                                                       | January  |
| Milton, Milton, 10                                                    | 3        |
| Leasburg, Leasburg, 2:30                                              | 3        |
| Yanceyville, Prospect, 10                                             | 4        |
| Saxapahaw, Concord, 11                                                | 5        |
| Mebane, Central, 7:30                                                 | 5        |
| District Missionary Institute, Duke Memorial Church,<br>Durham, at 10 | 7        |
| Trinity, 7:30                                                         | 7        |
| Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 10                                       | 9        |
| Bynum, Bynum, 2:30                                                    | 9        |
| Bahama, Mt. Sylvan, 11                                                | 12       |
| Roxboro Ct., Ca-Vel, 3                                                | 12       |
| Mt. Tirzah, Helena, 10                                                | 14       |
| Rougemont, Union Grove, 2:30                                          | 14       |
| Davis Street, 7:30                                                    | 15       |
| Duke Ct., Duke Chapel, 11                                             | 19       |
| Branson, 11                                                           | 26       |

### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

|                                                             | December |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Red Springs, 11                                             | 8        |
| Rowland, 3                                                  | 8        |
| Maxton, 7:30                                                | 8        |
| Sanford, 11                                                 | 15       |
| Aberdeen, 2:30, meeting of District League of Stew-<br>ards | 15       |
| Aberdeen, 7:30                                              | 15       |
| Hay Street, 11                                              | 22       |
| Parkton, Marvin, 2                                          | 22       |
| Racford, 7:30                                               | 22       |
|                                                             | January  |
| Laurel Hill, Sneed's Grove, 11                              | 5        |
| St. John's, 3                                               | 5        |
| Hamlet, 7                                                   | 5        |
| Rockingham, 11                                              | 12       |
| Rockingham Ct., Zion, 3                                     | 12       |
| Ellerbe, Norman, 7                                          | 12       |
| Siler City, 11                                              | 10       |
| Siler City Ct., 3                                           | 19       |

|                       |    |
|-----------------------|----|
| Goldston, 7           | 19 |
| Laurinburg, 11        | 26 |
| Roberdel, St. Paul, 3 | 26 |
| Caledonia, Central, 7 | 26 |

### February

|                              |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| Troy, 11                     | 2  |
| Troy Ct., 3                  | 2  |
| West End, 7                  | 2  |
| Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11 | 9  |
| Broadway, Morris Chapel, 3   | 3  |
| Carthage, 7                  | 9  |
| Mt. Gilead, 11               | 16 |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3 | 16 |
| Bisce, Candor, 7             | 16 |

### ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

|                                     | December |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Pasquotauk, Newbegun, 2             | 6        |
| Perquimans, Cedar Grove, 11 and 1   | 7        |
| Windsor, 11                         | 8        |
| Williamston, night                  | 8        |
| First Church, Elizabeth City, night | 11       |
| South Mills, Newland, 11, and 1     | 14       |
| Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11        | 15       |
| Currituck, Mt. Zion, night          | 15       |
| Wanchese, night                     | 26       |
| Kinnakeet, Avon, 11                 | 22       |
| Hatteras, night                     | 22       |
|                                     | January  |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, Stumpy Point, 11 | 5        |
| Manteo, night                       | 5        |
| Kitty Hawk, 11                      | 12       |
| Hertford, night                     | 12       |
| Aulander, 11                        | 19       |
| Edenton, night                      | 19       |
| Columbia, 11                        | 26       |
| Creswell, 3                         | 26       |
| Plymouth, night                     | 26       |

### January

|                                          |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| Belhaven, Trinity, 11                    | 2  |
| Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3                   | 2  |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night | 2  |
| Washington, 11                           | 9  |
| Bath, night                              | 9  |
| Gatesville, 11                           | 16 |
| South Camden, Perkins, night             | 16 |
| Reper, 11                                | 23 |

### February

|                                          |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| Belhaven, Trinity, 11                    | 2  |
| Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3                   | 2  |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night | 2  |
| Washington, 11                           | 9  |
| Bath, night                              | 9  |
| Gatesville, 11                           | 16 |
| South Camden, Perkins, night             | 16 |
| Reper, 11                                | 23 |

### NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

|                                    | December |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Grifton, Grifton, 10:30            | 5        |
| Dover, Dover, 3                    | 5        |
| Riverside-Bridgeton, 7:30          | 5        |
| Jones Ct., Trenton, 10:30          | 6        |
| Pink Hill, Pink Hill, 3            | 6        |
| Mt. Olive-Calypto, Mt. Olive, 7:30 | 6-8      |
| Mt. Olive Ct., Brownings, 11       | 7-8      |
| Goldboro Ct., Daniels, 10:30       | 9        |
| Pikeville-Elm Street, 3            | 9        |
| Fremont, Eureka, 7:30              | 9        |
| Snow Hill, Snow Hill, 10:30        | 10       |
| Hookerton, Rainbow, 3              | 10       |
| Ayden, Ayden, 7:30                 | 10       |
| LaGrange, Lagrange, 10:30          | 11       |
| Seven Springs, Seven Springs, 3    | 11       |
| Goldboro, St. Paul, 7:30           | 11       |
| Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30        | 12       |
| New Bern, Centenary, 7:30          | 13       |
| Aurora, preaching, 11              | 15       |
| Grimesland, preaching, 3           | 15       |
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30  | 15       |

### RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

|                                                                | December |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 7:30                                    | 6        |
| Henderson, First Church, 11                                    | 8        |
| Henderson, City Road-White Memorial, White Memo-<br>rial, 7:30 | 8        |
| Clayton, Horne Memorial, 7:30                                  | 11       |
| Granville, Rehobeth, 11                                        | 15       |
| Vance, Spring Valley, 7:30                                     | 15       |
| Cary-Apex, 7:30                                                | 18       |
| Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 11                                  | 22       |
| Creedmoor, Banks, 3                                            | 22       |
| Louisburg, 7:30                                                | 22       |
| Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11                                      | 29       |

### January

|                                                |    |
|------------------------------------------------|----|
| Raleigh, Fairmont                              | 1  |
| District Missionary Institute, Edenton St., 10 | 2  |
| Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11                    | 2  |
| Stem, Stem, 7:30                               | 5  |
| Franklinton, 7:30                              | 8  |
| Newton Grove, Newton Grove, 11                 | 11 |

### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

|                           | December |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Scotland Neck, 7:30       | 5        |
| Spring Hope, 11           | 8        |
| Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 3 | 8        |
| Marvin, 7:30              | 8        |
| Bethel, 7:30              | 9        |
| Robersonville, 7:30       | 10       |
| Stantonsburg, 7:30        | 11       |
| Kenly, 7:30               | 12       |
| Littleton Ct., 7:30       | 13       |
| Seaboard, 11              | 15       |
| Hallfax, 3                | 15       |
| Enfield, 7:30             | 15       |
| Rosemary, 7:30            | 16       |
| Rocky Mount, First, 7:30  | 17       |
| Whitakers, 7:30           | 18       |
|                           | January  |
| Warrenton, 11             | 4        |
| Warren, Providence, 11    | 5        |
| Norlina, 3                | 5        |
| Middleburg, 7:30          | 5        |
| Weldon, 7:30              | 8        |
| Farmville, 11             | 12       |
| Washington, 3             | 12       |
| Nashville, 7:30           | 12       |

|                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| Roanoke Rapids, 11     | 19 |
| Conway, Bethany, 3     | 19 |
| Jackson, 7:30          | 19 |
| Rich Square, 11        | 26 |
| McKendree, Pinetops, 3 | 26 |
| Tarboro, 7:30          | 26 |

### WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

|                                  | December |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Bladen, Bethlehem, 11            | 8        |
| Garland, Epworth, 3              | 8        |
| Wallace-Rosehill, Wallace, night | 8        |
| Scotts Hill, Scotts Hill, 11     | 15       |
| Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 3   | 15       |
| Burgaw, Burgaw, night            | 15       |
| Whiteville, 11                   | 29       |
| Wilmington, Epworth, night       | 29       |
|                                  | January  |
| Hallsboro, Wananish, 11          | 5        |
| Carvers Creek, Council, night    | 5        |
| Fairmont, Trinity, 11            | 12       |
| Lumberton Ct., Bules, night      | 12       |
| St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 11         | 19       |
| Elizabeth, Clarkton, night       | 19       |
| Roseboro, Bethel, 11             | 26       |
| Clinton, night                   | 26       |

|                                                | February |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Faison-Kenansville, Kenansville, 11            | 2        |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, night                 | 2        |
| Maysville, Maysville, 11                       | 9        |
| Swansboro, Queens Creek, 3                     | 9        |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night    | 9        |
| Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11                      | 16       |
| Chadbourn, Chadbourn, night                    | 16       |
| Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11                 | 23       |
| Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 | 23       |
| Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night                | 23       |

## Western North Carolina Conference

### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

|                                   | December |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| East Flat Rock, Moore's Grove, 11 | 8        |
| French Broad Avenue, 7            | 8        |
| Emma, Emma, 11                    | 15       |
| Haywood Street, 7                 | 15       |
| Etawah, Etawah, 11                | 22       |
| Hendersonville, 7                 | 22       |
| Brevard, 11                       | 29       |
| Rosman, Oak Grove, 3              | 29       |
|                                   | January  |
| Fairview, Bethany, 11             | 5        |
| Hillside Street, 7                | 5        |
| Fletcher, Fletcher, 11            | 12       |
| Merrimon Avenue, 7                | 12       |
| Leicester-Bell, Bell, 11          | 19       |
| Oakley, 7                         | 19       |
| Leicester-Grace, Leicester, 11    | 26       |
| Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3          | 26       |
|                                   | February |
| Marshall, Marshall, 11            | 2        |
| Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 3       | 2        |
| Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11          | 9        |
| Black Mountain, 7                 | 9        |
| Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11     | 16       |
| Weaverville, 7                    | 16       |
| Ivy, Laurel, 11                   | 23       |
| West Asheville, 7                 | 23       |
|                                   | March    |
| Mills River, Mills River, 11      | 2        |
| Pisgah, 3                         | 2        |
| Tryon, 11                         | 9        |
| Saluda, 3                         | 9        |

### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

|                                           | December |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|
| Wesley Heights, 7:30                      | 6        |
| Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11                        | 8        |
| Zoar, 3                                   | 8        |
| Marshallville, Marshallville, 7:30        | 8        |
| Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 7:30 | 9        |
| Calvary, 7:30                             | 11       |
| Dilworth, 7:30                            | 13       |
| Weddington, Weddington, 11                | 15       |
| Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 3                   | 15       |
| North Monroe, North Monroe, 7:30          | 15       |
| Central Avenue, 7:30                      | 18       |
| Chadwick, 7:30                            | 18       |
| Hickory Grove, 11                         | 22       |
| Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3                | 22       |
| Derita, 7:30                              | 22       |
| Thrift-Moore, Moores, 11                  | 29       |
| Ansonville, Ansonville, 7:30              | 29       |
| Wadesboro, 7:30                           | 29       |
|                                           | January  |
| Monroe, Central, 11                       | 5        |
| First Church, Charlotte, 7:30             | 8        |

### ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.O. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

|                                       | December |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Bryant Memorial Ct., Ararat Ch., 2:30 | 5        |
| Advance, Advance Ch., 2:30            | 6        |

### GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.  
FIRST ROUND

|                                           | December |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|
| Lowell, Bethesda, 11                      | 8        |
| McAdenville, 7:30                         | 8        |
| Cramerton, 7:30                           | 9        |
| Kings Mountain, 7:30                      | 10       |
| Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30            | 11       |
| Lincolnton Ct., 11                        | 15       |
| Crouse, 3                                 | 15       |
| Lincolnton, Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, 7:30 | 15       |
| Cherryville, First Church, 7:30           | 18       |
| Folkville, 11                             | 22       |
| Shelby Ct., Sharon, 3                     | 22       |



|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Shelby, Lafayette St., 7:30         | 22 |
| Stanley, Iron Station, 11           | 29 |
| Dallas, High Shoals, 7:30           | 29 |
| January                             |    |
| Bessemer City, Concord, 11          | 5  |
| Cherryville Ct., Bethlehem, 3       | 5  |
| Boger City, 7:30                    | 5  |
| Shelby, Central, 7:30               | 6  |
| Bradley Memorial, Myrtle Chapel, 11 | 12 |
| Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30         | 12 |
| Fallston, 11                        | 19 |
| Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 7:30            | 19 |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| December                    |    |
| West Gresham, 7:30          | 5  |
| Tabernacle-Julian, 3        | 7  |
| Lindsey St., Reldsville, 11 | 8  |
| Madison, 3                  | 8  |
| Reldsville, Main Street, 5  | 8  |
| Centenary, 7:30             | 8  |
| Proximity, 7:30             | 11 |
| West End, 7:30              | 12 |
| Pleasant Garden, 3          | 14 |
| Draper-Wayside, 11          | 15 |
| Ruffin, 3                   | 15 |
| West Market, 7:30           | 15 |
| Grace, 11                   | 22 |
| Bethel-St. Andrews, 3       | 22 |
| Stoneville-Mayodan, 7:30    | 22 |
| Draper, 11                  | 29 |
| Spray, 5                    | 29 |
| Leaksville, 7:30            | 29 |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| December                      |    |
| Richland- W. B., 7            | 5  |
| West Randolph, Tabernacle, 11 | 8  |
| Pleasant Grove, 7             | 8  |
| Main Street, 7                | 11 |
| Soagrove-L. J.-P. H., 2       | 12 |
| Shiloh, Shiloh, 2             | 14 |
| Linwood-Tyro, 11              | 15 |
| Randleman-Union, Naomi, 7     | 15 |
| Wesley Memorial, 7            | 16 |
| Welch Memorial, 7             | 17 |
| Liberty First, 7              | 18 |
| Randleman Ct., Worthville, 7  | 19 |

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cornett, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| December                        |    |
| North Forest, N. Morganton, 11  | 8  |
| Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3        | 8  |
| Valdese, Valdese, 7:30          | 8  |
| Rutherford College, 11          | 15 |
| Connolly Springs, Bollingers, 3 | 15 |
| Morganton Ct., Zion, 7:30       | 15 |
| Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11   | 22 |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30   | 22 |
| Glen Alpine, 11                 | 29 |
| McDowell, Snow Hill, 3          | 29 |
| Morganton, First, 7:30          | 29 |
| January                         |    |
| Rutherfordton, 11               | 5  |
| Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3       | 5  |
| Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30      | 5  |
| Spindale, 11                    | 12 |
| Broad River, Kistlers, 3        | 12 |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30            | 12 |
| Forest City, 11                 | 19 |
| Gilkey, Gilboa, Gilboa, 3       | 19 |
| Marion, First, 7:30             | 19 |
| Old Fort, 11                    | 26 |
| Old Fort Ct., Piney Grove, 3    | 26 |

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                              |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| December                     |    |
| Main Street-Rowan, 7:30      | 5  |
| Midland, St. Pauls, 11       | 8  |
| Rocky Ridge, 2               | 8  |
| Roberta, 3:30                | 8  |
| Concord, Central, 7:30       | 9  |
| Jackson Park, 7:30           | 10 |
| Trinity, Kannapolis, 7:30    | 11 |
| Mt. Mitchell, 7:30           | 12 |
| Mt. Pleasant, 11             | 15 |
| Friendship, Oak Grove, 2:30  | 15 |
| Gold Hill, 7                 | 15 |
| Spencer, Central, 7:30       | 18 |
| Salisbury, First, 11         | 22 |
| Mt. Olivet, 11               | 29 |
| January                      |    |
| China Grove, 11              | 4  |
| Woodleaf, Gay's Chapel, 7:30 | 4  |

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| December                     |   |
| Highland, Highland, night    | 5 |
| Hickory, First Church, night | 6 |
| Whitnel, Whitnel, 11         | 8 |
| Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 3      | 8 |
| Lenoir, First Church, night  | 8 |

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                          |    |
|--------------------------|----|
| December                 |    |
| Highlands, Highlands, 11 | 8  |
| Webster, 3               | 8  |
| Franklin, Ct., 11        | 15 |
| Macon Ct., 3             | 15 |

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, D.S., 808 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem

FIRST ROUND—IN PART

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| December                   |   |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 11 | 8 |
| Doub's, New Hope, 7:30     | 8 |

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|----------------------------------------|----|
| Hanes-Clemmons, Bethel, 11             | 15 |
| Reeds, Shady Grove, 3                  | 15 |
| Hiatt-Sedge Garden, Sedge Garden, 7:30 | 15 |
| Walkertown, Love's, 11                 | 22 |
| West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 3         | 22 |
| Rural Hall, 7:30                       | 22 |
| Winston-Salem Ct., Pisgah, 11          | 29 |
| North Davidson, Mt. Pleasant, 3        | 29 |
| Kernersville, South Winston, 7:30      | 29 |
| January                                |    |
| Mt. Airy Ct., Salem, 11                | 5  |
| Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3            | 5  |
| Walnut Cove, Stokesburg, 7:30          | 5  |
| Rockford Street, 11                    | 12 |
| Pinnacle, 3                            | 12 |
| Oak Summit, Shiloh, 7:30               | 12 |
| Thomasville Ct., Prospect, 11          | 19 |
| Thomasville, West End, 3               | 19 |
| Lewisville, 7:30                       | 19 |
| Lexington, First Church, 11            | 26 |
| Green Street, 7:30                     | 26 |
| February                               |    |
| Centenary, 11                          | 2  |
| Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 3                | 2  |
| Ogburn Memorial, 7:30                  | 2  |
| Thomasville, Community, 11             | 9  |
| Welcome, 3                             | 9  |
| Ceneral Terrace, 7:30                  | 9  |

THINGS WHICH REMAIN

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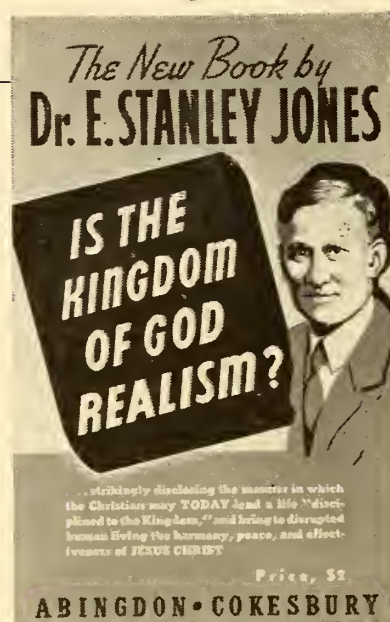
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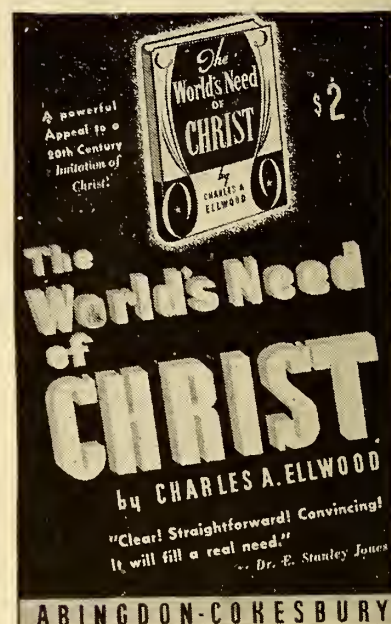
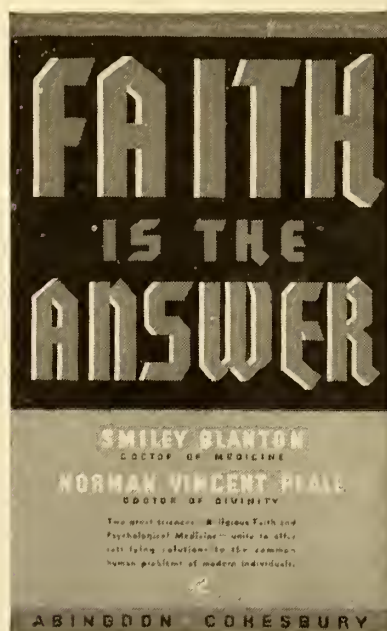
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## "Thank God"



FATHER, mother and two children were coming down the gang plank of a recently arrived liner from Lisbon. Their faces were wreathed in smiles and bystanders heard the parents muttering in German, "Thank God." They were Jews who, after bitter suffering and hardship, had escaped from Germany, made their way to Lisbon and this country. The "thank God" which was in their hearts and on their lips expresses the sentiment of practically all the fortunate refugees who make their way to our shores. They are grateful not alone for escape but for the priceless privilege of breathing the air of freedom.

Most of us whose ancestors have been here for a century or more look with amused tolerance upon this enthusiasm. We think our country a good place in which to live, but fail to appreciate the gain which has been ours because we have been born and raised here. Anyone who will look into what citizenship in the United States means will find reason for joining the newcomers in uttering an earnest "thank God."

It is hard to measure the full value of citizenship whose system and policies of government are based on recognition of the worth of the individual. This is the foundation upon which both Democracy and Christianity rest. The Constitution, the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights, have been designed to secure and protect the rights and well-being of the individual. Most of us have accepted this as a matter of course until totalitarianism began its triumphant march. Now we are getting a faint idea of how unfortunate one is who has to live under a government that uses him as a tool. Even yet, we have not risen to an understanding of those values which come down to us through our form of government.

It is our country's recognition of the worth of the individual that has given birth to our educational system and the numerous agencies designed to prepare people for wholesome and useful living. It is this same factor which has prompted American regard for world welfare. Some of our self-admitted intellectual superiors laugh at us for our desire to straighten out the troubles of other people and act as the moral mentor of the world. Far from being a quality to be laughed at, it is one to be proud of.

Our country is far from perfect. Numerous evils can be found in its life and just criticism can be made of its administration. Its essential spirit, however, is so fine that its defects are of the same relative importance as the spots on the sun. All who will stop to think what it means to have been born and reared in this country, or to have acquired citizenship in it, will find reason for thanksgiving.

—The United Presbyterian.



## GOOD MEN IN HIGH PLACES

Jacob Simpson Payton, Washington

While on the floors of Congress there is a lull of loquacity, and a diminution of numbers, some commendable things are being done. For example, the Senate selected Senator William H. King to succeed the late Senator Key Pittman as President pro tem of the upper House. The gentleman from Utah is a sort of grizzly old roundhead who never succumbed to the President's charms. He first ran into political bad weather when he opposed the Court enlargement plan, and conditions grew worse until November 5, when he was smothered under a snowfall of ballots. Unlike certain other senators who have specialized in one field of legislation, Senator King dabbled in everything, and usually with a marked degree of intelligence. The office of President pro tem will act as a sort of anodyne for the hurts of the veteran on his journey down from Capitol Hill.

The selection of Senator Walter F. George as chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee came through the declination of the post by Senator Pat Harrison, ranking member of the committee. The Mississippian preferred to retain the chairmanship of the Senate Finance Committee. Senator George is a Methodist, and answers well to the appellation of the scholar of politics. He is conservative, independent and not a prophet without honor in his own country, if one may judge from the manner in which his constituency supported him in spite of the invasion of Georgia by President Roosevelt when the "purge" spotted the land.

Perhaps there is no other committee upon whose chairman there will be heavier exactions of labor, patience and wisdom than upon that now headed by Senator George. It is more likely that during the coming Congress an attempt will be made to repeal the Johnson Act which prohibits the extension of credit to a World War debtor government. The mounting sympathy for Great Britain indicates that revision of the Neutrality Act will be demanded. And, of course, the agitation in the Orient threatens to increase rather than abate. In this befuddled day when solemn covenants have been consigned to the ash can, and when the only pacts recognized are among the fraternity of dictators who coerce the weak into signing on the dotted line with all the cold-bloodedness of the Harpes boys inducting novices into banditry at the infamous Hole in the Rock, the chairmanship of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee is not what it used to be.

There is quite general approval here of the naming of Rear Admiral William D. Leahy, retired, as ambassador to France. This is accounted for because of his successful administration as governor of Porto Rico, and his excellent record in the Navy. Andrew Jackson was never much for appeasement. For members of the diplomatic corps he submitted this slogan: "Ask nothing but what is right; submit to nothing wrong." It is believed that Admiral Leahy will do just that. Poor old Marshal Pétain, bludgeoned into collaborating with Hitler for the Axis domination of Europe, yet casts a weary, yearning eye towards America, if reports are true.

## REPORTS PLIGHT OF BRITISH METHODISTS

Bishop Herbert Welch of New York, chairman of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, has received from Rev. Henry Bett, M.A., Litt.D., of Birmingham, England, president of the British Methodist Conference, acknowledg-

ment of the gift of \$5000 from American Methodists to British Methodists. His letter, delayed for some time by the British censor, gives a vivid summary of the loss the war is entailing upon this one denomination in England.

"I acknowledge with the deepest gratitude your handsome gift of \$5000 for Methodist relief in this country," writes Dr. Bett, "and I would ask you to make known to your committee and your people, in the widest way you can, my personal thanks, and the thanks of all Methodists in this land.

"The gift is the more welcome because the need is really very great. About 150 of our churches and halls have been demolished or badly damaged. The cost of rebuilding (when that is possible) will be enormous; and meanwhile, of course, temporary premises must be used, and all sorts of expedients employed. Then our church funds naturally suffer from the conditions of the time, such as darkened streets, air-raid alarms, evacuated populations, and so on. Moreover, many of our people are homeless and must be helped. We decided some time ago to raise a war emergency fund of 50,000 pounds, but it will be the merest fraction of what we need. Pray for us, and, if you can, continue to help us."

The Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, says Bishop Welch, hopes to be able to further help British Methodists from funds received from their Methodist brethren in America. Moneys may be especially designed for this phase of Overseas Relief and sent to Morris W. Ehnes, treasurer of the committee, at 150 Fifth Ave., New York City.

## MRS. Z. V. MOSS LEADS ALL THE REST

The district secretaries of both conferences are securing a woman in each Society of Christian Service to secure new subscribers and renewals for the North Carolina Christian Advocate. This week Mrs. Z. V. Moss of Albemarle sent the names and addresses of fifty-nine women to care for the Advocate in the Salisbury district. This beautiful typewritten sheet is a joy to behold. Mrs. Moss has certainly pointed the way.

Names from both conferences have come in but no list so complete as that from the Salisbury district. We hope before many weeks to have a complete list of the agents in each and every society. Our congratulations to Mrs. Moss for her excellent work.

## REV. L. E. SAWYER LEADS AT MARSHALLBURG

Rev. L. E. Sawyer starts the new year at Marshallburg by sending a list of thirty new subscribers. These Methodists formerly belonged to the Methodist Episcopal Church. Brother Sawyer is using the church paper as first assistant in his work. Wise man he shows himself in every charge by circulating the Advocate. Sawyer and Marshallburg should have a good year together. "God bless us every one."

## ADVOCATE FOR CHRISTMAS GIFT

Some have already ordered the North Carolina Christian Advocate for Christmas presents. Any others desiring to do so will please send name and address with \$2 and we will send a Christmas card announcing the gift and from whom.

## CHANGES IN APPOINTMENTS

By reason of a breakdown in the health of Rev. W. C. Dutton, Bishop Purcell authorizes the following changes in appointments for the Western North Carolina conference:

J. G. Wilkinson from Black Mountain to Dallas.  
M. F. Moores from Old Fort to Black Mountain.  
R. M. Varner from Mills River to Old Fort.  
G. L. Lovett to supply Mills River.

M. T. Smathers, Sec. to Cabinet.



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"Don't be discouraged," admonished the wise observant of trees. "Think of the mighty hickory tree. It was once a nut." This same student of trees turned his eye upon woman and found that the only green thing about a grass widow is the fellow who hangs around her.

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That Jesus was an ideal Rotarian, a good member of the Country Club, a go-getter in business, a master of advertising psychology, and a good fellow of the streets and market place whom the average man might slap on the back as they enjoyed together a good, new story, is the present day interpretation that some popular writers give Him as a man among men.

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"Give me the radius of a man's intelligence, and I will describe the circumference of his tolerance," is an epigram that sets one to thinking. Is it true altogether, or does this terse statement express only partial truth? Is ignorance, and ignorance alone, the mother of intolerance? Or does depth of moral conviction at times drive men to show an intolerant spirit even when the facts are clearly understood?

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Only little children can enter fully into the Christmas spirit, because they alone have the faith and imagination that is needed for the larger joy. These little ones can go into the toy department and talk directly to Santa Claus at the north pole and order a doll with assurance that it will be delivered Christmas morning. These children also can make their wishes known in letters to Santa and the generous old gentleman seldom disappoints these little ones from whom faith has not yet departed. Only that child who hangs the little stockings by the fireplace and at the same time hopes that by lying awake may hear him slide down the chimney is really capable of knowing the full joys of Christmas.

One man has friends, another has none. One man always has good neighbors and another man never has any that are good. Why this difference? It is in the man himself. The man who shows himself friendly invariably has friends and the man who shows himself neighborly seldom fails to get a good response from those about him.

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The Yuletide approaches. Christmas shoppers for several weeks have crowded department stores and other places of sale. The surging multitudes elbow each other good naturedly in most instances, because the Christmas spirit generally pervades Christmas shoppers. These multitudes are interesting and instructive to watch. The number of parents whom one encounters in the stores buying gifts for young people becomes impressive. And the number of young people shopping for their elders is by no means negligible. Getting ready for Christmas, if Christmas shopping may be taken as an index, is the most interesting and strenuous part of the Yuletide and perhaps the most enjoyable.

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The four votes cast for a negotiated peace by the House of Commons last week would be six if we count the two tellers who were in favor of the resolution. It is of interest to know that of these half dozen five came from Scotland and four of them from Glasgow and vicinity. Those who are informed as to why English radicalism hails from Glasgow point out that this city has the worst slums in Great Britain. In the nineteen twenties three-fifths of the people of Glasgow lived in houses of two rooms and less. And in addition to this half a million, there were 125,000 who occupied a single room as the home for an entire family. But present conditions are greatly improved over what they were before the first world war. Yet conditions are still such that these people could hardly hope for better things by a war with Germany.



## Peace, Not War, Our National Objective

**T**OO numerous to mention are the many elements in our modern day essential to the national defence, if we are to accept the pleas of the American press and the cries of American politicians. The one nation-wide plea is that we make ready for war so as to meet the enemies crowding in upon us from the seven seas. Millions of boys are to be trained for soldiers and billions of dollars are to be spent for national defense sufficient for modern military equipment. Preparation for war rather than preparation for peace is the one chief national objective to the front this present hour. It is not so, but so it seems. The many voices heard all across the land would lead us to this conclusion.

Peace is really the dominant desire and the glorious objective of this land for which our fathers died. This conviction enables us to sing, "God bless America," and, at Christmas time, to join in the shout—

"There is a song in the air!  
There is a star in the sky!  
There is a mother's deep prayer  
And a baby's low cry!"

The essential elements of every well regulated community in America are the abiding elements that have entered into the making of this nation. Due regard for the police power of a people and a sufficient police force to protect a community from hoodlums and the lawless elements of society are most essential, but these do not give the really potential strength of all defense. Essential to the life of every vigorous and upstanding people, able to win in small and in large communities, are the home, the school, the church, the court house, the chamber of commerce and other less important groups. These stand for the family, for education, for religion, for civic procedure, for commercial endeavor, etc. All these function best in times of peace rather than in periods of war. These are all constructive in their tendency; while war is entirely destructive and ends in death and hell.

Every well regulated town and city boasts of its homes, schools, churches, city hall and numerous other elements for community betterment, all the while careful to have due regard for an adequate police force. Such in the large should be the desire and objectives of our nation. As a people we are for peace and not for war. Ours is a Christian democracy;

or else we must cease to sing of "the land of the Pilgrim's pride."

Much of the boasting that finds expression in the desire on the part of some for a vast fleet on both oceans and a superiority in the air, sufficient to cause all the world to fear us is far from the American spirit in its inner essence. We are not a people to wage wars of conquest. The soldiers returned from France in 1918 to enter once more the ways of peace. We are still far from being a war-minded people with soldiers eager to dominate by force of arms. Our homes, our schools, our churches, our boys and our girls, our fathers and our mothers speak another language. Our hearts still respond to the words of Phillips Brooks, "Oh, little town of Bethlehem." We still worship at the manger throne. We would hear the angels sing of peace on earth and good will to men.

## Preamble to the Constitution of Nazi Europe

**T**HE New York Times editorially gives the following as a preamble to the constitution of Nazi Europe: "Murder in the name of law, terror in the name of government, famine in the name of redistribution of wealth."

The New York paper adds the following observations:

We are witnessing in Europe a plot to murder civilization as systematically carried out as the bombing of Britain. The tragedy is too vast, too grotesque, too overshadowed by the battles in the foreground, to be fully taken in. It is proceeding nevertheless with relentless cruelty. Just enough filters through the veil of silence and censorship to make us aware that conditions in every occupied country are infinitely worse than we know or can imagine. "We are living in hell," says a letter smuggled out of Warsaw and published here yesterday, and this statement of a group of tormented but defiant women applies not only to Poland. It is a literal description of the existence of millions of people immured in the continent which has cradled the culture, the law and the humane tradition of mankind.

Hitler has imposed a "new order" from the Vistula to the Bay of Biscay. He has taken over a ready-made complex of great cities, well developed industry and agriculture, highly civilized populations. By superior force he is presumably able to do what he likes with his captives. What has he done? So far he has produced only an immense pool of misery and want. Furthermore, he has brutalized every society he has touched. Yesterday in Rumania Iron Guardists executed members of the preceding government, including the premier, in reprisal for the killing of Iron Guardists under the Carol regime. This wholesale assassination was not directed by Hitler, but indirectly it is his work. The spirit of violence that rules in Bucharest, the reversion to jungle law, is the true emanation of the Nazi spirit.



## Chinese Rise Superior to the Germans

THE Germans boast much of their superiority to other peoples. That, too, with the present lapse of the nation into the cruelty and barbarism that puts Germany on a level of cruelty and inhumanity with the savages of the jungle. This land with its universities, scholars and men of letters has lost all that which was once the glory and inspiration of the German people. The nation has become militarized and demonized until the war lords have made shambles of the surrounding peoples of Europe. Germany is now the terror of the whole earth as well as a shameful reproach to the once glorious history of the Fatherland. The professed supermen are a by-word and a reproach as this second world war progresses.

"The Key Reporter" of Phi Beta Kappa sets out in the winter number a record that discloses the difference of the Chinese in dealing with their universities and that of the collapse of the German universities. This article entitled, "Chinese Universities on the March," says:

According to statistics, since the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese war, no fewer than 77 universities have moved from their original sites in the occupied areas thousands of miles to the interior of China. But mere statistics do not reveal the pathos, the romance, and the spiritual significance of this migration of a civilization. When in the summer of 1937 the universities and other institutions of higher learning had to scurry away from the war zones with the enemy close at their heels, much of what was in the fine laboratories and libraries had to be left behind.

With what little equipment they brought, these universities settled themselves in various hitherto unheard of places, housed in wooden sheds or mud huts, and are stoically carrying on their mission of preserving and passing on the fruits of human achievements. In these improvised laboratories science is being taught and research is being carried on. Necessity has forced us to adapt crude and ancient implements to modern science. From old kerosene tins and crates are made thermostats, incubators, sterilizers, sinks, laboratory benches and furniture. Chemical ignition is performed with a plumber's blow torch and an opium smoker's lamp serves as an excellent microburner.

In scale, in distance, and in the shortness of time, the present migration of the Chinese people into the interior of the country is perhaps without equal in the history of civilized man. It might be compared with the westward migration of Americans in the pioneer days, but whereas the American pioneers moved westward voluntarily, the Chinese are compelled to move for the sake of preserving the best that their country possesses. American pioneers could afford to build a culture slowly but the migrating Chinese have brought with them a culture already built; they are transplanting it onto a practically virgin soil.

This migration of the Chinese to the interior promises to be deeply significant for China. Already a new philosophical outlook is developing in the minds of the Chinese; a new social and economic order, and even a new moral code, are in the making. If the Chinese people and Chinese civilization can pass through this critical period of transplantation and become adapted to the new environment they will not merely survive but will blossom into a fuller splendor in time to come.

## The Alarming Death Rate

WHAT can be done to reduce the casualties on our highways? No one seems to be able to suggest a remedy. During the last few months there has been a startling increase in fatalities. What must we expect during the holiday season with the usual increase of travel and reckless driving? Then, too, with the drafting of the soldier boys comes additional travel on a nation-wide scale.

The governor makes his plea, the radio warns men to exercise care, but to little avail. The increase of the revocation of drivers' licenses does not add to the comfort of travel on the highways. All good citizens and every officer of the law should do their utmost to make safer our roads and to lower the present death rate. Something must be done. The present increase of fatalities cannot go on indefinitely. The public must be aroused.

We shudder to think of the coming casualties during the holiday period when joy should fill the land. Instead we know that in thousands of homes will come the sorrow that follows the present slaughter on our highways. Why not each one of us do our utmost to reduce the agony and death?

## "Small Folk Dream of Peace"

JOSEPH, his father's favorite son, was a lad of whom his envious and wicked brothers in derision said, "Behold this dreamer cometh," and they sold him into Egyptian bondage. But in the providence of God this slave boy who dared to dream dreams became a mighty ruler who carried in his belt the keys to the corn cribs of Egypt in the days of famine. And this man in his life illustrates the truth of the following lines:

We have dreamed down slavery, we have dreamed down kings,  
And still we dream of liberty and the end of evil things.  
O builders, put your ships away and bid your navies cease;  
For, dim and dumb and voiceless, the small folk dream of peace.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

The football people are interested in what they call the "T" formation. In the nineties this was the only formation in practical use. The "flying wedge," a well remembered play of those early days, has been likewise restored. The Christmas shoppers use it in the department stores.

A surprise farewell party by the stewards and their wives at Hillsboro and New Sharon churches, and a hearty welcome, a nice dinner, and a warm parsonage upon our arrival at Yanceyville. Such has been the order of the day in this minister's life recently. We are happy in our new field of labor.—Joyce V. Early.

The Bethesda church, Danbury charge, was glad to have 41 people from the Wayside Methodist church, Draper, to worship with them Sunday in Sunday school and preaching. Rev. J. L. Love, our pastor, was their pastor four years. Brother Love has only been with us a few months, but we feel we are going to have a good year.—A Member.

The plans for a League of Stewards' meeting in the Elizabeth City district in the church in Plymouth on December 12, 1940, have been cancelled and the meeting postponed until January or February because of the inability of Dr. W. K. Greene, conference lay leader, to attend. Notice will be given when this meeting has been rescheduled.—John R. Jenkins, Jr.

Pleasant Grove church remembered Rev. C. E. Ridge, their pastor, on Thanksgiving in such a way as to fill his larder for weeks to come. It was a general pounding, indeed. More than this, Dr. Taylor held the quarterly conference Sunday night and the pastor got \$100 raise in salary for 1941. The charge also increased its acceptance on benevolences \$250 for this year over last year. All this is good news for everybody.

On the morning of the 25th of November Mrs. P. F. Newton and Mrs. L. C. Larkin held a "coffee hour" at the Rocky Mount district parsonage, the home of the latter, for the district ministers' wives. About two dozen attended and thoroughly enjoyed the informal "get-together." The hostesses served a delicious buffet luncheon of sandwiches, pickles, olives, coffee and cookies. A short business session was held during which Mrs. P. F. Newton of Rich Square was re-elected president, Mrs. H. L. Davis of Littleton elected vice president, and Mrs. J. Bascom Hurley of Seaboard re-elected secretary.—Mrs. J. Bascom Hurley.

We are now comfortably and pleasantly situated here on the Ramseur-Franklinville charge. If we ever had finer people to serve anywhere we do not know where they were—the "we" refers to the pastor and his wife and is not the editorial "we." On the first Sunday in December the Ramseur church raised more than its ten per cent assessment for the Children's Home at Winston-Salem. The Franklinville church usually raises its assessment about the first of the calendar year. Congregations at both churches have been good. Four new members were received at Ramseur last Sunday.—J. E. Pritchard.

Rev. T. G. Madison and the Shiloh people are getting along fine. He filled his regular appointment yesterday and brought another vital message. The first quarterly conference of Shiloh charge will be held at Shiloh Saturday, December 14, at 2 p. m. All official members please remember and be present. Our people have just about completed the furnishing of our parsonage. We appreciate very much those who have co-operated so splendidly and given so generously. The furnishings are new throughout except the refrigerator which was placed there a couple of years ago. We had a good union Thanksgiving service at Shiloh church last Wednesday night, with Reeds Baptist, Reeds Method-

ist and Shiloh Methodist taking part. The three respective pastors, Revs. N. C. Teague, Byron Nifong and T. G. Madison led their church groups in a short service. Speakers from the respective churches were: Eugene Snider, Harvey Beck, J. W. Stone, A. L. Hendren and Dr. F. L. Mock, Grady Leonard and Harry Berrier. Special music was furnished by the Reeds trio and the Berrier quartet. We are sorry to report the illness of Mrs. Wiley Shoaf, who has been ill for some weeks, and Mrs. Ray Leatherman, who had an appendicitis operation at the Davidson hospital last Wednesday. Both are teachers in our Sunday school.—Mrs. Homer Sink.

Dean Henry H. Meyer of Boston University school of religious and social work, who is spending a sabbatical year in the Far East, arrived in Shanghai on October 16, and the next day gave his first lecture at Nanking Theological Seminary which holds some of its activities in Shanghai. Dean Meyer writes that the American government's advice that Americans leave China has greatly disturbed missionary and educational forces both in China and Japan, but that most Americans prefer to stay. "News here, both in the daily press and over the radio is as complete as in New York or Boston," writes Dean Meyer. "We do not expect to return now and hope to complete our engagements as planned. However, we also recognize the fact that conditions may change overnight."

Our pastor, Rev. Mr. Isley, Randolph and Gray's Chapel charge, the second Sunday gave us a most inspiring sermon on the theme, "Does Religion Cost Too Much?" On September 25 the ladies of our church organized a Woman's Society of Christian Service with 23 charter members. The society is starting off in a fine way. Our local church committees are doing some very helpful work in our community. We have built four new Sunday school rooms to our church, equipped with heat and furnishings, all paid in full. Our Sunday school is progressing nicely with increase in attendance under supervision of Mr. Jene Brown. We are planning an old fashion Christmas tree on Tuesday night before Christmas with the usual program, to be given by the Sunday school in the church auditorium.—Mrs. C. L. Grubb.

## DOINGS AT BREVARD

A delegation of four students represented Brevard College at the first meeting of the state student conference on adventures and applied Christianity, which was held last week in Greensboro under the auspices of the North Carolina Council of Churches. The representatives from Brevard included: Florence Spillman, Charlotte; Ray Swink, Lexington; Bill Dunnagan, Yadkinville; Wayne Kernodle, Greensboro.

The Masquers, dramatic group in the college, presented its first play of the season last Thursday night in the auditorium. The play, "Poor Little Me," was a three-act comedy and found a good reception from the large audience. The production was directed by Miss Lucile Smith, dramatic adviser, who was assisted by Meddie Jones, Hickory, a student. Characters for the play were: Pendleton Banks, Jeanette Austin, Brevard; Ruth Hope, Concord; Florence Spillman, Charlotte; Oswald Parks, Lexington; Wayne Kernodle, Greensboro; Smara Black, Midland; Robert Elliott, Forest City.

The stars and stripes now tower high above the front lawn of Brevard College. Last Sunday afternoon the college held a flag raising ceremony at which the new flag pole, donated by the faculty and the Monroe Wilson Post No. 88 of the American Legion, was dedicated. The program consisted of music by the college band, short speeches of presentation and acceptance, and the flag raising.



CELEBRATION OF CENTENARY OF DUKE  
CHAPEL CHURCH

December 15, 1940, is set aside to celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the establishment of Duke's Chapel Methodist church, two miles north of Durham. The celebration will be in and about the grounds of the present church site. Plans are being made for both a morning and afternoon service with dinner served on the grounds. A special effort is being made to recall the members who have moved to other cities or states. The ministers who have served the charge in the past have been requested to return for as much of the program as possible. There is always the possibility that our methods of contacting the individuals will fail in some places; therefore we wish to extend through the medium of this our church organ an invitation to all the ministers who have served the work in the past to come with their families to as much as possible of the anniversary program.

The Duke's Chapel Methodist church was established in the year 1840 by a member of the family of Dukes. This institution was Hebron church, now known as Duke's Chapel Methodist church. William J. Duke over 90 years ago contributed 50 dollars toward the construction of a log building on the site of the present church structure. Since then two structures have been built. The first was a frame structure which was used for 50 years. In 1927 a stone structure was completed and dedicated as the most beautiful country church in the state. Many of the Duke family were buried in the cemetery nearby. B. N. Duke made the present structure possible.

DR. W. A. LAMBETH SPRINGS A SURPRISE ON  
FRANK M. WEAVER IN CENTRAL CHURCH

Here is the story as we got it:

"At the close of the last hymn at Sunday morning service Dr. Lambeth asked Brother Frank Weaver to come to the front. I had no idea of what he wanted. Asked if I objected to his telling it, I asked what? I just wanted to tell the congregation you were 82 today. Go to it; I can't deny it. I never had as many congratulations put on me for a thing I could not help. Reaching home, found phone calls stating they could not get to speak to me at church for the crowd. What a joke. Over 50 years of this a steward, 23 superintendent of S. S. Over a period of 16 years a delegate to general conferences. Consider these things the biggest estate I can leave. Asked Mr. Lambeth how he found this out. Replied, he had a way of finding out lots of things. So I decided I better watch my step."

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In order to promote temperance and sobriety in North Carolina

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MISS MAMIE BAYS PASSES IN CHARLOTTE

Miss Mamie Bays, one of Charlotte's best known elderly women, died Saturday, December 7, in a Charlotte hospital after a week's illness of pneumonia.

The funeral was held at the J. M. Harry & Co. chapel Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock and burial in Elmwood cemetery. Rev. G. Ray Jordan, pastor of First Methodist church, of which Miss Bays was a member, conducted the service.

One brother, William W. Bays of Washington, D. C., survives

Miss Bays was a daughter of Dr. W. W. Bays, who in his earlier ministry was a member of the Holston conference and in later years prominent in the Western North Carolina conference. Miss Bays was the first woman to receive a degree from the theological department of Vanderbilt University. She was widely known in other years as a reporter of the proceedings of the Western North Carolina conference. For several decades she has been a regular contributor upon religious topics to the Charlotte Observer.

CORNERSTONE CEREMONIES AT MUIR'S  
CHAPEL SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Climaxing almost a century and a quarter of uninterrupted religious service to the suburban section of West Greensboro, Muir's Chapel Methodist church will lay the cornerstone of its new educational building Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. G. A. Stamper, who is serving his fourth year as pastor, has announced that Rev. Kenneth Goodson, assistant pastor of West Market Street church, will be the speaker.

Muir's Chapel took its name from its first pastor, Rev. Thacker Muir, who cut the first log for the original log church erected in 1823. Since that time there have been several church buildings, of which the present handsome brick veneered structure is the fourth. The new educational building is a two-story structure of harmonizing brick which is placed between the main church building and the Centennial hut to form a court. The new building fills a long felt need for adequate facilities in providing religious education for this fast growing community and, according to A. C. Smoak, superintendent, will be occupied for the first time on the Sunday before Christmas.

DRUNKEN DRIVERS STILL INFEST OUR  
HIGHWAYS

The N. C. Safety Division reports 157 revocations of drivers' licenses the week from December 2 through December 6. Grand total 31,196. As the consumption of liquor mounts the casualties on the roads increase.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT LEAGUE OF  
STEWARDS

The date for the meeting of Fayetteville League of Stewards is changed from December 15 to December 29. The place and hour are not changed—Aberdeen at 2:30.

The stewards of all our churches are urged to reserve this date and hour for their distict wide meeting.

W. V. McRae, D. S.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT NOTICE

Please announce and urge a good attendance of your laymen at the district laymen's rally meeting to be held at West Market Street church at 3 o'clock on December 29.

Gov. Clyde R. Hoey will deliver the main address, and matters pertinent to the lay work in the district will be considered.

L. B. Hayes, D. S.



## DOES LEARNING IMPOVERISH THE FAITH?

By P. E. Lindley

Education, some folk think, casts a chill over one's religion. Cases are cited to show that higher learning blights the spirit and turns the believer into an infidel. Occasionally someone writes an article on what college did to his religion, and the people read it on the assumption that all education destroys the Christian's creed. They think scholarship and faith can never keep company.

Certain individuals, of course, do experience difficulty maintaining the spiritual glow while adjusting themselves to the larger thought of academic circles. Some do make shipwreck of the faith; religion with some becomes a lost art. As Sam Walter Foss said of the lad in the poem—

"His faith grew faint with many scars;  
The cosmos widened in his view,  
But God was lost among his stars."

These cases, however, can usually be explained in few and simple words. Our class in philosophy did so explain them, and this is the logic employed.

First, it is difficult to be critical and reverent at the same time, and the scholar does, in the nature of his work, have to be critical. He has to be analytic in mind. And this critical approach is rather withering on the sentiments of religion. Begin taking a rose to pieces, prying into the secrets of its structure, and you soon have no rose to admire. Your critical analysis has destroyed its beauty. The same may happen in religion.

Second, religion often rests almost entirely on an emotional foundation. Little intellect has gone into it. But colleges major in thought instead of feeling. The classroom is a poor place to maintain holy emotions, and the laboratory is very trying on the sentiments. New discoveries cast doubt upon ancient creeds; orthodoxy fares ill at the hands of an exploring mind, and some students find the academic atmosphere too chilling for their spiritual health.

Third, the time element is important. It "takes time to be holy." College men finding no convenient season for inner devotion rob themselves of one thing the soul demands—time. One need not expect to cultivate oats and harvest wheat. "Men do not gather figs from thistles." So in the nature of the case, scholastic cultivation produces scholastic results, and religious cultivation brings a religious harvest. But this is neither the fault of education nor religion. It is the outcome of an unbalanced schedule. You would not pay a man full wages who spends half of his time working for somebody else, and you cannot expect the Lord to do otherwise.

Forth, many men in college are trying to live by an infantile theology. They refuse to grow up religiously. They increase in wisdom and stature and in favor with man, leaving the wisdom of faith to take care of itself. Educationally they put away childish things, but they insist on remaining in babyhood spiritually.

Fifth, the teacher's influence is coloring on the life of the student. A teacher can make or break a student's faith. Many a college lad has wrecked his religion over the schoolmaster and from the ruins was hardly able to salvage enough doctrine to comfort his soul the rest of his earthly way. A cynical teacher can, through sneering unbelief and by prating on holy themes about which he knows nothing, darken the minds of youth and shatter

the sacred foundation of many a cherished belief concerning life, Bible, and everything else. Such instructors ought to be penalized instead of paid.

After all, intellectual people are as religious as any, granting of course that they seek to express their faith in a manner characteristic of their culture. History proves this. Our spiritual leaders and founders have been men of scholarship as, for example, was St. Paul, Luther, Knox, Wesley, and Calvin. Add to this the fact that the church has, down through the years, fostered a progressive movement of education. She has been a mother of learning. Knowledge and faith go hand in hand; they are to help each other for, as the Teacher said, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

## WILMINGTON DISTRICT OBJECTIVES FOR CONFERENCE YEAR 1940-41

The task of the Christian is the most important known to the world. It is to build and maintain the kingdom of our Christ. To this end may both layman and preacher labor each day.

### I. SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

1. Plan for daily period of meditation and prayer in living.
2. Pray daily for each minister, steward and church officer in our district, that all may be led by the Holy Spirit.
3. Seek to establish family altars in homes of our members, urging the use of "The Upper Room."
4. Keep church open daily for place of meditation and prayer.

### II. EVANGELISM

1. Make careful survey of each community to discover prospects.
2. Organize visitation evangelistic committees to follow up.
3. Hold pre-Easter evangelistic services wherever possible.
4. Hold decision day in each church school. Train children for church membership and receive during Easter season.
5. Set goal of 25 new members on profession.

### III. MISSIONS

1. Organize and use local board of missions and church extension.
  - (a) Hold school of missions in each church. Use local board to aid in enrollment and putting on program.
  - (b) Get local board to aid in collection of benevolences.
  - (c) Lay upon local board responsibility for developing Sunday schools and preaching places in neglected areas.
1. Mission sermon preached in each church once a quarter.
3. Take offering in early spring for "Home Mission Special" and send to Mr. J. C. Braswell, Treasurer, Rocky Mount, N. C.
4. Magnify World Service Sunday each month in every Sunday school and send offering to conference treasurer for credit on benevolences of the charge.

### IV. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1. Make plans to increase church school enrollment and attendance.
2. Plan daily vacation church school for every church.
3. Plan training school or class for teachers and workers.
4. Observe Church School Day in each school and send the offering to Rev. C. K. Proctor, Treas., Oxford, N. C.
5. Observe childhood and youth week in each church.
  - (a) **Make effort to secure 10 new subscribers to Advocate.**
  - (b) The World Outlook and Upper Room should be more widely read and used.

### V. LAYMAN'S WORK

1. Encourage and support League of Stewards.
2. Make Golden Cross enrollment successful.
3. Organize evangelistic bands for Christian service among neglected groups.

### VI. FINANCES

1. Every member canvass for pledges to church budget.
2. Quarterly statement of contribution and collection each quarter.
3. Secure one-half of benevolences by meeting of district conference.
4. Quarterly report and remittance of each church, or charge, to Mr. C. A. Dillon, Raleigh, N. C., using remittance blank provided.
5. Secure a special Thanksgiving offering between now and Christmas for the Methodist Orphanage.



### HAWTHORNE LANE METHODIST CHURCH CELEBRATES 25TH ANNIVERSARY: RECEIVES SET OF CHIMES AND OTHER GIFTS

Hawthorne Lane Methodist church celebrated its 25th anniversary last Sunday, received several gifts, among them a set of chimes, and heard a sermon by Bishop Clare Purcell, presiding bishop of this conference.

The chimes were presented by J. B. Ivey, who was a charter member of the church. They have been placed in the tower of the church and were played at the service Sunday, and at night a special program by the chimes was given a half hour before the evening services. Mr. Ivey himself presented the chimes, and they were received by a ritual service participated in by the congregation.

A baptismal font was given by C. T. Turpie, and his granddaughter, Susan Elaine Turner, was the first child baptized at the font. Susan is the child of Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Turner. Mrs. Turner was Virginia Turpie. Mr. Turpie presented the font.

Other gifts were hearing aids placed in the pews, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hagood, the former making the presentation, anthem covers, the gifts of the Wesley Workers' class, and anthems by Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Beatty. The men's class gave a bulletin board in front of the church and had the building wired for broadcasting, and three daughters and their husbands donated a sum which is to be used as remembrance of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Cole. These donors were Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Hatcher, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Culp, and Miss Emily Cole. Brass rails for the church were donated by an anonymous giver.

The anniversary sermon was preached by Bishop Purcell, who commended the liberality of the donors and congratulated the church on its progress. Bishop Purcell laid stress on the imperishability of the word of God. If it were destroyed, every copy of it could be reproduced he said from quotations in literature, from themes in music, and art, and, if all these were obliterated, the Christians would be able to recite and preserve it from memory.

The ministers taking part in the service were the pastor, Rev. E. H. Nease, Dr. D. M. Litaker, and Rev. L. B. Hayes of Greensboro, pastor of the church until two years ago.

### "WORRY—AND ITS CURE"

Rev. P. D. Woodall of Louisburg, N. C., has written a little booklet which sells for 10 cents a copy that many will count a boon in their efforts to win over worry. The author writes out of his experience and gains the approval of such men as Dr. Raymond S. Chrispel of Duke, Julian W. Ashby of Raleigh, and J. K. Hall of Richmond. In the order named these specialists say: 1. "You have given good advice as to how to avoid the pitfalls of worry. I would like to have some of the tracts."

2. "The article will be a good deal of help to many people who might need this advice."

3. "You have written a powerful and a persuasive psychobiography to bless mankind. Please give your tracts wide distribution and let me have at least a hundred copies of it."

Stanley Jones says the four great enemies of human personality are: "Resentment, fear, self-centeredness and a sense of guilt." Out of one or more of these arise most

of our worries. Mr. Woodall offers twenty suggestions as to how we should fight this insidious foe called worry.

All who are free from worry would render a fine service to the less fortunate by distributing copies of this booklet. Send price to Rev. P. D. Woodall, Louisburg, N. C. Those who worry will certainly want a copy of "Worry—And Its Cure."

### MINISTERS' WIVES ENTERTAINED

The Ministers' Wives of the Charlotte district were delightfully entertained at a tea given at the home of Mrs. G. T. Bond, Thursday, December 5, from three to five o'clock. Special guests were those who had recently moved to this district, and those present were: Mrs. J. W. Davis, Mrs. C. E. Murray, Mrs. D. V. Howell, Mrs. T. G. Highfill, Mrs. C. P. Bowles, Mrs. J. L. Rayle and Mrs. S. H. Booth.

The living room and music room were beautifully decorated with a profusion of fall flowers, using the color note of yellow and green.

Mrs. G. T. Bond and Mrs. H. P. Powell welcomed the guests at the door and Mrs. M. G. Ervin introduced them to the hostess receiving line, which included Mrs. Bond, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. Ervin, Mrs. J. E. Yountz, Mrs. E. H. Nease, Mrs. L. R. Akers, Mrs. C. F. Womble and Mrs. J. W. Fitzgerald.

Mrs. L. R. Akers presided at the piano and gave a program of musical selections during the afternoon, and Mrs. Powell presented a humorous skit. Mrs. Nease and Mrs. Yountz conducted two clever contests in which Mrs. W. L. Nicholson and Mrs. E. O. Cole were the winners.

In the dining room tea table was attractively arranged with a lace cloth and the centerpiece was a silver bowl of talisman roses and narcissus, flanked by two silver three branched candelabra, holding lighted yellow tapers.

Mrs. Clare Purcell and Mrs. E. D. Mouzon graciously presided at the tea table and poured tea. Fancy sandwiches, cookies, and mints were served by the hostesses and miniature corsages were presented to each guest.

There were 28 present to enjoy this delightful occasion.

Mrs. M. G. Ervin, Sec.

### MORIAH-MIDWAY CHARGE

Another conference year has rolled by and the people of Moriah Methodist church have much to be thankful for.

Our former pastor and wife are with us for another year, this being Mr. Pittard's fifth year with us. Under their leadership much good has been accomplished and interest seems to be growing. There were 112 at Sunday school December 1. Finances are in very good shape. We were able to send our pastor to conference with "everything paid in full."

On the fourth Sunday in August our revival began and continued ten days. Rev. Odell Brown of Waynesville was pulpit help and Charles Sharpe, Jr., had charge of the song services.

Two Thanksgiving services were held at Moriah. One service at 2:30, Billy Holton, a young ministerial student, having charge. At the 7:30 service Mrs. Garrett had charge.

Midway Methodist church has been added with Moriah. Services have been arranged for both churches. On the first and third Sundays preaching hours are 10 o'clock, Sunday school at 11. On the second and fourth Sundays preaching at 11 o'clock.

The first Friday night of every month at 7:30 the Woman's Society of Christian Service meets at the church. With Mrs. Ann Moser as new president we are looking forward to a good year.

Reporter.

### N. C. STUDENTS AT EMORY

Actively engaged in training themselves for the ministry are the five theological students from the North Carolina and Western North Carolina conferences. Under a central conference system at the Candler School of Theology, each student belongs to an annual conference from which he receives a definite appointment to some type of supervised Christian service. Such service trains him in the discipline of his church, and gives practical experience to the student in pastoral work.

From the North Carolina conference comes Clyde A. Brooks, president of the Emory chapter of the FOR, and district superintendent in the Emory Central conference.

Western North Carolina conference is represented by A. Mitchell Faulkner, who is serving as minister to children in Haywood Memorial, one of Atlanta's larger churches. Joseph T. Melton is engaged in young people's work at South Bend, Ga. C. Alfred Smith is doing work in the Emory ritual clinic.



# \*The Full and the Exact Man

By PRESIDENT W. P. FEW

Reading makes a full man, writing an exact man.

—Bacon.

It might be said, whether writing makes an exact man will depend upon the sort of writing that is done and the care with which words are used.

A. P. Herbert recently said: "Bad muddled words, causing doubt and delay have thrown, or are throwing much sand in the national machine. And in this war words matter more than ever. They matter because they are the channels of thought, and should be clear; because they are spurs to action, and should be sharp; because they are the tools of every trade, and should be cared for; and because they are evidence of character, and give us away. The woolly word may reveal the woolly mind; the obscure or cloudy word may conceal the tricky purpose or the absence of a plan."

To insist upon these things, Mr. Herbert says, is not mere fussy pedantry. He is not only concerned to preserve "the fire, the force, the freshness of our tongue." Above all, he is concerned with the national importance of crisp, clear English in wartime. Mr. Herbert pays special tribute to Mr. Churchill for his efforts to break up traditional, clumsy "official English" in the interest of directness and clearness of speech.

These seem to me to be important words and have a bearing for you and me, as well as for England in wartime. Everybody who speaks or writes ought to give life-long attention to the use of words and to the other requirements of a good style. He must use a dictionary. He must read good books, to which I shall make occasion to return later, and he must write constantly. It is pretty difficult for most people, perhaps impossible, to do much thinking without writing. Probably every speech or sermon should be written in abstract if not at length. The manuscript had in many cases best be left at home. That depends upon the intelligence of the audience and the training that the audience has had at this point. Anyhow, the average man can train himself to say about what he has written undergoing the strain of committing it precisely to memory. At any rate, the value of writing is great. Few people know how to say just what they intend to say. I had hoped to quote some words from Woodrow Wilson on this point, but I was not able to lay my hands on the quotation. More than almost any man of our time he had that ability to say just what he intended to say and to say it well.

Reading makes a full man. Again the kind of reading one does will go far to determine its value, but good reading undoubtedly gives amplitude and range to the mind. It suggests ideas and stimulates thinking. Of course, none of you could get along without reading stimulating books in your field, and your field is wide. It is not this phase of the subject that I now have in mind. I am thinking rather of reading as it helps one's speech and writing. In a good deal of your professional reading you must bear in mind the subject matter almost exclusively, but the kind of reading I am here to recommend to you is of the books of great masters not only of thought, but of style, and writers who know words and know how to make them fit the idea like a glove. There is truth in the

old belief that the word and the thought for which the word stands are much the same. If the devil had a man's name he had control of the man. Compare strange survival of this in the United States Senate, where they say not Mr. Jones or Mr. Smith, but the Senator from Indiana, or the Senator from North Carolina.

Read books that have been touched by great imagination. Select one of a small number of great poets and saturate yourself with this poetry. Bacon's essays or the King James version of the Bible thoroughly mastered from this standpoint would be of incalculable value, but most of all, imaginative poetry. This brings back the thoughts and feelings of the people, but in a higher form it touches the noblest qualities of human nature and opens one's eyes to the world about us and within us.

"Will no one tell me what she sings?" A line in Wordsworth's "Highland Reaper," which Matthew Arnold called the most perfect line in English poetry.

"And the still morn went out with sandals gray," Milton's famous description of sunrise.

"Bare, ruined choirs, where late the sweet birds sang." Described in one of Shakespeare's sonnets concerning trees in winter.

"The imagination gives wings to words." Cf. Charles Lanier and writing everywhere reminiscent of masters.

A style thus formed will not be loud or robust, but simple and restrained.

It may become an appropriate vehicle for vigorous and effective thinking, and will more and more be pleasing and appealing to people of our time.

Then how suggestive—"I could not love thee, dear, so much loved I not honor more," from Lovelace's letter written to his sweetheart on going to the wars. These are the accents of a man, and even in one brief line a heroic man is set forth in round completeness.

Contrast "honor is mere 'scutcheon and so ends my catechism," a line which in itself makes sufficiently clear that Sir John Falstaff does not have a vestige of merit of any kind, saving, of course, his intellectual brilliance; this alone prepares for Falstaff's tragic death in Act II of Henry V, and this I have sometimes thought is the best piece of dramatic art in the world.

(The rough draft of Dr. Few's address at this point becomes a series of notes in his own handwriting, and we have been unable to translate them).

\*An address to the Phillips Brooks Club Monday afternoon, October 7, 1940. This was the last public appearance of the late Dr. W. P. Few—two days before his fatal illness.

## THE TWELFTH COUNCIL OF CITIES

Dr. Channing A. Richardson, superintendent of the Department of City Work in the Board of Missions and Church Extension, announces that the next Council of Cities will be held in St. Louis, Mo., on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, January 28 to 30, 1941.

The Councils in the past have made great contributions to the work of the Methodist urban administration, since the first one was held in Chicago in 1917. This next Council will be the twelfth in the series.

All pastors, laymen, district superintendents, and bishops in cities of 10,000 population and over are invited and urged to attend. City missionary societies are asked to send two representatives each to these Councils. (See the 1940 Discipline, paragraphs 975 and 976).



## DR. N. H. D. WILSON

By Albea Godbold

Dr. N. H. D. Wilson and I went to Chapel Hill together in November, 1931, he as a superannuate and I as pastor. During the three years at the University there grew up a strong bond of friendship between us. Our relationship was somewhat like father and son. I found his spirit a blessing and a benediction; he always seemed to take a genuine interest in me and in my development as a minister. I have visited Chapel Hill a number of times since leaving there in 1934, and on each visit I have looked forward to going around to the house on Rosemary street to have a chat with Dr. and Mrs. Wilson.

In the nine years of his retirement Dr. Wilson was never well physically, but even so he was always happy and cheerful in spirit. I never saw him when he was not able to smile. On one occasion he and I went to a district conference at Banks Chapel in the Raleigh district where he made an impressive talk, recalling that he and his good wife began their ministry in that community more than forty years before. There was no sadness in his recollections. He faced the future with hope, and encouraged the young preachers in the district to look with joy upon the opportunities before them.

Dr. Wilson had a marked capacity for friendship. Often when I visited him I found good laymen from the towns where he had served as pastor just stopping in for a few minutes fellowship as they passed through Chapel Hill. Always when he accompanied me to district conferences and other gatherings I noted that many people gathered around him, desirous of greeting an old friend. I am sure that one of the secrets of Dr. Wilson's long and continued success as a pastor was his capacity for friendship. He literally loved people into the kingdom. Because of his sympathy and friendship, he was the easiest minister to preach to that I have ever known. I always felt that I could do better in the pulpit when Dr. Wilson was in the congregation.

Dr. Wilson was a man of strong convictions and, if he had permitted his temper to develop, he would have had a sharp tongue. But even when expressing his convictions emphatically he was sweet in spirit and there was no sting in his words.

Dr. Wilson had a clear mind and was well read. In my opinion, if he had not bound himself from his youth up by an unusual method of sermon preparation, he would have been a stronger preacher in the pulpit. His method of making a sermon was simply to think his subject through in his mind without making notes or writing out paragraphs. Some of us doubt that in this modern age outstanding pulpit ability is developed by such a method. Dr. Wilson's father used this method of sermon preparation before him, and he, being a great admirer of his father and proud of his family, adopted the plan in his early ministry and never changed.

Like many others who lived in the University community, Dr. Wilson caught the spirit of Chapel Hill. He was a graduate of the University, and married a daughter of one of the professors. He often said that Chapel Hill seemed more like home to him than any other place in the world. He was pastor there from 1896 to 1900. Once he said to me that as a student he worshipped in the first building erected by the Methodists in Chapel Hill, preached in the second building which stands on the church lot, and had returned to be buried from the third, the magnificent new church. He loved the trees and the flowers in Chapel Hill. I once suggested that the big oaks in his yard were too numerous and that some should be taken out. He replied that no one had enough money to buy any of those trees even if there were too many. There was a friendly rivalry between the two of us in the growing of dahlias. Some Sundays, when some of my large flowers were on display in the church, he would come out with a twinkle in his eye, saying, "I sometimes have doubts about your ability to preach, but I am convinced that you can grow dahlias."

Dr. Wilson had one great desire during his last years; he wished to outlive Mrs. Wilson. Knowing that his own work was done, he often said to me, "All I ask is that I shall out-

live Minnie (as he always affectionately called Mrs. Wilson), and after that, I don't care how soon the summons comes for me." Alas, his wish was not granted; Mrs. Wilson lives on, though in frail health.

His last communication to me was written on a postal card from his sick bed some time ago. It was a word of appreciation and encouragement which I shall treasure. I am glad that I had the privilege of friendship and fellowship with so choice a Christian spirit as Dr. N. H. D. Wilson. Blessings on his memory. We know where to find him.

## WHEN WE HAVE SEEN THE STAR

By Rev. Richard K. Morton

The divine purpose in the Christmas story is the redemption of mankind. The life of Jesus has that for its purpose. That life, too, is the answer to the mystery of existence. It is the great reassuring fact in the world: God has revealed himself as a loving Father, and man has the capacity to incarnate the divine.

In these troubled days, more than ever, it is apparent, however, that many will not go this far in their thought of Christmas unless that is suggested by the type of life they see around them. The fulfillment of the Christmas story of God's dwelling among men is that his spirit should dwell in and work through us. If men see God in us, they will turn to God in Jesus and to God as the Supreme Ruler and Guide of the universe.

Much rests, that is, upon what you and I do when we have seen the Star. God has revealed himself in the life of Jesus. God has come unto men. Does that then make them better—more just, more brotherly, more fruitful in living? How much depended upon what the shepherds did and said when they returned from the manger! How much matters today what we do who have known the joy of the Christmas story and blessing!

We do so little even if we have seen the Star! I attended the rededication of a Negro church recently, and heard the clerk read off the names of several who gave memorial gifts of fifty cents toward this work. Think of it! That sum most of us would laugh at and belittle—but I know that there was much love and devotion of poor people behind those gifts.

How typical in these days is the touching incident which Dr. Norman Vincent Peelle relates in his book, "Faith Is the Answer," Abingdon-Cokesbury, telling of the captain of the Dutch liner, wondering whether his wife and child were alive in ruined Rotterdam. The captain came to his service and with obvious emotion entered into the worship. These are days to test great souls, and call for great words and deeds in the service of Christ.

A young minister of my acquaintance, who has been a wrestler and boxer, and who has known what hardship means, tells his story of the Gospel with remarkable appeal because he knows how stiff and barren religion has become to many. When he came close to the deeper, more elemental issues of life, he began to find those things which really matter. He knows now more truly than ever why Jesus came, and what Jesus saves us from.

This same young minister tells the thrilling story of Glenn Cunningham, the great mile runner. At one time, he was told he might never walk again, to say nothing of running. By sheer grit and faith he overcame this great handicap and excelled as a runner. "You don't know how well I like to run!" he told the doctor. As we return from seeing the Christmas Star, let us tell the world how well we like to serve Him.



### THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF FAIRMONT CHURCH, RALEIGH

Last Sunday Rev. H. M. McLamb and his people of the Fairmont Methodist church in West Raleigh made use of the occasion to make note of the progress made the past three years and to kindle fresh enthusiasm for the years ahead. It was more than a formal anniversary occasion. Careful preparation had been made for the day and plans announced for the Christmas season. We have not known a more eager and enthusiastic group of Methodists than this of West Raleigh. The energy, good cheer and daring enterprise of Brother H. M. McLamb is most contagious.

The special feature of the morning hour Sunday was a history of Fairmont church by Mrs. J. B. Derieux (we expect to give this a place in the Advocate) and a sermon, "In the Light of the Past," by M. T. Plyler. Pullen Hall of State College is being used until the Fairmont church is built. This hall lends itself admirably to a church service. The vested choir furnishing good music and the more than 300 present who joined heartily in the service made this third anniversary a delightful occasion. The young people of the community and the young men of State College are fully enlisted in the work of the church. They are a pioneering group.

A most admirable lot ample for all purposes has been secured and paid for. A building fund of more than \$1000 is in hand and plans are being made to build. In a drive around in that section of Raleigh, Brother McLamb pointed out hundreds of new homes already built, with many more going up. Few churches have a finer field for growth than does Fairmont in this rapidly growing section, surrounded by a big student population. We are fortunate to have alert leaders to direct the enterprise. They are adding members every week. The goal is another addition of 100 by Easter.

The report to annual conference was as follows: 343 church members; 29 additions by profession of faith; 93 additions by certificate; 527 enrolled in the church school; 103 members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service; 259 enrolled in young people's division; church school offerings \$775; all indebtedness paid from the new church lot, which cost \$2500; total for the year, more than \$6000. Mr. E. A. Martin gave \$100 to building fund. We are inspired to do even more in 1941, say they.

### DR. T. F. MARR DIES AT HIS HOME IN BREVARD

Dr. T. F. Marr, 77, and an itinerant Methodist preacher since 1886, died at his home in Brevard early Sunday night, December 8, following several years of declining health. He retired from the active ministry six years ago and had led a quiet life at Brevard during these years.

For thirty years he had been chairman of the board of trustees of the Methodist Children's Home at Winston-Salem. He was also a member of the board of trustees of Duke University. Dr. Marr was a gifted preacher and served many of the leading charges of the Western North Carolina conference. Among these were Trinity, Tryon Street, Hawthorne Lane churches, Charlotte, and the Charlotte district.

The funeral services were held in the Brevard Methodist church at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning, December 10. Rev. E. P. Billups, pastor of the church, officiated,

with Revs. M. T. Smathers, superintendent of the Asheville district, W. A. Rollins of Hickory and W. A. Jenkins of Marion assisting. Interment was in the Gillespie cemetery.

Surviving Dr. Marr are his second wife, Mrs. Julia Redwine Marr, a native of Monroe, and two children by his first wife; Mrs. T. B. Lewis, Atlanta, Ga., and Roy Marr, St. Petersburg, Fla.

An appreciation of the life and services of Dr. Marr will be prepared by Rev. E. P. Billups for the Advocate.

### GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Greensboro College observed Founders' and Benefactors' Day on last Saturday, December 7, when hundreds of alumnae, friends and students heard Bishop Clare Purcell of the Southeastern jurisdiction of the Methodist Church deliver the address of the day.

Outstanding among the gifts announced by Dr. L. L. Gobbel, president, was a portrait of Mrs. Reuben R. Alley, who served as librarian at the college for 27 years. The presentation was made by Miss Claire Harris, Roxboro, on behalf of the class of 1918. Tribute to Mrs. Alley, who "gave more than money, her life to Greensboro College," was made by Dr. Gobbel. Mrs. Alley died July 23 of this year in a Pittsburgh hospital.

Numerous friends and faculty members of the college have contributed books to the library during the year. Among the donors are Mrs. Henry P. Foust, Mrs. Cecil Jones, Elliot O. Watson, Dr. J. Roddy Miller, Dr. R. T. Dunstan, Dr. R. W. Weaver, F. R. Stout, H. G. McEntire and several publishers.

Bishop Purcell urged his audience "to take a look backward to the institution's founders who have given us a peculiar trust which we dare not misuse."

"We have not physical frontiers today," the bishop said, "but there are other frontiers that call for the very best in pioneering—spirit, science, art, education, epic, and frontiers of philosophy."

Bringing his address to a close, Bishop Purcell stated that "those same pioneers gave us an organizing center about which we can organize our lives and bring them to their spiritual fullness—and that center is Christ."

Special guests assembled at one o'clock in the Student Activities building for a luncheon, followed by an alumnae forum at two o'clock. Ending the day's celebration was a tea at three-thirty o'clock in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Luther L. Gobbel in Friendly Acres, given by the staff.

Students at Greensboro College are preparing for Christmas activities which will begin Sunday, December 15, at 4 p. m. in Odell auditorium, when "The Benediktbeuren," 13th century miracle play, will be presented. "The Benediktbeuren," directed by Miss Anne Exum, Fremont, is under the supervision of Miss Elba Henninger, head of the department of speech and dramatic art. The large cast and stage workers include students chosen from all departments of the college. Heading the cast of players who will present the story of the birth of Christ will be Miss Emma Lee Warner, Ellerbe, in the role of Mary, and Miss Julia Nell Whitehurst, Bethel, who will play Elizabeth.

On December 17 at 8 p. m. the Greensboro College Glee Club and Meistersingers, composed of 26 young business men of the city, will present the annual Christmas concert under the direction of Walter Vassar, professor of voice at the college.

Sponsored by the Y. W. C. A., under the supervision of Miss Cameron Taylor, Fairmont, president, 50 underprivileged Greensboro children will be entertained at a Christmas party at the college at 3:30 p. m. December 17. By arrangements made by Miss Majelle Morris, Salisbury, and Miss Octavia Temple, Kinston, students will provide gifts, candy and refreshments for the guests.

The dining room of the college will be decorated in holiday style on the evening of the 18, when the annual Christmas party will take place. After a special Christmas dinner planned by Miss Sarah B. Rickman, dietitian, gifts which pile the table will be opened.

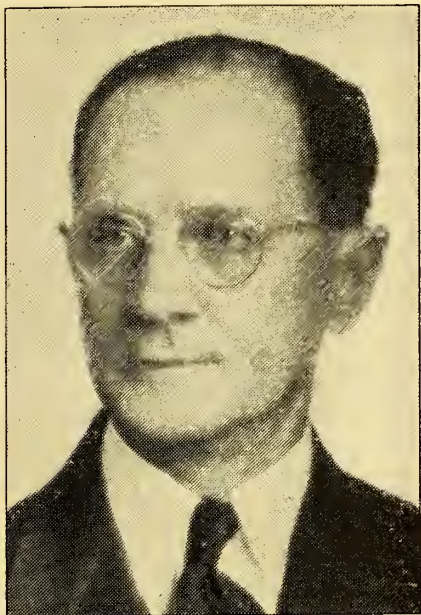
Following dinner White Christmas will be observed in the lobby of Main building. Under a huge Christmas tree will be placed gifts for the less fortunate, the offering being wrapped in white. The program planned by Miss Lorene Weaver, Asheville, will consist of the reading of "The Other Wise Man" by Velda Mecum, Walkertown, with special music between the acts.

December 19 will see Greensboro College girls leaving for their homes in 16 states for the annual Christmas recess lasting until January 3, 1941, when classes will be resumed.



M. T. TURNER AND W. FRANK WHITE TRANSFER FROM RICHMOND TO NASHVILLE

Marvin T. Turner, manager of the Methodist Publishing House in Richmond for 14 years, left November 23 for Nashville, Tenn., where he will become manager of the Nashville house and director of sales for the 14 branch houses of the organization.



Marvin T. Turner

Mr. Turner's shift to one of the most important positions in the new Methodist Church developed in Methodist reorganization following unification of the three Methodist branches. His new work will require him to visit houses in Boston, New York, Pittsburgh, Detroit, Chicago, Kansas City, Portland, San Francisco and other cities.

He has been connected with the Methodist Publishing House since 1904, in Dallas and Nashville first and since September, 1926, in Richmond. An official in the Monument Methodist church, he also was active in Y. M. C. A. work and a member of several civic organizations.

W. Frank White to Take Post in Nashville

W. Frank White, manager of the mail order department of the local house, has been transferred to Nashville, where he will be assistant to Mr. Turner in the sales direction of the entire publishing interests of the church. Mr. White will be succeeded by L. P. Alfried of Richmond, who will become manager of the merchantile department of the Richmond branch. A. Byron Johnson will be promoted to the



W. Frank White

position left vacant by Mr. Alfried's promotion from supervisor of the retail store.

A. R. White, merchandising manager of the Nashville house, will succeed Mr. Turner about January 1, 1941.

The Methodist Publishing House has assets in excess of \$7,000,000 and does an annual business of between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000. The profits are directed to the support of retired ministers, widows and small children of ministers of the denomination. Last year's proceeds amounted to \$210,000.

CONCERT SERIES AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

Opening the concert series at Louisburg College, the Metropolitan Trio of New York gave a performance in the college auditorium on Wednesday morning, December 4, at 10:30 o'clock. The young artists, Mack Walmer, pianist, Stanley Kraft, violinist, and David Pratt, cellist, presented a program of unusual excellence. Each of these young musicians has studied under the most famous artists of their field in this country.

Three programs remain on the Louisburg concert series. On February 5, 1941, Jules and Harriette Wolffers, piano-violin duo, will give a performance, Helen Marshall, noted soprano, will appear on February 26, and the Continental Gypsy Ensemble will entertain on April 18.

The Gamma Upsilon chapter of Phi Theta Kappa gave its annual banquet in honor of the new members at seven o'clock on Tuesday evening, November 26, at the home of Mrs. G. M. Beam. Honorary members present were: Dr. and Mrs. Walter Patten; Mr. G. M. Oliver, acting dean of men; Miss Lula May Stipe, dean of women; Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Amick, and Mr. J. E. Byerly.

The following program was rendered: Welcome, Miss Catherine Gillis, president of the chapter; Toast to New Honorary Members, Miss Mildred Carter; response, Miss Lula May Stipe; reading, Miss Catherine Gillis; solo, "Bells of the Sea," Mr. Arthur Craig, accompanied by Mr. Byerly.

Officers of the freshman class are: Rod Lancaster, president, Vanceboro; Tory Barrett, vice president, Fayetteville; Mary McArtan, secretary, Dunn; Mary Bryan, treasurer, Wilmington.

A WORD FROM FARMER CHARGE

And will all the brethren and sisters hear me patiently for these few words please.

I had in mind for weeks to sit down and tell our good Advocate readers something about this fine charge of nine churches and these hundreds of good people in the corners of Randolph and Montgomery counties—Center, Eleazer, Farmer, Macedonia, New Hope, Mt. Tabor, Oak Grove, Salem, and Union. One might expect a Macedonian cry from the fourth named church here, but no, its from Union, the dear little church burned to earth yesterday, and is only a bit of ashes and an ache in the hearts of the splendid little band who loved the old church and who have worshipped there, some of them, for fifty years.

And now, friends, we do not know how quickly nor how well we can be able to rebuild, but we must do something about it! And that at the earliest possible date. As pastor, I shall of course get in touch with Dr. Ormond of Duke University, Dr. Taylor, our faithful district superintendent, and others. But in the meantime if any of you dear friends among the ministers and laymen and laywomen want to save the trouble of sending to us a Christmas card during the coming wonderful days, just change your minds a bit and make it a little letter with a bill or check slipped in between the sheets. That will be great business and enable you to answer the Macedonian cry, not from Macedonia in Montgomery county, but from dear old Union which was and not in Randolph county. Thank you so much!

And now all the time and space at our command would not be sufficient to tell you of all the churches and beautiful parsonage and of the fine work these people and Fletcher Howard did here for the past two years, and how they are going on to better things and greater faith. Several of the churches have already paid in full on our ten per cent quota for the Children's Home, and dear little Union on last preaching day came within less than \$2 of reaching its goal, and now Union itself is homeless!

Brethren and friends, if you have an opportunity to be passing along highway No. 49 from Charlotte to Durham, drop in at Farmer and say hello and take lunch with us. And a merry, merry Christmas to everybody. And in the language of Tiny Tim, "God bless us everyone."

James Osborne Ervin.



## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

"I bind unto myself today

The power of God to hold and lead,  
His eye to watch, his might to stay,  
His ear to hearken to my need,  
The wisdom of my God to teach,  
His hand to guide, his shield to ward,  
The Word of God to give me speech,  
The heavenly host to be my guard."

—From the "Breastplate of St. Patrick.")

### NEW EDITOR WORLD OUTLOOK

We note with interest in the December issue of The Methodist Woman the announcement of the election of Miss Dorothy McConnell as editor of World Outlook and secretary of literature, by the executive committee of Board of Missions and Church Extension, in September. Miss McConnell succeeds Miss Estelle Haskin, who for a number of years was the efficient editor of woman's department of our missionary periodical. Miss Juanita Brown has been named assistant editor. We extend to both Miss McConnell and Miss Brown our best wishes in their new work.

### SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE

At this writing (December 5) the Southeastern Jurisdictional conference is meeting in Richmond, Va., for the organization of the Jurisdictional Woman's Society of Christian Service—an occasion of interest and great importance to the women of the conferences constituting this jurisdiction. We hope to be able in our next issue to give some outstanding items of information and interest from this gathering of Methodist women. Our Western North Carolina conference has, as representatives in attendance: Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. C. N. Clark, Mrs. W. C. Hammer, Mrs. George Hoyle, Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Mrs. R. M. Andrews and Mrs. R. C. Kennedy.

### RECEPTIONS FOR PASTORS AND THEIR FAMILIES

The past few weeks have been active socially in church circles in Asheville, as several of the churches have tendered receptions to their incoming pastors and their families. The first of these was given by the membership of Haywood Street church, with Rev. and Mrs. W. G. McFarland as the honored guests, welcoming them for their fourth year of service in the church which they have served so acceptably and so successfully.

A few days later Asbury Memorial church honored its pastor, Rev. R. H. Taylor, and Mrs. Taylor, who have been recently transferred from Oakley church to Asbury Memorial.

The last of these occasions was the welcome extended to Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Lambeth and daughter, Miss Elizabeth Lambeth, on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Baker,

when more than 400 called to bid "the Lambeths" welcome back to Asheville.

All of these pastors and their families have received a cordial welcome to Asheville and are beginning their year's work in a most enthusiastic spirit.

### NEW ORGANIZATION AT HAZELWOOD CHURCH, WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

Mrs. Bryson Smith sends us the following announcement:

"On November 20, 1940, the women of Hazelwood Methodist church were organized into a Woman's Society of Christian Service, and were assisted in this organization meeting by the Shady Grove society and its pastor, Rev. Odell Brown and Mrs. Brown. Enthusiasm was evident as plans were made for the future. In addition to the development of their lives spiritually and the study of the missionary work, the members will be busy raising money to furnish a new building which it is hoped will be erected soon. The Methodist church was organized last July and is growing rapidly with an average attendance of 50 at Sunday school."

### OBSERVANCE OF WEEK OF PRAYER

The parsonage of Crews church, on the Winston-Salem district, was the place of meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for their observance of week of prayer, in a service that proved most enriching and helpful, with 21 women in attendance.

Mrs. W. B. Thompson, president of the society, gave interesting facts about the Clara Tucker Chair of Christian Life and Thought to be endowed at Scarritt College. The effective program prepared for this service was used by Mrs. W. B. Winstead, who was in charge, with a number of women taking part in the service.

An interesting and helpful talk on Scarritt College was given by Mrs. J. G. Alley and was followed by a vocal solo by Mrs. W. R. Ham, with Mrs. Arnold White at the piano. A liberal offering was contributed as a special donation to the Clara Tucker Perry Chair.

### MESSAGE FROM MRS. HELEN B. BOURNE

Mrs. Helen Bourne of Nashville, Tenn., who for a number of years was organization secretary of the department of education and promotion in our former Woman's Missionary Council, has been chosen as secretary of missionary education and cultivation of the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation, Woman's Division, Methodist Church. In a personal letter from Mrs. Bourne she tells us that her headquarters after January 1 will be in New York, where she will be associated with Mrs. V. F. DeVinney, execu-

tive secretary, Joint Division of Education and Cultivation (organization and promotion) and she sends this message to her friends with whom she has had close relationship in Christian service in various kinds of schools, conferences and retreats. She expresses her gratitude for the wonderful spirit of co-operation with her in her work. She says: "All this fine response to my sincere attempts to measure up to my responsibilities has been of great benefit to my Christian experience and in my service with you and to the church. We shall not be separated in spirit or purpose and I shall probably feel that I am far away, simply because New York is not in the South, but I am going to be happy there because I am glad to have the opportunity to continue my beloved work. You, too, will enjoy serving the church in whatever relationship you are placed. We shall adjust harmoniously to every new situation. I shall look forward to the time when we shall meet in some way as God guides—in schools, or jurisdictional meetings, at the assembly or general missionary Council—or elsewhere."

We are wishing for Mrs. Bourne the greatest success in her new field of labor and hoping that her stay in New York may be all she would ask.

### LAYING OF CORNERSTONE GIBSON MEMORIAL DORMITORY, SCARRITT COLLEGE

Saturday, October 5, was a great day in the life of Scarritt College, as friends of the college, alumni, students and faculty gathered to witness the laying of the cornerstone of the Maria Layng Gibson Memorial dormitory, made possible principally by the alumnae.

The Scarritt College Voice carries a wonderful description of this event, which brought so much happiness to those who had been instrumental in securing the funds with which the task of building is accomplished.

Bishop Paul B. Kern, president of the board of trustees, and Miss Mary Ora Durham of the alumnae presented the building to President Jesse L. Cunningham, who said in part: "We are glad to accept this lovely building as a loving thought of a large number of former students of Scarritt Bible and Training School and of Scarritt College. . . . We are glad to accept it because it is a memorial to that very noble and saintly woman, Maria Layng Gibson, and I think the building in its beauty, simplicity and spirituality will remind us of Miss Gibson." A feature of the afternoon was the address of Miss Durham, who traced the progress of the undertaking from its beginning in 1926 to the present day, when the dream of the alumnae is becoming a reality. Miss Mabel K. Howell of the Scarritt faculty closed the service with a beautiful prayer in which she thanked her heavenly Father for the Christ-like life of Miss Gibson; the people of all classes whom she had won to Christ; the alumnae students of Scarritt, the college that it may be true to the principles upon which it was founded; the builders of this building, and for the fulfillment of the dreams and prayers that "we, as a college, may be worthy of this gift."



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION

Delegates and visitors from 17 conferences met at Centenary Methodist church, Richmond, Va., on December 5-6 for the charter meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Southeastern Jurisdiction. In the absence of Bishop W. W. Peele, the meeting was convened by Dr. Thomas Perry, Richmond, district superintendent. Mrs. J. W. Perry, former president of the Woman's Missionary Council, was present and proved a guiding spirit in all the deliberations. Mrs. J. W. Bragg, St. Louis, Mo., president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, was the speaker at the following dinner, which was held at the Jefferson Hotel on the first evening of the conference. Speakers at the other four sessions were: Mrs. W. M. Alexander, chairman of spiritual life committee, Woman's Division of Christian Service; Miss Lela Norris, secretary Wesleyan Service Guild; Miss Bettie Brittingham, editor The Methodist Woman; Miss Grace Steiner, executive secretary Deaconess Bureau, and several missionaries. At the pledge service, which was most impressive, presidents of the 17 conferences in the jurisdiction, or their representatives, pledged \$600.575 to the Woman's Division of Christian Service. North Carolina conference pledged \$41,000. The conference closed with the sacrament of holy communion with Dr. Carroll in charge, assisted by ministers of the other Methodist churches of Richmond. Conferences in the Southeastern jurisdiction are: North Carolina, Western North Carolina, Alabama, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, N. Mississippi, N. Alabama, South Carolina, Upper South Carolina, Tennessee, Holston, North Georgia, South Georgia, Louisville, Memphis, Virginia. Officers from the North Carolina conference attending were: Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Mrs. W. A. Thorne, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. S. S. Holt, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Mrs. R. C. Gary, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Mrs. Gertie Matthews, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Miss Mary Gardner. Others attending from our conference were: Mrs. H. O. Lineberger, Raleigh; Mrs. M. Leigh Sheep, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. O. I. Hinson, all of Elizabeth City; Mrs. Paul Mallison, Rocky Mount; Mrs. W. P. Moore, Mrs. J. B. Kittrell, Greenville; Mrs. Vernon Moss, Wilson; Miss Ruth Brooks, Woodsdale.

### MRS. HILLMAN HONORED

At the organization meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Southeastern Jurisdiction, Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president of the North Carolina Conference Society, was unanimously elected president of the Jurisdiction. Those who know Mrs. Hillman, her capabilities and her gentle, gracious personality realize that no woman in Methodism is more qualified for the high position to which she has

been chosen. We heartily congratulate Mrs. Hillman upon the honor which has been bestowed upon her, and we congratulate the 17 conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction for the good fortune which is theirs in having so wisely chosen her as their leader. Other officers elected to serve the jurisdiction and the conferences which they represent were: Vice president, Mrs. H. C. Black, Holston; recording secretary, Mrs. J. Roy Jones, South Carolina; treasurer, Mrs. C. O. Hinton, Kentucky; secretary home and foreign work, Mrs. C. C. Sapp, South Georgia; Mrs. R. P. Neblett, Mississippi; secretary missionary education and service, Mrs. D. B. Little, North Georgia; secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. Warden, Memphis; secretary student work, Mrs. R. R. Ellison, Alabama; secretary young women and girls, Mrs. J. H. Blakemore, Jr., Virginia; secretary literature and publications, Mrs. C. W. Turpin, Tennessee; secretary children's work, Miss Noreen Dunn, Tennessee; secretary supplies, Mrs. C. B. Williams, Florida. Five members at large elected were: Mrs. W. C. Hanna, Mrs. Glenn James, Mrs. D. L. St. John, Mrs. E. H. Newsom, Mrs. L. L. Hardin.

### METHODIST MISSIONS MARCH ON

Fourteen hundred and fifty-two missionaries, representatives of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of our Methodism, live Christ and preach Christ in 30 different countries outside the United States. With their colleagues of many races and colors, they work in 38 annual conferences and eight provisional annual conferences. Methodist missions and missionaries serve against the background of stark human need and suffering. They have always done so. Wherever men and women and children have suffered missionaries have gone. What is true in the past is doubly true today.—Excerpt from Methodist Missions in a World Aflame, December, 1940, issue The Methodist Woman.

Editor's note: Every Methodist should read the entire article. It truly gives a new vision of the magnitude of the missionary movement, the Christly attitude of our missionaries and our responsibilities to them, to those whom they serve and to the God who guides them.

### WORLD FRIENDSHIP UNIT

Looking forward to plans for another World Friendship Unit under the co-operative plan of children's work, we learn that the next unit will be a study of China. For those churches using the Group Graded Lessons in the church school, two units on China will be found in the Group Lessons for January, 1941. The primary unit will be found in Our Little People, with teachers' helps in The Elementary Teacher for that month. The junior unit on China will be found in Junior Lessons

with teachers' helps in the January issue of The Elementary Teacher. For the church school using Closely Graded Courses, the materials mentioned above should be purchased and used with the unit on China, rearranging the Closely Graded Courses in order to substitute the unit on China. Or, instead of using the Group Graded Lessons on China, the church school worker may prefer the units provided by the Missionary Education Movement. Next week on this page will be published a list of enrichment materials for China units. Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Elizabeth City, is conference secretary of children's work. She has already sent information concerning the unit on China and other plans for children's work to secretaries of children's work in the local woman's society of Christian service. Our goal should be: A secretary of children's work in every W. S. C. S. in the conference and a World Friendship unit and other missionary education for children in every church school. The members of the W. S. C. S. should concern themselves about the missionary education of our children and should co-operate with the secretary of children's work in every possible way.

### GUILD ORGANIZED AT BURLINGTON

The Wesleyan Service Guild of Front Street Methodist church W. S. C. S. held its organization meeting at the parsonage on December 2. Those present included the members of the three circles which meet at night: Number 6, Mrs. F. M. Biggerstaff, leader; No. 7, Miss Florine Robertson, leader; No. 9, Mrs. W. L. Craven, leader. Mrs. G. L. Steele, president of the W. S. C. S., presented Mrs. F. S. Love, who explained in detail the aim and purpose of the Guild and called for report of the nominating committee. The following were elected as officers and committee chairmen for the Wesleyan Service Guild: President, Mrs. David Griffin; vice president, Mrs. Luther Simpson; secretary, Miss Nettie Dailey; treasurer, Mrs. Ray Reitzel; chairman spiritual life committee, Mrs. Max Morris; missionary cultivation, Mrs. Bernie Jones; Christian social relations, Miss Jett Harviel; social and recreation, Mrs. Harvey Kester. Mrs. Love led the service of dedication, assisted by Mrs. Ernest Isley, Mrs. A. L. Bell, Miss Nettie Dailey, Mrs. W. L. Craven. Appropriate hymns were used during the service. The three circles then held their individual monthly meeting. Mrs. Griffin in a few well chosen words accepted the office of president of the Wesleyan Service Guild and conducted a brief business session. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served. The decorations were suggestive of Christmas.—Nettie Dailey.

### WAYNE COUNTY ZONE

Wayne county zone met at Yelverton church on October 29 with Mrs. Edgar Stevens presiding. Rev. Cecil Robbins led the devotional. Mrs. James Taylor gave a cordial welcome and Mrs. Bob Edwards responded; 175 from 19 of the 23 societies in the zone were present. Interesting reports were made (Continued on page 23)



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

### FOR THIRTY YEARS

We have just been informed of the passing of Dr. T. F. Marr. For thirty years he has been chairman of our board of trustees. During all this time he has missed very few meetings, the available records listing only two, these coming towards the close of his earthly ministry. Dr. Marr has been through these years immensely interested in the Children's Home, its family and its operations. His clear understanding made him a very valuable counselor. We shall greatly miss Dr. Marr. He will not be with us again in person but his spirit abides. Some day we will make another report to him, for we shall want to go where he is.

### INCOME AND OUTGO

We are tremendously interested in our income. We have to be interested in our outgo. We have the feeling that many of our friends are also interested in this coming and going, both of children and finances. Right now our Home is filled with children and there can be no more incoming of them until there is some outgoing. There is plenty of room for the incoming of finances. As a matter of fact the outgoing is now exceeding the incoming, this situation being true in spite of the fact that more money is now being received than during any other similar amount of time during the year. It is a mighty good time for congregations to pay liberally on their Children's Home quota, and above their Children's Home quota.

### INEVITABLE ED

Years ago Ed F. Pepper, owner of the Carolina Furniture Company of Thomasville, and this scribe were high schoolmates. We tussled along with the business of climbing fool's hill, slipping and sliding some, and climbing some. Ed is now the Children's Home man at Main Street, Thomasville. Read what he writes: "Enclosed check for \$448.17. Wish it was more, however this will help some. Why don't you come over some time and hear our preacher. We think we have the best preacher in the conference."

Ed and our other Thomasville friends have gone above their quota. Let others do likewise.

### THE BIGGER THE BETTER

The Children's Home financial engine is pulling a longer string of cars these days. Quite a number were added on the first of November and they are still attached to the train. The old engine is full of steam and is puffing along. It requires a lot of fuel. The fireman is willing. The shovel is handy.

But there must be a lot of coal. Being interpreted, this means that 486 children are looking to our Methodist people, not only for Christmas remembrances but for the continued essentials of life. Let your contributions, good friends, be large. The bigger the better.

### THE BOYS LIKE HIM

We have with us today the picture of Paul Reavis, eight years of age and in the third grade. He lives at the Anna Hanes cottage with his younger brother, Joe. Through some means or other young Reavis secured a policeman's cap and then rigged up a sort of a blouse which entitled him to be the traffic cop on the speedway in front of the Anna Hanes cottage. He tells when the wagons and the scooters can roll and scoot. In spite of heavy traffic a collision seldom occurs. Paul is just clown enough to be interesting and cop enough to be effective. The boys like him and wait for his whistle.



Hey there!

### BELL RINGING TIME

The ten per cent apportionment bell keeps on ringing. It rings in the morning and in the afternoon. As a matter of fact, it rang last night. Let 'er ring! The music is sweet. The tones announce that our friends are sending us some money. Kindly note the following congregations and pastors who have caused this joy. They are the ones who paid during the past week their Children's Home quota in full, or more than full:

Main Street, Thomasville, Rev. L. F. Tuttle.

Burkhead, Winston-Salem, Rev. W. M. Smith.

Eden, Mt. Tabor and Mt. Zion, Stokesdale circuit, Rev. W. T. Albright.

Friendship and Bollinger's Chapel, Connelly Springs circuit, Rev. J. N. Randall.

Pine Grove, Forsyth circuit, Rev. C. W. Kirby.

Cornatzer, Fulton and Bailey's Chapel, Advance circuit, Rev. P. J. Smith.

### METHODIST MEASURE

A good friend whose name is not listed for obvious reason writes as follows: "I am sending my Thanksgiving offering direct to you because in the past three years it has been counted on my church's apportionment. I am making my pledge to the apportionment. That is my obligation. This is my gift. Now that your obligations at the Home are greater than ever, I think that our Methodist people should make larger offerings than ever. Here's mine."

### CHEERING MESSAGES

Kind reader, read the following excerpts from letters received recently and catch some inspiration: I took up the matter of the Children's Home with my churches and the result is that we are out in full: Groome's \$40, Friendship \$35, and Muir's Chapel \$175, making a total of \$250. It is easily done when a fellow gets at it, and we have something now to be thankful for."—Rev. G. A. Stamper, West Greensboro circuit.

"Enclosed please find a check for \$300 to pay in full the ten per cent apportionment of Wadesboro Methodist church. It gives me great pleasure to be able to send this check even before Thanksgiving. But that is characteristic of the way these good people at Wadesboro do things. They are great believers in the work you are doing. This is a good church and a fine people."—Rev. Charles P. Bowles.

"The Welcome charge wishes you a most enjoyable Thanksgiving today and they are happier because they are sending you their ten per cent apportionment in full, even a little more, as follows: Center \$46.36, Midway \$135, New Mt. Vernon \$32.50."—Rev. C. O. Kennerly.

"Here is our check for \$175 paying our ten per cent for this conference year. I wish all of our budget was as easy to raise. I hope you will get a similar response from every church in the conference and that you will find sufficient funds for your increased responsibilities. The people are all behind you in your great work and all that is necessary is for you to let them know."—B. I. Hoffner, Treas., Muir's Chapel.

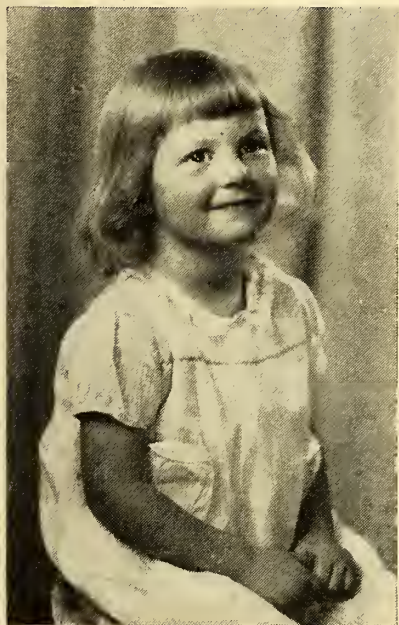
"Enclosed find check for Thanksgiving offering from Seagrove, Seagrove-Love Joy charge. This is our first offering to your Home, but we will be found in your columns in the future with our regular monthly offering. We wish for you and your children a merry Christmas and a prosperous year. We will back you up one hundred per cent."—S. G. Richardson, Supt.

"I am enclosing check for \$33.25 to be credited to the ten per cent for the Haw River circuit. We have collected a large amount of produce for the High Point Home, to-wit: 150 half-gallon jars of canned fruit, 14 bushels of sweet potatoes, 8 bushels Irish potatoes, 5 bushels of wheat, 72 pounds of flour, 2 gallons of molasses and a few other items, mostly from one church, Friendship."—Rev. C. W. Bates, Pastor.

That friendship is developing into a real case of honest-to-goodness love.



## THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**BIG OFFERING**—I notice in Charity and Children that the First Baptist church in Rocky Mount raised \$1401.10 as a Thanksgiving offering for the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. This church has raised approximately the same amount for the past two or three years during the Thanksgiving season.

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**ENCOURAGING**—It is highly gratifying that so many church schools have taken special Thanksgiving offerings for the Orphanage recently. I want the superintendents and members of these church schools to know that the Methodist Orphanage feels greatly indebted to them for their sacrificial giving.

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**UNFINISHED TASK**—We entered the Thanksgiving season with high hopes of securing an offering from every church and church school in the conference. Many church schools have responded, and a few churches, and we feel grateful to them for their timely help. We are still hoping and praying that hundreds of churches and church schools that have not responded to our appeal will do so in the near future. I want to suggest that during the Christmas season is an appropriate time for churches and church schools to bring up the rear.

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**WORTH REMEMBERING** — In the run of a year it costs the Methodist Orphanage a considerable sum to send out the singing class. Some churches very cheerfully hand Mrs. Rives money for the traveling expenses of the class. The churches that fail to pay do not do so intentionally, but just through an oversight. Right often I make long trips to fill engagements

for preachers, and occasionally they overlook paying for the gas and oil that is consumed in making the trip. I feel confident that all churches visited will be glad to pay at least the actual traveling expenses of the class and the superintendent, when out in the interest of the Orphanage. If there is a church that is too poor to pay such expenses, we shall be glad to visit them, notwithstanding that fact.

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**DISCOURAGING** — A number of churches and Sunday schools that took Thanksgiving offerings have asked that these Thanksgiving collections be credited on the ten per cent Orphanage apportionment. It is very discouraging when the churches and church schools apply such offerings on their apportionment. Some of our strongest churches use the Thanksgiving offerings on their ten per cent apportionment. I sincerely trust that our pastors and churches will discontinue that practice. Since we need approximately \$35,000 more than the ten per cent apportionment, it can be readily seen that applying special offerings on apportionment is discouraging. It is also disappointing to know that comparatively few churches have remembered our Orphanage during the Thanksgiving season.

### TOO MUCH BACON AND EGGS COLD PORK

A circuit rider kept a diary. It was back in the horse-and-saddle days. But an item in the diary has a good lesson in it that should be taken to heart in these degenerate days.

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The next morning he wrote: "I am very depressed in soul; the way looks dark; far from being called to work among this people, I am beginning to doubt the safety of my own soul. I am afraid the desires of Brother Brown and his family are too much on the carnal side."—Religious Telescope.

### Not Forever

William Wilberforce, the slave liberator, had a sister who hustled for William and succeeded in getting him elected to Parliament. Once when she had concluded her stump speech the crowd shouted, "Miss Wilberforce forever!"

She stepped forward, "Gentlemen, I thank you, but believe me, I do not wish to be Miss Wilberforce forever."

### No Lady Would

One day there was a slight disturbance among the pupils of a suburban school. A small boy had slapped a little girl. The teacher said, "Jack, no gentleman would strike a lady."

Jack replied, "Well, no lady would tickle a gentleman."—Worcester Telegram.

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SUMMARY OF STAFF REPORT

(Figures in parenthesis indicate number of church schools)

| District       | Vacation Church Schools | Delegates | All Assemblies | Church School | Day Offering | H. & F. M. E. (4th Sunday and Y. P. M. S.) |
|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Durham         | 58                      | 86        | (28)           | \$99.74       | (18)         | \$1477.91 (38)                             |
| Elizabeth City | 38                      | 103       | (28)           | 84.71         | (14)         | 937.69 (49)                                |
| Fayetteville   | 50                      | 115       | (31)           | 52.74         | (10)         | 1050.88 (33)                               |
| New Bern       | 59                      | 69        | (28)           | 67.95         | (20)         | 1189.45 (44)                               |
| Raleigh        | 48                      | 133       | (35)           | 84.22         | (18)         | 1413.21 (35)                               |
| Rocky Mount    | 41                      | 105       | (21)           | 120.02        | (19)         | 1216.49 (43)                               |
| Wilmington     | 59                      | 91        | (29)           | 82.04         | (18)         | 906.31 (46)                                |
| Totals         | 353                     | 702       | (200)          | 591.42        | (117)        | 8191.94 (288)                              |

APPRECIATION

After three years of effective service as extension secretary and director of adult work, Rev. Floyd M. Patterson has given up his work as a member of the conference staff of the board of education and is now serving as pastor of the Milton charge in the Durham district.

Fulsome praise would not be in keeping with the fine sense of Christian humility with which Mr. Patterson has gone about his duties in the conference. But we must express appreciation for the devotion and unselfishness which he has brought to his task together with a real capacity for work and a desire to serve. Many churches in our conference have been blessed because he has gone their way; many workers in our churches have received a new understanding of their work and a new inspiration to engage in it after their contacts with him.

Friends throughout the conference will wish "Pat" and Netta Cook well as they enter upon their new pastor and his wife.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION OF CHILDREN

In the children's division leaders are urged to plan so that each fourth Sunday will interest and educate children in World Service. In the new church we have an even larger field to work with, contribute financially towards, and discuss with the boys and girls than in the past.

We are concentrating on China during the month of January. In the churches where closely graded lessons are used there will be no extra unit. The regular lesson materials will be continued. For the worship services the theme of China may be emphasized. In the churches where Group Lessons are used the units on China are written into the regular lesson materials for promaries and juniors.

Sources of Help

The Elementary Teacher for January, 1941, should be placed in the hands of every leader who is to teach a unit on China during this year. This will carry interesting articles, worship services, information and other suggestions in addition to the teacher's notes for the Group Lessons.

Five Stories About China, a pamphlet, 10 cents.

Far Round the World, by Grace McGarvan (paper bound, 50c) which was used with juniors in many churches in 1939-40, contains three good stories of China, The Weavers of Nanking, Holding Back the Floods, and Honorable One Finds the Way.

Boys and Girls, a story paper, will carry stories in January on China.

(Any of these materials may be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.)

CONFERENCE DIRECTOR OF ADULT WORK

Rev. O. L. Hathaway, pastor of our Selma church, will serve during the coming year as conference director of adult work, serving in a volunteer capacity while carrying on the work of his pastoral charge. Mr. Hathaway has served well as district director of adult work in the Raleigh district, and brings to his larger task a background of experience in this important phase of our work. We are sure that this division of our work will move forward in a fine way under his leadership.

SUGGESTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

"An Al of a Sudden Christmas Program" tells of the way a dramatization of the Christmas story came to pass in a snow-bound village of the north. Other simple dramatizations are available for an all-church program. (Available from the Board of Education of the Methodist Church, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.)

"A Church-Wide Christmas Party," in The International Journal of Religious Education, December, 1940, suggests carols, poems, building a creche and plans for presenting the playlet, "The World's Christmas Tree."

In a booklet entitled "Christmas Pageants," (available from Crowell Publishing Company, 250 Park Ave., New York, price 15 cents), directions are given for telling the Christmas story in shadow pictures. Except for five of the characters, and a group of singers, children may take the parts behind the screen.

Other suitable dramatizations in the same booklet are "A Christmas Carol Comes to Life," and "A Christmas Ballad."

The Drama Book Shop, 48 West 62nd Street, New York, has a new dramatization by Susanna Myers entitled "The Shepherd Who Couldn't See the Light." This is a variation of the story "The Shepherd Who Didn't Go," and lays the scene around the campfire of the shepherds in Bethlehem and the stable of the inn. It was not planned for children, but could be used with children if it were interpreted for them as a story.

Another—and older—dramatization by the same author and publisher is "Christmas Toys," a story of the kindness of wood carvers in the mountains of Switzerland. Each of these plays is 30 cents.

"Christmas Customs in Other Countries," from the National Council of Prevention of War, "Source Materials for Christmas Programs" (available from the Board of Education of the Methodist Church, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., for five cents), "Christmas Programs" (also available from Board of Education for 15 cents), and Yuletide in Many Lands, Pringle and Urann, price \$1.50, give customs of Christmas observations in other countries.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S OFFICERS MEET

The officers of the North Carolina Conference Young People's Organization met for two sessions during the Thanksgiving holidays; one session was held on Wednesday evening and the second session on Thursday morning, closing with dinner. The group assembled in the green, East Duke Building, Duke University, and set up the new objectives for a new year and formulated plans for attaining them.

Those inattendance were: President, Miss Kitty Wilson of Warrenton, student at Greensboro College; vice president, Wesley Culipher, Elizabeth City; secretary, Miss Katherine Highsmith of Raleigh, student at Duke University; treasurer, Miss Joyce Griffin of Lemon Springs, student at Greensboro College; publicity superintendent, Charles Davis, Roanoke Rapids; Linwood Blackburn, student school of religion, Duke University; executive secretary and director youth work, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, Durham; associate director youth work, Miss Elizabeth Myers, Durham.



## TIDINGS FROM THE HIGH POINT CHILDREN'S HOME

We are still in the land of the living and are happy together here as workers and children.

Nearly all money for orphanage work is now going to the proper places. An occasional offering comes to us, but we forward same to Mr. O. V. Woosley, Children's Home, Winston-Salem, or to Dr. A. S. Barnes, Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, according to the territory from whence it came. From now on all offerings for which you wish credit, please send to the addresses above. However, if it comes to us we will forward.

### Produce

Our truck has made several trips recently for canned fruits and vegetables and other produce, and the boys have come back well loaded. Then too a number of good friends have delivered theirs at the door. Our storage rooms are getting pretty well filled. This will help wonderfully through the remainder of our stay here. For this we are profoundly grateful to the many good women who filled the cans, and to the men for potatoes, pumpkins, grain and other articles. Haw River sent the largest load, and to top it off they sent two fine chickens. So you see those who knew me best as a boy still remember my fondness for chicken.

### Our Last Christmas

This is our very last Christmas to spend in this Children's Home, and we are a bit uncertain as to how our 76 children will fare this time. For the last several years we have had about 120 children each year, and our friends have given them a bountiful Christmas each time. But conditions are different this year; so we are very naturally wondering just whether or not the minds of our friends are turning toward us and our children for this Christmas as usual. We have 29 girls and 47 boys, and the majority of them are middle-sized and larger children, since a number of our smaller ones have already been transferred to the other two homes. But those who are here are still children and will appreciate just such things as your children from 10 to 18 enjoy at Christmas. If any person, or group of persons care to send an individual package to any child, please do so and the package will be delivered at Christmas. If promiscuous packages are sent, we will open them and out of them make up individual packages for the children.

The one thing above all others that our children enjoy most is a bit of money that they themselves may spend. They like to buy little gifts for each other and for a few friends back home. The only money we will have for that is money sent here for Christmas, and so designated that we may feel free to distribute it among the children. A few offerings like that have already come in, for which we are so thankful. Some girls asked yesterday: "Daddy Dixon, will we get any money to go shopping this Christmas?" And I replied, "Yes, you will get some, but I can't tell how much yet. We are still hoping." So if you are so disposed, please send us a bit of money, or some

gifts for children. We are rather apt to get quite a bit of fruit and candy.

We thank you for whatever your response may be. A. G. Dixon.

### WHITTLINGS

By Dr. L. R. Akers

He can never see God who first does not see his fellow men.

One hurdle the average girl can't take is to go down street wearing her natural complexion.

The present conflict means—autocracy or democracy, the iron rule or the golden rule, Thor or Jehovah.

Every fifth columnist beneath "Old Glory" should be made to see stars and wear stripes.

The chap who works the fewest hours during the day usually squanders the most hours at night.

It is a sorry world when morals creak along in an ox cart while science flies ahead in an airplane.

To serve the Red Cross is commendable, to be a servant of the Cross is life's supreme privilege.

Praying on Sundays is more than wasted if it be followed by preying on Monday.

Surgeon's bills are high, but oftimes it costs less to lose an appendix than to lose one's temper.

He only who extends his hand to his brother man can hope to find the helping hand of his Father-God.

It is the easiest thing in the world for a girl with pretty teeth to join the "Smile Brigade."

Why will the "lord of creation" in the morning bawl out friend wife for indulging in a bottle of cleansing cream and that night pull enough corks to treat half the town?

Horseshoes, four leaf clovers and luck are mighty poor substitutes for work shoes, grey matter and pluck.

A sermon is both fearful and wonderful when neither the preacher nor his people know what it is all about.

Every preacher should be a man of extremes. His walking end should always keep pace with his talking end.

The dear sister, who to save her, can't recall her pastor's text can often describe to the minutest detail the attire of every other sister in the church.

Run away from work and you will find that work can run too.

### IN A NUTSHELL

At least the title of Quincy Howe's new book is interesting: "The News and How to Understand It: In Spite of the Newspapers; In Spite of the Magazines; In Spite of the Radio."

Said his honor the judge when Julius Caesar was brought before him for driving through a red light: "Apparently nothing but a Greek can stop a Roman."

Sediment is what you feel for somebody you love.

Etiquette is little things you do you don't want to do.

A hamlet is a dish consisting mainly of eggs and ham cooked together.

Disinfectant is a greater smell than the original smell.

An etching is a feeling that makes one want to scratch oneself.

—The Christian Leader.

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## Sunday School Lesson

DECEMBER 15

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By Rollin H. Walker

### The Disciples at Prayer

Scripture—Luke 11

Some highbrows speak of God as though he were a complex of mechanical laws to be worked like a slot machine, but Jesus says, "When you pray say, Our Father." We are not presumptuously to try to work God, but to realize that with wooing tenderness, and without interfering with our freedom, he is trying to work us (Romans 8:26-28).

One could not reverence an automaton, but we can say to a gracious heavenly Father, Hallowed be thy name.

Then we are to say, "Thy kingdom come." One might retort, "As God is almighty why pray that he have his will in the world, seeing that he will have it done anyway? Natural law is invincible and irreversible. Hence prayer is both futile and silly." But only fools try to carry out that principle in actual life.

We do not go out into our garden in the springtime and say to the Creator, I will not commit the folly of trying to change the course of nature; let whatsoever thou ordainest grow here! If we did that, we should get nothing but burdocks and ragweed. God is never having his way in any place or condition where one of his children is neglecting to co-operate with him, and share in his creative work.

And note also the reach of the prayer. It says, "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth." Jesus assumes that even a paralytic, hardly able to speak, is by faith to broadcast blessings to the farthest shore.

And then we are privileged to pray for our daily bread. Some people say, I never pray for things, I only pray for spiritual blessings. One notices that they are always well fed. The kingdom cannot be brought in by starving men. And we are to pray, not "Give me this day my daily bread," but "Give us this day our daily bread." That word "us" was intended to stick in our throats unless we share our abundance with the poor. And the prayer also implies on our part an eager interest in such an economic set-up as will give every man a chance to earn bread for his family.

Then we are to pray for forgiveness. Some people who have never broken over the moral conventions of society do not feel the need of that prayer, but says Paul, We have all sinned and come short of the glory of God. Who will dare say that he has lived up to his privilege of being such a radiant personality as will impel men when they see him to say, Glory to God! We are constantly bungling. Even in our efforts to serve God the best of us are like a good little child helping mam-

ma in the kitchen. We are often very much in the way. Well may we all pray, "Forgive us our trespasses."

Then we are to pray, Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. This is a prayer to be delivered from those conditions that with our peculiar weaknesses will be especially protection for our weak brother. Needless to say it is a prayer against the saloon and against unemployment.

Our lesson stresses two conditions for prevailing prayer. First a spirit of forgiveness. In the parable of the unmerciful servant the master forgave a debt of \$10,000,000, but the servant went out and cast a fellow servant into prison because he could not pay him a debt of \$17 (Matthew 18:21-35). By this Jesus shows how preposterous it is to expect mercy from God unless we are merciful to our fellow sinners.

Then in the parable of the friend at midnight Jesus stresses the necessity of persistence in prayer. The man said to his friend, Lend me three loaves to feed a hungry guest who has just arrived. But he from within answered, Trouble me not, the door is now shut, my children are with me in bed, I cannot rise and give thee. That was before the day of Yale locks; the door was perhaps securely roped. There was no electricity to turn on.

Besides, said he, my children are with me in bed. He had finally got the baby to sleep and he was afraid the little rascal might wake up and begin to howl again. So said he, Go away and trouble me not. But the friend kept on knocking and begging, and finally the man within said to himself, There is no chance to sleep here until I get rid of him. And so he rises and gives him as many as he needs.

And Jesus says, If you can get a favor from an unwilling friend at the most inconvenient hour of the twenty-four by just keeping at him, how much more can you get a blessing from the good God to whom no time is inconvenient and who is more willing to bless you than you are to be blessed!

But, of course, if a child asks for what he supposes is a fish but is really a serpent, a kind earthly father will give him a fish rather than what he pointed to in his asking. So our blessed heavenly Father translates our prayers into terms of our notions. And the times when God does not seem to have answered our prayers are often notable instances of the truth of the promise, Everyone that asketh receiveth; for he has given us a blessing rather than the harmful thing for which we asked.

And the greatest of all blessings which, whatever his love compels him to deny, he is always eager to give, is the Holy Spirit; for that gives us creative power to transmute all that we have into blessings for ourselves and others (Philippians 4:11-13).—Christian Advocate.

History is not a mere succession of events connected only by chronology. It is a chain of causes and effects.—Lecky.

No man can safely go abroad who does not love to stay at home.—Thos. Kempis.

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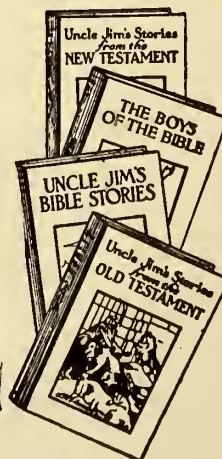
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# Children's



# Storyland

## SMALL SISTER'S VICTORY

Nan was a little Dutch girl keeping house for her small sister. Nan was not so very big herself—only eleven years old—much too little to be keeping house all by herself. Small sister was four.

Daddy had been taken sick the night before and the doctor had taken him to the hospital. For a while they thought he was going to die, and when they found out that he might get better Nan was so happy that she didn't mind sweeping and washing dishes at all. The worst thing was cooking. She didn't know anything at all about cooking!

Small sister was not at all polite about things. If she didn't like them she didn't eat them. Nan was ready to cry when the first morning was over. Small sister had not eaten much breakfast because the oatmeal was burnt, and the egg wasn't cooked enough, and then it cooked too much.

In the middle of the morning Nan found the child on her knees with her hands folded. "What are you doing?" she asked. Small sister's lips moved for a moment, and then she jumped up.

"I was praying," she said. "I was praying for somp'n good to eat for dinner."

"I don't know where it's coming from," said Nan. "Daddy didn't leave us any money and I couldn't cook anything if I had it. You'll have to get along the best you can with what we've got."

"God'll send us somp'n," said small sister serenely.

Nan didn't say anything to that. She knew that God could do it, but—somehow—she got down the thumbed old cook book that had been their mother's, and which daddy still used sometimes when he wanted to make something extra good for birthdays or Christmas.

My, there was a lot of things in that cook book! Some of them she had never heard of before. She wondered what you did when you had only four eggs, butter and sugar and bread. There didn't seem to be anything in the cook book that needed just those except cake, and Nan was wise enough to know that they couldn't live on cake.

She was still wondering about it as she was knitting when there came a knock at the back door, and outside on the back step stood the next door lady.

"Hello, Nan," she said, "I just heard about your father. I hear he's lots better this morning, though. Who's doing for you?"

"Nobody," said Nan. "I'm trying to. But he was taken sick so quick he didn't leave any money nor nothing much. And everything burns."

"You poor child!" cried the next door lady, so sympathetically that

## DO YOU KNOW HER?

By Monica Williams

Thoughtful, thoughtful Mary Lou,  
Thinking of things to do;  
Quickly she runs to open the door,  
When mother comes from the grocery store.

With a cheery smile she knows it is fun  
To brush up the crumbs when the meal is done,  
Carry the plates to the kitchen with care,  
While mother rests in the big arm chair.

And when all the others rush out to play  
She waits for a moment just to say—  
"Goodbye, mother, I do love you."  
Thoughtful, thoughtful Mary Lou.

—Sunshine Bulletin.

Nan's eyes filled with tears. "You just get the house nice and clean and forget about cooking and I'll bring you something nice for dinner." She darted out without waiting for Nan to thank her, and in about an hour she was back with a tray.

"What is your sister doing?" asked the next door lady when she set the tray down.

"I don't know, ma'am. She's playing in the yard, I guess. I have been too busy to notice."

"She's spreading newspapers over the dog house and the ground and putting stones on the edges to hold them down."

"What were you doing?" Small sister stopped shyly at the door.

"Putting papers down to catch the stuff."

"What stuff?" asked the next door lady.

"Good stuff," said small sister. "God is sending us good stuff for dinner. I asked him to, and so he is. I had to put something out for it to drop on so's it wouldn't get dirty. O-o!" She saw the good things on the table—chicken, and bread, and butter, and preserves, and cake.

"You precious baby!" cried the next door lady. "God wouldn't throw things down to you."

"Well, anyway, he sent them," said small sister. "I knew it when I asked him."

The next door lady squeezed small sister hard. "Truly," she said, "this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." Don't forget to ask God for what you need, and believe with all your heart that he will give it to you, and nothing can ever hurt you." And small sister nodded wisely.—Picture World.

## THE GUINEA PIG'S TAIL

By Robert B. Pattison

Did you ever see a guinea pig? Did you ever see its tail? This is a curious animal, for it does not come from Guinea, it is not a pig, and it does not have a tail. It is really a kind of rat, and it comes from Brazil.

That tail! It is the strangest part of it all. You may have heard it said: "If you hold a guinea pig by its tail, its eyes will pop out." And so they will, as you can prove for yourself. Nor will it hurt the little fellow at all, eyes or no eyes, tail or no tail. No tail! That's just it, there is no tail. Then why speak of its tail? It has no tail to speak of. Yet it has a tale to tell. And this is why we write about it now.

So many other things are like the guinea pig's tail. They are not really so. Do you believe in ghosts? Of course not, for there are no ghosts any more than there are tails to guinea pigs. Do you think there are any small sins, little lies, tiny thefts, half-hates, small meannesses? No, there are not little sins. They are all big and strong and bad.

Such things are like the boy's description of the giraffe. He took a good look at its long legs, funny ears, stretched out neck, and short horns, and all spotted over as if someone had upset a pot of dauby paint on its skin. Then the boy said: "There just ain't no such animal!" Bad grammar and incorrect idea, for there is such an animal as the giraffe. But he would have been correct if he had been speaking of a small sin, for there is none anywhere, any time, anyhow. Just like the guinea pig's tail, you see.

There was a servant who helped the prophet Elisha. His name was Gehazi. He had the silly notion that he could do a small sin, and no harm done. He told a lie, one lie! But then he had to tell others to cover up the first. And his first lie led to stealing. He asked for a few things, he received much, and none of it belonged to him. So all of his future life was unhappy because he told a lie, stole, told another lie, and one small sentence grew long enough to shadow all his life time with gloom and misery (2 Kings, 5.).

You have learned something about the guinea pig's tail that makes it useful, even though there isn't any really. It is a sham. It is not genuine; there isn't any! There are no small sins either. Better to be honest, genuine, true, real! What do you think about this?—Watchman-Examiner.

Mother—"Janey, there were two pieces of cake left from supper and I put them in the pantry. Now there is only one. Do you know how that happened?"

Janey—"Why, mother, I don't know, unless it was so dark in there that I didn't see the other piece."



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DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                                                       | December |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Lakewood, 7:30                                                        | 12       |
| Person Ct., Oak Grove, 10                                             | 14       |
| Durham Ct., Bethany, 11                                               | 15       |
| Eno, 7:30                                                             | 19       |
| Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11                                        | 22       |
| Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3                                          | 22       |
| Graham, 11                                                            | 29       |
|                                                                       | January  |
| Milton, Milton, 10                                                    | 3        |
| Leasburg, Leasburg, 2:30                                              | 3        |
| Yanceyville, Prospect, 10                                             | 4        |
| Saxapahaw, Concord, 11                                                | 5        |
| Mebane, Central, 7:30                                                 | 5        |
| District Missionary Institute, Duke Memorial Church,<br>Durham, at 10 | 7        |
| Trinity, 7:30                                                         | 7        |
| Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 10                                       | 9        |
| Bynum, Bynum, 2:30                                                    | 9        |
| Bahama, Mt. Sylvan, 11                                                | 12       |
| Roxboro Ct., Ca-Vel, 3                                                | 12       |
| Mt. Tirzah, Helena, 10                                                | 14       |
| Rougemont, Union Grove, 2:30                                          | 14       |
| Doris Street, 7:30                                                    | 15       |
| Duke Ct., Duke Chapel, 11                                             | 19       |
| Branson, 11                                                           | 26       |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                                             | December |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Sanford, 11                                                 | 15       |
| Aberdeen, 2:30, meeting of District League of Stew-<br>ards | 15       |
| Aberdeen, 7:30                                              | 15       |
| Hay Street, 11                                              | 22       |
| Parkton, Marvin, 5                                          | 22       |
| Raeform, 7:30                                               | 22       |
|                                                             | January  |
| Laurel Hill, Sneed's Grove, 11                              | 5        |
| St. John's, 3                                               | 5        |
| Hamlet, 7                                                   | 5        |
| Rockingham, 11                                              | 12       |
| Rockingham Ct., Zion, 3                                     | 12       |
| Ellerbe, Norman, 7                                          | 12       |
| Siler City, 11                                              | 19       |
| Siler City Ct., 3                                           | 19       |
| Goldston, 7                                                 | 19       |
| Laurinburg, 11                                              | 26       |
| Robedel, St. Paul, 3                                        | 26       |
| Caledonia, Central, 7                                       | 26       |
|                                                             | February |
| Troy, 11                                                    | 2        |
| Troy Ct., 3                                                 | 2        |
| West End, 7                                                 | 2        |
| Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11                                | 9        |
| Broadway, Morris Chapel, 3                                  | 9        |
| Carthage, 7                                                 | 9        |
| Mt. Gilead, 11                                              | 16       |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3                                | 16       |

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT  
B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                          | December |
|------------------------------------------|----------|
| South Mills, Newland, 11, and 1          | 15       |
| Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11             | 15       |
| Currituck, Mt. Zion, night               | 15       |
| Wanchese, night                          | 20       |
| Kinnakeet, Avon, 11                      | 22       |
| Hatteras, night                          | 22       |
|                                          | January  |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, Stumpy Point, 11      | 5        |
| Manteo, night                            | 5        |
| Kitty Hawk, 11                           | 12       |
| Hertford, night                          | 12       |
| Aulander, 11                             | 19       |
| Edeuton, night                           | 19       |
| Columbia, 11                             | 26       |
| Creswell, 11                             | 26       |
| Plymouth, night                          | 26       |
|                                          | February |
| Belhaven, Trinity, 11                    | 2        |
| Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3                   | 2        |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night | 2        |
| Washington, 11                           | 9        |
| Bath, night                              | 9        |
| Gatesville, 11                           | 16       |
| South Camden, Perkins, night             | 16       |
| Roper, 11                                | 23       |

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                   | December |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30       | 12       |
| New Bern, Centenary, 7:30         | 13       |
| Aurora, preaching, 11             | 15       |
| Grimesland, preaching, 3          | 15       |
| Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 | 15       |

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                                | December |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Granville, Rehobeth, 11                        | 15       |
| Vance, Spring Valley, 7:30                     | 15       |
| Carv-Apex, 7:30                                | 18       |
| Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 11                  | 22       |
| Creedmoor, Banks, 3                            | 22       |
| Louisburg, 7:30                                | 22       |
| Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11                      | 29       |
|                                                | January  |
| Raleigh, Fairmont                              | 1        |
| District Missionary Institute, Edenton St., 10 | 2        |
| Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11                    | 5        |
| Stem, Stem, 7:30                               | 5        |
| Franklinton, 7:30                              | 8        |
| Newton Grove, Newton Grove, 11                 | 11       |

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                          | December |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Kenly, 7:30              | 12       |
| Littleton Ct., 7:30      | 13       |
| Seaboard, 11             | 15       |
| Halifax, 3               | 15       |
| Enfield, 7:30            | 15       |
| Rosemary, 7:30           | 16       |
| Rocky Mount, First, 7:30 | 17       |
| Whitakers, 7:30          | 18       |
|                          | January  |
| Warrenton, 11            | 4        |
| Warren, Providence, 11   | 5        |
| Norlina, 3               | 5        |
| Middleburg, 7:30         | 5        |
| Weldon, 7:30             | 8        |
| Farmville, 11            | 12       |
| Walstonburg, 3           | 12       |
| Nashville, 7:30          | 12       |
| Roanoke Rapids, 11       | 19       |
| Conway, Bethany, 3       | 19       |
| Jackson, 7:30            | 19       |
| Rich Square, 11          | 26       |
| McKendree, Pilotops, 3   | 26       |
| Tarboro, 7:30            | 26       |

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                                | December |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Scotts Hill, Scotts Hill, 11                   | 15       |
| Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 3                 | 15       |
| Burgaw, Burgaw, night                          | 15       |
| Whiteville, 11                                 | 29       |
| Wilmington, Epworth, night                     | 29       |
|                                                | January  |
| Hallsboro, Wananishi, 11                       | 5        |
| Carvers Creek, Council, night                  | 5        |
| Fairmont, Trinity, 11                          | 12       |
| Lumberton Ct., Rules, night                    | 12       |
| St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 11                       | 19       |
| Elizabeth, Clarkton, night                     | 19       |
| Roseboro, Bethel, 11                           | 26       |
| Clinton, night                                 | 26       |
|                                                | February |
| Falson-Kenansville, Kenansville, 11            | 2        |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, night                 | 2        |
| Maysville, Maysville, 11                       | 9        |
| Swansboro, Queens Creek, 3                     | 9        |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night    | 9        |
| Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11                      | 16       |
| Chadhorn, Chadhorn, night                      | 16       |
| Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11                 | 23       |
| Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 | 23       |
| Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night                | 23       |

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                    | December |
|--------------------|----------|
| Emma, Emma, 11     | 15       |
| Haywood Street, 7  | 15       |
| Etawah, Etawah, 11 | 22       |

|                                | December |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Hendersonville, 7              | 22       |
| Brevard, 11                    | 29       |
| Rosman, Oak Grove, 3           | 29       |
|                                | January  |
| Fairview, Bethany, 11          | 14       |
| Hillside Street, 7             | 15       |
| Fletcher, Fletcher, 11         | 12       |
| Merrimon Avenue, 7             | 12       |
| Loicester-Bell, Bell, 11       | 19       |
| Oakley, 7                      | 19       |
| Loicester-Grace, Leicester, 11 | 26       |
| Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3       | 26       |
|                                | February |
| Marshall, Marshall, 11         | 2        |
| Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 3    | 2        |
| Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11       | 9        |
| Black Mountain, 7              | 9        |
| Weaverille Ct., Mt. Zion, 11   | 16       |
| Weaverille, 7                  | 16       |
| Ivy, Laurel, 11                | 23       |
| West Asheville, 7              | 23       |
|                                | March    |
| Mills River, Mills River, 11   | 2        |
| Flagah, 3                      | 2        |
| Tryon, 11                      | 9        |
| Saluda, 3                      | 9        |

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                  | December |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Dilworth, 7:30                   | 13       |
| Weddington, Weddington, 11       | 15       |
| Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 3          | 15       |
| North Monroe, North Monroe, 7:30 | 15       |
| Central Avenue, 7:30             | 16       |
| Chadwick, 7:30                   | 18       |
| Hickory Grove, 11                | 23       |
| Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3       | 23       |
| Derita, 7:30                     | 23       |
| Thrift-Moores, Moores, 11        | 29       |
| Ansonville, Ansonville, 7:30     | 29       |
| Wadesboro, 7:30                  | 30       |
|                                  | January  |
| Monroe, Central, 11              | 5        |
| First Church, Charlotte, 7:30    | 8        |

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., P.D. Box 507, Elkin, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                         | December |
|-------------------------|----------|
| North Wilkesboro, 11    | 15       |
| Wilkesboro, Union, 7:30 | 15       |

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                           | December |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|
| Lincolnton Ct., 11                        | 15       |
| Crouse, 3                                 | 15       |
| Lincolnton, Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, 7:30 | 15       |
| Cherryville, First Church, 7:30           | 18       |
| Folkville, 11                             | 22       |
| Shelby Ct., Sharon, 3                     | 22       |
| Shelby, Lafayette St., 7:30               | 22       |
| Stanley, Iron Station, 11                 | 29       |
| Dallas, High Shoals, 7:30                 | 29       |
|                                           | January  |
| Bessemer City, Concord, 11                | 5        |
| Cherryville Ct., Bethlehem, 3             | 5        |
| Boger City, 7:30                          | 5        |
| Shelby, Central, 7:30                     | 6        |
| Bradley Memorial, Myrtle Chapel, 11       | 12       |
| Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30               | 12       |
| Fallston, 11                              | 19       |
| Mayle-Smyre, Mayle, 7:30                  | 19       |

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                             | December |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| West Greensboro, 7:30       | 5        |
| Tabernacle-Julian, 3        | 7        |
| Lindsey St., Reidsville, 11 | 8        |
| Madison, 3                  | 8        |
| Reidsville, Main Street, 5  | 8        |
| Centenary, 7:30             | 8        |
| Proximity, 7:30             | 11       |
| West End, 7:30              | 12       |
| Pleasant Garden, 3          | 15       |
| Draper-Wayside, 11          | 15       |
| Ruffin, 3                   | 15       |
| West Market, 7:30           | 15       |
| Grace, 11                   | 22       |
| Bethel-St. Andrews, 3       | 22       |
| Stoneville-Mayodan, 7:30    | 29       |
| Draper, 11                  | 29       |
| Spray, 5                    | 29       |
| Leaksville, 7:30            | 29       |

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                               | December |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Richland-W. B., 7             | 5        |
| West Randolph, Tabernacle, 11 | 8        |
| Pleasant Grove, 7             | 8        |
| Main Street, 7                | 11       |
| Soagrove-L. J.-P. II., 2      | 12       |
| Shiloh, Shiloh, 2             | 14       |

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|------------------------------|----|
| Linwood-Tyro, 11             | 15 |
| Randleman-Union, Naomi, 7    | 15 |
| Wesley Memorial, 7           | 16 |
| Welch Memorial, 7            | 17 |
| Liberty First, 7             | 18 |
| Randleman Ct., Worthville, 7 | 19 |

MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Corne't, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| December                        |    |
| North Forest, N. Morganton, 11  | 8  |
| Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3        | 8  |
| Valdese, Valdese, 7:30          | 8  |
| Rutherford College, 11          | 15 |
| Connolly Springs, Bollingers, 3 | 15 |
| Morganton Ct., Zion, 7:30       | 15 |
| Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11   | 22 |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30   | 22 |
| Glen Alpine, 11                 | 29 |
| McDowell, Snow Hill, 3          | 29 |
| Morganton, First, 7:30          | 29 |
| January                         |    |
| Rutherfordton, 11               | 5  |
| Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3       | 5  |
| Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30      | 5  |
| Spindale, 11                    | 12 |
| Broad River, Kistlers, 3        | 12 |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30            | 12 |
| Forest City, 11                 | 19 |
| Gilkey, Gilboa, Gilboa, 3       | 19 |
| Marion, First, 7:30             | 19 |
| Old Fort, 11                    | 26 |
| Old Fort Ct., Piney Grove, 3    | 26 |

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| December                    |    |
| Main Street-Rowan, 7:30     | 5  |
| Midland, St. Pauls, 11      | 8  |
| Rocky Ridge, 2              | 8  |
| Roberta, 3:30               | 8  |
| Concord, Central, 7:30      | 9  |
| Jackson Park, 7:30          | 10 |
| Trinity, Kannapolis, 7:30   | 11 |
| Mt. Mitchell, 7:30          | 12 |
| Mt. Pleasant, 11            | 15 |
| Friendship, Oak Grove, 2:30 | 15 |
| Gold Hill, 7                | 15 |
| Spencer, Central, 7:30      | 18 |
| Salisbury, First, 11        | 22 |
| Mt. Olivet, 11              | 29 |

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hlatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.

FIRST ROUND

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| December                     |   |
| Highland, Highland, night    | 5 |
| Hickory, First Church, night | 6 |
| Whitnel, Whitnel, 11         | 8 |
| Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 3      | 8 |
| Lenoir, First Church, night  | 8 |

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.

December

|                          |    |
|--------------------------|----|
| Highlands, Highlands, 11 | 8  |
| Webster, 3               | 8  |
| Franklin, Ct., 11        | 15 |
| Macon Ct., 3             | 15 |

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem

FIRST ROUND--IN PART

|                                        |    |
|----------------------------------------|----|
| December                               |    |
| Winston-Salem, Ardmore, 11             | 8  |
| Doub's, New Hope, 7:30                 | 8  |
| Hanes-Clannons, Bethel, 11             | 15 |
| Reeds, Shady Grove, 3                  | 15 |
| Hiatt-Sedge Garden, Sedge Garden, 7:30 | 15 |
| Walkertown, Love's, 11                 | 22 |
| West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 3         | 22 |
| Rural Hall, 7:30                       | 22 |
| Winston-Salem Ct., Pisgah, 11          | 29 |
| North Davidson, Mt. Pleasant, 3        | 29 |
| Kernersville, South Winston, 7:30      | 29 |
| January                                |    |
| Mt. Airy Ct., Salem, 11                | 5  |
| Pilot Mountain, Fairview, 3            | 5  |
| Walnut Cove, Stokesburg, 7:30          | 5  |
| Rockford Street, 11                    | 12 |
| Pinnacle, 3                            | 12 |
| Oak Summit, Shiloh, 7:30               | 12 |
| Thomasville Ct., Prospect, 11          | 19 |
| Thomasville, West End, 3               | 19 |
| Lowistville, 7:30                      | 19 |
| Lexington, First Church, 11            | 26 |
| Green Street, 7:30                     | 26 |
| February                               |    |
| Centenary, 11                          | 2  |
| Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 3                | 2  |
| Ogburn Memorial, 7:30                  | 2  |
| Thomasville, Community, 11             | 9  |
| Welcome, 3                             | 9  |
| General Terrace, 7:30                  | 9  |

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Warren's Grove Methodist church, Person circuit, wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member and friend, the late Mrs. Sidney O'Briant, daughter of Mr. A. J. Harris and the late Mrs. Harris, who departed this life October 4, 1940. In her going our society has lost a faithful and loyal member. Maye Love, as she was known to all of her friends, was ever cheerful and ready in the service she rendered, and by her willingness and happy dis-

position won the love and esteem of all her co-workers.

In appreciation of the consecrated life of devoted service we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, bow in humble submission to our heavenly Father's will and offer in

First, That in her passing we have love our devotion these resolutions: lost a most valuable member, but we feel that our loss is her eternal gain.

Second, That the members of the society express to the family, relatives and friends our heartfelt sympathy and commend them for comfort and guidance to Him who doeth all things well.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of our society, a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, to our local papers and a copy to the family.

Mrs. Arch Hamlin,  
Mrs. Raney E. Crumpton,  
Mrs. Boone Wrenn.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

In the death of Mrs. R. B. Wilson on the morning of Wednesday, October 23, 1940, the Newton Grove Methodist church lost one of its oldest and most prominent and best loved members. One whose long life of 74 years was spent in active Christian service and loyal devotion to the cause of her Saviour whom she loved and worshipped.

Mrs. Wilson was an unusual and remarkable woman in many respects. Her strong personality, her love for everybody, her devotion to her husband and home, her respect for her church, her faith in God, and her knowledge of the Bible were an inspiration to everyone who knew her. She was firm in her stand for the right and her abiding interest in her community was indeed a contribution that we seldom see.

She was always thoughtful of the needs of others and ever ready to lend a helping hand—a spirit which has prevailed in the lives of both young men and women under her leadership in the Sunday school.

We shall miss her hospitality, her neighborliness, her interest in all up-building activities.

We shall miss her loyalty in the missionary society, which has been dedicated to her memory—"Norvie Wilson Society of Christian Service."

Be it resolved: That in realizing our loss we will strive for a better understanding and a more willing service to our missionary work.

Second, That we extend our love and sympathy to the family whom she so truly loved and served.

Third, That we recommend a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to the church paper, and one to The Sampson Independent.

Mrs. J. E. Darden,  
Mrs. R. D. Weeks,  
Mrs. H. A. Bizzell.

N. C. WOMAN'S PAGE

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from the societies and Beston society won the loving cup for having 100 per cent of her membership present. Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, discussed different phases of the work in the New Bern district. Nancy Jane Overton, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. James H. Overton, the babies of Mrs. Edgar Stevens and Mrs. Wiley Sauls were made life members of the society by the zone. Mrs. J. B. Chase was elected leader and Mrs. D. A. Yelverton was re-elected secretary of the zone. An invitation to meet at Black Creek in the spring was accepted.—Mrs. D. A. Yelverton.

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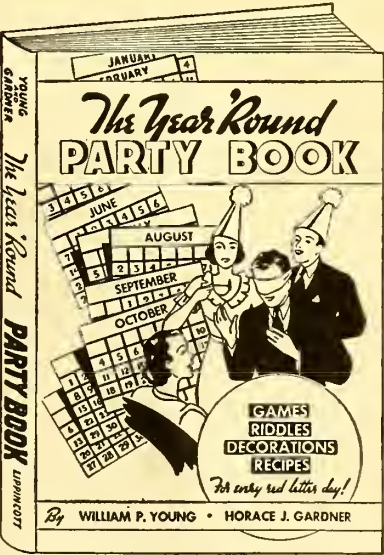
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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christan Service of Salem church community wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member and friend, Mrs. Nilla Lancaster, who passed away on October 29, 1940. She was a faithful and devoted member of our society, and though her health would not permit her to attend the meetings in her last days, she never lost interest in the society and enjoyed talking about the activities of the little group. It is true that we shall miss her and we offer in love and appreciation the following resolutions:

First, That in the passing of Mrs. Lancaster we have lost one of our most loyal members, and that not only will her society and her church feel the loss but also the community as well.

Second, That we wish to extend our sincere sympathy to her family and pray that God, who is too good to be unkind, may comfort and guide them.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and a copy be filed in the minutes of our society, and a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. Hubert Howell.  
Mrs. Paul Hill.

**LILES**—Mrs. John Liles was born in Halifax county 64 years ago; died November 29, 1940, after an illness of several months. She was married January 13, 1897, to Mr. John Liles, a well known merchant. To this union were born seven children, two of whom died in early life—Misses Margaret and Sarah Liles. Those surviving are: Mrs. W. W. Warren, Mrs. P. F. Harris, John Liles, Jr., and Joseph Liles, all of Littleton, N. C., and Willis Liles of Norfolk, Va. Mrs. Liles was a faithful, loving wife, a thoughtful, patient mother, who never grew tired of serving and doing the hidden chores of domestic life. She is to be commended for the splendid way in which she raised her children.

Mrs. Liles joined the Tabor Methodist church early in life and remained a faithful, devoted member until death. She loved her church and supported it, and was a constant attender to all its services just as long as her health

The committee requests a copy of these words of appreciation and gratitude for her life and service be recorded in the minutes of our class and society; that a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. R. L. Smith,  
Mrs. Z. V. Moss,  
Eli Kendrick,  
W. W. Talbert.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Susanna Wesley Bible class, and Society of of Christian Service of Central Methodist church, Albemarle, wish to pay tribute to one of our oldest and most loyal members, Mrs. D. A. Shankle, who suddenly passed away October 22, 1940. Her death came as a great shock to her family and friends.

Her trust in God brought her peace, her service to those about her afforded her joy. She leaves to her family of splendid sons and daughters a priceless heritage of good example and godly influence.

The passing of such a life proves a great loss to our church and community. Her beautiful Christian life and devotion to her church and home have been a benediction to us. We thank God for her life and bow in humble submission to our Father's will. We extend to her loved ones our heartfelt sympathy and pray God's blessings to rest upon them.

would permit. Her home was always the preacher's home. Her faith in Christ was beautiful. Her pastor conducted the funeral service, assisted by Rev. Mr. Towe of Rocky Mount, a former pastor.

"Servant of God, well done,  
Thy glorious warfare's past;  
The battle's fought, the race is won,  
And thou art crowned at last."

Dewey D. Broome, Pastor.

**WOODLIEF**—Mrs. Lonza R. Woodlief died November 10, 1940. She was a member of Union Chapel on the Granville circuit. She was born November 11, 1867, at Kittrell, N. C. She was a

woman of usefulness in the church and community. Her faith, loyalty and Christian interest made her loved and respected by all who knew her. Funeral services were held at Union Chapel and Brother J. A. Martin assisted the pastor. Interment took place in the chapel cemetery. She is survived by the husband and two daughters, Miss Metrice Woodlief, Richmond, Va., and Mrs. J. Austin Carter, Charlottesville, Va. Also by one sister, Mrs. Margaret Garrett, Kittrell. May the family be comforted in their bereavement by the fact of the great hope that comes from the faith that Mrs. Woodlief made so richly a part of her life.

J. P. Pegg, Pastor.



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## The Madonna



Miss Emma Lee Warner of Ellerbe, who took the part of Mary, mother of Jesus, in the 13th century miracle play, "Benediktbeuren," last Sunday at Greensboro College by the Greensboro College Players.



## TUGGING AT UNCLE SAM'S PURSE STRINGS

By Jacob Simpson Payton

These are days when if one sees several gentlemen bound for the Treasury building, or loitering about the premises of the United States Export-Import Bank or tiptoeing on Capitol Hill, the chances are that they are members of some financial mission. President Roosevelt advanced the date of Thanksgiving Day for the reason that it would extend the season of Christmas shopping. Because of this Republicans became loud in their lamentations over a White House decree that further commercialized the season. Long before this sudden sensitiveness of the politicians was being expressed on the floors of Congress on the traditional day of Thanksgiving, the spirit of Christmas as it relates to accepting presents was abroad in Washington with Uncle Sam playing the role of Santa Claus.

Although war loans are not associated with sleighbells and tinsel wrappings, nor peace and good will among men, yet American memories that run back over a score and more years when dollars by the billions were counted out by our official lenders, are tinged with suspicion. For America the World War turned out to be one long donation day. Long since the loans became as irrevocable gifts, and generous, gullible Uncle Sam has become resigned to his thorough shellacking.

The borrowers are back. Generalissimo Francisco Franco, suspected of casting longing eyes towards Gibraltar, which rock the British once filched from his domain, has informed the government that he will be good if a \$100,000,000 credit for foodstuffs can be arranged with America. He thinks that Spain could worry along on a peace-offering of that size. Argentina has developed taking ways. Secretary Henry Morgenthau, Jr., is ready to dip into the Treasury's gold stabilization fund for \$50,000,000 to bolster up our southern neighbor's currency, and the United States Import Bank may match that amount. The Greeks, short of breath from chasing Mussolini's legions up hill and down hill, are also short of cash as their King has hinted to President Roosevelt. The latter hopes that some odds and ends can be found for them somewhere.

How much help Great Britain is asking no one seems to know. With 84,000 tonnage weekly sent to the bottom of the sea, and a daily drain of \$84,000,000 on her exchequer for waging war, her needs are mounting. In spite of this Federal Loan Administrator Jesse H. Jones maintains that "Britain is a good loan," which should perhaps be interpreted as good in the sense of its protective rather than in its collective possibility.

In the face of this, non-interventionist senators vow that they will staunch the flow of American gold. They oppose these financial blood transfusions for the reason that they do not favor allowing America to respond to all the patients in the foreign wards until she herself recovers the glow of health. If they are inclined to make an exception, perhaps it is in the case of China.

For a time recently Washington was as destitute of celebrities as a Mississippi poling place is of Republicans. President Roosevelt was cruising the Caribbean Sea aboard U.S.S. Mayrant. Mrs. Roosevelt was reported for the once in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. Vice President Garner, concerning whom one now hears about as often as he does of King Victor Emmanuel, was in Texas. Secretary of the Army Knox was in Panama. Vice President-elect

Wallace, as the nation's representative at Mexico City, was polishing up his Spanish and taking a lesson in inaugurals preparatory to January 20. Speaker Rayburn was reported on his ranch below the Red River. During all this quiet period the Republicans on Capitol Hill claimed that affairs at Washington had never run more smoothly since before January 3, 1933.

Speculation is rampant here over the persons the President will name to fill the growing number of vacancies in our foreign service. Those who have resigned during recent months were men who had been successful in other fields. The embarrassment they brought upon themselves and the administration may be attributed to their inability to keep silent at the right time. That gift requisite to those charged with maintaining sealed lips, these gentlemen lacked.

## CHRISTMAS COMET: WITH CONJUNCTION OF PLANETS IT WILL MAKE BRIGHT SKY

Those who note Cunningham's Comet, visible in the western sky shortly after sunset, will remember the accounts of the Star in the East, and they may wonder whether it was such a starlike object, with its nucleus, coma, and tail, that the Wise Men saw. A comet of 4 B. C., which is about the time of the Nativity, is recorded by the Chinese to have been visible for seventy days. There are some astronomers who think that the famed star may have been such. Comet Cunningham has rapidly been growing brighter as it approaches the sun and the earth, increasing from the thirteenth magnitude on December 17, when it was discovered, to between the fifth and fourth magnitude a few days before Christmas. It is scheduled to reach perihelion (the time when it is nearest the sun) on January 16, and it will then be 35,000,000 miles distant from the head of our solar system. Another astral phenomenon this Christmas season is the conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn, two planets that shine brightly together in the west just after dark. They have been appearing together since August, and will continue in close proximity until next spring, when they will go their separate ways and not come close again until January, 1961. Once more the Chinese records tell us that there was such a conjunction of planets in 4 B.C.. The importance of the Christmas account is not that concerning the star, but Christians are interested in the Christmas sky, hoping that the signs may be good signs.—Christian Advocate.

## BISHOP EDWIN H. HUGHES WRITES

The bishops have commissioned me to act as chairman of the commission to attempt the raising of one million dollars for the three-fold purposes—Overseas Relief, Aid for British Methodists, Religious Camp Work. These three things appeal to our brotherly compassion and our parental anxiety.

A representative commission is being appointed. It will meet in Chicago at 2 p. m. on December 30, and will continue in session on December 31. At this meeting more detailed plans will be made—for literature and programs.

I undertook this work against all the promptings of my lower motives—and solely because of my conviction that this merciful movement is the will of God for us all.

I appeal to our pastors to hold **Sunday, March 2, 1941**, against all comers. On that day we will ask for an offering in all the churches of Methodism, small and large, poor and rich. Our success will largely depend upon the observance of the sacred day of compassion.

God help us all—and this troubled world!

Edwin H. Hughes.



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## A Christmas Gift to the World

By Bishop William A. Quayle



THE silent skies have set up a song. The great blue-black vault of the night heavens is now a blaze of light and a gust of song. There is a chime of wings—wings of angels. Their silver trumpets shine like white fire. The domed skies are crowded with shining, hallowed faces, and every face clear as a star, but like a star smiling.

And then these shining, smiling faces break forth into exultant music. Singing was invented that night. It sprang full-throated from heaven's heart—the Hallelujah Chorus of the angels. The black night sky, silent for centuries past, has now become a holy, exuberant, exultant voice.

What has happened to bring the shining, winged angels down against our ground where sleeping sheep are watched by sleepless shepherds in the dark? Nobody can guess. The thing which brought them there is beyond our guesses. We cannot guess so high. Though we fly like the stars, we cannot come as far as the Epiphany of that night. What happened? Ask it, Earth. Ask it, sin-weary world! Ask it, sin-bounded world. Ask it, weary, weeping women. Ask it, war-wounded men. Ask it, slave kennelled with the dogs. Ask it, child who hangs no Christmas stocking up. Ask it, dim eyes from which all hope has died. Ask it, ye earthly multitudes for whose throats there is no song and for whose hearts there is no sky, and for whose dust there is neither angel nor spirit! ASK IT.

And the angels raptured their song, "Christ is here, this is Christmas night!"

Run, shepherds, though ye be slow of foot, outrun the winds!

And now, since that night, all the year's road leads toward Christmas. We are Christmas bound. We look ahead; and there Sweet Christmas stands, when God gave his only begotten Son.

That is Christmas—the gift of God of his Son, even our Christ. Merry Christmas! This earth has Christmas, wherefore, earth, exult, lift up your voice and sing Christmas carols, not to the angels in high heaven, but to God the Father for the gift of God the Son.

We must all hang our stockings up. Christmas is here. We must all fill somebody's stockings up. Christmas is here.

Christ gave gifts unto men—Merry Christmas! We be his children, his little children, his bigger children, his big children. We must do as he did and does. Christ gave gifts unto men.



## Editor's Words at Dedication of Hospital for Women and Children

LADY HENRY SOMERSET said, "It is a greater service to bear soldiers than to bear arms." It may be said with equal truth: It is better to build such institutions as this than to build battleships. These minister to the needy in these hours when the tides of feelings run too deep for utterances in the frail medium of human speech.

The anxieties and sufferings of motherhood go far beyond the pain and peril of the battlefield. There is nothing in literature like Tennyson's Rizpah. The old mother with the law against her, with the church against her, with society against her, stands alone against the world holding fast to the dear object made hers in that most sacred hour of life.

Flesh of my flesh was gone, but bone of my bone was left—  
My baby, the bones that had sucked me, the bones that  
had laughed and had cried—

Theirs? O no! they are mine—not theirs—they had  
moved in my side.

Yes, to those who walk in darkness—to those who are alone with God in the dark—unto them hath the light shined; and those who walk in the shadow of death have seen a great light on this hill which is as a beacon of hope when the night is darkest. The eye of many an expectant mother will brighten with new hope as she anticipates the relief to be found in this Memorial Hospital for Women and Children.

The heart of the Christian centuries has gathered about the mother and child in the stable at Bethlehem; somehow a special pathos is found in the fact that "there was no room for them in the inn." But the painful tragedy remains. Among the poor, too often the maimed and overburdened mother, a victim of neglect, goes a patient and helpless sufferer through life, bearing the burden of her infirmity, because there was no place like this where skill and loving service could minister in the hour of her sorest need.

A princess "saw the child," and moved by the universal appeal that comes to womanhood, she broke over rank and cast and custom. She gave mother and child a chance to live and to grow together in spite of law and kind. So Moses came to years. The hard conditions of life and the helplessness of ignorance are often more destructive than Egyptian tyranny. May we not expect this "Memorial" to be the Princess before which the hurt of poverty and ignorance and circumstance will melt away, al-

lowing mothers many and children not a few to live and grow together, saved from many of the ills to which flesh is heir?

May the blessings of heaven and the smiles of generations following be upon every one who in any way has contributed to this beautiful memorial and timely benefaction.

## The Godless Folly of War

THE godless folly of war becomes the more glaring at the Christmas season when the Christian world unites in celebrating the birth of the world's Redeemer. He came to save humanity from its sins and folly. Peace and good will are then exalted in every land. But never such is known when the war lords hold sway. They have no regard for the sanctity of days or seasons or even of human life. Waste and ruin, death and hell are the ends and aims of it all. To the folly of waste and desolation war adds defiance of God and disregard of the welfare of humanity.

On the night when the Saviour was born the shepherds gathered their flocks; labor, wealth and wisdom did him honor, and the angels sang of peace and good will to men. The entire scene of the nativity is one of peace, foreign to every element of war. But not so is the situation this Christmas time with the shells falling in devastating bombardments and blasting of motor transports on the devastating fields of battle. On sea and land and out of the air desolation falls. How contrary is all this to the nature of God and to the deepest longings of the human heart!

The little child, the song of the angels, the shepherd psalm, the Christmas carol never grow old. These still have a grip on shell-shocked London, though the war gives no heed to the longings of humanity in all the war worn lands. Such is the godless folly of war at all times in the whole world. Man is often guilty of folly, but in war he becomes a victim of godless folly.

In his latest book, "Is the Kingdom of God Realism?" Stanley Jones points out that for the first three centuries of the Christian church no Christian ever went to war and no soldier stayed in the army after he became a Christian. Then with the conversion of Constantine no one except a Christian could get into the army. "Then Christianity brought into its inmost soul an incapability and divided itself against itself." So we have the humiliation of the Christian centuries as the church of



Christ went forth with a dripping sword in one hand and a cross in the other. Our contradiction this present Christmas must be apparent to all. Christianity must get rid of the godless folly of war or get rid of Jesus Christ. "War cannot be softened, it must be eliminated," said an army airman to Stanley Jones. Jones adds, "In any case, the alliance between Christianity and war must be broken if Christianity is to be saved."

### His Star in the East

**T**HERE is a chill in the air, with the approach of the birthday season and men, women and children everywhere are thinking of Christmas, the day honored as the birthday of the King. Many are engrossed with memories that stretch to distant years, many are stimulated by great preparations and childhood is inflated with an expectancy that is indefinable.

So long as our humanity remains what it is, you will find an old Scrooge here and there, nevertheless the masses unite in making merry and in delighting to bring good cheer to one and all, for millions have seen the star in the east and they desire to worship him. His star sheds a radiance over the earth and it lights the way to the narrow alley and the dingy hovel; it lights the way to the palace; it leads on to the hospitals and institutions that are, at best, a poor substitute for a real home. Those who follow the light of his star and, like the wise men of old, are come to worship the child Jesus are bringing gifts and treasures to make the heart glad, that all may rejoice at his birth. The light of his star shining breaks down the barriers that separate God's children and gives a new joy through a sympathetic understanding. When it is Christmas, petty prejudices and foolish pride give way to a broader meaning of life and men and women dare to make an adventure in spreading gladness.

Several days ago an old woman living at a county home called a kind woman whom she knew in a city nearby. The voice on the phone said: "Is that you, Mrs. B—?" When the assurance came that she had the desired listener, the old woman continued: "I jest want to tell you what I want Santa Claus to bring me. You know I don't care so much for oranges and apples, but I do want some candy and some perfume; and be sure to tell him to bring the perfume."

These little indulgencies that give a peculiar satisfaction come with the Christmas sea-

son despite the circumstances and the varied experiences that flesh is heir to.

The ills that humanity suffers are not stayed because thousands are singing the Christmas carols, but his star shines in the earth and that gives hope to the whole world.

### The Poetry of Christmas

**M**ANY well meaning, but unimaginative people, use the Bible as little more than a storehouse of facts and high principles by which to order their lives; and thereby they miss the greatest messages of the book because the deepest and loftiest truths of the book are clothed in the language of poetry.

Nowhere is this more emphatically true than in the story of the Christ Child. One cannot approach Christmas historically, theologically or socially without the aid of poetry. Try to put into matter of fact prose the story of the shepherds in the fields of Bethlehem, or the angels' song, and see how far you will get toward the exposition of those wondrous happenings and of the songs of the angels and of the heavenly hosts.

Christmas marks an event from which the world dates its calendars, an unusual feast of friendliness, a sacrament of good cheer, a gift giving season, a playtime beloved by all the children, both young and old, and for a day at least the world becomes a bit of fairyland because it is the birthday of a child who became the Saviour of the world.

"Hitherto," as one has said, "the plaintive notes of the shepherd's reed had only mingled with the bleating of the sheep or with the wild cry of the night wind as a thousand superstitions and fears had enslaved the lowly of earth." But now wandering shepherds saw the vision and caught the angelic message, "Fear not, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people," and heard the heavenly host singing, "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, good will toward men."

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Bring the holly and mistletoe, hemlock and cedar; festoon the walls with vines green and tender; light the candles on the Christmas trees and fill the house with joy. For at the first Christmas the very heart of the angel's message to the keepers of the sheep was joy and the heavenly host broke into shouts of exultation above the plains of Bethlehem. At this season let us join in the angelic songs.



# ❖ People and Things ❖

In keeping with our usual custom there will be no issue of this paper next week. Next issue January 2, 1941.

The missionary institute for the Raleigh district will be on January 7, instead of January 2 as formerly announced.

Miss Lollie K. Vaughan, sister of Rev. W. N. Vaughan and Leroy Vaughan, died December 10 and was buried at Rehobeth church, on the Northampton charge, Wednesday afternoon.—W. L. Maness, Pastor.

A great spiritual awakening is reported in Norway. Church meetings are largely attended and, in some places, all Bibles have been purchased and people are eagerly awaiting the coming of fresh supplies.

Dan McFarland, one of the twin boys of Rev. and Mrs. W. G. McFarland of Asheville, is now a student at Louisburg College, where he takes full freshman work, plus voice, sings tenor in college glee club and boys' quartet, also church choir, teaches S. S. class, and works for his uncle Saturday at the store.

Bishop Clare Purcell preached at the Norwood Methodist church last Sunday evening to a large congregation despite unfavorable weather. Our people deeply appreciated Bishop Purcell's presence and enjoyed his forceful sermon. Rev. James Rink of the Norwood circuit and Rev. O. P. Ader of Ansonville participated in the service.—Cecil G. Hefner.

The Nobel Peace Prize will not be awarded this year. Before the war, Nobel Peace award winners were selected by a committee of five named by the Storting, parliament of Norway, now Nazi-occupied. The last individual to win it was British Viscount Cecil of Chelwood in 1937. It went to the Nansen international office for refugees at Geneva in 1938 and was not conferred last year.

Rev. and Mrs. Ben H. Black are in Duke Hospital with injuries received when their automobile overturned just east of Wake Forest Friday, December 14, while the couple were en route to Hyde county. Mrs. Black was severely injured and is expected to be in the hospital for several weeks. Her husband is less seriously hurt. We hope the injuries will not prove as serious as feared at first.

The Germans have not yet succeeded in clogging the roads of England with frightened masses of fleeing men, women and children. This is an aim of the raids upon London: to send seven millions out on the highways in disorder, bringing panic to every town the sad parade reaches, blocking the movements of the army itself. It worked in Poland and in Belgium and in France. It has not worked in England.

The fall meeting of the Statesville District Ministers' Wives' Association was held December 3 at 2 p. m. at the district parsonage with the ministers' wives of Statesville as hostesses. During a short business session the following officers were elected: Mrs. J. S. Hiatt, president; Mrs. A. G. Lackey, vice president; Mrs. R. U. Martin, secretary and treasurer. Mrs. Martin played a group of lovely folk songs and then the group joined in singing Christmas carols. Following the fellowship period the hostesses served a salad course of coffee and cookies.—Mrs. F. H. Price, Sec.

Two don'ts for the pastor: First, Don't indulge in the pulpit in scolding or complaint. Do not find fault with small audiences, or berate those who are absent, or show bad temper in castigating delinquencies. Complaint produces irritation and discouragement, and does no good. Second, Don't count upon a change of pastorates or make a change without strong reasons. The long pastorates are the fruitful ones for both ministers and people. In general there are two reasons which may justify a change—a strong pull from the front or a strong push from behind.

Out of Oklahoma comes the following interesting story that is well worth repeating: A full-blooded Chickasaw Indian girl living near Wapanucka, Oklahoma, conducts a little Sabbath school for Negro children in the house of a Negro tenant farmer. Her name is Adeline John, and she is a Presbyterian. The children have memorized the Lord's Prayer, the twenty-third Psalm and other Bible passages, and have learned Bible stories and hymns. Thus, an American Indian teaches Negro children Hebrew literature.

Dr. Allen E. Claxton, pastor of the Trinity Union Methodist church, Providence, R. I., has been appointed to the pulpit of the late Dr. Christian F. Reisner, at Broadway Temple Methodist church, New York, N. Y. Dr. Claxton has been the pastor of the Trinity Union Methodist church, in Providence, since 1930, after serving for three years as associate pastor of Broadway Temple, where he was in charge of the young people's activities and religious education. Dr. Claxton was born in Hinsdale, Illinois, in 1901. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois and of Boston University School of Theology, and did graduate study at Harvard and Columbia universities. Dr. Claxton began his pastoral service at Grace Methodist Episcopal church, Urbana, Illinois, 1922.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Waynesville district had a Christmas party and luncheon December 12 at Cullowhee Methodist church. Mrs. Odell Brown, president of the association, called the meeting to order with 18 members present. After a short business session the meeting was turned over to Mrs. A. J. Clemmer, who had charge of the Christmas party. Christmas carols were sung by the group, followed by the playing of several games. Miss Daisy Dennis, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Dennis, added to the program by giving two very interesting readings. The Christmas spirit was really inaugurated in this party for each had a gift for someone else. The happy girls of the parsonage went home with a smile on their faces.—Mrs. J. S. Higgins, Cor. Sec.

Two principal causes have led to the voluntary exodus of some 50 Methodist missionaries from Korea lately, says Frank T. Cartwright. Japan's change of government to follow the Nazi pattern of complete control of all phases of national life and thought—including church and school instruction—especially since she has joined with the axis powers; and Japan's added pressures and restrictions designed to keep control of the subject people of Korea—a people among whom the group hoping for national independence has been closely identified with the Christian church. Missionaries of other denominations have likewise decided to leave Korea. These Japanese pressures, not only upon all foreigners in Korea but upon all Korean Christians, as well as the advice of the American government representatives, have been the chief factors of this evacuation.

Christmas holidays for students enrolled at Brevard will begin at noon Friday, December 20, and will continue until noon Thursday, January 2, giving the students and faculty 13 days for the celebration of the Yuletide season. On Thursday night, prior to the close of school, the students will enjoy a Christmas party sponsored by the various dormitories on the campus, with a student-faculty committee arranging the program. The Wesley Players, dramatic group of the Christian student organization, presented a Christmas tableau last Sunday night at the regular evening service of the Brevard Methodist church. The arrangement and production of the picturesque scene depicting the Nativity was directed by Mrs. E. J. Coltrane. Approximately 30 students took part in the scene. Rev. E. P. Billups, pastor of the church, was one of the readers in the presentation.



The Methodist Publishing House has issued a set of four special stewardship bulletins prepared especially for stewardship study. The price of the set of four on either mimeographed or printed stock is \$1.80 per hundred copies, postpaid. They may be ordered from the nearest publishing house. The bulletins are entitled, "My Father's World"; "The Main Drive in Life"; "The Agony of God," a poem by Georgia Harkness, and "We Believe That."

Rev. Dr. Albert Edward Day, minister of the First Methodist church, Pasadena, Cal., was elected vice president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America in the closing session of its four-day biennial meeting at Atlantic City, N. J. This office shares with that of the presidency of the Federal Council the distinction of being, in the estimation of Protestant leaders generally, the highest distinction which can be accorded an American religious leader. In this position Dr. Day will succeed the world-known Methodist layman, Dr. John R. Mott, international missionary and Y. M. C. A. leader. Elected to the presidency of the Council for the next biennium was Dean Luther A. Weigle of Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Conn. He succeeds the Rev. Dr. George A. Buttrick, pastor of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian church of New York City.

The annual Christmas entertainment for Shiloh church will be held on Sunday night, December 22, at 7 o'clock. Mrs. Floyd Leatherman, superintendent of the primary department, will be in charge of the program, which will be given by the children. We are looking forward to it with great pleasure, because it really does the children good to get a chance to have a part in a Christmas program. On Christmas night our class leader has asked that we have a special prayer meeting, and has asked Ray Leatherman, R. B. Sink, Jeff Fritts, J. L. Evans and H. A. Leonard, our Sunday school superintendent, to be speakers for this service. We take this opportunity to wish for every reader of the Advocate a truly Merry Christmas and success in kingdom's service throughout the year to come. Let's keep Christmas as a holy day in reverence and appreciation for God's supreme gift to the world.—Mrs. Homer Sink, Reporter.

#### MEETING OF LEAGUE OF STEWARDS, DURHAM DISTRICT

The Durham District League of Stewards will meet at Carrboro Methodist church Sunday afternoon, December 29, at 2:30. F. S. Aldridge presides.

Addresses will be given by Rev. A. J. Hobbs, "The New Financial Plan"; Mr. C. C. Durham, "An Adequate Financial Plan, including the every member canvass, and payment of all financial obligations monthly"; Rev. R. L. Hethcox, "Why, When, How to Make a Successful Enrollment for the Golden Cross"; Dr. B. G. Childs, "The Duties and Opportunities of the Charge Lay Leader"; and Dr. F. S. Hickman, "The Purpose of It All." Ten minutes is allowed each speaker.

#### WILMINGTON LEAGUE OF STEWARDS MEET DECEMBER 29

The District League of Stewards will meet at Whiteville Methodist church Sunday, December 29, at 3 p. m. This is one of the most important meetings for laymen of the year. An interesting and helpful program has been arranged to aid each charge in developing the work of the kingdom of Christ.

Please have this announced at each church on your charge and get as many of your laymen present as possible. Let nothing get in the way of your attendance.

W. A. McGirt, District Lay Leader.  
A. S. Parker, District Supt.

#### LEAGUE OF STEWARDS, ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

The District League of Stewards will meet in Rocky Mount at 2:30 p. m. December 29. A large attendance of the pastors and church officials is expected for this district meeting. Dr. W. K. Greene, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw and other speakers will have a part on the program.

L. C. Larkin, D.S.

#### A TRAGIC ACCIDENT NEAR NEWTON

Dorus J. Ballard, 20-year-old son of Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Ballard of Newton, Route 2, and a student at State College, Raleigh, was instantly killed Sunday night, December 15, at 8 o'clock when struck by a car, said to have been driven by Monroe Lail, a youth of the Sherrills Ford section.

The accident occurred at the intersections of highways number 16 and 10, just one-half mile from the city limits of Newton. Ballard was attempting to cross the highway when struck by the auto, according to Lail, who stopped immediately and went back to examine the youth.

Mr. Ballard was coming home from college to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents. He was within a short distance of the home when killed. Evidently he had come to Newton with friends or on the bus and had decided to walk to his home.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning, December 17, at the Willis-Reynolds Funeral Home, with Rev. Mark Q. Tuttle, pastor of the First Methodist church, Newton, in charge. Burial followed in the East View cemetery, Newton.

Survivors other than the father and mother are: Two sisters, Mrs. T. H. Johnson, Jr., High Point, and Ruth, at home; and one brother, Calvin, a student at Lenoir Rhyne College, Hickory.

To the stricken family we extend our warmest sympathies in this hour of their great sorrow.

#### GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

A Christmas nativity play, "The Benediktbeuren," was presented on Sunday afternoon, December 15, in Odell auditorium, with a large audience in attendance. The play was directed by Miss Anne Exum, Fremont, with Miss Elba Henninger, head of the speech department, serving as general advisor. All technical work for the play was done by the play production class.

An English miracle play, the production depicted the main prophecies and events of the birth of Christ. The stage setting and colorful costumes used were inspired by the classical paintings of Anelico, Lorenzo, Max Jeffe, and Raphael, artists famous for decorative and spiritual paintings. Gregorian chants sung between the scenes by 50 voices from the class of public school music, under the direction of Miss Alia Ross, instructor in public school music, added atmosphere to the presentation.

On Thursday morning at 11 o'clock Greensboro College girls will leave for the Christmas vacation to return again for classes on January 3.

#### ON THE DOVER CHARGE

We arrived at Dover on our first anniversary to be greeted and welcomed by a group of fine people who had a warm supper waiting for us. Since that day they have not ceased doing things for us. The good women of the Dover church have painted the living room of the parsonage, and have purchased paint for the other rooms. They have even more plans for beautifying the parsonage.

The attendance at all the churches has been excellent. At the second regular preaching service at our largest church, Asbury, in which we entertain the New Bern district conference next April, every bench except one was filled. Quite unusual. The general spirit of the churches is most gratifying.

Many things have been done for the pastor and his wife in their short stay on the charge which have made them most happy. We feel certain that in working with these good people we are going to have the happiest and most successful year of our life. We feel the prayers of those far and near, and we pray God's richest blessings upon them and us all as we try to make this the greatest year in his kingdom's work.

H. L. Harrell, Pastor.



## METHODIST BISHOPS MET AT ATLANTIC CITY DECEMBER 3-5

Thirty-four bishops of united Methodism under the presidency of Bishop A. Frank Smith met December 3 in Hotel Dennis, Atlantic City, N. J., for seven strenuous sessions of the Council of Bishops. All but two of the effective bishops with episcopal areas in this country were present and their conference together was blessed with the wisdom and experience of a number of their retired colleagues. Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam is the secretary of the Council.

The big business of the Council was the touching off of a campaign to raise among Methodists one million dollars in one gigantic effort on the first Sunday in Lent, March 2. This movement is an answer to a number of appeals and interests which will undoubtedly absorb for the time being and greatly supplement the Overseas Relief project initiated at the last General Conference. It will furnish an answer to the pleas of British Methodists for aid for their bombed churches, distressed ministerial families and orphaned English missionary centers. It will, further, provide American Methodism with a means to minister to soldiers and sailors in training camps in such ways as may prove to be wisest in the light of subsequent developments.

Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes has been given the heavy responsibility of heading this campaign that will result on a single Sunday in simultaneous offerings in the 45,000 churches of Methodism. Supporting Bishop Hughes will be a large and strong commission of bishops, ministers and laymen representing the entire church. Initial members of the commission from the Council of Bishops are Bishops Waldorf, Arthur F. Moore, Herbert Welch, Charles W. Flint, Adna W. Leonard and G. Bromley Oxnam. Others will be announced when the general commission is named. Upon this commission which will meet the last of December in Chicago will fall the duty of determining the objectives of the campaign, the administrative responsibilities and the distribution of the total among the recipients.

The appeal will be led by the Council of Bishops. It will co-ordinate all agencies seeking to render relief service. Care will be given to avoid any interference with the normal flow of benevolent giving.

The consent of the World Service Council, necessary to authorizing such a campaign has been given through its executive committee.

## QUESTIONS FOR AMERICANS

Imminence of a U. S.-British agreement for joint use of the Singapore naval base, and for policing of the Pacific largely by the United States Navy, starts us thinking again of the much-discussed idea of Union Now.

Is it possible that Singapore, half a world away from England and America, will turn out to be the foundation stone for a world-wide federal union of democratic nations?

That is what Union Now contemplates—a united front of the world's remaining democracies, to keep totalitarianism confined to countries where peoples really want it or lack the get-up-and-get to kick it out.

The democratic countries still free from direct dictator control at this writing are the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada, Ireland, the Union of South

Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Switzerland, Finland and Sweden. Finland and Sweden are virtual prisoners of Russia and Germany respectively. The Dutch East Indies are still run by the resident Dutch as we write; Gen. Charles de Gaulle is prying an occasional piece of the French empire loose from the Nazi-vitiated Vichy's clutches.

Union Now's numerous and increasing proponents, led by the well known journalist, Clarence K. Streit, believe that the democracies had better hang together, beginning just about now, if they don't want to be hanged separately by the dictatorships.—Collier's.

## REV. WILBUR G. MCFARLAND PRESIDENT OF ASHEVILLE AND BUNCOMBE COUNTY MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

At a recent meeting of the Asheville and Buncombe County Ministerial Association Rev. W. G. McFarland, pastor of Haywood Street church, was elected its president for the ensuing year.

Mr. McFarland is serving his fourth year as pastor of Haywood Street Methodist church and his third years as secretary of the Asheville Methodist district. He is chaplain of Mt. Herman Masonic lodge in Asheville and was recently appointed to serve as Grand Chaplain of the Masonic Grand Lodge of North Carolina. He is a past state chaplain of the North Carolina Society, Sons of the American Revolution, and is a member of the Asheville Scouters Club.

## NEW MOTION PICTURES READY FOR CHURCHES

Motion pictures which have just been made available in Kodachrome (color) for missionary societies and local churches are: "The Tie That Binds" (1 reel) which portrays the work of college students at Lisle, New York; "Hawaii, Our New Horizon" (1 reel), showing the work of the newest type of missionaries in the Hawaiian Islands; "Chaff, a Story of Migrants" (2 reels), presenting a joint missionary and community project in the service of migrants in Florida; "When Uncle Sam Builds Dams" (1 reel), showing the church at work at several recent government projects; and "The Diary of a Mountain Girl" (1 reel), the story of a girl in the Kentucky mountains.

These motion pictures, taken and shown in natural colors, have a universal interest and appeal, and are now being made available for every church in the Methodist connection.

The rental charge on these Kodachrome pictures is \$1 per reel. Request for Kodachrome may be addressed to the Department of Visual Education, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y. Orders should be placed at least one month in advance.

## A BELATED GAZER

By O. I. Hinson

With careless feet, he ambled the street,  
Unmindful of the tattoo his feet did beat;  
"Damn it," he said, whose color was deadly black,  
And he carried heavy burdens upon his back.

It was Christmas Eve, and the withering wind  
Did blow a biting blast before and behind,  
And his thinly clad frame was all a-quiver,  
As with anguished heart he did quake and shiver.

The floods, the rental, and race, him had bereft,  
And in the race for honor he'd been woefully left;  
The outer darkness that enveloped him was small,  
Compared to the inner that held him in thrall.

While rebellion in his heart held sway,  
He prayed for the night to give place to day;  
The day of freedom, brotherhood and peace,  
As the stars to all had promised speedy release.



### GREENSBORO DISTRICT LAYMEN'S MEETING

An address by Governor Clyde R. Hoey, active Methodist layman of Raleigh and Shelby, will feature the Greensboro district laymen's meeting to be held at West Market Street church, Greensboro, at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, December 29. The Meistersingers, under the direction of Walter Vassar, will furnish special music.

A number of short talks will be made emphasizing important items in the year's program of work which will be



Gov. Clyde R. Hoey

presented for adoption. All laymen of the district, especially stewards of the local churches, are expected to attend. Pastors, local preachers, church school superintendents, leaders in the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and all others interested are invited to be present.

Officers of the district lay organization promoting this meeting include Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent, Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, district lay leader, who is also associate conference lay leader, T. C. Hoyle, Sr., F. Eugene Hester, and J. Norman Wills, associate district lay leaders.

### A LETTER ABOUT CONFERENCE

I promised some of the boys at that memorable conference we held away back yonder in October that I would write a line to your excellent paper as to the doings of an offside conference.

You see it was an innovation and we had feared it a hazardous adventure. We had entertained some fears of a mid-week conference. No chance to put on our dress parade when the better paid preachers wear their striped pants and shoo-fly coats, and the rest of us put on our new ties and gather around the front of the church to shake hands with all the friends of other days. How could it all be done in the middle of the week was perplexing. But it happened just the same. One big day—the opening—everyone dressed to a finish. The small of statue looked as well dressed as the taller ones. The taylor had done a good job of measuring them up.

Yes, we had to register in so as to know when we are to register out. The record is now fixed and in we come and out we go on schedule time and none can escape. But this matters but little as compared to the great importance of what we do while in. Of course we shudder when we think of the hour when the church bell calls and no pulpit open for us. May we be diligent and use the one open to us while we wait that final hour. One brother made the observation that the mid-week conference was cut and dried. We preachers are given somewhat to that expression but seldom think of what the laymen think of it. They likely think we are a little extravagant with the dried part of it but seldom use the knife to do any cutting. A dried sermon cut in two in

the middle might suit the laymen better. One brother said he had preached one hundred and twenty-six times, and left me to wonder if his people were bad or preaching weak that it took that much of it.

All in all the mid-week conference was all right and, personally, it will be good to have it so hereafter. We hurried home and preached on Sunday as the good bishop had expected us to do. Those of us who were to move got busy and were on the new field by the next Sunday. We found ourselves here at Boulevard church in Statesville—a former M. E. church but now just a good Methodist church. Lovely people, nicest kind of parsonage, and everyone doing his or her part to make it pleasant and comfortable for us. One brother wanted to know if I was a Northern Methodist preacher, and I told him yes—northern, southern, eastern and western, and sometimes preached between the points of the compass, and if he cared to he might say that I was an all round Methodist preacher. We are paying no attention to the weather vane, but are headed straight down the line toward the goal. We are well fixed here, and just as soon as we get the full lay of the land will give attention to every phase of our church work, the Advocate included.

H. C. Byrum.

### BISHOP AND MRS. BLAKE IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Bishop and Mrs. Edgar Blake were injured on Sunday afternoon, December 1, while driving in an automobile near Wilmington, N. C. For some reason the car skidded, struck a telephone pole, and overturned. Bishop Blake suffered a fractured jaw, bruises, and lacerations, and Mrs. Blake a fractured collar bone, two broken ribs, and a back injury. They were taken to James Walker Memorial Hospital in Wilmington. A telegram from the hospital on December 4 stated that Bishop Blake was still suffering from severe shock, in critical condition, and Mrs. Blake, though seriously injured, was making recovery.

Latest reports indicate that Mrs. Blake continues to improve, but the condition of Bishop Blake remains critical.

### BACKING A QUITTER

Lord Lothian in his last message to the American people uttered the following paragraph which was worthy of the man and one that all people can keep in mind with profit. This worthy representative of his government said:

"We, I believe, are doing all we can. (Meaning Britain of course). Since May there is no challenge we have evaded, no challenge refused. If you back us, you will not be backing a quitter."

This English lord's plea for help was put upon high ground. It is in accord with an oft quoted expression of ours, which runs like this: "You cannot help people who will not help themselves"—a truth that we too often forget.

### LOUISBURG COLLEGE NOTES

The Louisburg College senior class officers are: Bill Spence, president, Suffolk, Va.; James Durham, vice president, Durham; Mary Ellen Shaw, secretary, Mebane; and Rachel Fox, treasurer, Roxboro. Freshmen class officers are: Rod Lancaster, president, Vanceboro; Troy Barrett, vice president, Fayetteville; Mary McArtan, secretary, Dunn; and Mary Bryan, treasurer, Wilmington.

The Lambda chapter of the Alpha Pi Epsilon, honorary secretarial fraternity of Louisburg College, held its annual Christmas party in the faculty parlor on Thursday evening, December 12, at 7:30 o'clock. The outstanding feature of the program was a reading by Miss Martha Ann Stroud.



# The Wise Men and the Star

Matt. 2:1-12

By J. G. HUGGIN, JR.

The true significance of Christmas is not economic—nor even gastronomic—but spiritual. The place truly to keep the festival is not in the store, nor in the dining room, but in the heart. Christmas this year will be significant only if all over again Jesus is born within each of us.

“Though Christ a thousand times  
In Bethlehem be born,  
If he's not born in thee,  
Thy soul's forlorn.”

Let us then get the fingers of the soul around the real spirit of the season as we hear again an old and very beautiful story—the story of the Wise Men and the Star.

## I.

When at last they reached Bethlehem the Magi had traveled long and far. Herod inquired of them what time they had first seen the star, and then set about killing all babies as much as two years old and under in the town of Christ's birth. So they must have been journeying that long. We do not know where they came from. Arabia, perhaps, or Persia. They had traveled probably about a thousand miles. Nor was travel easy. They walked or rode camels. They crossed wide stretches of desert, they went over high mountains where in places the road narrowed to a mere footpath and where one misstep meant sure death, they went through the waters of wide rivers where dangerous fords offered the only way across. Sometimes they found a river at floodtide, and were forced to wait many days for the waters to recede until it was at least measurably safe to pass over. They braved the burning heat of summer, the piercing cold of winter. They traveled at night, following the star that shone beckoningly to them, stopping to make camp when the star faded into the dawn. At times for nights on end the sky would be overcast and their star hidden behind the drawn curtains of the storm. Then they would wait, never losing patience, sure that when at last the sky cleared the star would be there still, familiar and friendly, inviting them on to their journey's end.

They were sublimely patient and trustful men to have traveled the hard way so long following nothing more than a peculiarly bright star.

There are people like that. Life is for them arduous and trying. Bad fortune keeps them company. There are hospital bills, and days without employment, all manner of disappointments; life treats them with particularly calloused hands. Yet they are patient and sweet-spirited. Well meaning friends go to them to offer encouragement, and instead receive encouragement. For these are given patience and trust through their faith in a divine Providence. They will tell you they are being led. They know the road, though hard, is taking them somewhere, and that that somewhere is a good place. They are like the wise men, traveling on because they have a star to follow.

There are folks too who in their religious experiences are like the Magi. We contrast them with the shepherds of Bethlehem, for the shepherds did not need to go far to behold the Christ Child. Without warning the angel's

announcement came to them, and the praise of the heavenly host and presently these shepherds were looking wonderingly down upon the little Babe. But the wise men traveled the long, long road. So certain people come into their experiences of Christ like the shepherds, suddenly. A voice speaks from the heavens and a light blazes. Forever afterward that heavenly vision is their imperious authority. Yet other earnest seekers after faith must search and search across the months and years, and yet still must admit they have had no blinding vision—only one bright star that seems ever to say: “This way you must walk.” If you are one, therefore, who has never had the Vision Splendid, who has heard glowing accounts of sudden conversions and beatific visions and has longed for them too, yet never seem to have been able to come by them, may I remind you of the wise men. Literally years went by before they ever saw the Holy Child. At last they were rewarded because they kept on searching. Only go on, then, never losing hope, keeping ever in your sight whatever star God wills to make shine for you, and even as the Magi were vouchsafed a vision of the Babe of Bethlehem, so God will give you the great revelation in his own good time.

## II.

The wise men kept the star in view. That was the secret of their perseverance. The star promised something at the end of the journey, and so long as the star was there, they could go on. So it ever is. Is the road rough? No matter. There is a star to follow!

The secret, you see, is having something other than just the road to absorb one's attention. The deep tragedy of many a life is having no star to follow, which leaves only the road as the be-all and the end-all of human existence. If flowers bloom by the way and if the road is smooth and level and straight, then life is very good. But if the frosts of ill fortune blight the flowers, if the road suddenly rises from the plain into the hills and becomes a tortuous and dangerous footpath ent into the sides of sheer cliffs, then life loses both its joy and its meaning.

How many today need a call to high ideals, to stars to follow! Only thus can life spell out anything worth deciphering. We need things worth living for, indeed worth dying for. The great days have always been those in which people lived for great ideals. Our forefathers suffered hardships and risked their lives for an ideal commonwealth. They exchanged the amenities of old cultures for the rudeness of a new and a raw world, because they followed the star of freedom to think and speak and worship—to live as they wished. Today there are too many voices of disillusionment. We are told that the world as we have known it is falling to pieces, that about all a people can do is stand by and watch it disintegrate, that freedom is declining, that democratic processes are being progressively narrowed, that the church has lost its influence, that religion is outmoded—that there are no stars to follow.

The world over which the Star of Bethlehem shone was a world which, like ours, was going to pieces. But another world, and a better, was coming to birth at the same



time. The star gave promise of it to those who could discern the signs of the times. Stars speak the same language now. They tell us of the ancient Christmas hope. They say there is yet room for ideals of kindness and justice, of honor and integrity, of love for all men, of faith in a Sovereign God. In a world being shattered for the want of Christian love, there are stars to follow. And in lives made bitter and despairing by the very materialism to which they have devoted themselves, there is this Christmas message: "The Star of Bethlehem shines for you."

### III.

The wise men were led to the Roman province of Judea. Since they were seeking the King of the Jews they went toward Jerusalem. The star seemed hardly to stop there, yet what was more natural than that they should go to the ancient capital of the Jewish people? As they approach the city one seems to hear them meditating with one another on this wise: "Will he be in Herod's palace, think you? Or mayhap we shall find him in the great house of the high priest." Then I think I hear one member of the group, the youngest of all, say to his elders, hesitatingly, "My fathers, it doth appear that the star would lead us on yet farther." But they reply, "It cannot be but that the King of the Jews will be born in their capital city." And once there they reflect: "Who should know about such great things as the birth of a king except great people." So they go to Herod. He in turn calls in the high priests and scribes. Now we have an array of the great in church and state to tell the wise men about the birth of the King. They look from one to another, nonplussed. Then one old priest, learned in Scripture and in the ways of God with men, quotes from the prophet Micah: "And thou, Bethlehem . . . out of thee shall come forth a governor, who shall be shepherd of my people Israel." Very strange, think these wise men. The King not born in Jerusalem? Yet the star does lead on. And in the little hill town of Bethlehem, born of humble parents, in a rude stable, they find the new-born King.

The significance of that part of the story we have never learned—that the great things are the simple things. Looking for a palace they found a stable; seeking a crown prince they discovered the son of village peasants. But as our vision grows true we learn that the best things are always the simplest: the ties that bind together a devoted family, the tender smile of a young mother, the happy laughter of a little child, the stainless purity of womanhood, the unimpeachable honor of manhood. These are among the "bests" of life. Let us not allow the tinsel and bright lights and garish colors blind us to what is truly good. The great things are within our reach now.

### IV.

The wise men brought gifts. We can understand how they had daily to care for these gifts. The robber bands threatened them in every desert and mountain fastness through which they were compelled to go. And when their supplies ran low and money was giving out they could have exchanged the little caskets of gifts for that which would have made their journey less toilsome. But from the robbers along the road and the robbers that were the selfish spirits within they protected the precious gifts that they might have them to lay at the feet of the King. Thus they brought to him the best they had.

Do we as much for him? Ask that at Christmas. Do we give the best we have to the King? Do we forget ourselves in his service? Do we give to his suffering children and to his church our best? Do we, say, give more to the benevolences of the church than we spend for tobacco or parties or football or cosmetics? What do we bring to him this Christmas?

The Magi traveled on, those weary months. And one day they looked upon the fair face of the Christ Child. We also are travelers along the way. If we follow the Star of Bethlehem one day we too shall see him, and know him, even as we are known.

## THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS

There are some advantages of a monthly paper over a weekly, and one of the less important is that for a December number the editor must contemplate Christmas almost in the very hour of Thanksgiving Day (the President's week-ahead day, and not Massachusetts', as formerly). Thanksgiving and Christmas very properly go together, for Thanksgiving is a fitting preparation for Christmas, and Christmas is our greatest cause for thanksgiving. This is particularly true at time when doubt and fear are so widely prevalent and the causes for thanksgiving are limited in number if not in degree. Unless we are wrapped in smug complacency, we can hardly thank God for peace when all around the world are violence and strife; we can hardly thank God for law and order in a world that is so much in chaos and collapse; and we can hardly thank God for bounty when so many of our fellowmen are in direct need. If we contemplate our own superior situation in these things, sincere thanksgiving will not be with the conventional glow of good feeling of happier days but rather with a deep and chastened feeling of responsibility and duty. But the one unalloyed, unlimited, uncompromised cause for thanks giving is that there came into the world the Babe of Bethlehem, grown into the Man of Nazareth, who has left his life, his teaching and his example indelibly written in history and in the hearts of men. And we can be thankful with complete and wholehearted rejoicing for the Gospels that record the story of of his life, and in lesser measure, conscious of its shortcomings and failure, for the church which with devious effort and imperfect fidelity has kept the channels of communication open from Bethlehem until now. In a world dark with tragedy this is the one great point of light and hope. Christmas Day is the symbol of a reality for which above all else we have cause to give thanks. Blot out the Christmas story and the picture of the world is one of unrelieved gloom and despair.

Over in England, in the dark and terrible hour that is testing everyone's faith and that might well lead down to despair, they are singing, There'll always be an England. It is the song of courage, and hope, of faith, and vision, and action, of men and women devoted to their country, its spirit, and its free institutions. May we not, in the larger world of God's kingdom, assailed by doubt and fear, by greed and treachery, by hate and violence, sing in the same spirit, and in the glad contemplation of the Light that shone upon the shepherds and in the manger at Bethlehem, There'll always be a Christmas! —Editorial in Advance.

The best throw of the dice is to throw them away.—Proverb.



# The Romance of a Brush Arbor

Embodied in Duke's Chapel and the Noble Spirits Cradled Here

The centennial celebration Sunday, December 15, 1940, at Duke's Chapel church, two miles north of Durham, was no ordinary occasion. The morning and afternoon services did not differ widely from such occasions, but the elements entering into making this entire situation were out of the ordinary. Dr. R. L. Flowers of Duke University gave the morning address and Rev. E. D. Weathers, a former pastor, spoke in the afternoon. Lunch was served in the basement of the church. The pastor,



Dr. Robert Lee Flowers

Rev. H. R. Simpson, was in charge for the day, and did a good job. But the history and outreach of this church is of chief concern to those who believe that spreading oaks from small acorns grow. A great oak certainly sprang up from the gospel preached in these woods of Orange county.

Duke's Chapel church had its inception from a series of services held under a brush arbor on the farm of William J. Duke, older brother of Washington Duke. These services under the arbor began about 1836, the year the North Carolina Methodist conference was organized.

The first organization was known as Hebron church, which began activities as a church in 1840. At that time William J. Duke donated an acre of land where the Oxford-Chapel Hill road crossed the Roxboro and Raleigh road. The first building was a log church 30 by 36 feet.

In that day the itinerant Methodist preachers on horseback went everywhere preaching the gospel, and wherever men and women were found interested in the work they organized societies and built small, plain churches—usually of logs. Often the people were gathered together under these arbors made of saplings and the tops of trees to shade the assemblies from the sun. These were temporary camp meeting arbors for gathering the people under

pioneer conditions. What a place to develop preachers! Were many of our present day preachers and theological professors to engage in such efforts to save men we would not have so many helpless preachers out reading lifeless homilies and empty platitudes which they pass off on the people for sermons. It was out of such blood earnest preaching Hebron church had its origin. From such a gospel came those streams of life and power that have gone forth to bless the world.

It was in this church that Washington Duke, who was a member, and his sons, J. B. Duke and B. N. Duke, attended church for years. This church served as the cradle of consecrated spirits which later made possible the Duke Foundation and the Duke Endowment. Washington Duke was known as an "exhorter." He took a leading part in the church prior to and after the Civil War. Later, the log house gave place to a plain country church of boards which fifteen years ago was supplanted by the present beautiful structure of stone. This is the most costly and substantial country church of which we have any knowledge. There are many others fully as useful for the work of a church in the country, but they are not equal in design and finish.

Last Sunday morning Dr. Flowers gave an interesting story of the selection of stone that went into Duke University from the quarries near Hillsboro, property of the university. Samples of stone used at Princeton and Yale and in other noted buildings were sent to Durham to compete for the contract for stone which finally went to the Hillsboro quarry, from which came the stone for Duke Chapel church which Duke University furnished the church. So it came to pass that stone from New Jersey, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and North Carolina went into the building of this church back of which is a romantic and heroic history. The present building was made possible largely through the generosity of B. N. Duke and J. B. Duke. But greater than all were the inspiration that came out of the gospel lived and preached at old Hebron. The Methodist preachers who passed this way left such an impress that the men who were blessed by these wanted to do something for those who came after them. So we have the country church foundation and the fund for retired Methodist preachers in North Carolina, because the men who came out of Hebron knew men who were able to inspire other men to aspire to noble things.

Mr. J. B. Duke said in his Indenture, get men who can inspire youth and get students who want to amount to something in the university. There is the demand for men who can inspire to teach young men who aspire.

We trust some soul may yet appear who can put in immortal phrase the romance of this brush arbor that did so much to bless the generations unborn. To tell the story of the men on horseback who passed this way and to trace the record of the loyal men and women who held fast to their faith through the years of poverty and the hardships of Civil War would be an inspiring story of life in the country church in other days. It might prove a valuable lesson for those who still carry on among the devoted people in our present rural churches.

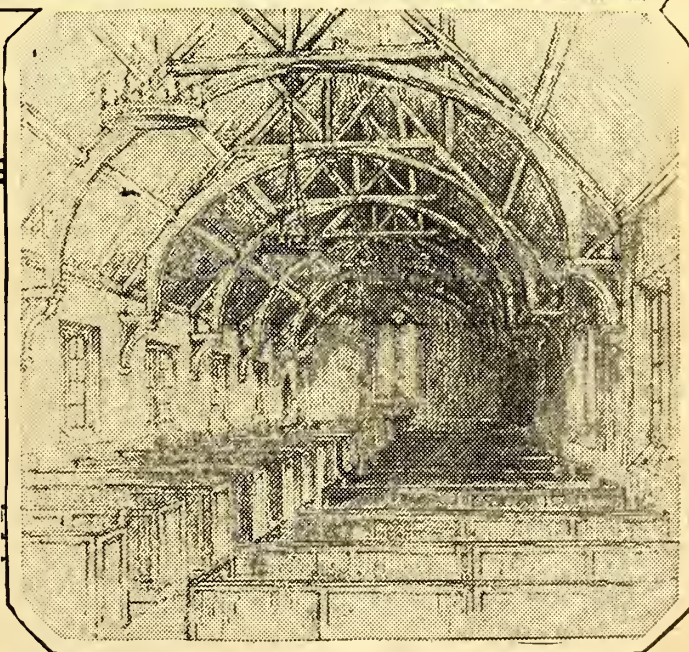


## Duke's Chapel Observes One Hundreth Anniversary



On Sunday, December 15, 1940, in an all day service at which neighbors and friends assembled, Duke's Chapel celebrated a century of its existence. The observance of its hundredth birthday revived sacred memories and enlisted the interest of all able to attend. The memories of the years are depicted in the scenes set forth on this page.

Top inset is William J. Duke, who died in 1883 and the old Hebron church as it was in the days of the Dukes. Center and below the new Duke's Chapel, exterior and interior. Lower left: Washington Duke and his sons, James B. and B. N. Duke, who played important parts in the growth of the church.





## Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

### THE BELLS OF CHRISTMAS

I heard the bells on Christmas Day  
Their old familiar carols play,  
And wild and sweet the words repeat  
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

And thought how, as the days had come  
The belfries of all Christendom  
Had rolled along the unbroken song  
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

And in despair I bowed my head;  
"There is no peace on earth," I said;  
"For hate is strong, and mocks the song  
Of peace on earth, good will to men!"

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep;  
"God is not dead nor doth he sleep!  
The Wrong shall fail, the Right prevail,  
With peace on earth, good will to men!"

—Henry W. Longfellow.

The heartiest of Christmas greetings  
to each of our readers. A Merry Christ-  
man and Happy New Year!

### BEATITUDES OF BOOKS

Happy is the home where are book  
lovers, for they may learn to love much  
else.

Happy is the mother who teaches  
with the greatest and most gifted teach-  
ers of all ages at her elbow.

Happy is the father who treasures  
his book shelves as much as his tackle  
box or golf clubs.

Happy is the child who goes on book  
adventures with parents who delight in  
staying young.

Happy is the home circle that finds in  
books—memories of the past, dreams of  
the future, and companionship that is  
far more dependable than that of peo-  
ple.

But happiest is the family that has set  
up in its midst the Book of books for  
light and life.—The Methodist Woman  
for December.

### SAVE YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS

The Methodist Woman makes an ur-  
gent appeal to us to "Save your Christ-  
mas cards." Japan and Korea can use  
these greeting cards, and we are asked  
that as soon as we are through with  
them to remove the writing and send  
them to one of our missionaries in ei-  
ther of these fields.

Dr. Alice Appenzeller, president  
emeritus of Ewha College, Seoul, Korea,  
says: "I am sure you will be glad to  
know how much happiness your cards  
have brought. There is not one left and  
we could have used more. It is impos-  
sible to get pretty greeting cards with  
the Christmas story here. First we let  
the faculty and staff each take five  
cards. Then the students have their  
turn, and how eagerly they pounce  
upon them! I use some in teaching  
about Christmas customs in my Eng-

lish conversation class, to the evident  
pleasure of the girls. Many are dis-  
tributed in Sunday schools where  
Ewha students teach. Postage to Ko-  
rea is 1½ cents for each two ounces  
up to four pounds. Mark "printed mat-  
ter, no commercial value."

### WHO ARE THE FOREIGN MISSIONARIES?

Who the foreign missionaries of The  
Methodist Church? Are they mostly  
Reverends? Well, believe it or not, the  
unordained foreign missionaries of united  
Methodism outnumber the ordained  
workers by more than three to one! And  
that situation is becoming still more sig-  
nificant. At Chicago on July 24 of this  
year (1940) Bishop Arthur J. Moore,  
president of the Board of Missions, com-  
missioned a large group of missionaries  
for home and foreign work—the first to  
be commissioned under the united  
church. Out of 41 going to foreign fields  
38 were unordained Christian workers.  
—Scarritt College Voice.

### AN INTERESTING HARVEST DAY SERVICE

A service which proved of excep-  
tional interest and most inspiring was  
the all day Harvest Day service at  
Central church, Asheville, Monday,  
December 9, with 125 or more mem-  
bers of the Woman's Society of Chris-  
tian Service in attendance. The meet-  
ing opened with quiet music with Mrs.  
S. H. Bryan at the piano, and was fol-  
lowed by a most impressive and in-  
teresting devotional by Mrs. Thomas  
Hefner, secretary of missionary educa-  
tion of the organization, who used as  
her theme "Reaping of Crops," with  
the 146th Psalm as her scriptural basis.

Following the worship service, a  
memorial service was held for the five  
members who have passed away dur-  
ing the year—Mrs. J. H. Richardson,  
Mrs. W. B. Williamson, Mrs. A. A.  
Tate, Mrs. Fred A. Hull and Mrs. J. J.  
Yates, all of whom had been actively  
identified with the society for a num-  
ber of years.

A fitting tribute was read by Mrs.  
W. R. Harris and followed by the sing-  
ing of "In the Sweet By and By," by  
Mrs. Melvin Tilson with Mrs. B. E.  
Blanton at the piano. The reports of  
the society's officers were heard and  
showed that another most splendid  
year of achievement had been experi-  
enced, with all departments sharing  
in the success of the year's work.

The morning session closed with  
benediction by Dr. W. A. Lambeth,  
Central's pastor. After lunch, which  
was served by representatives of the  
society to the large crowd present, the  
afternoon session opened with a devo-  
tional by Mrs. Thad Adams of the  
young woman's circle, whose theme  
was love, and who brought an inspir-  
ing message. Reports of the circle  
chairman were heard, and the new

chairmen for 1941 read the names of  
their circle members who will take up  
their new work in January. The meet-  
ing closed with "Praise God from  
Whom All Blessings Flow."

### ATTENTION, SUPERINTENDENTS OF PUBLICITY

We find it necessary to call attention  
again to the necessity of sending all  
communications intended for the wom-  
an's page of our Western North Caro-  
lina conference to the editor of that  
page (Mrs. W. R. Harris, 15 Woodvale  
Avenue, Asheville, N. C.) and NOT to  
the editors of the North Carolina  
Christian Advocate. When these com-  
munications are sent direct to Greens-  
boro it means that they are re-mailed  
to Asheville, which delays their ap-  
pearance on the page, besides giving  
our Advocate office force the trouble  
of re-mailing them. We are happy to  
have all the items of news from the  
societies in our conference, but we do  
urge that they be sent to their proper  
destination, so that we may get them  
in the paper as early as possible. Please  
note and heed this request.

### OFFICERS SOUTHEASTERN JURIS- DICTIONAL CONFERENCE

At the organization meeting of the  
Woman's Society of Christian Service  
for the Southeastern Jurisdictional  
Conference, held in Richmond, Va.,  
December 5 and 6, the following offi-  
cers were chosen: President, Mrs. L.  
L. Hillman (N. C. conference); vice  
president, Mrs. H. C. Black (Holston);  
secretary, Mrs. J. Roy Jones (South  
Carolina); treasurer, Mrs. C. O. Hin-  
ton (Kentucky); secretary home work,  
Mrs. C. C. Sapp (S. Georgia); secre-  
tary foreign work, Mrs. R. P. Neblett  
(N. Mississippi); Christian social rela-  
tions and local work, Mrs. M. E. Til-  
ley (N. Georgia); organization and pro-  
motion, Mrs. J. S. VanWinkle (Ken-  
tucky); missionary education and ser-  
vice, Mrs. D. R. Little (N. Georgia);  
Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. K. W.  
Warden (Memphis); student work,  
Mrs. R. R. Ellison (Alabama); secretary  
of young women, Mrs. J. H. Black-  
more, Jr., (Virginia); secretary chil-  
dren's work, Miss Noreen Dunn (Ten-  
nessee); publications, Mrs. C. W. Tur-  
pin (Tenn.); supplies, Mrs. C. E. Wil-  
liams (Florida). Members at large:  
Mrs. W. C. Hammer (W. N. C.); Mrs.  
Glenn James (Florida); Mrs. D. L. St.  
John (Miss.); Mrs. E. H. Newsome (N.  
Ala.); Mrs. L. L. Hardin (Upper S. C.)  
Standing committee chairmen: Spirit-  
ual life, Miss Daisy Davies (N. G.); C.  
S. R. and local activities, Mrs. Richard-  
son (Va.); status of women, Mrs. L. A.  
Tynes (Holston); finance, Mrs. N. V.  
Coleman (Va.); research, Mrs. H. H.  
Stone (Tenn.)

### ATTUNED

A thankful heart that sings through  
changing sands of time  
Is like a magnet drawing all that it  
can hold  
Of filings in its wake, for heavenly  
blessings cling  
To thankful hearts; and heaven's ore  
is gold.

—Margaret Hardman Theiss.



## North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

### A CHRISTMAS MEDITATION

Still shines the star  
For all uplifted eyes;  
Still waits the child  
For homage from the wise;  
Still, loving hearts  
Bring gifts of sacrifice.

For have you joy?  
Then joy is yours to share;  
And have you love?  
Make less your neighbor's care;  
Have you found courage?  
Teach your friend to dare.

No gold, nor myrrh,  
Nor frankincense, indeed,  
But joyous faith  
Can meet the human need;  
The Star still shines  
For you—where does it lead?

### THE GREATEST ORGANIZATION

On the evening of December 5 in the dining room of the Jefferson Hotel in Richmond, Va., the women attending the first Jurisdictional Conference of the Southeastern Jurisdiction gathered for a fellowship dinner and to meet Mrs. J. B. Bragg, president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, Mrs. E. L. Hillman, newly elected president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, and others. Mrs. N. V. Coleman, president of the Virginia conference, presided. Speakers included Mrs. Bragg, Mrs. Hillman and Dr. Thomas F. Carroll, district superintendent of the Richmond district. Following the dinner those assembled adjourned to the auditorium of the hotel for an address by Mrs. Bragg. In her soul stirring address Mrs. Bragg congratulated the women upon being members of the greatest organization in the world. Said she: "We are members of the great organization of 1,100,000 charter members of more than 20,000 societies. We should go out and try to win more than 2,000,000 more potential members. The women have developed the greatest missionary organization and have, with John Wesley, the world as our parish. There are 800 missionaries in foreign lands and 1200 deaconesses in the United States. We are making more money than 20 years ago. What are we doing with it? Are we helping those who really need it? Go out into the churches and secure your share of women who should be sharing in the great missionary program of the church.

### 5,560 CHARTER SOCIETIES

At the organization meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service Southeastern Jurisdiction in Richmond, Va., it was revealed that the 17 conferences of the jurisdiction have a total number of 5,560 charter societies with 218,026 charter members. This does not, of course, include those societies which were organized after the

date for the charter meetings had expired, which bring the total number of societies and members to a much larger number. A note of optimism and cheer was sounded when Mrs. J. W. Perry, president of the Woman's Missionary Council of the former M. E. Church, South, stated: "This is only a beginning of what we shall have." Conferences comprising the Southeastern Jurisdiction are: North Carolina, Western North Carolina, Alabama, North Alabama, South Carolina, Upper South Carolina, North Georgia, South Georgia, Mississippi, North Mississippi, Florida, Louisville, Holston, Kentucky, Tennessee, Memphis, Virginia.

### WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

The Wesleyan Service Guild is that part of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for employed women. It is a national organization. Miss Lela Norris is national secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. Speaking at the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference Miss Norris said: "The Guild gives business and professional women opportunities for service. There are secular organizations that do this, but how much better to use one's talents for the church. If there are only six employed women in a church there is a nucleus for a Wesleyan Service Guild." Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, is conference president of the Wesleyan Service Guild. She will be happy to hear from guilds now organized and to assist in getting others started.

### NEWPORT CHARGE STUDY CLASS

Under the direction of Mrs. Clyde S. Boggs the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Newport charge held a mission study class on December 6 at the home of Mrs. Leon F. Williams, president of the Riverdale society. The societies of Newport, Harlowe and Oak Grove were represented. Mrs. Boggs presided. Mrs. Williams led the devotional. Others taking part in the discussions were: Rev. Clyde S. Boggs, Mrs. Joel Davis, Mrs. Garland Lakey, Mrs. Cleve Williams. Each of the discussions were interesting and challenging. Picnic lunch was served in the dining room.—Mrs. Cleve Williams.

### WHITAKER WOMEN ORGANIZE

The women of the Whitaker Methodist church met on September 11 for the organization meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service with 32 charter members. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. G. F. Tucker; vice president, Mrs. W. P. Thompson; secretary, Mrs. A. A. Woodward; treasurer, Mrs. R. R. Bradley. After the installation service conducted by Rev. A. M. Williams, the following secretaries and standing committees were appointed: Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. J. Elmer Cutchin; young people and

children's work, Mrs. K. C. Knight; Christian education and service, Mrs. L. L. Draughn; literature and publications, Mrs. G. G. Mann; supplies, Mrs. J. S. Brown; spiritual life, Mrs. A. M. Williams; program, Mrs. W. P. Thompson; finance, Mrs. R. R. Bradley; membership, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin; publicity and printing, Mrs. W. T. Braswell; fellowship, Mrs. J. M. Cutchin. Two interesting meetings have been held. The week of prayer service was observed with two interesting papers on Scarritt College by Mrs. J. H. Cutchin and Mrs. Harry Moore.—Mrs. W. T. Braswell.

### ORANGE ZONE MEETS

The meeting of Orange zone, Durham district, was held at Walnut Grove church on October 27 with Mrs. T. A. Warren, zone leader, in charge. Mrs. S. F. Nicks, Cedar Grove, led the devotional. Mrs. J. M. Hawkins gave the welcome and Mrs. Allen Lloyd, Hillsboro, responded. Mrs. Smith, Hillsboro, and Mrs. T. A. Warren, Chapel Hill, led in a discussion of the county home. Mrs. A. M. Gates, Durham, talked on "Opportunities Offered and Benefits Derived from a Unified Program." Miss Florine Robertson Burlington, district secretary, gave an address on different phases of the work and presented the week of prayer. Mr. A. M. Gates, Durham, gave the closing thoughts, using as his topic, "In Union There Is Strength." Mr. Ellen, Duke University, pronounced the benediction.

### SAVE YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS

Japan and Korea can use your Christmas cards. As soon as you are through with them, remove the writing and send them to either: Miss Dora Wagner of Iai Jo Gakko, Hakodate, who can use them in the Y. W. C. A., young people's society, Sunday school, day nursery and smaller churches; or, to Dr. Alice Appenzeller, president emeritus of Ewha College, Seoul, Korea, who says: "I am sure you will be glad to know how much happiness your cards brought. There is not one left and we could have used more. Pretty greeting cards with the Christmas story, it is almost impossible to get here. First, we let the faculty and staff each take five cards. Then the students have their turn, and how eagerly they pounce upon them. I use some in teaching about Christmas customs in my English conversation class, to the girls' evident pleasure. Many are distributed in Sunday schools where students teach." Postage is 1½ cents for each two ounces up to four pounds. Mark "Printed matter, no commercial value."

### A CHINESE CHRISTIAN SPEAKS

Here are the words of a young Chinese Christian: "I am a loyal Chinese, willing to lay down my life for my country; but my first loyalty is to Christ and his kingdom. I am more Christian than Chinese. I hate Japan's policy in China, but I love Japanese people. We must remain loyal to each other in Christ and try to keep the lines of communication open. We must hold ourselves ready to start the work of reconstruction directly the guns are silent."—The Methodist Woman.



## THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

### STATE OF HEALTH

Our family has made a remarkably good health record this fall. Outside of usual hurts that come from accidents and play, comparatively few of our youngsters have had hospital experiences. To be sure, we did have a series of appendicitis operations, such usually coming in groups, but having got through with them we have had much cause for joy over the abounding good health of our youngsters. All the boys and girls are trying to stay well for Christmas. None of them is anxious to be in the infirmary when Santa Claus comes.

### STATE OF FINANCES

We are not so well off financially as we are physically. The drain on our finances exceeds the replenishments. But for the fine efforts of our friends in raising their Children's Home quota early in the year we would be in a right serious situation. We will be enabled to get through the calendar year without a deficit, but indications point to a serious deficit in the run of months. We understand, of course, that whatever quotas are paid early in the conference year will not be forthcoming later in the year. Our hope from our early and liberal paying friends is that they will continue their help through liberal fifth Sunday offerings.

### OUR NEW CONTRIBUTORS

Former members of the Methodist Episcopal Church joined in reasonably well last year in making payments to the Children's Home. To be sure, there were some congregations that did not pay anything. But some did. A beginning has been made by these friends on their payments this year. Since conference our friends who were formerly Methodist Protestants are beginning to make their payments. According to their custom, such payments are made by the month. Checks and money orders for small amounts continue to trickle in. We are very grateful for all receipts.

### BALANCE SHEET

We have paid \$4,114.71 to covering the entire operative deficit of the Methodist Protestant Children's Home of High Point to November 1, 1940. We have received 4,191.08 from the chairman of the board of trustees of the Methodist Protestant Children's Home, covering sale of certain lots, which, according to agreement, was to come to us. There is yet due \$4,495 in the form of notes and deeds of trust. If everything comes through as it should, it appears that in addition to the 97 children we have received, we will receive

a net cash balance of \$4,571.37. Settlement has not yet been made with the North Carolina Conference Orphanage officials.

### CHILDREN'S HOME SUNDAY

December brings a fifth Sunday, a Children's Home Sunday. This Sunday will come on the fourth day after Christmas. Our friends will not have completed their Christmas celebrations. Most of them will be feasting in plenty. We feel sure that they will also be feasting in the desire to continue their gifts to their foster family at the Children's Home. If for any reason the usual amount is not raised so soon after Christmas, it can be added to on succeeding Sundays until it is in keeping with the needs in the case. At any rate, another fifth Sunday is coming up. Contributions from this day will help us very materially in meeting our January bills.

### CHEERFUL TONES

The ten per cent apportionment bell continues to give out cheerful tones. We do not want for a moment, even in the midst of our appeals for needed help in the face of heavy expenditures, to forget that many of our friends are answering these appeals cheerfully and liberally. The tone of their letters and the amount of their checks serve to make us happy. Join with us in grateful thanks to the following congregations who, led by their pastors, have paid their entire apportionment during the past week:

Palm Tree, Fallston circuit, Rev. G. W. Clay.

Concord and Mt. Olivet, Coleridge circuit, Rev. T. J. Huggins.

Lowell and Bethesda, Lowell circuit, Rev. E. E. Snow.

Kadesh and St. Peter's, Belwood circuit, Rev. J. M. Morgan.

Ramseur, Ramseur-Franklinville, Dr. J. E. Pritchard.

Central, Shelby, Rev. G. B. Clemmer.

Cotton Grove, Linwood circuit, Rev. O. E. Croy.

Park Street, Belmont, Rev. E. H. Brendall.

Rehobeth and Randall, Norwood circuit, Rev. J. E. Rink.

First church, Morganton, Rev. Fletcher Nelson.

Randleman and Naomi, Randleman, Rev. I. L. Roberts.

Bethel, Greensboro, Rev. B. W. Lefler.

Cliffside, Cliffside-Avondale, Rev. T. R. Wolfe.

Plateau and Russell's Chapel, South Fork circuit, Rev. R. G. McClamrock.

### YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE

Six delegates, three boys and three girls, from each of the following institutions: Presbyterian Orphans' Home at Barium Springs, the Children's Home at Lexington, Mills Home at Thomasville, the Children's Home at High Point, Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh and the Children's Home at Winston-Salem, assembled with us last Friday evening and Saturday morning in the semi-annual meeting of the North Carolina Conference of Orphanage Young People. These young people have come to look upon these meetings as most happy and beneficial occasions. Their meetings are held in line with their own wish and without any adult supervision. A fine state of social comradeship is coming from their gatherings. The conference voted to admit into its membership the Hughes Memorial School, near Danville, Va. Officers of the conference are Sammy Jones, Methodist Orphanage, president, Jim Reed, the Children's Home, vice president, and Lucile Fowler, the Children's Home, secretary.

### WAGON DAYS

The picture herewith presented reminds us of the fact that our frying-size boys had just about as soon have a wagon as a gift from Santa Claus as anything else. Many requests have been forwarded to Santa Claus setting forth this desire. As the stockings are fastened to the chairs in circles about the Christmas trees in the various cottages there will be near them, if the future can be judged by the past, a number of wagons with tags upon them stating to what boy or group of boys the wagon is intended. Sometimes a group of boys will club together for

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Santa Claus believes that wagons are good for boys



## THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE



Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

**RELIEVING THE PRESSURE** — A large endowment for the Methodist Orphanage would lift the pressure off our churches. If our pastors and representative church members would suggest it to members who have means, they would cheerfully write the Methodist Orphanage in their wills. In the past a few of our pastors and leading laymen have put in some effective work along this line. I am suggesting that others do likewise.

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**SUGGESTION**—If it is not asking too much of the church and church school treasurers, I wish they would send me any Thanksgiving offerings that they may have on hand. Our fiscal year closes December 31, and for that reason I would like to have all the money that is coming to the Orphanage for this fiscal year. Our fiscal year is the same as the calendar year, and I feel confident that all the treasurers will be glad to co-operate with me in this important matter.

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**SANTA CLAUS** — Our youngsters are all excited about the coming of Christmas, which is just around the corner. On Christmas afternoon there will be a large Christmas tree in the Vann auditorium, with at least one present for every child in the home. The night before Christmas all the cottages will have their own Christmas trees, and the children in each cottage will have gifts for their little friends. A large number of friends throughout the conference are sending presents to children in the cottages. For all these tokens of love we give thanks.

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**TWO IN ONE**—I was most cordially received on a recent Sunday at Front Street Methodist church, and Davis

Street Methodist church in Burlington. I made a short talk in Front Street church just before Dr. Love began his sermon, and I was at the Davis Street church former Methodist Protestant church, and made a short talk in the interest of the Orphanage just at the conclusion of the sermon by Dr. Paschall. I did not speak more than three or four minutes at either of these churches. Front Street church is one of the most generous churches in the conference toward the Methodist Orphanage, and I was glad to have an opportunity to express my gratitude to the congregation. It was a joy to meet for the first time the Davis Street congregation, where I received a most brotherly welcome by Dr. Paschall and the members of his congregation. Already Davis Street church has remembered our Orphanage in a most generous way, for which I am deeply grateful.

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**CHRISTMAS**—The thought of Christmas is uppermost in the minds of everybody just now. How I do wish that all the churches and Sunday schools that have not remembered the Methodist Orphanage with Thanksgiving offerings would take advantage of either this coming Sunday, or the following Sunday, to remember our 300 fatherless children by taking a special offering. A very small per cent of the churches of the conference have sent Thanksgiving specials since the beginning of the new conference year. There are a large number of Sunday schools that for some reason or other have passed the Orphanage up during the Thanksgiving season. I know of no better time than this coming Sunday or the Sunday following, to remember our home by taking a special collection. At this date we have only received about \$4000 from Thanksgiving from the churches and Sunday schools. I had hoped that we could secure at least four times that amount by this time.

### PUT IN YOUR BIBLE

Here is a handy table which it would be well to cut out or copy for reference in your Bible studies:

A day's journey was about twenty-three and one-fifth miles.

A Sabbath day's journey was about an English mile.

A cubit was nearly twenty-two inches.

A hand's-breadth is equal to three and five-eighths inches.

A finger's-breadth is equal to one inch.

A shekel of silver was about 50 cents.

A shekel of gold was \$8.

A talent of silver was \$538.30.

A talent of gold was \$13,809.

A piece of silver, or a penny, was 13 cents.

A farthing was three cents.

A mite was less than a quarter of a cent.

A gerah was one cent.

An ephah, or bath, contained seven gallons and five pints.

A bin was a gallon and two pints.

An omer was six pints.

—Church Magazine.

Wear the old coat and buy the new book.—Austin Phelps.

**100,000 YEARLY USE IT**  
**PELOUBET'S SELECT NOTES**  
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## WORLD SERVICE SUNDAY

The November remittance for World Service amounted to \$1447.39. This is decidedly the largest fourth Sunday offering received for one month in several years. The number of schools reporting increased from 75 in October to 194 in November. Total contributions received increased from \$640.07 to \$1447.39. If the more than 900 hundred schools not now participating with a program and offering on World Service Sunday could be aligned with this new venture, the result would be a tremendous boost to general and conference benevolences.

### Sending the Offering

The church school offering on this occasion should be sent to the Rev. E. O. Cole, 1225 The Plaza, Charlotte, N. C. Brother Cole will give your church credit on the amount accepted for general and conference benevolences. The procedure for handling this money is for the church school treasurer to send the offering directly to Mr. Cole immediately after each fourth Sunday. This plan for remitting the offering and for receiving credit has been approved by Bishop Clare Purcell, E. O. Cole, conference treasurer, the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance, and the district superintendents. Failure to follow the plan as outlined may result in confusion and lack of credit on acceptances by your church.

### Planning the Program for Sunday, December 22, 1940

On page 700 of the Church School Magazine for December is a program suggested for Sunday, December 22, which may be adapted for use by some groups. Others will want to build theirs on service. Superintendents participating church schools have been sent copies of Here and There which contain a record of helpful materials that may be used in developing programs in all departments of the church school.

Early in the new year many of the church school periodicals will contain suggestions and program materials for use each fourth Sunday. A monthly leaflet known as World Vision (replacing Here and There) will be sent to superintendents of all participating church schools each month. On request this material will be sent to any person responsible for worship services on this special occasion in the church school.

### Educational Values

Providing information about the use of World Service money is most important. The children, young people, and adults have a right to know about the financial program of their church. Worship services in the church school, brief talks or occasional sermons at the 11 o'clock service, and programs by young people in their evening services, union meetings, and summer assemblies are indispensable if the best results are to be obtained. On page 3 of

the December World Outlook is a diagram showing the distribution of the general benevolent dollar. A similar chart concerning conference benevolences can be made available when the conference minutes are published.

### Asheville District

Both the number of churches and the amount contributed more than doubled in the Asheville district during November. The Swannanoa charge leads, with a contribution from every church. Brother Benfield is continuing this emphasis in his church schools in an excellent way.

### Charlotte District

In this district the number of schools increased from eight to 18 and the offering from \$65.80 to \$288.28. A unanimous response from every school on December 22 could easily show another similar growth.

### Elkin District

This district shows a gain over the previous month with 13 schools reporting \$40.58. Elkin, Wilkesboro, West Jefferson, and Mocksville seem to be leading. The Farmington charge also has a good record.

### Gastonia District

The Polkville charge leads this district with a contribution of \$27. The Lincoln circuit stands second with \$21.32. World Service in the church school seems to be fitting into the rural church program in a fine way. Brother Rhinehart and Brother Swofford are continuing this emphasis under the new plan.

### Greensboro District

Carraway Memorial and Bessemer lead district for November with Reidsville, Centenary, and Glenwood also making substantial progress.

### High Point District

Each of the 15 schools reporting from this district has a good record. The number of participating schools might easily be doubled on December 22.

### Marion District

Nine schools contributed \$31.70 in November. The Marion district usually stands closer to the top than this report shows. With a response from more of the larger churches the December report can easily be improved.

### Salisbury District

With 25 churches reporting \$258.51, this is perhaps the best district record for November. Every school in the district should participate. While this report shows only 25 of the 82 schools reporting, this district is leading the conference with the largest number and largest per cent of participating churches.

### Statesville District

Although only a small per cent of the schools are responding, the offering

for November was more than three times as much as in October. Twenty schools gave \$91.75.

### Waynesville District

The number of churches and the amount contributed were both more than doubled in November. Central, Canton, is leading again, but several other churches have good records also.

### Winston-Salem District

With 22 schools reporting in November, the Winston district stands third among the districts of the conference on the per cent of participating churches. This district has a record of being near the top in almost any enterprise.

### The Challenge of the Unattained

The percentages listed below indicate that only a small number of churches are responding in any district. Practically every church in the conference has a Sunday school. Most churches have assumed some amount for general and conference benevolences. This fourth Sunday emphasis provides a monthly opportunity to do something at this point. The number of churches now participating in any district or in the conference as a whole should be doubled before another quarter has passed.

The following tabulations show the per cent of schools participating and the total amount given by districts:

| Districts           | Pct. | Total    |
|---------------------|------|----------|
| Asheville .....     | 20%  | \$ 62.03 |
| Charlotte .....     | 20%  | 288.28   |
| Elkin .....         | 9%   | 40.58    |
| Gastonia .....      | 22½  | 160.14   |
| Greensboro .....    | 18%  | 112.13   |
| High Point .....    | 15%  | 165.81   |
| Marion .....        | 8%   | 31.70    |
| Salisbury .....     | 30%  | 258.51   |
| Statesville .....   | 21%  | 91.75    |
| Waynesville .....   | 12%  | 52.66    |
| Winston-Salem ..... | 19%  | 183.80   |

### CONFERENCE-WIDE RETREAT

On Saturday afternoon, November 30, district directors of youth work and union presidents from nine of the 11 districts of the conference met at Sunny Acres for a two day retreat. The time before supper was spent in hiking, playing ping pong, and getting acquainted. At seven o'clock Carl H. King called the group together for a discussion of last year's work, Epworth training conferences and other training work, summer activities, and intermediate work. Mr. King was assisted in this discussion by Earl Brewer, who spoke of a proposed seminar on leisure time activities, and of work with young adults.

At the close of this period a delightful hour of recreation was enjoyed under the leadership of Mary Margaret Johnson. Good night prayers were led by Viola Brigman. At eight o'clock Sunday morning the group met for morning devotions under the leadership of Max Henderlite.

The morning passed all too quickly as different phases of union work were discussed—council meetings, programs, recreation, budget, projects and retreats. Time was also spent on consideration of the district and conference-wide program, and how the un-



## METHODIST RURAL FELLOWSHIP MEETS

First meeting of the Methodist Rural Fellowship was held in connection with the National Forum of the American Country Life Association November 6-9 at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana. Persons attending from the Western North Carolina conference were Rev. Garland Stafford, Morganton circuit; Rev. Clegg Avett, Landis circuit; Rev. and Mrs. Earl Brewer, Board of Education.

Methodist Rural Fellowship is an informal, non-official group of ministers and laymen working with or interested in rural people. It was initiated at the recent session of the General Conference in Atlantic City by such a group of interested persons. Rev. Ralph M. Williamson, Ithaca, New York, is president of the Fellowship, and the following persons make up the advisory committee: Prof. C. M. McConnell, Boston University; Dr. A. J. Walton and Dr. A. H. Rapking, Board of Missions and Church Extension; Prof. R. A. Felton, Drew University; Dr. M. A. Dawber, Home Missions Council; and Prof. J. M. Ormond, Duke University.

In the Purdue meeting the following topics were discussed:

"An Adequate Ministry for an Adequate Church," "The Purpose and Functions of an Annual Conference Town and Country Commission," "The Rural Church Finds Its Voice."

In addition, there was a one-day session of the International Christian Rural Fellowship where such nationally known rural leaders as Dr. John H. Reisner, secretary International Christian Rural Fellowship; Dr. Thomas A. Tripp, secretary Department Town and Country Work, Federal Council of Churches; Dr. Mark Rich, secretary Department Town and Country Work, American Baptist Home Missions Society; and Father George Nell, priest of rural parish in Illinois, spoke.

### TEACH US TO PRAY

One day when Jesus had finished praying, one of his disciples said unto him: "Lord, teach us to pray as John also taught his disciples."

No doubt this disciple had felt the wonder, the beauty, the power and the majesty of those words which Jesus uttered. No doubt he had glimpsed the marvelous faith that caused him to speak in terms of thanksgiving for accomplishment for something that had not even been begun, as he spoke at the tomb of Lazarus before he had done anything or uttered a word: "I thank thee, O Father, that thou hast heard me, for thou hearest me always." Seeing something of the mighty power of the prayer of faith, this disciple turned to Jesus and said: "Lord, teach us to pray."

Today all over our country, people are saying that America needs a great spiritual awakening. Many of our greatest leaders—not only religious leaders, but newspaper editors, magazine writers, financial leaders, college professors, business men, and our political leaders are calling for such an awakening. Americans are asking, "How can we secure this spiritual awakening?" There is one answer and only one, no nation or individual has

ever received spiritual power except by long seasons of prayer and meditation.

The Methodist Church is well equipped with members, polity, training and finance, but we need more spiritual power. If united Methodism is to do its full share in the great spiritual awakening in America, it must itself know the things of the spirit—a knowledge that can come only through prayer. There is no limit as to what might be accomplished from such a great tidal stream of prayer as might come from the hearts of consecrated Methodists, on fire with zeal for the salvation of our country. Think of the marvelous results that followed the prayers and consecration of those sixty unordained preachers, who braved the winter winds to ride long miles on horseback to that meeting in Lovely Lane chapel in Baltimore at Christmas time in 1784, and who there pledged themselves to "reform the continent and spread Scriptural holiness over these lands!"

Think of the other great prayer meetings that have changed the history of the world! Do you know that—

1. The first modern missionary society was born in a prayer meeting?
2. American missions began when five young men prayed behind a haystack?
3. A prayer of an invalid woman started a great revival in England?
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5. The "Great Awakening" which swept America just before the dawn of 1800 was begun in a prayer meeting?

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## Sunday School Lesson

DECEMBER 22

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By Rollin H. Walker

Sharing Shepherds' Joy

Scripture: Luke 2:8-20

The wonders surrounding the birth of Jesus are not isolated and apart from history. They are not like a Christmas tree, nailed down to cross sticks in front of the grocery store. Preceding them had been the constant stretching out of the hand of God in all the previous history of Israel from the exodus onward. And what a marvel is that long line of inspired prophetic geniuses holding up the blazing torch amid the darkness, and proclaiming the coming of One whose name was to be Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace! If these wonders had not been followed by other wonders, it would have been unnatural.

Luke believed the Christmas stories with such perfect faith because, as his later book, The Acts, plainly suggests, he was a constant witness of the Spirit's power in the lives of those who had the same exalted conception of Christ that the Christmas stories suggest. He saw that God continually bore witness to the truth of the message by working mightily with its heralds.

Men keep on observing Christmas through the long centuries because Christ keeps on working wonders that add to humanity's sense of the significance of his birth.

The isolated Christmas stories are no place to stage a battle with skepticism, for, from the nature of the case, we can never prove or disprove them. Let us fight our battle on the ground of the total impression that Jesus makes upon us, on his direct appeal to everything good within us, on the whole history of Christianity, and on the fact that the adventure of faith in him is always rewarded with peace and power in the life of the individual, and with multiplied power when a whole community unites in the adventure.

### The Background for Visions

Someone asks, Why do not men have visions of angels and hear angelic voices today? If the shepherds had read the evening paper as long as light lasted, searched the market reports for the price of sheep, read the political gossip and all the sporting news, and finished up on the "funnies" and then when night fell if they had turned on their portable radios and listened to jazz music and advertisements of toothpaste and cigarettes far into the night, they would not have heard the song of the angels. The typical modern does not have the background for seeing mystic visions any more than these shepherds would have had the background for going into Edison's laboratory and inventing the phonograph.

We can be sure that in the long quiet night the shepherds were accustomed to worship under the stars, and to sing together the psalms of David. Thus they were prepared for a vision. Modern psychology knows of multiplied instances today where men and women wholly given up to the things of God have seen visions, and, like Joan of Arc, have heard voices. If we would tune in on heaven, we must have our radio tubes in good condition, and adjust ourselves to the proper wave length.

Of course, these stories are in poetical form. Let us thank God that they are not in the bald prose of a modern critical scholar, which often bears about as much relation to reality as a dead fish preserved in alcohol in a museum bears to the finny beauty as he whisks his tail in the pool amid the sunbeams.

How unexpected was the manner of the divine manifestation! They were to find the Babe cradled in a manger from which perchance some donkey was accustomed to eat his ration of straw. Think of it! the imperial King born in a stable!

And why did not the angels go to the learned teachers of Messianic prophecy at Jerusalem rather than to these humble shepherds who were not thought much of by the rabbis, because their work kept them from going to the synagogue as much as was proper? It was as though a message from God today, instead of being communicated to the preachers' meeting, should be sent to the night shift in a cotton mill.

### "And This Shall Be a Sign"

If, like the shepherds, we go to seek for the promised manifestation of Christ in human life, let this also be a sign to us, that we shall find it in the most unlikely places.

We are told that when the shepherds found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger, they returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, even as it was spoken unto them. And well may we also glorify and praise God, for we have heard not only the story of the shepherds but the story of the life and ministry of Jesus. We have heard of his sacrifice on the cross for our sins, and his resurrection on the third day. We have heard of the marvelous descent of the Spirit at Pentecost, according to his promise, thus proving that the risen Christ had ascended to power. We have heard the story of the saints and heroes who in his name through all the centuries have gone everywhere proclaiming the good news in dark places, and seeing abundant fruits for their labors.

### Light from the Face of Christ

And we have not only heard great things but we have seen them with our own eyes. We have seen facts that amid great tribulation have been transformed by the light that shone from the face of Christ. We have seen brave men going out daily to unselfish tasks in his name. We have seen the happy children of the poor on their way to schools supported by communities that had been touched with his Spirit. We have seen troops of eager Boy Scouts under skillful Christian leadership. (Continued on page 23)

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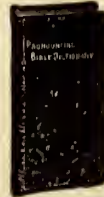
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## MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

By Ruby Hewitt Brown

All the world loves Christmas! The thrill and bustle of getting ready for it; the Christmas giving; the Christmas shopping; the decorating; the baking; all the plannin! The Christmas spell will soon be upon us—starry-blue nights; jingling sleigh-bells; carol singing; old legends re-read from favorite books; an atmosphere pent with the spirit of Dickens' most-beloved tale; reminders of old times, old friends!

Truly Christmas is a magical word. It is a celebration set apart from any other of the year. Its doings are childhood's own, and we grown-ups enjoy it all because we are really children at heart. It has been stated that Schopenhauer, the most cynical of all the world's cynics, once admitted that the smile from a child—any child—was worth fifty lectures from the greatest philosopher that ever lived.

"The smile from a child." How fraught with meaning are these words at Christmas time. "Christmas!" Its very meaning is "adoration of the Christ-child." What a glow of warmth there should come into the hearts of all humanity! What happiness the thought of it should bring in this age, when the pursuit of happiness is frankly acknowledged to be the overwhelming and universal urge. What kindness should permeate the being of millions—what thoughtfulness, what love for our fellow-creatures, especially those not so fortunate as we are!

But, alas! the real Christmas spirit has become almost a myth in the minds of many, swallowed up as it were in commercialism, smothered by the too-fast-grounded custom of "exchanging" Christmas gifts or cards with friends; by orgies of last-minute shopping; by the suffering of clerks, who measure the Christmas spirit by aching backs, swimming heads, and quaking legs.

Christmas, as we have said, belongs by right to childhood. Can we not this year as never before, impress upon our children the magical meaning of the word—the idea of the adoration of the Christ-child? Can we not inspire their eager eyes to follow with awe the glistening camel-tracks of the Wise Men across the pathless desert, gleaming white in the starry night, to the manger where lies the Babe; so that they, in spirit, bend their knees, too, before the sleeping infant, and hold out in their hands gifts of love?

### ALTON'S DIME

"I found a dime! I found a dime!" cried Alton, running into the house to show the bright coin to his mother. "Mamma, may I spend it right away for candy?"

"Is it your dime, dear?" asked Mrs. Kile.

## WHEN CHRISTMAS ROLLS AROUND

O what a jolly feeling  
When Christmas rolls around,  
When holly decks the ceiling  
And merry sleigh bells sound!  
What fun it is to scurry  
Out in the falling snow  
While footsteps past us hurry,  
A-crunching as they go!

The faces all are beaming,  
And everybody's gay,  
As mid the winter gleaming  
We near the happy day.  
At last, on Christmas morning,  
We're up at six o'clock,  
While presents hand adorning  
Or bulging from the sock.

How glorious and jolly  
To cut the strings apart,  
With boxes all in holly  
To thrill a fellow's heart  
And when it's time for dinner,  
We dine in merry cheer.  
Yes, Christmas is the winner  
Of all the happy year!

—Lindsay George Lucas, in Christian Advocate.

"Why, yes, mamma. All the boys say finding is keeping," said the little boy, in surprise.

"Maybe someone will come to claim it. Where did you find it?"

"Out in front of the house on the walk. It's only a little bit of money, so no one will want it. Once papa lost a whole quarter on his way to the train, and he just said, 'Never mind,' when Mr. Carson wanted to go back with him to look for it."

"Put the dime on the table until after a while, Alton," said Mrs. Kile. "I am busy just now. Did you ask anyone who passed about losing money?"

"No. I brought it right into the house. I wish I could spend it now, mamma. Anything on our walk belongs to us, doesn't it?"

But his mother had gone into the kitchen and he had to put the dime on the table. He thought of the candy he could get with that money, and then some marbles at the store; still he could not decide just what he wanted to do.

In the midst of trying to make up his mind he saw Ben Adler going past, looking carefully at the ground as he walked, and the little boy in the house turned his head away quickly. "Ben Adler is the meanest boy in town," he said to himself. "It just serves him right if he lost the dime."

Alton did not go out in the yard until he was sure Ben had gone past, but when he did he found Tom Parks wait-

ing for him with a pretty little white rabbit in his arms.

"See here, Alton, what I found," he cried. "It was over in our pasture nibbling clover and I picked it right up. Won't it make a fine pet?"

"It's Nellie Reed's bunny," said Alton, looking it over carefully. "I wonder how it got out?"

"It's mine!" said Tom. "Finding's keeping, isn't it? I'm going to build a nice pen for it right away."

"It's mean and wicked to keep things that don't belong to you," began Alton, and then his face turned very red. Ben Adler was coming along the walk again looking carefully at the ground, and Alton ran quickly into the house for the dime.

"What are you looking for, Ben?" he asked.

"Lost a dime," said the big boy, without looking up. "It slipped out of a hole in my pocket."

"Here it is!" cried Alton, forgetting all about candy and marbles. "I found it a little while ago."

"I guess I'll take the rabbit back to Nellie," said Tom. "I think your way is best."

Nellie was so glad to get her bunny back that she hugged and petted it and finally sat down and cried for joy. Tom, too, was very happy; far happier than he would have been if he had kept it.—Selected.

## TO THE CHRIST-CHILD

Dear Baby Christ within the manger lay,

I'd like to come to you on Christmas day.

I'm just a little girl, but maybe size  
Won't matter by your cradle. Are your eyes

Quite blue like mine, or are they deep dark brown?

And would you wink them when my head stooped down,

And double up your little fists and smile?

Perhaps they'd let me watch a little while;

I would be very still; I'd keep you warm,

And guard you till you slept, safe from all harm—

(If I were 'way out there in Bethlehem)

While your mother Mary talked to them—

Those three Wise Men—the way I do at home

With little brother when grown callers come.

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#### DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hebbs, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                                                                       | December |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Eno, 7:30                                                             | 19       |
| Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11                                        | 22       |
| Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3                                          | 22       |
| Graham, 11                                                            | 29       |
|                                                                       | January  |
| Milton, Milton, 10                                                    | 3        |
| Leasburg, Leasburg, 2:30                                              | 3        |
| Yanceyville, Prospect, 10                                             | 4        |
| Saxapahaw, Concord, 11                                                | 5        |
| Mebane, Central, 7:30                                                 | 5        |
| District Missionary Institute, Duke Memorial Church,<br>Durham, at 10 | 7        |
| Trinity, 7:30                                                         | 7        |
| Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 10                                       | 9        |
| Bynum, Bynum, 2:30                                                    | 9        |
| Bahama, Mt. Sylvan, 11                                                | 12       |
| Roxboro Ct., Ca-Vel, 3                                                | 12       |
| Mt. Tirzah, Helena, 10                                                | 14       |
| Rougenont, Union Grove, 2:30                                          | 14       |
| Davis Street, 7:30                                                    | 15       |
| Duke Ct., Duke Chapel, 11                                             | 19       |
| Branon, 11                                                            | 26       |

#### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                                | December |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Hay Street, 11                 | 22       |
| Parkton, Marvin, 2             | 22       |
| Raeford, 7:30                  | 22       |
|                                | January  |
| Laurel Hill, Snead's Grove, 11 | 5        |
| St. John's, 3                  | 5        |
| Hamlet, 7                      | 5        |
| Rockingham, 11                 | 12       |
| Rockingham Ct., Zion, 3        | 12       |
| Ellerbe, Norman, 7             | 12       |
| Siler City, 11                 | 19       |
| Siler City Ct., 3              | 19       |
| Goldston, 7                    | 19       |
| Laurinburg, 11                 | 26       |
| Robedel, St. Paul, 3           | 26       |
| Caledonia, Central, 7          | 26       |
|                                | February |
| Troy, 11                       | 2        |
| Troy Ct., 3                    | 2        |
| West End, 7                    | 2        |
| Jonesboro, Lemon Springs, 11   | 9        |
| Proadway, Morris Chapel, 3     | 9        |
| Carthage, 7                    | 9        |
| Mt. Gilead, 11                 | 16       |
| Mt. Gilead Ct., Wadesboro, 3   | 16       |

#### ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

B. B. Slaughter, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                                     | December |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Wanchese, night                     | 20       |
| Kinnakeet, Avon, 11                 | 22       |
| Hatteras, night                     | 22       |
|                                     | January  |
| Stumpy Point-Dare, Stumpy Point, 11 | 5        |
| Manteo, night                       | 5        |
| Kitty Hawk, 11                      | 12       |
| Hertford, night                     | 12       |
| Aulander, 11                        | 19       |

|                 |    |
|-----------------|----|
| Edenton, night  | 19 |
| Columbia, 11    | 26 |
| Creswell, 3     | 26 |
| Plymouth, night | 26 |

|                                          | February |
|------------------------------------------|----------|
| Bellhaven, Trinity, 11                   | 2        |
| Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3                   | 2        |
| Swanquarter-Fairfield, Providence, night | 2        |
| Washington, 11                           | 9        |
| Bath, night                              | 9        |
| Gatesville, 11                           | 16       |
| South Camden, Perkins, night             | 16       |
| Roper, 11                                | 23       |

#### RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                                                | December |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 11                  | 22       |
| Creedencor, Banks, 3                           | 22       |
| Louisburg, 7:30                                | 22       |
| Raleigh, Hayes-Bartou, 11                      | 29       |
|                                                | January  |
| Raleigh, Fairmont                              | 1        |
| District Missionary Institute, Edenton St., 10 | 2        |
| Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11                    | 5        |
| Stem, Stem, 7:30                               | 5        |
| District Missionary Institute, Edenton St., 10 | 7        |
| Franklinton, 7:30                              | 8        |
| Newton Grove, Newton Grove, 11                 | 11       |
| Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11                       | 12       |
| Benson, Benson, 7:30                           | 12       |
| Smithfield, 7:30                               | 15       |
| Tar River, Kittrell, 11                        | 19       |
| Louisburg Ct., Hill-King, 3                    | 19       |
| Oxford, 7:30                                   | 19       |
| Enquay, Fuquay, 7:30                           | 22       |

#### ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                        | January |
|------------------------|---------|
| Warrenton, 11          | 4       |
| Warren, Providence, 11 | 5       |
| Norlina, 3             | 5       |
| Middleburg, 7:30       | 5       |
| Weldon, 7:30           | 8       |
| Farmville, 11          | 12      |
| Walstonburg, 3         | 12      |
| Nashville, 7:30        | 12      |
| Roanoke Rapids, 11     | 19      |
| Cowway, Bethany, 3     | 19      |
| Jackon, 7:30           | 19      |
| Rich Square, 11        | 26      |
| McKendree, Pinetops, 3 | 26      |
| Tarboro, 7:30          | 26      |

#### WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., Wilmington, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                                                | December |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Whiteville, 11                                 | 29       |
| Wilmington, Epworth, night                     | 29       |
|                                                | January  |
| Hallsboro, Wananish, 11                        | 5        |
| Carvers Creek, Council, night                  | 5        |
| Fairmont, Trinity, 11                          | 12       |
| Lumberton Ct., Buies, night                    | 12       |
| St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 11                       | 19       |
| Elizabeth, Clarkton, night                     | 19       |
| Roseboro, Bethel, 11                           | 26       |
| Clinton, night                                 | 26       |
|                                                | February |
| Falson-Kenansville, Kenansville, 11            | 2        |
| Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, night                 | 2        |
| Maysville, Maysville, 11                       | 9        |
| Swansboro, Queens Creek, 3                     | 9        |
| Jacksonville-Richlands, Jacksonville, night    | 9        |
| Tabor City, St. Pauls, 11                      | 16       |
| Chadbourn, Chadbourn, night                    | 16       |
| Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11                 | 23       |
| Pembroke Parish (Indian work), First Church, 3 | 23       |
| Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, night                | 23       |

## Western North Carolina Conference

#### ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., Asheville, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                                | December |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Etawah, Etawah, 11             | 22       |
| Hendersonville, 7              | 22       |
| Brevard, 11                    | 29       |
| Rosman, Oak Grove, 3           | 29       |
|                                | January  |
| Fairview, Bethany, 11          | 5        |
| Hillside Street, 7             | 5        |
| Fletcher, Fletcher, 11         | 12       |
| Merrimon Avenue, 7             | 12       |
| Leicester-Bell, Bell, 11       | 19       |
| Oakley, 7                      | 19       |
| Leicester-Grace, Leicester, 11 | 26       |
| Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3       | 26       |
|                                | February |
| Marshall, Marshall, 11         | 2        |
| Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 3    | 2        |
| Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11       | 9        |
| Black Mountain, 7              | 9        |
| Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11  | 16       |
| Weaverville, 7                 | 16       |
| Ivy, Laurel, 11                | 23       |
| West Asheville, 7              | 23       |

#### CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bend, D.S., 110 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                               | December |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Hickory Grove, 11             | 22       |
| Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3    | 22       |
| Derita, 7:30                  | 22       |
| Thrift-Moore, Moores, 11      | 29       |
| Ansonville, Ansonville, 7:30  | 29       |
| Wadesboro, 7:30               | 29       |
|                               | January  |
| Monroe, Central, 11           | 5        |
| First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 | 8        |

#### GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                                           | December |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|
| Lincolnton Ct., 11                        | 15       |
| Crouse, 3                                 | 15       |
| Lincolnton, Bess Chapel, Lincolnton, 7:30 | 15       |
| Cherryville, First Church, 7:30           | 18       |
| Polkville, 11                             | 22       |
| Shelby Ct., Sharon, 3                     | 22       |
| Shelby, Lafayette St., 7:30               | 22       |
| Stanley, Iron Station, 11                 | 29       |
| Dallas, High Shoals, 7:30                 | 29       |
|                                           | January  |
| Bessemer City, Concord, 11                | 5        |
| Cherryville Ct., Bethlehem, 3             | 5        |
| Boger City, 7:30                          | 5        |
| Shelby, Central, 7:30                     | 6        |
| Bradley Memorial, Myrtle Chapel, 11       | 12       |
| Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30               | 12       |
| Falston, 11                               | 19       |
| Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 7:30                  | 19       |

#### GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., 508 Summit Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                          | December |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Grace, 11                | 22       |
| Rothel-St. Andrews, 3    | 22       |
| Stoneville-Mayodan, 7:30 | 22       |
| Draper, 11               | 29       |
| Spray, 5                 | 29       |
| Leaksville, 7:30         | 29       |

#### MARION DISTRICT

J. C. Cerne't, D.S., 29 W. Fort St., Marion, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                               | December |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 11 | 22       |
| Marion Mills, E. Marion, 7:30 | 22       |
| Glen Alpine, 11               | 29       |
| McDowell, Snow Hill, 3        | 29       |
| Morganton, First, 7:30        | 29       |
|                               | January  |
| Rutherfordton, 11             | 5        |
| Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3     | 5        |
| Cliffside, Cliffside, 7:30    | 5        |
| Spindale, 11                  | 12       |
| Broad River, Kistlers, 3      | 12       |
| Pleasant Grove, 7:30          | 12       |
| Forest City, 11               | 19       |
| Gilkey, Gilboa, Gilboa, 3     | 19       |
| Marion, First, 7:30           | 19       |
| Old Fort, 11                  | 26       |
| Old Fort Ct., Piney Grove, 3  | 26       |

#### SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                              | December |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Salisbury, First, 11         | 22       |
| Mt. Olivet, 11               | 29       |
|                              | January  |
| China Grove, 11              | 4        |
| Woodleaf, Gay's Chapel, 7:30 | 4        |

#### STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.

##### FIRST ROUND

|                                  | December |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Newton, First Church, 11         | 15       |
| Statesville Ct., Bethel, 2:30    | 15       |
| N. Newton, night                 | 15       |
| Statesville, Broad St., 11       | 22       |
| Union Grove-Zion, Mt. View, 2:30 | 22       |
| Olin, night                      | 29       |
| Harmeny, 11                      | 29       |
| Statesville, Boulevard, night    | 29       |

#### WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem

##### FIRST ROUND—IN PART

|                                   | December |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Walkertown, Love's, 11            | 22       |
| West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 3    | 22       |
| Rural Hall, 7:30                  | 22       |
| Winston-Salem Ct., Pisgah, 11     | 29       |
| North Davidson, Mt. Pleasant, 3   | 29       |
| Kernersville, South Winston, 7:30 | 29       |
|                                   | January  |
| Mt. Airy Ct., Salem, 11           | 5        |
| Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain, 3 | 5        |
| Walnut Cove, Stokesburg, 7:30     | 5        |
| Rockford Street, 11               | 12       |
| Pinnacle, 3                       | 12       |
| Oak Summit, Shiloh, 7:30          | 12       |
| Thomasville Ct., Prospect, 11     | 19       |
| Thomasville, West End, 3          | 19       |
| Louisville, 7:30                  | 19       |
| Lexington, First Church, 11       | 26       |
| Green Street, 7:30                | 26       |
|                                   | February |
| Centenary, 11                     | 2        |
| Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 3           | 2        |
| Ogburn Memorial, 7:30             | 2        |
| Thomasville, Community, 11        | 9        |
| Welcome, 3                        | 9        |
| Central Terrace, 7:30             | 9        |

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The shadow is not yet lifted which fell over our community on November 20 when the gentle spirit of Mrs. James T. Smith passed to the great beyond.

When some useful person whose life has brightened all with whom that life has touched is called away, then, and not until then, can we form a true estimate of that person's life.

In no place outside of her home will she be so sadly missed as in her church and Sunday school class, which she had faithfully taught for 16 (or 18) years. Her beautiful interpretations of the messages from the Bible will be of lasting inspiration to her co-workers in Christian service.

It is then but a faint expression to say we share deeply in the sorrow of her husband and children.

Therefore be it resolved: That while we bow in humble submission to divine power, we realize a vancancy which will be difficult to fill. That as we grieve we shall endeavor to "carry on" and will strive to follow her teachings and example.

That her leaving has made heaven nearer "as journeying friends bring distant countries near."

That a copy of these resolutions shall be sent to the family and a copy recorded in our Sunday school and church records, the local paper, and N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. Ethel H. Spencer,  
Mrs. Kathryn M. Roberson,  
Mrs. J. F. Moore.

**JORDAN**—In sad but loving remembrance of our sister, Mrs. Ormond Jordan, age 61, who departed this life one year ago December 12. She quietly fell asleep at the home of her only daughter, Mrs. Guy Mears, Columbia, S. C., to wake no more on this earth. Mrs. Jordan's home was in Kinston, where she was a member of Queen Street Methodist church. Her funeral was conducted by Rev. A. S. Parker in Kinston and burial was in the family cemetery, next to the grave of her husband, Jim W. Jordan, who left this life 23 years ago. Mrs. Jordan is survived by three sons, James and Frank, Kinston, and John B. Jordan, Wilmington; one daughter, Mrs. Mears; one grandson, Frank Jordan, Jr.; her mother, Mrs. Sue Ormond; two brothers, W. H. and J. A. Ormond of Dover, and several nieces and nephews.

"The lights are out in the mansion of clay,  
The curtains are drawn, for the dweller is away;  
She silently stepped over the threshold by night  
To make her abode in the city of light."

Mrs. W. H. Ormond.

**HICKS**—In the passing of H. B. Hicks the Rehobeth Methodist church lost one of its oldest and most faithful members. For more than 60 years he had been a member of this church and for 40 years a regular and influential member of the quarterly conference. Brother Hicks also served as lay delegate to the annual conference on several occasions. In the general life of the community he was respected and honored as a man of integrity and wisdom. His death occurred during the recent Wilmington conference. The funeral was held in Christ Methodist church, Henderson, on Friday afternoon, November 8, and burial was made in the Henderson city cemetery. He is survived by the wife, Mrs. Minnie Parham Hicks, and a son, Jasper Hicks of Henderson. To these we extend our sympathy and prayers in their time of sorrow and bereavement.  
J. P. Pegg.

# CHILDREN'S HOME (Continued from page 16)

a wagon, knowing that Santa Claus cannot bring one to each boy. Christmas will bring many joys to our family, among them being the wagon joy to a number of our boys.

## THE LIGHTED TREE

Our big spruce tree in front of the Administration building is lighted again. Our entire family gathered around this tree at six o'clock Sunday evening, December 15, in the singing of carols as the lights were turned on. Under the direction of Miss Cody Hipps the glee club sang in antiphonal fashion and then the entire family sang. It was about the singiest time one ever sees or hears. The dampness of the evening and the coldness of the atmosphere failed to hinder the voices of 400 warm-hearted orphans as they sang about the birth of Jesus.

## IT WILL

Rev. George B. Clemmer, pastor of Central, Shelby, writes as follows: "Enclosed you will find check for \$400, our ten per cent apportionment offering. This is a \$40 increase over last year. We trust that it will be acceptable to you and will do its bit to light the Christmas candles of cheer, good will, and joy in the hearts of your staff and each child at the Home."

# BOARD OF EDUCATION (Continued from page 18)

ions, district directors and conference staff could all work together for the advancement of youth work in the local church. The meeting closed with a devotional service led by Miss Hyda Heard.

Those present at the retreat were: Mrs. Connie Cope, Mary Margaret Johnson, Margaret McGimsey, Ruth Keeter, Mrs. Laura Willard, Peggy Royal, Mrs. Van M. Dillon, Jr., Dora McSwain, Polly Pressly, Pauline Webb, Viola Brigman, Mary Louise Lumsden, Mrs. John F. Kirk, Marshal Mills, Max Henderlite, Ernest Brewer, George Stine, George I. Moore, Jr., Harold Hipps, E. C. Gerringer, Carl H. King, and D. C. Brewer.

During the Christmas holidays the program committee, consisting of the conference officers will meet to plan for the summer assemblies.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON Continued from page 20

We have seen the tall and beautiful structures of the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations, and have gone through the wards of fine hospitals where Christian nurses and doctors were ministering to rich and poor alike in the name of Jesus. And above all, we have seen Christian homes where womanhood is honored and courtesy and love reign supreme.

If the shepherds had cause to glorify God for the coming of Jesus, how much more we! And we would have still more abundant cause if we only followed fully in his footsteps.—Christian Advocate.

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| 11:47 AM Lv. | Hertford          | Ar. 2:35 PM  |
| 12:12 AM Lv. | Edenton           | Ar. 2:15 PM  |
| 1:02 PM Lv.  | Plymouth          | Ar. 1:25 PM  |
| 2:06 PM Lv.  | Washington        | Ar. 12:15 PM |
| 3:07 PM Lv.  | Greenville        | Ar. 11:17 AM |
| 4:27 PM Lv.  | Wilson            | Ar. 9:53 AM  |
| 4:52 PM Lv.  | Bailey            | Ar. 9:20 AM  |
| 5:04 PM Lv.  | Middlesex         | Ar. 9:08 AM  |
| 5:18 PM Lv.  | Zebulon           | Ar. 8:55 AM  |
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AND THERE WERE IN THE SAME COUNTRY shepherds lying out in the field, and keeping watch over their flock by night. And lo, an angel of the Lord came upon them and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and

they were sore afraid. And the angel said to them, Fear not; for behold I bring you glad tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For to you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you; ye shall find the babe, wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest; and on earth peace; good will toward men.

AND WHEN THE ANGELS WERE GONE AWAY from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us go to Bethlehem, and see this thing which is done, which the Lord hath made known to us. And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger. And having seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning the child. (*Luke 2: 1-17.*)

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